

Brothers of Alpha Theta!

We hope you have been reading the business topic emails, giving them serious thought and will contact us regarding action you are willing to take to provide SUSTAINABILITY to Alpha Theta Alumni Association (ATAA), its current initiatives and the brotherhood which Alpha Theta of Pi Kappa Alpha created across the 112 years since its founding.

This is the 6th and final business topic message for Summer 2016. It addresses two critical needs of ATAA to ensure long-term **SUSTAINABILITY: Communication and Finances**

FINANCES

Without financial resources, ATAA is restricted in what we are able to do. Communication is critical. Our primary communication cost (\$105/month) includes maintenance of our contact list, website (wvupikes.com), internet service and email list serve distribution. We contract with OmegaFi for these services. As an alumni association, we also have dues of \$125/year payable to Pike International. From time to time, ATAA also receives and manages restricted funds for our special projects.

Need:

- Payment of your annual dues now.
- Annual dues are \$40. Checks larger than \$40 are welcomed and appreciated. The first \$40 will be applied to the General Fund. Include on your check's memo line any additional amount to be restricted to a special project.
- Make your check payable to *Alpha Theta Alumni Association* and mail to:

Doug Ladish, Treasurer
109 Kingussie Ct
Cary, NC 27511

- ATAA maintains a free "Community Checking" account with Branch Banking and Trust, Cary, NC
- A summary of account balances as of July 30, 2016 and disbursements during the past 12 months. An important note...the balances in the Sadie, Chapter Eternal and Chapter Leader Development funds are all **RESTRICTED** for use only by that special project. General fund balance can be spent as needed for any appropriate ATAA activity.

Fund balances as of July 30, 2016		Total disbursements in the past 12 months
General	\$390	Website, contact list, mass email capability, ATAA dues to National \$1,385
Sadie	\$3,994	Mechanical restoration \$1,441
Chapter Eternal	\$0	Travel expense National convention for Chapter (from Rick Budd Memorial \$500)
Chapter Leader Development	-\$160	Chapter Exec Conference, Travel, Registration, Room \$1,310
Bank Account Balance	\$4,184	

COMMUNICATION PATHS FOR ALPHA THETA ALUMNI AND FRIENDS

- Discover pictures of Alpha Theta's past at wvupikes.net
- Contact your brothers at wvupikes.com
- See the happenings of the active chapter at wvupikes.org
- Check out Pi Kappa Alpha International at pikes.org. Be sure to create your User Name and Password to access resources through the myPIKE link at the top left of the home page.
- Join WVU Alpha Theta Alumni on Facebook in our closed group at <https://www.facebook.com/groups/60707728997/>
- Help the active chapter grow. Refer a friend to join PiKA at <http://fs23.formsite.com/pike/form8/index.html>

SHIELD AND DIAMOND GOES DIGITAL!

- The *Shield & Diamond* is available in both print and online editions, with a full digital archive (1890 to present).
- To access the digital archive, go to pka.org and click on the [myPIKE](#) link. You will need to create a User Name and Password to access the secure portion of PIKE'S website. Once in the secure portion of the site, you can access the digital archive as well as many other resources PIKE has for both alumni and undergraduates.
- To receive the print edition, contact the Pi Kappa Alpha Foundation at foundation@pikes.org
- The circulation policy of the *Shield & Diamond* was recently updated to better serve its readership. In the past, all members with a good address on file with Pike Memorial Headquarters received one issue per year. Now, all members of the Fraternity with a good email address on file will receive all four issues of the magazine electronically.
- All members of the Pike Loyal Order will automatically receive the print version of the *Shield & Diamond* as part of their participation in this program.

In the bonds,

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