

**OHIO LAMBDA HOUSING CORPORATION BRICK SALE**

*Supporting the Ohio Lambda Chapter*



**ORDERING INFORMATION**

- Bricks will be placed in the front walkway leading to the main house (122 South Campus Ave) and beyond depending on demand.
- All text will be uppercase with standard size font and style. Greek letters and other symbols not found on a standard keyboard may not be used.
- Each line of text will be automatically centered from left to right.
- Messages engraved on the bricks must be consistent with the positive image of the Phi Kappa Psi Fraternity, Ohio Lambda, Miami University. See established guidelines below for inscriptions.

1. No obscenities or profanities.
2. No acronyms that could be construed as obscene or profane.
3. No derogatory messages (explicit or implied) based on race, color, creed, religion, national origin or sexual orientation.
4. No sexually explicit messages or double entendre.
5. No derogatory messages regarding the Fraternity, other fraternities, Ohio Lambda or individuals.
6. No use of or reference to current or former brothers, advisors, cooks, employees of Ohio Lambda or the Phi Kappa Psi fraternity.
7. No derogatory messages regarding any individual or entity.
8. No messages detrimental to the project (messages opposing the Foundation, Scholarship Funds, the Housing Corporation, the Fraternity, etc.)
9. No political messages.
10. No commercial messages or advertising.

The above are general guidelines and the Ohio Lambda Housing Corporation reserves the right, in their sole discretion, to deny sale of any brick with an inappropriate inscription. Likewise, the Ohio Lambda Housing Corporation reserves the right, in their sole discretion, to refuse to install or remove any brick sold and subsequently found inappropriate. In such a case, the customer's sole remedy shall be replacement with a suitable brick. All installed bricks become the property of the Ohio Lambda Housing Corporation. Bricks may be relocated to accommodate the fraternity house needs but will remain installed at the fraternity house for a minimum of 15 years.

\*Brick Campaign supports the Ohio Lambda Housing Corporation and is such not eligible for the 25/25 matching gift program currently available through the Foundation.

Mail this completed form and \$150.00 check made payable to **Ohio Lambda Company** to:

**Ohio Lambda Housing Corporation  
Brick Campaign  
2615 Melrose Ave  
Cincinnati, OH 45212**

4x8 Brick (Max. 3 lines / 13 characters per line)


PLEASE PRINT LEGIBLY. Note: Spaces and punctuation count as characters. All inscriptions will be in uppercase only. This is a CUSTOMIZED PRODUCT — SORRY, NO REFUNDS.

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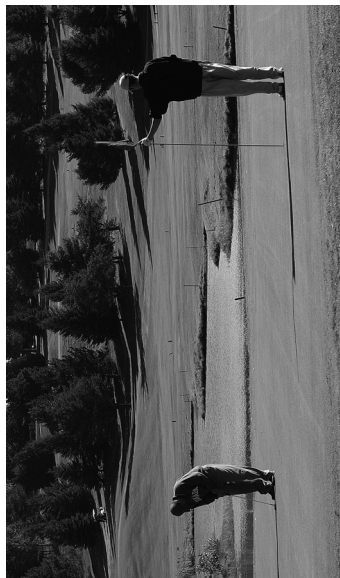
**Ohio Lambda  
122 S. Campus Ave.  
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**Alumni News**

The active brothers at Phi Psi would like to encourage any and all alumni to stop by the house at anytime. We would enjoy it a great deal to have past Ohio-Lambda Phi Psi's come back and visit the house or share their college experiences as a Phi Psi.



**Scholarship Golf Outing**

The Summer Scholarship Golf Outing is scheduled for Saturday, July 23 at Hueston Woods State Park. We tee off at 9:30 AM. Twenty-five (25) rooms are available for each night (Thursday, Friday and Saturday) at the Elms hotel in uptown Oxford. **YOU MUST ASK FOR THE "Phi Kappa Psi Golf Outing"** block when you place your reservation. The phone number is (513) 524-2002. We also have a block of fifteen (15) rooms at the Hampton Inn. Again, you must ask for the "Phi Kappa Psi Golf Outing" block when you call: (513) 524-0114.

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**House Improvements**



This last year has put a new face on 122 South Campus Avenue. With the construction of a newly laid brick sidewalk at a cost of twenty thousand dollars, a new retaining wall, a fully equipped, sixty thousand dollar sprinkler system, and new floor tiling in the bar room, the house is looking great.

Throughout the year the interior walls have been repainted in the main house as well as the apartments, and with the new floor in the bar room we have been able to bring gatherings to a central location and get more use out of the bar and game rooms. The sidewalk and the new retaining walls have updated the landscaping of the house and has

allowed our house to stand out from the rest of the houses on Campus Avenue. In addition to these improvements, the senior class gift this year was a plaque dedicated to Phi Psi alumni who served or are serving in the armed forces. The plaque sits under a twenty-foot flagpole flying the American flag on the corner of Campus and Collins Street.

The brothers and housing corp. have begun discussing some improvements for next year. Some ideas include repainting the exterior of the house, replacing the steps in the apartments, and possibly getting wireless Internet for in-house brothers.

**Get Involved!**

Housing Corp, or the Ohio Lambda Company, is the legal entity that among other activities owns and maintains the chapter house and offers guidance to the undergraduates carrying on the success that we have all enjoyed in the past. There are a number of positions open on the Corp and we are currently looking for anyone who would be interested in filling these roles. Time commitment is extremely minimal and it's a great opportunity to get back involved.

If you are interested, contact Steve Schoembs at [sschoembs@hotmail.com](mailto:sschoembs@hotmail.com)

**Rush**

Second semester began with yet another great rush. Although the number of those who rush has gone down across Miami's campus, our numbers were very strong this year – having some of the highest numbers come through our house on the first night of rush. We gave out a total of 39 bids and had 35 accept. After a six-week pledging period all 35 were initiated on

March 4, 2005. The 35 new members are a great addition to Phi Psi and each member has a deep appreciation for the fraternity. The pledge class really grew close and the brothers have great expectations for them next year and in the years to come. Most of the new members have plans on living in the fraternity house next school year.

**Coming Up Next**

In the next newsletter we plan to focus on Alumni News. Go to [www.ohiolambda.com](http://www.ohiolambda.com) to send us your updates. Tell us what your up to and we'll put it in the Fall issue! You can also buy your brick, donate, and more online.

**New on the web**

Miami alumni have a new gathering place online. OhioLambda.com is a place for Alumni, Undergrads, incoming Freshman and Parents to stay in touch with each other, get involved, and learn more about what is going on with Phi Psi.

- Buy a Brick
- Donate
- Message Board
- Contact Info
- and More!



**The Time to Make a Gift to Ohio  
Lambda Foundation is NOW**  
*Double your contribution with a Matching Gift!*

## The House



We currently have 133 active members in the fraternity. The house has held a total of 42 brothers this year, 17 in the main house and 25 in the apartments. The dues paid by the 42 brothers living in the house plays a large role in helping with social parties, weekend events, and in-house food.

The house has welcomed our new cook Dena as we said good-bye and thank you to our previous cook of 6 years, Leslie. Dena has adjusted very well to her new job as a fraternity cook, preparing very good meals each day with a great attitude while getting along very well with the entire fraternity

## Sports

Once again Phi Psi is competing in division 1 sports, along with the most competitive fraternities on campus. Although we did not win Greek Week this year, we are still a dominant force in Greek sports. We have won Greek Week four out of the last five years and we have won All Sports three of the last four years. Additionally, the brothers have plans of bringing another Greek Week championship back to Phi Psi next fall.

We have also participated competitively in Greek Intramurals this year. In the fall we came in first place in softball, winning the Greek Intramural title, as well as the all campus title. We also placed second in tennis and hockey this year for Greek Intramurals, and we were in first place in basketball at the end of the regular season this year.

## Brothers

The brothers of Phi Psi are extremely involved in a variety of organizations and activities on the Miami Campus. Phi Kappa Psi is well known around campus as a fraternity that has very diverse brothers that have a very wide range of interest. For example, there are brothers on IFC, Greek Habitat, Pre-Law Fraternities, Business Fraternities, Miami University student ambassadors, Miami Club sports teams such as Rugby, Hockey, and Lacrosse, Advertising groups, various community service activities such as the Big Brother program and a tutoring program. We have member of our fraternity in the Miami men's Glee Club (a nationally recognized group). We have members who worked for the Miami Health Education office as peer educators. Furthermore, we have senior members who are involved in a project in which they have \$10000 to make a short film. We have two brothers who are in the Miami Jazz band. We have had multiple brothers work for the Outdoor Pursuit Center at Miami, which is responsible for organizing outdoor

adventure trips around the world. One of our brothers recently got back from a trip to Ghana, and the pictures he took while there are now being displayed at McMillan Hall at Miami. One of our senior brothers is currently training to get his pilot license, and is often flying on weekends. We have a number of brothers that are involved in bands that play uptown almost every weekend. We also have a brother that is a tour guide for perspective Miami students that come to visit. Those are just a few of the examples of the involvement around Miami's campus and activities the brothers at Phi Psi participate in.

Furthermore we have had a great deal of brothers go abroad this year to places such as Australia, Costa Rica, Luxembourg, and London. Brothers have also been participating in summer programs where they travel throughout Europe, South America, the Greek Isles, and Asia.

## Cabo Alpha

This spring marks the third consecutive year in which Phi Psi Ohio Lambda has participated in the Cabo Alpha Leadership Academy in Cabo San Lucas, Mexico. Each spring break a group of 10-16 brothers are hand selected by housing corp. to represent our fraternity at this leadership camp, which has been specifically set up for Phi Psi chapters around the nation. The basic format of the camp is that each day from 10am-2pm brothers listen to speakers and then the rest of the day is theirs. Jerry Nelson, a Phi Psi who graduated from UCLA in 1948, along with Paul Wineman, hosts the Cabo Alpha Leadership Academy at the hotel he owns in Cabo known as the Marbella Suites. It is here that brothers of Phi Psi chapters from around the nation stay and eat for free all week at a beautiful hotel that is right on the beach, while having the opportunity to listen to former Phi Psi's that have been very successful in life and are willing to share their lessons of success in

## Philanthropy

Our fall philanthropy was extremely successful this year. The first portion of the fall philanthropy was to provide a full thanksgiving dinner to local families in need. We raised eight hundred dollars, which was used to buy turkeys for thirty families, and we also held a canned food drive at the Oxford Wal-Mart, which provided the remainder of the Thanksgiving dinner for the families. The second part of the fall philanthropy consisted of brothers building a wheelchair accessible ramp for the house of a local disabled woman and also helping with the pavement of her driveway.

This spring our house is involved in a number of philanthropies around campus and with other Greek organizations. However, we are planning to be involved heavily in the "Extreme

## Social

Our social schedule has been very busy throughout the year with various parties, grab-a-dates, four-ways, and theme parties. In the fall we had our annual Zeus toga-party, which was a lot of fun. We decorated the house in Greek decorations for our grab-a-date on Friday night and on Saturday we had a four-way with Phi Delt, Alpha Chi Omega, and Pi Phi at Wayside (a local bar outside Oxford).

This spring we will be having our big party for second semester. The theme is "70's disco," it should be very fun and will allow for some very interesting costumes. The brothers are also

various aspects of business. This years speakers included Paul Wineman, a successful University of Washington Phi Psi who has made a living being the chief negotiator for company's such as Anheuser-Busch and Tyson chicken. Jim Blazer, the current Phi Kappa Psi National President. James Emison, a DePauw alumnus who has worked on the board of trustees at DePauw and is the founder of Western Petroleum Company. This year's group of sixteen Ohio Lambda brothers was one of the biggest groups we have sent thus far and represented our fraternity very well.

One of our senior brothers, Dan Hayes, who went on the trip this year had the opportunity to talk extensively with Paul Wineman about setting up an Ohio lambda trip for alums and current brothers in the next couple years. It would be the same general format except our alums would be the speakers and guests.

Makeover: Greek Edition." Along with Beta Theta Pi and other members of the Greek Community we plan to help three homes in oxford community, which are in dyer need of physical attention, for example, external painting, small additions, plumbing, electrical work, etc. With the help of a large number of Greek members we will rehabilitate the house. The second philanthropy we are planning is to bring back the Down Hill Derby for the fall semester of 2005. In recent years we have not been able to utilize the downhill derby philanthropy for community reasons concerning Campus Avenue, however, we are hoping to be able to restore this great philanthropy and bring back the tradition of the Phi Psi Down Hill Derby.

looking forward to Jamboree later on in April. Jamboree has become a semi-annual event (happening in early fall in a late spring), in which brothers go camping in Brookville, Indiana for the weekend and often bring dates and food to cookout for the night. It is a very fun event and is always looked forward to by the brothers. There is also a parent's weekend coming here at Phi Psi. The parents of current brothers have been invited to Oxford to relive their college years and see what it is like to live as a Phi Psi at Miami University.

The Trustees of Ohio Lambda Foundation are very excited to announce a matching gift opportunity. To honor the twenty-five men of his 1980 pledge class, and demonstrate his appreciation for 25 years of remarkable friendship with these and so many other brothers of Ohio Lambda, this anonymous donor is making \$25,000 available in the form of matching funds to stimulate growth of chapter scholarship funds within the Foundation.

To be eligible for matching funds, a minimum contribution of \$100 is required. Matching funds are available on a "first-come, first-served" basis until April 15, 2006, or until the \$25,000 goal is reached, whichever comes first.

Your fully tax-deductible contribution should be made payable "Ohio Lambda Foundation", and mailed to: Ohio Lambda Foundation, 1109 Springridge Court, Milford, OH, 45150-2782. Please note "25/25 Program" in the memo section on your check.

This fundraising initiative is the first step in the Foundation's preparations for the upcoming 35th anniversary of Phi Kappa Psi on the Miami University campus. The Ohio Lambda Foundation's scholarship fund currently sits at approximately \$35,000.00. The Foundation Trustee's goal is to build the endowment to \$100,000 by December 31, 2006, thus helping to ensure Ohio Lambda remains competitive on campus through scholarship assistance to the men of the undergraduate chapter.

## About Ohio Lambda Foundation:

Ohio Lambda Foundation (the "Foundation"), chartered under the laws of the State of Ohio in 1999, is a 501(c)(3), not-for-profit, public educational charity. The Foundation is the only charitable arm of the Ohio Lambda Chapter of Phi Kappa Psi that entitles its donors to a full tax deduction subject to limits set by the IRS.

The Mission of Ohio Lambda Foundation is "to cultivate and promote high scholastic achievement among the undergraduate members of Ohio Lambda Chapter of Phi Kappa Psi Fraternity". To this end, the Foundation offers annual scholarships and may make grants and loans to further educational opportunities and enhance the learning environment available to the young men of Ohio Lambda.

The Foundation was established as one way to help combat the ever increasing cost of obtaining a higher education. Its main goal is to provide a number of scholarships to members of the local Ohio Lambda Chapter of Phi Kappa Psi Fraternity at Miami University. Scholarships are available to any sophomore, junior, or senior who meets the eligibility requirements. There are currently two different scholarships, each with its own set of criteria.

A board of five Trustees oversees the affairs of Ohio Lambda Foundation, including any scholarship or grant awards or loans. One trustee is ex-officio and as such, maintains a seat on the board via the position of Vice President of Ohio Lambda Company. The remaining four are elected on an annual basis (two every two years) and serve two-year terms. Although linked via a common member, the Foundation is a stand-alone legal entity free from the control of Ohio Lambda Company and/or the local Chapter. This arrangement allows for an efficient and independent relationship between all parties with a fiduciary responsibility for the local Chapter and its undergraduates.

Seeded in 1997 with funds raised during the 25th Anniversary Celebration, the Foundation is in constant need of additional support in order to continue its vital Mission. As the Foundation grows, so does its ability to award more scholarships, give grants more frequently, and make additional loans. Donations from alumni and friends of Ohio Lambda are the life blood of the Foundation. Make your mark and ensure a bright future for the Chapter!