

## Lambda Chi Phi Service Update

In early October, one of our Brother's homes in Harrisburg, PA, was severely damaged by the flood waters that happened earlier this year. In an act of Brotherhood, 30 of our 50 active Brothers made the 2 hour trip and assisted in renovating his house. The support we were able to show his family really meant a lot to everyone. It was a rewarding experience and very hands on. We got to rip up the floor, tear down the walls of the basement and reinforce the base of the home. We all had a lot of fun and it was a great chance to bond together as Brothers of Alpha Chi Rho. What really impressed me was that we were able to get a rush to attend this. It's always amazing to see a rush make a great attempt to help out people he barely knows; especially in the capacity in which he did. These are the types of people we are striving to bring into our Chapter and are so grateful we have potential rushes that show this kind of enthusiasm.

Following this event, the next morning 10 Brothers participated in a 5k run that is near and dear to our hearts. The run was set up to honor one of the men who were tragically killed in the car accident on January 25, 2009. John Williamson, known to us as Johnny, holds a spot in all of our hearts. He was a man whose enthusiasm was felt by all simply by being around him. Although he is gone, all our Postulants have learned a lot about him and we simply will not let his influence leave our Chapter (along with Ian- the other Brother killed in that accident). Every year, a number of our Brothers go to this event and honor Johnny. Along with our active undergraduate Brothers, a good number of graduate Brothers also attended. These events were just a couple of the packed weekend we had. On top of these, we played football and won, bonded with each other at some great rush events that brought out some great potential new members, and logged quality hours cooking dinner for the Brotherhood. Also, something new we've gotten a chance to do in the last few weeks is attend pinning ceremonies at various colleges and universities in the area. It's enlightening and great exposure for us to see how the Ritual is carried out by other Chapters and is a valuable learning experience.

Thank you for taking the time to read this. It means a lot for me to report this back and I feel it's very important. I feel that National is entitled and would love to hear what goes on within various chapters, including ours. I look forward to reporting more of these types of events that we partake in. Thank you again.

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