



# Honoring Our Brotherhood, Investing in Our Future





PHI GAMMA CHAPTER OF ALPHA EPSILON PI UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA

## HONORING OUR BROTHERHOOD

The Phi Gamma Chapter of Alpha Epsilon Pi has a storied tradition dating back to 1951. From our founding to the present our proud history speaks for itself through high academic achievement and leadership within the University of Florida. With more than 2,300 Brothers, our fraternity has influenced the lives of many men, cultivating lasting friendships in the process. Many of our best college memories trace back to our AEPi experience.

While many of our alumni have gone on to successful and distinguished careers in business, law, engineering, medicine, and countless other endeavors, the common bond of our Brotherhood remains. Most of us can attribute our success to one place: our Phi Gamma home.



Through AEPi we not only learned the importance of friendship, knowledge, service, morality, and excellence, but we acquired valuable assets such as leadership skills, organizational skills, social skills, teamwork and character. These traits have been integral to our personal success and helped make us the men we are today. Our chapter house is clearly the focus of undergraduate life in Gainesville. It has been a home away from home for hundreds of young men and a classroom where our Brothers have learned teamwork, community, and a deeper appreciation for our heritage. However, for AEPi to continue its strong presence at UF, we must ensure that we provide a safe, modern, and competitive facility. Now is the appropriate time to secure our future.

### **INVESTING IN OUR FUTURE**

The University of Florida currently has the largest population of Jewish students in the United States (according to Hillel College Guide 2020) and Alpha Epsilon Pi is the largest Jewish fraternity in the United States, so in addition to what the house means to its alumni, the Phi Gamma chapter house represents a very important place for the active chapter and the thousands of students that will pass through its doors in the years to come.

As alumni, we have been entrusted with perpetuating this tradition of excellence for the next generation. If we wish for Alpha Epsilon Pi to continue its strong presence at UF, we must ensure that we are providing a safe, modern and competitive home that fosters the memories we all cherished during our days at Phi Gamma. Now is the appropriate time to build on our tradition of excellence and prepare for the future of AEPi.



### **OUR PLANS**

In mid 2020, an evaluation of the chapter house led by a group of Phi Gamma alumni was conducted in concert with the national fraternity, architects and engineers to assess the needs of the active chapter and how funds can best be used to achieve the greatest impact for the least amount of money. The conclusion was to separate the project into two phases, the first of which would address the rear (south side) of the house adding a dining room and chapter room, repurposing/activating existing underutilized interior spaces attached to the south and west sides of the house and the second phase would address the front (north side) of the house and the activation of other existing underutilized interior spaces attaching to that portion of the house.



#### \$2.6 MILLION FOR EXPANSION AND RENOVATION

New Dining Room and Multi-Purpose Social Space
New Chapter Room and Lounge Space
New Covered Porch and Outdoor Study Areas
Upgraded, Modern Kitchen and Storage

# **NEW FLOOR PLAN**



AREA COLOR	AREA NAME	5P
	NEW PORCH ADDITION A	448
	NEW PORCH ADDITION B	200
	NEW DINING	1,0400
	CHAPTER ROOM	518
	STORAGE	360
	RHINOVATILD	1,345
	NEU PLATUORIS. (EXCL. BB COURT)	1,315
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# DONOR RECOGNITION OPPORTUNITIES

We value and appreciate each gift to our campaign. In celebrating the generosity of our Brothers, we have created multiple and meaningful donor recognition opportunities.

- All contributions will be recognized in our upcoming campaign publications.
- Gifts of \$1,000 and above will be listed, by giving levels, on the main Donor Wall.
- Brothers donating \$5,000 and above may also choose a specific dedication in honor or in memory of a loved one. These gifts will be recognized with a personalized inscription on the main Donor Wall.

Phi Gamma House	\$500,000
Social Hall (reserved)	\$250,000
Dining Room	\$250,000
Chapter Room (reserved)	\$150,000
	\$100,000
Phi Gamma Café <mark>(reserved)</mark> Kitchen	\$100,000
Library  Restrictly Country	¢75.000
Basketball Court	\$75,000
1st Floor Lounge	450.000
Main Lobby	\$50,000
Donor Wall	
Patio Courtyard	
Covered Rear Porch	
President's Suite	\$36,000
East Entrance	
West Entrance	
Storage Room	
Study Rooms (3)	\$25,000
2nd Floor Corridor	
3rd Floor Corridor	
Elevator	
Laundry Room	
Resident Assistant's Suite	
Accessibility Suite	
Buffet Area	
Chapter Room Furnishings (reserved)	
1st/2nd/3rd Floor Bedrooms	\$18,000
Dining Room Furnishings	\$10,000
Outdoor Patio Furnishings	
1st/3rd Floor Furnishings	
Library Furnishings	
Mezuzahs	\$5,000









### FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

#### What is the current status of the Phi Gamma Chapter at the University of Florida?

Phi Gamma Chapter is stronger than ever! Despite the COVID-19 pandemic, the chapter maintains an active membership roster of 130+ Brothers, and all 42 bedrooms are fully occupied. Chapter members continue to hold influential leadership roles in Blue Key, ACCENT, SGA, JSU, Gator Growl, and many other organizations.

# If we continue to expand the Chapter House, how do we know that undergraduate Brothers will be able to continue to occupy it?

Unlike most of the other fraternities at UF, Alpha Epsilon Pi proudly owns both the house and the land. The construction expansion plans, as designed, do not disrupt the residential portion of the facilities. In recent years, the chapter is also receiving enhanced supervision and support form Fraternity headquarters staff and the newly installed Phi Gamma Alumni Advisory Board in order to ensure that there are no activities resulting in any negative consequences for the Chapter.

#### Why does Phi Gamma need this campaign?

The Phi Gamma Chapter House as it currently stands in both in serious need of expansion and is inadequate in meeting the needs of the Brothers who live and wish to live at the House.

#### How can I contribute to the Campaign?

Numerous naming and dedication opportunities exist, and we have established appropriate honor categories to recognize Brothers who generously support this campaign. Donors may support the Campaign in many tangible ways, especially though current gifts of cash and appreciated securities. Gifts by check, DAF's, charitable IRA distributions, monthly installments by ACH / credit card, and employer matching contributions are all acceptable.

#### How do gifts to the Phi Gamma Housing Campaign fit with my previous gifts to AEPi?

New commitments will be combined with previous Phi Gamma campaign gifts for donor recognition displayed at the Phi Gamma chapter house. Your Campaign gifts will also be included and recognized as part of your lifetime alumni giving history with the Alpha Epsilon Pi Foundation.

#### How long do I have to pay for my pledge to the Campaign?

Campaign gifts can be paid in one lump-sum or more may be paid over as many as five years.

#### Is my contribution tax deductible?

100% of every contribution to the Phi Gamma Housing Campaign Fund at The Alpha Epsilon Pi Foundation, a registered 501c3, is tax deductible. Please consult your tax professional to determine your best tax-advantaged vehicle of giving.

#### How do I get involved?

We welcome all who would like to get involved in the Campaign as contributors and as volunteers. Please contact Campaign Co-Chair, Roger Terrone ('79) at terroner@bellsouth.net.



# WHY I AM A SUPPORTER



Charles Stuzin Class of 1964

"AEPi provided me a home at an important time in my life. I am proud of what AEPi continues to stand for in developing young men who are prepared to lead our community today and for years to come."

"When I started college I had no idea what I wanted to do, but AEPi, and the leadership opportunities I was given, gave me an understanding of what I wanted my future to look like. AEPi is where it all started for me, and I owe AEPi a tremendous debt of gratitude."



Steve Zack Class of 1969



Robert Diener Class of 1979

"When I joined AEPi, all of the Brothers were very warm and engaging. Our entire brotherhood ultimately became my social fabric on campus. Being in AEPi truly made my college experience."

"Our ongoing housing campaign will complete the Phi Gamma Campus, with a new social hall that includes dining and chapter meeting facilities, an expanded food service facility, and a refurbished housing wing and entrance facade. Join us, as together we make this Campaign our legacy to our brotherhood for the next 75 years!"



Roger Terrone Class of 1979



Bernie Werner Class of 1978

"The housing campaign will facilitate a better fraternity experience for the active chapter. It gives the fraternity alumni a way to "pay it forward" to show their gratitude to the place that helped shape and prepare them for the challenges and opportunities post college."



### **Campaign Steering Committee**







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