

From the President ...

What is the most important asset you can give Alpha Phi? You might think, oh here comes another pitch for money. But no, the answer is not money, but *time*. Volunteers are always needed, and the time commitment is up to you. Once a year or once a month, your time is of great value to us.

If you live near Charlottesville, please consider assisting the UVA chapter's advisory board. Their board meets one Sunday each month and is hoping to welcome new faces to their group. Contact Katharine or Cathy.

Or perhaps you can help our alumnae chapter. We've got several ideas that only take time once a year that you can help with, or if you prefer more active involvement, join our executive board. Email Judy at jcog01@hotmail.com to review the possibilities. Take time for yourself and make time for Alpha Phi.

ALPHA PHI CALENDAR

Wed. March 19th, 7:15 p.m.

Pampered Chef Fund Raiser 7206 Hotchkiss Ct., Chesterfield

Come help raise money for a good cause and have fun doing it! Enjoy a Pampered Chef show, complete with food cooked by the Pampered Chef hostess. Proceeds benefit the Alpha Phi Foundation, our national philanthropy. RSVP to Krissie.

Sat. April 26*, 1 p.m.Bowling, Sunset/AMF Bowl 6540 West Broad St.,



For \$13.75 per person, you get two hours of bowling, shoes, soda and popcorn. Bring the kids ... this is a great family event!!

Presenting the "Summer Restaurant" Series

Join your sisters and meet new friends as Alpha Phis meet once a month during the summer at local restaurants for fun and food. Contact Diana or Krissie for more information, RSVPs and ride sharing.



Thurs. May 22rd, 6:30 p.m. Legend Brewing Co. 321 W. 7th St.

Sit out on the deck and sip locally brewed beers while sampling some of their fabulous menu items. Come by with friends after work!

Wed. June 11th, 6:30 p.m.

Bottoms Up

1700 Dock Street, Richmond

Known as Richmond's best pizza, Bottoms Up Pizza is home to many unique varieties of toppings. If the weather's nice, we can sit out on the deck and enjoy a Richmond evening.

Thurs. July 24th, 6:30 p.m.

Kabuto's Japanese Steakhouse 13158 Midlothian Turnpike, Richmond

Watch as the chef prepares your meal at the table, providing entertainment as well! For this event, reservations are needed. Please call Krissie or Diana by July 18 to confirm.

Wed. Aug. 13th, 6:30 p.m.

Mexico Restaurant (Innsbrook)



A taste of Mexico, right here in Richmond. Order up margaritas, chips and salsa and take a night off from cooking.

Operation Teddy Bear

Teddy bears and stuffed animals in good condition will be collected for charity. Contact Karen for more information.

Other Plans:

- Richmond Braves Game
- Art workshop
- Charlottesville trip: visit UVA and a local winery

If you can think of another event or fundraiser idea, please contact Kathy.

Local Chapter Dues

A big thank you to all members who paid their chapter dues this year! Your support makes it possible for us to have fun activities throughout the year and keep everyone in touch. If you have not yet paid this year's dues, please contact Ann about paying dues.

Current Dues Paying Members

Amy B.
Sue C.
Judy C.
Laura G.
Patricia L.
Kathy M.
Lynn N.
Amy B.
Anny B

Jennifer R.

Sue R.

Elizabeth C.

Dorothy K.

Nancy R. Mary S.

Madeline T.

Kristen T.

Katharine W.

Trish W.



ALPHA PHI ANNOUNCEMENTS

™ GOLDEN GIFT PROGRAM

How does it work? Scan your Ukrops Valued Customer Card at the cashier every time you shop at Ukrops, and your purchase totals from Feb. 3 - Mar. 29 will be recorded.

How will Alpha Phi benefit? Mail your Golden Gift Certificate to Kathy by June 1. Each organization that submits points receives a percentage of the money Ukrops has set aside for the program. Our portion will be submitted with our next Alpha Phi Foundation donation.

As an added bonus: If you contact Krissie before May 15, she will provide you with a self-addressed stamped envelope for sending in your certificates!

Please help us with this easy fundraiser!

SOUTHEAST/MID ATLANTIC REGIONAL CONFERENCE

- There are currently two sororities at Harvard, and they would like to add a third. Three NPC sororities, including Alpha Phi, have been invited to make a campus presentation in April. If you know an Alpha Phi who is currently a transfer or graduate student at Harvard, please contact Linda Schnetzer, associate director of extension, at lschnetzer@alphapi.org.
- Of the 26 NPC sororities, Alpha Phi ranks 3rd in terms of collegiate chapters, with 144. Chi Omega ranks first with 171 and Delta Zeta second with 160.

WA CHAPTER

A portion of this year's dues went to provide care packages for Zeta Iota during Spring Rush week. Trish delivered baskets of goodies to the house a few days before rush began, surprising the chapter with treats to keep them going during the rush festivities. We hope to make this an annual tradition. Thanks to Trish, Judy, Diana, Krissie, Ann and Sue for assembling the baskets.

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MEMBER INFO

- ©3 Congratulations to **Diana** who recently purchased a house in Midlothian.
- S **Judy** attended the Southeast/Mid Atlantic Regional Conference on February 22.

G RECENT EVENTS

- Gingerbread House Party Ann, Krissie, Judy and Amy.
- Renegades Game Judy, Perry, Ann and Diana.
- S Founder's Day Fondue at The Melting Pot Kristen, Lynn, Sue and Diana.
- Pottery painting at All Fired Up Diana and her mother, Janet; Trish and her daughter, Katie; Carrie, Sue, Amy and her niece Carrie, Patty, Krissie and Madeline.

GIVER ALPHA PHI YARD SALE

Due to the success of our lawn sales in the past, we are planning another! The tentative date is early September. When you do your Spring Cleaning, don't throw everything away. Save some of it to donate. Contact Judy about donating items.



Sorority Specialties is offering FREE SHIPPING on orders of \$30 or more until March 9, 2003. Visit

http://www.sororityspecialties.com/ to place an order.
Enter the Discount Code of 22303 at the bottom of the shipping information page that you reach during the checkout process.

Remember to check the website for updated information about events and directions!

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