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# The Phi Rho Report



*The Iota Chapter of Phi Sigma Rho*



*This summer's national convention will be held in conjunction with Triangle Fraternity*

## Save The Date

Phi Sigma Rho National Convention is planned for July, 29-30 2005 in Chicago, IL.

A group of us are interested in traveling to Chicago by train. Prices range from \$28 to \$36 for a one-way trip on Amtrak leaving from the Toledo station. If 20 or more of us travel as a group, we could get an additional 20% off. Look for more information to follow sometime this spring.

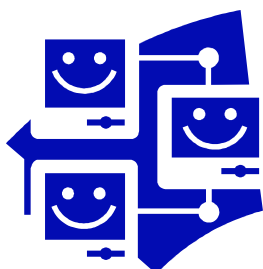


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## Alumnae Association Network

Join the Iota Chapter Alumnae Association Network. Send an e-mail to **psriNetwork-subscribe@yahoogroups.com**.

a less active role won't have their inboxes overloaded! Please sign up and use this service!!



When you join you can decide whether you would like to receive e-mails sent by group members or just choose to check the website for updates on your own. This way e-mail will be sent only to those registered, and those alumnae who wish to take



## ONU Greek News



*The university hopes to start construction on a Greek Village as soon as next summer.*

As you may or may not know, a Greek alumni meeting was held in October as part of Homecoming weekend. As an opening to the meeting, Bill Robinson stated that the “administration desired to see the Greek community succeed, even though rumors saying otherwise continue to be said.”

The main point on the agenda was to update alumni on the proposed Greek village. The village is to be university owned and operated, which is anticipated to be cheaper than the current situations for Chapters to build their own houses. The university will be working closely with the Greek community to design and implement the village. The intent of this project is the help revitalize the Greek Community.

The size and number of bedrooms per house is yet to be determined and will be flexible to each Chapter’s needs. The cost is anticipated to be comparable to the residence halls and on campus apartments. The new houses will not be dry, and the current alcohol and risk management policies will govern the village.

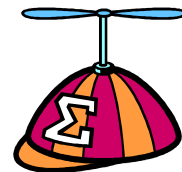
Chapters will not be forced to comply with the plan and can make their own decision whether to be a part of the Greek village.

Alumni are being asked to assist the active chapters with their decision concerning Greek Village. Some of the things suggested are to be sure that younger members are included in the decision making, since they will

likely be the ones to see the construction of Greek village and that the Chapter consider the needs and wants of future members.

Adriane Thompson-Bradshaw, Dean of Students, and Peter Kiefor, Graduate Intern, are currently assisting the office of Greek Life. A search is in progress to hire a full-time Director of Greek and Student Activities.

The university is also hoping to form a Greek alumni council, which will connect the Greek alumni to the university and the current Greek community as well as sponsor special programs for Greek alums.



## Keep In Touch



Did you receive a copy of the national newsletter? Have you heard about the LEAP program that nationals is starting?

Keep in touch! If you didn’t receive a newsletter, we probably don’t have your current contact information.

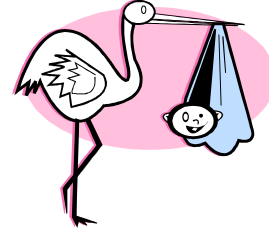
Visit both the national website and our Iota Alumnae website. Look for upcoming events, information on what the actives have been up to, and see how much the families have grown.

[www.phisigmarho.org](http://www.phisigmarho.org)  
[www.geocities.com/onuphirho/](http://www.geocities.com/onuphirho/)



## Tricia Becomes an Aunt!

Tricia Egan became an aunt on Wednesday, November 17, 2004 when Tracy and Jeff welcomed Kayla Marie Gerding. Kayla weighed 7 lbs. 1 oz. and was 19 inches long.



## Iota Chapter History

I am working on compiling the history of our chapter to be included in the applicable sections of the new member handbook. I would like to collect a small paragraph from all of the alpha class members to include with the history of the chapter. It doesn't need to be anything long, just a little write-up about why you chose to be a part, and what Phi Rho has meant to you.



*"The reason I wanted to bring Phi Sigma Rho to ONU was..."*



**Even the Brightest Stars Need a Sky to Embrace Them**

## Networking

Send us your card. We would love to have business cards from all of our alumnae to be used as networking tools for both the actives looking for co-op and full-time positions, and alumnae wishing to extend their professional network.

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## Amanda Kitzberger



As most of you know, I got married to Russ Kitzberger October 25, 2003. Being married was a tough transition at the beginning since we hadn't lived together before, but things have gotten much easier and we are extremely happy together!

I'm still working for Hitachi Medical Systems America as an RF Engineer. Most of the time I love it here! I work in the MRI Design and Development Department. I work with the design of the RF Coils (a portion of the MRI system).

When I finish my degree (3 1/2 years from now) I will be working as a patent attorney. I am hoping to stay with Hitachi Medical Systems and do a combination of engineering and legal work. But if that doesn't work out I will probably get a job at a small law firm.



We bought a little house in Stow, OH. We spent most of the spring remodeling the basement, adding a bathroom (1 bathroom just wasn't cutting it!), and building a deck. We did most of the work ourselves...I never knew Russ was so handy :-). Now the house is just how we want it! We also bought a kitten, named Hemi. She's a great cat...but she thinks she's a dog. She fetches things when we throw them and begs for food.

I went back to school and am currently getting my law degree from University of Akron Law School. I am in the evening program so I have class three nights a week for three hours. What used to be my free time is now taken up by studying, reading textbooks, and writing legal briefs. So far it's going great. It's a lot more interesting than engineering was, and I actually look forward to going to class and doing my homework!!

Russ is working for A&E Appraisals and is currently getting his residential real estate appraisal license. He loves it there so far.

I hope everyone else is doing great!

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## Tricia Fought



I am currently working part-time at WD Partners as a traffic engineer and going to school full-time. I am taking classes in the urban transportation planning program at Ohio State and will hopefully graduate with master's degrees in both civil engineering and city and regional planning.

whenever I'm home I have should be playing with her. She definitely thinks that she is a princess!

One of the benefits of being a student at OSU is the ability to get football tickets. Luckily a few of the Beta chapter Phi Rho's let me buy tickets to sit with them. It has been great getting to know them!




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## Erica Fouss

I am doing pretty well. I'm keeping busy with lots and lots of hours at work. Church choir, bible study, helping out with the little kids every once in a while, jazz class and all those other misc. things that seem to come up about every day. :) I guess I haven't really slowed down at all since college.

I'm still doing some auditioning and shows here and there. The group I perform with in the spring, SNAP!, has moved our venue from a local high school to one of the theaters downtown. It seats 900 but it's still pretty exciting!!

My goal is to perform at all the big theaters downtown without doing theater for my full time job or being in the union. There are five of them, and with this show I will have been at two of them! Now I just need to sell tickets to the show. Let me know if you are going to be in Columbus in May :)

Andy is doing well, keeping busy with work and the youth group at church. God bless him, he works with those junior high kids. I know I couldn't do it!

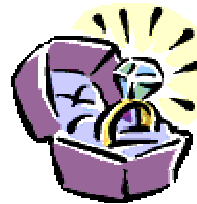


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## Jeni Muskus

For all those who didn't already see the email, I am engaged!!!! Adam and I got engaged on our trip to Niagara Falls, Canada this past June. We've set the date for August 20, 2005 and are looking forward to it. We're getting married in Lima and the reception will also be in Lima (we're both born & raised in Lima). Adam graduates from Miami University of Ohio in May with his Electro-Mechanical Engineering degree. He's going to move to Columbus to live with me once he's graduated.

I've been working for American Electric Power since June and love it. (As a matter of fact, as I write this I just got back from a business trip!) Also, Adam & I got our first "kid" together - a beagle/basset hound mix puppy. She's now 9 months old and an absolute doll. Other than that, life is good (minus being 1.5 hours away from my whole family) and I'm glad to be out of college. I'm always up for visits in Columbus, so if you're around, shoot me an email and maybe we can meet up!



*"...I am engaged!!!!"*

# Upcoming Birthdays

- 12/21 Nichole Gosden
- 1/09 Tricia Egan
- 1/26 Elizabeth Young
- 2/26 Carrie Streit
- 3/28 Kristin Sacha

