

OMEGAPHONE



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The Omega Chapter of the Theta Chi Fraternity at The Pennsylvania State University

Going Up!!!

523 Fund Raises the Roof and Other Improvements

By John Wszalek
Alumni Corporation President

Homecoming 1986 has to go down in the books as one of the best. The returning alumni were met on Friday by an immaculate house, a new front lawn and 14 enthusiastic pledges. Needless to say, a fun time was had by all.

Saturday was equally successful. Following the Lions' romp over Syracuse, the corporation met in one of the best-attended meetings in recent years. A large portion of the meeting was devoted to discussion on the necessary roof repairs. An engineer's report showed that further patching would only forestall the inevitable, so it was decided to go ahead and replace the whole roof. We hope to have the work completed soon.

The meeting concluded with Alumni Vice President Mike Perkins introducing "The 523 Fund," a campaign to raise the money necessary to replace the roof as well as other needed repairs. You will be hearing more about this in the near future.

The meeting was followed by an excellent dinner and a social gathering.

I would like to thank all those alumni who were able to attend; the turnout was spectacular. For those of you who could not make Homecoming, remember that you are welcome at the house anytime. Please make an effort to stop by.

Continuous Progress Catapults Omega to the Top

By John E. Stagliano
Chapter President, Fall '86

Theta Chi Omega continues to ascend the ranks of Penn State fraternities. Our progress and improvement have been so strong and continual that even our alumni were amazed when they returned to the house for Homecoming 1986. Not only did the brothers, pledges and little sisters of Theta Chi participate in the events of Homecoming this year for the first time in recent history, but they entered *all* events, including the float, crazy band, banner and window-painting contests. We finished third overall in Homecoming and were the only group to place in every category, with two second-place and four third-place finishes. These Homecoming trophies now adorn our mantelpiece majestically.

In addition to Homecoming, the brothers have been busy with rush, athletics and academics. We recently pledged a class of 14 prospective Omegas—the third time in the last five semesters that we have had a 14-man pledge class. The hard work the brothers have put into our rush program has indeed paid off. The house is now completely occupied, with 42 brothers living in the house. We expect the house to remain full for at least the next few semesters.

In athletics, we have fortified our fall standings with two individual championships and first-place marks in both football and bowling, and expect to climb into the top five in athletics. Our most impressive gain, however, has been in academics. Our overall house cumulative average rose from 2.32 in the spring of 1985 to 2.45 in the spring of 1986. With that improvement, we rose eight places in the fraternity scholastic rankings.

The brothers of Omega Chapter hope to continue our current climb to the top of Penn State's Greek system. With the revived attitude of the brotherhood and continued support from our alumni, we shall soon attain our goal of making Theta Chi - Omega the very best fraternity at Penn State.



Alumni News

RICHARD CROWERS '45, of Crowers & Co. Inc., can be found at 1115 Mountain Creek Trail N.W., Atlanta, GA 30328.

DAVID S. RAMEY '46 is a vice president/partner of Multi-craft Inc. A resident of 4260 Stonehenge Lane, Winston-Salem, NC 27106, Dave tells us in October 1985 he stopped by the house and saw his old room and the "kitchen sink, where I shampooed three million glasses, dishes and cups-not to mention countless pots and pans-for Emanuel Traveso Gifford, a great guy!" The trip also included a visit to (for all those named Ramey) the "Mecca," the town of Ramey, Pa. "Lots of fun," reports Dave.

An engineer with Western Gear Corp., ROBERT B. BOSSLER JR. '49 resides at 2408 S. Hacienda Blvd., Apt. J-7, Hacienda Heights, CA 91745.

GEORGE F. KELLER '55, of Keller Marine Service Inc., can be contacted at P.O. Box 190, Port Trevorton, PA 17864. George ended his term as president of the Warehouse Distributors Association on December 31, 1985.

"I was recently promoted to the dual position of Ohio Valley area tax partner . . . as well as partner in charge of tax services in our Pittsburgh office," writes Price Waterhouse's JAMES C. STALDER '62. A resident of 2424 Mill Grove, Pittsburgh, PA 15241, Jim tells us he gets back to the Penn State campus several times each year in connection with speaking and recruiting activities and writes, "I'm always looking for outstanding Theta Chis looking for a position in public accounting."

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Sixth Annual Theta Chi Open Finds '70s Alums Teed Off

Worthy of Forethought: 1987 Outing Tentatively Set for May 1

The Sixth Annual Theta Chi Open was held last May 9 at the Radnor Valley Country Club. Mike Delesio '73 drove away with the "Red Jacket," proving, once again, that golf requires no real athletic skills. Bill Jenkins '75 made the trip from Texas worthwhile by winning the "closest to the pin" competition, leaving his ball less than two and a half feet from the cup. Three putts later he walked away. Paul Cunningham '77 took "longest drive" honors. Paul's only comment was, "Thank God for hard cart paths."

A special award goes to Dr. Bob Mooney for winning the first annual "putter toss."

Congratulations to the winners, and a special thanks to Tom Raymond '73 and Dave Matthews '76 who, as before, did a great job organizing the event.

The tentative date for the '87 outing is May 1. Once again, Dave Matthews (215/237-8047) is in charge.



More News

VICTOR HOWE '76 announces he and his wife, Dee, added a son, Mark, to their family last January. Vic is director of materials management at the Memorial Hospital of Burlington County and resides at 194 South Hill Drive, Westampton, NJ 08046.

When we last heard from PAUL BENDER '79, he reported he was moving to Hong Kong on November 1 to assume the position of regional underwriting manager for Chubb & Son. We have not received his new address as yet, but correspondence can be sent to his home at 409 E. Front Street, Media, PA 19063. Prior to the move, "Gumby" reports a Far East tour was made with KURT "IGGY" ROHRBACH '79 (R.D. 1, Box 323A, Mertztown, PA 19539) and brother PHILLIP "POKEY" BENDER '83 (below).

JOHN E. GRACE '80 announces the arrival of daughter Allison Leigh, born September 28, 1986. "Snake" also reports he has changed careers and is now working as a courier for Federal Express. Brothers visiting North Carolina are encouraged to contact him at 5612 Groomsbridge Court, Raleigh, NC 27612 (phone 919/787-0086).

And the aforementioned PHILLIP BENDER '83 reports his latest job with the U.S. Army is headquarters company executive officer. "Pokey" can be found at 95-693 Lewanuu Street, Mililani, HI 96789.

After three years in the Marine Corps, TIMOTHY BOYD '83 is moving back to Southeast Pennsylvania to work for a civil engineering firm in Ambler. Write to him at 1300 Fayette Street, #129 Wilson, Conshohocken, PA 19428.

"During the last two weeks of July, I got married, switched jobs and moved to a new city," writes a very busy TIM DUTCHER '83, now of 1123 S. Wakefield Street, #22, Arlington, VA 22204-3524. "Dutch" is employed as a logistics analyst with Syscon Corp. in Washington, D.C., and writes, "We love to have visitors—just call ahead of time (703/920-5028)."

CHRIS ALLOCCO '84 reports a recent transfer to the EDP audit unit of Citibank. A resident of 8 Carman Place, Baldwin, NY 11510, Chris welcomes any communications from his pledge class.

We regret to inform you of the death of:

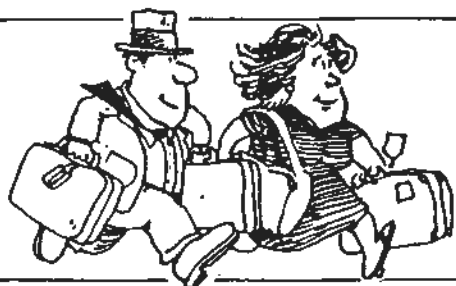
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Our sincere thanks are extended to the alumni listed below for their generous contributions to Theta Chi's 1986-87 annual giving program (as of November 25, 1986). If you have not yet sent us your support, we hope to hear from you soon. Thank you!

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Victor J. Howe '76	George R. Wood '48
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