

# **CROW NEWS**

IT'S GOOD NEWS

MAY 1982



# A TRIBUTE TO THE CHAPTER HOUSE WINDOWS By Jeff Simpson

Date: May, 1921. Once termed "the decade of wealth", the twenties brought about high levels of spending among people in the U.S. The time was right for a new Alpha Chi Rho Chapter at Illinois. Construction on the Phi Kappa Chapter House of Alpha Chi Rho was complete and ready for occupancy. The classic french window design added to the fine appearance of the house.

Date: May, 1932. The U.S. has found itself broke and in the middle of the "Great Depression". The depression has brought about hard times for the U.S. economy and college campus's were no exception. Fortunately, the Phi Kappa Crows survived, as well as the windows; which have withstood thousands of openings and closings and remained in fine shape.

Date: May, 1942. The world is at war.

Americans stick together and get
tough on the enemy. The Phi Kappa
Crows stick together too and once
again survive a hard time in history.
The Chapter House windows are now
more than twenty years old and begin
to show some signs of wear.

Date: May, 1958. Convertibles, bobby socks, drive-ins, and rock and roll music dominate the college scene. The Phi Kappa Chapter house is there, too, twisting and hopping with the Crows. Besides all the partying, the windows and frames have endured the snow, rain, and blistering heat over the years and show signs of their age.

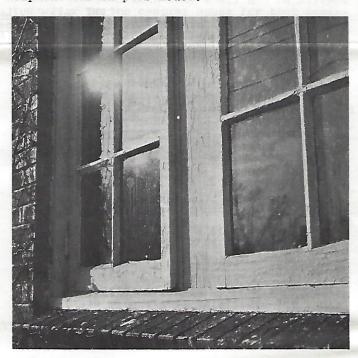
Date: May, 1968. Hippies, psycedilic colors, long hair, and togetherness music seem to unite college students against the administrations.

College students had much on their minds and confusion was not uncommon. In all the confusion, someone forgot to check the windows. They were confused too, as to why no one would help them out.

Date: May, 1975. "Let's get educated" seemed to be a theme during the seventies. The college student as well as others took a hard look at education and getting ahead in the world. Competition was the #1 sport on campus. The "me" generation begins to emerge from a combination of these attitudes. Hey! What about me?? Oh yes, let's not forget the Chapter House windows. They're fifty years old now and are worn, cracked, and close only sometimes.

Date: May, 1982. The Phi Kappa Building Association (The Alumni Board) is throwing a permanent retirement party for the Chapter House windows, casements, and frames. All Crow Alumni are invited to help buy new windows to replace the old windows.

Your contribution to the 1982 Building Fund Committee is greatly needed. The current windows and casements have deteriorated to a point where they are no longer energy efficient and look very bad. Details of this Building Fund Drive will be sent to you during the month of May. Please help us to reach our goal and help out our Chapter House.



# PHI KAPPA BUILDING ASSOCIATION BUDGET REPORT September 1981- February 1982

INCOME	BUDGETED	ACTUAL	SURPLUS/DEFICIT
Rent and Depreciation Rent carried forward Dues Interest on savings	\$10,800.00 2,600.00 750.00 50.00	\$10,799.88 2,600.00 900.00 50.00	- \$\psi 0.12 - 0 - * 150.00 - 0 -
	\$14,200.00	\$14,349.88	* 149.88
EXPENSES			
Insurance Loan Repairs and Maintenance House Improvements Miscellaneous Phi Kappa News Real Estate and Property taxes Rush *82	# 2,000.00 1,980.00 1,300.00 1,620.00 1,050.00 950.00 4,300.00	# 110.00 825.00 92.05 1,360.12 638.86 222.42 - 0 -	* \$ 1,890.00 * \$ 1,155.00 * \$ 1,207.95 * \$ 259.88 * \$ 411.14 * \$ 727.58 * \$ 4,300.00 * \$ 1,000.00
compared to emerge from w combinette	<u>14,200.00</u>	\$ 3,248.45	\$ 10,951.55

NOTE: The remaining expenses, (# 10,951.55) are expected to acrue by the end of the fiscal year 8/31/82.

CASH in bank checking account CASH in escro E.F. Hutton	\$5,938.40
cash Heserve Management	5,799.61
Less non-acrued expenses	\$11,738.01 10,951.55
Net surplus	<b>₩</b> 786.46

# PHI KAPPA BUILDING ASSOCIATION Balance Sheet April 4, 1982

ASSETS Cash in checking account	₩5.938.40	First Federal S & L	ES \$165.00
E.F. Hutton-Cash Reserve Management	47,834.00	Brad LaPayne Jim Klein	46.81 27.59
Total Assets	\$ 53,772.40	M.M. Graphics	27.50
	<del></del>	Total Liabilities	₩266.90
		CAPITAL	<u>*53.505.50</u>
		Total Liabilities and Capital	\$53.772.40

#### MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 15, 1981 BOARD MEETING

BY

John Ott, Secretary

A meeting of the Phi Kappa Building Association of the Fraternity of Alpha Chi Rho was held November 15, 1981 at 1:15 p.m. at the chapter house with President Dave Riley presiding. Board members present were Brothers Bateman, Brown, LaPayne, Jim Klein, Marquart, Ott, and Simpson. Also present were Brothers Bode and Jeff Klein.

The meeting agenda was read and approved.

The minutes from the last board meeting were read and approved.

Brother Simpson gave the treasurers report. We have \$41,808 in the Exley bequest now, \$9,992 in checking, and \$240 in savings. It was decided to close our savings account and just use the cash reserve management. Bills to pay are fire doors (\$640), Homecoming expenses (\$771), and National Convention expenses (\$345).

There was no Vice-President report.

Brother Bateman gave the Chapter Advisors report. The furniture committee made a room to room furniture appraisal. We need 12 desk chairs, 1 desk, a urinal, and 8 more room doors to meet fire code standards. The front door was broken and has been fixed. The fire doors for 2 closets and 1 room have been ordered.

Brother Riley presented the President's report. Homecoming 1981 was a great success especially the honoring of the tenth year grads and the banquet room. He suggested buying football tickets earlier and in a lower block. Brother Riley also gave a report on the newly formed financial committee which met November 14, 1981 at the Union. They made three suggestions: (1) contact Terry Romack, class of 1962, to audit our books twice a year, do tax forms, etc. (he is a CPA in Bloomington), (2) try to get a building fund drive going, (3) leave our money in cash reserve management.

Brother Marquart, undergrad president, reported that there will be 40 guys in the house next semester. They have 8 new pledges with 2 more possible and will lose 2 Brothers. Housebills will be \$210 with a \$65 social fee due to Jim Camel moving out and a pledge depledging. The also reported on Illinois Power requiring a \$1500 deposit till next fall.

#### UNFINISHED BUSINESS

The Alum board will send a reply to Ken Allers, editor of the Phi Kappa News, on his comments about balance sheets as we were not pleased with his statements. The next Phi Kappa News will have a Homecoming report with pictures, requests for two expired board terms (Brothers Riley and Brown), and

## MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 15, 1981 (continued)

letters from any alums. There are 4 housebills that are 1 month late and 1 of \$900.

The tree at the corner of the house is still there thanks to the power company. We will get bids for its removal and check with our neighbors about splitting the cost. Brother Bateman moved to approve \$200 to cut it down on the condition that the guy doing the work have liability insurance. Frother Brown seconded and it passed.

Rush expenses of \$262 for lights in front of the house was presented as a motion and failed. Brother LaPayne moved that this lighting put in by the undergrads be inspected by a certified electrician and the alums pay for this inspection. Brother Simpson seconded the motion. Brother Riley moved to amend the motion to the undergrads pay for anything needed to bring it up to code or disconnect it. The amendment was seconded by Brother Simpson and it passed as did the amended motion.

Brother Marquart moved to purchase 7 black council robes at \$7.50 each plus shipping. The motion was seconded by Brother Brown and it passed.

Brother Simpson's motion about undergrad rent payment was taken from the table. After much discussion Brother Simpson rescinded his motion and presented a new motion which reads: the Alumni board will take responsibility for collecting undergraduate rent and a housing contract for each semester from each member living in the house starting January 1982. If any member does not have their contract signed and rent payment given to the Alum treasurer within two weeks after the first day of school each semester then they shall not be allowed to live in the chapter house for that semester. The house treasurer shall collect the housing contracts and rent payments and forward them to the alum treasurer. This motion was seconded by Brother Ott and it passed.

The furniture committee presented motions on the following items which were all seconded and passed. The new john will be installed on third floor, \$250 was approved to buy a desk, and \$320 was approved to pay for the front door which was fixed.

# BUSINESS

The nomination committee for board vacancies for 1982-1986 is Brothers Brown, LaPayne, and Ott.

Rush expenses for 1982 will be present-

ed at the next board meeting.

A decision was made to have a building fund drive with a goal of \$25,000 for new windows in the chapter house. A general

## MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 15, 1981

(continued)

announcement will be put in the next Phi Kappa News. The building fund committee will be chaired by Brother Bateman with Brothers Brown, Klein, LaPayne, Ott, and Simpson on it.

We need a bid on the repair of the Crow nest.

Brother Riley moved that the extra cost of Homecoming be taken from the Exley fund. Brother Brown seconded the motion and it passed. Brother Marquart moved the alums reimburse the undergrads \$50 for expenses from Homecoming. The motion was seconded by Brother Bateman and passed.

Brother Bateman moved to buy a city code book for under \$20. Brother Ott seconded and the motion passed.

Brother Klein moved to adjourn at 5:10 p.m. and it passed. Next board meeting will be February 14, 1982 at 1:00 p.m.

# MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 15, 1982 BOARD MEETING

John Ott, Secretary

A meeting of the Phi Kappa Building Association of the Fraternity of Alpha Chi Rho was held February 15, 1982 at 1:00 p.m. at the chapter house with President Dave Riley presiding. Board members present were Brothers Bateman, Bruns, Jeff, Simpson, Ott, Klein, LaPayne, Riley, and Muff. Also present were Brothers Antesburger, Butler, Bode, Schmitz and Smith.

The meeting agenda was read and approved.

The minutes from last meeting were read and approved.

The treasurer gave the following budget report:

CHECKING: \$4,956 EXLEY: 47,834

(and cash reserved mgt)

TOTAL

\$54,428

Bills to pay:

TAXES: INSURANCE:

@ 4,800 2,000

Interest Earned from Exley bequest: \$5.106.

The undergrads have all their rent paid. Brother Sperelakes father helped with our IRS form filled out for \$60.00.

## MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 15, 1982 (continued)

Brother Bateman gave the Chapter Advisors report. He has received a letter from the University approving for Sophomores to move out of approved housing next year. A \$300 estimate for removing the tree in the bayon has been obtained and we will be getting a desk soon for the undergrads.

Brother Riley have a short report on the luncheon he had with Wes Dangler and Donald Jones who is the President of our Fraternity. Alpha Chi Rho is currently on an expansion campaign.

Brother Muff, undergrad President reported that there are currently 39 guys in the house with 38 housebills. They could possibly lose 9 at the end of this semester and are shooting for 12 pledges. The house GPA last semester was 3.64. The cook's children have been hanging around in the kitchen and surrounding areas on the week-ends. We are concerned with liability and the fact that all leftovers disappear. The undergrads will approach her on this matter. Meal fines are being strictly enforced.

# UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Brother Bateman reported that the Building Fund Drive Committee has two letters finished. A motion was made to pay \$47.50 to Ward Browns sister for work done on the letterhead. After much discussion Brother Klein moved to table this motion and Brother Simpson seconded it. Motion passed. Brother Simpson read the first and second letters and revisions and improvements were made. Ideas for the third letter were discussed. For contributors of \$25, \$50, \$100, or \$250 their name will be engraved on a placque in the house. For contributors of \$500, \$1,000, \$5,000 or \$10,000 will also have their name on the house placque and also receive a personal placque. The following categories were made up for contributors: Phi Kappa-\$25, Crow-\$50, Garnet and White-\$100, Amici- \$250, Torch and Sword-\$500, Landmark-\$1,000, Labrum-\$5,000, and Grand Labrum-\$10,000

The board would like a room at the Ramada Inn for Homecoming again this year. Discussion was also held on the location of football tickets.

We would like more names for nominations for expired board terms.

## NEW BUSINESS

IFC sanctions of Fraternity GPA's were discussed. They are raising the house GPA to activate to 3.3. Ours is 3.0 accum. In a statement of board policy Brother Bateman moved to raise house GPA to 3.3 to activate to coincide with IFC rules. Brother Klein seconded and motion passed.

MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 15, 1982 (continued)

The graduate Brother of the year was chosen.

Fire insurance was discussed. Our total insurance coverage is \$381.700 this year. year.

The board toured this house before the meeting today and was very displeased with its overall condition. We called for a mandatory house meeting at 10:00 p.m. February 18, to discuss this matter with the undergrads. Four board members will attend.

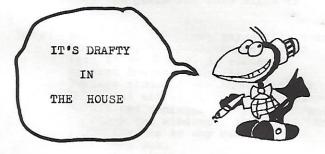
The undergrads brought up rush improvements for 1982 but the Alum Board will not take any action on this until the condition of the house is brought up to our standards.

The following bills were presented by the undergrads for payment and were passed as motions: chair rental at Homecoming for \$56.25, install exit sign by dorm and electrical work for \$165.00, a fan motor in the kitchen for \$111.83, and \$62.49 for a door closer. The undergrads are \$5600 in debt from last semester, \$1500 of which is a deposit to Illinois Power Company. Their movie fund lost \$225 in its course.

Brother Riley gave a report from the finance committee. Our investment with E.F. Hutton is considered very secure as a 9 on a scale of 10 being the securest. The financial committee recommended putting 1/2 of the Exley money in the Cardinal Government Security trust and leave the rest in E.F. Hutton. Brother Riley moved to accept the recommendations of the Financial Committee. Brother Bateman seconded and the motion passed.

Brother LaPayne will check the electrical problems in the House. The dishwasher is all but dead so the I.C. will get kids one. Bids will also be obtained for repair of the back door. Bids for repair of the Crow's nest were \$150 to coat the old roof and \$300 for a new roof. Brother Riley moved for approval of \$300 upon Brother Bateman's approval of the job. Brother Klein seconded and motion passed.

Brother Ott moved to adjourn at 5:40 p.m. Brother Bateman seconded. Next meeting is April 4, 1982.



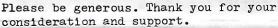
#### FROM THE PRESIDENT

The 1982 Building Fund Drive is now underway. The Building Association is conducting the drive to raise funds to replace all of the windows in the Chapter House. The windows are literally falling off of their hinges. Sixty plus years of weather and use have taken their toll. Besides detracting from the Chapter House appearance, the old windows contribute to high heating bills for the undergraduate chapter.

The Building Association has made several major improvements to the Chapter House in the last ten years. These improvements include a new roof, hot water heater, boiler, back stoop, front porch, and steps. Major areas of the house were also replastered and the house was completely rewired after the fire in 1974. These improvements were funded by graduate dues, rent from the undergraduate chapter and a loan for \$\psi 20,000.00\$ dollars which the association is currently repaying. The Association cannot afford a second mortgage to pay for new windows.

The Finance Committee discussed the condition of the windows at our meeting last fall. After discussing the high costs of replacing the windows, the Committee recommended that the Building Association undertake a fund drive for new windows. The estimated cost to replace the 36 windows with new energy efficient ones that would complement the appearance of the Chapter House is approximately \$35,000.00 to \$40,000.00 dollars.

Phi Kappa asks for support in the 1982 Building Fund Drive. The Building Association has been able to make major repairs to the Chapter House in the last few years with available funds. But now, we must request your support to make sure the Chapter House will maintain its appearance and that Phi Kappa of Alpha Chi Rho will maintain its financial stability for future Brothers. You will be receiving a letter asking for contributions to the 1982 Building Fund Drive.







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