



Mountaineer Pike

Electronic Newsletter of the Alpha Theta Alumni Association



Season's Greetings!

From

Alpha Theta Alumni Association

And

House Company of Alpha Theta Chapter, Inc.



In this edition:

Website Updates Reunions Founders Day House Status

Watch for the Winter electronic edition of the Mountaineer Pike, coming in January

Please send your news items and tips for topics to be reported to Gary Earp 2inapplevalley@comcast.net

Website Updates

Past and current pictures of the fraternity house, events, brothers, newsletters and outings are available at www.wvupikes.weebly.com. Pictures from the first part of the last century through today are right at your fingertips. Bill Chittum's (wachittum@frontier.com) dedication to organizing an easy to use website makes it hard to resist.

Visit www.wvupikes.com - the official site of the House Company of Alpha Theta Chapter, Inc. and the Alpha Theta Alumni Association. At this site you can get search the online data base for alumni contact information, leave a personal note on the bulletin board and access past newsletters and information posts.

The happenings of the active chapter can be found at www.wvu-pikes.com . This is a new website still under construction and replaces the old one at Geocities.

Do you want to know more about Pi Kappa Alpha International of today? Check out their website at www.pikes.org .

Reunions, Reunions, Reunions for 2011

The Morgantown reunion will be held the weekend of August 12th, 2011. Look for further developments on plans for the reunion, and the Annual Pike Golf Outing and the Sandbaggers Classic schedule as time moves on. In the meantime check out all the great websites noted and get together with a Pike brother!

Watch for events to be announced for Founders Day 2011



House Status Update

In brief – the objective is for Alpha Theta Chapter to occupy 117 Belmar Avenue in the Fall of 2011.

Research and fact finding is leading to a good deal of decisions being made to progress on the project. The direction is all positive and encouraging.

See the sidebar for a timeline of recent events.

For further specifics or questions about the house, contact Al Dering (awdering@yahoo.com) or Doug Ladish (ladish@mindspring.com).



July 19, 2010

Background leading to the formation of West Range – Morgantown, LLC was covered in the “Mountaineer Pike – Summer 2010”. West Range Morgantown, LLC will develop, hold title, and manage the housing project going forward, and oversee WVU’s leasing of the property and then sublease to the Alpha Theta Chapter. For details visit www.wvupikes.com and select the “News and Info” tab for a copy of the “Mountaineer Pike – Summer 2010” (pages 3 and 4).

November 6, 2010

The White Horse Holding Corporation (WHHC), the PKA International Fraternity’s Real Estate entity, held its semiannual meeting in Morgantown. Al Dering, Joe Feola and Doug Ladish participated in part of the meeting related to the 117 Belmar Avenue project and participated in a walk through of the house in its current condition.

The WHHC board members were impressed with the property’s location and status towards campus. Decisions were made at this meeting to research the current construction market in Morgantown to determine if new constructions costs are more favorable than renovation costs. As well, to determine the site’s facility capacity to make sure the land is being economically maximized.

December 15, 2010

Evaluation of house design and costs are on-going. The intent of the evaluation is to ensure Alpha Theta and Pi Kappa Alpha will have a facility layout that will benefit the brothers right now and long into the future. A key consideration is achieving an optimum balance between income producing rental space and brotherhood producing common space, all the while maintaining a financially viable business model.

Due to the many efforts from Alpha Theta Alumni and the WHHC the outlook is positive. Watch for future updates in electronic editions of the Mountaineer Pike.

A gift to the House Company of Alpha Theta Chapter Inc. benefits these efforts directly. Please visit www.wvupikes.com and make a gift today!