KAPPA SIGMA FRATERNITY AT MISSOURI UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY FALL 2012

WHAT WE HAVE ACCOMPLISHED MATTERS Thank You for Preserving Our Beta-Chi Legacy

Words cannot describe how proud I am to be a Kappa Sigma—especially a Beta-Chi. Thanks to your dedication, generosity, and commitment, over 280 of you helped make our brand new Chapter House a reality. There are several important phases going forward for Kappa Sig. First and foremost, for those of you who have not yet completed paying your pledge, please do so according to the schedule you outlined as soon as you are able. That money will not only help Beta-Chi pay down the mortgage, but will also help us begin to build a reserve fund for future Chapter House requirements and endeavors, including scholarships for our undergraduate members.



BETA-CHI

Brothers from the 1976 Beta-Chi initiation class gathered at this year's alumni golf tournament. From left: Matt Christian, John Lodderhose, Ed Jantosik, Paul Conant, Tom Shilling, Jim Galaske, John Chance, and Glenn Mabie.

Although our capital campaign came to a close on October 13, our need for a connected alumni base has not. Our alumni relations effort is focused on providing various avenues for our members to stay connected and give back to the Chapter that gave them so much. It is designed to help our members stay in touch and to cultivate awareness and involvement in Beta-Chi.

Annual Support

Although many of you are still paying on your generous

pledges to the capital campaign, our need for your annual donations is still present. Due to the various giving patterns of our members, we have found that two appeals each year are far more successful than just one. Many alumni choose to contribute each time they receive a solicitation, while others prefer to give a larger gift once a year. We also realize that, occasionally, members misplace their first appeal and the second one gives them another opportunity to support the Chapter. The contributions received as a result of these biannual appeals help sustain our overall alumni relations program and provide funds for a house maintenance reserve fund. We plan to begin this program in 2013.

We hope that through Kappa Sigma's alumni relations program your fraternal bonds will continue to be renewed and strengthened. We are always interested in hearing from you, so if you have any suggestions, alumni news, or ideas for articles or alumni events, please submit them to Beta-Chi Chapter of Kappa Sigma Alumni House Fund Association, P.O. Box 31611, St. Louis, MO 63131-1611.

I am very proud of what has been done and hope each of you has the opportunity to visit the Chapter House, meet the active members, and see for yourself what you helped accomplish.

A.E.K.Δ.B., **Robert Hoffmann '78** President, Beta-Chi Educational Foundation roberth@hoffmannbros.com

109TH HOMECOMING ATTENDED BY MORE THAN 100 ALUMNI, UNDERGRADUATES, AND GUESTS

This year's 109th Beta-Chi Homecoming celebration was held at the Chapter House on Saturday, October 13, and was attended by well over 100 alumni, undergraduates, and guests. Rolla was blessed with perfect weather and the evening's activities kicked off with happy hour on the back patio, followed by a dinner banquet. At the conclusion of dinner, master of ceremonies **Pete Joyce '92** introduced his pledge brother, **Fred Neimeier '92**, as the 2012 Beta-Chi Hall of Fame inductee.

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2012 HALL OF FAME INDUCTEE— FRED NIEMEIER '92



For Fred Niemeier '92 joining Kappa Sigma was a natural move. "The men of Kappa Sigma were leaders on campus. They were a group of guys who made things happen; it felt like a good fit." Fred exemplified the qualities of a leader both on campus and in the chapter. He served as the president of both Blue Key National Honor Fraternity and the American Foundrymen's Society on campus, as well as Inner Guard, Grand Treasurer, and Grand Master for Kappa Sigma. Graduating with a bachelor of science in metallurgical engineering, magna cum laude, Fred attended Harvard Business School to earn an MBA. He graduated from Harvard in 2000 with honors.

Fred is most passionate about leadership, one of the four pillars Kappa Sigma members aim to uphold. He says, "Leadership is about having a vision and getting others emotionally, intellectually, and physically engaged to achieve something outstanding. Great leaders can make the difference between mediocrity and excellence." Fred adds, "Management is about one plus one plus one equals three, while great leadership acts like flywheel, building positive momentum, allowing one plus one plus one to equal 50."

Fred is no stranger to success: he is the vice president and general manager for the Liquid Controls business unit within IDEX Corporation. Prior to IDEX, Fred was a vice president with Baird Capital Partners, a middle-market private equity firm. He and his wife, Jessica, also a graduate of Missouri S&T, have two children, Logan (3) and Inara (6 months). The family resides in Chicago, Illinois.





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Fred credited Beta-Chi for helping hone his leadership skills and pointed out to the undergraduates that the fraternity is full of leadership opportunities, such as executive officer positions and chairing committees. Fred challenged the undergraduates to not remain complacent or seek the easy path or the cushy position and to seek out challenges that will lead to professional and personal growth. Fred spoke of leadership skills being forged in a crucible, and attributed some of his greatest professional achievements to taking on difficult challenges that seemed almost insurmountable at the time. Congratulations to Fred for his well-deserved induction into the Beta-Chi Hall of Fame!



Proud Beta-Chi alumni with Hall of Fame Inductee Fred Niemeier '92.



Master of Ceremonies Pete Joyce '92 (middle) and wife, Jenny, enjoying the days festivities with Aaron Prewitt '02

Your Gifts Bring Campaign to Successful Conclusion

We are deeply grateful to the 285 brothers who committed more than \$2.6 million to the Chapter's capital campaign. This generosity has made possible the transformation of the Chapter House for future generations that will pass through Beta-Chi. Below is a final and complete listing of our generous donors. Thank you, brothers, for your loyalty and dedication.

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Beta-Chi Proven Leaders Nationally and on Campus

Chapter Initiated 28 Men on November 5

The brothers of Beta-Chi are having another amazing semester. We are continuing to make last-minute additions to the Chapter House and truly make it feel like home. This is only made possible by the support given to us from our dedicated alumni, and we cannot thank you enough.

This past summer, Beta-Chi sent six delegates to the Kappa Sigma Western Leadership Conference in Las Vegas. Beta-Chi was presented with many awards, including Outstanding Grand Scribe to **Ben Prueter '10**, Outstanding Grand Master of Ceremonies to **William Davis** '09, Outstanding Grand Master to **Ryan Foshage '08**, Undergraduate Brother of

the Year to **Ryan Foshage '08**, and the very prestigious Founders Award for Chapter Excellence for the second year running. Beta-Chi has shown in recent years that we are truly one of the elite chapters of Kappa Sigma.

Furthermore, Beta-Chi has a new master of the ritual, **Andrew Hennessey '10**, who is the fifth in Beta-Chi history. We are also, for the first time, sending a full ritual team to Conclave next semester to compete in the ritual competition, where members of the Chapter will perform a model initiation for judges.



Kappa Sigma's second place Greeksing performance featuring Ben Prueter '10, Ryan Foshage '08, Michael Worms '08, Zach Branham '08, and Nicholas Cochran '06.

Under the recruitment leadership of **Kyle Dibler '10**, the brothers of Beta-Chi have built on last year's recruitment success by initiating 28 honorable young men on November 5. I look forward to watching what they will accomplish in the years ahead.

This year, we have continued to show that Kappa Sigma is one of the top chapters on campus. Though we failed to repeat winning Greek Week, we placed second and only lost by five total points, the smallest margin in recent memory. In addition, we won second place in Homecoming for the second straight year.

Finally, thank you to our alumni who came to our Homecoming celebration on October 13. All of the brothers and new pledges had



a great time meeting you, listening to great advice, and hearing great stories.

A.E.K.A.B., Scott Hacker '08 Grand Master (314) 610-9560 sthkc3@mail.mst.edu

BETA-CHI CHAPTER AWARDS

The Chapter received the following awards and honors at the 2012 West Leadership Conference:

Outstanding Single Community Service Event Award 100% Ritually Proficient Award A Greater Cause Excellence Award John C. Boyd House Prize Award Founders' Award of Chapter Excellence (FACE) Chapter Intramural Achievement Award Chapter Ritual Proficiency Excellence Award Outstanding Grand Master of Ceremonies - William T. Davis Outstanding Grand Master - Ryan Foshage Undergraduate Brother of the Year - Ryan Foshage Alumnus Advisor of the Year - Stephen Hoffmann

WELCOME, NEW INITIATES

David Ameryun Gregory Barnett Josh Bergesh Kevin Cahill II Michael Campbell Chris Carlton Keaton Dible Thomas Dillon Christopher Eichholz Aaron Fisher Daniel Gaines Joseph Gauthier Caleb Holtschneider Dillion Klobe

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ALUMNI UPDATES

CHAPTER CELESTIAL

George M. Clark '43 passed on to Chapter Celestial on March 20, 2008. He resided in Gainesville, Ga., and was a retired drilling manufacturer.

ALUMNI NEWS

William H. Bassett '41 enjoys retirement with six Persian cats and playing bridge twice a week. E-mail: bill bassett@att.net

Jesse W. Wilson '42 and his wife, Mary Lou, celebrated 69 years of marriage this past summer. The couple lives in St. Joseph, Mo., half the year and Harlingen, Texas, the other half. E-mail: jessebilou@att.net

CDR Gordon E. Raymer, USN '47 is a volunteer senior member, second lieutenant for the Civil Air Patrol at Lake Havasu.

James L. Elswick '52 has enjoyed keeping up with brothers from 1952, Robert Catron, Harry Kruger, Paul Mabie, Sam Thompson, Jim Brentz, Allen Rudolph, and Gilbert "Tex" Starkweather '53. E-mail: jle@swbell.net

Paul S. Mabie Jr. '52 is retired from his business, Cascade Auto Body, which won a national award in 1996 as the collision repair business of the year. He lives in Vancouver, Wash., with his wife, Dorothy, and they have two children, Michelle and Dawn. Paul enjoys playing golf when time permits. E-mail: wpmabie@comcast.net

George T. Hughes '55 lives with his wife, Bettie, on the ocean front in Flagler Beach, Fla. He retired from Michelin Tire Corp. in 1999 and now spends his time playing golf and studying genealogy. E-mail: ghughes3@ cfl.rr.com

Robert H. Glaser '58 retired from AT&T in 1993 as the executive vice president. He and his wife, Alice, live in St. Louis, Mo. E-mail: rhggolf@swbell.net

J. J. Gianquinto '60 is self-employed as a judicial officer of the Superior Court of California. He lives in Bakersfield, Calif., with his wife,

Lani. He has two sons, Jason and Jared. E-mail: gianquinto@kern.courts.ca.gov

M. Thomas Barber '61 is the director of sales in North America for Emerson Corp. He and his wife, Carol, live in Upland, Calif., and have four grown children. E-mail: tbarber3111@live.com

Gerald W. Vaughan '65 lives in Missouri City, Texas, with his wife, Maureen. He has two children, Chris and Gwen, and three grandchildren with another on the way. E-mail: jerryvaughan@yahoo.com

Thomas S. Schmidt '66 retired in 2009. He is a resident of Plano, Texas, and has two grandchildren. E-mail: tomschmidt46@me.com

James B. Skelly '70 works as for CRB Consulting Engineers as a mechanical engineer. He and his wife, Nancy, are enjoying their new grandson, Charles James, born on July 11, and 8-yearold granddaughter, Sammie. The couple lives Florissant, Mo. E-mail: jbskelly1@aol.com

Stewart A. Scott '71 and wife, Annie, are building a house after living in their current home for more than 29 years. E-mail: scotts1pl@comcast.net

James C. Griese '72 apologizes for not being able to make it to Homecoming this year. He is working in France this fall for Michelin North America as the director of military products. J.C. and his wife, Nancy, have two sons, Bill and David. The couple lives in Anderson, S.C. E-mail: jnbdgriese@charter.net

Darrel A. Ludwig '72 and the pledge class of 1971 celebrated their 40th walkout reunion on a pair of houseboats on Lake Bull Shoals on the Arkansas-Missouri border in September 2011. They have been celebrating the walkout reunion in the fall at various locations at least every five years since they were pledges. Darrel and his wife, Sally, hosted a reunion in November for his pledge brothers and their wives at Dreams Tulum Resort & Spa in Tulum, Mexico. E-mail: darrelludwig@comcast.net

William P. Alt '75 retired as the director of transmission operations for Entergy in 2011.

He and his wife, Patricia, have a son, Daniel. The couple lives in New Orleans, La. E-mail: altnola@bellsouth.net

Mark R. White '75 enjoyed the Beta-Chi dedication last October. "I loved seeing eight pledge brothers and a lot of fellows I shared good times with," he writes. Mark lives in Fletcher, N.C., where he plays guitar and runs 5K races. He took his grandson, Trenton, on a trip to the Colorado mountains. He also took an AVL Wild Hogs motorcycle road trip down the coast of Virginia, North Carolina, and South Carolina. E-mail: mwhitewnc@gmai.com

J. Barry Shelden '78 is employed by Noble Energy Inc. as a business unity manager. He lives in Houston, Texas, with his wife, Kathleen. E-mail: sheldenjb@gmail.com

James C. Moore II '80 left Ameren after 28 years to start up a coal brokerage desk at Amerex. His daughter, Maggie, graduated from MS&T in 2010 and moved to Denver. His son, Jimmy, also a graduate of MS&T in 2011, is working on his master's in occupational therapy. James' third child, Daniel, is working on a business degree at Mizzou. Jim and his wife, Kelly, live in Grover, Mo. E-mail: jmooreamerexenergy.com

John M. Remmers '81 is the senior vice president of global supply chain and operations for Invocore Corp. in Elyra, Ohio. He and his wife, Cathy, have two children, Miriam and Alexander. John and his family live in Hudson, Ohio. E-mail: jremmers51@gmail.com

Daniel H. Lumma '86 is the senior vice president of Kiweit Energy Group. He and his wife, Tracy, have four children together: Luke, Gabrielle, Ethan, and Isabella. The happy family resides in Leawood, Kan. E-mail: daniel. lumma@yahoo.com

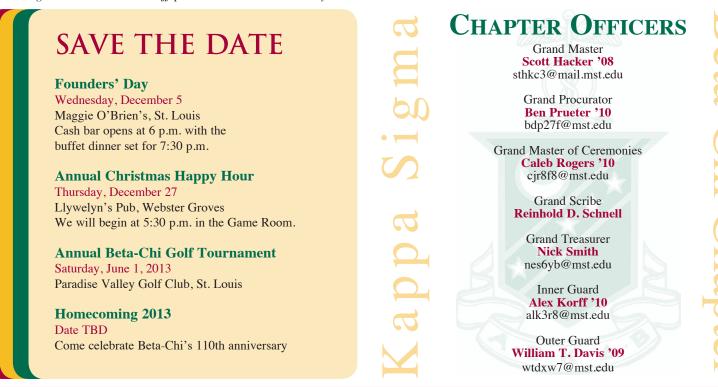
Grant J. Mabie '02 and wife, Patty, welcomed their second daughter, Claire, on July 21. Grant obtained his broker's license to complement his law license and is happy to assist any brothers buying or selling property in the St. Louis area. E-mail: grantmabie@gmail.com The Beta-Chi Chapter of Kappa Sigma The Alumni House Fund Association P.O. Box 31611 St. Louis, MO 63131-1611

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ATTENTION: This newsletter is intended for alumni, undergraduates, and parents. If your Kappa Sigma son is still attending Missouri University of Science and Technology, he will receive a copy at the chapter house. Please e-mail all permanent address changes to Ed Jantosik at ecjippe@miner.mst.edu. Thank you.



Wanted: Volunteers for The Alumni House Fund Association

If anyone is interested in becoming more active within The Alumni House Fund Association on a committee or as a board member, please contact **Robert Hoffmann '78** for more information at roberth@hoffmannbros.com. Congratulations to Brother **Chad Brenton '04** for his election as the newest Director of The Alumni House Fund Association