

Beta Alpha



Particles

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ARCHON'S MESSAGE

After two years of relative decline, Beta Alpha Chapter has at last begun to move uphill to achieve the position that it once held on the N. C. E. "Campus." Many of our internal weaknesses and problems have been resolved and, as a result, our external image has taken a new and stronger shape.

Our activities have been extended in many directions. The interest in our student government which was displayed by our junior brothers is being followed by the sophomore brothers, who are currently seeking offices in the coming elections; I can see the day when Pi Kapps will again hold most of the top offices, both in the student government and in respective classes. Our community service has been further extended and plans are in the making for bigger and better projects.

Also this year, the retention of the Varsity Club Booster Award is practically assured by the school spirit which the chapter has displayed at both the home and away basketball games. Throughout the entire season, Pi Kappa Phi has led the crowd with displays of vigorous cheering.

These achievements, together with the outcome of this semesters goals, should give us the "Most Improved Fraternity Award" presented by the I. F. C., marking a milestone in our return to the top.

Fraternally,
Rich Brusco

ROSE BALL '64

As you all should know by now, our 16th Annual Rose Ball will be held on March 21st, at Marconi's in Kearny, New Jersey. The affair will be semi-formal: dark suits and cocktail dresses. The cocktail hour will start at 7:00 pm followed by a turkey dinner and dancing, with a buffet throughout the night.

The festive occasion is expected to bring out a crowd of no less than 150 guests. Included in the guest list will be faculty from the school, Pi Kapp's in the Jersey area, and Beta Alphas from as far back as we have records.

Plans for this years Rose Ball were handled by Brother Gorshkoff BA#8, Brother Brown BA# 161, and myself together with the help of many others. I wish to thank Brother Gorshkoff who has been handling the Alumni contacts, personally calling many of those in the Jersey area with encouraging results.

We hope to make the 16th Annual Rose Ball an unforgettable occasion, but only with all the brothers participation will this be possible. We would appreciate your confirmation of attendance by March 10th in order that final arrangements for dinners and seating can be made beforehand. The payment

for your bid can be made by mail or at the door. Payments by mail address to:

Anthony Kaczka
Pi Kappa Phi Fraternity
123 Central Avenue
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Any Alumni wishing to reserve a table for eight, please note this along with your confirmation.

Hope to see you all there...

Fraternally,
Tony Kaczka

HIGH GPA'S FOR ALL

Because of the great adaptability of the Pi Kapps from Beta Alpha, last semester seems like ancient history. Nevertheless, last semester did see a modest gain in the house GPA over last spring's results. It is quite certain to most of us at Beta Alpha that this rise in house scholarship will continue, and that the modest gains taken each semester will shortly cease being modest. To help push the brothers along this road the two awards of "Most Improved GPA" and the "Highest GPA" have been established. A month's free dues goes to the recipients of these awards each semester. For the fall term this year Carl Fritsch, a senior E.E., got

the "Most Improved GPA" award, while Richie Hock, a sophomore E.E., got the "Highest GPA award. The opinion of most of the brotherhood is that scholarship will get a strong increase in emphasis in order to help Beta Alpha in its ranking as a chapter.

Fraternally,
Bob Manthey

V FOR VICTORY

After the completion of a hard fought football season that left the team with a 7-1-2 record and Brother Rich "Schwartz" Rao with a broken leg, the dreams of Beta Alpha turned to visions of further glory on the hardwood. The team with only Brothers Tom McCann, Russ Pepe, and Walt Richardson returning from last years 9-1 squad, started the season out with the future in mind. Brother Jim Flynn, retired J.V. player, combined with Russ Pepe to fill the backcourt as two strong, quick defensive players. Pledge Tom Chalfant with the brothers encouragement broke the starting line-up and fit in very well. Brother Tom McCann has been the strength of the team both on offensive and defensive boards as well as the leading playmaker. The fifth position is alternated between Brother Bob "Mach VI" Manthey and Coach Tom Carroll.

The season which originally started out as a rebuilding one, is currently in high gear as is demonstrated by the team's 7-0 record.

Another venture of Beta Alpha in the sports world is our brand new Bowling Team. Brothers Ed Klebaur, Russ Pepe, Harry Bonfanti, Rich Brusco, Lou "Deacon" Crompton and Ray Karpowitz comprise the line-up. The team is currently in 3rd place with an 11½ - 9½ record; and Brother Russ Pepe currently leads the league with a 222 high game and a 611 high series.

The fast approaching spring season will find the Beta Alpha softball team on the diamond preparing for another winning season.

Fraternally,
John Kirincich

HELPING OTHERS

We at Beta Alpha are enjoying ourselves helping others. In trying to serve the community we have donated several Christmas food baskets to a neighboring church, gave a party for children at a local orphanage, offered our time and services to the area Mt. Carmel Guild, and both distributed and collected canisters for the recent March of Dimes Campaign.

The Brothers recommended that any person wishing to give himself a wonderful Christmas present volunteer to distribute baskets of food or toys to needy families in their community. The joy on the faces of the recipients is a priceless thing to witness and remember, as many of us can testify.

Over our mid-year break, the chapter held a party for about 100 orphans; and from the reactions of the happy youngsters and the smiling brothers, I wonder who had the better time. Area businesses donated food and gifts for the event.

The March of Dimes cause was given a hand by several brothers who gave up their weekends to distribute and collect canisters; this cause saw a \$500 income from these cans.

My committee is presently negotiating to sponsor a dance with the proceeds going to a yet un-named charity. Nearby chapters and Alumni are asked to support this future dance. A band has been hired and the two strong contenders for the donation are the Mental Health and the Cancer Foundations. Any suggestions or comments will be welcome!

Fraternally,
Lou Crompton

RUSH!!

The chapter in its annual efforts for expansion once again returns to its Rush Program. This semester we are having two Rush Parties, one on Feb. 21 and the other, for those men who have passed the first step in the screening process, on Feb. 28. Following the second party we will invite those who

we feel are worthy down to meet the brothers in the atmosphere of informal pledging. On Friday March 6th we hope to have the installation of those men that the brotherhood feels can someday become Pi Kapps.

Fraternally,
John Kirincich

PARTIES SI!, _HOMWORK SI!?

Those of you who came to the parties last semester know what a good time we had. It seems that when good parties are planned the brothers and alumni turn out en masse. The biggest and best were the Halloween, Playboy, and New Year's Eve parties. We had a 5 piece band for the Playboy party; what a wild and noisy night!! Even those brothers who don't usually dance fast couldn't stop from doing so. New Year's Eve was a smashing success, as always, with alumni coming from as far away as California to attend. There was plenty of food and plenty of drink, thanks to the services of the house bartenders under the leadership of Master Mixologist Carl Fritsch.

It seems that the Friday night parties of the future may be left only to the pledges! There has been a depletion in the number of unattached brothers due to an unforeseen epidemic which has swept the house in the last few months. Brothers are falling left and right because of "PINNINGitis." All joking aside though, I am sure that our Friday night parties will continue to be the best on campus.

In the months to come, we hope to see more of the alumni attending these informal affairs. There seems to be no better way for the alumni and undergraduates to remain in close contact. A few of the alumni who have been frequent visitors are Bill Muldowney, Nick DeBenedictus, Mase Ford, John Busch, Cort Gorshkoff, Ernie Shortridge. On holidays we see such distant alumni as Bob Vandergrift and Frank Paul.

Since the social schedule has not as yet been planned, we don't exactly

know when our parties will be held. However, starting in mid-March, Saturday night parties will probably be held every other week. Also, two mixers with sororities are planned. This spring should be far from dull.

Fraternally,
Al Olsen

CAMPUS RELATIONS

Beta Alpha in its ever expanding support of school activities will honor the men on the N. C. E. basketball team. We plan to throw these men a little Pi Kapp style party to celebrate the ending of another hard fought season. The party will be on Saturday March 14 immediately following the N. C. E. vs Bloomfield game. At this affair we will pay particular honor to Brother Al Olsen who has been a consistent performer for the varsity; he is often among the starting five.

Fraternally,
John Kirincich

HEY PLEDGE**?#@%*

There appears to be a vague dream that the pledge period may at last end in a few weeks; and as the days go by, memorable experiences of our pledgeship come to mind.

Memories of brothers names, dates, places and the sound of "Hit the wall, pledge!!" still linger in our rattled brains. Appearing more vividly than these are the Friday night projects and most of all, hellnight.

The cow's head, yet unnamed, which is next to Demetrius Trisopolis the most famous reindeer other than Rudolph, is the most outstanding trophy of our excursions. Sweet-talking girls into attending Friday night parties was one of the more diplomatic aspects of our jaunts; this taught us both courtesy and tact.

Hell night was probably the most memorable event of pledging. The pledges dressed formally and were entertained by the brotherhood for the afternoon. Food and drink were plentiful and exotic

foreign dishes were prepared specially for the occasion. Because of the crowded conditions in the Library, where we assembled before dinner, we arrived somewhat disheveled; however, a good time was had by all.

Fraternally,
Gerry Kurth, Pledge

STILL MOVING B. A.?

A "new house" has always been the dream of Beta Alpha Chapter; this dream is now materializing. Through the generous help of our National Office we have obtained a \$10,000 loan; and with the help of our 200 alumni we can obtain the rest. Just think, if each alumnus gave \$50., less than two days pay for most, the new house fund would realize \$10,000. Those alumni who have contributed so far are:

Ed Benz	Jack Joyce
Bob Carlquist	Don Kahrs
Gus Cirielli	Bob Kobberger
Charles Comiso	Roger Kreh
Nick DeBenedictis	Bill Muldowney
John Dowd	Henry Ott
Roger Edwards	Comiso Pedicini
Ralph Engel	John Sauerborn
Ray Fehrenbach	Al Wagner
John Fitzgibbon	Ken Wilson
Joe Friend	

These men did not all give \$50. Some gave \$100., some gave \$10.; they did their share in giving what they could.

Many of those working hardest to obtain the new house graduate in June and will probably never spend an undergraduate day or night in it. However, these men realize that by acting now they can help those future brothers to enjoy more of a fraternity life. For what better way to brotherhood than by living, working, and studying together as brothers under one roof.

Anybody wishing to donate contact:
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Fraternally,
Cliff Malarek

N. C. E., OLD AND NEW

Newark College of Engineering originated from the Newark Technical School which was authorized by the New Jersey Legislature in 1881. In 1919 the college became a degree granting institution which today produces almost as many engineering graduates as the other major colleges in the state combined.

NCE consists of six buildings along High St., Summit St., Summit Pl., and Bleeker St, in the heart of downtown Newark. Each building has its own history and is named in honor of those who contributed so much to build the NCE of today. The first of the buildings to be erected at the present site was a combination administration and classroom building, designated Weston Hall in honor of Dr. Edward Weston, one of the founders of NCE. This building was torn down in 1958 to be replaced by a modern structure completed in 1960. As the college grew, an adjoining laboratory building known as Colton Hall was built. Still further expansion necessitated the construction of Campbell Hall in 1926. After World War II, the former Newark Orphan Asylum property was purchased, rehabilitated and named Eberhardt Hall in honor of Frederick L. Eberhardt, former chairman of the Board of Trustees. In 1958 additional facilities were added with the opening of Cullimore Hall, a six story building containing a new cafeteria, student commons, and 37 classrooms.

The college has also acquired a building through the philanthropy of Martin F. Tiernan, which after extensive remodeling has been occupied by the departments of Chemical and Civil Engineering. This building contains some of the finest educational laboratories to be found in the country.

By 1965, NCE will have grown from its present two acres to twenty. Included in this expansion will be a student center, an alumni center, an academic building, and a gymnasium together with playing fields and parking areas. All this is being brought

about through the \$7,000,000 College Bond Issue of 1959 and the Newark Urban Renewal Program. The expansion will enable the college to enhance enrollment from the present 5,584 students to 7,000 by 1965.

Future plans call for a humanities center and library building, and academic buildings and dormitories by 1975. Future enrollment calls for 12,000 students by 1975.

NCE has come a long way since the Newark Technical School of 1881. However, it is still growing and will continue to do so as long as there is a demand for good engineers.

Fraternally,
Rich Rao

NEW OFFICERS FOR B. A.

As you know, each semester we hold elections for our new officers. A few weeks ago elections were held; and at the end of two long sessions our new officers were installed.

Brother Rich Brusco, our new Archon, leaves his old office of Treasurer to Brother Bob Mason, our previous Warden. Brother Jim Flynn now holds the office of Warden. Our new Secretary is Brother Chuck Monachello who succeeds Brother Russ Pepe. For Chaplin we have Brother Doug Bruce replacing Brother Al Harraka; and the new Historian, taking over for Brother Jim Juliano, is Brother Robert Smith.

Congratulations to the leaving officers for a job well done and to our new ones for a well deserved victory. I know that these new officers will do the job expected of them in leading our chapter.

Fraternally,
Cliff Malarek

ABOUT THE COVER

This spring, Beta Alpha Particles features a new cover designed by pledge Bob Kee. This cover tries to depict both the social as well as scholastic attitudes of college fraternity men in

general. We at Beta Alpha feel that the image of a fraternity man should be that of a well rounded individual; he should engage in sports, extra-curricular activities, take part in fraternity responsibilities, attend social gatherings at both the school and at the fraternity while pursuing his academic interest successfully!!

Fraternally,
Cliff Malarek

B. A.'S FIRST LIVE-INS

There are five Beta Alpha brothers living in this year, and they are holding their own despite incalculable odds. Overcoming the problems of low rent housing presents more difficulty than high class education.

The first problem is hot water. Through the landlords benevolence an archaic hot water heater was donated, but it must be ignited and extinguished for each use. Many times we have enjoyed showers of superheated steam at 875 PSIA. The game of catch the rats is drawing to a close with the score - Brothers 6, Rats 1. And finally the contest of "Astound the Electrician" and "Pacify the Fire Inspector" is turning in favor of the brothers.

Those are some of the trials met in our first semester, but none of us will ever go back to commuting, and 9:00 to 5:00 college.

Fraternally,
Jim Flynn

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Pay up all outstanding dues, our fraternity and new house depend on you.

Fraternally,
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