

August 2019 Newsletter

Brotherhood - is not a one year commitment, it is a life-time commitment.... We took an oath to remain brothers. An oath is something that cannot be taken back, that's what makes it an oath. Some of us have outgrown pounding down beers but you can never outgrow your commitment and the bonds of brotherhood.

From the Treasurer-Stan Kittredge '72

Thank you to all of you who responded to the last newsletter and have signed up for the October reunion. Bill Troupe, Mike Parker and the committee have an excellent weekend planned that I know you will enjoy. I was pleasantly surprised to see that a number of you have decided to travel on Thursday and will be available for dinner that evening.

As for those of you who have not yet signed up, **what are you waiting for?????** Please be advised that the cutoff date for our room block at the Tower Square Hotel is in just a couple of weeks (Aug 22). After that date any remaining rooms in our block will be released to the general public and we cannot guarantee you a room or the special pricing. So please do not wait. Last year we had a couple of yahoos call me after the date and I was fortunate to get the hotel to accommodate them but that will not happen this year as this hotel is in big demand.

The Tower Square Hotel 2 Boland Way Springfield is the place to call and the special phone number for us is 413-781-7111. Let them know you are with Phi Sigma Delta and receive a nightly rate of \$109.00 +tax. Those of you who would like to stay before or after the reunion will receive the same rate for any nights wrapped around the reunion. The dates are Thursday for those who want to come early October 3rd, Friday the 4th, Saturday the 5th with departure Sunday the 6th. Parking at the hotel will be free for our group even if you are not staying at the hotel. Due to the convenience of Springfield I know a number of you will be commuting. Please let me know your plans so I can get an accurate meal count.

I need to know who will be dinning with us on:

Thursday evening 6:00 location TBA

Friday evening 6:00 Munich House Chicopee

Saturday 8:00 brothers brunch Tower Square

Saturday evening 6:00 Storowton Tavern West Springfield

Last year 24 of us visited the WWII Museum and the feedback that I got was very positive. So there are a couple of locations in the Springfield area that we can visit as a group if there is enough interest.

Please let me know your thoughts on visiting one or both of the following.

The Springfield Armory is a National Historic Site commemorating the role of the nation's first armory by preserving the world's largest U.S. Military small arms collection along with historic archives, buildings and landscapes.

The armory was the primary center for the manufacture of firearms from 1777 until its closing in 1968. Admission is free.

The Agawam Axe House is an indoor axe throwing facility. We can rent an area for 20 people who would like to learn or just watch axe throwing. As you might expect, this is a non-alcohol facility and should take about 90 minutes for a session. Fee to be determined by the number of participants. Advance reservations are a must.

I am thinking we could do one of the above on Friday and if there is interest one on Saturday afternoon.

There are a number of other nearby attractions including the MGM Casino, Yankee Candle, The New England Air Museum (\$13.00 for a group and 2 weeks' notice) and for those of you feeling nostalgic perhaps a trip to UMass might be your thing.

Those of you who have not already done so please forward \$25.00 for reunion expenses along with \$10.00/year for dues to your Treasurer at; 399 Old Farm Rd Franklin, MA 02038

If you would like to sponsor a deserving student for one of our scholarships, applications and instructions are available on our web site. phisig.atspace.com

Stan

If you have not already done so:

Please forward **\$25.00** per brother for reunion expenses to Stan Kittredge, Treasurer Phi Sigma Delta, 399 Old Farm Rd, Franklin, MA 02038 and as always, I am point of contact. Please let me know your plans 508-528-1107. Fraternally, Stan Kittredge '72 kitcol@comcast.net

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