

# Sphinx: *On The Move*

Sigma Delta Phi Est. 1919

2008 Spring Edition

## Presidential Letter

Dear Alumni,

Sigma Delta Phi's alumni chapter is in the midst of a very exciting time! Coming off the heels of our annual homecoming meeting, there was a renewed sense of interest in the alumni chapter. This includes more active chapter events which will in turn strengthen our bonds of brotherhood. One of the best ways for us to keep this momentum going is to improve communication and "Sphinx On The Move" is a terrific resource.

Anybody with pictures or stories that would like to see in a future editions of "Sphinx on the Move" should contact the newsletter team. A special feature is the Alumni Spotlight which highlights some of those members who've fallen off the face of the earth. If you have an alumni in mind that we should include go ahead and submit them as well.

This issue highlights some of what was discussed at our homecoming meeting, including a change in dues, the formation of a housing corporation and the launch of a new alumni web site. There is also a section for alumni events. Upcoming events include Alumni Social Night, a poker tournament and the resurrection of a Tradition, a special tea party.

Another item I would like to point out is the inclusion of a self addressed post-card. With this card you can choose to continue receiving "Sphinx on the Move" through the mail or receive it via email. "Sphinx on the Move" is one of the largest expenses we have, costing more than \$400 to be sent out to our more than 500 alumni. With the self addressed envelope feel free to drop your \$25 dues in with your opinion.

As always, I hope this "Sphinx on the Move" finds you and your family in good health and good spirits.

VANSO,  
Scott Humphrey  
Alumni Association President



## Building for the Future

Over the past couple of years the fraternity has worked to secure a permanent residence for the active chapter. This included the rent-to-own plan at 58 West Lincoln Street and the purchase of a house at 101 South Grove Street. Unfortunately, both of these plans did not end well, once again leaving the active chapter homeless.

## Sphinx Alumni Are On The Move

### Alumni Social Night

March 1, 2008 7-11 pm \*No admission cost\* Cash bar but snack foods are provided. Come enjoy fellowship and networking while playing cards, baccarat, darts and more.

Abruzzi Club  
8395 Cleveland Avenue NW  
(Hanawalt), Westerville, OH 43081

### The Land

March 7, 2008  
Contact Matt Lofy  
matt.lofy@otterbein.edu

### Poker Night

May 3, 2008  
Bring your poker face for a relaxed, low-stakes night of cards. Many games will be played, including a tournament.

In an effort to develop housing plan that has the potential for success, the alumni approved the formation of a housing corporation at the homecoming meeting with the sole purpose of determining what the best course of action is for obtaining a permanent residence for the active chapter. Currently, the housing corporation consists of alumni Bill Benninghofen, Mike Fosnaught, Andy Hall, Scott Humphrey, Kayne Kirby, Casey Parsons and Jared Trubee.

With backgrounds in law, real estate, finance and administration, each of the board members offer areal world perspective that will be invaluable as the housing corporation moves forward with planning and development. Meetings are open to all alumni.

### Homecoming Weekend

October 18, 2008  
Keep Saturday evening of Homecoming open for the return of a Grand Sphinx tradition, A Special Tea Party. For now, we can't say more, but you get the idea! More details coming soon...

### Alumni Golf Outing

Summer 2009. Date TBD





## We're Open to You

If you have pictures, stories, want to suggest a person for the Alumni Spotlight or have any other feedback, please email Casey Parsons '05 John Chaney '04 at sphinxonthemove@ocsphinx.com

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## Say Hello To My Little Friends

Out of 88 men who signed a Greek Organization 15 pledges were taken for the Winter 2008 rush season by Sigma Delta Phi. While not the biggest pledge class "We're still bigger than Kings," said active Matt Lofy.

Commando night, Fox and Hound, various mixers, capture the flag and study tables have all been included in this year's pledging process.

New introductions to this year's pledging process are a mentoring program and an emphasis on making better actives not just great pledges. On pick up night these pledges received blank green shirts and had to print their own script sphinx.

They will also be selling a number of these shirts at the Alumni Social night on March 1st.

Pledges are from various backgrounds and majors:

- Troy Burton, Louisville, KY  
Music Education
- Mark Cramer, Poland, OH  
Undecided

- Ben Hartwig, Fairfield, OH  
Vocal Performance
- Micah Hudson, Coshocton, OH  
Math Education
- Mike Johnson, Poland, OH  
Music Business
- Travis Matson, Xenia OH  
Music Business
- Justin McDonald, Williamston, MI  
Art (Vis Com)
- Matt Miller, Marion, OH  
Music Education
- Matt O'Rourke, Danville, OH  
Math Education
- Kyle Smith, Bucyrus, OH  
Nursing
- Todd Thomas, Carey, OH  
Sociology
- Kevin Witt, Sidney, OH  
Business Finance

Unfortunately three pledges couldn't hack it and have depledged.

Looking forward to Fire Drill, the Ratt-a-thon, all fun of Hell Week and The Land? Contact Matt Lofy for a schedule at matt.lofy@otterbein.edu.

Join the Yahoo group: www.groups.yahoo.com/group/sigmadeltaphialumniatottterbein/



Alumni Dues are \$25 a year. This provides us a way to contact you and make events possible throughout the year. Humpy says "pay early and pay often."