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Submit an update on what's happening with you. Your Kappa Sigma friends want to know. Reconnect with old friends. Pick up the phone. Jot a quick e-mail. Don't let another day slip by! ■

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President's Report

Roles of Alumni Corporation and Volunteers are Many

Dear Alpha-Delta Alumni,

I hope this newsletter finds our alumni doing well in their personal and professional lives. Although the Penn State football team is having a rough time, our undergraduates are doing great! The chapter has 40 active brothers and they just pinned in a 16 man pledge class. Considering the chapter almost reached single digits a couple years ago, this is a very impressive accomplishment. The actives were busy with many activities during the past year. Please see the undergraduate updates for details.

We again had our Homecoming 2004 festivities at the Days Inn. It certainly was a nice event. I want to congratulate our award winners. Steve Uzupis '77 was named "Alumnus of the Year;" Mike Samick received the "Outstanding Service Award;" T.J. Emrick earned the "Scholarship Award;" and Justin Laurie accepted the "Rush Award."

I am also happy to report the actives have a balanced budget for the 2004-2005 school year. In addition, for the first time in many years, the alumni corporation account is forecasting positive cash flow for the current school year. We should now be in a position to start slowly building up a cash reserve.

The alumni corporation's major asset is the house and the board's fiduciary responsibility is safeguarding that asset. This ensures the current actives have a chapter house that is functional, safe, attractive and competitive in order to attract new members. The current house is over 40 years old. It is clear that either a new chapter house or a major renovation to the existing one will be needed in the near future. We are researching the alternatives and outlining the basic groundwork for a major alumni capital campaign. Stay tuned for more details!

Annual financial support from our loyal alumni is a critical component of our corporation budget. We truly do have generous alumni and your support is greatly appreciated. Continued donations make our alumni communications possible and enable us to perform tasks necessary to keep our chapter strong. Thank you for your past and future support.

We also are looking for a few good alumni volunteers. There are many ways to volunteer – as an alumni advisor or a member of the alumni corporation board. The time commitment is minimal, yet it provides you an opportunity to give back to the chapter. If you have a desire to volunteer or have even just thought about it, please contact me for details.

In closing, each board member represents the members-at-large. Our role is to ensure that the affairs of the corporation are run properly and efficiently. We welcome all feedback, questions or ideas.

Fraternally Yours,

Edward D. Gorkes '79, President ■



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Scholastic Achievement Scholarship a Top Priority

Scholarship is an important part of the Kappa Sigma fraternity. Our members work hard each and every day to improve the house grade point average. After last semester's efforts, Kappa Sigma rose 12 spots on the GPA ranking of all PSU fraternities.

At our annual homecoming dinner, **Timothy J. (T.J.) Emrick** received the first-ever Scholarship Award for the highest grade point average. **T.J.**, a member of the Spring 2003 pledge class, had a 3.72 GPA last spring, raising his cumulative GPA to 3.62. He is currently a junior in the information sciences and technology major.

The Alpha-Delta chapter of Kappa Sigma continues to work diligently in academics which should result in our house GPA steadily increasing each semester. ■

Amazing Awards



1: Alumni Corporation Vice President Doug Byler '90, right, with Outstanding Service Award winner Mike Samick.

2: Alumni Corporation Vice President Doug Byler '90, left, presents Justin Laurie the Rush Award.

3: Alumni Corporation Vice President Doug Byler '90, left, awards T.J. Emrick the Scholarship Award.

Homecoming

2004

By Andre Aklian '04

Kappa Sigs Return to Homecoming Parade

After a long hiatus from participating in the Homecoming parade, the Alpha-Delta chapter returned in grand style. We recruited a sorority partner, built a float and participated in the festivities of Homecoming 2004. Our float theme was based on Austin Powers. It included a British flag sports car complete with the Nittany Lion lying down on a rotating pedestal.

We began constructing the float with Gamma Sigma Sigma on Sunday, October 17 and worked five nights building the framework, pumping the entire float and creating our Homecoming banner. The banner won first place in the Greek category. The brothers balanced their already busy weekly routines with many hours of float work, realizing the importance of our return to the Homecoming parade. The entire experience was rewarding and brought the brothers and pledges closer.

On parade day, alumni converged on the house for an awesome weekend starting with a great party. On Saturday morning, the brothers met at the usual tailgating spot and enjoyed burgers, hot dogs and home-cooked food. Although it was very early, there was a good turnout for the tailgate and the Homecoming game. Despite Penn State's loss to Iowa 6-4, we kept up our spirits, got dressed and pressed, and went to the Days Inn for the Homecoming formal dinner. After a great dinner and cocktails, we returned to the house for closed party festivities. It was a great weekend for reminiscing and creating good memories – Kappa Sig style. ■



Kappa Sigs Homecoming 2004 float.

Undergraduate

President

By Frank Summa, Grand Master

Taking Notice – Kappa Sigma Experiences Successful Year

This past year has been very successful for Alpha-Delta. Our numbers, community service, philanthropy and Greek relations are improving. Hard work and alumni support are key to these changes. Here are some of the highlights.

- Pinned a pledge class of 16 which is more than most PSU fraternities.
- Raised \$25,000 for the Four Diamond's Fund and other philanthropies.
- Positively promoted the Kappa Sigma name. We've been quoted in our local paper concerning risk management, alcohol awareness and recruitment.
- Improved Greek relations.
- Hosted the Inter-fraternity Council's community haunted house Halloween weekend.
- Sponsored and hosted (along with the Society of Women Engineers) the second annual Monster Mash, a safe, warm and fun community Halloween event.
- Placed number one in a Homecoming event with Gamma Sigma Sigma.

The hard work in the community and with other Greek organizations is paying off. Fraternities and sororities are starting to once again notice Kappa Sigma. One of the reasons our chapter has done so well over the past year is alumni relations and alumni involvement. Our chapter continues to have strong alumni ties. Thanks alumni, for all the help we've received. ■



Brothers and dates enjoyed formal.

'Thon

2004

By Mark Frome, Thon Chairman

Thon Fundraising Begins – Goal is \$30k

Thon fundraising is underway. Kappa Sigma and the Society of Women Engineers have a goal of \$30,000 for the 2005 Thon.

The dance marathon will be held February 18 to 20, 2005. This year, Kappa Sigma qualifies for three dance marathon couples.

Thon is sponsored by Penn State's IFC and Panhellenic Councils and is the largest student-run philanthropy in the world. Since 1973, Thon has raised over \$33 million for kids with cancer. The 48-hour, no-sitting, no-sleeping dance marathon benefits the Four Diamond's Fund.

To send a check (made out to "Penn State Dance Marathon") through the mail, please send the check to: Penn State Annual Fund The Penn State University One Old Main University Park, PA 16802-1506. And make sure that you mention that Kappa Sigma/PSU is to be given credit for your gift!

Be sure to look for Kappa Sigma canning in your area. ■



2003-2004

Chapter Officers

Grand Master
Frank Summa
Scranton, PA

Grand Procurator
James Scicolone
Clark, NJ

Grand Master of Ceremonies
Brendan Stenson
Havertown, PA

Grand Treasurer
Dustin Krieder
Lancaster, PA

Grand Scribe
Brian Laino
Bethlehem, PA

Spring 2004

Pledge Class

Andrew Brooks
Spring Mills, PA

Cory Carson
New Paris, PA

Sean Doyle
Media, PA

Michael Evans
Mountaintop, PA

Ryan Grouw
Fairlawn, NJ

Steven Henry
Birdsboro, PA

Matthew Hirlinger
Mill Hall, PA

Brian Lageman
Howard, PA

Eric Nallon
Nuangola, PA

Steven Oh
Broomall, PA

Kevin Rothberg
King of Prussia, PA

Rich Severn
Philadelphia, PA

Jim Stenson
Havertown, PA

Johnathan Waltz
Easton, PA

Matthew Wurst
Mountaintop, PA

Alex Yuravage
Springfield, PA

2004

Graduates

Rob Drelich
Mountaintop, PA

Darren Duhnke
New Bethlehem, PA

Shad Heim
Klingerstown, PA

Toby Jantz
New Bethlehem, PA

James Scicolone
Clark, NJ

Keith Sorgie
West Babylon, NY

Eric Zottola
Valencia, PA

Mash

By James Scicolone

The 2nd Annual Kappa Sigma – SWE Monster Mash

The second annual Kappa Sigma - SWE Monster Mash was another fun event this year. It was held at our house again. The dinning room was set up for kids to paint pumpkins. The TV room was decorated with jack-o-lanterns, cobwebs, and decorations covering as much as the room it could. A stage was set up in front of the trophies so that the children could parade their costumes around and be judged, the winners taking prizes. The first deck was decorated with cobwebs and door hangings. The kids walked through the first deck knocking on the doors saying "Trick or Treat", while the brothers greeted them at the door and gave the children candy.

With help from the pledges, the party room was turned into a large maze to scare the kids. A couple of brothers were hiding around corners, and one was laying on a table as a not-so-dead body. John Waltz, one of our pledges for this semester, dressed up as a creepy bartender, while the girls of SWE made noises and sounds to scare the kids.

A piñata was also set up and cracked open in the end. The candy went fast!

The parents who came donated some canned goods for a food drive, we collect for.

Giant donated toward our effort with a gift card, and Canyon Pizza donated 5 XL pizzas for the kids.

There are still some shirts still available if any alumni are interested in purchasing any. They are all size large, black font (saying Kappa Sig - SWE Halloween '04 Monster Mash), and only \$5.

Next year we're hoping for an even better turn out, and keep the kids entertained with warmer events than walking house to house in the cold. ■



Brothers

Please note: Our giving year runs September 1 through August 31 each year.
 Thanks to the following brothers for their support of our 2003-2004 annual fund.
 We need your help. Please consider adding your name to the list by
 making your gift today!

THANK YOU!

Alpha-Delta Club (\$2,501+)

Henry G. Faulkner Jr. 1967
 Robert A. Izzo 1967

R. Dean Madden 1963
 Gordon S. Lorentz III 1964

Paul D. Bender 1947
 Edward D. Lenker 1948

President's Club (\$1,001-\$2,500)

F. Leland Thaete 1979

Richard J. Mascaro 1967
 Ronald Pregmon 1967
 Kenneth R. Ewing 1969

David B. Ludwig III 1965
 Harold D. Schrader 1965
 Philip Xanthopoulos 1966

John H. Ernst Sr. 1950
 A. Gordon Olsen 1951
 Gordon Olsen 1952

Founders Club (\$501-\$1,000)

Thomas C. Hilbert 1963
 Steven Uzupis 1977
 Mark H. Breedlove 1978
 Edward D. Gorkes 1979
 Paul J. Green 1988
 Douglas Byler 1990

Michael B. High 1970
 Richard L. Kelly 1970
 George L. Strachan III 1970
 Gary L. Wert 1970
 Robert L. Desrochers 1972
 David J. Guerin Jr. 1972
 Michael A. Demoise 1974
 Ronald F. Derzak 1974

Gary A. Agostini 1968
 Willard J. Martin Jr. 1968
 Harry L. Flick Jr. 1969
 John Rosnick 1970
 Anthony J. Buzzelli 1971
 Anthony Gasbarro 1971
 Thomas E. Mattus 1971
 James G. Lang Jr. 1972

Joseph T. Simone 1953
 H. Wesley Link 1955
 Wayne A. Pihl 1956
 Kenneth I. Outwater Jr. 1957
 James S. Adams 1959
 W. Lynn Weimer 1960
 Edward J. Schmidt 1961
 John N. Cover II 1963

Star & Crescent (\$251-\$500)

Paul L. Vandermark 1935
 E. V. Bishoff 1944
 Louis F. Koehler 1969
 R. B. Brad Lawrence 1969
 V. Paul O'Brien 1971
 Robert W. Hampton Jr. 1973
 Kim T. Chapman 1977
 Gary E. Thompson 1985
 Michael S. DeNapoli 1986
 James D. Mack 1987
 Jonathan B. Taylor 1990
 Jeffrey G. Rebernak 1999

Geoffrey G. Wright 1974
 Richard S. Fisher 1975
 Stephen T. Heimer 1976
 Lawrence F. Carretta 1977
 Rodd J. McDanel 1977
 Jeffrey P. Berdis 1981
 J. David Payne 1981
 Eric P. Anderson 1984
 John S. Schoenenberger 1985
 John M. Murphy 1989
 James A. Rotante 1991
 Michael G. Hooks 1993
 Jeffrey W. Montgomery 1994
 Shawn J. Connaghan 1996

Christopher T. Power 1972
 John W. Wilchek Jr. 1973
 John E. Wray Jr. 1973
 Michael J. Kaczmarek 1974
 James H. Leax Jr. 1974
 Donald H. Carretta 1975
 John P. Surma Jr. 1976
 James J. Garcia 1979
 Wesley C. Osborn 1981
 Mark E. Seli 1982
 Jeffry J. Lamoreaux 1983
 Robert A. Wojciak 1983
 Steven B. Fox 1989
 Gregory A. Kihm 1991

Lawrence H. Carter 1964
 Vincent D. Diloreto 1965
 Richard A. Hayes 1968
 E. Thomas Kuhn Jr. 1968
 Gary E. Carson 1969
 Timothy A. Bonawitz 1971
 A. George Makdad 1971
 James P. Charles 1972
 Michael C. Gibson 1975
 Mr. Robert L. Berk 1976
 John A. Abplanalp 1981
 Craig A. McCracken 1981
 Mark L. Rippey 1981
 John M. Pribula 1983

Crest Club (\$101-\$250)

John R. Carbin 1938
 Samuel F. Stewart 1950
 H. Paul Starr Jr. 1951
 Henry Lozar 1952
 George A. Jason 1953
 Alfred E. Ogden 1954
 Robert J. Tisot 1956
 John T. Rogers 1963
 William H. Schweinberg 1963
 Myron L. Lecklitner 1964

Jim Pries 1997
 Matthew B. Weisberg 1997

Darby L. Neidig 1993
 Jason M. Lytle 1997

John T. Flynn 1989
 Daniel D. DeCesare 1991

Blue & White Club (\$51-\$100)

Theodore A. Lesko 1940
 Harry M. Thompson Jr. 1943
 Joseph W. Lindsay 1951
 Walter J. Conti 1952
 George F. Luse II 1955
 C. Robert Blank Jr. 1960
 Harry E. Koch 1962

Marc S. Zentmeyer 1997
 Thomas W. Rice Jr. 1998
 Marc A. Beard 1999
 Adam C. Henry 1999

Russell S. Glazer 1991
 Pedro Juan Ruiz 1992
 Donald E. Bradford 1994
 Shawn L. Huber 1996
 Brandon Duhon 1997

Supporting Club (\$1-\$50)

Albert C. George Jr. 1938
 Warburton Miller 1942

Wesley A. Fine 1998
 Tyler S. Orwig 1999

Alumni UpDates

Walter J. Conti '52

(12 Osprey Village Dr., Amelia Island, FL 32034-4954; wjconti@bellsouth.net) I met some really fine brothers who made the college experience worthwhile.

Dick D. Allio '52

(40222 Bonita Ln., P.O. Box 4162, Big Bear Lake, CA 92315-4162) Bernadette Lawrence Allio '52 and I celebrated our 50th wedding anniversary in July 2003.

George A. Jason '53

(4549 S.W. 37th Ave., Dania Beach, FL 33312-5403; gajason@aol.com) If any of the brothers from my years at Kappa Sig house (the old house) are in South Florida, please call or look me up!

Joseph T. Simone '53

(637 Custis Rd., Glenside, PA 19038-2013) I was very happy to hear from **Gordon Olsen '52**, **Joe Lindsay '51** and **Joe Henry '56** who lives just down the road from our daughter in Colorado.

Richard J. Mascaro '67

(18500 B St. Andrew Ct, Brookfield, WI 53045; rmaslions@aol.com) New address, new family. I was married on May 20, 2004. Wife, Amy, and daughter, Brenna (8). The wedding was viewed by over a dozen Kappa Sigs.

Gregory S. Taylor '67

(402 Diane Dr. N.W., West Chester, PA 19382-7722; duopubs@aol.com) Since 1964, life has been a delightful rat race; helped start Widener U Kappa Sigma with Dave Beckmann '67; time in the Air Force

(1966); back to PSU in 1970; fun at 121 North Gill Street (hi Nick; hi Shroeder); graduation in 1971; married to Elizabeth (Temple U) in 1976 (still married); daughters Beth (born 1980; married to Mike – great guy) and Lindy (born 1986); founded publications and documentation company in 1991; still in the marine industry (www.gregtaylorsales.com); one grandson; granddaughter coming in August; renting out house in West Chester, PA; taking our three motorhomes and hitting the road in 2005 for indefinite travel around the USA; Hi to Alpha-Delta; see you on the road. Soupy

John P. Thompson '69

(5523 N. Fairhill St., Philadelphia, PA 19120-2712; hthompson@phila.k12.pa.us) I'm not retired like Critter and Ko, but I play golf as if I were retired – as much as I can.

Charles J. Fey '71

(3951 White Rose Way, Ellicott City, MD 21042; cfey@umbc.edu) My daughter, Kelly Fey, begins at PSU University Park as a freshman this fall. She is very excited about becoming a Nittany Lion and is hoping to join the brothers at some tailgates this fall.



Robert P. Burkhart '81

(6450 Matthew Ct., San Jose, CA 95123-5644; rburk@saekdb5.org) I've been 'between engagements' for the past seven

months but am finally re-employed. I just started at a software company called VERITAS Software. They make software that makes IT systems work better, faster and more manageable. I'm working in IT as an Account Manager supporting software engineers worldwide. It should allow for some more travel and will be a nice change from the product side of things. Sorry I missed everyone at Homecoming this year – at least we have a defense, now if we could only score some points on offense. AEKDB, Bubba. PS. Hope to see many of you in Vegas next summer for Conclave – it should be even more fun than Tampa!

Gary E. Thompson '85

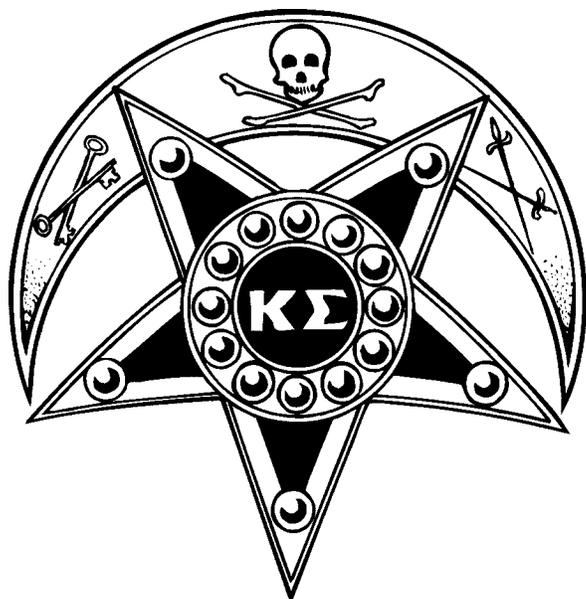
(42966 Tara Ct., Ashburn, VA 20147-5111; thompsonge@nga.mil) Currently, I am employed in Washington, D.C. in the National Geographic Intelligence Agency as an intelligence officer. I work exclusively with USNorthcom and the Department of Homeland Security tasking production analysts to create map graphs used for domestic preparedness against potential terrorist undertakings.

Michael S. DeNapoli '86

(2152 Roosevelt Ave., Altadena, CA 91001; drdenap@earthlink.net) Class of January '85 reunion at Las Vegas was great. Everyone doing well.

Tyler S. Orwig '99

(4837 Collinsville Pl., Littleton, CO 80130-6824; torwig@msn.com) My wife gave birth to our little girl, Lilly, back on December 27, 2003. ■



Gray skies and an early morning chill doesn't stop Kappa Sigma alumni from a wonderful tailgate before the Homecoming game. (L-R) Mark Breedlove '78, Bruce Brackbill '78, Bill DeMartino '79, Steve Heimer '76, and Ed Gorkes '79.