



# ALPHA RHO ALUMNI CHAPTER NEWSLETTER



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Saying Thanks!  
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Happy  
Founders Day  
December 10



Alpha Rho Alumni enjoying lunch at last year's Spring Alumni Weekend.

## SPRING ALUMNI WEEKEND

APRIL 20 & 21, 2018

Make plans to join us in Morgantown this April.  
For more information, visit

<http://wvupikapp.org/2018-alumni-weekend-announced/>

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### THANK YOU BROTHER TOM BEGLEY, AP 284

For this version of our alumni spotlight, we wanted to do something different. With the exciting news of Alpha Rho's return to campus through approval from Pi Kappa Phi and West Virginia University, we wanted to relay our appreciation during this most thankful time of year to Tom Begley, AP 284, President & CEO of the Alpha Rho Alumni Chapter for his work and diligence in getting us where we are today.



"Since May 16, 1930, Alpha Rho Chapter has shouted from the tops of very high mountains, and looked up from the depths of very deep chasms. Along this unpredictable journey, there have been chapter leaders who have brought us to the mountaintops, and some who have lead us into the depths. One of us has re-defined Brotherhood for our chapter in a way no other has. Brother Thomas J. Begley, AP284, is that Brother. His dedication as an undergraduate, and his tireless energy as an alumnus has laid the strongest foundation ever for our chapter. As we position ourselves for next Golden Age of Alpha Rho, let us raise a glass to Brother Begley for living the Student's Creed every day of his life. I believe the ideal chapter is made up of men like Tom Begley."

Forever in the Bond, Patrick E. Farley, AP 67

"Despite the involvement of many dedicated Alpha Rho brothers since its genesis back in the 1930's, there is absolutely no doubt in my mind that AP 284 has been the nucleus behind Alpha Rho in the last 10+ years during some extremely tumultuous times. Brother Tom Begley will go down in history as one of Alpha Rho's finest brothers! I am proud to call him my brother!"

Brother Bob Laughner, AP 68

"The T in Tom's name stands for tenacity. Without this characteristic of Tom we would not be where we are. From day one of the Charter being revoked, Tom has done an admirable job of leading the way back on campus. Thank you Tom!!"

Craig Winkelmann, AP 69

"Tom - Thank you for not holding a grudge after our initial encounter and brining me along on this journey. Your persistence has paid off and I thank you for allowing all of us to be a part of the success. Here is to continued success."

Patrick Folio, AP 147

(see THANKS TOM BEGLEY on page 2)



FROM OUR FAMILIES TO YOURS...



Show your support! Now more than ever, your financial support is needed to ensure resources our available to the Alpha Rho Student and Alumni Chapters. We ask you to consider a contribution today. It's easy! Simply visit [wvupikapp.org](http://wvupikapp.org) and click 'Contribute' then view the membership levels. You may make a full payment or set-up monthly installments. If you have any questions, please send them to [apalumnichapter@gmail.com](mailto:apalumnichapter@gmail.com).



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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://wvupikapp.org/letusknow> to submit your news.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Founder's Day Gathering & WVU Watch Party (Dec. 9) - Pittsburgh Region at 'Bacon, Bourbon & Beer' in Washington, PA. More info: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/pittsburghAPAC/>

- Spring Alumni Weekend (April 20-21, 2018)

UPCOMING BIRTHDAYS

- Kenton Schaff, AP 239 - December 5

THANKS TOM BEGLEY (continued from page 1)

"Tom has provided the consistent and driving leadership that has positioned our chapter to begin re-chartering Spring 2018. It should also not be forgotten that the amount of effort and leadership that he provided to try and prevent the charter from being lost. I would like to thank Tom for his immense efforts."

Anthony Graley, AP 359

"Tom, your leadership of the executive team has been critical in getting us to this point. Your passion and commitment to our chapter is contagious and is the reason I got involved. Cheers to the future, Ken"

Ken Berko, AP 367

"Tom - Thanks for your leadership, passion, energy and love for Alpha Rho. You have embodied 'Lifelong Brotherhood' and continue to set a great example for our many alumni to do the same. I'm thankful you have never let up and excited for what the future holds."

John George, AP 385

"Tom's hard work and support was absolutely necessary to make this happen. Without him donating his valuable time and really thinking through what needed to be put into place, we would not have been successful. Thank you."

Erik Baldwin, AP 412

"To Tom, Thank you for your unwavering vision of moving toward having our undergraduate chapter not only back on campus but having a strong and vibrant chapter to lead Greek life at WVU."

Jordan Feathers, AP 438

"Thanks Tom for volun-telling me to come on board. Your leadership and persistence has been unparalleled and I'm proud to be part of this new era for Alpha Rho!"

Jason Hyett, AP 466

"It's very hard to put into words the amount of appreciation I have for what Tom has done and continues to do for Alpha Rho. As a result of his leadership I, and so many others, will remain forever connected to the university and brotherhood we hold so dearly. His commitment and selflessness serves as testament to his character and what it means to be a Pi Kappa Phi."

Matt Loffa, AP 628

Thanks everyone for their heartfelt remarks. Of course, many thanks to Tom for his leadership and thanks to his family for allowing us to have so much of his time.

Much work is yet to be done! Soon, more information will be shared on how Alpha Rho Alumni and friends will be asked to help with our return to WVU's campus.

Please feel free to join us on our next Board of Directors Conference Call which is December 13 at 6:00pm EST.

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