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The Alpha Sigma Alumni Chapter is happy to announce the creation of a new summertime event created by Brother Paul Wachter ($A\Sigma$ 528-Class of 1986). Paul is inviting Collegiate and Alumni Brothers to his home in Warren, IL, the <u>weekend of July 19th</u>. Family and friends are welcome to spend the day and evening at **"Paul's Pharm Party"** starting at NOON, July 19th ! Paul's home is located in Warren, IL. (just south of the Wisconsin border) This is a 2 hour drive from Chicago, and he recommends that anyone attending the party stay should stay overnight in a nearby hotel. Tent camping is also available on site.

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What is Provided:

Chef Paul will be preparing his "world famous" Brisket and Pulled Pork for the event. He also has a pizza oven to prepare made to order pizza, if MEAT is not your only love in life. Some side dishes, desert...... etc.
A few acres of land for everyone to enjoy. How about a "bags" tournament? There is also a 2 acre pond that Paul has stocked for fishing. Bring a pole if you wish to test your luck. There is a fire pit to enjoy for late night fun and a snack!!

- Water will be provided, but it's best to bring extra from home.

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OVERNIGHT ACCOMMODATIONS:

Paul has ONE RV-ELECTRIC HOOK-UP that is available if someone wants to bring their RV.

If anyone wants to bring their own camping gear and **tent**, there is plenty of space in the backyard! Electric can be provided to those staying in tents. (nice for a fan and lighting)

There is a <u>Country Inn & Suites</u> in nearby Stockton, IL. It is about 15 minutes south of Paul's home. Families may like to come a day earlier to enjoy the nice heated pool, and it's only a 35 minute drive to <u>Galena, IL.</u>

What's it going to cost:

Unfortunately, the party can't be free. There is a lot going into the planning. The more that attend, the more expensive things may become. There may be a need to rent a "Port-a-Potty" and possibly a tent rental. If you are going to attend, the charge will be **\$25 per person**. (kids free) Chef Paul needs an accurate head count for the event!!! **FINAL COUNT is due JULY 9th**. If you say you are going, then you are responsible for paying whether you show up or not.

What to Bring:

- (1) <u>Bring a cooler</u> ! Bring extra bottles of water and most importantly a bag of ice. You might want to buy this at a nearby gas station along the way.
- (2) Bring your own soft drinks, beer, alcoholic favorites and a side dish and snacks to share.
- (3) If you are camping, bring an extension cord for possible electric hook-up.
- (4) Very ImportantBring a chair (maybe one extra)
- (5) If you plan on fishing, bring a pole.

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Important information such as Paul's address, phone number and email address will be shared only after you reserve a spot. For more information please email the Alumni Chapter at <u>AlphaSigmaPDC@gmail.com</u>

Payments of **\$25/person** (children under 16 free) will be made via PayPal. We need an accurate headcount in order to purchase the correct amount of food for the party.

Please **RSVP** using the PayPal link below. The hard deadline is **July 9th (NOON).**

<u>"Paul's Pharm Party" PayPal Link</u>

RSVP and you will be sent more important information including Paul's phone number, full address and email address







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Photos from Paul's Home in Warren, Illinois

















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The ultimate fraternal experience!

76th Grand Council July 30 - August 2, 2025 St. Charles Convention Center and Embassy Suites St. Charles, Missouri

Collegiate/Candidate Registration

\$350.00 (\$395 after June 15) \cdot Includes Wednesday ice cream social, Thursday through Saturday lunch, and the banquet on Saturday.

Alumni Registration

\$450.00 (\$495 after June 15) · Includes Wednesday ice cream social, Thursday through Saturday lunch, the alumni reception on Friday, the banquet on Saturday, and all Continuing Education sessions.

Alumni WEEKEND Registration

\$325.00 · Includes Friday lunch and alumni reception, Saturday lunch and banquet, and all Friday/Saturday Continuing Education sessions.

Banquet Only

 $100.00 \cdot$ Join us at the awards banquet on Saturday night! This is open to members and guests.

If you are interested in attending this year's Grand Council please register at the <u>National Chapter Website</u>. **READ the FAQ's**

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More Grand Council 2025 Information

Room Rates:

Your hotel room is not included in the registration fee. These rates expire July 9 or earlier if the blocks fill up.

Embassy Suites by Hilton St. Louis St. Charles

2 Room Suite with 2 Queen Beds, Sofa bed
\$186/night + tax
Click the "Edit Stay" link at the top of their page to enter your dates.
Click "Update" after entering your dates to see the available rooms.

View our tentative schedule.

Frequently Asked Questions:

Please read through our <u>FAQs</u> to learn more about this meeting. Contact the <u>National Office</u> with additional questions.

Alumni Chapter June 8th Meeting

On Sunday, June 8th, several alumni met with Oceanna Pfeiffer the new WCC and Danny Pacini the current and past WAL of the Collegiate Chapter. We had a very productive meeting. Topics included Grand Council, the Paul Pharm Party and the Leadership Retreat in August. There are 4 students planning on attending this year's Grand Council along with several Alumni Chapter members.

We hope many of you will make it out to to this year's summer party in Warren, IL

> Photo from the June 8th meeting. Back row pictured left to right : Ray Traficante, Adam Kielbasa, Dominick Zotta, Samuel Adams, Paul Wachter, Jaime Holden and Brenna Wing. Front row: Mike Aquino, (future Brother) Henry Kielbasa and Ron Koch.



LEADERSHIP RETREAT and PICNIC (8-24-2025)

As in the past, our Alumni Chapter has reserved a shelter at Blackwell Forest Preserve. Officers from the Collegiate and Alumni Chapters will be getting together for the retreat. The **park entrance is on Butterfield Rd. (Hwy 56) From Chicago via I-88: Exit I-88 at Winfield Road - North** Then **Drive North (1.5 miles) to Butterfield Rd. (Hwy 56). Turn left and drive two blocks to park entrance on the right.** Open the link below for information and maps.

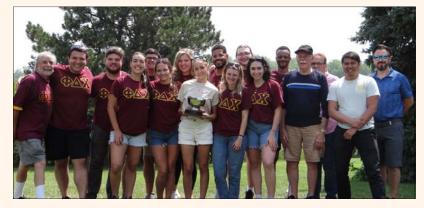
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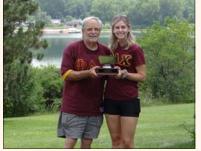
When visiting the Blackwell WEB page above please click on the Blackwell Trails Map link and download the detailed PDF map link. The **retreat** is scheduled to begin promptly at **9:30 AM** at the **NORTH** SHELTER. (If using "Google Maps" make sure to enter the destination as the Blackwell Forest Preserve North Shelter)

Refreshments for the meeting and lunch will be provided by the Alumni Chapter. Burgers, Dogs and Brats will be cooked by "Chef Ron" and "Chef Ray". There will also be and side dishes galore, water and assorted sodas.

(Alcoholic drinks are not allowed in the park)

Alumni are invited to participate in the Collegiate Chapter Retreat or just attend the **picnic lunch** at approximately **12:30 PM**. Family members are welcome to the picnic. Immediately after lunch, the Alumni Chapter will conduct a short business meeting. Please contact the <u>Alpha Sigma Alumni Chapter</u> if you are planning to attend the picnic. There are plenty of activities and things to do at this beautiful forest preserve! The Blackwell Forest Preserve is very accessible and easy to find. Just visit the Blackwell <u>website</u> for additional directions, maps, and info.





Photos were taken at the 2023 Retreat

Update Contact Information

We are making an urgent appeal to all of our Alumni Brothers who have recently made changes to their personal email addresses and/or changed last names. Staying in contact is what makes our chapter a success. Without updates to your contact information, you may be lost to us as PDC Brothers. Send us an <u>email</u> and we will update our files. None of your personal information is shared.

The Phi Delta Chi National Office would also appreciate any updates to your profile. To make PDC National Office updates click on the Greek Track link below. Thank You! <u>GREEK TRACK</u>

Donations made directly to the Alumni Association are used to help defer a variety of expenses. This includes Corporate State fees, miscellaneous Collegiate Chapter expenses, support of the chapter website and the "Annual Retreat and Picnic". If you know of any Brothers who are not receiving this newsletter, please feel free to pass along our newsletter link. This helps us to grow and continue being a leading Alumni Chapter of Phi Delta Chi.

To all the Brothers that have already given a donation to our alumni chapter, we thank you!!!

