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CHRIS LOCKMAN '04, ALUMNI PRESIDENT

“MANY HANDS MAKE LIGHT WORK”

Quote by John Heywood

I am pleased to announce that through the hard work and generosity of brothers and friends our Chapter facility will remain a place for brothers to congregate for years to come. As we announced at the Homecoming Weekend Meeting, the Chapter facility passed the most recent fire and safety inspection conducted by the Meadville Fire Department. Perhaps even more importantly, Allegheny College continues to qualify the Chapter facility as acceptable “on campus” housing for undergraduate brothers, meaning that brothers may continue to reside in the Chapter House and still satisfy the three-year “on campus” residency requirement.



Becoming code compliant was a monumental task, which could not have been accomplished without the full support of all members of the brotherhood—and for that we thank you. In fact, the response from alumni to the last Newsletter resulted in the greatest number of participating donors, the highest average donation amount and the largest amount of funds donated

during any one-month period over the past ten years.

“I extend a special thanks to those brothers who contributed and will allow the Chapter facility to continue on into the future.”

As a result of these contributions, both large and small, we were able to correct over one hundred building and safety code violations at the Chapter facility. In addition, we were able to repair the leaking roof and replace the severely damaged radiant heat units in the basement as well as the badly worn carpet in the living room. Most incredibly, we were able to accomplish these repairs without having to liquidate any portion of our investment portfolio, paving the way for a solvent and successful future.

I extend a special thanks to those brothers whose contribution and will allow the Chapter facility to continue on into the future:

James Rhinesmith - 1944
Franklin Bossler - 1946
Ralph Intorcio - 1951
William Minnick - 1954
John Roberts - 1954
Richard Popeney - 1956
William deGraw - 1961
Paul Rose - 1962

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**SPECIAL THANKS TO RON TRANQUILLA '63
FOR ALL OF HIS CONTINUED SUPPORT TO BETA CHI CHAPTER**

Beta Chi Chapter Scholarship Fund

It is important to reward those who display qualities that reflect the core values and exemplify what it means to be a member of Beta Chi Chapter of Theta Chi Fraternity. In order to do so, a few years ago several Beta Chi Alumni decided to express their generosity by setting up a scholarship to be given to undergraduate members of Beta Chi Fraternity. The goal was to have a sustaining fund that would be used to reward an individual member for displaying excellence in scholarship, philanthropy, and brotherhood, the values that run to the core of our beloved Fraternity. While it was initially

thought that distributions from the Beta Chi Chapter Specific Scholarship Fund would have already commenced, the recent economic climate, as well as a lack of donations, forced the Chapter to reevaluate that position.

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After weathering the storm for several years, we are even closer to an annual distribution in the amount of \$500.

Currently, the alumni association is working with undergraduates to develop criteria by which a member will be selected to receive the scholarship; though in the future we hope to have the ability to distribute more than one scholarship per academic year. Up to this point, the success of the fund has been possible because of the support of a few. To achieve our present and future goal of rewarding exceptional members of Beta Chi, we will need the generosity of all Beta Chi alumni. Please, consider being a part of rewarding our undergraduate members, now and in the future, by donating to the Beta Chi Scholarship Fund.

Faternally,

Nathan Thomas '06

“MANY HANDS” CONTINUED

Ronald Tranquilla - 1963
Richard Ream - 1965
James Robertson II - 1967
Philip M. Barnes Jr. - 1968
Craig Carnevale - 1969
Bob James - 1970
Dale Meyers - 1971
Dale Pysher - 1971
Dan Brink - 1974
Bruce Cushman - 1975
Paul Rockar Jr. - 1975
Robert Maskulka - 1976
Gary Taylor - 1976
Ray Sharretts D.O. - 1977
Roy Clark - 1978
Kevin Fitzgerald - 1978
Philip Pappas - 1979
Marty Goldman - 1981
Allan Norris Jr. - 1981
Dr. Joel Swanson - 1982
Gregory Gross - 1983
Phil Vito - 1983
Dr. James Puglisi Jr. - 1984
Michael McAuley - 1985
A Gregory Rabil - 1986
Dan Van Aken - 1995
Kurtis Gutshall - 2005

In addition to focusing on the facility, we have continued our commitment to preserving the past by looking to the future. During the Homecoming meeting we worked to re-institute our Career Connections Program (see article on page 3) and refocus our efforts on developing a successful endowed scholarship program for the exclusive benefit of brothers in the Beta Chi Chapter (see article on page 2). Additionally, we welcomed three new Trustees to the Board: Dave Mancuso '02, Shawn Campbell '08 and Seth Olen '10.

Despite a bright future on the horizon, we remain cognizant of the fact that several challenges lie ahead. We as a board and a brotherhood must ensure that our aging Chapter facility never falls into such a severe state of disrepair in the future. We will be participating in annual voluntary fire and safety inspections and devoting resources and attention to ensure

we are adequately prepared. Additionally, there are several areas of the Chapter House that require attention right now, including the deficient flooring in the basement and some unfinished remodeling work in the ground floor bathrooms.

Aside from the needs of the facility itself, our organization has ongoing needs as well. Vacant trustee positions remain and we are in need of volunteers to attend events and to help guide our undergraduate brothers both as academics and professionals. So please continue to support our common cause. Whether you contribute your time, your assets, or both, please remember that your contribution has a tangible impact- one that is appreciated by all.

Love and respect,

Chris Lockman '04

ANNUAL REUNION WEEKEND BUILDING ASSOCIATION MEETING

JUNE 4, 2011 • 11 A.M.

Career Connections Program

While the time spent in fraternity life and college provides for an array of memorable moments, one of the most exciting times for a young student is when all his hard work culminates in his first profession as a college graduate. Especially in today's job market, the job search can be an exhausting process. As alumni, we can offer a helping hand by sharing our knowledge, experience, and opportunities.

Theta Chi alumni have already begun to offer their time by contributing to the newly created Theta Chi Career Connections Program, which is design to benefit the undergraduate members of Theta Chi. Students are excited to be proactive in the seven step guidelines outlined in the program. These include drafting a resume with the help of our network and the Allegheny Career Services Office, developing effective job search practices, avoiding common mistakes made by job seekers, and finally, passing on experiences to those that follow in their footsteps.

The goal for the program, about which more detail can be provided upon request, is to seek individuals willing to assist a student (or students) in any way they can. Please request more information as well as offer what you can (resume assistance, internship opportunities, general knowledge, contact information, etc), and our association will be able to provide the networking. Our role will be that of mediator for the program, so as to best match the needs of each undergraduate, whether it is for graduate school or the beginning of a career, to the best suited mentor. If you have any questions, feel free to contact me using the information below, and thank you for your future contribution. We appreciate your feedback and will address any concerns you may have.

Love and Respect,

Brandon Bouchard '08

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COLLIN MAROZZI '12, UNDERGRADUATE PRESIDENT

A Note From Campus

The fall semester of the 2010-2011 school year was a busy one for the brothers of Theta Chi. From getting the house up to fire code, to installing new living-room carpet, to the purchase of a brand new television. It is safe to say that the Chapter House looks much different than it did this time last year.

The new furnishings in the Chapter House have instilled a long deserved sense of pride about the house and the undergraduate brothers have taken a newfound responsibility and accountability for its upkeep. Brother William Hartnett's father installed new carpet in the living room and in the executive hallway for a very reasonable price. During the course of the semester, we also were able to combine our funds to purchase a fifty-five inch flat screen television with all the works. Not only has the new TV been a great improvement for the brothers living in the house, but the Chapter also

successfully utilized the television as a rushing tool – routinely hosting Monday Night Football parties, video game tournaments, and even a simple “movie night.”

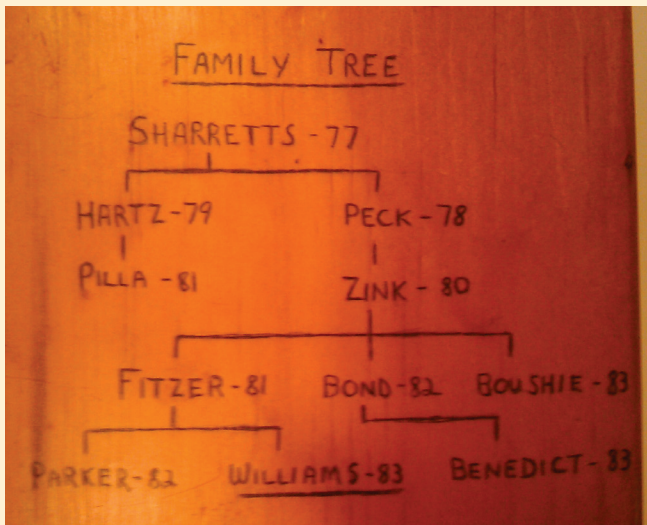
Due to the improved condition and atmosphere of the house, campus recognition has also improved, as shown by the eight new initiates that entered the new member program in the spring semester. This is an exciting time in the history of Beta Chi Chapter of Theta Chi Fraternity at Allegheny. The new improvements to the Chapter House could very well be a springboard for bigger and better things campus-wide for the Men of Theta Chi.

Love and Respect

Collin Marozzi '12

Undergraduate President

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Tree of Life

During the 2010 Homecoming celebrations, I had the pleasure of meeting Dan Williams '83 while traversing the back stairwell of the Chapter House. For those of you who may not know or may not remember, the back stairwell contains the Tree of Life, a large family tree of all the brothers dating back as far as 1985. The east wall of the stairwell is adorned with the largest family of brothers, most recently referred to as the Goldschlager family. The section of the tree begins with Mark Bair '85, but thanks to Dan, we now have an earlier addition to the Tree of Life, which extends back to 1977. Jeff Rowell '84 (not shown) is the Big Brother of Mark Bair '85, and Dan Williams '83 is Jeff Rowell's Big Brother. Thank you Dan for this contribution.

Fraternally,
John Lobaugh '05

The convenience of online donation is once again available through our new website
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UPCOMING EVENTS

All brothers are welcome and encouraged to attend.

SATURDAY, JUNE 4, 2011

Annual Reunion Weekend Building Association Meeting

11 p.m.; Chapter House

8th Annual Reunion Weekend Golf Outing

2 p.m.; Oakland Beach Golf Club, 11866 Oakland Beach Dr.,
Conneaut Lake, PA 16316

News & Announcements

JACK (JAY) MCCAIN III '05

Married Lauren Taylor '05 on October 30, 2010



JOHN LOBAUGH '05

Accepted a new position with Hall, Render, Killian, Heath, & Lyman, P.C. as IT Project Manager

What have you been up to lately?

SUBMIT YOUR COMMENTS & PHOTOS

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