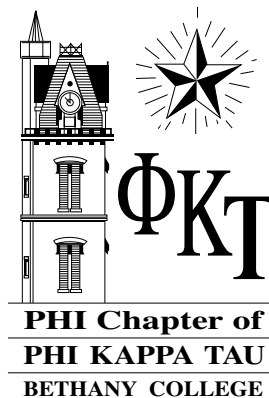


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Phi Chapter of Phi Kappa Tau
Bethany College

March 2012
Bethany, West Virginia



2012 Brotherhood Events

Brothers, your alumni steering group has planned an ambitious 2012 in preparation for an even more ambitious 2013, as it comes near the time to celebrate our 90th Anniversary in Phi Kappa Tau. To this end, we've established **four guiding goals to grow a stronger Phi Chapter**:

- support the Resident Council;
- communicate with alumni;
- partner with Bethany and the National Fraternity; and
- plan and promote events.

As part of our goal of assistance to the students, we've recruited a new, fully-staffed Board of Governors with **Brett Allen '06** as chair, plus **Aaron Anslow '06**, **William Culler '07**, **Charles Drubel '05**, **Shawn Hess '09**, **David Rudari**, **Chad Shepherd '06** and **Thomas Velto '07** all serving specific roles. Thanks to these brothers for their service!

One area where we'd like to increase alumni help is philanthropy. **If you're interested in attending this year's benefit spaghetti dinner (see list at right) or helping out in any way**, contact Michael Albert, chapter VP for Alumni Relations, at malbert@bethanywv.edu.

We'll also be finding better ways to keep in touch with you (including a larger regular newsletter with more photos). And while not abandoning the traditional hard-copy mailed newsletter format, we will continue to use the website (pktphichapter.org), email, Facebook and other social media as they become useful to reach our brothers.

And finally, we want to make sure you know about the events we have planned so you can make your plans more easily. **At right is our calendar for 2012 (with a special 2013 event, too)**. You'll be hearing more about all of these events in the coming weeks and months.

Upcoming ΦKT Calendar of Events

April 22	Charity Spaghetti Dinner (Bethany Church), 4-8 p.m.
May 5-6 May 5	Bethany Alumni Weekend Harvard Red & Old Gold Club (Academic Parlor), 10 a.m. Meess Memorial Luncheon (Wheeling Country Club, cost=\$25), 1 p.m.
July 25-29	60th Biennial Phi Kappa Tau National Convention , Hilton Downtown, Nashville, Tenn. Information: phikappatau.org
Sept. 8 *	Baseball, Buccos & Brothers , PNC Field, Pittsburgh
Oct. 6-7 Oct. 6	Bethany Homecoming Phi Chapter Grad Council Meeting (ΦKT House), 10 a.m. Homecoming Tailgate (Football Field, to follow)
Oct. 25-27, 2013 *	Phi Chapter 90th Anniversary Reunion , Bethany

* *dates tentative*

Pay Your Dues, Please!

New Online Paying Option At Chapter Web Site

Has it been a year already? Once again, **time to pay your annual Phi Chapter Graduate Council dues**. We ask for that \$25 each year to help defray the costs of getting news out to you all, putting together events (like the ones described above) and occasionally pitching in to help out at the student level.

For instance, your Graduate Council voted at our Homecoming meeting to spend up to \$5,000 to refurbish and redecorate the Chapter Room at the Phi Tau house in Bethany! Still in the planning and purchasing stages, we hope to unveil the new Chapter Room at Homecoming 2012 in October.

Finally, since we can't grow and thrive without regular fundraising efforts, so we will once again be asking for support for the chapter via Graduate Council dues. **Please fill out the enclosed card and return with your payment today!** Or, starting this year, **you can pay your dues online at pktphichapter.org**. You can pay for one year, or set up an automatic system that will take care of your dues payment each year. Either way, **please pay today!**

The Word From Harvard Red & Old Gold

Helping Defray the Costs of Brotherhood

**Annual Meeting
May 5,
10 a.m.**

If you are one of the men who joined the club in 2011 or someone who continued to fulfill your commitment or has gone above and beyond your initial pledge to continue supporting the chapter, **we appreciate your support. We could not continue in our mission without your generous contributions**, and we really appreciate your commitment to the chapter.

Here is to a happy, healthy and productive 2012 for all! **We hope to see you at our annual meeting May 5th at Bethany.**

Mike Holzworth '99
HROG President

Brothers, as I am sure you already know, the Harvard Red and Old Gold Club is here to help the brothers of the resident council develop into better leaders. This effort is directed towards the benefit of our brothers themselves, our chapter, our college and the broader community. In the words of our founder Don Dallas, we are attempting to “Make Good Men Better.” **I am very pleased to report that 2011 was a great year in the business of “Making Good Men Better;”** and we look forward to continuing this momentum in 2012.

Last year, we saw a change in the educational approach of the National Fraternity. The fraternity is offering more educational and leadership development opportunities than ever before. **We welcome and support this effort, but it provides a challenge to our organization.** More programs require more funding, and we really believe that it is our responsibility to provide these opportunities to our undergraduate brothers. This is not the case in most chapters across the country. **Phi Chapter is special, HROG is special, and we are delivering on this ambitious mission. But this is only possible with your support.**

What can you do to help? Well I’m glad you asked. If you are not already a member of the Harvard Red and Old Gold club, you could join. This would mean joining the 127 existing members of the club by pledging \$1,000 to support our chapter. If you are already a member (thank you, by the way), you can continue to support our mission by helping fund our three permanent endowments.

Technically, **we fully funded the World War II Scholarship this year** and are now working to honor the memories and **fully endow the scholarships named for brothers Don Dallas and Dick Meess.**

HROG 2011 By the Numbers

Spent supporting educational & leadership projects \$4,303

New Members 3

*Greg Waite
David Street
Ben Brownlee*

Members who completed their \$1,000 commitment 7

Amount Contributed to Named Funds
Dick Meess Fund \$2,785
WWII Memorial Fund, now fully endowed \$1,860



After last year’s Harvard Red and Old Gold Club meeting in the Academic Parlor, brothers gathered around the Gresham Fountain in front of Old Main to dedicate the Dick Meess Memorial. Photo by Doug Sicchitano ‘00