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The Need Never Ends

Dave Hornback

My dear brothers,

The house has been finished now for several years but the need for funding is, and will be, ongoing. We have weathered many storms, many heated debates and, often times genuine disagreements over issues pertaining to the house. However, through it all, I hope that we have not lost sight of the central issue of importance—the continuation of the property as a chapter house for the active members of the fraternity. In order for it to be here ten years from now, we have to understand that ongoing financial help is needed to keep it in good repair.

I have not been actively involved with the house for a couple of years, but I know that some of the issues we faced two years ago still confront your Housing Board and Alumni Association. First, elimination of the debt associated with the furniture. Our Treasurer, David Graham, has done an excellent job in trying to reduce that debt, given the limited amount of money with which he had to work. This debt needs to be retired to assist with our cash flow.

Second, from a practical and aesthetic point of view, we will very shortly be facing the need to replace some areas that are carpeted with some type of vinyl or tile-type flooring that is better suited to the normal wear and tear that we would expect the house to get. The hallways

and some commons areas which receive heavy traffic could be more easily maintained and would wear better than the carpeting that we have.

Additionally, simply by the mere fact that we have 90-100 men in and out of the house on a regular basis, there is a certain amount of normal "wear and tear" that is expected. The maintenance of a fund to make the needed repairs is crucial if we are to maintain the integrity of the house.

I would like us to establish a "Sustaining Member" drive to raise the needed capital on an ongoing basis to take care of the items mentioned above. Present Lifetime Members can also be Sustaining Members but, if you are not a Lifetime Member, the Sustaining Member Program allows you to give on a monthly basis to help us—and we desperately need your help. I am asking that you be willing to sign and follow through, with a pledge to faithfully give \$15 per month for no less than three years. I am specifically requesting this of those brothers who have not yet contributed to the house. For those of you who have graduated in the past three or four years, this allows you the opportunity to participate in a way that may be economically feasible for you. I can assure you that your help is sorely needed.

Addresses Needed

The listed Brothers do not have current addresses on our files. Please review the list and if you know the current address, please complete the form on page 4 and mail the information to ATO, P.O. Box 821, Murray, KY 42071.

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Notes From Rat

I got a call from Brother Graham, time for a Bugle letter, I missed the last one, so this was partly written for the last issue and some stuff for this one.

Thanks to Mr. Hodge for the pictures of Homecoming '97. It was good to see the Nall brothers. For those who missed Home-

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coming '97, large "Bud" Nall was one of our surprise guests, and even after all the years, Large was still at his best. Just ask Bud and I'll bet he will tell you that you can still come back to a big ATO welcome, even after a 20 year absence.

The old story I remember was taking Bud's Mopar to New Orleans on a walkout with Stasson's real life little brother Gary and his pledge class. We lost a clutch outside Jackson, Tennessee and still made it to Cajun country and back with only minor brushes with the law and a few small problems that go with driving without a clutch from Murray State University to New Orleans.

If any Brother reads this and hasn't been back for a few years, you need to try to make it back. It's worth it just for the hugs, not to mention all the old stories and the actives' young cuties.

The highlight of my summer of '97 was a houseboat trip from Kentucky Dam to the Kenlake Hot August Blues Festival as a guest of Brother Hoffman, along with Rottering and Seltsam. We even made some "new stories."

I also stay in touch with Brother Yeiser and see him at Forke equipment auctions when he is looking for equipment for his construction business.

It's amazing how ATO's keep showing up in Rat's World. At my last sales meeting in Ft. Worth, Texas at the Cattleman restaurant I was sitting next to Forke's new CEO Chris Regas, BII '71 and our General Manager, Mike Rich AΩ '69.

I'll see you at Homecoming '98 MSU at the House.

Love all my brothers,

Keith "Rat" Stout, 321 Dog Days Lane, Marion, KY 42064

Board Report

Steve Parker

We, the alumni board, believe we have another great Homecoming planned. Last year was a great success, easily topping the previous two in terms of attendance. However, there are still too many brothers who are not returning for Homecoming, and we need to get word to them that we'd like to see them the first weekend in October.

Again this year, there will be no assessment for alumni at Homecoming. A year ago the board discussed ways to boost attendance, and, based on feedback from the alumni, felt that the \$60 assessment may be keeping brothers away. So, in order to increase our attendance, we waived the assessment and went to a donations-only policy.

Not only did we have more alumni return, we also filled up the fishbowl on the front porch and came out in better shape financially than we did the previous year. We see no reason to mess with success, so we're following the same guidelines in 1998.

This year's schedule will be similar to 1997. We will have an informal gathering at the house on Thursday, October 1, before kicking things off Friday, October 2 with the golf tournament. This year's golf tournament will be held at Murray Country Club and will tee off at 9:00 a.m. Mark Edwards is coordinating the event and can be reached at (502) 767-0410. Friday night will be the cocktail party at the house, beginning at 8:00 p.m. Saturday will begin with the chapter meeting at 11:00 a.m., followed by Tent City at 1:00 p.m. and the annual football game against UT Martin at 3:00. We are also encouraging everyone to return to the house on Saturday night.

We hope to see you all there. If you need information call (502) 762-4271. $_{AT\Omega}$

Homecoming '98

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Thursday	Early Bird Pre-Tuner	9:00 p.m.
Friday	Golf Tournament	9:00 a.m.
	Murray Country Club (\$38)	
	Cocktail Party	8:00 p.m.
	No Assessment	
Saturday	Parade	9:00 a.m.
	Alumni Meeting	11:00 a.m.
	Tent City	1:00 p.m.
	Football Game	3:00 p.m.
	House Party	9:00 p.m.

Taus on the Horizon

Landen Trent Bates Son of Mark Bates '88 DOB: June 30, 1995 Expected Pledge Date: Spring of 2014

NATHANIEL JAMES HALL Son of **Jon Mark Hall '87** *DOB:* February 20, 1997 Expected Pledge Date: Spring of 2016

Tristen Robert Crady
Son of Jamie Crady '89
DOB: May 26, 1996
Expected Pledge Date: Spring of 2015

Joseph Bennett Logsdon Son of **Todd Logsdon** '88 DOB: May 28, 1997 Expected Pledge Date: Spring of 2016

Send the names of your sons and daughters (newborn to high school) to P.O. Box 1875, Murray, KY 42071 for future newsletters.

ATOpen

Hello again! I hope everyone has made arrangements in their schedules to get back for homecoming. Last year we played at Benton Country Club. This year the ATOpen returns to Murray Country Club. I hope this will enable more of you to play. After a devastating winter two years ago, the course has been completely refurbished. After a mild winter last year, the course is in excellent condition. Last year we had over 40 players and enough fun for twice that many. If you have not already made arrangements, I encourage you to do so. Hopefully the weather will cooperate again this year. Feel free to get your own team together or if you want to play with a certain individual, please let me know. (As always I reserve the right as coordinator to make sure no team has superior talent that would jeopardize my chance of winning.)

Location: Murray Country Club (spikeless shoes required)

Date: Friday, October 2, 1998

Time: 9:00 a.m. (meet at ATO house at 8:00 if you like)

Cost: \$38.00 (includes cart, green fee, prize money)

RSVP to: Mark D. Edwards

by phone: 502-767-0410 by email: marke@apex.net

Please indicate your average score when you RSVP.

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Are you changing your address or do you know anyone who has recently moved? Please help us update our files.

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