

Alpha Tau Omega

ARM and HAMMER

Gamma Sigma

Winter 2020



Historian Updates

Ma Fell Night

Bringing back Ma Fell night was long overdue, but after digging through archives we were able to reformat it with the help of Mrs.Cat, and implemented it on 2/21/20. The night was to honor Ma Fell and give the pledges understanding of the amazing work she and how her impact on the many generations of brothers is embedded in ATO history forever. The night was a 2 hour cooking competition. An appetizer, main course, and dessert were made by each team and they had to use ingredients picked by Mrs.Cat. Once the meals were ready we ate, drank Ma Fell's favorite drink, listened to Mrs.Cat tell stories about Ma Fell , and then decided on a winner of the competition. It was lots of fun and wonderful dedication to Ma Fell, as we head to Foxwoods for more fun and Ma Fell remembrance.

Foxwoods Bingo Trip

Date & Time: Sunday March 22th. At 9:30AM

Location: Foxwoods Casino, Main Bingo Hall

The Brotherhood traveled to Foxwoods to continue the annual tradition that honors Ma Fell by doing one of her favorite things, going to foxwoods and playing bingo with the boys! We had a great turn out from the brotherhood and enjoyed the day although leaving with the smell of cigarettes and pockets empty.

ATO Legends Night

Date and Time: 6:30pm – 9:30pm, March 31st .

Location: 10 Regent Street

Come join us in celebrating the past and present people that transformed the Gamma Sigma Chapter of Alpha Tau Omega. Meet some of the current brothers, play some pitch, and tell your best stories about the ATO legends; Ma Fell, Harry Thompson, Bill “Tuna” Trask, and Mrs. Cat.

We hope to pass on their legacies and help our new members learn about the amazing people that helped build this house.

Annual Golf Tournament

Date & Time: TBA. We are targeting Saturday, April 25th or Saturday, May 2nd.

Location: Holden Hills

More information to come! We hope to get the dates and details finalized within the next two weeks. All proceeds from the tournament will go to support the Ma fell and Harry T Charitable Organization.

House Managers

Fixes

This term has been extremely productive in terms of house improvements. We created a list of goals for February and were able to build a schedule for how to attack each fix. All of the broken balusters were replaced by the Alumni Board and then stained by guys in the house. The oven was now working so we had that repaired. Our cable and wifi were very faulty but we received all new equipment and prices, through Spectrum. An exterminator has been working in both houses to get rid of a rodent problem. We had a fire extinguisher go off in C-house basement/ Bonehead and a team of guys cleaned that and replaced the fire extinguisher. As we move into March, a winter and spring work party are being planned out as well as new goals that match some of the requests and suggestions from the alumni board. An update about those will come in the next few months.

Philanthropy

Alpha Tau Omega has been very active this semester in our philanthropy and public relations endeavours. Our main activity this term was “Kicking Out Cancer”, an event where we collaborated with Phi Sigma Sigma and Colleges Against Cancer. This event helped to raise money for Relay for Life, which is the largest school wide philanthropy event and all earnings go to the American Cancer Society. Our most recent event of the term was participation in Alpha Phi’s “Alpha Traz” where volunteers were “locked” up until bail was paid. We had several members represent ATO and contribute to raising money for women’s heart health research. A

future event on April 5th will be the neighborhood Easter Egg Hunt that we are currently planning. We want the event to be a success as this is a great opportunity to continue building a strong relationship with the neighborhood. Lastly, our Fraternity raised over \$10,000 last semester for our brother Alex Strickland, who went into remission this past A term after being diagnosed with stage 4 Hodgkin's Lymphoma in high school. A majority of the brotherhood offered up their hair to be shaved by the WPI community and friends in exchange for donations to support Alex's treatment costs. Thank you to all who donated!

New Members

We have a new member class of 21 guys which is great. They are a diverse class composed of soccer players, rowers, football players, and non-athletes. They are hard workers and have melded well with the brothers over the past weeks. If you would like to come to their initiation to meet and congratulate them please feel free to come. Reach out to Alex Poll at 848-480-5808 for details about the ceremony. Legends Night will be another opportunity to meet the new members you can not attend the ceremony.

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