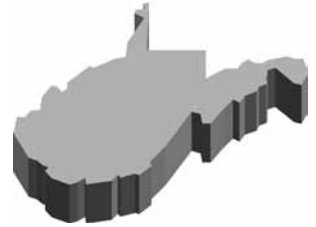




SUMMER 2011

Mountaineer Pike

THE NEWSLETTER FOR ALUMNI AND FRIENDS OF THE ALPHA THETA CHAPTER OF PI KAPPA ALPHA AT WEST VIRGINIA UNIVERSITY



All Alumni Invited to the Annual Morgantown Reunion - August 12-14

Alumni and spouses will return to Morgantown in August for the 2011 Alpha Theta Morgantown Reunion. The 2010 Reunion brought together over 50 years of brothers from across the country. Key events of this year's Reunion include golf at Nemaocolin Woodlands Resort, an alumni luncheon and meeting, and a banquet held at the Waterfront Place Hotel. For complete information on the event, see the schedule of events listed below.



Brothers and their "Dream Girls" enjoy an evening together at last year's banquet. Maybe this year you can join us!

Morgantown Reunion 2011 Schedule of Events

FRIDAY, AUGUST 12, 2011

10:00 a.m. - Golf at Nemaocolin Woodlands Resort. Check out www.nemaocolin.com/golf/the-links.

Lee Yates '66 will once again host this event on Friday morning, August 12, 2011. Be sure to contact Lee directly to be included in this event at tyates@cvzoom.net or (724) 628-7165.

3:00 p.m. - Sundown: Picnic at Coopers Rock, Shelter 3, hosted by **Bob Risher '64** (bobrisher@suddenlink.net) and **John Buttermore '65** (john.buttermore@srw.edu). Share memories and renew friendships with brothers and their families for a great time with great food and drink. Follow the signs to the Pike Reunion. Go to www.coopersrockstateforest.com for more information on the location.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 13, 2011

Alumni Luncheon and Meeting - Join us at Archie's Restaurant & Pub (1632 Deckers Creek Blvd, Morgantown) at 12:00 noon for the annual alumni luncheon and meeting.

Ladies' activities - Tour Nemaocolin Woodlands (www.nemaocolin.com), visit over 75 brand name outlets at the Tanger Outlet Center in Washington, PA (www.tangeroutlet.com/washington), or enjoy

one of Morgantown's many spa facilities nearby (www.sparoma.com, www.waterfrontspa.com, www.europasalonanddayspa.com).

Banquet at Waterfront Place Hotel - The concluding banquet will be held in the Regatta Bar and Grill's private dining room at the Waterfront Place Hotel (www.waterfrontplacehotel.com). Cocktails begin at 6:30 p.m. and dinner starts at 7:00 p.m. Guests can order from the menu or enjoy the buffet. For more information and to RSVP, contact **Gary Earp '65**, ATAA Secretary, at 2inapplevalley@comcast.net.

HOTEL RESERVATIONS

The Alumni Association has reserved rooms at the Holiday Inn Express, (304) 291-2600, for \$99 per night, the Points at Hampton Inn, (304) 599-1200, for \$94 per night and the Spring Hills Suites by Marriott, (304) 225-5200 ext 3, for \$125 per night. The rate includes a hot breakfast at all locations. Alumni need to mention the "Pike Reunion" and make reservations as soon as possible to secure the discounted rates.

29th Annual Sandbagger Classic August 5-6, 2011, in the Rochester, NY Area



Brothers pictured at last year's Annual Pike Golf Outing and Sand Bagger Classic. Make sure you are in the picture this year!

For the 29th year in a row, Pike alumni will hit the links for the Annual Sandbagger Classic. The tournament will be held in the Rochester, NY area the weekend of August 5-6, 2011. Stay tuned for more details! Please contact **Jeff Barker '83** at jbarker839@aol.com or **Joe Feola '79** at joseph.feola@mssb.com with immediate questions.



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Rush Week 2010 Ends with the Largest Group in Five Years



Congratulations to the new pledges and chapter members for a successful recruitment initiative! Pictured L to R, Row 1: Dan Church, Tyler Clements, Mike Teta, David Gourdine, Jarred Zuccarri, Chris Chun, Nick Hauptle, John O'Brien, Kevin Furman and Kevin Vankirk. Row 2: Alex Acker, Mike Moffa, Chris Pepper, Jordan Salkin, William Schmidt, Mike Rady, David Going, Brad Patocka, Matt Phearsdorf, Aaron Kelly and Devin Hamner. Row 3: Evan Brailey, Scott Crunich, Andrew Powell, Mason McMonegal, Alex Mitchell, Jay Solensky, Tim Carren, Mike Rutski, Matt Harper, Griffen Sepp, Benjamin Giardini, Charles Racy Ward and Matthew Lennox. Not pictured: Scott Troen, Zac Conville, Jordan Powell, Christian West, Ethan Benham and Mike Martin.

Many of the new initiates are legacies of the Pike community. Kevin Vankirk is a legacy through his brother, a Pike initiated at American University and a transfer to the Alpha Theta Chapter. William Schmidt is a two-time legacy through his father and brother. Evan Brailey is a legacy through his brother initiated at Slippery Rock University. To add to the prestige of these new initiates, Tyler Clements is the son of West

Virginia University President, James Clements. Jordan Powell is a Resident Advisor in Brooke Tower. And finally, Jarred Zuccarri is a member of Student Government and the brother of Jason Zuccarri, a past president of Student Government at West Virginia University. The new initiates hope their prestigious past will allow for a successful future with the Alpha Theta Chapter!

2010 NEW INITIATES

Alex Acker
Allentown, PA
Civil Engineering

Ethan Benham
Wellsburg, WV
Finance

Evan Brailey
Pittsburgh, PA
Communications

Tim Carren
Demascus, MD
Forestry Management

Chris Chun
Montville, NJ
English Literature

Dan Church
Clarksburg, WV
Psychology

Tyler Clements
Glennel, MD
Pre-Business

Zac Conville
Pittsburgh, PA
Industrial Engineering

Scott Crunich
Pittsburgh, PA
Environmental Science

Kevin Furman
Coarsehead, NY
Business Management

Benjamin Giardini
Allegany, NY
Business

David Going
Rosemont, PA
History

David Gourdine
Ellicott, MD
Petroleum Engineering

Devin Hamner
Bridgeport, WV
Sports and Exercise Psychology

Matt Harper
Pittsburgh, PA
Biology

Nick Hauptle
Springfield, VA
Sports and Exercise Psychology

Aaron Kelly
Charles Town, WV
Pharmacy

Matthew Lennox
Middletown, NJ
Physical Education

Mike Martin
Pittsburgh, PA
Education

Mason McMonegal
Pittsburgh, PA
Agricultural Economics

Alex Mitchell
Eatontown, NJ
Pre-Pharmacy

Mike Moffa
Pittsburgh, PA
Marketing

John O'Brien
Omaha, NE
Political Science

Brad Patocka
Binghamton, NY
Visual Journalism

Chris Pepper
Allentown, PA
Industrial Engineering

Matt Phearsdorf
Allegany, NY
Finance

Andrew Powell
Baltimore, MD
Forensic Sciences

Jordan Powell
Logan Township, NJ
Psychology

Mike Rady
Morristown, NJ
Pre-Pharmacy

Mike Rutski
Westport, CT
Communications

Jordan Salkin
Goshen, NY
Pre-Sports Management

William Schmidt
Pittsburgh, PA
Sports and Exercise Psychology

Griffen Sepp
Fairport, NY
Engineering

Jay Solensky
Allentown, PA
Biology/Pre-Med

Mike Teta
Pittsburgh, PA
Marketing

Scott Troen
Springfield, VA
Sports and Exercise Psychology

Kevin Vankirk
Wheeling, WV
Business

Charles Racy Ward
Morgantown, WV
Exercise Physiology

Christian West
Morgantown, WV
Nursing

Jarred Zuccarri
McLean, VA
Multidisciplinary Studies

Brother to Brother

Bob Risher '64 and his wife, Phyllis, recently spent several weeks in North Port, Florida, and enjoyed spending a couple of evenings visiting with **Ted Goodwin '64** and his wife, Marilyn. Bob and Ted were pledge brothers and according to Bob, "Ted is a fabulous storyteller and we had fun re-living the good times."



From left: Phyllis Risher, Marilyn Goodwin, Ted Goodwin '64 and Bob Risher '64 in January 2011 on a jetty in Venice, FL.

Bill Mitchell '60 is currently in Uruguay and hopes to get a new computer operational soon.

Jack Russell '62 hosts a weekly radio show with **Roger Galloway '60**. Tune into www.kntram.com to listen!

Do you have news you'd like to share with your brothers? Post interesting information about yourself online at www.wvupikes.com. Did you recently get married? Have a baby? Change jobs? Retire? Let us know. Post your news today.

Have you missed any past editions of the Mountaineer Pike? In the past 12 months, six editions of the electronic newsletter were emailed to about 400 alumni. Did you receive your electronic copies? If not, please update your email address at www.wvupikes.com to ensure you receive all future electronic communications. If your email address appears correctly, please ensure your SPAM filter isn't keeping you out of the loop! Please call Doug Ladish (919-523-0908) or Gary Earp (304-367-1143) if you need assistance in updating your information.

A Look at Founders Day, February 2011

Brothers with Pi Kappa Alpha Dream Girl on Founders Day - February 2011.



Support the Alpha Theta Alumni Association

Alumni Association annual dues are separate from House Company capital campaign pledges. All alumni are encouraged to support the Alpha Theta Alumni Association for the 2011-12 school year. Gifts to the Alumni Association accomplish three important goals:

- Alumni gifts help keep alumni informed and connected through this newsletter, the website at www.wvupikes.com and other communications
- Alumni gifts provide meaningful leadership development training and experiences to deserving members of the chapter by sponsoring them to attend Pike University events (www.pikeuniversity.org), and
- Alumni gifts support and enhance the chapter's pledge education program.

The Alumni Association Board of Directors manages all alumni association contributions in order to best promote friendship on a firmer and more lasting basis, across the years and across the generations of Alpha Theta.

Annual dues are \$40 and are payable now for 2011. Checks larger than \$40 are welcome and appreciated. Please show your support by sending a check payable to Alpha Theta Alumni Association and mail it to: Doug Ladish, Treasurer, 109 Kingussie Court, Cary, NC 27511.

BLAST FROM THE PAST WITH PI KAPPA ALPHA!



The Pi Kappa Alpha fire truck in the Homecoming parade during the 1960s. Inset: The Locomotive Bell, procured in 1940.

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Tom Pendleton '55

For the 1960's
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For the 1970's
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Jim Morgan '77



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Help us keep our alumni records up-to-date! Edit your member profile online at www.wvupikes.com or clip this form, place it in a stamped envelope and send to: Pi Kappa Alpha Fraternity, West Virginia University #530, PO Box 2187, Columbus, GA 31902.

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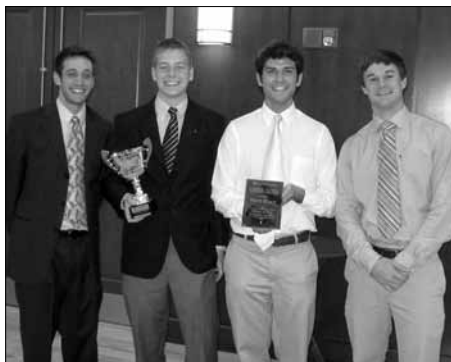
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2011 Greek Week



Pi Kappa Alpha won 1st place for Philanthropy at the 2011 Greek Week Awards. Pi Kappa Alpha teamed up with Sigma Kappa Sorority to win the Greek Week competition.



Leah Zilich and Lou Casale '08, 2010 Chapter SMC, compete in the costume portion of the Greek Week competition. Leah is the daughter of Pike Brother Tony Zilich '71.

Save the Date!

Mark your calendars now for the October 1, 2011, Homecoming game with WVU hosting Bowling Green. Homecoming events, as well as other upcoming events, can be reviewed at <http://calendar.wvu.edu>.

Visit www.wvupikes.com

Visit www.wvupikes.com, the official Alpha Theta Alumni Association website to:

- Learn more about the Fraternity and upcoming alumni activities
- Access archives of past newsletters and communications
- Update your contact information
- Search for old friends
- Help us find lost brothers (we currently have 397 lost alumni!)
- See plans for the renovated Pike House
- Make a gift to support the campaign to renovate the Pike house

Past and current pictures of past reunions, brothers, newsletters and outings are available at www.wvupikes.weebly.com thanks to **Bill Chittum '62**. News from the active Alpha Theta Chapter at WVU is located at www.wvu-pikes.com. The Pi Kappa Alpha International website can be viewed at www.pikes.org.