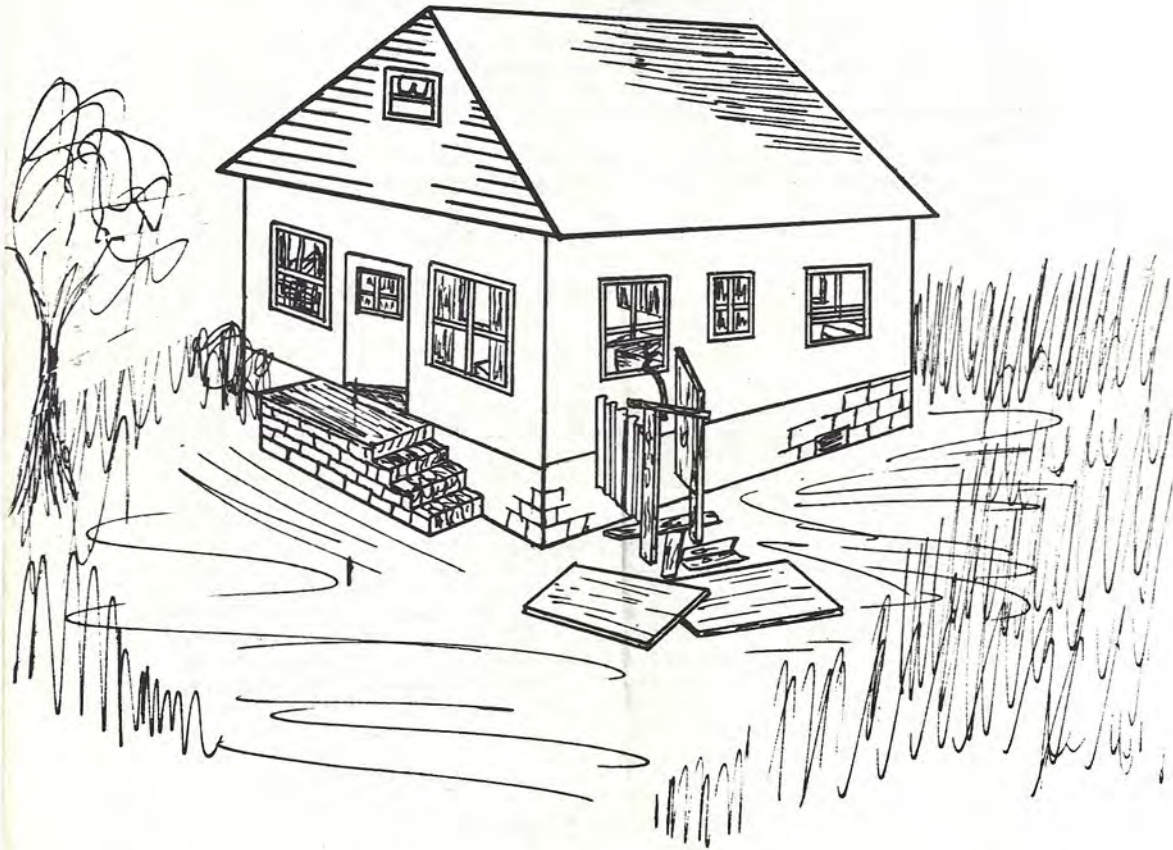


REMEMBER THIS PLACE?

The Brothers and Alumni of Beta Alpha and the summer house girls do. We'll be back there soon, but at a still better and more exciting summer house.

THE JERSEY SHORE!!



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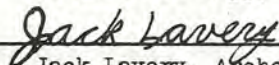
It is with a light and joyous heart that I say hello to all our alumni. On behalf of the Brotherhood may I express our happiness at seeing so many alumni at the Rose Ball. It was also a credit to Beta Alpha to have so many alumni present at Rensselaer for the District Conclave. Our alumni outnumbered some of the undergraduates from other Chapters. It is now, that I more fully realize that Beta Alpha is a strong Chapter only because of our strong and interested alumni.

In looking over this year, the Brotherhood has a lot to be proud of. All indicators show that we should retain the Champion Master Chapter rating for another year. On campus, Pi Kapp has its best opportunity of recent years for the "Best House on Campus" award.

We have not forgotten the future either. In our own quiet way we have once again infiltrated student activities. On the fraternal side, the Brotherhood still maintains its characteristic closeness and is looking forward to the typical summer house at the shore.

Lastly, I hope to see another good turn out for the annual picnic, especially from some of you that haven't been around lately.

Yours in Pi Kapp,


Jack Lavery, Archon

OUR NEW PLEDGES

New pledges Gary Calwhite, Paul Caruso, George Hospodar, and John Strophnick joined Robert Schaefer to form a new pledge class. The following pledge officers were elected: Pledge Pres. Paul Caruso (Twiggy); Sec. Bob Schaefer (Schaf); and Treas. George Hospodar.

Our first few days of pledging were a breeze, but we soon found out differently. Hurried lunches, upset stomachs, cold sweats, extreme nervousness and continuous running have become parts of our daily lives. Friday night pledge projects are a lot of fun, but we wish there was some beer left when we got back to the house. Our "free" moments are spent trying to learn all the necessary and the unnecessary things that we are expected to know.

A pledge party is now in the planning stage. We hope our job on the party is an impressive one.

Wish us luck, we'll need it.

Pledgingly,
The Pledges

DISAPPOINTING BASKETBALL

Pi Kapp placed third this year in IPC basketball, due to three losses which should have been turned into wins. Our opening game was lost because of sloppy ball handling and poor shooting, for the team had little preseason practice. I am not trying to make excuses, but it seems that we just could not score in the clutch in our other 2 defeats. We lost by 2 points to Tau Delt when we missed 2 field goals and six foul shots in the last two minutes. We lost to Sigma Pi by 2 points in overtime after leading most of the game. But next year Pi Kapp will bounce back.

ALUMNI NIGHT?
OR
ROSE BALL?

For lack of being able to decide which was an appropriate title, I used both. The undergrads of Beta Alpha were very happy to see such a huge turnout of alumni at the Rose Ball. Speaking for myself, it was a pleasure to talk with alumni about the good times they used to have (and still do) and the good times which we have now. Each alumnus with whom I spoke was interested in the Fraternity today and how the Brotherhood and House has progressed since their time as an undergrad.

While checking the list of alumni which I had it seemed that there were three distinct groups in the sequence of Beta Alpha numbers. The first group came from BA#1-161. The alumni representing this group were Jack Seward, Bill Cawthra, Ralph Engle, Ed Keane, Joe Biesenberger, Nick Huth, John Doud, Millard Cherry, and the invincible Al Brown. The second group came from numbers 162-207. Representative alumni were Mike Gaucar, Bill Muldowney, Nick DeBenedictus, Jim Bivin, Al Harraka, Frank Paul, Tony Kacyka, Ed Kelley, Bob Vandergrift, and Paul Zelinsky. The third group BA#208--> and pledges. The per cent turnout from this group was so high that space does not permit entering their names.

I would just like to acknowledge my feelings of seeing all the alumni that attended, and wished those who could not attend would have been there.

Fraternally,
Fred Becker

ROSE BALL '67

Beta Alpha's annual horror show was a real smash this year. Why just look at the sink in the Chi Am Chateau's mens room for proof of this. I hear rumors that J.P. did it trying to hide from his luscious blind date. Sorry Joe-tough luck-at least now you know who your friends are.

Our lovely Rose Queen, Pam Thompson, said that when she heard her name announced she spilled a beer on Steve's lap - see you at the cleaners, Steve. Other recollections: Ralph Doudera, "What Rose Ball? I don't remember anything after I got there." After that night everyone, especially the parking attendants, knew that Ralph was a track star. Rick Donnelly speaks out, "Bluh. Sorry, my humblest apology."

Confession: We really did not get a band, Saby and the Orientals were actually just a bunch of the Chi Am Chateau's waiters who volunteered to get us out of a jam.

The men of Beta Alpha should be ashamed of themselves for 4 Bottles of Bourbon remained at the end of the Ball. Special Award: Bob Smith as Boy Scout of the Year. He prepared his own hore's de vours.

Honorable Mention: Ray Filipkowski as Top Eliminator in the cocktail hour.

Many thanks to the waiters who offered me the use of their station wagon parked out back. I don't know how to express my appreciation enough.

Question: Will Ed Mooney ever remember which car he brought to the Rose Ball????

Everyone there can't wait until next year's Rose Ball. See the Happening of '68.

Fraternally,
Pete Schmidt

PI KAPPS NEVER RETURN

Pi Kapps Never Return. Allow me to qualify that statement. It should read, "Pi Kapps seldom return."

Our relationship with the alumni of Beta Alpha Chapter is worse than bad. It is pathetic.

I understand that after college, when you're married and settled, it's hard to visit a bunch of footloose carefree college students who are either raising hell, getting drunk or studying.

Because, now, you have responsibilities and obligations that prevent you from running with the pack or leading it, as the case may have been. But, gee whiz, we aren't like that all the time. Sure, we come around and have fun, but sometimes it gets down-right sober around here. You should come around and visit an active meeting sometime, you'd find out. You're invited. (Ed. Note: AMEN)

This article was written by Sigma Chapter and it also expresses the feelings of Beta Alpha Chapter. Thanks to Ben R. Stephens, Chaplain, Sigma Chapter, U. S. C.

CAMPUS ELECTIONS

This past semester has been very fruitful to Beta Alpha in campus elections at NCE. It appears as though our chapter will once again be the top house on campus in student government. In beginning to list the offices to which Pi Kapps were elected to it seems most fitting that I begin with Brother Lavery, our Archon. Jack was recently elected President of the Athletic Association along with Brother Dushney as treasurer. It also appears that Brother Lavery will be elected President of ODK in the near future.

In the Professional Societies Beta Alpha landed a host of offices. In the IEEE Brother Parkinson was elected Chairman, Brother Hoffman as Vice-Chairman, and Brother Donnelly as Treasurer. Brother Bernet was elected Treasurer of the ASME. In the AIIE Brother Shynne was elected Vice President.

The NCE Yearbook for 1968 will definitely add a strong Pi Kapp flavor to it. This is due to the fact that Brother McDonough is Chief Editor and has working under him the following Pi Kapps: Brother Prato as Photo Editor; Brother Susidko, Copy Editor; Brother Hinson, Fraternity Editor. Another campus publication with Pi Kapps on its staff is the Orbit. Brother Prato is Editor and Brother Walsh is Business Manager.

Probably one of the most powerful men on campus next year will be Brother Rodrigues who was recently elected President of the Class of 1969. Along with him another group of powerful men on campus will be the officers of the Student Operating Board. Elected as Chairman was Brother Parkinson, Secretary was Brother Pardew, and business Manager was Brother Walsh. As you can see the NCE campus will have the true Pi Kapp spirit on it next year.

Fraternally,
Pat Parkinson

ALUMNI NEWS

Well, as some of you know, in the last particles this committee (Alumni Relations) enclosed some post cards to the first 100 alumni alphabetically listed to obtain a fair cross section of the news. The results were satisfying to an extent, we realized that some of you have been getting your mail and others haven't. We received so far 11 of these cards back.

Say guys, we need your cooperation to keep in touch, and find out what is new with you and other alumni, so please, if you have received a card, fill it out and mail it in. For those of you who haven't gotten a card, what we ask of you is to tell us what you are doing (besides reading the particles), if there are any additions (or corrections) to your family, and possibly if you know the address of a brother who recently moved.

In the news department - I have to headline it with #215-Rich Brusco told me that as of 3/29/67 he did not expect any new additions to his family that he knew of - well something happened on Sunday, April 23 he got pinned - by the way, you'll get roses when the house gets its $\frac{3}{4}$ keg. Besides his love life, he is working at McWilliams Forge Co, Rockaway, N. J. and attending Stevens for a masters in Metallurgy.

Mario DiMasi couldn't make it to Rose Ball this year because he had too much homework to do and momma kept him home. Bill Muldowney (Moose) had a date for the Rose Ball!! Bob Mason lost about 100 pounds - can you imagine a thin Bob Mason? Artie Eromenok knows a good barber that gives a real close cut in Fort Dix - that's an army barber, by the way!

Crazy Bob Vandergrift has to stay home nights and babysit for his son born last month - that is when he doesn't bring him down to the house to play poker and drink beer. June is coming and so is the end of the line for Tom Carrol, he'll walk the last mile down the aisle that month. John Kirincich who is attending grad school, still acts like a child. He's still unmarried, but not single.

Here's some information from an older crew - J. P. Feltovic (#88) is Chief Industrial Engineer at Aluminum Co. of America in Edison, N. J. His wife had a girl on 3/1/67 to make the count 3 girls and 1 boy. Bill Cawthra (#38) is process engineer for WITCO Chem. Co. He has a six year old boy and a seven year old girl and also said he'd like to see some of the guys.

Our friend Cort (#8) is Senior Design Engineer at Aircraft Radio Corp. Don Elliot (#36) is Sanitary Engineer at HQ of Stewart Air Force Base - he has four children and one wife. Paul J. Zelinsky (#207) is Senior Process Engineer (Ch.E.) for FMC Corp. in Carteret, N. J. He goes to FDU for grad school?! Around Labor Day he's expecting an addition to his family.

Tom Chalfant (#251) is in Fort Hood Texas with the army. From Dan Alicknavitch, I finally got Jack Joyce's address in Minnesota. By the way, Dan is Production and Maintenance Engineer for N/D Hyatt Bearings, Clark Plant. D. Bannon's Alicia Ann was one year old on March 20, 1967. He's a member of technical staff at Bell Labs Naperville, Ill. He will have a new address as of 7/1/67 - 27 West 381 Felming Drive, Winfield, Ill. 60190.

Jeff Boughrum (#211) is Marine Sales Engineer in Dallas, Texas and tells me Smitty moved - where to?! Guess what? Jim O'Neil is still running around making bar room brawls, and one step ahead of the draft - how he and Donaldson stay out nobody knows - wish they would tell me their secret.

New this June will be available for the graduating seniors a voluntary pledge of \$100 to be paid over five years for those who would like to sign it. This, a long time pet of Brusco, will be a reality.

As is always the case, please feel free to drop down to the house anytime, there's a beer blast every Friday night and we get a lot of alumni - but there's always room for more. I'd like to thank all of you for writing the house and I hope you plan to attend the picnic.

This report was brought to you through the efforts of Rich Hinson and Tom Pardew

ALUMNI BASKETBALL STARS

Do you remember the big Alumni-Undergrad basketball game that was talked about at the Rose Ball? Well the date is set. Friday May 19th at 8 o'clock. The more alumni there will help lessen your margin of defeat.

NEW INITIATES

The BA numbers have risen to 307 on April 8, 1967. Angelo Meola, from Orange, N.J. was the "hood" of his class with his black leather jacket and bike. Kevin Mc Cranor is next in line from Ridge-wood with his hauling Lemans. He just got a speeding ticket too. Rich Eitel from westfield is close behind in his Chevy 2. Ken "Boozer" Van Wyck is from East Paterson, but that shouldn't make him nervous. Happy Birfday to Ken Bigos, from Clifton. John Spigel is a "ham"- WB2PA2 from Berkley Heights. Mike Merdinger from west Orange, #307, is last but not least who just got rid of his crutches.

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