Blue-White Weekend 2004

We will be having our annual meeting at the house Saturday April 24th ~4:30. This is an important meeting to discuss the future restoration of the chapter house. *Your involvement is essential*!!



By: Spencer L. Matusky '02, House Association President

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Report from the **President** The Time is Now

Brothers, as **Ken Cooper'76** outlines below, more money has been spent on necessary renovations and upkeep this year than any other in over a decade. It is a result of the normal activity of a fraternity going on for seventy years. The floors were re-finished, but are paper thin and on their last leg. The electrical wiring and steam piping is old and wearing thin. The simple fact is that due to a lack of funds we have put off a major overhaul, and we simply cannot wait any longer.

State College Code requires that Fraternity Houses install a complete sprinkler system by September 2008. Failure to comply will result in the house being shut down by the local authorities. Performing such a project will involve the removal of ceilings, insulating the walls and roof, and upgrading the water service. With such a large mandated project looming, NOW is the time to raise funding and overhaul the house bringing it up to today's standards. We all want the house to remain a part of our Penn State memory and remain a Chi Phi house. A united effort will be required to accomplish this goal.

We have looked into fundraising from several different angles over the last few years. A company can be hired to assist with a capital campaign. However, they typically take around 40% as their fee. I think that our brotherhood can pull together to find a way to resolve the funding issue. **Bob Martin'87** is putting together a fundraising plan. It will most likely involve teams of alumni working together to raise the money. In addition the overhaul has to be designed. We will have to hire an engineering firm unless we can get brothers in the construction/engineering industry to lend a hand.

Chi Phi was built on the bonds of brotherhood through the ages. We must now rely on those bonds to bring 360 East Hamilton Avenue into a new era. Everyone can contribute in one way or another, everyone brings something different to the table. It will take a group effort to accomplish this high yet very attainable goal.

Thank OU!

We would like to extend our sincere gratitude towards those Alumni who have shown inexhaustible generosity in aiding us towards the improvement of the Kingdom. Recently, a fair amount of major renovations have occurred at the house thanks to your support. These renovations run, not only aesthetically, but also through the addition of a strong new member class. They include the sanding and staining of the club room floors as well as the surfaces of the wooden spiral staircases. These improvements are highly visible from the outside of the house when club room lights are on, due to the installation of the new light fixtures. The active members of the fraternity would once again like to take this opportunity to thank the alumni for their continued effort to maintain the strength of this house and its continuous tradition of excellence.

Sincerely,

The Active Brothers of The Alpha Delta Chapter

Report from the **FREASURER** By Kenneth J. Cooper'76, House Association Treasurer

Not in over a decade have there been more improvements to the house in such a short span of time. The following summary describes the improvements and costs since last Blue White meeting (only ten months):

Club Floor Refinishing	\$5,864
Fire Alarm Repairs and Service	5,833
General Maintenance (boiler, dishwasher, etc.)	2,852
Landscaping	1,955
Roof Repairs	1,725
Club Lighting Globe Replacement	<u>1,127</u>
Total	19,356

This is an increase of \$16,000 over the normal physical plant budget. Our current dues will not support this amount of repairs for much longer. A capital campaign is vital to the future and the restoration of the house.

A full financial report will be presented at the annual meeting.

Undergraduate Report By: Jamie Elsen'05, Alpha

A Few Words from the Alpha

Greetings from the Kingdom! I am pleased to report that all is well and that our road to recovery is getting smoother.

Upon arriving at the house after winter break, the active brothers were surprised and pleased to see major renovations in progress, most notably with the club room floors. For these improvements we would like to express our undying gratitude to the alumni board, and all of the donors who have made this possible. The house looks amazing!

With the addition of twelve quality men from the fall semester, active membership is at a two year high (while only losing one to graduation this spring), we have started holding brotherhood education meetings to teach the new members the facets of a strong rush program. These meetings are also serving as a chance to reposition our image, build stronger bonds, and create a strategic plan for the future.

Efforts to reclaim our superior social standing are also in full swing. Our devoted social tandem, Brothers Eric Balboni and Kyle Kassel, have put together numerous innovative and entertaining events. This has occurred in the face of further initiatives to crackdown on Fraternities. In spite of this, our elevated awareness and perseverance have protected the chapter and should help us continue to step forward.

Overall, the current goal of the chapter is to elevate our standing in the Greek community. Too achieve this goal we have increased the level of participation in various events, namely the individual philanthropy events and the dance marathon. Our long term is to raise enough money to be recognized as a leading contributor to THON, and to pair with a sorority to compete with the top ten pairings.

Furthermore, I would like to mention that myself and the current Beta, Mike Pasterick have made plans to attend the Regional Leadership Alliance at the Pi Zeta chapter in Binghampton, NY from March 26-28. National has been requesting our attendance at similar conferences for years now, and by attending we hope to show our devotion to the fraternity, and to potentially come back with information to further improve Alpha Delta.

In closing, I would like to make a plea to those who have not been to the house in the past few years to come to Blue-White weekend on the 24-25 of April. None of the actives have experienced a large alumni gathering, and I personally feel that it is an integral part of the fraternity experience. As much as we appreciate the financial support from you, there is no substitute for physical presence and personal encouragement.

We thank you, and hope to meet as many of you as possible in April. ■

Alumni **UpDates**

Robert H. Faller '33

(4953 Cline Hollow Rd., #47, Murrysville, PA 15668-1590) I was particularly pleased to read the information written by **Brian Jones '03**. I certainly hope that all active Brothers will continue the rebuilding of the chapter. I am sure you will appreciate its importance long after you graduate.

William W. Walker '37

(434 King of Prussia Rd., Wayne, PA 19087-2357) Last year visited with **Dan Gibson '38** at Hilton Head. Would like to see **Van Lintem** at Hilton Head.

Francis W. Finley '54

(507 Buttermilk Ln., Bradford Woods, PA 15015; flyfish5x@aol.com) Martha and I helped Pat and **Dick Headlee'55** celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary. Still doing lots of fly fishing, traveling with Martha and enjoying the grandchildren.

William K. Roberts '55

(1015 Kennett Way, West Chester, PA 19380-5727; bkjudie@cs.com) I am moving to Hershey's Mill in West Chester, PA in March 2003.

Richard T. McKernan '59

(13507 NW Wax Myrtle Tr., Palm City, FL 34990) Jinny, my wife of 41 years, and I retired to Florida last year. We frequently travel north to visit our family including our three grandsons. I spend time at Agencourt Biosciences located outside of Boston to consult with our three sons, Brian, Brendan and Kevin, the founders of the company. We also travel to Philadelphia to visit our daughter, Melissa, a cardiologist at the University of Pennsylvania Hospital. We spend the summer in Wolfeboro, N.H.

Andrew W. Schultz '60

(12706 Casey Rd., Tampa, FL 33624-4502; ASchultzSr@aol.com) A class of 1960 reunion was held in Hilton Head Island in October 2002. Attending were **Charlie Edmunds, '60, Marty Bollinger, '60, Bob Littlewood, '60, Earle Fuggey, '60, Al Larson, '60, Dennis Malick, '60** and **Jim Mu**- **lenari**, '60 along with their wives. Son, **Andrew Jr. '90**, is expecting first child in April; daughter Samantha, promoted by Coca Cola as National Promotion Manager for Sprite has relocated to Atlanta, GA.

Allan R. Larson '60

(4876 W. Fair Ave., Littleton, CO 80123) I am currently coordinating a reunion of the Alpha Delta Chapter, class of 1960, to be held at the Dutch Creek Guest Ranch in Clark, Colorado, September 17-19, 2004. If I have missed contacting any of the Brothers from that class, please contact me by email at alarson@changlerenergy.com.

John F. Sweeney '60

(208 W. Canton St., Boston, MA 02116; jftsweeney@aol.com) I am recovering well from cancer surgery last January. We are putting an addition on my Cape Code house to accommodate my expanding family (two grandchildren). I will be in Fort Lauderdale, Florida, January, February and March of 2004. Hope to see some Brothers while there.

J. Bradley Davis '61

(6110 Coontree Rd., P. O. Box 2037, Middleburg, VA 20118; bdavis@ridgecapital. com) I finally moved to Va. full time for business. My son, Clark, a partner moved also. He and his wife, Heather, had their first child (Vivian) two months ago and my daughter, Bailey, got married two weeks ago in Chicago, where she and husband Pat will be living.

John V. Sebastian '63

(47 Tartan Lakes Dr., Westmont, IL 60559-6163; pennstsuds@aol.com) The Alpha Delta Class of 1963 celebrated their 40th anniversary of graduation by a great weekend of golf, football, and brotherhood during the weekend of September 5-7 and the Boston College game. Attending were Brothers **Gregg Duvall '63, Tony Felice '63, Duane Junker '63, Dick Marsteller '63** and myself. On an unrelated note, I was ordained a deacon in the Catholic Church on *(Continued on Page 3)*



September 13, 2003. My life will be dedicated to ministry and Christian service after 35 years in investment banking.

Jack P. Harsh '74

(14500 Broughton Rd., Midlothian, VA 23113-6036) William E. Harsh passed away 12/24/01.

Thomas J. Thompson '78

(4060 Oak Tree Ct., Loveland, OH 45140-1066; tjthompson@ppg.com) Promoted to Technical Director-North America of Packaging coatings. Currently commuting between Pittsburgh and Cincinnati. Hope to move Angie and the kids before the end of the year.

John A. Meyer '78

(3001 Southwestern Blvd., Dallas, TX 75225; jamming1956@aol.com) We moved back to the U.S. from London, and I promptly switched companies. After 20 years with EDS, I was looking for the next adventure. I have assumed the responsibility for Lucent Worldwide Services out of Murry Hill, N.J. I will continue to travel around the world.

Robert S. Bahnick '81

(1611 Linden Ave., Owensboro, KY 42301; rtdakrbahnick@aol.com) 2003 was a very busy year. In February we moved back to Owensboro, Kentucky, and on July15, Theresa and I were blessed with our 5th child, Abigale Marie. Has anyone seen **Tom Martino '81**, or **Ron Police '82**? Please forward me their phone number and address.

Kenneth M. Houck '88

(42 Bassett St., Fort Bragg, NC 28307; kenmegandboys@aol.com) Still a SEAL... gone all the time....just watch CNN. The Houck clan has grown to five, with the addition of Erik our third boy this past spring. Meg, Kelly, Collin and Erik are all doing great. I just do not see enough of them these days. Will try to make it to Homecoming this year. I am keeping my fingers crossed that work will allow.

Jon D. Hopkins '89

(10415 Ashcraft Way, Fairfax, VA 22032; jonhopper@starpower.net) My wife, Jessica and I are expecting our first child in February 2003.

D. Michael Irons '89

(1710 Robinhood Rd., Annapolis, MD

21401; mirons@washingtonhomes.com) We had a son Daniel John Irons, born 1/30/02 and our daughter, Hannah E. Irons, was born on 2/17/00.

Edward C. Lutz '89

(7061 Bryemar Dr., Reynoldsburg, OH 43068-9773; ed_lutz@ryder.com) I am happily divorced and enjoying the single life! All little sisters are welcomed in Columbus.

Richard E. Konzmann '90

Beth and I had a second daughter, Sydney Emilia, born May 17, 2002. We also moved into a new house in March 2002. If you are in the Baltimore-Washington area, stop by for a beer and a laugh.

Geoffrey J. MacMurray '91

(2045 Raleigh Rd., Hummelstown, PA 17036; gmacpsu@msn.com) My wife, Christie-Eve, my daughter, Caelyn (5), and I recently moved from Roanoke, VA back to PA. It's good to be home. We are expecting our second child in early July 02. Christie is working in commercial real estate for LB Smith and I am a sales manager with The Carland Co., Inc.

Aaron S. Gustkey '92

(9320 Summit St. N.W., Clinton, OH 44216-9511) The pro football Hall of Fame is only 5 miles from our house. Would be great to entertain any Chi Phi's in town to see the Hall or participate in the annual induction ceremonies!

Craig J. Ritter '92

(1924 Christopher Pl., Harrisburg, PA 17110; hidritter@aol.com) My son, Quinn turned one in March and we are expecting our 2nd child October 2002.

Jonathan W. Knipe '93

(300 E. 51st St., Apt. 6E, New York, NY 10022; jonknipe@paulhastings.com) Just started a new job working for a client of the law firm I had been working for over the last six years. I'm in-house counsel to the real estate developer for the AOL Time Warner Center, a 2,100,000 square foot mixeduse project located at One Central Park. It's nice to finally be the client! My Mom and Dad are happily semi-retired in the Florida Keys-can't wait to join them!

Dennis T. Moster '93

(11 Lee Way, Oakland, NJ 07436; nmoster@optonline.com) From Nancy Moster (mother) Dennis had a fall while at a Chi Phi Brother's house in July. He is a quadriplegic and can use Chi Phi news every once in a while. He's working very hard in rehab and his Chi Phi friends have been just wonderful to him and to us. A bike ride fundraiser was held in September and the proceeds are being used for a van for Dennis.

Tod E. Kaspar '94

(PO Box 462, Bridgman, MI 49106-0462) My son, Jacob David Kaspar, was born 9/29/00.

David G. Baack '95

(300 Tealight Ln., Cary, NC 27513-5750) Dave was in an auto accident 12/5/01 and is currently disabled and will be living in PA with mother until he is able to live on his own.

Michael J. Flick '96

(108 Glamorgan Ct., Exton, PA 19341) Michael and wife Shelli Flick recently bought a new house. They now reside in Royersford, PA. Both are still teachers in the Owen J. Roberts School District and continue to coach. Mike is looking forward to a successful summer legion baseball season. Hello to all pledge Brothers.

Marc N. Dakuginow '97

(325 S. Warminster Rd., Apt. 6A, Hatboro, PA 19040-3552) I just bought a house with my girlfriend Teri. It's in Abington, PA. Give a call to catch up.

Jason C. Pollack '99

(168 King Street, Morristown, NJ 07960-4130; capitalgate@ home.com) Damian and Branwyn Toranto are expecting a baby boy in April 2003, Kudos Damian.

Adam K. Kessel '99

(419 Larkin St., Monterey, CA 93940-2607; adambombak@aol.com) Started graduate school to earn M.S. in Information Systems Technology. First child, Adam Lea Kessel, was born June 29, 2003, weighing 7 pounds, 14 ounces and 20-1/2 inches long.

Daniel E. Sawron '99

(360 Wheatfield Cr., Hatfield, PA 19440; dsawron@tristatehvac.com) We had another great PSU Winnebago weekend for the Ohio State game this year. It was great seeing everyone who joined us at the tailgate. Hope all is well.

In Memory

Since publication of our last issue, we have learned of the deaths of **J. Willard King '32** (4/2/00), **Harry C. Gillespie '34** (2/16/02), **Raymond E. Jenkins '46** (12/9/2000) and **Jack P. Harsh '74** (12/24/01). Chi Phi mourns their passing and extends condolences to their families and friends.

Generous rothers

Thank you to the brothers listed, who have already contributed to our giving program. Your gifts provide the sole support that enables us to continue our alumni relations program, which includes the publication of this newsletter. If you have not yet sent a contribution for the this current giving year, please do so today.

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