

A few words from the Membership Committee ...

The Richmond/Central Virginia Alumnae Chapter of Alpha Phi is ending its fourth year after recolonization and we hope you can join us for one or more of our upcoming events. Whether or not you've been an active member in the past, we welcome you all with open arms! We've tried to pick events that would appeal to a variety of people, but if you have ideas for other events, please let us know. Please visit our website for updates, directions, or member news & photos. Feel free to contact either of us if you have any comments, questions or suggestions for us. Here's to an eventful year of meeting new sisters and having a good time!

Diana C.
Krissie G.

Annual Wine & Cheese Business Meeting April 21, 1:30 p.m.

Julianne, our outgoing president and new mom, will host this year's meeting as we sample wines and cheeses and elect our new officers. **We still have two positions open!** Additional chapter business will be discussed at this time—please join us if you have ideas, suggestions, or stories to share! Please RSVP to Julianne at 527-1706 by April 15th.



2002-2004 Executive Board Slate of Officers



President:
VP Membership:
VP Finance:
VP Public Relations:
VP Panhellenic:
VP Fundraising:
VP Philanthropy:
Collegiate Liaison:

Judy C.
Diana C.
Krissie G.
Ann J.
Carrie B.
Sue R.
Kathy M.
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The UVA Chapter of Alpha Phi (ZI) recently welcomed 37 new members on Bid Day! Congratulations to the chapter for their outstanding rush efforts and to the new members who made the best choice of their college careers!



The University of Richmond chapter (HII) is planning a reunion for the weekend of Homecoming, October 18-20, 2002. Anyone who would like to help with planning or to get more information, see our website under the heading, "Reunions & Homecoming Info."



Kathy M. (ΔA) and Nick M. are planning a wedding in the fall of 2002. Honeymoon plans include a trip to the Outer Banks.



Sue F. (BN) and Tom C. were married in Nov. 2001. Congratulations on your new life together!



Krissie G. (HII) purchased a townhouse in Chesterfield in mid-November.



Amy B. (HII) has had twin boys! Matthew Branch and Graham Patrick were born December 28, 2001. You can see their photo and hospital web page at

www.growingfamily.com/webnursery/babypage.asp?UrlID=300A1Y5U2M

Thanks for sharing the good news, Amy!



Kudos to Liz H. (HII) who coordinated the 2002 Southeast Regional Conference in February.



Julianne F. (ΔA) had a baby girl! Katherine (Kate) Grace was born Friday, March 1, 2002. Could Kate be a potential collegiate Phi??



Peg Thornburg (BΩ), our Southeast alumnae membership coordinator, has been slated as a Member at Large for the 2002-2004 International Executive Board. Way to go, Peg!

Alumni Support

Our chapter has decided to officially "adopt" the UVA chapter of Alpha Phi and provide alumni support to them throughout the year. A special fund has been set up for the women of Zeta Iota (ZI) which will provide them with needed supplies, scholarship money, etc. This gift will be a set amount each year and is set aside from the monies we collect from dues-paying members, so don't forget to join!!! In addition, we will be happy to support other chapters in Virginia based on requests if the budget allows.

Not yet a dues-paying member? Dues are only \$25.00 per membership year. After January 1st of each year, dues are reduced to \$20 for the remaining 3/4 of the year. After April 1st we reduce them again to \$15, but that is as low as we go. Your dues help us to support collegiate chapters in our region as well as assist with events, send donations to the Alpha Phi Foundation and send a delegate to regional conferences. Dues Paying Members are kept up to date on events through emails, newsletters and post cards. We have an event about every month. Your support is greatly appreciated!



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Richmond & Central Virginia Membership Form

Please return this form and your payment to:
Ann J., 7565 Inglenook Court, Richmond VA 23225
(please print or type)

NAME: _____
 First Maiden/Middle (circle one) Last
 ADDRESS _____
 CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____
 COLLEGIATE CHAPTER _____
 YR OF INITIATION _____
 YR OF GRADUATION _____
 DATE OF BIRTH: _____
 HOME PHONE (____) _____
 EMAIL _____

LOCAL DUES(partial year): \$15.00
 Please make checks payable to Alpha Phi Richmond Alumnae Chapter

Check here if you would like to serve on a committee or on the Executive Board.
 Committee or Board Position preference: _____

THANK-YOU



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James River Wine Festival May 5, 12:00-7:00 p.m.

Continuing our wine theme for spring, we'll go as a group to The Boulders on Richmond's Southside. Admission includes festival glass, unlimited sampling of over 100 Virginia wines, live jazz, arts & crafts, great food. \$10/advance, \$15/gate. Festival Info: 804-353-1525. Check our website or call Krissie (706-1329) or Diana (320-1696) for carpool info.

Wednesday on the Waterfront June 5, 5:30-8:30 p.m.

The Canal Turning Basin at 14th Street is the place to be for the sounds of local musicians, great food and drink while meeting other Alpha Phi alums. Bring your friends, spouse, or boyfriend – just come and have a good time. Rain date is June 12th.



Romping at the Races

July 13, first race is 1:00 p.m., plan to arrive by 12:30



General admission is \$2, and program and tip sheet are \$1.50. Food and drink are available from concession stands. Betting is *not* required, but we can show you how! Directions: Take I-64 East to Exit 214. Turn right at the end of the ramp. Turn left onto Colonial Downs Parkway, across from the gas station. Get in the left lane for the turn into the entrance. General parking (free) is on the left. Call Judy (932-8669) for carpool info.

4th Annual Alpha Phi Family Picnic August 3, 10:00 a.m.–2:00 p.m.

Join us at Three Lakes Park in Henrico County for a potluck picnic. Bring your favorite picnic dish, your family, etc. to this beautiful park. We have rented Shelter #1 near the playground. There are nature trails, three ponds (two allow fishing), and restrooms. This park has a special feature, a Nature Center and an aquarium that will open at noon the day of our picnic. Directions: Three Lakes Park is located off of Wilkinson Road, which is reachable by either Chamberlayne (Rt. 301 – exit 82 off I-95) or Azalea Avenue. Call Diana (320-1696) to sign up for a dish.



4th Annual Alpha Phi Foundation Yard Sale

Sept. 7, 6:00 a.m.–12:30 p.m.

Early risers needed to help out with our yard sale at Bubba' on Route 60. (We'll provide donuts!) Donated items will be accepted until the day before the sale, or bring them by the table. The money raised helps benefit the Alpha Phi Foundation. Contact Judy Cogburn (932-8669) to donate items. Directions will be on the website.



- Additional events include a Richmond Braves baseball game and a happy hour at Legend's Brewery. Check the website for new updates.



RECENT EVENTS

La Siesta Happy Hour

March 14th

Several of our members gathered at this Southside restaurant for great Mexican food and of course, frozen margaritas! *Ole!*

PartyLite Candle Party

February 27th

Krissie hosted this fundraiser for the Alpha Phi Foundation. Our PartyLite hostess Heather donated 10% of the sales to the Alpha Phi Foundation, giving us \$45 to add to this year's donation. *Way to go!!!*

All Fired Up

January 27th

Once again, the pottery-painting event was a huge success. Two of the nine attendees brought their daughters along for the creation of ceramic masterpieces.

Alpha Phi Christmas Party at Judy's

December 2nd

This year's party was a great success! 11 members gathered at Judy's to swap cookie recipes (and the cookies too!) and make gingerbread houses. We are especially grateful to Kathy's mom, Diana, for providing several batches of candy glue, and guidance to all us novice gingerbread house designers.

Chili Party & Book Swap

November 8th

Julianne provided hot chili for those Alpha Phis wanting to enhance their book collection by trading with their sisters.

Founders' Day Fondue Celebration

October 10th

Members gathered at The Melting Pot, Richmond's premier fondue restaurant, to honor our Founders with chocolate fondue and wine.



Fundraising Pays Off!

Last year our chapter reached the Anniversary Circle with its 2000-2001 donation to the Alpha Phi Foundation. This year we are pleased to announce we have reached a higher level. We have raised \$250, placing us in the Directors' Circle for the year ending June 30, 2002! Our thanks to everyone who contributed items to the lawn sale, our consignment shop sales, and Golden Gift certificates, and to those who attended our PartyLite Foundation Fundraiser for making this gift possible. We need to raise \$500 to reach the next level, the Ivy Circle. Please help us reach this goal by bringing your lawn sale or consignment items to ANY of our events and by sending in your Golden Gift Certificate to our chapter. Hand to hand and heart to heart, let us make a difference!



WANTED: Golden Gift Certificates

In May, each Ukrops Valued Customer will receive a Golden Gift certificate with the total amount of points earned during the Golden Gift program that ran in February and March. Ukrops has set aside \$500,000 to give to nonprofit organizations through this program. Each organization will receive a percentage of the dollars, up to 2%, based on the number of points each organization submits. Please send us your Golden Gift certificates. We use all proceeds for our Alpha Phi Foundation Donation. Last year we received \$38 from Ukrops for our efforts! Mail *your* Golden Gift certificate by June 1st to: Kathy, 109 Treva Road, Sandston, VA 23150. THANKS!



We have a few t-shirts remaining...

If you missed out on our t-shirt sale a year ago, we have 4 left, 1 Medium and 3 Large. These are white Haynes Beefy T's with a maroon Alpha Phi Alumna and a green ivy vine embroidered on them. We'll be selling them for \$15 at our Annual Meeting. If you can't make the meeting but would like one of these shirts, please email Judy at jcog01@hotmail.com.

Thank you! To our dues paying members...



Our thanks to the following for paying their alumnae chapter dues for the September 1, 2001 – August 31, 2002 membership year.

- Karen B.**, Theta Iota, JMU
- Jenn B.**, Zeta Iota, UVA
- Amy B.**, Eta Pi, Richmond
- Carrie B.**, Gamma Sigma, Wisconsin – Stout
- Judy C.**, Delta Nu, Maine
- Diana C.**, Eta Pi, Richmond
- Lynn D.**, Delta Alpha, ECU
- Julianne F.**, Delta Alpha, ECU
- Krissie G.**, Eta Pi, Richmond
- Liz H.**, Eta Pi, Richmond
- Ann J.**, Epsilon Phi, NC State
- Dorothy K.**, Alum Initiate, Richmond
- Patty L.**, Eta Pi, Richmond
- Kelly M.**, Eta Omicron, VA Tech
- Kathy M.**, Delta Alpha, ECU
- Lynn N.**, Delta Alpha, ECU
- Ann P.**, Eta Pi, Richmond
- Margie P.**, Epsilon Epsilon, Longwood
- Sue R.**, Epsilon Epsilon, Longwood
- Nancy R.**, Beta Gamma, Colorado
- Mary Alice S.**, Iota, Wisconsin
- Katie S.**, Eta Pi, Richmond
- Madeline T.**, Epsilon Epsilon, Longwood
- Kristen T.**, Theta Pi, Emory
- Trish W.**, Epsilon Epsilon, Longwood

Southeast Regional Conference (Feb. 22-24)

Collegians and alumnae gathered from across the Southeast Region for a wonderful 3-day conference in Richmond. Even gals from the new Duke colony were there! Our alumnae chapter welcomed each participant to Richmond with a bright Alpha Phi cup. *Judy* represented our chapter at the alumni sessions and is eager to share what she learned with the rest of our group. *Mary Alice S.* joined the group for an alumni cocktail party on Saturday.

Remember information about all events and directions are provided on our website!!

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