# OMEGAPHONE

Omega Chapter of Theta Chi Fraternity at The Pennsylvania State University

#### K.I.C.K.S. DEFINED

The Brothers of Omega held the first annual Theta Chi K.I.C.K.S. (Kids in Cooperation with Karing Students) Soccer Classic in the autumn of 1989. The event, sponsored by Budweiser and other local businesses, included a raffle and the participation of 25 Greek and independent teams. The double elimination took place on Pollack fields and raised \$2,200 in support of the Stormbreak Youth Runaway Shelter in State College.

In 1990, with the event gaining notoriety on campus, Theta Chi raised \$6,400 for the Make-A-Wish Foundation, a Pittsburgh-based organization aiding children with life-threatening diseases. With a 32-team, single elimination bracket, the tournament was a booming success. For 1991, a women's division is scheduled and a goal of \$10,000 has been set -- a goal that, when reached, will place K.I.C.K.S. in the top five philanthropies at Penn State!

#### PRESIDENT'S REPORT

By Hugh Cadzow '83 Alumni Corporation President

Greetings to all my brothers out there, especially to those involved to some capacity with the operations in the Middle East. This is a brief note on a variety of "stuff" happening at Omega and with the Alumni Corporation:

Winter Corporation Meeting - It was held on February 2 and was very successful as 21 alumni and undergraduates participated. We mostly discussed the subjects I review below as well as new ideas for alumni mailings, the Omegaphone, a Founders' Day picnic, and improving communications. It is with pleasure that I extend a special "thank you" to Br. Frank Crissy '49 who, in being at this meeting, has been to four straight alumni functions and has given us some insightful input.

Physical Plant - All the code work has been completed and not all to our satisfaction, but at least it is done. A big "thanks" goes out to Bros. Howard Alter and William Renton for their contributions toward a new ceramic tile floor in the kitchen. Another big "thanks" goes to Br. Dave Mattiace for selecting the tile and getting the contractor to install it.

### PSU HONORS **OX ALUMNUS**

Robert E. Eberly '39 and his family were honored last May for their \$10 million donation to the Campaign for Penn State, one of the two largest gifts the fund received. The University formally named the Eberly College of Science at Spring commencement ceremonies, the first time that Penn State has named an academic college to honor a benefactor.

Eberly, who was also treasurer for the Campaign for Penn State, told graduates, "Our family's gift reflects the pride I feel as an alumnus of this college and our commitment to excellence in higher education. It is our hope that you graduates will use your Penn State education to make our world a better place. At the same time, we also hope that you will long remember Penn State with pride and with your own commitment."



Robert Eberly, right, joins Dean Gregory L. Geoffroy in unveiling a commemorative plaque for the college's new name.

"Metro" Dinners - At our winter corporation meeting I placed some people in charge of organizing events in areas where a majority of alumni reside. The first will be attempted in the Philadelphia area. You should be getting notification of a place and time for the dinner within the next few weeks. This is a way of bringing Omega to you since many of you can't make it back to Penn State.

Alumni News - My last request for more information from everyone to increase the alumni news did not go unanswered. We received many interesting items which we've included in this Omegaphone, but we still want more! We also need more information on "Giff" for our special issue. Just keep those cards and letters coming!

### Initiates

Welcome our newest Brothers!

Christopher Acitelli
Thomas Dymer
Qu Kim
Brian Leauby
Matthew Mallin
Ernesto Plotnicoff
Eric Rozyckie
Kerry Shuman
Steven Wallis
Christopher Zavecv

## Chapter Stats

Number of Actives: 46
Number of Pledges: 15

GPA (Fall '90): Active Chapter - 2.73

All Men's - 2.68

All Fraternity - 2.69

Chapter Rank - 22

Athletic Ranking: 20

## Chapter Eternal

We regret to inform you on the passing of our Brothers:

Robert E. Meyers '29 - July 8, 1990

Jesse M. MacKnight '31 - June 1, 1990

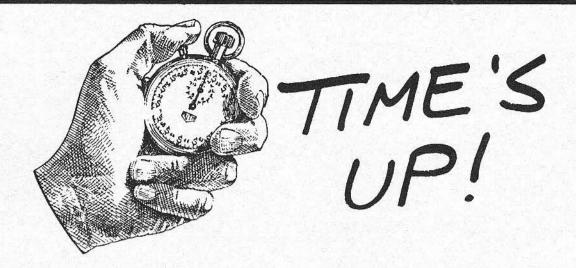
Robert H. Young '33 - October 3, 1990

Joseph P. Wells '63 - April 27, 1990

### Graduates

Any alumni having possible job prospects for the following upcoming grads, please contact them at the chapter house (814-237-2592):

Shane Balcik, QBA - Stroudsburg, PA Chris Bartnik, Insurance - Fairfax Station, VA John Buyarski, Industrial Eng. - Pennsville, NJ John Fischer, English - Selinsgrove, PA Scott Fitzgerald, Bus. Logistics - Wilmington, DE Dennis Foley, Mineral Econ. - Moon Township, PA Mark Franz, Architectural Eng. - New Milford, NJ Jim Gavula, Industrial Eng. - Erwin, PA Reed Goodwin, Industrial Eng. - Dunwoody, GA Greg Hancock, Bus. Logistics - Skaneatles, NY Chris Heidrick, Economics - Brick Township, NJ Chris Koczur, Accounting - Livingston, NJ Scott Kost, Bus. Logistics - Marlton, NJ John McIntyre, Admin. Justice - Fitchburg, MA Bill Mohan, Philosophy - Clarks Summit, PA Mark Prushinski, Civil Eng. - Dickson City, PA David Schrader, Architecture - Whitesboro, NY Mike Smoyer, English - Wilmington, DE John Troyan, Real Estate - Boca Raton, FL



# last chance for 1990-91 ALUMNI DUES

TO THOSE WHO GAVE: The response to our initial solicitation last September was great! If you have already given, please disregard this second request and accept our sincere THANKS!

Your voluntary yearly contribution helps finance this newsletter

plus other ongoing needs of Omega Chapter and its alumni
organization. Please check the amount you wish to offer:
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Additional donation to the Capital Fund for house repairs: \$
Make checks payable, and send them to: Theta Chi of Penn State, Inc.  Calder Square P.O. Box 11129 State College, PA  16805-1129



Phillip Bender '83 recently took command of the 181st Military Intelligence Detachment, being responsible for Army counterintelligence and security services for all of Japan. He's also engaged to marry Ms. A. Kathy Brown, and is completing work on a Master's Degree from the University of Oklahoma.

Ernest Wilby '34, editor of the Omegaphone for 1933-'34, is remaining active in his retirement in Florida with golfing, travelling, church work, and the Kiwanis Club.

Tim Dutcher '83 works for the government at the Space and Naval Warfare Systems Command in Washington, D.C.

<u>Daniel Wood '84</u> reports that not much new ever happens in Montrose, Pennsylvania, but he "finally" got married. His wife is the former Diane Lewis.

Sean Tirney '88 is struggling through his second year of medical school in Philly.

Toby Froehlich '72 started a new company in addition to his real estate firm -- building full service retirement comminities.

George Chapman '49, retired from Colgate-Palmolive, keeps busy with sailing, skiing, volunteer work, and grandchildren. His advice: "Hang in there, Omega!"

Paul Baker '80 writes: "I've made my final payment on my 1986 sex-change operation, and am currently getting in shape for what my doctors predict should be a stellar women's tennis career."

Bradley Davey '82 is working for the U.S. Department of Energy. His second child, Elaine Patricia, was born June 28, 1989.

Chris Alloco '84 just started law school at Pace University in New York.

Steven Sennett '90 is auditioning in the New York Theatre/Film scene and warns, "You may get to see me in some stupid commercials in the near future..."

Bernie Kachinko '86 is head girls' volleyball coach at Kings College in Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania. The girls started the 1990 campaign with a 5-0 record, including a tournament championship.

<u>Jeffrey Sleigh '76</u>, who visited Omega at Homecoming and won the man-miles award, lives in Nuevo, California, working for Chevron U.S.A. and raising quarter horses.

Edward Noyes '51, now in Nokomis, Florida, recently returned from a European trip, where he met the family of his Austrian son-in-law at Innsbruck.

James Taylor '49 is retired from Wells Manufacturing in Arlington Heights, Illinois. He enjoys woodworking and travelling to both the east and west coasts.

Alan Lauder '90, now a graduate student at M.I.T., is persuing a Master's Degree in Materials Engineering.

Frederick Vansant '20, one of Omega's founding members, writes, "Congratulations for honoring Winfield (PETE) Smith as BROTHER NUMBER ONE. A finer man never graduated from Penn State. He looks like a million dollars. If you would like to run a beauty contest for old men I'd give him competition -- at least I'd come in second. That is if only the two of us competed!"

"There is nothing new about me but my age and I am happy if that happens every morning. I play duplicate bridge on Wednesdays with my friends in the Summit Old Guard —— a social group of retired business and professional men. My son and Omega member Retired Colonel Keith Vansant has been very active with organizing and operating the Penn State Club of Georgia. The Alumni Office awarded the club high honors and recognition."

Gary Hicks '82 and his wife, Kathi, announce the birth of their son, Jeremy.

Anthony D'Ippolito '83 and his wife, Michelle, announce the birth of their son, Matthew.

Hugh Cadzow '83 and his wife, Tracy, announce the birth of their son, Aidan.

SEND MORE NEWS! Let us know what's happening with you or others you are in touch with. We also need more stories about "Giffy" for our special issue. Send all information to our return address. Thanks!

## Looking Back....

(From the Fall 1951 Omegaphone)

FARTIES & PINNINGS

The active men at Omega Chapter have already started planning their social calender for the fall semester. With lots of hard work-started early-Theta Chi should approach the heights of Campus social life. This week we started off the organized parties with a hay-ride. October holds a lot of busy weekends with a Shipwreck Party, Alumni Weekend, and a Father's Day Stag affair. Of course first house party will have our traditional "Bowery Brawl". The parties will be highlighted by gala productions of the Theta Chi Players. We are expecting a lot of help from our pledge class this year. I understand they can play any instrument from the "uke" to a vibra-hone.

Cupid was busy this summer and from the indications I would say Ted Sappie was hit the hardest. Ted took Barbara Fisher (AGD) as his wife just a few weeks ago. They are living in an apartment in Lemont at the present time. Craig Rupp, our veep, will be pinned the first time he can get to Pittsburgh; Miss Jo Jarvis will be the recipient. Tom Lewis and Ed Keller made the big move by pinning Mae Ralph and Anne Hutchinson respectively. The new president of the Theta Chi Players, yours truly, quit joking around and pinned Miss Janet Clark of Hartford, Conn.

Last year, as some of you know, Theta Chi took second place at the Spring Carnival with our "Dunk a Theta Chi or a Delt" stand. The Tri Delts combined with us and provided several girls clad in bathing suits—a great added attraction. This year we will combine again and are looking for that first place prize, \$100.

Remember Alumni Weekend, October 20th. Hope you'll all be there.

..... Alec Martin

The Nittany Lion has come to roost at ye olde chapter. Al Grezal has been given the nod to don the lion's garb at the football games this year. Why not come and see him perform at the Michigan State game. That's Alumni Weekend and should be the best game of the year.

(From the March 1961 Omegaphone)

#### NEW BROTHERS

We have a fine crop of new brothers in the house who we hope will live up to the resourcefulness and ingenuity they exhibited as pledges.

Chuck Mitchell is a fourth semester aeronautical engineer from Villanova, Pa. Chuck plays the clarinet in the Penn State Blue Band.

Bill Charron is keeping up our athletic name on campus through his efforts on the varsity lacross team. He is from Ithica New York, and is a fourth semester student of Civil Engineering.

Jim Wood is a fourth semester business student from York, Pa. He transferred from York Junior College last semester.

The politician of the new brothers is Joe Wells, a psychology major in his fourth semester, from Pittsburgh, Pa. He is the President of the Young Democrats Club on campus.

Ernie Letcher, a fourth semester Hotel Administration major from Pittsburgh, is our new matchmaker. Single alums, see Ernie for dates.

Bob Krankewicz is a transfer student from the New York Maritime School. He is a fifth semester Business Administration major from New York.

We have a new bowler to help out our team this year. He is Al Gates, a fourth semester Business student from Pittsburgh, Pa.

Our new rushing chairman is Ken Vandenburgh, a transfer from Ryder College. He is a fourth semester Business student from Harrisburg.

John Wroldsen, a transfer from the University of Toledo, is a Business student from Manhasset, New York.

The only one of the new brothers to be pinned already is Bob Dockstader, a fifth semester Commercial Advertising major from Kennet Square, Pa. He is pinned to Sandy Hannum, an Alpha Gam.

Jim McDeavitt is the only married member of our new brothers. Jim an eighth semester Business student from Butler, Pa., is married to the former Janice Hiddeman, also a Penn State student. You finally made it Jim!

#### DATES TO REMEMBER:

Homecoming - October 19

Arts Festival - July 11-14

Penn State Reunions for classes of '41, '51, '56, '61, '66, '71, '76, '81, '86, & Pioneers -May 30-June 2 & July 12-14

#### 1991 Penn State Football

Aug. 28 — Georgia Tech at Giants Stadium

Sept. 7 — CINCINNATI

Sept. 14 — at Southern Cal

Sept. 21 — BRIGHAM YOUNG

Sept. 28 — BOSTON COLLEGE

Oct. 5 — at Temple

Oct. 12 — at Miami

Oct. 19 — RUTGERS

Oct. 26 — WEST VIRGINIA

Nov. 9 — at Maryland

Nov. 16 - NOTRE DAME

Nov. 28 — at Pitt

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