

FROM THE PRESIDENT

Since the founding of Gamma Phi almost seventy-five years ago, the Beta chapter at Oklahoma has had a reputation for greatness with which no other fraternity can compete. The only way this reputation has been able to continue is through strong Alumni support. The actives of Gamma Phi are most aware of this support and are striving to maintain the excellence that you, the Alumni, have instilled in us.

Our house, at present, is enjoying an upswing in every phase of fraternity life. The Betas not only won grades last semester, but also bettered all sororities in scholastics as well. This is a feat not accomplished by any fraternity in the past 22 years. But even with the demands for scholastic achievement, the Betas have still found time to excel in other areas. Socially, the Betas still host the premiere party of the year, the traditional Beta Barn-dance. In campus activities, the Betas are considered as always, leaders in every concern. The President of the I.F.C. this year is Jack Clifton, a member of Gamma Phi. Two chapter members achieved top ten freshmen honors, Jeff Roberts and Steve Rahal. Brent Rody was selected as a top ten sophomore. Jack Clifton and Greg Jones were selected for Gamma Gamma and top 10 Greek Men. John Raley was honored as a member of Pe Et as well as a top 10 senior. The director of Sooner Scandals for 1982 is David Kearney, a senior of Gamma Phi.

Various other Betas chair and contribute to many other campus activities such as Campus Chest, Sooner Rally Council, Model United Nations, College Life, Mom's Day, Speaker's Bureau and Student Congress.

With the four Betas admitted to Medical school for this fall, our total now stands at nine. Two Betas are in Dental school, and ten are attending or have been accepted to Law school.

Next fall this chapter will be celebrating its seventy-fifth anniversary. Through these seventy-five years, no other house on campus has been blessed with such tremendous support from their alums. Due to our outstanding Alumni, it is easy for us to take many things for granted, but we want you to know that your support has been greatly appreciated.

Yours in -kai-
Wade L. McClure
President

FROM THE PLEDGE TRAINER

Things are looking up for Gamma Phi as far as pledgship is concerned. With this year's pledge class, another thirty-five outstanding young men will become Sons of the Stars. This pledge class is the largest on campus this year, and they still managed to win grades, maintaining a 3.100 average. We here at the house feel that this achievement stems from the positive attitude that prevails within the halls of our fraternity. We present an atmosphere of excellence which the pledges naturally tend to follow.

Following a good retreat to Austin, Texas, the pledges are now reacquainting themselves with university and pledge life. Model United Nations has just gotten underway, and six of our pledges are representing Poland. They are: Zach Allen, Wayne; Kevin James, Dallas, Texas; Brian Lansford, Sulfur; Brad Durham, Bartlesville; Scott Pittman, Sulfur; and Brad Liebmann, Piedmont.

Another achievement of this year's pledge class was it placed five pledges on the President's Honor Roll. To obtain this honor they all managed to make a 4.00 grade average during their first semester's work. They are Scott Rahhal, Oklahoma City; Steve Mareburger, Tulsa; Brian Lansford, Zach Allen and Brad Liebmann.

The pledge class also has a number of young men who were all-staters in various sports while in high school. They are: Andrew Jones, Lafayette, LA; Brad Barghols, Des Moines, Iowa; Gary Dew, Lindsay; Randy Wells, Hutchinson, KS; Carter Baumert, McAlester; Paul Bevilacqua, Rob Felton, Norman; Charlie Towe, Oklahoma City; Peter Engelbert, El Reno; Dow Hughes, Norman; Rob Raley, Ponca City; and Jay Wade, Guthrie. B. J. O'Hara is currently a pole vaulter on the University of Oklahoma Track Team. Stan Vlasimsky is a World Class Downhill Skier, who comes to us from Tulsa via Austria. Others in the pledge class with various talents and ambitions are John Baccus, Bartlesville; Link Barr, Dover; Charles Dobbs, Altus; Mark Meyer, Ventura, CA; Robert Wright, Enid; Andy Lucas, Tulsa; Ross Duncan, Perry; Tyrone Akin, Frederick; Brent McKee, Oklahoma City; Todd Huckaby, Mustang; and Mark Fairchild, Stillwater.

We, the good brothers have every confidence in these mens' abilities to carry on the Beta tradition.

Faithfully submitted
in -kai-
Hugh Brower

HOUSE IMPROVEMENTS

The stately Beta house has seen many changes and improvements in the past few months. These improvements have helped to keep the house as the standard for all fraternities on campus.

One of the major improvements has been the remodeling of both the 2nd and 3rd floor bathrooms. Both of these bathrooms have been totally redone (tile, plumbing, etc.), and are just one of the "facelifts" that have occurred at 800 Chautauqua. Another facelift is the new tan carpeting that runs throughout our hallways. This carpeting looks great and gives a warm and cozy feeling to the entire house.

Also, to the delight of the members, many of the rooms have been redone and modernized. With

their lowered ceilings, indirect lighting and carpeting, these choice rooms are in high demand by the brothers when room draw rolls around.

The pledge class has been very active in house restoration. Along with maintenance and general upkeep, they have been active in many house projects; ranging from repainting the kitchen to working on the chapter room. These projects have been an integral part of house renewal.

According to Mark Fisher, current house manager and sophomore from Perry, "This house has a great history behind it. With the modernizations that have occurred, it is, and will continue to be, a great and comfortable place to live; not only for us, but for all of the future brothers who shall pass through its halls."

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INTRAMURALS

As always, the brothers are giving their all to bring the intramural trophy back to 800 Chautauqua. We are currently in second place, but within range of the leader with many of our strongest sports to come. We are currently 2-0 in basketball and have aspirations of a championship that could put us in the lead. A-teamers returning for their third year are seniors John Hillis, Chris Johnson, Chuck Warren, Wade McClure and junior Brent Rody. Sophomores contributing to our cause are Steve Stotts, Trippy Thompson and Steve Nell. We are also planning to win wrestling, golf and water polo. Mike Massad is the defending champion in I.M. golf.

Our best effort in the team sports last semester was in volleyball, where we reached the finals only to lose a heartbreaker. Our leading players were John Raley as a spiker, Bill Banowsky and Rob Felton as the setters. Andy Lewis, Scott Caldwell and Brent Rody round out the final six. Our individual champions in intramurals are Kip Morrison, frisbee golf; Jeff Roberts, horseshoes; John Bell, badmitton; and Clay Hillis, table tennis. Our runner-ups were Pat Metz, frisbee golf; and Scott Caldwell, horseshoes. We were also team champions in swimming. House participation and spirit is high (over 60 people playing on 6 different basketball teams), and we fully intend to bring the intramural trophy back home.

Yours in -kai-
Brent Rody

FROM THE RUSH TEAM

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As the second semester gets under way, the actives of Gamma Phi begin to focus their attention on summer rush. With the livelihood of the house at stake, we are all very much aware of the importance of an effective rush program. We have enjoyed great success in this area in the past, and we feel strongly that this year can be one of the finest.

The rush chairmen are all very excited about this year's challenge. We have already compiled a long list of prospective rushees and have had an opportunity to entertain several outstanding young men at our annual Barn Dance.

The outlook for rush looks bright. With our house record, we forsee few obstacles in our way for recruiting another excellent pledge class. We've appreciated your support in the past and urge you to contact us if you have any questions or names of men you would like us to meet.

Yours in -kai-
Peter Emmott
Pat Jordan
Jay Fitzgerald

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