



## **November 2022 Phi Kappa Graduate Chapter Newsletter**

**Homecoming! New Pledge Class! Visitors from  
Purdue!**

### **Chicago Happy Hour!**

**Save the Date: Friday, December 2, 2022 – Chicago Alum Happy Hour**

Reminder! Please join the official Phi Kappa Facebook and LinkedIn Groups:

<https://www.linkedin.com/groups/7006013/>

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/168602433263416>

Official Phi Kappa Graduate Chapter email: [PhiKappaGradChapter@gmail.com](mailto:PhiKappaGradChapter@gmail.com).

## **Happy Hour & Basketball Viewing Party – Friday, December 2nd**

Come for the happy hour, starting at 5 pm, and stay for the Illini basketball game, 8 pm start vs. Maryland! We'll meet up at:

South Branch Tavern & Grille  
100 S. Wacker Drive  
Chicago, IL 60606  
Southbranchchicago.com

Please register here: [https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfTMYEN2Ay\\_trtxYtpCOLvhOb-ETXAO-QvAoDvdq0aRHHcUrQ/viewform?usp=sf\\_link](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfTMYEN2Ay_trtxYtpCOLvhOb-ETXAO-QvAoDvdq0aRHHcUrQ/viewform?usp=sf_link)

Brother Vince Kurr

## **PHI KAPPA HOMECOMING AND MINI-REUNION!**

On October 15<sup>th</sup>, over 30 Phi Kappa alums, wives, and family members arrived in Champaign to watch the Homecoming football game against Minnesota, reconnect with old friends, and meet the Refounding Fathers. This is also the first time in about 5 years that we had access to the house for Homecoming, so it was nice to walk around and relive old memories.

Gametime was at 11 AM, and a number of us gathered on the front porch of 311 E. Armory before heading over to Memorial Stadium to watch our beloved Illini give the Minnesota Golden Gophers a well-deserved thrashing.

With a 26-14 win over our rivals in the books, the Phi Kappa membership returned to the Chapter House to enjoy some BBQ and fellowship. Most of our 15 undergrads were in attendance, and everyone enjoyed getting to know each other as well as hearing various alums regale the assembled group with tales from “back when I was in the House”. House tours were also offered, as was the chance to catch up on other college football action via projector and big screen.

The attendees represented a wide range of pledge classes, and the reunion served to strengthen our common bond, as well as get everyone fired up as we rebuild our beloved Phi Kappa of Alpha Chi Rho on the UofI campus.

Brother Andy Kosowsky '87

## **Fall 2022 Rush Update**

Fall 2022 Rush resulted in 5 new members. The initiated Brothers are Alexander Heinzinger ('26), Josh McWhorter ('26) and Sam Grager ('23). The Postulants preparing for initiation on December 1<sup>st</sup> are Logan Puckett ('24) and Robert Ferrer ('24).

The Undergrads are already planning for Spring Rush. They are working with the Phi Kappa Graduate Chapter's Mentoring Committee and have fresh ideas on how to grow the Chapter in 2023.

As a reminder that Rush is and always has been a team effort, please reach out to [PhiKappaGradChapter@gmail.com](mailto:PhiKappaGradChapter@gmail.com) if you know any students on campus this school year or next year. The Chapter is very interested in connecting with everyone we can. Whether those students are able and willing to join Phi Kappa, may know men who are interested in learning more about us, or could become allies that help us spread the word about the Chapter, we would love to get to know any contacts you have. Please let us know who you're in contact with on campus. Thanks Brothers!

## **Visitors from West Lafayette, IN.**

The weekend of November 12th was the Purdue @ Illinois football game, and Phi Kappa hosted a group of Alpha Phi Brothers for the weekend. The undergraduates had a great time getting to know each other on the first walkout from Purdue to Illinois since our refounding. The men exchanged ideas, along with a few beers, and created bonds that will help both Chapters grow stronger in future semesters. It was great to connect with the 20 or so men that made the drive to Illinois... even though we immediately banished them from our campus after their football team upset the Fighting Illini. Next year, the bragging rights will be ours!

Brother Brian Schmidt



## **Adopt a Pledge**

Please join the six Brothers who have already committed to the ADOPT A PLEDGE campaign. We're still looking for additional donors to help us reach our goal of covering the first year's dues of the Rechartering Class (each Postulant's first year dues will be around \$685). Please make your donation to [ADOPT A PLEDGE here.](#)

## **Gentle Ask**

If you have any questions or want to volunteer, please contact the Phi Kappa Graduate Chapter at [PhiKappaGradChapter@gmail.com](mailto:PhiKappaGradChapter@gmail.com).

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# Homecoming Pictures









