

# B.O. Alumni Blast

The Beta Omicron Alumni Chapter Newsletter of Pi Kappa Phi Northwestern State University

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(From left) George Etheredge, Robert Broadwell, David Morgan, and Robert Wagon smile at historical accomplishment of a new Pi Kappa Phi House.

### Celebrate our new Pi Kapp house



By David Morgan Alumni Chapter Archon

#### Open House and Second Annual Alumni Meeting

It has been a great

year for the Pi Kappa Phi Beta Omicron Alumni Chapter. On October 21, 2000, the alumni chapter was started and our first meeting was held. At the meeting, discussion was held on how we could help the chapter, while at the same time creating an opportunity for the alumni from previous years to renew old friendships.

Discussion also was held on how to help the chapter purchase a house. Robert Broadwell and Robert Wagnon agreed to become co-chairmen of the housing corporation. With the help of Attorney Brother Mike Shannon, the "Beta Omicron Alumni Chapter of Pi Kappa Phi Fraternity Housing Corporation, Inc." was established. On December 20 a fraternity house was purchased for \$130,000, through a combination of first mortgage from CitiBank of Natchitoches, second mortgage from Pi Kappa Phi Properties, and \$27,000 donations from 32 alumni.

This house was purchased in only 62 days from our first meeting. A special thank you goes out to all of the alumni that helped make this possible. Without your help it would not have happened.

Homecoming promises to once again be an exciting time. I encourage all *Continued on page 3* 

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Beta Omicron Alumni Chapter sweeps Pi Kappa Phi awards

## Homecoming, Beta Omicron meetings set

Schedule includes golf tournament, social & dinner, tailgate party, open house

Friday, October 19 Golf Tournament

8 a.m. & 1:30 p.m tee times Call Mike Allain, 504-231-4410, for details

#### Pi Kappa Phi Alumni & Families Social and Dinner

7p.m.

At George and Cathie Etheredge's Home 124 Vienna Blvd., 352-6026 Please donate \$10 per person to help cover cost RSVP to Dmorgan738@aol.com or 512-328-6411

#### Saturday, Oct.20

9-9:30 a.m. Alumni Coffee

Pi Kappa Phi House 730 College Ave.

9:30-10:30 a.m. Alumni Meeting

10:30 a.m-noon Open House

12-2 p.m. Pi Kappa Phi Tailgate Party

at tent between Turpin Stadium

and Prather Coliseum

2 p.m. Homecoming Game

NSU vs. Nicholls State

After Game Pi Kappa Phi Open House

and possible Party

#### **Holiday Inn offering special to PKP Alums**

The Holiday Inn Express in Natchitoches is offering special arrangements of \$69 per night for Pi Kappa Phi. Please identify yourself as a Pi Kappa Phi Alumni. Holiday Inn: 318-354-9911.

### Planning shows spirit of chapter, alumni

#### Homecoming, Open House preparations well underway



Report by **George Etheredge** *B.O. Chapter Advisor* 

The chapter is off and running. They had a couple of very productive work sessions on the house, and it seems that the group has matured a great deal over the summer. You

would have been proud to see the group work as hard as they have on the new fraternity house.

They have been preparing for rush and doing a really good job. From what I am hearing, they should have a very productive class. They will be concentrating on quality rather than quantity. I look for them to pre-initiate 25 to 30 new associates. (We don't call them pledges anymore and hazing does not exist.)

We are going to try to put on a Powerpoint presentation for the rushees. It would be nice if some of you could attend and lend some of your experiences.

Remember our times in school and the lack of alumni involvement? If we are going to keep this fraternity going, it is going to need your help — showing up for homecoming, being a part of the alumni chapter, and helping the undergraduates understand life on life's terms. Being able to share your life experiences and your mistakes with the chapter members will help them become more productive leaders in the future. You may find the key person you need for your business in the ranks of the students you meet by attending the various events that will be scheduled this year.

I will be meeting with the Executive Council on a regular basis this coming semester to help them plan some very exciting programs that you as alumni will be proud to associate yourself with.

The past year was one of trials and errors but turned out to be very successful. The chapter was recognized as one of the leading chapters at Pi Kapp college. I would like to see it recognized as the leading chapter next year. To do that will take a lot of work and more involvement on your part as alumni.

I don't intend to sound like a preacher, but I just know that you could feel the same pride that I feel if you took a little bit of time to be involved with the members of America's leading fraternity, **because you are one of us**.

#### The agenda for the upcoming year

**Homecoming** will be great this year. Details are included in this newsletter. Get involved and come. Your fraternity is going to be involved with the right-to-play group in Shreveport. This is a group of citizens that are in the process of

raising money to build a handicap playground at A.C. Steere Park in Shreveport. We will be trying to get Push America to sponsor a **Push Camp in Shreveport** to help with this project. If you don't know what Push America is come around the chapter and ask the guys.

Your fraternity will be sponsoring two seminars that you may want to attend to better yourself in the business world. Steven Covey, author of "The Seven Habits Of Highly Successful People" and "Life 401," will be the speaker. These are seminars that the business world pays major bucks to put on for their employees, and it is yours for \$20 that includes lunch. Steven Covey seminars will be held this Spring in Natchitoches.

I can't express the feelings I had when members of my college fraternity came riding into Shreveport, La., on bikes. They had been on from San Francisco, Calif., in an **effort to raise awareness for people with disabilities**. Brothers, it's a new ballgame, and your fraternity is on the leading edge. How could you not want to associate with the elite

#### Housing Update — hard work and comraderie reign



Report by **Robert Broadwell**President, B.O. Housing Corporation

Hello all,

I just wanted to give everyone an update regarding our fraternity house. During the

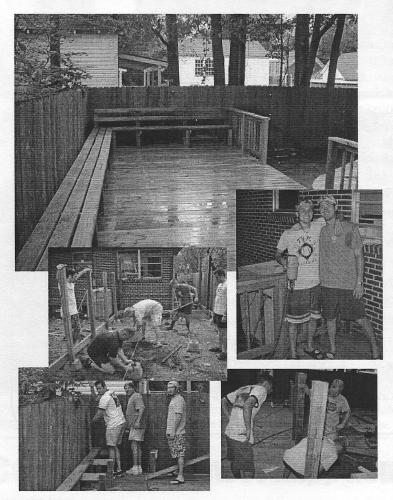
last two weekends, a tremendous amount of work has been done. Thank you to each alumni that assisted, as it is very impressive to the undergrads to see alums show up ready to work.

The guys pressure washed the house, trimmed limbs, added photoelectric lights in front of the house, painted the front of the house (the remainder to be finished before Rush begins next week), and added a deck on the back of the house (see attached pictures). It is nice to see that our money is being spent to improve our valuable property. The dimensions of the deck are 12' x 32'. It will be a nice rush tool, a good place to exchange with sororities, and to just "hang out."

Best of all, it was very heartwarming to see the comraderie that usually comes when people work together to accomplish a difficult task. Believe me these guys sweated in the heat and humidity, but laughed and had a good time. Brotherhood is reigning at Beta Omicron. What an impressive group!

I hope everyone is planning to come to homecoming this year. I have talked with a substantial number of us who are very anxious to set the standard with a HUGE Beta Omicron reunion. See you then.

#### All decked out for future rushes...



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(From left) Ruben Tweedy, District Counselor of the Year; George Etheredge, Chapter Advisor of the Year; and Michael Allain, Regional Governor of the Year.

### **Beta Omicron Chapter makes clean sweep**

The Beta Omicron
Alumni Chapter was
prominent during the
recent Pi Kappa Phi
College awards held at
Furman University. The
first three award
recipients at the
ceremonies were
Michael Allain, George
Etheredge, and Ruben
Tweedy.

Notably, never before has one chapter received these three prestigious awards. MICHAEL ALLAIN
Regional Governor
Of The Year

#### **GEORGE ETHEREDGE**

Chapter Advisor of the Year

RUBEN TWEEDY District Counselor Of The Year

#### Celebrate new house, from front page.

alumni to come back to NSU for this weekend. See old fraternity brothers, meet actives and associates, and see the new home. With the calls I have received, this homecoming will have a large turnout. Come see our new fraternity home. I hope to see you at the Pi Kappa Phi Fraternity House.

The Alumni Meeting will be Saturday, October 20, at 9:00 a.m. at the Pi Kappa Phi house. Open House will be after the football game.

#### **Beta Omicron Chapter Investment Fund**

The Beta Omicron Chapter Investment Fund was established to permanently endow Beta Omicron's educational and leadership efforts. This is a special type of endowment fund which has been established through the Pi Kappa Phi Foundation to encourage alumni

and others to make tax-deductible contributions on behalf of the Beta Omicron Chapter. Any disbursements will be under the guidelines established and cannot exceed 5% of the fund's balance annually.

If you would like to make a contribution or receive additional information on this excellent endowment for our chapter, contact David Morgan at 512-328-6411 or Pi Kappa Phi Foundation at 800-929-1913.

#### **Alumni News**

George Etheredge has a new granddaughter, Taylor Leigh, born June 4.

David Morgan, Jr. # 307 was married to Leslie Kaylo on July 28. Their current address is: 16230 Hedgeway Drive, Parker, CO 80134 (303-805-9215, ldtmorgan@yahoo.com)

### **Beta Omicron Alumni Chapter Members**

The membership drive and fundraiser continues. Current alumni chapter members are:

Mike Allain
Andy Bachman
Paul Begue
Charles Bice
Robert Broadwell
Pat "Yank" Burns
Calvin Campbell
Billie Cook
Mike Edwards
George Etheredge

Shelton Eubanks
Thomas Ferguson
Huey Fitch
James Guidry
John Hennigan
Bruce Kinder
Gary LaHood
Jerry Lee
Gary Leonard
Val Marmillion

Kevin McCain Steve McCutcheon Neal Mcfarland Roland McKneely David Morgan David Morgan, Jr. Michael Murphy Doug Nichols Billy Plunkett Scott Roach Monte Robinson Mike Shannon Leslie Stevens Bill Traylor

Robert Wagnon Steve Wiggins Danny Woodson Rick Yates

In remembrance of our Brothers who have died since since our last newsletter.

George Mandeville, No. 102 Russell Evans, No. 130 Brunson "Mike" Turner, No. 160

#### **NSU 2001 Demon Football Schedule**

The scheduled times listed below are subject to change. (Home Games in Bold)

September		13 Elon	1:00
1 Southern	6:30	20 Nicholls State (HC)	2:00
8 Henderson State	6:00	27 Jacksonville State	2:00
15 Gardner-Webb	6:00		
22 TCU	6:00	November	
29 Open		3 Southwest Texas	1:30
		10 McNeese State	7:00
October		17 Stephen F. Austin	2:00
6 Sam Houston State	6:00	25 NCAA Playoffs	TBA

### Tailgate Party tradition continues for every game

The Tailgate Party tradition of Pi Kappa Phi will continue this fall for all home games, at the tent between Turpin Stadum and Prather Coliseum. The Tailgate Party starts two hours before every game.

**ВЕТИВИ SERVICE REQUESTED** 

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