



ALPHA RHO ALUMNI CHAPTER NEWSLETTER

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Alumni Spotlight
Let Us Know



Brother Kris Scheponik, AP 357 featured in this edition's Alumni Spotlight is shown here with one of his fly fishing catches.

COMING SOON!

Special hotel rates and ordering information for Homecoming, October 13-15.



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ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT - KRIS SCHEPONIK, AP 357

The Mid 1990's was a really great time to be a member of Alpha Rho. Rapid expansion, a new house, and a committed and dedicated group of men characterized the time. One of these Brothers was Kris Scheponik who joined as an Associate Member in the Spring of 1993. Smart, athletic and dedicated to making Alpha Rho great, Kris was a prototypical Student Member. Many years later, Kris is now a prototypical Alumni. Successful, family oriented, and still dedicated to making Alpha Rho great. We caught up with Kris to get his thoughts on a few things and find out what's going on in his life these days.

Kris now resides in Greensboro, NC with his lovely wife Kim, and their 4 children Jacob (16) who is a football player and a die-hard WVU fan, Sarah (13) who is an all-county saxophone player, Jenna (12) who enjoys soccer and music, and Luke (11) who is into robotics. As Western Pennsylvania natives, the Scheponik's enjoy all things Black and Gold (Steelers, Penguins, and Pirates).

He works for Qorvo as a Process Engineering Manager in their Greensboro Wafer Lab where they manufacture cell phone components and other microelectronic devices. Kris enjoys the great outdoors and is an expert fly fisherman. He also enjoys skiing, hiking and camping. He's also a metal head and still attends concerts when he can.



We asked him how Pi Kappa Phi has helped him in his career. He said, *"Being a member of Pi Kappa Phi provided me with opportunities to build leadership skills that have been useful in the workplace and my community. As a Brother, there were always opportunities to step up and take ownership of something. One of the challenges was to motivate other Brothers to contribute their time and efforts to a cause, finding a way to leverage their skills and input. The same is true with team members at work or*

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HAPPY NEW YEAR...2017!

With the new year now in full swing, we need the support of our members! As we move closer to towards our goal of being back on campus, financial support is necessary to continue our growth and solid footing for future Brothers and our alumni.

Show your support today! It's easy! Simply visit www.wvupikapp.org and click 'Contribute' then view the membership levels. You may make a full payment or set-up monthly installments.



LET US KNOW

Did you recently get married or have a child? Did you get a promotion at work or new job? If you have anything you wish to share, we want to know.

Visit <http://www.wvupikapp.org/letusknow> to submit your news.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Births:

- Brad Beall, AP 485 and wife Amy welcomed Braelyn Rey on January 13.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Spring Alumni Weekend, April 21-22, 2017

- Homecoming, October 13-15, 2017

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KRIS SCHEPONIK (continued from page 1) *with other volunteers in the community"*

Kris is an Archon Level contributing member of the Alumni Chapter and says that Pi Kappa Phi and his Alpha Rho Brothers especially, are still important to him. *"As life and family commitments take us all in different directions, these relationships become more meaningful because it's not as easy to stay in touch. I don't see my old Brothers very often, but when I do it's easy to pick up right where we left off. I'm proud to call them Brother and proud to call myself a Pi Kapp. Being a Pi Kapp today means having a connection to my Brothers and my Chapter that can never be broken, regardless of time and distance"*.

On the work being done now Brother Scheponik said, *"I think the Alumni Chapter's work is crucial to maintaining that connection for all Brothers regardless of how far away we are or how long it's been since we've been back to Morgantown. We also have the opportunity the pass something down to the next generation of Brothers so they can experience Brotherhood and its lifelong rewards. I think the Alumni Chapter has done an excellent job of rallying support so we can rebuild an on-campus presence"*.

In thinking about the 40th Anniversary of the 1978 Rechartering... *"It seems like just yesterday we were celebrating the 30th Anniversary! I think it just shows that we have something worth preserving for ourselves and those that come behind us. We've built something special together that can withstand the test of time and over the years, many have contributed to that success. I look forward to seeing a thriving Chapter with a healthy undergrad presence on campus supported by a strong, involved Alumni Chapter. I don't get back to WVU often, but when I do, I would like to have a place where I can be assured of seeing old friends and familiar faces while meeting new ones who are bonded by the same ties of Brotherhood"*.

The Alumni Chapter is thankful for lifetime Members like Kris Scheponik. We hope it's not too long until we see you in Morgantown! Rock on Kris!

KEEP UPDATED & STAY CONNECTED!

We want to keep you in the loop with all of the great events and things happening with your Alpha Rho Chapter. Please take a moment to update your contact info at <http://www.wvupikapp.org/update/>.

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