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ARCHON'S MESSAGE

Achievement is the sign of a vital, growing chapter. If Beta Alpha is growing, we are keeping it well hidden. Internally, we are strong, but we experience great difficulty extending that strength beyond our doors. As far as school participation is concerned, Beta Alpha is practically non-existent. Recognizing this, we face two questions - why, and how can we correct the situation?

The reason for this is simple - lack of interest. We then are faced with the problem of arousing interest in school activities. Up until now we have relied on the interests of individual brothers and their separate interests in various activities. This whole idea is a flop. In our commuter situation and heavy academic load, the student body is almost militantly anti-activities. Fraternity men should be different from the mass of the students. We who are dedicated to the concept of a well-rounded education should be the leaders in campus activities. But the sad facts are that we are not.

I appeal to everyone; alumni, undergraduates, and our other chapters. If you have a way to develop interest in this facet of college life, let me know. Perhaps there is hope for Beta Alpha to regain some of its past glory if those who brought it to us will give us the benefit of their experience.

Fraternally,
Tom McCann

ALUMNI NEWS

The first order of business is to extend the deepest thanks of the chapter to the alumni who attended the Rose Ball. As those who attended know, a great time was had by all.

On April 26th, a meeting of the Alumni Chapter was held at the chapter house. A lot of business, old and new, was accomplished. There was a fairly large turnout, and many old friendships were renewed.

The main topics discussed at the meeting were the new house, scholarship awards, and nominations of new officers. Also discussed was perhaps a more convenient date for the Rose Ball.

Now for a subject which is of great concern to me, and that is the attendance of alumni at the fraternity functions.

I have noticed that at all the affairs, it is always the same twenty-five or thirty alumni brothers in attendance. I would like to see a larger turnout at the annual picnic in June. I guarantee that this will be the best one ever. Our Social Committee chairman, Tony Kaczka, has worked like a dog on this affair, so let's not turn all his hard work into a wasted effort.

One family note; Brother Steve Durski and his wife announced the birth of their second child. The Durskis named their little boy Gregory.

Fraternally,
Rich Pribula

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ELECTIONS ARE HELD

On April 3rd, elections were held to fill the fraternity offices for the next semester. The chapter had a long list of qualified members to fill the positions, and this fact coupled with other pertinent fraternal business resulted in another of Beta Alpha's "marathon meetings." After Archon McCann closed the meeting, the chapter had its new officers.

The Fall semester will see Brother Harry Bonfanti as Archon, Brother Rich Brusco as Treasurer, Brother Russ Pepe as Secretary, Brother Bob Mason as Warden, and Brother Jim Juliano as Historian, and Brother Al Harraka as Chaplain.

The entire chapter is confident that these men will do as fine a job as was done by their present counterparts.

Fraternally,
Rich Riccardi

THE NEW BROTHERS

We six recent initiates are now adjusting to being brothers. New found liberty now permits us to sit back in a chair and relax, although the cry "Pledge" occasionally brings a momentary breeze to us. No longer are we the center of attention when we enter the house, so we adopted the only other method of entertaining an audience and that's by capturing the audience against the wall, the audience being the fraternity neophytes, of course.

Aside from these adjustments, brotherhood has many advantages. We have the right to attend a whole party on Friday night instead of from 11:30 on. The new brother socialite,

Doug Bruce, speaks highly of the new time allotment. "There's nothing like a good party to pull up a chair and relax in," says Doug.

We were impressed by the variety of responsibilities distributed to the brothers and their coordination at meetings. The tenor and acceptance of the Friday evening meeting exhibits an attitude necessary for maintaining the status of Pi Kappa Phi on the campus.

We, the new brothers, intend to continue the work necessary to keep our fraternity among the best.

Fraternally,
Jim Flynn

PLEDGE TRAINING

Beta Alpha Chapter began its 1963 Spring semester with the installation of nine new pledges. The neophytes installed were Ed Byrne, Ray Spinelli, Rich Hock, Steve Golembuski, Rich Rao, Chuck Monachello, Al Olsen, Ray Karpowitz, and Tom Carroll.

As in the past, the pledges have been made to study the history and organization of the fraternity system, as well as having a complete understanding of the ideals of Pi Kappa Phi.

This semester, the Pledge Training Committee has decided to replace the annual Pledge Show with the more challenging project of a Pledge Trip to a nearby chapter of Pi Kappa Phi. The committee feels that this experience will help the pledges to gain a better understanding of the unity of brotherhood by meeting and coming in contact

with members of the fraternity outside our own chapter.

The Pledge Training Committee hopes to continue its excellent program next semester, and perhaps introduce a few new ideas which will enhance its efficiency and improve to a greater extent the caliber of the Pi Kappa Phi Pledge.

Fraternally,
Jim Juliano

NEWS OF THE BROTHERS

There have been a number of events which have befallen some of our more fortunate brothers in the past few months.

Brother Steve Durski proudly announced that his wife had given birth to a baby boy. The child was named Gregory. This was the Durskis' second child.

Another proud father is Brother John Busch whose wife gave birth to a baby girl. The Buschs' first child was named Denise. It took a number of days to clear the chapter house of the smoke generated by the cigars John was distributing among the Brothers.

Two other brothers were recently pinned. Brother Tom McCann relinquished his pin on the night of the Rose Ball to Miss Patricia Brooks. Brother Jim Juliano was pinned to Miss Carol Barker on the night of May 10th. Both girls received a bouquet of red roses from the chapter.

The entire chapter wishes to congratulate each of these brothers.

Fraternally,
Rich Riccardi

SUMMER HOUSE

Many brothers will be happy to learn that the chapter has rented the same summer house as last year. Through family pressures, the old

tenants were removed so that we could move in. The cottage, located on Baywood Avenue in Osbornesville, New Jersey, was obtained for the summer at a very reasonable price through family connections, as it was last year.

This same place provided quite a "blast" to all who attended last year, and has promises of the same this year. So any brother who is interested in having a good time, be sure to drop in on the weekends to see us. Maps giving directions to the house will soon be available at the chapter house at 123 Central Avenue.

I hope to see you all there soon.

Fraternally,
Bob Smith

PI KAPP PICNIC

When is it?

June 8th.

Where is it?

At the Home of the Alliance.

How is it?

The greatest!

What is it?

Why, the Pi Kappa Phi Annual Picnic.

Well, it's that time again, time to start preparing for our Annual Picnic, and believe me, we started last month, because this year we expect the turnout to be well over 100, not counting the kids.

The tentative schedule for the day will include a scavenger hunt, potato sack race, wheelbarrow race, and of course the two big events of the day; the tug o' war and the softball game between the undergrads and alumni. (P.S. Brother Gorshkoff, B.A. #8 plans to be the alumni anchor man, so watch out undergrads!) Of course we know who's going to win, don't we?

As usual, the picnic will start at about 10:00 AM and run into the next morning for the night owls.

There are facilities for swimming, tennis, baseball, dancing (in evening), eating, and drinking.

Just imagine; all this for only \$3.00, stag or drag. Children 12 and under are admitted free. Enclosed in this issue is a map of directions to the Home of the Alliance. See you at the picnic!

Fraternally,
Tony Kaczka

SPORTS REPORT

With the winter of '62-'63 came another successful, though disappointing, basketball season for Pi Kapp. After breezing through the seven-game regular season undefeated, Beta Alpha's "Fearless Five" entered the post-season tournament to decide the Interfraternity Championship.

After two victories, Pi Kapp absorbed a disheartening one-point overtime defeat by arch-rival Sigma Pi; a game which was decided only in the final seconds. This loss was disappointing to the entire team, but especially to the graduating seniors, for whom there will be no "next year".

Some of the highlights of the season were: the long jump shots of Roger "Boom-Boom" Edwards and Tom "Tommy-Gun" McCann, the superb defensive play of Walt "The Phantom" Richardson, the all-around floor leadership of Frank "Fidel" Paul, the aggressive rebounding of Jack "Alcoholic"

Joyce, and the clutch shooting of Russ "Frank Ramsey" Pepe and Bob "Wet Ear" Vandergrift.

Softball season is about to begin, with the team shaping up into a strong unit. Our goal is an improvement on last year's 5 won- 2 loss record, and an IFC championship.

Fraternally,
Bob Vandergrift

EDITOR'S NOTE

It wasn't as easy to compile this issue of Beta Alpha Particles as it was last time. I believe it was because the "Spring bug" bit many of the committee chairman and gave them a bad case of "lazi-itis", causing no committee reports to be handed to me on time. It got to the point where I almost turned to the whip, then slowly but surely the articles began to float into my mailbox. This was due primarily to the tantrum I raised at one of the meetings.

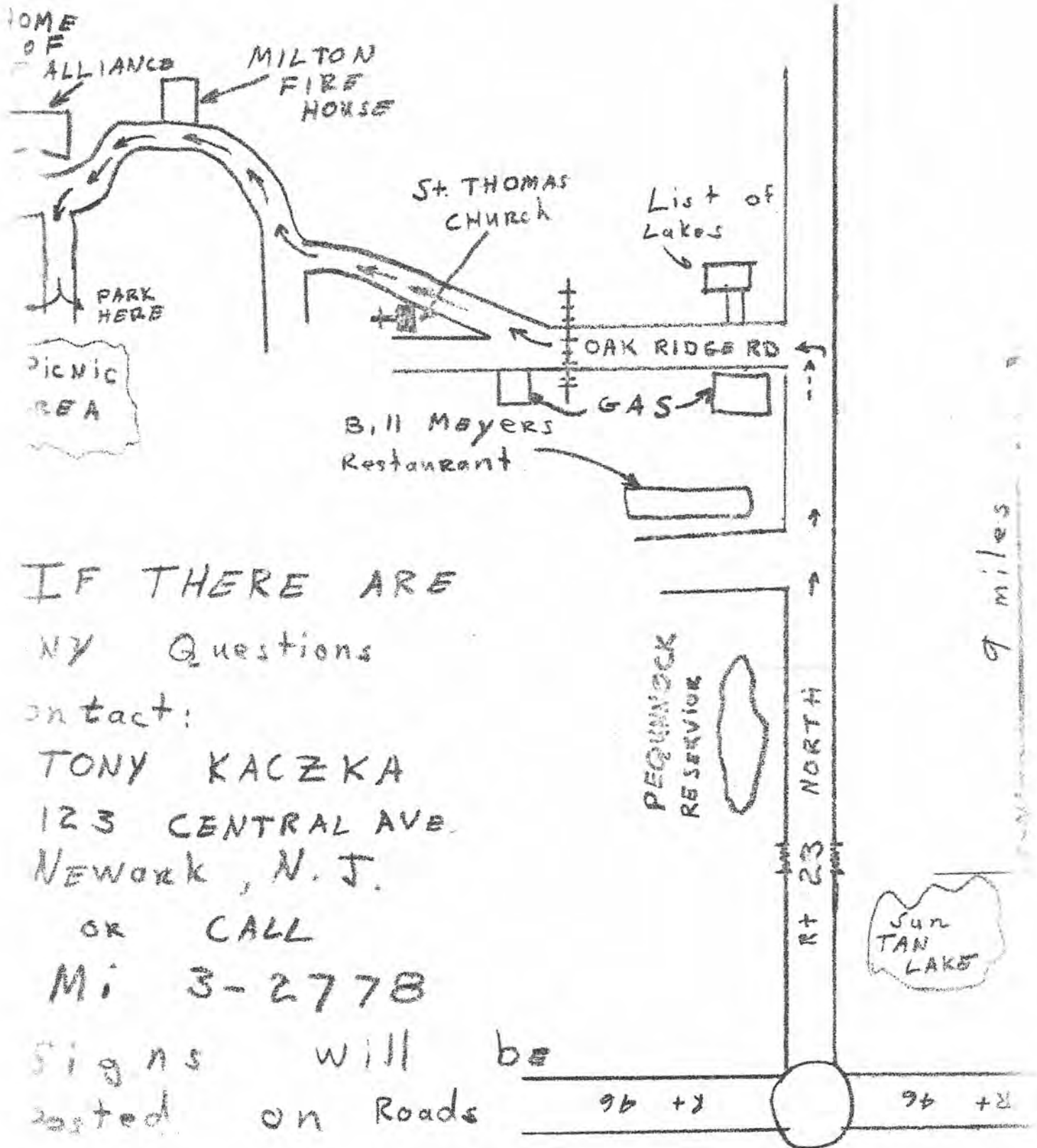
I was rather disappointed that I did not hear from many alumni since the last issue of the B.A. Particles. I am sure many of you have news which would interest other alumni and the undergraduates. If you do, please contact the Editor at the chapter house. The primary purpose of this publication is to inform the alumni of recent happenings to alumni and the chapter. The Beta Alpha Particles could be a superior publication with your help.

I hope to hear from you soon!

Fraternally,
Rich Riccardi

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