



# THE VIEW

FROM 20 SOUTH COLLEGE

PHI KAPPA PSI AT OHIO UNIVERSITY

SPRING 2010

FOUNDED IN 2008



## MEMBERS TAKE IN RAYS AND KNOWLEDGE OVER SPRING BREAK

While many hit the coast of Florida or took in sun in Cancun, nine members of Phi Kappa Psi made the decision to take advantage of a different spring break opportunity. Each year, members of Phi Kappa Psi attend the American Leadership Academy in Cabo San Lucas, Mexico. While the warm weather and beautiful beach is a draw, those attending the American Leadership Academy also get to learn. For four hours each day, men attend speaking sessions and classes that focus on growth and development to prepare them for the future. Included in the weeks programs were Dan Adomitis (President of Firestone Natural Rubbers), Scott Noble (Founder and CEO of Noble Royalties), Richard Poe (President of Poe Motors) and Nonnie Owens (Founder/President, Etiquette Plus). When sessions were out, the men had an opportunity to interact with over 150 other Phi Psi members in attendance while enjoying the beach and the wonderful city of Cabo San Lucas.

The American Leadership Academy was founded by Phi Psi Alumnus Jerry Nelson and welcomes over 900 undergraduate members of Phi Kappa Psi to Cabo San Lucas each spring. Members are responsible for their airfare and a \$150 registration fee. Food, lodging and transportation are all covered by generous donations from Phi Kappa Psi alumni members and friends of the American Leadership Academy. For more information about the ALA, visit [www.americanLA.org](http://www.americanLA.org). If you are interested in a family vacation or business retreat in cabo, visit [www.marbellasuites.com](http://www.marbellasuites.com) or contact me by e-mail for more information. Phi Kappa Psi members and family receive special rates.

## PHI PSI HONORED FOR ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT

The men of Phi Kappa Psi were honored for their academic achievement by the department of Residence Life and the president of Ohio University on May 10th. Phi Kappa Psi finished top in accumulative grade point average among 15 fraternities on campus for the period of Spring 2009 through Winter 2010. The fraternity's name will be displayed on a trophy displayed on campus in recognition of their accomplishment.

## PHI KAPPA PSI SURVIVES IN GREEK WEEK COMPETITION

For the second year in a row, the men of Phi Kappa Psi took first place in the annual Greek Week competition held in the spring. The Wegowin Tribe consisted of Phi Kappa Psi, Delta Zeta Sorority and Sigma Lambda Beta Fraternity in this year's Survivor themed competition. The competition includes athletic events, attendance at speakers, community service work, and fundraising. The group also took first place in the dance and lip sync competition, Airbands.



Top: Men celebrate after receiving first place in Greek Week And Airbands; Middle: members perform It's Raining Men as part of Airbands, with Sigma Lambda Beta, Bottom: preparing for competition at McCracken Field during Greek Week.

## RONALD K. RANSOM II SCHOLARSHIP AWARD WINNERS ANNOUNCED

Congratulations to Jon Miller, Ben Carter and Lee Fuller for being selected as recipients of the 2010 Ronald K. Ransom II Scholarship.

The Scholarship award was given by an anonymous donor to recognize members of Phi Kappa Psi at Ohio University for their dedication to Phi Kappa Psi, Ohio University and the Athens community. Awards were given in the amount of \$1000, \$750 and \$250.

## A DAY IN THE LIFE: MOMS TAKE OVER ATHENS FOR MOM'S WEEKEND

Mom's converged on Athens the final weekend of April to join their sons for Mom's weekend. During the weekend, members and their mom's took part in numerous events that were taking place across campus. Some attended softball games while others walked across campus and enjoyed the cool spring day. The evening was concluded with a mother - son dinner held at the chapter house. Thank you for all mom's who attended. If you were unable to make it, we hope you will put April 29 - May 1, 2011 on your calendar!



### DID YOU KNOW...

Phi Kappa Psi Fraternity has 11 chapters in the state of Ohio at Wittenberg University, Ohio Wesleyan University, The Ohio State University, Case Western University, Bowling Green State University, Toledo, Ashland University, Miami University, University of Dayton, Capital University and Ohio University. There is also a Phi Kappa Psi colony at Muskingum University.

# MEMBER HAPPENINGS

Brother **Chris Elliott** and the Ohio University Lacrosse Team competed in the NCLL Final Four in Maryland. While the team fell short in an 8-7 loss to the University of Maryland, we are proud of Chris and the team for their success this year.

Brother **Jonathan Miller** has been hired by the Phi Kappa Psi Fraternity to serve as a Recruitment and Expansion Consultant beginning in June. Jon will travel across the country to work with many of the 105 Phi Kappa Psi groups on campuses across the country.

Brother **Jacob Mosher** has received the UIFI Fellowship from Phi Kappa Psi. The fellowship provides members of Phi Kappa Psi with an all expense paid trip to Indianapolis, Indiana for a four day conference that focuses on values and leadership in the fraternity.

# WHAT'S THE DEAL WITH COMING BACK EARLY IN THE FALL?

There have been a lot of questions about coming back in the fall and we want to make sure that your questions and concerns are properly addressed. The success of our chapter greatly depends on proper planning and goal setting for the year as well as strong recruitment efforts to bring in new members. Simply put, we have a lot to do. By coming back a week early, we will have an opportunity to conduct a goal setting retreat and recruitment retreat for our members. The men will also have the opportunity to assist with new student move in on campus on the Thursday and Friday before classes begin. Accomplishing these items prior to the first day of classes allows us to avoid scheduling additional activities after classes have begun.

While returning this early is not a requirement, we are hopeful that all members will make an effort to get back if they do not have other important obligations (family vacation, work, etc.). Thank you for all of your support and understanding.

# CHAPTER BILLING: WHAT IS OMEGA FINANCIAL?

You may have received a bill in the mail from Omega Financial. The chapter currently utilizes Omega Financial for dues collection. By utilizing this service, our members are able to pay dues by check or credit card. It also allows us more leverage if someone is severely delinquent with their payments. If you have any questions about Omega Financial, please visit [www.omegafi.com](http://www.omegafi.com) or contact Ron at [rkransomii@gmail.com](mailto:rkransomii@gmail.com).

# IMPORTANT DATES FOR THE 2010-11 YEAR

**Chapter Goal Setting Retreat**  
Monday, August 30

**Chapter Recruitment Retreat**  
Tuesday, August 31

**First Day of Classes**  
Tuesday, September 7

**Parents Weekend**  
October 8 - Sunday, October 10

**Homecoming Weekend**  
October 15 - Sunday, October 17

**Vetrans Day (No Classes)**  
Thursday, November 11

**Chapter House Closes For Break**  
Wednesday, November 24 @Noon

**Return To Campus**  
Saturday, January 1, 2011

**Martin Luther King Jr. Day (No Classes)**  
Monday, January 17, 2011

**Dad's Weekend**  
January 21 - 23, 2011

**Winter Parent's Weekend**  
February 4 - February 6, 2011

**Sibs Weekend**  
February 18 - February 20, 2011

**Phi Kappa Psi Founder's Day**  
Saturday, February 19, 2011

**Mom's Weekend**  
April 29 - May 1, 2011



Some brothers get together for a picture before hitting the New River on a chapter white water rafting trip in West Virginia.

## SOME PARENT CLUB ACTIVITY IDEAS

Care Packages at Exam Time

Silent Auction During Parents Weekend

Events for Mom and Dad's Weekend

Sponsoring or being an educational/career speaker

Creating a Parents Club Scholarship

Phi Psi and Family Community Service Event

Talking to Parents of Other Undergraduates Interested in joining Phi Psi.

Small House Projects

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