



March 2023 Phi Kappa Graduate Chapter Newsletter

Hockey! Undergraduate Update! Work Day!

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Official Phi Kappa Graduate Chapter email: PhiKappaGradChapter@gmail.com.

Chapter Spring Work Day – Saturday, March 11th

If you can, please join other Graduate Brothers for the Spring Work Day. Details are:

When – Saturday, March 11th at 9:00 am at the Chapter House. Should finish around 5:00 pm.

What – General clean-up as well as some minor repairs

Any and all help will be greatly appreciated. It's a great opportunity to reconnect with other Graduate Brothers and see the House. Lunch will be provided.

For more information, please contact Kevin Anetsberg at kevin@tungsten.com.

Building Association Update

Greetings, Brothers, from the Building Association!

I wanted to take the opportunity to update you on the state of the Chapter House and make you aware of the opportunities available for you to contribute to the work we've been doing on behalf of the Brotherhood.

After renting to the DKE fraternity for several years, we are pleased to be hosting our own AXP brothers at last. Overall, DKE were good tenants, but they did not care for the house as owners would. Thus, there are some overdue maintenance issues, some of which have already been completed and some others that we will address on March 11th during our Spring Work weekend, which you are invited to attend. We will be performing general clean-up as well as some minor repairs around the house. We will be starting at 9:00 am on Saturday and will continue until about 5:00 pm. Lunch will be provided. If you are interested in attending, please contact me at kevin@tungsten.com.

Electrical work has been completed for the planned installation of air conditioning for second floor rooms and bathrooms. This will make the house more comfortable as well as reducing the load on the existing electrical system and reducing damage to windows from the use of window air conditioners. Thanks to Brad LaPayne for overseeing this project. The next project we are looking to undertake is the purchase and installation of a new front door and basement door. At some point after that, we will be working on converting the old dorm into a number of individual rooms, similar how the former rooms 9 and 10 were converted into three individual rooms with a hallway.

One of the challenges we face as we reorganize the chapter are the many new housing options on campus. Even for those expressing the desire to join AXP, there is a preference to live in some of the more modern accommodations. It is important, then, that we keep the house in the best possible condition. We have a growing group of dedicated young men working to re-establish AXP at U of I, but not enough men yet living in the house to cover all expenses.

How can you help? Come down this Spring or Summer for a work weekend. Contribute financially to the upkeep of the house or to a special project. Your contribution will be put to good use. Consider volunteering for either the Building Association or the Graduate Chapter. I'd be glad to speak to anyone about our plans, our victories so far, and the challenges still ahead of us. Contact me at kevin@tungsten.com and we can set up a call or meeting.

Finally, I would like to thank Brother James Pautz (1970) for his especially generous recent donation to the Building Association. It is truly appreciated.

Kevin Anetsberger, President
Phi Kappa Building Association

Phi Kappa Hockey Game

Phi Kappa alumni at the Blackhawks Game!

The Phi Kappa Grad Chapter had a fun outing on Sunday, February 19th at the United Center in Chicago to see the Chicago Blackhawks host the Toronto Maple Leafs. We had a group of 9 alumni and their significant others at the game. Our group had alumni from the 80s, 00s, and 10s in attendance. The game was quite entertaining as Patrick Kane had his last Hat Trick as a Blackhawk leading the Blackhawks to a 5-3 victory.

Undergraduate Chapter Update

My name is Noah Olivero, I am a sophomore studying Health Science, and I am the President of the Phi Kappa Colony. So far this semester we are looking to bring on three new members with postulancy starting after spring break. This upcoming week however, we are looking forward to doing a "Pie an Alpha Chi" event on the quad where anyone can pay to pie one of the brothers in the face, with all proceeds going to Habitat for Humanity.

The colony has started to become more active in the House, with many brothers participating in game and movie nights on a weekly basis to get closer and with one another. A majority of new members who have taken on new positions have been seeing great success and are finding ways to go above and beyond in terms of what is expected of them. Overall, the spirits of the colony are high, and we are already beginning to plan ahead for fall rush.

As a reminder that Rush is and always has been a team effort, please reach out to 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!

Phi Kappa Brother Spotlight – Vic Enchelmayer ‘70

Brother Vic is originally from Wilmette, but currently lives in San Diego. Following graduation, Vic served two years active duty as an Infantry US Army officer including time in Vietnam. We thank him for his service. In addition to valuable U of I education, Vic earned an MBA at the University of Oregon. He was an executive with the Boy Scouts of America and retired in 2012. Vic and his wife Judy just celebrated 42 years of marriage. They have two grown children (Ryan in San Diego, Becky in Brooklyn, NY) and five grandchildren. He’s currently President of his Kiwanis Club and leads church mission trips to Mexico and Bolivia. Vic has been an active supporter of the Graduate Chapter and he made it to the 2022 annual meeting at the Chapter House.

While from the Midwest and a loyal Illini, he loves San Diego (who doesn’t). He reminds us that San Diego State may join the Pac 12 when USC/UCLA bolt for the Big Ten and that recently they haven’t been half bad in either football or basketball. If you ever get to Southern California, he’d love it if you look him up and arrange a visit. Email is sanluisench@aol.com and 619-955-3113 for calls/texts.

Thanks for being a Crow, Vic and Go Illini!

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If you have any questions or want to volunteer, please contact the Phi Kappa Graduate Chapter at PhiKappaGradChapter@gmail.com.

Donations to the Building Association cover capital improvements, upkeep, and maintenance: https://www.paypal.com/donate?hosted_button_id=K2437WYYDZ9YL

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