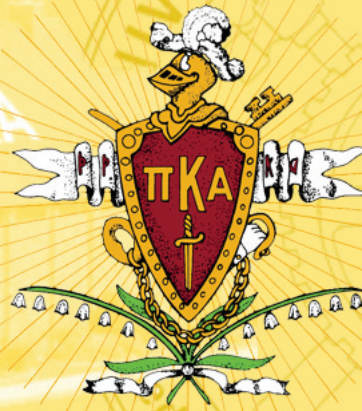


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# President's Desk



SMC: Joseph Grier (AK '03)

Alpha Kappa has been extremely successful in recent years, as illustrated at the 2005 Officer's Leadership conference this past summer in Memphis, TN. Alpha Kappa received its **second consecutive Smythe**, a distinguished honor in itself. In addition, AK was acknowledged for its efforts in

other areas by receiving Campus Involvement, Scholarship, and International Work Day awards. About one month into the semester, we received further news that we were granted **House of the Quarter** honors.

Rush Chairmen Ryan Hiestand and Rob Lichtenberg worked with their team of rush captains to produce a strong, solid pledge class for fall 2005. Pledge educator Dylan Gaisford had the privilege of leading these 20 fine men through their pledgeship this semester.

Special events chairman Ryan Eller and Greek week chairman Ryan Nuef organized the efforts for Greek Week 2005. AK's 100% participation was rewarded throughout the week by placing first in several main events, including show chariot, top 10 list, and overall idi-odysseys. The unbreakable devotion and perseverance paid off when Pi Kappa Alpha, for the first time in four years, was crowned the overall Greek Week winner by an unprecedented 49 points.

David Hill and Kurt Haslag headed the centennial committee and worked tirelessly in preparation for this year's Homecoming, marking Alpha Kappa's 100th anniversary. The Alpha Kappa Educational Foundation announced over \$16,000 in scholastic and leadership scholarships at the Saturday night banquet, attended by over 500

people including international president, Allen Groves, along with national officers, Eddie Scott and Ben Zitek. It was exciting to watch alumni and actives exchange stories, reliving the 100 years of excellence that Alpha Kappa represents.

Pi Kappa Alpha at UMR remains the largest house on campus with 113 men. To manage the size and maintain strong brotherhood, we rented a facility (recently redone by UMR) at 10th and Pine that is capable of housing 39 men. The men at this facility eat at the house and visit regularly. The size has also allowed the Chapter to get their financial house in order. THC Chaz Blaschke strictly enforced the budget and implemented policies to encourage timely payment. Over the next year, we will be working diligently to reduce the accounts receivable attributed to alumni and members.

From tutoring children to sending 46 men to a Methodist day camp for the weekend, the men of AK have kept up the tradition of donating time and service to the community. With over 6,000 hours this semester, community service chairman Andrew Arnold has us well on our way to our 12,000 hour goal for the year.

I would also like to thank all alumni for the continued support of our Chapter and its entities. We hope you enjoy the new look of the *Kapers*! Please let us know your thoughts. We look forward to seeing you at Founder's Day.

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Joseph Grier (AK '03)

## Chapter

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Alumni: Lance Weinmann - lwwz82@umr.edu

## *Ramsay's Corner*

We held our regular Monday night chapter meeting on November 28, 2005. At that meeting, we took some time to think about all the men that have gone before. And, perhaps more importantly, the ones yet to come in the next hundred years. I told the Brothers that they were now the "Founders" for the next century of Alpha Kappa. Before the meeting, I sent the following message to the Actives and Pledges. I don't think I could say it any better:

November 28, 2005 – Happy Birthday AK

Brothers,

Tonight we will meet for our regular Monday night chapter meeting.  
Tonight we will install a new SMC and slate of Executive Officers.  
Tonight the Chapter will meet in coats and ties and celebrate 100 Years of Brotherhood.

We meet tonight because for the last 100 years our Brothers have been faithful to those yet to come - you. They have been good and decent and honest men who struggled with the same issues and trials you now face. The only real difference is the style of clothing and perhaps technical content of your studies. We are very fortunate for our Brothers who were loyal and lived a life of phi phi kappa alpha - if they had not done so, we would not be able to meet here tonight.

We seem to concentrate on the seven men who founded Alpha Kappa, and we should be grateful to them. But let's not forget the hundreds of men who have served this Chapter in humility and with modesty - the men who we as Brothers of Alpha Kappa should strive to emulate. Men who were dependable, men who were honest, men who were modest, men who invested their lives and their love in the Brotherhood of Alpha Kappa. Men who became better men because of it.

So tonight let's pause to remember all the young men who passed through this Chapter and changed it forever and changed it for the good.

Be one of those men.

There are guys you don't even know, who are depending on it.

So, to chalk up burgers, paddle fights, beer slides. To Betty's scuttlebutt, to pudding races, to getting called onto the carpet and being on secret probation (yes we really were!). To St. Pat's, to green-sheets, to retreats at Wolf's cabin and to digging up shillelaghs at Ramsay's. To walkout, to Big Brothers, to pledge class reunions, to call-down. To chit chat and killing dead horses. To loyalty and integrity. To men worthy of our regard. Here's to Pi Kappa Alpha.

Here's to you, Brothers of Alpha Kappa.

In Phi Phi Kappa Alpha,  
Your Friendly Neighborhood Chapter Advisor.

We stand on the shoulders of and side by side with great men. The values within our ritual are the same values we Alpha Kappa Brothers have held most dear for the last 100 years. And, as we all live up to those values, as we remember the promises we made and that the destiny of PiKA rests with us, all of us Active and Alumni together - a hundred years from now our Alpha Kappa Brothers will be celebrating, holding our values dear, and living lives in phi phi kappa alpha.

Chris Ramsay  
Chapter Advisor

## Pikes Dominate Greek Week 2005

Alpha Kappa brought home the 2005 Greek Week trophy by taking first place overall. The week was a great success for the chapter, proving once again that we are the best fraternity on campus. The house competed in several different events including opening and closing games, banner and float competitions, carnival booth, blood drive, and other small events. Our winning float, a 16 foot tall rendition of the "Trojan Horse", helped us to secure our first place finish. This year, Joe Grier (AK '03) represented the house as the Greek Week God "Poseidon", providing the extra motivation to win.



Greek Week 2005 Float Winner  
A Trojan Horse



Participating In Tug Of War At  
Greek Week Games



Brothers Harrouff, Rottler, & Neuf  
Working On The Banner

## Chalk The Walk

This past October, Student Council hosted an event called Chalk The Walk. Multiple student organizations created designs to be drawn on the sidewalk outside the Havener Center. Brothers Binz, Kirby, and Swagmann chalked the coat arms, flanked by a banner celebrating our 100 years on campus.



Student Council's Chalk The Walk:  
Drawn By: John Binz (AK '05), Ben Swagmann (AK '04), and  
William Kirby (AK '04)

## UMR Homecoming

One week after Greek Week, the House took third overall and first among fraternities in Homecoming. Tom Qualls (AK '01) and Chi Omega Lauren Etheridge, our Homecoming king and queen candidates, both won the crown for the Pikes.





# Rush

## Preparing For Spring Rush

The Rush Chairmen of Alpha Kappa, David Hill (AK '04) and Joel Schrenk (AK '04), are working diligently to ensure another successful spring pledge class that will continue our dominance on the UMR campus. Previous AK rush chairmen have established a high recruitment precedence in the spring, which sets our house apart. We gain diversity by securing rushees mostly from the soccer, baseball, basketball, and football teams; unlike typical fall pledge classes.

During this semester, we had multiple rush events including brotherhood events, martini socials, and campus parties. In October, we had a major rush event attended by twelve rushees, which included a St. Louis Blues game and a trip to Hooters at Union Station. In addition, we leveraged the local alumni dinner as an opportunity to bid several rushees. We were well prepared for formal recruitment hosted by the Interfraternity Council which took place in January.

After many successful events, we are leading the Spring recruitment effort with ten new pledges, six pledges ahead of the next closest house, Sigma Phi Epsilon.

### Want To Help With Rush?

Do you know someone who is graduating from high school and coming to UMR? Would they make a great Pike? The chapter would love your support in recruiting the best men. Any recommendations will be actively pursued with utmost urgency. Feel free to contact the individuals below.

#### Rush Chairmen:

Lucas Rottler | lrrrh2@umr.edu

Andrew Arnold | adatz7@umr.edu

## Graduating Seniors

### December 2005 Graduates

On December 17th, 2005, five members of Pi Kappa Alpha graduated from UMR to begin their next journey. These individuals have served the house in many facets throughout their tenure at UMR. We wish them the best success in their new endeavors.

**Phil Chadderton** (AK '05) graduated with a BS in Mechanical Engineering. While at UMR, Phil was a member of Gamma Alpha Delta. He was key to our successful softball and basketball intramural programs.

**Eric Walling** (AK '05) graduated with a BS in Engineering Management. While at UMR, Eric was ThC for AK and a varsity baseball letterman each year at UMR.

**Larry Schreiber** (AK '05) graduated with a BS in Engineering Management. While at UMR, Larry was 2nd IMC and social chair at AK, participated in numerous intramural competitions (elected IM Athlete of the Year by the Chapter in 2004), was president of the Lacrosse team for 2 years, and was a member of ASQ. Larry accepted a sales engineer position with Parker-Hannifin (Sporlan Division) in Washington, MO.

**Mike Schupbach** (AK '05) graduated with a BS in Petroleum Engineering. While at UMR, Mike was ThC for AK, a varsity football letterman each year, a member of Pi Epsilon Tau, Sigma Gamma Epsilon, and the society of Petroleum Engineers.

**Tony Salt** (AK '05) graduated with a BS in Engineering Management.

# Community Service

## Engineers Without Borders

Two ambitious AK's took on Guatemala this past summer, tackling an ambitious construction project. The project team worked with the authorities educating the locals on construction techniques required to erect sound buildings capable of withstanding their frequent earthquakes. Dan Daegling and Kurt Haslag, pictured at right, spent a week with the Engineers Without Borders group. The trip earned each of them 340 community service hours. Kurt, the new project manager for the next Guatemala expedition, is leading the planning of another trip this summer. Both men indicated that the trip was very rewarding.



AK Guatemala Representatives (Left to Right): Dan Daegling (AK '02) and Kurt Haslag (AK '04)

## Kansas City Wilderness Retreat

On October 14, 2005, the men of Pi Kappa Alpha traveled over 225 miles on a weekend community service trip to help restore the "Wilderness Retreat and Development Center" located 30 miles north of Kansas City. The house sent 54 people in this effort. At the location, over 6 miles of trails were cleared and cleaned, as well as other activities at the site. Andrew Arnold (AK '04) and Mike Mauzy (Wilderness Retreat and Development Center Site Director) organized the trip. The trip resulted over 2,500 community service hours.



## UMR Service Day

This past September, Alpha Kappa participated in the annual UMR Service Day hosted by Phi Sigma Rho. Some of the activities included the painting of a church, picking up construction debris at the Rolla Middle School, and the cleaning of several yards. Forty-seven AK members attended the event, raking in 145 hours of community service.



Service Day Volunteers (Left to Right): Tim Neff (AK '05), Lucas Rottler (AK '05), Andrew Mais (AK '05), and Andrew Arnold (AK '05)

# Leadership

## Fall 2005 Leaders

### Executive Council

SMC: *Joseph Grier*  
 1st IMC: *Andy Reitter*  
 2nd IMC: *Alex Miear*  
 ThC: *Chaz Blaschke*  
 SC: *Jeff Busby*

Pledge Ed: *Dylan Gaisford*  
 House Mgr: *Ben Schnurbusch*  
 Rush: *David Hill & Joel Schrenk*



Executive Council (Left to Right): Dylan Gaisford (AK '02), Jeff Busby (AK '04), Alex Miear (AK '04), Joseph Grier (AK '02), Andy Reitter (AK '04), Chaz Blaschke IV (AK '04), Joel Schrenk (AK '04), Ben Schnurbusch (AK '04), and David Hill (AK '04)

### Committee Chairman

Campus Involvement: *Jerel Bernasek*  
 Community Service: *Andrew Arnold*  
 Correspondence: *Lucas Rottler*  
 Intramurals: *Joel Birke*  
 Public Relations: *Adam Daniel*  
 Social: *Mike Hayes*  
 Sorority Relations: *Jeffery Harrouff*

Special Events: *Ryan Eller*  
 Alumni Relations: *Andrew Binz*  
 Brotherhood: *Darrin Smith*  
 Computers: *Thomas Graff*  
 Continuing Ed: *William Kirby*  
 Fundraising: *Jedidah Momot*  
 Historian: *Evan Stevens*

Risk Management: *Mike Schroer*  
 Scholarship: *Jeremy Schlosser*  
 Steward: *Greg Miller*  
 House Fix-It: *Mike Loeffler*  
 House Exterior: *Ryan Bell*  
 House Duties: *Maccabee Dorman*

## Leaders On Campus - Fall 2005

### Alpha Phi Omega

Fellowship: *Andrew Arnold*  
 Treasurer: *Jerel Bernasek*  
 1st Vice President: *Jeremy Schlosser*  
 Secretary: *Adam Wolf*  
 Historian: *Josh Young*

### American Society of Eng Management & Institute of Industrial Engineers

Secretary: *David Hill*

### American Society of Mechanical Engineers

Treasurer: *Chaz Blaschke*  
 Secretary: *Eric Dixon*  
 Presentations: *Ryan Hiestand*  
 Trips, Picnic Coordinator: *Paul Leonard*  
 Trips, Picnic Coordinator: *Philip Schloss*

### Architectural Engineering Institute

Historian: *Joel Schrenk*

### Student Activity Finance Board

External Funding Director: *Jerel Bernasek*

### Financial Engineering Association

Treasurer: *David Hill*

### Varsity Baseball

Captain: *Tom Morris*  
 Captain: *Ben Schnurbusch*  
 Assistant Coach: *Eric Walling*

### Gamma Alpha Delta

Social: *Joel Birke*  
 Treasurer: *Lucas Rottler*

### Interfraternity Council

Greek Week Chairman: *Jeff Busby*  
 Vice President - Internal: *Joe Grier*

### John Marshall Pre-Law Society

Vice President: *Ryan Hiestand*

### Phi Eta Sigma

Vice President: *Mike McNamee*

### Engineering Without Borders

Treasurer: *Dan Daegling*

### St. Pat's Committee

Treasurer: *Alex Miear*  
 Gonzo and Games: *Darrin Smith*

### Student Council

Student Services: *Dan Daegling*  
 City Council: *Jared Hellebusch*  
 Public Relations: *Ryan Hiestand*  
 Student Info. Technology: *David Hill*  
 Recognition & Leadership: *Tom Qualls*

### Student Union Board

Promotions & Recruitment: *David Hill*

### Tennis Club

Captain: *Jeff Harrouff*

### Theta Tau Omega

Pledge Trainer: *Tom Qualls*

### UMR Mini-Baja Team

Public Relations: *Philip Schloss*

### Varsity Soccer

Assistant Coach: *Paul Becker*  
 Captain: *Tom Buerk*  
 Captain: *Philip Schloss*  
 Captain: *Nick Toeller*



# *New Initiates & Pledges*

## Initiation Update

On September 2nd, eleven exceptional men of the Spring 2005 pledge class were initiated into the bonds of brotherhood. They had a successful pledge semester lead by their pledge educator Joseph Grier (AK '03). They completed their pledge semester with an overall GPA above the all-men's average at 3.146.

Pictured: (Back from Left to Right) Jeff Zuch, Lucas Rottler, Josh Young, Clint Galaske, Dan Gravlin, Tom Lawton, Mike McNamee; (Front from Left to Right) Joel Birke, Tim Neff, Keith Beers, and Chris Zerr.



## Fall 2005 Pledge Class

Rush chairmen Ryan Hiestand (AK '04) and Rob Lichtenberg (AK '04) rushed the second largest pledge class on campus with 22 men. They were lead by pledge educator Dylan Gaisford (AK '02). By the end of the semester 20 men had fulfilled their obligations.

As pictured left to right: (Back Row) Jon Miller, Chesterfield, MO; Jeremiah Mohan, St. Clair, MO; Kenny Baer, St. Louis, MO; Jason Daming, St. Charles, MO; Drew Huebner, Red Bud, IL; Colin Douthit, Stillwell, KS; Elliot Giles, St. Louis, MO; Jeffery Burke, Camdenton, MO; Jeffery Canada, Wentzville, MO; Josh Heger, Ballwin, MO; Charles Chappell, Berryville, AR; (Front Row) Dylan Gaisford, Pledge Educator; Timothy Williams, Linn Creek, MO; Jason Kath, Bridgeton, MO; Justin Voss, Cape Girardeau, MO; Lance Weinmann, East Alton, IL; Chris Dishon, Nixa, MO; Kevin Post, Nevada, MO; Daniel Ryan, Springfield, IL; Blake Leming, Jackson, MO; Ben Evers, St. Peters, MO; Joseph Grier, SMC.



# Intramurals

## Leading In Intramurals

Alpha Kappa is off to another great start in intramurals. The semester started with fifth place in golf with a solid performance by Jerel Bernasek (AK '05), Matthew Staskelunas (AK '05), John Binz (AK '05), and Neil Fehr (AK '05). Pikes had consecutive top three finishes in the next four intramural sports. The softball team took a disappointing third place after stomping their

components by a 58 point differential going into playoffs. Justin Lightner (AK '04) and Clint Galaski (AK '05) ran away with second place in cross country meet. Pikes finished third in Ultimate Frisbee, surpassing all other fraternities. The volleyball team captured second place as the last event of semester. PKA finished the semester 1st in intramural competition, leading by 44 points. The Pike B team, the Hooligans, is also in the top ten.



Volleyball



Softball

## Varsity Athletics

**Nick Toeller** (AK '03) recieved all-conference honors and was chosen to all-region third team. Toeller is a senior from Memphis, TN and finished the season with 7 goals and 2 assists.



**Phil Schloss** (AK '03) was selected to the academic all-district team for the second time. Phil, a senior in ME, also tied for the lead in assists.



**Justin Lightner** (AK '04) a CE from Lincoln, NE was also named to the academic all-district team. He tied Phil for most assists, and was the leading scorer last year.



AK has 26 athletes; covering five major sports



## 2nd Annual Turkey Bash Goes Off With A Bang

On November 19, 2005, Alpha Kappa held its annual charity rock concert. The Turkey Bash, named for its closeness to Thanksgiving, raised over \$2,000 for the Red Cross Hurricane Relief. The concert held at All-Stars Sports Bar and Grill (formerly Uptown Theatre) was packed with over 500 eager rock fans. The band lineup was Spitalfield, The Audition, Farewell Address, and Lowercase. The crowd rocked until closing time. The Turkey Bash was an anticipated stop for Spitalfield and The Audition, who were traveling on their Midwest tours. Lowercase and Farewell Address are up and coming bands from St. Louis both on the verge of making it big. The bands enjoyed PiKA's hospitality. The Pikes look forward to next year's show to raise money for another great cause.



The Audition Playing At All-Stars

## Halloween Haunted Halls

This past Halloween, Pi Kappa Alpha decorated and opened their house to the Rolla community for Trick or Treating. Over 200 kids with their families attended the event. Over 50 pounds of candy was distributed during the evening, earning over 200 hours of community service. This has been an annual event, which seems to be growing in popularity.

**Derek Pelate** (AK '04), EE, the top defender for the Miners was honored by the GLVC as a selection to the 2005 all-conference team.



**Ben Schnurbusch** (AK '04), Emgt, led the Miners in home runs and the longest hitting streak. Ben is also an MIAA scholar athlete.





# History Book

## AK History Book Recipients

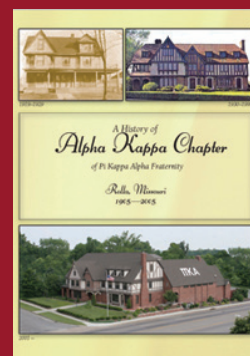
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Frisbee, Daniel  
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Funk, Derek  
Gaisford, Dylan  
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Gollhofer, Frank  
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Grabski, Stanley  
Graff, Thomas  
Green, Maurice  
Grier, Joseph  
Grimm, David  
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Hacker, Jean  
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Hallerberg, William  
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*Interested in giving to the History Book project?*

See page 12 for information on second mailing and a list of current contributors

## Didn't get your history book?

While we have made every effort to send a book to all who took the initiative to mail in the post card included with the Centennial packet in the first wave of mailing, we may have overlooked someone. If you find an error or omission to this list or would like to receive a history by verifying your address; please notify:

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Moore, Dennis	Sauer, Thomas	Vanburen, Ty
Moore, Everett	Scanlon, John	Vancamp, Robert
Moran, Michael	Scanlon, Robert	Vaughn, Brian
Morris, Douglas	Schader, Kenneth	Verhoff, Jay
Morris, Gorman	Schlittler, William	Verhoff, Kyle
Morrissey, John	Schlosser, Jeremy	Wagner, Bruce
Muchacho, Jason	Schlotzhauer, Charles	Walker, Douglas
Mueller, David	Schmidberger, Joseph	Walsh, Robert
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Murphy, James	Schnell, William	Warner, Mark
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Nations, Reginald	Schroer, Michael	Weisenstein, Kent
Naught, Eric	Schuchardt, Robert	Wells, David
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O'Brien, Robert	Scrivner, John	Wolf, Adam
O'Neill, Gregory	Sedlacek, Gary	Wood, Robert
Oster, Anthony	Shaughnessy, Trace	Woodyard, Marshall
Pelate, Derek	Shepard, Ralph	Wright, Brian
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# History Book (Continued)

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Robert L. Hanna (1943)	Robert G. O'Brien (1954)	

## Second Round Mailing

To best facilitate the history book mailing process we are going to be doing mailings on the following dates; March 15th, May 1st, and July 1st. Therefore, it is imperative that you verify your address with the chapter before one of these dates to receive your copy of the history book. The following are people who are on the list for the second mailing. Please send your name ASAP! See Page 10.

Brian Jacobs  
Keith Webb  
Trevor Abell  
Brian Mensch

Brian Jones  
Don Brown  
Ethan Chamberlain  
Michael Weiland

Grant Degenhardt  
Robert Johnson  
James Johnson



## A Note From National

### Reproduction of Letter From Eddie Scott, International Executive Alumni Officer

Thanks so much for sending us the remarkable history of Alpha Kappa in book form. I returned from traveling today to find them sitting on my desk and immediately opened one of them and started reading. I didn't really have the opportunity to look at one of the books while in Rolla, but it goes without saying that it is perhaps the finest fraternal publication I've seen put out by a chapter/association/foundation/house corporation. I feel honored to have received a personal copy signed by Brother Bauer and will treasure it for as long as I wear the letters of Pi Kappa Alpha.

On a similar note, I hope you enjoy the press Alpha Kappa receives in the upcoming issue of the Shield & Diamond. I can't recall off hand, but believe your group, in some form or fashion, is mentioned more than five times, along with the expose in the center of the magazine. We made it so that all living alumni of Alpha Kappa would receive a copy if we had a viable address for them. I'm sure you'll be receiving calls and/or emails about this issue. You can expect to receive the magazine in early December.

Also, I just wanted to let you guys know that AK has been receiving great publicity across the country. Since I've last seen you, Allen Groves (International President) and I have spoken at roughly nine Fraternity events, the most recent being in Las Vegas this past weekend. At each event your chapter and the event you hosted has been spoken of and discussed in depth. I couldn't think of a finer group of men to put up as examples to our alumni and undergraduates across North America.

Again, thanks so much for all you do for our beloved Fraternity. I look forward to seeing you and many other Alpha Kappa's in Orlando for the International Convention this summer where I'm sure your association, house corporation and chapter will be collecting lots of hardware!

Have a safe and happy holiday this week.

In the bonds,

Eddie Scott

## Greetings From The Alumni Association

Our AK Alumni Association was chartered in 2004 for the general purpose of promoting continuance of the strong bonds we all formed as undergraduate students at MSM/UMR, and Brothers in Pi Kappa Alpha. We will soon be planning events for this year and beyond, which will be fun, informative, and productive in achieving this purpose.

Hopefully you were able to attend the fabulous Centennial Celebration. As members of Alpha Kappa, we had much to celebrate... 100 years of brotherhood, old friends, great stories, and a second consecutive Smythe! We look forward to seeing you at one of our upcoming events.

All AK alumni can help by:

1) Attending AK activities such as Homecoming, Founders' Day, tours, dinners, and golf outings.

2) Communicating! Your Brothers are interested in news from you! Send in news like marriage, births of children, career changes, honors, etc. Also, be sure to advise AK and UMR of changes in mailing, telephone, and E-mail addresses. See the table of contents page for AK mailing addresses and UMR's below.

MSM/UMR Alumni Association  
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Rolla, MO 65409  
alumni@umr.edu

3) It is inevitable that money is required for any endeavor – communication, national dues, P.O. box rental, events, etc. To help the cause, please submit your annual dues. The dues are \$25 per year. Send checks payable to AK Alumni Association, address on contents page.

Thanks to all!

*It really is "A great time to be a Pike!"*

- Dick Bauer (AK '51)

# *Alumni Updates*

**Pierre Walsh** (AK '55) donates a 90 year collection of National Geographic to the house. The collection is on display in the cases prior to entering the TV room. Pierre brought the magazines with him during a visit while on a business trip (band gig) to the Rolla area. Some alumni even got to listen to Pierre perform at Zeno's during the centennial weekend.

**Robert Brennecke** (AK '74) shares thoughts... I hope that everyone enjoys the upcoming Centennial Celebration! Susan and I are going on a cruise to celebrate our 30th anniversary, so will not be able to attend. We wish everyone well at AK. After 16 years in the consulting business, I was ready for a change. This past August, I took a position with BASF. Susan is working at a local hospital as a fitness specialist and personal trainer. Daughter Mary is in San Diego seeking a history/anthropology position. Best wishes to all -- especially the 1970 initiates.



**Darren Sullivan** (AK '95) and Denise announce the birth of Sadie Gabriella. Sadie was born September 18, 2005, weighed 8 lbs 11 oz, and measured 20 1/2 inches long.



**Jim Fiechtl** (AK '96) and Rebecca announce the birth of Patrick Charles. Patrick was born October 18, 2005 and weighed 8 lbs 15 oz. He joins big brother William Francis. Two future PiKA's to add to the list. Congratulations!

**Darrell Carr** (AK '98) I took command of my detachment this summer and on the go ever since. I'm in Yuma, AZ attending the military freefall parachutist course. I have about 1-1/2 years of command time left, most of which looks like I will be traveling in and out of the US on a regular basis.

**Brady Hays** (AK '98) and Anne Marie with their daughter Alyssa (born May 10, 2004) have accepted a short-term assignment in London, England with his company Black and Veatch starting January 2006. We wish Brady and his family a safe stint in London. Look them up if you happen to be in the area! E-mail: abhays@everestkc.net...or if you are in the UK (or would like to send gifts): 21 Redstone Road, Redhill, Surrey RH1 6EA, UK.

**Kevin Hug** (AK '93) located a ritual book in his collection from his term as SMC. The ritual book is rather unique with R.V. Wolf's undisputable script filtered throughout the book. The book was delivered to the chapter during the centennial weekend by **Mike Moran** (AK '93).

**Gevan McCoy** (AK '99) and Jenna announce the birth of Kylan Bree. Kylan was born September 22, 2005, weighed 8 lbs 8 oz, and measured 22 inches long. As one can tell from the picture, Gevan appears rather excited to be a dad!



**Tom Connors** (AK '00) moved from St. Louis to Kansas City to start law school in August 2005 at UMKC. Tom had previously worked as a software developer for Tripas, Inc in St. Louis. Good luck!

**Brian Beyer** (AK '97) donated a PiKA pendant to the chapter during the centennial weekend. Brian retrieved the pendant from an antique shop while perusing one day. The pendant was manufacturing by the St. Louis Regalia Company.

## **Have Something To Share?**

Please keep the chapter up to date. Send changes in address, email, family, or anything you would like to share to the Alumni Association; address on the table of contents page.



The 4th Annual Grains and Grapes BBQ hosted at the home of Al and Joan Wentz on September 10, 2005. Many alumni and chapter members were in attendance. We look forward to the one in 2006.



An Evening Hosted By Dick & Shirley Bauer Celebrating Completion Of The History Book Project At Zeno's.  
Thanks Melody Lloyd (Author) & Angi Yowell (Layout Designer)!

## MSM/UMR Golden Alumni Reunion – Class of 1955

The MSM/UMR Alumni Association hosted 37 members of the Class of 1955 during the year's Golden Alumni Reunion held Jun 5-7. PiKA was well represented in the group with nine. The PiKA's in attendance were: Campbell Barnds, Richard Berg, Edward L. Clark, Gorman Morris, Gene Penzel, Lee Powell, Harvey Schulte, Charles Schuman, and Robert Winchester. During the weekend, the men were treated to a tour of the fraternity house by several chapter members and local alumni.

## Deceased Brothers

**Edward A. Snajdr** (AK '66) of Findlay, OH died September 8, 2005. He was born November 4, 1938 in Edwardsville, IL. Ed received a BS and MS from UMR, and PhD from the University of Illinois, and a MBA from Southern Illinois University. He was a ceramic engineer with a specialization in refractories who worked for Babcock and Wilcox and then Vesuvius and its predecessor companies.

**Robert O. Franklin** (AK '50), MetE, was on the Honor List, was VP of ASME and was a member of Sigma Pi, Interfraternity Council and the Glee Club while attending MSM-UMR. He served in the U.S. Navy during Word War II. He died August 5, 2005.

**Charles A. Jekel** (AK '51), GGph, was on the Honor List and was a member of AIME while attending MSM-UMR. He was employed by Holly Properties, Inc. and Neubauer Realty Co. in St. Louis. He died June 2005.

**Jesse M. Logrbrinck** (AK '39), CE, was IMC while attending MSM-UMR. He died March 25, 2005.

## New Honorary Initiate

On September 2nd, 2005, Brother James Drewniak became an honorary initiate of Alpha Kappa. Jim is the Director of Materials Research Center and a professor in the electrical engineering department at UMR. Jim has recieved numerous UMR Faculty Excellence Awards, been the Alumni Association Outstanding Student Advisor, and has been recognized with multiple Outstanding Teacher Awards. Jim has devoted much of his time to the IEEE community, serving through various outlets. AK welcomes Jim and will be looking to him as another local alumnus. Congrats Jim!





# Scholarship

## \$16,140 Awarded in Scholarships - Homecoming Banquet 2005

Awards are distributed based on achievement of results. The leadership awards are determined by achieving the objectives outlined at each biannual Officer Transition Retreat. Each position has a preset maximum award amount and upon evaluation of the results, a percentage of the preset maximum is awarded.

### Leadership Awards



#### Officers

Michael Schroer  
 Daniel Daegling  
 Phillip Schloss  
 Joseph Grier  
 Alex Mear  
 Ryan Giacometto  
 Kurt Haslag

#### Rush Captains

Alex Mear  
 David Hill  
 Ryan Eller  
 Andrew Reitter  
 Andrew Mais

### Rush Awards



Charles Chappell  
 Daniel Ryan  
 Jason Daming  
 Lance Weinmann

Blake Leming  
 Elliott Giles  
 Justin Voss  
 Colin Douthit

### Alpha Kappa Awards



#### Bernie Rippert

Jeffrey Zuch  
 (pictured)

#### Charles Hubbard

Daniel Gravlin

### Scholastic Awards

#### 3.2 - 3.49

Joseph Filla  
 Derek Pelate  
 Jeffrey Zuch  
 Andrew Reitter  
 Justin Lightner  
 Daniel Roth  
 Thomas Lawton  
 Jared Hellebusch  
 Joseph Roth  
 Joel Birke  
 Clinton Galaske  
 Gregory Miller  
 Kurt Haslag  
 Evan Stevens

#### 3.5 - 3.79

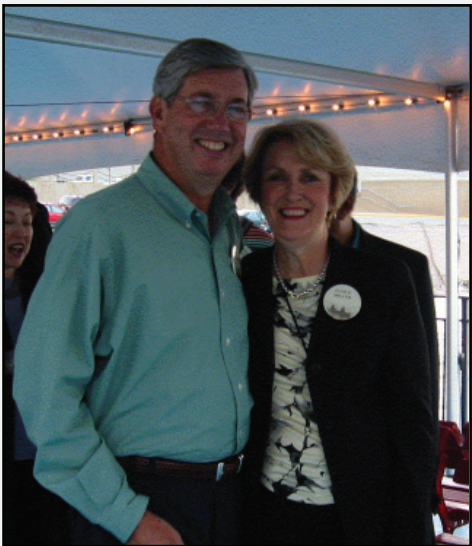
Ryan Eller  
 Josh Young  
 Matthew Richardson  
 Jedidiah Momot  
 Jeffrey Busby  
 Michael McNamee  
 Alex Mear  
 Nathaniel Green  
 Matthew Brooks  
 Michael Schroer  
 Lucas Rottler  
 Charles Blaschke  
 Jerel Bernasek

#### 3.8 - 4.0

Phillip Schloss  
 Jeffrey Harrouff  
 Adam Daniel  
 Joel Schrenk  
 William Kirby  
 Daniel Gravlin  
 Thomas Graff

# Ron & Janice Miller Endow Scholarship

Ron Miller (AK '64) and his wife Janice established an endowment that enables Pi Kappa Alpha members with financial need to receive scholarship support. The selection criteria will emphasize PiKA members who are transfer students and/or chemical engineers. The UM Board of Curators formulated this one-time matching gift program in 2005 to encourage the establishment of need-based scholarships. The Miller's endowment will generate \$1,500 this year for one individual and \$2,250 next year since the Miller's have already increased their investment. Thanks to Ron and Janice, Jerry and Judy Alyea, John and Bonnie Latzer, and Dale and Patricia Spence, PiKA secured four annual scholarships under this program to benefit members of PiKA. The award winners will be announced each year at Founders' Day.



Ron & Janice Miller

## Almost \$100,000 in Scholarships Awarded Since Founders' Day 2003

Thanks to the generous support of the alumni who have established endowments and the helping hand of the Alpha Kappa House Corporation, nearly \$100,000 has been distributed since Founders' Day 2003. These scholarships assist the members by offsetting a portion of their tuition, room, or board fees. The following table provides a breakdown of the categories. As clarification, Alumni Awards refer to endowments started by alumni who designate AK members as recipients. Such endowments include the Bauer, Wentz, Gund, and

Johnson. Thanks to the recent establishment of endowments by Jerry Alyea, John Latzer, Dale Spence, Ron Miller, and David Grimm, the Alumni Award category will more than double at the 2006 Founders' Day! AK awards refer to the traditional awards handled for many years by the Alpha Kappa House Corporation such as the Thompson, Frisbee, Morgan, Drebes, Rippert, Hubbard, Wolf, Kruger, and Intramural Athlete. The remaining categories are self explanatory.

Semester	# of members	# of Awards	Leadership	Rush	Alumni	Alpha Kappa	Scholastic	Total
Founders' Day 2003	20	35	\$3,970		\$3,000	\$3,950	\$2,750	\$13,670
Homecoming 2003	31	36	\$5,084	\$2,000		\$100	\$5,050	\$12,234
Founders' Day 2004	31	45	\$3,427		\$5,150	\$4,950	\$4,800	\$18,327
Homecoming 2004	44	52	\$5,757	\$2,000		\$150	\$7,950	\$15,857
Founders' Day 2005	40	53	\$4,900		\$4,100	\$5,950	\$7,150	\$22,100
Homecoming 2005	46	56	\$5,540	\$2,000		\$150	\$8,450	\$16,140
Total			\$28,678	\$6,000	\$12,250	\$15,250	\$36,150	\$98,328

# Giving Levels

## Cumulative Giving Levels

### *Diamond* \$50,000 & Up

Kruger, William

### *Silver* \$5,000 to \$9,999

Bauer, Richard

### *Bronze* \$1,000 to \$4,999

Colombatto, Phillip  
Gevecker, Mildred  
Miller, Ronald  
Wolf, Dottie

### *Copper* Up to \$999

Alyea, Jerrold  
Bess, James  
Beyer, Brian  
Block, Duncan  
Brockhaus, Robert  
Chartrau, Doyne  
Johnson, Rollie  
Kamp, Alan  
Krispin, Joseph  
Kruger, Art  
Kyburz, Edward  
Myers, Donald  
Schuman, Charles  
Spence, Dale  
Weisenstein, Don  
Weisenstein, Kent  
Wentz, Alvin  
Winters, Benjamin  
Wolf, John

## Annual Giving Levels

1/1/05 - 12/31/05

### *St. Pat's* \$1,000 & Up

Gevecker, Mildred  
Wolf, Dottie

### *Emerald* \$500 to \$999

Alyea, Jerrold

### *Blarney Stone* \$100 to \$499

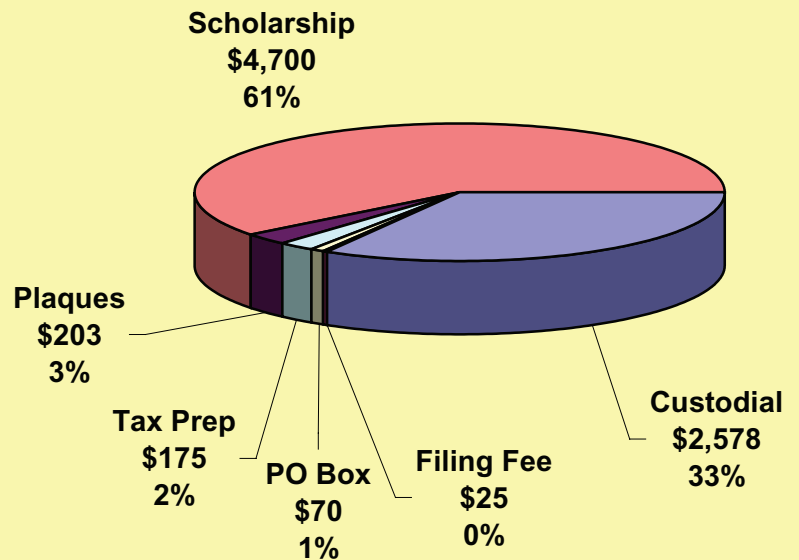
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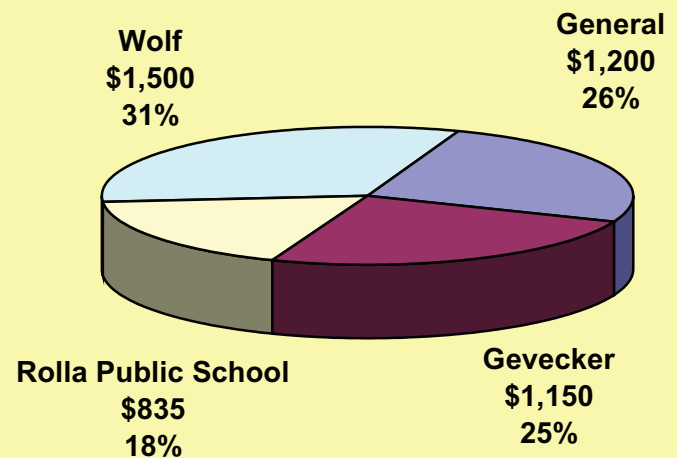
### *Shamrock* Up to \$99

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Krispin, Joseph  
Schuman, Charles  
Weisenstein, Don

## 2005 Expenses



## 2005 Donations To Allocated Funds





## New Permanent Rolla Address and Ending of Relationship with Commerce Trust Company

The trial period of reduced fees with the Commerce Trust Company ended in December. Due to our limited asset base and rather steep fee to obtain the service provided by Commerce Trust as our custodian, the Board decided to end its relationship. As the Foundation's assets grow, this or a similar relationship with a full-service custodian may be rekindled.

The Foundation secured a Rolla post office box to conduct business, receive alumni information and accept donations. The new address is:

Alpha Kappa Educational Foundation  
P.O. Box 835  
Rolla, MO 65402

## Expansion Of Rolla Public School Program

It was a transition year for the Volunteer Services Director at the Rolla Public School Administration, as our long-time friend Sue Dearth retired, but quickly developed a rapport with the new Director, Jenni Hushaw. In September, Al Wentz, Dale Spence, Joe Grier, and Andrew Arnold meet with Jenni to discuss what transpired last year, as well as AKEF's aspirations to expand the program beyond the "Value of Education Essay" contest with 5th, 8th, and 10th grades. For the 2nd annual program, 6th and 7th grades will be added. The 6th grade project will be to develop a math game. The 7th grade project will be to discuss an environmental issue and how a student's current actions affect the environmental issue. AKEF and the Chapter also worked closely with Jenni to develop templates for announcing the program to the teachers, fliers to display at the schools, a grading rubric for the teachers, and a time-line to accomplish each of our tasks. Keep an eye out in the next issue of the Kapers for the 2006 award winners and pictures.

## Foundation Expands Director Positions and Slates Alumni

At the Board of Directors meeting at Homecoming 2005, the Board agreed to expand the number of Director positions from five to nine. In addition, the Board slated the following four alumni to fill these new positions. The nominees will be voted on and installed at the annual members meeting to be held Founders' Day 2006.

Jerry Alyea (AK '60)  
Lees Summit, MO

Keith Wedge (AK '70)  
Rolla, MO

Alan Kamp (AK '64)  
Kansas City, MO

Benjamin Winter (AK '81)  
Northville, MI



Back Left to Right: Al Wentz, Chris Ramsay, Ben Winter, Dave Zimmerman, Jerry Alyea, and Alan Kamp.  
Front Left to Right: Dale Spence and Tim Hogan

## Tim Hogan to Fill Chris Thornton's Vacancy

The Board accepted the resignation of Chris Thornton (AK '90) at the Homecoming 2005 Board of Directors meeting and approved Tim Hogan (AK '02) from Shawnee, KS to complete the term of Chris Thornton. The Board has appreciated the service and time Chris committed to the Foundation since the start of our maiden voyage. In addition, the Board welcomes Tim to his new role as Secretary of the Foundation. Congratulations Tim!

# Centennial

## Featured Article In Shield & Diamond

At the dawn of the 20th century, Albert Einstein was shaking up the scientific community by discovering what would become the basis of three fundamental fields in physics: the theory of relativity, quantum theory and the theory of Brownian motion.

In that same "miraculous year" of 1905, William A. McTighe and Faris T. Walker, two students at the Missouri School of Mines (now UMR), would help chart a course for a new future for the Pi Kappa Alpha fraternity, one that included a chapter above the Mason Dixon Line.

On November 28, 1905, the national Grand Princes Arthur C. Jones and Grand Treasurer Robert A. Smythe sent W.G. Riddick of Little Rock, Arkansas, to investigate the MSM applicants.

"It was easy enough for me to see of what material they were made," writes Riddick as he describes meeting the eight students. "It has never been my good fortune to meet a finer crowd of men, and certainly I never had a better time than during the first few short days that I spent with them. After the Chapter had been installed, after I changed into only a visiting alumnus, and



Dick Bauer (AK '52) and Don Myers (AK '61) Recieving Alpha Kappa Chapter Loyalty Award

there was nothing to do but say 'good-bye' and go back home, I felt like I was leaving my old college and my old Chapter. Don Myers, a 1961 graduate and chair of the chapter's centennial

committee, welcomed 220 alumni, 110 members and pledges, and more than 180 friends and family to the UMR campus on Saturday, October 1, 2005 to celebrate the chapter's 100th anniversary.



Alumni and Friends Enjoying the Centennial Banquet

The celebration planning officially began at Founders Day in 2003 with a meeting of designated chapter members and interested alumni with a total of 15 attendees. At about the same time a formal agreement was entered into with the author of the Alpha Kappa History. "The history was seen as a significant component of the overall Centennial Celebration," Myers says. "The collective vision of the planning committee was for a fabulous celebration of 100 years of brotherhood specifically for Alpha Kappa and to celebrate brotherhood in general."

The committee reached consensus to have the celebration at the UMR 2005 Homecoming, a general concept of the weekend activities, and the plan for a network of alumni contacting other alumni. This network was to be organized by "decade" coordinators who in turn would work with their "class" coordinators.

"Thanks to excellent work by David Hill, chapter computer guru, a page on the chapter website was devoted to the Centennial Celebration," Myers says. "Information was made available and continuously updated over the two and a half years. Alumni commitment to a 'plan to attend' was requested and encouraged. A list of alumni planning to attend was maintained on the centennial webpage."

Information was also provided in quarterly alumni publications. The challenge was to try to determine

the number of attendees for facility planning. The goal established at the initial meeting was 650.

The weekend entertainment included Friday and Saturday afternoon social hours and house tours, and a two-hour program on Saturday at the Leach Theatre (named for Thomas Leach, Alpha Kappa '15) that took guests back like a time machine through Alpha Kappa's history, beginning with a re-enactment of the fateful 1905 meeting between the founding members and Riddick. That was followed by four more skits depicting specific



Brothers Socializing on the Patio at the House

decades (50s and 60s, 70s and 80s, 90s and 00s, and vision for the future) and an emotional 21-minute DVD show of pictures set to appropriate background music, developed by graphic artist Angi Yowell, depicting the Alpha Kappa history. The slide show also highlighted the more than 50 years of service to Alpha Kappa by the late Robert V. Wolf '48, professor emeritus of metallurgical engineering at UMR, and long time Alpha Kappa Chapter advisor. Following each skit, five alumni lead the attendees in singing favorite PiKA songs of the particular decades depicted.

The skits included activities that were in many ways unique to the particular decade but to which all alumni could relate. Emphasis was placed on "entertaining" with some liberties taken relative to the facts. The 50s and 60s skit used a favorite party week at that time known as "Bum's Brawl" for a setting to remind alumni of the issues the chapter was facing at that time because of insufficient house capacity.

The 70s and 80s skit used a setting of brothers' early morning attempt to wake a fellow fraternity member using unconventional means in the fraternity house's sleeping quarters. This setting was used to discuss the

various unique aspects of the annual campus St. Pat's celebration, and the scholarship dinner where individuals with high academic achievement for the semester ate steak and the others ate beans.

The 90s skit was focused on the 1999 fire that destroyed the chapter house and took the life of Brother Jered N. Adams '97, along with the rebuilding and dedication of the new house. This slide presentation was narrated by Brother Ryan Stockamp '98, who was the first to discover the fire.

The final skit used a setting of the biannual officer and alumni organization directors retreat to discuss the issues related to the vision of the future for Alpha Kappa. PiKA International President Allen W. Groves (Stetson, Delta Upsilon '79) dropped in on the meeting (skit) to share the vision of International.

The celebration continued from the program directly to the Grand Centennial Banquet held at the recently finished Havener Center on campus. The affair included a welcome address from each of the four Alpha Kappa entities, recognition of individuals, comments by International President Groves, and the distribution of \$16,000 in awards to undergraduate members in the areas of academic achievement, leadership, and rush.



International President, Allen Groves (DU '79),  
Addresses Banquet Attendees

The celebration also included the unveiling of a 300-page book on the chapter's history. Each alumnus will receive a copy of the book, titled A History of the Alpha Kappa Chapter of Pi Kappa Alpha 1905-2005: 100 Years of Brotherhood. "Through Melody Lloyd's writing and research skills, she was able to reassemble our past through words and pictures. She worked directly with International Headquarters, the UMR archives, the MSM-



# Centennial

UMR Alumni Association, and many AK alumni to locate much of our history lost in the tragic fire of 1999. The book truly covers our chapter's interesting history," commented the Alpha Kappa project leader Richard Bauer '48. Researchers on this book included Bauer, Myers, Dale Spence, and Keith Wedge.



Bob Dahl (AK '54), Keith Wedge (AK '70), Ben Winter (AK '81), and Bob Scanlon (AK '73) lead the audience in song

"Alpha Kappa alumni treasure their belief in the Fraternity's preamble and are determined to maintain and enhance brotherhood for all present and future brothers," Myers says. "Alpha Kappa takes great satisfaction from recognitions by and contributions to the international efforts in the past 100 years."

Alpha Kappa and its members have received 14 Smythe awards (including 2004 and 2005), four Powers Awards, and Chapter House of the Year in 2003. It has had three national/international vice presidents, one national rush director, and four district presidents.

Alpha Kappa has recently celebrated the addition of two new entities: The Alpha Kappa Educational Foundation, which received IRS approval in 2003, and the Alpha Kappa Alumni Association which received its charter at the 2004 International Convention in St. Louis, Missouri. Since Founders Day 2003, the combined effort of the alumni entities has awarded almost \$100,000 in scholarships to undergraduate members in the areas of scholarship, leadership, community service, campus involvement and rush.

The chapter has grown to over 100 members and pledges total, a size that enables it to successfully compete in all phases of campus life. The management focus of the chapter has indeed shifted because of the difficulties associated with maintaining brotherhood when housed in various locations, as compared to under one roof. The biannual officer transition retreats have helped plan and navigate this new environment.

"The four entities – Active Chapter, Alpha Kappa House Corporation, Alpha Kappa Alumni Association and Alpha Kappa Educational Foundation – now all work in concert to assure Alpha Kappa's success in the future," Bauer adds.



Brother Bauer receiving R.V. Wolf Loyalty Award

## 100 Years Of Brotherhood DVD

An effort is nearly complete to produce a DVD that would include three items. One item would be the two hour Alpha Kappa Centennial Celebration program presented on Saturday afternoon at Leach Theatre during the UMR Homecoming. A second item would be a large collection of pictures taken during AK Centennial Celebration weekend. The third item would be the 20 minute slide show of pictures set to music depicting the history of Alpha Kappa. We are uncertain of the extent of interest and therefore uncertain of the number of DVDs to order. The cost would vary greatly depending on the number ordered. Accordingly, we need to hear from anyone that would like to order a DVD. Please send your order to the House Corporation address on the table of contents page, indicate if you would be interested if the price was \$5 to \$10, \$10 to \$15, or \$15 to \$20. The price will only be sufficient to cover the costs.

## Contribution Thank You's

The Centennial Celebration was truly a "once in a life time" event for Alpha Kappa. The successes were a result of many people going "above and beyond the call of duty" to insure everyone had a memorable experience. The many alumni (decade and class coordinators) and chapter members that served on the Centennial Committee deserve many thanks for planning the Celebration.

In the summer of 2005 Kurt Haslag and David Hill developed a detailed plan for managing all aspects of the Celebration. Their attention to detail guaranteed a smooth chapter operation through a manning chart of members. There were over 50 chapter members carrying out various duties throughout the weekend, lead by house manager Ben Schnurbusch. The teamwork, pride, and graciousness in carrying out the duties were admired and enjoyed by all.

The chapter's willingness to take time from their busy schedule for the Leach program was appreciated--many even memorized their lines when it was not requested (or expected) to do so. Time was a premium due to prior Greek Week and Homecoming commitments. Certainly Dirk Frisbee (UMR '93 and the nephew of Dan AK '72, Stanley AK '90, and the deceased Thomas AK '67), Director of the program, deserves considerable accolades. Dirk is very active in local theatre.

Considerable assistance was received from UMR. Marianne Ward and Lindsay Bagnall of Alumni & Constituent Relations assumed much of the reservation and registration process. They helped obtain the necessary UMR facilities for the Saturday events. Mark Potrafka, UMR Director of Student Life, supported our activities in Havener Center. Many others contributed generously with their time and efforts to keep things "on track". Much appreciation is offered for all those contributors and especially to Don Myers, Dale Spence, Dick Bauer, Dave Zimmerman, and Dottie Wolf.

## Centennial Photographs

The House Corporation has had a professional photographer take the often used photograph of the external view of the present house. In addition, there were also seven photographs taken by the same photographer of various views of the inside of the house. If you have interest in acquiring copies; you can view them at [www.akpikes.com/100th/photos/](http://www.akpikes.com/100th/photos/) or receive more information by writing to Housing Corporation.

## Annual Housing Renewal

In keeping with the original strategy of replacing carpet every five years when the House was constructed, the House Corporation replaced all the carpets this summer. This includes carpet in the hallways, the TV room, the entrance hall stair steps, and study room. Likewise for the furniture in the common areas, it was anticipated that it would be necessary to replace it every five years. The sofas and chairs in the pool room and library were replaced as a result of wear and end tables were refinished. New rugs were purchased and installed for the living room and the pool room. Pictures were acquired for the fireplace in the living room and the pool room. Draperies were added to the windows in the living room, library, and pool room. Stair tread was added to the east and west concrete stairwells to enhance their appearance and solve a cleaning problem. New bulletin boards were custom built to the Chapter's specification and placed on all the study room doors.

In addition the usual painting, repairing, cleaning, and waxing was completed to put the house back like new. The House Corporation continues its commitment to insure the houses continued beauty. The commitment represents a significant investment each year but the returns are also significant in various ways including assistance in rush and maintaining a healthy pride in the house by the Chapter. Those alumni and friends (including from Memphis and the International President—be sure to read the December issue of Shield and Diamond) attending the Centennial Celebration offered many accolades for how GREAT the House looks.

## Upcoming Events

### February 24-26 - Founders Day Weekend

25th - House Corporation Meeting at 10am

25th - Banquet will start around Noon featuring a keynote by Bob Fleischman (AK '76)

### March 4 - Educational Foundation Meeting

8:00 am at the Pike House

### March 15-17 - St. Patricks Day Weekend Celebration

Check with the UMR Alumni Association Website for a list of events!

### March 27 - Fast Eddies Bon-Air Couples Dinner / Beer Party

A group of Alumni are holding a gathering at 4:00 pm at Fast Eddies, Alton, IL.

### April 22 - International Work Day Weekend

### April 21-23 - MSM-UMR Order of the Golden Shillelagh Weekend

It is not a coincidence that OGS and International Workday are the same weekend! OGS Alumni - Stop by and see the beautiful facility and meet the members and their parents

### May 13 - UMR Commencement

### May 20 - 2nd Annual AK Golf Tournament

Hosted at Sugar Creek Country Club, shotgun start at 8:00 am;

Contact Lance Weinmann for more details at 618/972-8652 or lwz82@umr.edu

### June 24 - Picnic In Love Park

11am picnic in Love Park, in St. Louis County; Bring a side dish for five;

Contact Marv Ringer for details - 314/469-1645 or mwring@sbcbglobal.net

### September 16 - Grains & Grapes BBQ

Al & Joan Wentz hosting 4th Annual BBQ in Edwardsville, IL.;

Contact Al at 618/692-1231 or jdomigan@aol.com



## Exec Retreat

### Looking To The Future

On December 2nd - 3rd, the AK Executive Retreat was held at the Holiday Inn at Six Flags; Eureka, MO. Each semester the old and new officers attend the retreat designed to transfer the leadership and to discuss internal/external programming. There were 14 undergraduate officers and 12 alumni representing the entities. One objective was to develop a Mission and Vision statement for AK. As we now have four separate organizations under the AK banner, it was time to develop congruent objectives, which we will be revealing soon. As always there is much work to be done, please don't hesitate to get active! There are plenty of important positions that need to be filled in the three alumni organizations. Thank you to the Chapter and alumni for taking time to attend this event that shapes our future.





# PiKA National's Mission, Vision, & Creed

## Our Mission

Pi Kappa Alpha is dedicated to developing men of integrity, intellect, and high moral character and to fostering a truly lifelong fraternal experience

To fulfill this mission, Pi Kappa Alpha will:

- Encourage all our members to live the values taught in our ritual.
- Provide innovative services and programs designed to enrich the lives of our undergraduates, alumni, and communities.
- Create opportunities for our undergraduate and alumni members to participate in the life of Pi Kappa Alpha on a daily basis.
- Promote and foster a spirit of pride, loyalty, inclusion and respect for Pi Kappa Alpha and its rich history.
- Empower our undergraduate and alumni members to help shape Pi Kappa Alpha's future by being informed ambassadors and involved advocates.
- Encourage our undergraduate and alumni members to take an active role in advancing Pi Kappa Alpha's interests by volunteering their time and by contributing to the Fraternity's annual giving campaign.
- Communicate effectively and efficiently with our alumni, students and host institutions through various channels on a continuous basis.
- Value academic achievement and practice academic integrity.
- Establish positive and lasting relationships with our host institutions, alumni and communities.
- Encourage our members to be of strong mind and body.

## Our Vision

Pi Kappa Alpha will set the standard of integrity, intellect, and achievement for our members, host institutions, and the communities in which we live.

## Our Creed

We believe in the importance of virtue and commit to living the values of the Pi Kappa Alpha Fraternity. We recognize that truth is the foundation of all lasting association, and we will seek wisdom and knowledge while serving others in modesty and dignity.

Recalling that Pi Kappa Alpha is a lifelong commitment, I therefore reaffirm to live my life with honor and courage seeking the inherent worth in each person I meet; to accept all brothers of Pi Kappa Alpha in love and friendship; and to serve my faith, my family, my community, my alma mater, and my Fraternity.

Only then, by living these virtues, will we realize our fullest potential.

# Alumni Survey

We want to hear from you! Please complete and detach for return to the AK House Corporation; PO Box 85, Rolla, MO 65402.

## Address Update

In order for you to receive your history book, and future mailings accurately, we need to verify your address.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

## History Book

In a continuing effort to fully distribute the Alpha Kappa history book, please complete this section.

☐ I have already received my copy

☐ I would like to receive a copy

☐ I do not wish to receive a copy

## Centennial DVD

The centennial DVD includes pictures from the weekend, performance at Leach theatre, and the 100 year slideshow featured at the centennial. We need to know if you would be interested in purchasing one, and at what price points since quantity is a huge cost driver.

☐ I would be interested in the DVD between \$5 - \$10

☐ I would be interested in the DVD between \$10 - \$15

☐ I would be interested in the DVD between \$15 - \$20

☐ I am not interested in a history DVD

## Alumni Update

Say anything and/or send pictures! Update the Chapter and Alumni Association on your current activities to be published in the next Kapers.

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☐ I am interested in receiving the Kapers digitally

# *100 Years of Brotherhood...*



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