

GENERATIONS OF IOTA IOTA BROTHERS GATHERED AT DEDICATION TO CELEBRATE COMPLETED HOUSE

- Over \$1.57 Million Raised to Date

- Additional Funds Needed to Retire Construction Debt

- All Brothers and Families Who Donate At Least \$2,500 Will Be Recognized on Plaque

Construction is complete, and the end result is absolutely spectacular. The new chapter house for Iota Iota is the talk of campus, and we celebrated our move back to University Boulevard and dedicated our new house on September 7-8. Seeing is definitely believing. Hundreds of alumni, family, and friends attended the dedication ceremony and were overwhelmed at the design, quality, and size of the new house. More of our loyal alumni made financial commitments on the spot, wanting very much to be a part of the success of this project.

We broke ground a year ago, and watching the progress of this house as the months went on was impressive. We've been lucky to be on many e-mails throughout the past year with photo updates and lots of excitement. We're ever grateful to all those who have been involved and put a lot of time, sweat, and energy into this project. Many brothers have spent countless hours away from their families in order to make the new University Boulevard house a reality. To you we say a huge thank-you!

The weeks leading up to the brothers moving in and the dedication celebration were filled with much work and the pressure was unrelenting. By late August as the undergraduates were returning to school, it somehow all came together. The most gratifying moments

were the looks on the faces of the guys and their parents as they moved in. What they left in May and returned to in August were two different worlds.

It was a labor of love, with an emphasis on labor. We're proud of the architects and contractors who utilized numerous details that are unique to Sigma Chi and Iota Iota. One of the most remarkable features of this house is evident when you walk in the front door. Everyone is greeted by an impressive grand staircase and the Edgar Earl Garrison Memorial stained-glass window—the same window that was in the original house on University Boulevard and the Jefferson Avenue house. It was professionally restored over the last year and it looks amazing. We were also told by several who had visited numerous other chapters across the nation that our chapter room is the most impressive they have ever seen, including that of the Alpha Chapter at Miami of Ohio. By the time of the dedication in September, the payoff was evident. The undergraduates have done a great job taking care of things and have a distinctive sense of pride in their new house.

Of course, construction projects like this don't happen without the time, effort, and the financial resources of many. On that note,
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THE LEGACY CAMPAIGN FOR IOTA IOTA: SECURING OUR FUTURE

THANK YOU, LOYAL BROTHERS AND FRIENDS, FOR COMMITTING MORE THAN \$1.57 MILLION

We are deeply grateful to the following brothers for their commitments to the *Legacy Campaign for Iota Iota: Securing Our Future*. These alumni recognize the importance of ensuring the future of Sigma Chi and have demonstrated a sense of gratitude for their personal experience. Commitments are still needed from the rest of our alumni to achieve our goal of \$2 million for the building of our new home.

All donors contributing a minimum of \$2,500 to the campaign, over a five-year period, will be recognized on a plaque prominently displayed in the new chapter house, and donors pledging \$1,000 or more will be recognized in campaign publications. If an error has been made in recording your gift, or your name has been mistakenly omitted or listed improperly, we sincerely apologize. Please send corrections to **Jason Goggins '03** at jmgoggins@gmail.com.

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Iota Iota Chapter of
Sigma Chi

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Steve Ascik '83
David Ascik '12
William F. Stiers '86

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S. Dagnal Rowe '69
Cobb Rogers '70
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Bert P. Taylor '71
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Wes Lavender '70
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Wright Waters '73
Gary B. Clark '79
Warren Hawkins '79
Finis St. John '79
Ralph Procter '81
Chuck Welden '82
Tim Nichols '84
Will Yeldell '86
Rob Howland '89
Sonny Kullman '89

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Larry Sims '63
Billy W. Tate Jr. '65
Tom Damson '68
Larry Jarvis '68
Rick F. Smith '68
Norman J. Walton Jr. '68
Dr. S. Robert Hernandez '69
William H. Pacey '69
In memory of
Wes Lavender '70
R. Kurry Wyatt, DMD '69
John G. "Jack" Lowther '70
Robert H. Pettey Jr. '70
John R. Howard '71
Bruce W. Pylant '71
Steven Shockley '71
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Samuel Clark,
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and W.D. "Sunny" King '49
C. Stokes Ritchie '73
In honor of
James I. Ritchie, *LSU '46*
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Brian A. Perry '75
Lawrence C. Weaver '75
In honor of
S. Dagnal Rowe '69 and
C. Stokes Ritchie '73
Markel R. Wyatt '76
W. Ryland Byars '80
Joseph S. Redmon '80
Scott G. Williams '80
In honor of the
Iota Iota Fall Pledge
Class of 1976
William L. Middleton III '81
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Gregory N. Bare '82
David B. Harris '82
Tom C. Wells '83
In memory of
Paul G. Fowler '82
In honor of
Daniel B. Fugazzi '86

Campaign Status At-a-Glance

As of October 30, 2012

**\$2 Million
Goal**

**\$1,578,577
Contributions**

**264
Contributors**

**1,335
Mailable Alumni**

Marty Hamner '85
In memory of
Don Collins '85
George F. Vieth '86
Luke Standeffer '89
Jimmy Duncan '97
M. List Underwood III '99
Dennis Rowlen '02
Daniel P. McDow '03
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Taylor Sanders Scruggs '11
In honor of the
Iota Iota Pledge
Class of 2008
G. Madison Neal '12

Brotherhood Club (\$1,000 to \$2,499)

Anonymous
In memory of
Ira De Ment III
Ruth De Ment
Walter Byars '48
Alex W. Newton '52
Lynda Newman
In memory of
Graydon L. Newman Jr. '53
Elizabeth Cunningham Pearce
In memory of
William Cunningham '42
George O. Sparks '48
David L. Clokey '49
Arthur J. Fox '50
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W. Gene Hunter '51
 James W. Greiner '53
 Don Newton '56
 Robert E. Willisson '57
 James W. Yeldell Jr. '59
 Frank Helderman '60
 David L. Veal '60
 In memory of
 J. Ross Veal II '21 and
 Ross S. Veal II '46
 Joe Aldy '62
 Donald L. Avant '62
 Joseph W. Lehmann '63
 In memory of
 Dr. J.R. Gossman '64
 Charlie D. Yeldell '63
 W. S. Adams Jr. '64
 Harvey B. Morris '64
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 Phillip Corazzari '69
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 Wes Lavender '70
 R. Douglas Street '69
 In memory of
 Wes Lavender '70
 Gordon Thayer '69
 John Wilmer '69
 J. Vance Davidson '70
 Glen Hamrick '70
 Thomas T. Cash Jr. '71
 Richard Pearce '73
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 In honor of
 Nick Saban
 H. Chris Gewin '75
 Loring S. Jones III '75
 William M. Nance '75
 Joseph M. Cloud '76
 Reginald D. Hyde '80
 Gary Cameron '82
 Hugh Morrow Jr. '83
 James C. Esco Jr. '84
 Matthew J. Pappas '85
 Douglas M. Giffin '88
 Eric Knouse '88
 James G. Carroll '89
 In honor of
 Andrew B. Carroll,
University of Miami '58
 David M. Jenkins '90
 T. Lane Wooley '90
 Brett Taylor '91
 Steve Phillips '95
 Ryan T. Eiland '98
 Cody D. Robinson '98
 William T. Rogers '99
 Class of 2007
 Michael P. Duggan '07
 Chad Porter '07



Sigma Chi Trains Burr Ferguson '02 for Military Life

When Capt. Burr Ferguson '02 was a student at the University of Alabama, he was looking for a place to meet interesting people and have fun. Fortunately, he found Sigma Chi. "The friendships and camaraderie are what convinced me to join. It was such a great experience that helped me structure my life for after college."

Burr is a United States Marine Corps captain and CH-46E pilot/weapons and tactics instructor. Many of the lessons he learned from Sigma Chi translate to his job in the military. "Fraternity life closely resembles military life. The leadership opportunities and structure I gained from Sigma Chi have contributed to my success and made my transition to the Marine Corps easier. The experiences and friendships I made at UA helped me cope with the dynamic and stressful lifestyle of the military." Last year, Burr flew supplies to Japan after the Tsunami hit. One of his fraternity brothers, Josh Ferris '03, was living in Tokyo at the time and Burr was on a ship off the coast helping with the relief efforts.

Life in the Marine Corps had Burr living all over the world, which meant he rarely had an opportunity to get back to campus and visit the house or stay in-

volved much. "I've had the pleasure of staying close with many brothers through social media and e-mail, so hopefully this will help me get back in touch with more of the chapter."

As an undergraduate, Burr's top priority wasn't always attending class, which is something he wishes he could change. "I often spent more time figuring out the easiest way to get a good grade in class instead of striving for a solid understanding of the concepts. I wish I would have focused more on the subjects than the grades."

Some of the best memories Burr has from his time in college come from Sigma Chi. "I treasure my sophomore year, living in the downstairs hall of the fraternity house. My pledge class had a close bond and just about all of us lived in-house that year. We shared some amazing times that I credit for making me a better person. Sigma Chi was a great time in my life. It prepared me for the stresses of the military and gave me the confidence to excel in any situation I was presented with."

Burr lives in Del Mar, California, with his wife, Rachel. "She is instrumental in my life and supports me through all my deployments and the stress that comes with being a military spouse." Burr enjoys flying, snow skiing, and playing just about any sport. You can contact Burr at uaferg@gmail.com.

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work remains—we're done building but we're certainly not finished paying for this new house. We still need to raise at least another \$421,000 to retire the non-mortgage construction debt, which is a huge necessity given the price competitiveness of alternative housing.

Brothers, we have two challenges for you: come to the house and see the finished product for yourself, and fill out the enclosed pledge card to support the project financially. We will have a large cast-metal

plaque placed in the foyer of the new house, which will recognize all donors and families who give \$2,500 or more. Do not miss this chance to permanently show your participation in building this new chapter house. Iota Iota is worth the investment. We guarantee you won't be disappointed when you visit the new house.

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WELCOME HOME, SIGMA CHI



Alumni are always welcome to the chapter house. However, we are starting Alumni Wednesdays, in which alumni are welcome to the chapter house for dinner at 5:00 and the weekly chapter meeting, every Wednesday. We hope to see you there.

The Iota Iota Chapter would like to thank all alumni, active members, friends, and family for joining us on September 8 to take part in the dedication of our new house at 180 University Boulevard. The event was a huge success and the undergraduates are thrilled to be living in the new facility, which would not have been possible without you, our loyal Iota Iota alumni.



A Standout Year for the Brothers of Iota Iota

*Chapter Gives Back,
Grows in Numbers, and
Gains a New Home*

The first 10 months of 2012 were some of the most exciting in recent memory at Iota Iota. This time was highlighted by a successful Derby Days, summer recruitment events, and culminated in the opening of one of the most spectacular fraternity houses in the southeast. We also won our fourth Peterson Significant Chapter Award in a row this year, our eleventh in Iota Iota's 136-year history.

Philanthropy for Fallen Friend

We told you in our spring 2012 edition of *The Iota Iota Messenger* that our focus for the 59th running of Derby Days in April was to raise money for the Ashley Harrison Memorial Scholarship Fund. Ashley Harrison, a Phi Mu at the University of Alabama, lost her life in last April's tornado. Our chapter felt a close connection with her due to the many friendships she shared with older brothers in the fraternity. Derby Days Chairman **Alex Dinges '13** worked directly with Ashley's mother to help raise \$13,713, and the senior brothers presented this check to Ashley's parents and grandparents the weekend of the Alabama-Michigan football game in Dallas, Texas. It was a very special experience that we won't soon forget.

Recruitment at a High for Chapter

Over the summer, Recruitment Chairman **Hudson Riedel '14** planned various events to recruit the best and brightest young men across the south and the entire country attending the Capstone. In July, a recruitment event was hosted on the back veranda of the Maxwell House, a historic home in Northport owned by Sigma Chi alumnus **Marc Peters '72**. This fall, the Iota Iota Chapter is very proud to have pledged an outstanding class of 53 young men, including two National Merit finalists. We are proud of our fraternity and brothers and do not tolerate hazing in any form; we and our alumni enforce this strictly.

Iota Iota Grateful for New Chapter House

On August 15, the undergraduate brothers moved in to our new fraternity house on University Boulevard. Not only has the undergraduate chapter taken great pride in being the first to live here, but we are also truly grateful to live in what is the most impressive house on campus and in all of Sigma Chi. Our House Corporation has done an incredible job

The Iota Iota Messenger



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making this long-held dream become a reality. The undergraduate chapter is truly thankful for all the donors and alumni. The new house has exceeded all of our expectations.

Dedication Events and Awards

At our first home game this fall, we hosted a dedication for the new house. Friday night was highlighted by an alumni cocktail party. On Saturday, we had a ribbon-cutting ceremony and the presentation of the Significant Sig award to **Walter Byars '48** and the Alumnus of the Year award to **Ralph Procter '81**. The day was a success and we were floored with the outstanding support of the hundreds of alumni in attendance. See pages 4 and 5 for photos. We look forward to seeing many alumni at the chapter house this year and extend a warm welcome to any brother who wishes to stop by and visit.

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