

# B.O. ALUMNI BLAST



## HOMECOMING 2010: PI KAPPS FOR LIFE

Join more than five decades of Pi Kappa Phis and their families as NSU celebrates homecoming activities. Don't miss a moment of the fun. Parades, barbecues, golf tournaments, alumni socials, and of course Demon Football will certainly create a weekend to remember.

### FRIDAY, OCTOBER 29, 2010

#### HOMECOMING GOLF TOURNAMENT

1:00 p.m. | NSU Recreation Complex | Come participate in the annual golf scramble on the 18-hole golf course for \$50 per player (includes golf cart and lunch by Coach Gene Knecht). Tee time is at 1:00 p.m. and lunch will be served at 12:00 p.m. Reservations can be made by calling Lyndsey Miller at (318) 357-4415 or by e-mailing her at millerl@nsula.edu.

#### PI KAPPA PHI ALUMNI SOCIAL

7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. | All Pi Kappa Phi members, alumni and their families are invited to attend this social event at Antoon's on Front Street. Mingle and meet the Beta Omicron Chapter active and associate members. Catch up with old friends and network with fellow alumni.

### SATURDAY, OCTOBER 30, 2010

#### HOMECOMING 5K FUN RUN

8:00 a.m. | Wellness, Recreation & Activities Center (WRAC) | All alumni & supporters of NSU are invited to a special 5K Fun Run/Walk through the NSU campus. The \$15 entry fee includes a t-shirt for pre-registered racers and prizes for overall and age-group winners and best costume. Register online or by contacting Carmel Bourg at (318) 357-4360 or bourgca@nsula.edu.

#### PI KAPPA PHI ACTIVE/ ALUMNI BREAKFAST

8:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m. | Active members will cook breakfast for alumni at the Pi Kappa Phi Fraternity House.

#### N-CLUB HALL OF FAME INDUCTION CEREMONY

9:00 a.m. | Magale Recital Hall | For more information, please call Gil Gilson at (318) 677-3141 or Gilson@nsula.edu.

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ALUMNI DUES

Your alumni dues help to fund alumni mailings and events. Dues are \$50 annually. If you have not yet paid your dues for 2010, please send payment to:

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MONTHLY GIVING

The Beta Omicron Alumni Chapter makes monthly giving safe and easy with an automated monthly transfer. To arrange to have a small gift automatically transferred each month from your banking account to Beta Omicron Chapter, contact Treasurer David Morgan Jr.

ALUMNI UPDATES

To include an update about yourself in the next issue of the newsletter, e-mail your submission and photo to Lane Luckie at [laneluckie@hotmail.com](mailto:laneluckie@hotmail.com). Visit our Web site below for a complete list of members and contact information.

VISIT BETA OMICRON'S WEB SITE AT:  
[www.pikappnsu.org](http://www.pikappnsu.org)

## BRICK PAVERS AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE



In October 2006, to commemorate the Beta Omicron Chapter's 50th anniversary, alumni raised over \$13,000 to purchase a beautiful clock as one of the centerpieces of the new Alumni Plaza. At the base of the wrought iron clock is a granite marker surrounded by brick pavers engraved with alumni names and messages. There are still pavers available for you and your family. For a donation of \$100, a 3-1/2 by 7-1/2 inch brick can be purchased with a maximum of three lines of 13 characters, including spaces, on each line. If you're interested in purchasing a tile or a brick, please call Amy Werner at the NSU Alumni office at (318) 357-4414 or e-mail her at [werneram@nsula.edu](mailto:werneram@nsula.edu).

'HOMECOMING 2010' (continued from cover)

### SATURDAY, OCTOBER 30, 2010

#### PI KAPPA PHI ANNUAL ALUMNI MEETING

11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. | Pi Kappa Phi Fraternity House | All Pi Kappa Phi Alumni are invited to the annual Beta Omicron Chapter of Pi Kappa Phi Alumni Association and Housing Corporation. For more information or to RSVP, contact Kie Boyett at (318) 332-1951 or [kieboyett@gmail.com](mailto:kieboyett@gmail.com)

#### PI KAPPA PHI FAMILY LUNCH GATHERING

12:00 - 2:00 p.m. | Pi Kappa Phi House | All Pi Kappa Phi members and their families are invited to enjoy a taco dinner spread, food and fun at the Pi Kapp House. Initiated members will also participate in a short sub-ritual and share "War Stories" of years gone by.

#### HOMECOMING PARADE

2:30 p.m. | The annual Homecoming parade will begin on the NSU campus, travel through downtown Natchitoches and end on the NSU Practice Field at the tailgating area. Come join us downtown for this special event! The Pi Kappa Phi undergraduate members will be featured on their parade float.

#### PEP RALLY

3:00 p.m. | NSU Practice Field/Tailgating Area | Join NSU President Randall J. Webb, Head Football Coach Bradley Dale Peveto and all of our Homecoming honorees for a special pep rally and recognition ceremony packed with entertainment from the NSU spirit groups.

#### ALUMNI PAVILION RIBBON CUTTING

3:30 p.m. | Alumni Pavilion, tailgate area  
NSU Alumni and friends are invited to kick off the Homecoming tailgate with the Alumni Association as they unveil a newly constructed 3,700 square foot covered pavilion.

#### ALUMNI TAILGATING

3:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m. | Tailgating Field | All alumni and their families are invited to come by the tent and grab something to eat before the game. It will be a great time to visit with friends you haven't seen in a while and build relationships with fellow alumni. Join the Pi Kappa Phi alumni and active members in their tailgating zone for plenty of fun and brotherhood.

#### PREGAME ACTIVITIES

5:30 p.m. | Turpin Stadium | Enjoy the pre-game show by the Spirit of Northwestern Marching Band and other pre-game activities.

#### HOMECOMING GAME VS. SAM HOUSTON STATE

6:00 p.m. | Turpin Stadium | To purchase tickets for the game, contact Adam Jonson at (318) 357-4268 or [jonsona@nsula.edu](mailto:jonsona@nsula.edu).

#### HALFTIME CEREMONIES

7:30 p.m. (approx.) | Turpin Stadium

## B.O. ALUMNI WALKING THE RED CARPET IN HOLLYWOOD

It's a life of Hollywood red carpets for Van White ('03) who's pursuing an acting career, working on the Paramount and Warner Brothers studio lots.

In 2007, after graduating from Northwestern State University, White headed to "Hollywood South" immersing himself in the booming TV/film industry in Louisiana. Working behind the scenes on several projects gave him a hands-on crash course of operations from the lowest-budgeted films to multi-million dollar studio projects. His last project before leaving New Orleans was the film "The Expendables," directed by Sylvester Stallone.

After two years in production, White headed west in 2009. The calling of L.A. was too loud for the actor inside him to ignore. He's currently studying in a two-year program with the D.W. Brown Acting Studio in Santa Monica, California. White is also a moderator for casting director workshops. This helps him build professional relationships with casting directors, who invite actors to audition for projects.

Van wears many hats aside from acting. He's busy writing, producing, directing, and working as a production assistant. This experience, he hopes will one day land him a role in the cast of an ensemble TV show. "I just want to be an actor, who can tell a story with a message that can take you away to place where anything is possible," White said. One day, he'd love to return to Louisiana to shoot a feature



film. Hosting Saturday Night Live is another "secret" goal.

Pi Kappa Phi helped prepare White for the professional world. Leadership skills and moments of trial and error have taught him valuable lessons, he uses each day. Some of his favorite moments include his first time at the cabins during Rose Ball with his pledge class. "The camaraderie of the brotherhood is something I really miss," he said. His senior year, White produced, directed, and starred in a production called "The Window" that benefitted Push America. Several members of the Beta Omicron Chapter helped behind the scenes.

In his spare time Van enjoys playing poker, golf, doing improv, and exploring the State of California with his dog Suzi-Q.

## ALUMNI INITIATES WELCOMED AT FOUNDERS DAY

The Beta Omicron Chapter marked the 105th anniversary of Pi Kappa Phi's founding with their annual banquet. Alumni, active and associate members gathered on Saturday, December 12, 2009 in historic Russell Hall to share a meal in honor of the friendship of the seven Pi Kappa Phi founders. Earlier in the day, Alex Ferry and Josh Manotas were initiated into the brotherhood of Pi Kappa Phi. Ferry was a member of Phi Kappa Nu, a local fraternity that became Pi Kappa Phi Fraternity when it chartered at NSU in 1956. Having transferred to the NSU-Shreveport nursing campus before the transition to Pi Kappa Phi, Ferry never initiated with the founding group. Manotas is close friends with several members of Pi Kappa Phi, but never sought membership in a fraternity.

Dr. Alex Ferry holds a Bachelor of Science in Nursing from Northwestern State University, a Masters of Science in Nursing from the University of Pennsylvania, a Masters of Arts from the University of San Francisco, a Masters of Science from Xavier University, New Orleans, and a Doctorate of Education from Nova Southeastern University. He is a graduate of the United States Army Nurse Corps School of Nurse Anesthesia, Ft. Sam Houston, Texas. Dr.

Ferry served 12 years on the Louisiana Board of Nursing as a gubernatorial appointee by three different Louisiana Governors. Dr. Ferry is an active member in professional and service organizations. He was an appointed gubernatorial member of the Nursing Supply and Demand Commission and was appointed to represent the Louisiana State Board of Nursing. He was elected and served as President of the Louisiana State Nurses Association (LSNA), the Louisiana Association of Nurse Anesthetists, and has served on multiple committees in the American Nurses Association and the American Association of Nurse Anesthetists. He is an appointed member of the Board of Trustees of Rapides Regional Medical Center, Alexandria, Louisiana. Dr. Ferry is a retired Colonel in the US Army Nurse Corps and has served in administration, education, and practice positions. Prior to his current retirement he was the CEO/Administrator of the Dubuis Hospital in Alexandria. In 2003 he assumed the position of Chair of the Division of Nursing at the Louisiana College in Pineville, Louisiana and retired in 2008. He and his wife currently live in Pensacola, Florida.

Joshua Manotas has served admirably for 10 years in the United States Army. He



currently serves as a UH-60 Blackhawk Helicopter Flight Instructor. Manotas trains, then evaluates the crew chiefs that fly in the rear of the helicopter. During his service, he has been deployed twice and has been stationed 3 times overseas. He will soon transition to civilian life and plans to pursue employment with a Gulf Coast helicopter company to work with offshore helicopters. Josh is married to Jessica Akin Manotas, who is the chapter advisor for Alpha Omicron Pi sorority at NSU.

# FACEBOOK CONNECTING HUNDREDS OF PI KAPPS



In 2009, the “Alumni of Pi Kappa Phi Fraternity-Beta Omicron Chapter” Page was created to support stronger connections within the alumni membership of our chapter. Already, 114 alumni have joined the group with more becoming “fans” of the page each day. Larry Gracie (181) has the lowest initiation number in the group, while Dustin Jackson (472) is the highest initiation number to join. If you would like to connect with other Pi Kapp alumni, click on [www.facebook.com/pikappNSU](http://www.facebook.com/pikappNSU) or e-mail Lane Luckie at [laneluckie@hotmail.com](mailto:laneluckie@hotmail.com) for step-by-step instructions on how to join. Of course, your complete source for all alumni news is [www.pikappNSU.org](http://www.pikappNSU.org).

## ALUMNI UPDATES

### Larry Gracie, PhD '67

Gracie lives in Grantsboro, North Carolina with his wife Joan (Delmar) Gracie. He is the Vice President of Pamlico Community College.

### Stan Brouillette '72

Brouillette lives in Houma, La. with his wife Tammy (Coulon) Brouillette. He is working as the director of human resources at RPC, Inc., an oil and gas services company. They have a 13 year old son, David, who plays trombone in the high school band.



### Josh Green '00

Green is a reporter for the NBC station in Tampa, Florida. He recently moved to the Sunshine State from Raleigh, North Carolina. A winner of the Edward R. Murrow award, one of the most distinguished honors in journalism, Green got his start on NSU22-TV at NSU.

### Justin Owen '03

Justin and his wife Ella (Bridges) Owen gave birth to a beautiful boy, Shepherd Caldwell, in April. Justin works as a commercial realtor for the Kim Owen Company. This year, Justin generously donated a brand new washer and dryer for the chapter house.



### Robert Mitchell '03

Mitchell is living in Pineville, La. with his wife, Kayla (Toney) Mitchell. They bought their first house in June 2009.

### Jacob Mireles '04

Mireles was recently promoted to 2nd Lieutenant in the United States Army. He is working as a clinical lab scientist for Labcorp of America. He and his fiancé, Marlene Morales are getting married in September. They just purchased a home in San Antonio, Texas.

### Jason Andreoni '07

Andreoni was recently married to Dacia (Spears) Andreoni. They are expecting a little boy in December. The Andreonis live in Newport News, Virginia, where Jason is working with Army boats. He is anticipating a promotion to 1st Lieutenant in November.

## FROM THE ARCHIVES

Neal McFarland as a vampire during a Beta Omicron haunted house circa 1972. Photo courtesy of Pi Kappa Phi National Archives





## BETA OMICRON ALUMNI CHAPTER

## DUES-PAYING MEMBERS 2010

Your support of the Beta Omicron Alumni Chapter helps assist the student chapter and pay for communication pieces like the B.O. Alumni Blast. One hundred percent of your contribution goes to fund those things that advance Beta Omicron Chapter at NSU.

This year, the Alumni Chapter made considerable donations:

- Purchased a new sofa for the house
- Funded the quarterly issues of this publication
- New roof for the chapter house
- Installed motion lights on house for additional security
- Replaced all beds in the house
- Re-painted ΠΚΦ sign in front of house after vandalism
- Repaired Air conditioner
- Removed dead tree in front of house

While some members pay their annual dues in one lump sum, the Alumni Chapter encourages you to consider spreading your gift out over the course of the year by authorizing an easy, automatic monthly transfer from your banking account to Pi Kappa Phi's banking account. Most alumni agree to donate \$20 per month, but a gift in any amount makes a difference. Please help support your Alumni Chapter make to a difference in the lives of our student members. Sign up today!

Listed here are dues-paying members of the Beta Omicron Alumni Association. Alumni dues help to fund alumni events and mailings like the *B.O. Alumni Blast*. \*Denotes members who are paying monthly dues through EFT.

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| Chad Black #299          | John Mize #62           |
| *Kie Boyett #385         | *David Morgan Sr. #173  |
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| *Robert Broadwell #198   | *Bill Morrison #451     |
| Stanley Brouillette #205 | Michael Murphy #5       |
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