



October 2007 Rho TKE Alumni Newsletter

Rho with Honors

While the 'Eer are dominating on the field this season, our brothers on campus are on a roll. The WVU Rho Chapter Tekes are an astounding success. It gives us a reason to be proud to be Tekes.

From the WVU Inter Fraternity Council (IFC) voted our chapter:

- Most Improved Fraternity on Campus
- Best Scholarship Program

At this year's biannual Tau Kappa Epsilon International Conclave in Las Vegas in August 2007, our Rho Chapter was awarded six International Fraternity awards:

- Excellence in Alumni Involvement
- Excellence in Recruitment
- Excellence in Chapter Size
- Excellence in Community Service
- Excellence in Extra Curricular Activities
- Honorable Mention in Academic Success



Amazing success! As well, Our newly formed Alumni Association, which will be officially recognized this August at Conclave, is also growing. We are constantly reuniting with long lost brothers who want to be involved and reacquainted with their old college friends. Our association officers meet every other week to plan the growth of both our Undergraduate and Post Graduate Chapter.

The chapter has grown to 75 members and our scroll now reads over 1100 members. They recruited 20 new members last year and 17 just this fall. I hope that you can continue to be a part of the Chapter's successes on campus, and our everlasting success as alumni who remain close and apart of one another's lives. Thanks and hope to hear from you soon.

Ben Peebles -P1076
Membership Chairman

Homecoming- October 20, 2007

October 20 is the WVU Homecoming Game against Mississippi State University starting at Noon. There was a huge alumni turnout last year at the tailgate— brothers from every era from the '70s through today. This year the tailgate is located in the University's **Green Lot** from 8am until game-time. For directions and maps to the **Green Lot** click [HERE](#).



By now, most hotels downtown and in Evansdale are sold out – but if you haven't booked a room yet, your best bet will be hotels on the out-skirts of Morgantown like Sabraton or out by the airport. On September 27th, several hotels in these areas had rooms available.

Homecoming is also the semi-annual Rho TKE Alumni meeting. Please join us at the TKE house at 692 High Street for the Friday-night meeting. Here's the schedule of events:

FRIDAY

5:00pm Alumni Cook-Out at the TKE House (692 High St.)

8:00pm All-Alumni Meeting Hour

9:30pm Frater Justin Byer's Bar "Lazy Lizard" (Downtown at 345 High St.)

SATURDAY

8:00am Tail Gate in the University's **Green Lot**

Noon Game time

8:00pm Frater Justin Byer's Bar "Lazy Lizard" (Downtown at 345 High St.)

If you have any questions about Homecoming events, contact the events chairman Eric Dinger Edinger@mix.wvu.edu.

Message from the Alumni President Matt Brady

Fraters,

With the football season now in full swing, homecoming weekend is fast approaching. As many of you know, homecoming is the time of the year when the largest number Alumni head back to Morgantown to reunite with old friends, meet new alumni and watch our soon to be BCS Champion Mountaineers take the field. I probably just jinxed us!



This year homecoming will be held the weekend of October 20th. At the annual Friday night alumni meeting held at the house last year he had 55 alumni in attendance and we are expecting event more attendees this year. Make sure and fill out our online survey for Homecoming so that we can let everyone know who will be coming into town and plan accordingly for the Alumni BBQ on Friday night and football tailgate on Saturday. See the event section of the newsletter below for a complete list of the weekend's activities.

Since our last quarterly newsletter, your alumni dues and donations have helped our organization:

- Raise \$1500 in scholarship funds for the chapter.
- Renew our alumni association charter with TKE Nationals for another two years.
- Purchase a soft copy of the soon to be released West Virginia University Alumni Directory that we will be integrating into our online scroll to better help all of us reconnect with long lost Fraters.
- Purchase a vinyl 4'x8' rush banner to hang in the Mountain Lair during formal rush which can be used by the chapter for years to come.



See you at Homecoming!

Matt Brady – P945

Alumni Association President

Scholarship Report

This year's fundraising drive is off to a good start. We have raised about \$1300.00 for the Scholarship Fund by the end of August. We still need raise at least \$700.00 by the end of March 2008 to reach our goal of \$2000.00. The original goal was to have 100 fraters give at least \$20.00 to meet our goal. We as a group of Fraters that love our chapter have fallen way short of that goal so far. Currently there are eleven of us that have given to the "Rho Chapter Scholarship Fund". Below are the names of the brothers that have made donations through August. If you have made a donation and sent it in to Nationals and your name doesn't appear on this list--Please contact me--.

This year the Alumni Association will be recognizing those fraters who have donated to the Scholarship Fund on a plaque that will be hanging up at the TKE house for all to see. It will be titled "Friends of the Aviena Club" and will list your scroll number in order of donation amount.

Fraters lets please continue this fundraising drive and make the future happen now.

Below is the current list that Nationals has for donations:

P610 Rex Buckley
P698 Jeff Goldberg
P755 Rob Roll
P775 Gary Welch-Bass II
P810 Habib Assy
P891 Joe Janosik
P918 Doug Wotring
P928 John Cadorette
P941 Tom Hutton
P945 Matt Brady
P1024 Garrett Schneider

Again if you have made a donation and your name isn't on this list please contact me at wbasp775tke@msn.com.

YITB, Gary Nolan Welch-Bass II, P775
Scholarship Chairman & Chapter Advisor

Send donations to:

Teke Educational Foundation at 8645 Founders Rd, Indianapolis, IN 46268. It is very important to put on your check if sending to nationals pay to the order of TEF RHO Chapter Scholarship Fund.

Scholarship Chairman, Gary Nolan Welch-Bass II P775 at 12 Monument Ln, Morgantown, WV 26508
Alumni Treasurer Jon Auch at 1206 19th St., Vienna WV 26105

To find out more about the process for awarding our Memorial Scholarship awards, please email Gary at (please put TKE in the title), or call me at 304-376-2277.

Find-a-Brother

The Alumni Chapter is recognized by the TKE National Organization, created a reliable database of alumni, and created an active officer and Board of Trustees. If you are a former West Virginia University TKE, search the database under "Alumni Search", find your WVU TKE friends and update your contact information to receive the quarterly Alumni Newsletter by email.



Contact the current membership chairman, Garrett Schneider to learn how to join the alumni association and be part of future Alumni Events: gschneid@gmail.com.

Grow Membership

To date, 35 brothers have paid dues for 2007. We have successfully raised \$1375 for our Scholarship funds.

Our pick 'em league has also helped us toward our goal providing \$140 from 14 players. We are hoping to increase the number of players in the upcoming seasons as this is an easy and fun way to help the Rho TKE.

Annual dues are for the 2007 fiscal year (April-April) is still being accepted. They remain reasonable \$20 and are payable by check or Paypal. Donate more and specify funds to scholarship funds or housing. Dues go toward chapter operations, social events, active member scholarships and housing. Join the over 50 members in good standing and Pay on-line today.



For more details about [paying dues](#), and scholarship funds in the "Fundraising" pull-down menu.

YITB Tom Hutton P941

If you would like to make a payment, dues are \$20.00 for the year. Please visit our website or send a check made out to Tau Kappa Epsilon Rho Chapter Board of Control, Inc:

Jonathon Auch
Treasurer
1206 19th Street
Vienna, WV 26105

Thanks,
Jonathon Auch
P963

Alumni Profile

Rob Roll P755

Ted Evans is P755 and pledged TKE in the fall of 1985



Age 43

Married two kids

Graduated in Dec 87

Stay at home Dad

Worked for 14 yrs in accounting. Last position was Director of Finance at American Registry of Pathology.

My Interests are Golf, and Skiing.

Fondest Memory: Rick Blair trying to jump into the bathroom at the Sunnyside Laundry mat, and breaking the sink off the wall. This caused the pipes to break and water was shooting fifteen feet in the air. We decided that we should party on High Street the rest of the evening.

Just for Fun

Rob "Disco Bobby", "Mr. Microphone" Roll
P755

Married to the same woman for 17 yrs. Ms. Mountaineer '87.

Left School in 87.

Worked until 98 when I hit the Lottery. I've Been retired since. I travel the world and party all night long. Life's been good.

Fondest memory, I don't have one. I was too drunk to remember anything.

Motto to live by: You can marry more money in five minutes, then you can earn in a lifetime.