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# ALPHA TAU ALUMNI NEWSLETTER

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Summer 2001

## TOP STORY

### **The Forming of the Alumni Fundraising Committee**

January 28, 2001

During an Alumni council meeting that was on January 28th, the key topic was the future financial situation of the Fraternity house located at 903 Castle Point Terrace in Hoboken, NJ. Some of the factors that were affecting the future finances of the Fraternity were: payment of back taxes, repayment of outstanding alumni loans, and future house maintenance projects. Of these issues, most of the focus was on future house maintenance. The reason for this concern was due to the new NJ state law that would require all college related buildings (including Fraternity houses) to be equipped with sprinkler systems. This law was put into place by Governor Whitman after the dorm fires that took place on the Seton Hall campus.

At that time, the options facing the alumni council seemed slim. Much thought was put into the option of selling the Fraternity house to avoid these financial problems. After some debate it was decided that a special committee was needed to investigate was to keep ownership of the house. Thus the (Continue on page 2)

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## **Alumni Happenings**

July 20, 2001

### Marriage Announcements

- Mark Whittaker was married on October 14, 2000
- Rob Weiss married Tammy Ann Pethtel on June 16th 2001 in Tinton Falls, NJ
- Jose Chavez was married on November 17, 2000 to sweetheart Irina

### Engagement Announcements

- Ed Pieluc is about to get married on August 18, 2001 to sweetheart Karalee
- Tom Holz is about to get married on October 6, 2001 to sweetheart Lauren

### Anniversaries

- James and Kathleen Berger celebrated their 33rd Wedding Anniversary on July 20, 2001

### Birth Announcements

- Eric and Amma Nichols are recent parents of a baby boy, Jadan
- David and Heather Friedle are happy to announce the arrival of their son and first child Riley Francis who was born on July 2

### Carrier Announcements

- Kris Gale started a new position as Senior Programmer at Four Eyes Productions specializing in web design, and development of multimedia

### Continuing Education News

- Howard Smith just graduated grad school
- Craig Polk is now enrolled at Purdue University 's distance learning Masters of Engineering
- David Friedle graduated 1<sup>st</sup> in his class with a MBA from William and Mary

### Alumni on the Move

- Kris Gale has recently moved to a new residency on Newark St. in Hoboken

### On the look

Plans are in the works for a yearly series of sporting/mind competitions between alumni and undergrad brothers. This series is called the AT Tournament, a best of 7 series taking place 1 Saturday a month (during the months of September, October, November, January, February, March, and April ). If you are interested in more info, please send e-mail to the address in the Contact Information section.

If you have any announcements that you would like to see appear in this newsletter, please send them to the e-mail in the Contact Information section.

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### EVENT – ALUMNI SUMMER PUB CRAWL

PLACE – MEET AT ALPHA SIGMA PHI HOUSE

TIME – 1PM, SATURDAY AUGUST 4, 2001

### EVENT – 75<sup>TH</sup> TALISMAN BALL

PLACE – HOBOKEN, GERRINO'S RESTAURANT

TIME – 7PM, SATURDAY AUGUST 25, 2001

### EVENT – BEEFSTEAK DINNER

PLACE – ALPHA SIGMA PHI HOUSE

TIME – 7PM, SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 22, 2001

### EVENT – GOLF OUTING

PLACE – MEADOW LANDS GOLF COURSE

TIME – 10AM, SATURDAY OCTOBER 20, 2001 (NOT FINAL)

### EVENT – THANKSGIVING DINNER

PLACE – ALPHA SIGMA PHI HOUSE

TIME – 7PM, WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 14, 2001

### EVENT – CHRISTMAS TREE LIGHTING DINNER

PLACE – ALPHA SIGMA PHI HOUSE

TIME – 6PM, SATURDAY DECEMBER 1, 2001

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Alumni Fundraising Committee was formed. The focus of this committee was to set a plan that would tackle all pressing financial issues that impacted the Fraternity. This committee consists of five members; two alumni CO-chairs (Craig Polk & Subraprathepan Balendra [Deep]), an alumni member at large (Zeferino Ferreira [Zef]), the undergraduate President, and the undergraduate Alumni Relations chair (HP). To address financial issues, the committee gave birth to the Benjamin Oliver Fund. The purpose of this fund is to provide the Chapter a firm financial footing to accomplish its goals as stated above. The Benjamin Oliver Fund is designed to support the Alpha Tau Chapter pertaining to organization of alumni donations, provide funds for capital expense and house improvement, and as a source of scholarships.

Donations will be gathered throughout the year and our achievements will be publicly evaluated during Talisman. The undergraduates will play a large roll in the fundraising effort by helping coordinate activities that will bring Alumni back to the house and involved in the brotherhood. For more information about the Fund, you can check our community page or contact Craig, Deep, or Zef.

### Contact Information

Alpha Tau Community Homepage: <http://www.communityzero.com/alphataualumni/>

E-mail address: [AlphaSigHP@yahoo.com](mailto:AlphaSigHP@yahoo.com)

Alumni Homepage: <http://24.6.64.208/alphasigmaphi/>

Undergraduate Homepage: <http://attila.stevens-tech.edu/alphasig/>

## Undergrad Happenings

June 20, 2001

### Alpha Sig makes Strides against Cancer

The brothers of Alpha Sigma Phi joined in the fight against breast cancer on Saturday October 15, 2000, in the city of Newark, New Jersey, along with the Eastern Division of the American Cancer Society participated in the Making Strides Against Breast Cancer Event. The brothers of Alpha Sig helped organize registration, and financial handling of this event.

### Alpha Sig Trick-or-Treat Day

On Saturday, October 28th, the brothers of Alpha Sigma Phi hosted our annual Halloween party with the Boys & Girls club of Hoboken. The festivities include party games and a magician. After the party, brothers of Alpha Sig brought the children trick-or-treating on Castle Point Terrace. It was a fun day for all.

### Alpha Sig makes the long walk:

On Sunday April 22, 2001, the brothers of Alpha Sigma Phi participated in the annual MS-Walk held in Liberty State Park. The brothers that took place in this event helped by raising over \$8,000.

### Relay for Life

This year makes the 1<sup>st</sup> annual Relay For Life in Hudson County. This year's event was held on June 1-2, 2001. Many of the brothers of Alpha Sigma Phi were on the event planning committee, with one brother as the planning chair. This year's event was a huge success raising over \$30,000 for the ACS. Due to many tire-less hours from the brotherhood, the American Cancer Society will now have an annual event in Hudson county.

### The Alpha Tau chapter follows its roots

This year, the brothers of Alpha Sigma Phi made a trip to Yale University, Alpha chapter, to tour the campus and the town of New Haven. The Alpha Tau brothers got to see where Alpha Sigma Phi was founded & explored other building that had roles in the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> founding of the Alpha chapter.

### Brother colonies

This year the Alpha Tau chapter helped initiated many members into the new Alpha Sigma Phi colony at CW Post (our little brother colony).

### Initiation

On April 8, 2001, Alpha Tau chapter initiated 13 new brothers into Alpha Sigma Phi.

Alex Wan, Brian Quinn, Erik Green, Jason Moiron, Jin K. Kim, Mike Krause, Pranay Khurana, Robert Cheung, Ryan Bender, Timothy Rashkin, Tinh Pham, Wei Alan Tsang, and Wu C Hsu

### Graduating Seniors

The brothers of Alpha Tau chapter wish to congratulate the brothers that will be graduating this May: Chris Gilligan, Dan Marino, Erik Mooney, Matt Faitoute, and Andrew Krynicki