



# Beta Alpha Particles

Come on down, ol' Spider may  
have missed, but ol' Monkeyman won't.



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## ARCHON'S AILMENTS

Yep! That's right I'm complaining again. If you read our last Beta Alpha Particles you may have noticed the column I wrote as treasurer. At that time I was asking for financial aid from you for future repairs on your fraternity house. This plea is not coming to an end, but a more important question is being posed. "Where have our alumni gone?" We all realize that when we graduate from college there is an increasing demand of time for both work and family. Although this is expected of each of us, I'm sure there is always an extra few minutes to call or write (even if it's on company time). "What has happened to all of those who held office as an undergraduate in BA?" In the past you were very interested in your fraternity. Maybe you are still interested, but have no driving desire to come see the college kids. Possibly you feel a little uncomfortable rapping with the long haired generation, which doesn't talk your language. O.K. then we do not want to embarrass you. What we are asking is for you to see each other, talk about your jobs, families, and college days. Perhaps after speaking of the good old days at Pi Kapp your interest will again

grow to what it was once. There is even a chance that you may find some time to give to the undergraduates.

There is, however, a handful of recent alumni to whom we are deeply indebted. These are the Pi Kapps who spend many of their free hours at BA sharing our problems. The housing corporation, along with Bob Kee, is always willing to spend an evening at the house in order to smooth out the wrinkles. (With a few more irons we would need less heat from each).

This past year's Rose Ball, I am not going to call a stupendous success. After carefully considering many alternatives the undergraduates decided on what they thought to be the best transaction for the money. However, I would guess from the attendance that the alumni tended to disagree. Forgetting about the past and looking into the future though, next year is Beta Alpha's 25th Anniversary. With your help we could make 1973 the biggest and best Rose Ball in our history. I do mean your help. We want to make this Rose Ball, your Rose Ball, the way you want to see it when you get there. In order to accomplish this we need ideas and suggestions. It would be

greatly appreciated if you could come down or drop us a line in care of the Rose Ball Chairman. There are alumni at the house every second Thursday of the month, if you wish to pay us a visit.

At this time I would like to extend our greatest thanks to those who do take the time to let us know what they are doing. I also understand that six of our alumni are planning to attend Pi Kappa Phi Supreme Chapter in Atlanta, Ga. Our welcome goes out to these alumni. Any others wishing information may write BA.

This article was not meant to be offensive, but to get the point across. I hope that this was accomplished.

Don Van Houten  
Archon

!!! Information !!!

The present files in the hands of our historian have a list of the alumni by BA number and the following brothers have no address listed. If anyone has this information, please forward it to the house c/o the historian, Bill England, along with a note on what you yourself may be doing at the time.

The list follows:

- R. G. Vandevrede BA # 28
- F. B. Likens Jr. BA # 37
- E. T. Daum BA # 55
- R. A. Walsh BA # 70
- F. J. Cooney BA # 94
- R. J. Anderson BA # 95
- T. F. Laffey Jr. BA #107
- B. R. Melton Jr. BA #108
- C. L. Nugaris BA #122
- P. A. Serico BA #160
- M. J. Gancar BA #181
- S. W. Susidko BA #256

If you have changed address and have not yet sent in your new one.

Roseball, 1972

Financial success marked the 1972 Roseball. For the first time in years the house didn't take a loss, but sadly enough the term success cannot be applied to the attendance aspects of the evening. Although the undergraduate attendance was high, only 17 alumni couples attended. Next year is our Chapter's 25th anniversary and we hope to see a large alumni turnout. As usual the alumni com-



plaints that night were numerous and quite varied, but the prevailing atmosphere was good.

The anniversary celebration for next year's Roseball promises to be the biggest and best event ever for the house. The undergrads would appreciate and assistance from the alumni. So, if you are interested in helping out please contact Joe Manfredi c/o the house. We are going to need help in all areas and our major objective is to keep the price down. Mailings will be going out as soon as we find a place and set up the arrangements. Hope to see you there.

Joe Manfredi  
Roseball Chairman  
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# ROSEBALL '72



Alumni



Rose

Queen

Undergrads



Editors Note:

P.S. The young lady on the previous page is our new Rose Queen. Her escort is a graduating senior in civil engineering with the highest G.P.A. this semester. He recieved the Star and Lamp Award for this. Congratulations to both of them are in order. So...

CONGRATULATIONS

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GOOD LUCK,

Ted & Laura

Rose Queen Contest

In the annual Rose Queen Contest there was a close battle among the five contestants. The girls were: Lisa Bruehwiler, Paula Halladay, Rosetta Mazzeo, Mona Santiago, and Laura Tassi. In a week of voting the undergrads decided that Laura Tassi would be our new queen, a very close second was Mona Santiago and third place was a tie with Lisa and Paula splitting the honors. The girls recieved their roses and applause of the brothers at the crowning held at the 1972 Rose Ball. On hand to assist in the crowning ceremony was (Mrs.) Mary Mazouat, the 1971 Rose Queen.

\*\*\* Engagements \*\*\*

Pinmates Tom Creaven, BA# 327, and Jean Obszanski have set the date for sometime in April, 1973.

Pinmates John Spigel, BA#306, and Nancy Paradise have set the date for this coming June, 1972.

Congratulations to all and to all a wonderful future.



Lisa and Al



Steve and Mona



Ron and Paula



## Views from a Senior

An overall look of four years of college; three being a Pi Kapp has lead me to sit down and write a short message about these years. Because I came from a rural area, the transition to college life in a large City was even harder. As a freshman I lived in a apartment not far from the Campus. I spent a large amount of time on my engineering studies, but most of my free time was spent walking and thinking a lot. I began to realize that there was a lot more to college than just my studies. By this time my courses were bogging me down and I realized I had to get my mind away from school and do some other things. This is where my fraternity gave me life.

My pledge period was quite an unforgettable experience. This period got me involved and also introduced me to many new friends. Many people today ask what a fraternity has to offer. I don't see any real list of things that can be guaranteed. Instead, its more of an offer. A fraternity can offer you the opportunity to get out of life what you want. I had the chance to become active in many areas in the past three years and have accepted the ones that appealed most to me. I consider my College years priceless because of Pi Kappa Phi.

Jim Brogan  
"Scumpy"

!!! CONGRATULATIONS !!!

We heartily extend our congratulations to alumni Richie Rodrick and his wife, Joan, on the arrival of their daughter; She is Penelope Jane and was born on February 15, 1972, weighing 7lbs and 9ozs.

## Peter Jensen Memorial

During the past few weeks the brothers have run their annual Peter Jensen Memorial Scholarship Fund Drive and contributions were recieved which enabled us to put four-hundred dollars into the fund. The Fund is now approaching three thousand dollars. The recipient of the award is picked by a scholarship board and is open to all NCE students.

The drive was done with a raffle as the basic money getter. The prize was two tickets for the popular Broadway show, Jesus Christ, Superstar and also dinner at Act I, in the city. At a drawing held in the NCE Center, Frank Csysz won.

We would like to thank all those who helped our cause with their generous contributions.

Brother Richard Mielech, BA#337, passed away last March. Richie had pledged in 1968 and was initiated the following year prior to his departure from NCE. A most sensitive and sincere individual, Richie will be missed by us all.

!!!! ELECTIONS !!!!

It's that time of year again! Elections were held at BA this past week. Installations are to follow as our new slate takes over. The new officers are:

Archon.....Greg Ploussas  
Treasurer....Bruce Mazurkewicz  
Secretary....Lou Miceli  
Warden.....Mike Mahfouz  
Historian....Aivars Krumins  
Chaplain.....Ed Derohanes  
House Mngr...Tom Cassidy  
Social Dir...Don Van Houten

## BASKETBALL WRAP-UP

BA's past basketball season was well played, although the team record was 5 wins and 4 loses. Team standouts include Tom ( toad ) Herits and Don Van Houten up front, rookie Aivars Krumins replaced 6 year veter n Jim Stiles at center along with Al Ianuzzi and Nick ( Clyde) De Nicholo in the back court. The team included a strong bench with Bruce Mazurkewicz, Bill England and Tom Cassidy.

Next year's outlook is very bright as all but one of the team is returning as he is graduating. He is Tommy Toad. The other teams in the league are expected to lose more of their veterans and hopefully we will give a better account of ourselves.

Nick De Nichilo  
( Bakala )

## BOWLING ???

This year the bowling team has been experiencing difficulty, both individually and as a team. From the individual point of view, adjusting to the lanes is much more difficult, since a new type of surface wax is being used. The great majority of the team throws a right-handed hook ball, and consequently find it hard to adjust to the much tighter line needed. From the team point of view, we can't sweep the easy teams. In games such as these we always lose by the huge amount of handicap we have to give them. Too infrequently have we been able to click as a team. Our high series stands at 897, for a five-man team. Our present average is 784.

The starting five are Bill England- 164; Craig Chastney- 160 Bruce Mazurkewicz- 159; Bob Russo - 158; and our anchor man, " Benno" Merker- 160. Super-sub Larry Fisher takes up the rear with a 150 average.

At the writing of this article, there are only two weeks left in the season. We now stand in sixth place only 6 games out of first place. Considering the slow start we had, a third place finish is respectable.

We have hope for next year since a new brother, Tony Mangone a 170 man, has expressed a desire to bowl for the house. All the members of our team, believe it or not are 170 men. I hope that next year we learn to adjust early and become the powerhouse team we were last year.

Congratulations to Bob Russo the league secretary, and "Benno" Merker, the league treasurer for a job well done.

Bill England  
" Snake"



Alumni Tony Bruno seen sampling the suds with Tommy Toad during his recent visit to BA. We here at BA would like to see more of our alumni, so please drop us a line or stop by to see us some time, got it, OK!

## SOFTBALL 1972

With the spring approaching, we at Pi Kapp are oiling our gloves and sharpening our arms. We are awaiting the arrival of the 1972 softball season so we can capture the championship that we should have reached in each of the last three seasons. We now have quite an experienced team that has shown its talents while playing under pressure. Losing only the services of Bother Mokoid, who spends his time with "ham" radio and ice-skating, our team is stronger than ever. The essence of our club is in its strong defense, by far the best in the IFC. The horn includes brothers Merker on first, Krucher on second, Perez on short, Brogan on third and Moran behind the plate. Fastball Fisher dominates the mound with the help of brother Albin except on holidays when he has to reside in the temple. The outfield is led by "Nat" Piccolo who is second only to "Willie" himself. Ted Cassera and Don Van Houten return to the grass again as do many new prospects from our fall pledge class.

The hitting on our team is nothing to overlook as is evident from last year's results. Brother Merker and Neshanic's Brogan lead the power hitting with their numerous home runs. One game they had 5 round trippers together. The timely



Bill England covers first during our first practice of the year. With a good bit of depth on the bench, the outlook is good.

bunting of Pineapple and Piccolo have set up many runs for us. Brothers Brogan, Perez and Merker hope to regain their title as the best double play combination in the league this year. With good hitting, strong defense and support from the Brotherhood, we are on our way to challenge "The King and His Court".

Jim Brogan  
"Scumpy"

### Expansion

This semester we at BA have successfully rushed a local fraternity at FDU's Madison campus. Gamma Iota Alpha has decided to go national with Pi Kapp. They have 32 brothers and will receive land from the college. We would like to get some alumni help to help them set up the necessary corporation and constitution.

Anyone interested in helping should contact either the house or Steve DePalma.

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\*\*\*\*\* BEWARE OF MONKEYMAN \*\*\*\*\*