GAMMA PHI CHAPTER OF BETA THETA PI, NORMAN, OKLAHOMA

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GAMMA PHI CENTENNIAL

As Oklahoma celebrates 100 years of statehood, we will be celebrating 100 years as a chapter of Beta Theta Pi. For information contact:

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GAMMA PHI CENTENNIAL WARMUP

One hundred years of excellence-past achievements and future promise! That's what we'll be celebrating on October 20, 2007, on the OU campus in Norman, when we gather to commemorate the Centennial of Gamma Phi Chapter of Beta Theta Pi Fraternity.

Hundreds of you already have indicated your interest in participating in this special occasion. In fact, so many are planning to attend that we have moved our venue for the dinner/dance from the Memorial Student Union to the recentlyrenovated McCasland Fieldhouse to accommodate our participants. By popular demand, rather and preparation, please be sure to consult our than a formal sit-down banquet, we will provide libations and buffet-style dining for you and your guests. Richard Taylor, recently engaged by OU as the Chair of the Weitzenhoffer Department of Musical Theatre, will serve as master of ceremonies for our gala event; and Ron James has arranged musical entertainment. We have invited OU President David Boren to greet us. Judge Ralph Thompson will present our keynote address.

A few pledge classes already are rallying in make lodging reservations in Norman and Oklahoma City for their groups. With the event fast approaching, please make your own individual group plans sooner instead of later.

Several of our brothers have written reflective and provocative accounts of their respective "eras" of Gamma Phi's history. Others have undertaken this project. These individual "era" histories will be compiled and preserved for posterity as a prominent and permanent feature of our Chapter's institutional history to be enjoyed by our Chapter's members and our families as long as Gamma Phi lives on at our University. Chapter Archivist Hank Ryan will be

assembling and posting these histories together with other Chapter archival materials such as composite chapter and pledge class photos, yearbook entries, old newsletters, etc. at our website: www.oubeta.net/Archives.htm. For your "era" to be included in this compilation, you need to get started now on this project or sadly there will be no account of your time at OU. Please check out our website to determine if anyone has undertaken this initiative on behalf of your own "era." If not, it may be up to you.

Summer 2007

For periodic updates on Centennial planning Chapter's website. You will find that the website now includes instructions for obtaining a recently-updated directory of all Chapter members. Also, be watching for Centennial news and announcements in future issues of Wooglin on Chautauqua. If you have any experience or expertise in producing events of this magnitude and can share some of your time and talent. please contact either Harbour Whitaker or Steve Barghols to help make our Centennial gala all that it can and should be. We can use all the help you might provide.

Thanks for your interest in our Centennial and for your lifetime devotion to Gamma Phi Chapter

Respectfully, and in kai,

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Centennial Gala McCasland Field House 5:30 p.m. until ???? Saturday, October 20, 2007

OFFICERS' REPORTS

Chapter President's Report



Matt Brown

Chapter President

Theta Pi could not be more excited preparing for the fall semester! Our chapter was fortunate enough to earn recognition from both the university and the Intrafraternity Council (IFC) this spring. During

The men of Beta

the annual President's Trophy awards ceremony, we received the President's Award for Academic Excellence as we won grades yet again this year. Our men also received the IFC awards for academic programming, community service, campus involvement, and fraternity and sorority involvement.

The success of the 2nd Annual Frensley 5-K Memorial Run, chaired by Brother Bryan Luff, is truly a testament to the quality of our members and our commitment to one another. The memorial run is dedicated and named after our deceased brother, Patrick James Frensley, "of ever honored memory." This year, we were able to raise nearly \$10,000. I am confident the run will be even more successful next year and for many years to come.

Once again this summer a number of our brothers will be attending leadership opportunities provided by the General Fraternity. Nine brothers will be attending Convention this August in Orlando, Florida. Brother T.J. Hutchings recently returned from the Institute for Men of Principle held in Oxford, Ohio. He will undoubtedly carry his enthusiasm and Beta spirit into next semester to continue to lead and invigorate the chapter.

Brothers Eric Combs, Dewey Bartlett, Blake Belanger, and Brad Cantrell are leading one of the most important things we do all year-rush. With your help, we will again sign the best pledge class on campus. Please send in your Rush referrals and contributions ASAP.

The upcoming fall semester and year are looking bright. We will be doing University Sing with the women of Delta Delta Delta, Homecoming with the women of Kappa Alpha Theta, and Scandals in the spring with the women of Kappa Kappa Gamma. Also, the many events we have scheduled to celebrate our chapter's centennial anniversary, Barn Dance, and football season promise to make this fall semester one to remember.

Finally, our alumni and parents deserve special thanks. In addition to the unparalleled support we receive each year, this

Chapter Officers

President - Matt Brown VP (internal) - Steven Fisher VP (external) - John Gawey Secretary - Jakeb Black Treasurer - Cory Christopherson Pledge Educator - Anthony DeGiusti Rush Chair - Eric Combs **Rush Secretary - Gray Thomas** Philanthropy Chair - Matt Whitaker House Manager - Brady Sisson Scholarship Chair - Kendall Moore Social Chair - Jake Baldwin IFC/CAC Representative - Kelly Mercer Ritual Chair - James Simpson Song Chair - Brad Cantrell Intramural Chair - Blake Belanger Alumni Relations Chair - Spencer Kinzie

year your support has made possible a number of exciting improvements to our chapter. We are looking forward to a renovated backyard area, state-of-the-art wireless internet system, and a resurfaced parking lot and basketball court among many other improvements. Your support enables our chapter's continued success!

Yours in _ kai _,

Matt Brown Gamma Phi President

FRENSLEY MEMORIAL 5K RUN

On April 3, 2005, Gamma Phi lost a dear friend and brother, Patrick James Frensley, to a tragic running accident.

Patrick was devoted to all aspects of his life; but especially to the great principles that form our brotherhood. He was befriended by all and loved by many. As many can attest to, two of Patrick's favorite pastimes were running and helping others.

When the chapter began considering ways to honor their fallen brother, we quickly decided on a 5K run which would combine Patrick's passions and would be fitting to his growing legacy.

brother, the chapter inaugurated The Patrick James Frensley Memorial 5k Run (the "Frensley 5K"). This year's Frensley 5K was held on Saturday, March 31, 2007. With approximately 300 participating runners and 30 volunteers.

Mrs. Anne Frensley, who suffered a heart attack upon hearing the news of her son's passing, chose the American Heart Association as the beneficiary of the Frensley 5K. All proceeds are donated to this great association, which is bettering our world through scientific research and education. The American Heart Associa-

To honor the wonderful life of our fallen tion is a national voluntary health agency whose mission is to reduce disability and death from cardiovascular diseases and stroke. For more information on this great organization, please visit their website at www.americanheart.org.

> I would personally like to thank all of the alumni and other donors who have shown support. With your help we have made this event a tremendous success. Thank you again for giving us such wonderful alumni support.

Brian Luff, Chairman 2007 Frensley 5K

CHAPTER RECEIVES SISSON AWARD



Gamma Phi won a Sisson Award again at the 168th General Convention in Orlando, Florida. The Sisson Award is awarded to outstanding chapters based on chapter excellence. This is the 11th Sisson won by the chapter since the award's creation.

The Sisson Award is named for Francis H. Sisson, Knox 1892 - the only Beta to serve in all four of the current Board positions - President, Vice President, General Secretary and General Treasurer

Pictured at left are: Brad Brown '07, Bryan Luff '08, James Simpson '10, Steven Berklacy '10, Matt Brown '09, Tony Degiusti '09, Cory Loyd '10, Koby Harrington '09, & Joe Kokojan '06

Chapter Counselor's Report



The undergraduates have been working hard, and their efforts have already paid off. The chapter was again awarded the President's Scholarship Trophy for outstanding academic performance. After two consecutive second place finishes, the house has set its sights on regaining the

top spot this fall.

Chapter Advisor

The chapter's success wasn't limited to the class room last semester. The undergraduates organized another successful Frensley 5K and have over a dozen members signed up to participate in summer leadership opportunities. Nine members are attending convention in August, and are hoping to bring home another Knox and another Sisson.

The upcoming year promises to be a successful one. The house seems to be on the same page, and has its goals well defined. The new group of officers, led by President Matt Brown, are as organized and focused as any group I have seen during my short career as a Beta. They are especially excited about the centennial celebration and have many ideas, such as an undergraduate/ alumni date party, that will make it memorable for all who attend.

Steve Sinos '04 Chapter Counselor





BETA SECOND IN GRADES

Official IFC Scholarship Rankings

Spring Semester 2007					
	Fraternity	Active Members & Pledges	Chapter GPA		
1	Sigma Phi Epsilon	168	3.24328		
2	Beta Theta Pi	181	3.11328		
3	Lambda Chi Alpha	151	3.08320		
4	Phi Delta Theta	103	3.07622		
5	Pi Kappa Phi	34	3.03837		
6	Alpha Tau Omega	38	3.01674		
7	Delta Upsilon	116	3.00505		
8	Delta Tau Delta	61	2.97525		
9	Sigma Alpha Epsilon	178	2.96206		
10	Delta Chi	22	2.86254		

Fall Semester 2006							
	Fraternity Active Members & Pledges Chapter GPA						
1	Sigma Phi Epsilon	178	3.13136				
2	Beta Theta Pi	192	3.09000				
3	Pi Kappa Phi	40	3.01524				
4	Alpha Tau Omega	37	3.00625				
5	Sigma Alpha Epsilon	195	2.95363				
6	Phi Delta Theta	122	2.93404				
7	Lambda Chi Alpha	161	2.92275				
8	Delta Upsilon	130	2.90274				
9	Phi Gamma Delta	132	2.75252				
10	Delta Chi	33	2.72809				

CONTINUING THE TRADITION



Outstanding Pledge Spencer Kinzie (#2741) and father Doug Kinzie (#1677)



Falon Fuller (#1721) and nephew Kyle Dahlgren (#2751)



Thomas Schroedter (Duke 1976) and son Paul Schroedter (#2596)



Drew Powell (#2778) and father Kyle Powell (#1758)



Harrison Read (#2714) and father James Read (#1619)

Four Gamma Phi alumni attended their sons' initiation at 800 Chautauqua in January. The fathers and sons are as follows:

1445	Steve McCarter	→	2776	John McCarter
1548	Jim Langdon	→	2771	John Langdon
1677	Doug Kinzie	1	2741	Spencer Kinzie
1758	Kyle Powell	1	2778	Drew Powell

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44 NEW MEMBERS INITIATED ON JANUARY 26, 2007



Roll	Name	Hometown	Roll	Name	Hometown
2741	Spencer Douglas Kinzie	Tulsa	2763	Tyner C. Staggs	Sulphur
2742	James Calvin Tate	Broken Arrow	2764	Matthew Paul Moellers	Tulsa
2743	Chris Lloyd Chase	Springfield, MO	2765	Gray Freeman Thomas	Edmond
2744	Sean Morgan Harrison	Oklahoma City	2766	Alexander Ryan Swartz	Sulphur
2745	William Lloyd Prueitt	Tulsa	2767	Jonathan Wade Barr	Norman
2746	David Tyler Welk	Broken Arrow	2768	Alex Sullred Wolfe	Tulsa
2747	Blake William Belanger	Oklahoma City	2769	Cory Matthew Lloyd	Edmond
2748	Gregory Bryan Dunlevy	Edmond	2770	Graham Staton Steely	Katy, TX
2749	Dustin Robert Taylor	Elk City	2771	John Roffers Langdon	Tulsa
2750	Bradley Thomas Cantrell	Springfield, MO	2772	Edward Charles Preble III	Norman
2751	Kyle David Dahlgren	Edmond	2773	Ryan Christopher Copley	Tahlequah
2752	Dylan Carder Sullivan	Norman	2774	Ross Patrick Skinner	McKinney, TX
2753	Gareth Trevor Williams	Norman	2775	Michael Andrew Athey	Enid
2754	Tyler David Todd	Tulsa	2776	John Stephen McCarter	Mission Woods, KS
2755	Andrew Martin Broussard	Edmond	2777	Seellan Sivalingham Sivanesan	Edmond
2756	James Michael Simpson	Charlotte, NC	2778	Andrew Turner Powell	Okmulgee
2757	Mark Edwin Hornbeek	Oklahoma City	2779	James Patrick Baldwin, Jr.	Tulsa
2758	Ryan Nelson Buck	Bedford, TX	2780	Adam Thomas Moore	Edmond
2759	Preston Michael Gunkel	Altus	2781	Thomas Jefferson Hutchings	Oklahoma City
2760	David Matthew Martens	Madill	2782	Connor Lee Hollis	Sulphur
2761	Henry Tyler Nunley	Marlow	2783	Colton Garrett Roberts	Tulsa
2762	Phillip Brooke Pappas	Houston, TX	2784	Steven Andrew Berklacy II	Tulsa

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Rush Advisor's Report

SUMMER RUSH IS WRAPPING UP! HELP US KEEP GAMMA PHI AT THE TOP!

Dear Fellow Betas,

As the summer comes to a close, we continue to turn to our Gamma Phi alumni for rush referrals and financial assistance. As always, we need you help to continue to build on the Chapter's successes.

I am excited with the performance of our 2007 Rush Team: Head Rush Chairman, **Eric Combs** (Shawnee '09): Assistant Rush Chairman Dewey Bartlett III (Cascia Hall '09), Blake Belanger (Heritage Hall '10) and Brad Cantrell (Springfield, MO '10); and Rush Secretary Gray Thomas (Deer Creek '10).

Rush Matters!

As successful as the Beta House has been in recent years, it would simply not be possible without a well-supported and successful rush program. The quality of the young men who have joined the Beta Brotherhood in recent years is evidenced by their outstanding academic credentials, leadership qualities and athletic and social skills. Last fall, Beta's pledge class was by far the best among all OU fraternities. As you have read in the past several issues of the Wooglin on Chautauqua, the Chapter as a whole is in the best shape it has been in years, thanks to the signing of several excellent pledge classes. Gamma Phi is consistently winning grades, our active members hold leadership positions in a variety of campus organizations and we are competitive in intramurals. At the last Beta Theta Pi Convention, our Chapter was again awarded the Sisson Award and the prestigious **Knox Award** (one of only 9 chapters to receive this distinction). Betas are universally considered to be "tops" on campus, and the root of this success is the quality of young men who we recruit to become Betas. Obviously, it is critical that we continue to recruit and pledge the top incoming freshmen to maintain and further solidify Beta as the top fraternity on campus.

We Need Your Rush Referrals! Rush referrals are appreciated at any

time during the rush process, which culminates with formal rush the third week of the fall semester. However, to have a successful rush, we need referrals and recommendations of prospective rushees for 2007 as soon as possible. Given the number of young men going through rush at OU, it is critical that the Rush Team have the opportunity to get to know the top understand incoming freshmen as soon as possible and for them to get to know Beta. Please take a ate that there few minutes of your time to provide us with information on any qualified young men you know who may be attending OU next fall. Although we cannot sign pledges until formal rush week, it is essential that our rush chairmen have the opportunity to contact prospective rushees as soon as possible, so they are well-acquainted by the time the formal rush process begins. We prefer to have as much information about prospective rushees as possible, including name, high school, home and cell phone numbers, summer mailing addresses, GPA, ACT/SAT, honors, activities, sports and any other pertinent information you may have. However, (1) names, (2) high schools, (3) cell or home phone numbers, (4) grades and (5) ACT/ SAT scores are essential. Please email me with your rush recommendations (mclouse@vbank.com) as soon as possible. soon.

We Need Your Financial Support!

Obviously, the second thing that is **kev** to our success in rush is your financial support. In the past, we have been able to provide our Rush Team with adequate financial support to effectively compete with the other top houses on campus. However, as expenses continue to rise, we need more financial support each year to stay **competitive** with other houses that have had some success in rush in recent years. If you have never given to rush, please consider doing so this year. Our average rush contribution is slightly over \$100, but no amount is too small (or too large). If vou have contributed to rush in the past. your support has made an enormous difference. We hope you will continue

vour generosity with an equal or even greater contribution to this year's rush campaign. We and appreciare many requests for your charitable contribu-

Matt Clouse '01

Rush Advisor

tions. However, you will see the rewards of your generosity when you stop by the house before a football game or when you read that **Beta continues to top its rivals** on campus. Most importantly, you will be helping to preserve the traditions of Gamma Phi which we all cherish. You may mail your rush contributions to:

Beta Theta Pi Two Leadership Square, Suite 1400 211 N. Robinson Oklahoma City, OK 73102

Thanks for your support for Beta Rush, and I look forward to hearing from you

Please send your rush recommendations (preferably by email) to:

Matt Clouse 1601 NW Expressway Oklahoma City, OK 73118 Email: mclouse@vbank.com (405) 286-5720 (office direct) (405) 286-5799 (fax)

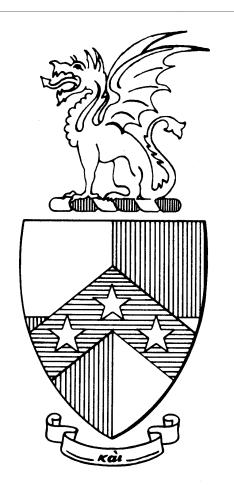
Best regards and in - kai -,

Matt Clouse '01 Rush Advisor



Need Centennial information? Don't have an email address? Don't have Internet access?

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Please send Gamma Phi Centennial information via the United States Postal Service to:

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Gamma Phi Centennial Fifteenth Floor One Leadership Square 211 North Robinson Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73102

LOOKING BACK

100 years ago (Spring 1907) – Gamma Phi completed its final semester as a local fraternity.

75 years ago (Spring 1932) – Mrs. Ned Miller served as Hostess. Alvan Muldrow served as Chapter President. Ten new members were initiated on March 19, 1932.

50 years ago (Spring 1957) – Mrs. W. P. Vick served as Housemother. Fred Gipson served as Chapter President. Twenty-nine new members were initiated on April 17, 1957.

25 years ago (Spring 1982) – Grace Opsuchuck served as Housemother. Wade McClure served as Chapter President. Thirty-three new members were initiated on March 30, 1982.

MYSTIC SHRINE

The deaths of the following Gamma Phi members have been reported to us since our previous issue.

Roll	Grad	Name	Date of Death
451	1939	R. Kenneth Milburn	2/2/2007
525	1943	Harry Herman Diamond Jr.	9/16/2006
530	1942	Robert Davis Blinn	5/14/2004
537	1943	Thomas Foster Bartlett	7/12/2006
564	1945	Ancel Earp, Jr.	6/5/2002
690	1951	James Wallace Boone, Jr.	6/10/2007
754	1953	Warren Keeling Jordan	3/11/2007
765	1953	Dudley Digges Morgan Jr.	10/08/2006
770	1957	Parke Maine McAlister	5/28/2003
893	1957	David Condon MacKay	2/15/2007
986	1960	Joe Robert Love	4/5/2007
1078	1963	William Plowden Vick IV	April 2007
1148	1965	John H. Cunningham, Jr.	2004?
2020	1989	Timothy H. May	7/15/2007

FRATERNAL FIFTIES - 2007

The following Gamma Phi members were initiated in 1957.

Roll	Name	City
970	Laurance Standish Reid, Jr.	Norman
970	,	
971	John T. O'Neal Jerry Leon Smith	Boston, MA
972	Richard F. Fellrath	(Lost) Blackwell, OK
974	Raymond O. Smith, Jr.	Oklahoma City
975	David G. Howard	Mission Hills, KS
976	Preston G. Gaddis II	Oklahoma City
977	Frank H. Robertson II	(Lost)
978	Donald L. Wiley	(Deceased)
979	Lawrence Glenn Hill	Big Pine Key, FL
980	Robert H. Mitchell	Oklahoma City
981	Samuel Wesley Pangburn	Palm Springs, CA
982	Gary Dee Baer	Oklahoma City
983	Robert Burns Ringo, Jr.	(Lost)
984	Roger Braxton Bowman	(Deceased)
985	John Fletcher Sharp, Jr.	Nichols Hills
986	Joe Robert Love	(Deceased)
987	James Larry Goff	(Lost)
988	Dan Edwin Chesnut	Oklahoma City
989	Robert A. Cates	(Lost)
990	Ronald Hughe White	Oklahoma City
991	George E. Durfee, Jr.	New Hampton, NH
992	Kenneth E. Carpenter	Baton Rouge, LA
993	Richard H. Schwartz	(Deceased)
994	Richard Harold Reid	(Deceased)
995	Buster Franklin Wilburn	Washington
996	Robert E. Slocum	Richardson, TX
997	John A. Nance	(Deceased)
998	Charles Raymond Hahn	Vancouver, WA
999	J. William Cheek	(Deceased)
1000	David W. Dreisker	Bartlesville
1001	Harold V. Ritcheson	(Deceased)
1002	Douglas Ian McDonald	Lone Tree, CO



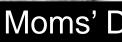
The alumnus providing these snapshots says that they are from work week and/or rush week in the early 1950s. See anybody you know?











FROM THE ARCHIVES





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Foundation President's Report

Beta Theta Pi Foundation of Oklahoma, Inc. was incorporated in 2005. It is exempt from income tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the IRS Code and all contributions to the Foundation are tax <u>deductible</u>. The purpose of the Foundation is to provide financial assistance in the form scholarships which may be awarded to recognize outstanding academic achievement and/or exemplary leadership or to address financial need.

Foundation goals include establishment of an endowed base for all scholarships. Presently, the Patrick James Frensley Memorial Scholarship is endowed, and both the Class of 1959 and the Class of 1961 have commenced efforts to endow scholarships in the names of their respective classes. However, whether

Housemother

Gamma Phi undoubtedly has the best fraternity housemother at the University of Oklahoma! Sue Overton has served as the Gamma Phi Housemother (a/k/a House Director) since August of 1997. During that time she has been selected as House Mom of the Year at OU and has served as President of the OU House Directors Club.

A graduate of Wetumka High School and Oklahoma State University (B.S., Education), Mom Overton taught Home Economics at Oklahoma City's Classen, Central and Northeast high schools. Her late husband Claudell Overton was an All-American athlete at East Central State College in Ada, a professional basketball and baseball player, and a successful basketball coach at Addington, Edmond, Drumright and Capitol Hill High Schools and Bacone College. Her son Bo was the high contributing to a proposed endowed scholarship or not, every dollar is important, because general contributions will be used for "Gamma Phi Scholarships," as determined by the scholarship selection process. We also very much encourage non-Betas, such as parents, friends, surviving spouses and children and others to make contributions in honor of or in memory of a member of Gamma Phi. Think about it - the establishment of a permanent base of financial assistance for members and pledges of the Chapter will provide lasting mutual assistance to those who follow.

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Yours in _kai _, James C. Elder '69

Foundation Officers

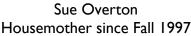
James Elder '69 - President Fallis Beall '55 - Vice President Fred Turner '72 - Vice President Michael Bickford '80 - Secretary Bill Sherman '74 - Treasurer

Foundation Directors

Tom McCasland, Jr. '56 Hank Ryan '72 John Huff '79 Robert Beall '80 Zach Allen '85

school basketball Player of the Year in Oklahoma, a three-year starter on the OU basketball team, and an assistant to OU women's basketball coach Sherri Coale. Bo is now the General Manager and Head coach for the Chicago Sky of the Women's National Basketball Association. Sue also has two daughters, Dee Solomon and Cara Overton, and five grandchildren.

In addition to planning and hostessing for various social events, including Parents' Weekend, Homecoming and alumni functions, Mom Overton oversees the house kitchen (managing the house staff, planning meals, purchasing food and supplies, etc.), provides etiquette instruction to members and pledges, co-ordinates repairs and house maintenance with the Corporation President, and counsels members and pledges when requested.





House Staff

Essential to the smooth running of 800 Chautauqua are **Irene Lambert** (at left), who has served as the Cook since Fall of 2004, and **Shelly Jones** (at right), who has served as House-keeper since Fall of 2003.





The Band of Beta Brothers was organized in Fall 2003 by the late Doc Jordan (*Oklahoma* '53), Bert Belanger (*Oklahoma* '53), Bert Belanger (*Oklahoma* '76), as a means for all Beta alumni living in Oklahoma to meet, reminisce and receive updates of current developments in the General Fraternity and the two Oklahoma chapters. The Regional Director, District Chief and actives from the two Oklahoma chapters are available to provide information and answer questions. For information on the next meeting please contact Tony Bumpas— tbumpas@netzero.net

The Parking Lot Has Been Resurfaced



Under the direction of Curtis McCarty, the parking lot was resurfaced and restriped this summer. The improvements are very noticeable. The new lot seemed particularly attractive to the Kappa Alpha Thetas and Chi Omegas who parked there during Panhellenic Recruitment Week.



Who are these guys?

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"LOST" LIST

Please help us find these "lost" Gamma Phis. We mark a member as "Lost" when we have USPS mail returned without a forwarding address. Some of these brothers may be deceased. And we may have email addresses for others, but no USPS mailing address. Please send corrections to Hank Ryan, 823 S. Flood Ave., Norman, OK 73069-4502, 405-579-4473, hank@hgryan.com.

Roll Class Name

ROII	Class	
339	1931	Wilbur Linn Griffith
363	1935	Earl Warren Radcliffe Jr.
369	1934	Robert Raymond McCracken
376	1936	Jack Kinloch Fleming
377	1934	John Pierre Klep
378	1936	Carlton George Hotaling
386	1937	William Earl Crump Jr.
390	1937	James Leavette Powell Jr.
393	1937	Edward Wright Corn
394	1937	Roger H Davis
395	1937	R. Č. Cox
396	1937	Phillip David Harris
403	1938	Ben Lovell Robertson
408	1938	Melvin W Jaquier
411	1937	Harlanfred Dellinger Burch
414	1937	John Edward McKay
417	1939	Lawrence Haley Caruthers Jr.
450	1938	Joe Ben Champion
486	1941	Earle Grant Hastings Jr.
489	1940	James D Camp
496	1942	Thomas Hartwell Conner Jr.
497	1941	Robert Calhoun Askew
499	1941	Francis C Sneed
503	1939	Burton Edward Hull Jr.
508	1942	Charles Alexander Houston
511	1942	Walter Owen Johnston
520	1940	John Richard Whiteman
521	1943	Cecil Tolbert Hardeman Jr.
524	1943	Jack David Lawrence
527	1940	Billy Frank Short
531	1950	James Pierson Neal Jr.
540	1944	Samuel Godfrey Shackleford Jr.
546	1944	John R Ellinghausen
569	1945	Weaver Johnson
574	1948	Philip Lyndon McKanna
586	1945	Charles Richard Stoffer
587	1946	Jack Call Ware
595	1945	Harvey A Heller Jr.
596	1946	Benjamin Enlow Bell
602	1945	James Russell Gill
604	1944	Robert Redick Woodhouse
605	1945	Kirk Dyer
608	1946	John Clinton Hunt
620	1947	John Donald Houston
622	1950	John A Reid
626	1947	Marsden B Shafter
634	1948	Wilson Reeves Spence
636	1948	Anders Lewart Ewers
638	1948	David Higgan Devonald II
648	1948	Wilfred W Martin Jr.
652	1951	Philip J Lunsford
661	1950	Ted S Hine
663	1950	William Douglas Ford
668	1951	Paul B Allen
671	1950	Frank E Burk
674	1950	Robert Edwin Buxton
677	1950	Warner Lewis Jr.
679	1951	Curtis Donovan Edgerton Jr.
680	1952	Loren V Baker Jr.
685	1950	Vergil Neal Brown Jr.
693	1950	John P Harlan
702	1951	Paul E. Harrill Jr.
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705	1951	James H Kerr
709	1951	William C Myers
718	1952	John E Heller
730	1952	Robert J Sheldon
740	1953	Alan C Calkin
743	1952	Richard B Hughes
744	1953	Reed L McAlister
755	1953	Harry Lafayette Brown
757	1953	Joseph F Rolette Jr.
759	1953	Tommy Joe Alley
768	1955	Robert D Lomax
771	1954	Clyde W Chesnutt Jr.
782	1954	Jesse Eugene Pyeatte Jr.
790	1954	Jack Doyle Williams
792	1954	Robert Rives Boone
795	1954	William H Rahe
827	1950	Edward Lyon Compere III
828	1954	Rodger Clayton Billingsley
838	1954	Walter Crow
873	1955	Mac Dwain Sanders
894	1957	Jimmy Frank Drake
916	1958	David Marshall Giltner
926	1958	Kent D Hanson
927	1957	Walter Oakshott North Cooper
947	1958	John L Gibson II
952	1960	Everett Gordon King
957	1959	John F Griffith
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963	1960	Samuel E Wilson
969	1959	Carl R Mathews
972	1961	Jerry Leon Smith
977	1960	Frank H Robertson II
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1015	1961	Hal Kennedy Muldrow
1024	1961	Donald A Carey
1028	1961	Jackie D Redeker
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1039	1962	Michael D Shane
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1097	1963	John B Wiegand
1133	1963	John R Hill
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1145	1965	Richard B Self
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1195	1967	Robert Dee Williams
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1232		Ted Marshall Moore
1234	1967	Douglas Max Martin
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1236	1967	Travis A Curd II
1237	1967	Michael C Washburn
1240		William C Lam Jr.
1243		Ronald W Stevens
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1267		Stephen P Asbury
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1328	1969	Larry R Beach
1331	1969	Thomas H Ward III
1350	1969	John Edward Burrus
1352		Julian Wendell Kerr III
1364		James Ralph Bond
1367		Robert Eugene Mitchell III
1382	1971	Thomas Allen Williams
1411	1972	William Scott Martin
1442		Howard Michael Dunn
1461		Ronald Clay Lynch
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	1974	Karl Ray Foreman
1547	1975	Ronald Wayne Hobbs
1567	1976	Douglas K Garrett
	1976	Si Kenny Gibson
	1976	Scott R Rogers
	1976	Roger N Steed
	1976	Paul L Szafranski
1598	1975	Ronnie L Mauldin
	1977	Daniel Joseph Bowling
	1977	R. Larry Snyder
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-	994	Brandon Joe Stubblefield
	994	Chad Alan Wampler
	994	Chase G Quinn
	994	Phillip Don Dunford
	995	James Tabor Banta
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	998	John Bennett Whiteside
	997	Blake Anthony Williams
	997	Barrett Chad Stubblefield
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-	996	Jason Daniel Penny
	997	Derik Wayne Smith
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The new pergola in the southwest corner of our lot will offer an outside area for conversation while providing protection from sun and light rain.



2007 Beta Golf Tournament

The 7th Annual Beta Theta Pi Alumni Golf Tournament was held on Saturday, July 28th at the Jimmie Austin University of Oklahoma Golf Course in Norman. This year's event was composed of 20 teams and 86 golfers representing class years from 1948 to 2009. The tournament also included 3 Beta legacies.

The event was again co-chaired by tournament founders, John Hillis '82 and John Ritz '71. Organizing and managing the tournament requires a significant amount of time and effort.

We would like to thank Bret Chandler '82 and the Rib Crib Corporation for their continued sponsorship of the tournament as the lunch sponsor providing a complete barbecue spread for all participants and volunteers. The tournament would not be the same without Bret and Rib Crib's generous support for the 7th consecutive year.

Beverage sponsors were Larry LeBarre, Greg Wallace and Kevin Foxx.

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Results:

First Place - Group 15B Second Place - Group 9A Third Place - Group 1B Fourth Place - Group 11A <u>Closest to the Pin:</u> Hole #3 - Jim Bailey Hole #6 - Tom Stapleton Hole #11 - Mike Elder Hole #15 - Will Borden Longest Drive: Todd Booze





The Jimmie Austin golf course is next to the Charlie Coe Golf Learning Center. Originally from Ardmore, Charlie Coe (#584) won the U. S. Amateur title in 1949 and in 1958. He made 19 appearances in the Masters tournament—all as an amateur. He died in Oklahoma City in 2001.

HOLE	GROUP
1A	Bob Allen, Martin Dyer, Pete Pierce, John Ritz
1B	Tom Urice, Scott Rayburn, Jerry Kelley, Harbour Whitaker, Terry Moore, Bill Carey
6	Steve Daniels, Russell Reneau, Stuart Emmons, Matt Clouse, Scott Dixon, Dale Reneau
7	John Huff, Taylor Huff, Mike Bickford, Michael Bickford
8A	Jeff Westphalen, Russ Gammill, Mike Moses, Jeff Brashears
8B	Matt Blue, Jeff Elder, John Weaver, Todd Blue
9A	Jay Fitzgerald, Pat Jordan, Rob Robertson, Jason Benn
9B	John Bell, Brandon Bell, Greg Cox, Dick Hefton
10A	John Hillis, Dean Edzards, Mike Tolson, Larry LeBarre, Tom Stapleton
10B	Tom Kemp, Chris Johnson, Calvin Sharpe, Pat Metz, Pat Mandeville
11A	Don Cochran, Curtis McCarty, Andy Robertson, Bryan Brown
11B	Chan Klingensmith, David Klingensmith, Will Bor- den, Jeremy Eaves
12	Torsten Cook, Brent Benn, Gunter Akey, Curtis Branch
13	Todd Booze, Mike LaBrie, Tom Knight, Mike John- son
14A	Trey Dzialo, Justin Briggs, Joe Ford, Clint Lord
14B	Scott Hoffman, Clark Neely, Teal Carlock, Trevor Potts
15A	Mike Elder, Will Johnson, Brandon Lee, Scott Hawkins
15B	Rob Cunningham, Matt Pollock, Wade Kovash, Bryson Varner
16	Zach Allen, Jay Pettit, Charlie Towe, Bill Towe
18	Wayne Wasemiller, Jim Bailey, John Moore, Evan Moore, Steve Miller



Fred Turner (#1405), Evan Moore (legacy), John Moore (#1441) and Scott Rayburn (#1483) enjoy the pre-tournament Barbecue.

2007 TOURNAMENT GROUPS



1A. Allen, Ritz, Dyer, Pierce



8A. Westphalen, Gammill, Moses, Brashears



10A. Hillis, Edzards, Tolson, LeBarre, Stapleton



12. Cook, Benn, Akey, Branch



15A. Elder, Johnson, Lee, Hawkins



1B. Urice, Rayburn, Kelley, Whitaker, Moore, Carey



8B. M. Blue, Elder, Weaver, T. Blue



10B. Kemp, Johnson, Sharpe, Metz, Mandeville



13. Booze, LaBrie, Knight, Johnson



15B. Cunningham, Pollock, Kovash, Varner



6. Daniels, R. Reneau, Emmons, Clouse, Dixon, D. Reneau



7. J. Huff, T. Huff, M. Bickford, M. Bickford



9B. J. Bell, B. Bell, Cox, Hefton



11A. Cochran, McCarty, Robertson, Brown

9A. Fitzgerald, Jordan, Robertson, Benn



14A. Dzialo, Briggs, Ford, Lord



16. Allen, Pettit, C. Towe, B. Towe



11B. C. Klingensmith, D. Klingensmith, Borden, Eaves



14B. Hoffman, Neely, Carlock, Potts, Sinos



18. Wasemiller, Bailey, J. Moore, E. Moore, Miller

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Corporation President's Report

Fittingly, Gamma Phi's centennial year heralded a record-setting 2006-07 Beta Donors campaign. Over 300 alumni and friends generously contributed \$64,965 to the cause of preserving and improving the Beta House at 800 Chautauqua.

This gratifying response is the best yet (by far) in the 23 year history of the Beta Donors program. Heartfelt thanks to all of you!

Kudos to the following classes which had particularly impressive levels of participation with 10 or more Donors:

 17 Donors:
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 Classes of 1969, 1972 & 1973

 10 Donors:
 Classes of 1971 & 1982

Due to this wonderful support of our alumni, the Beta Corporation has completed or is proceeding with several important capital improvements, including:

- Complete replacement of the parking lot. This task was long overdue, as the parking lot had become unsightly and a maintenance headache. Already finished, the lot is now in pristine condition for the first time in many years.
- Installation of a state-of-the-art T1 wireless network providing seamless broadband Internet access throughout the house. Today's actives tend to view internet service as among the most important ameni-

ties. This new system is unmatched enamong OU fraternities.

- Capping the basketball court with a new layer of concrete. This project essentially replaces the court, which had cracked and become unlevel in many places. New dyed concrete will make the court first class once again.
- Extensive renovation of the backyard area. Many new improvements will be installed to make the backyard a more attractive and enjoyable gathering and recreational area, including a new decks and pergolas and extensive new landscaping refurbishments.
- Installation of slate-style ceramic floors in each room occupied by seniors. Increasing senior occupancy is an important goal. These improvements are part of our effort to encourage and reward our inhouse seniors.
- Expansion of the surveillance camera system.
- Replacement of one of (and the oldest) air conditioning compressors serving the upstairs hallways.
- Extensive interior repainting.

The overall projected cost of these projects is approximately \$90,000. This represents one of our most ambitious improvement initiatives over recent years. With these improvements, I think it's fair to say the Beta House has never been in more impressive condition. As we observe Gamma Phi's 100th anniversary, this fact is an outstanding testament to not only Beta's





Zach Allen '85 Corporation President

during legacy at OU, but also to the unmatched loyalty and support from our alumni who made it possible.

We hope to see as many of you as possible at our Centennial celebration on October 20. If you join us, please be sure to visit the Beta House and see the results of your support!

Zach Allen '85 Corporation President

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The resurfacing of the basketball court was one of several major projects handled by

basketball court was one of several major projects handled by Curtis McCarty (#2099) this summer. The actives and alumni owe Curtis a big THANK YOU!

RICHARD ANDERSON WORKS TO RETURN SINGING TO 800 CHAUTAUQUA



Dick Anderson (#796), Brian Bond (#2715), Brad Cantrell (#2750) and Spencer Kinzie (#2741) practice in the living room at 800 Chautauqua. Other quartet/octet participants not pictured include Keith Henry (#2683), Jakeb Black (#2670), Travis Storts (#2701), Joe Consedine (#2739), Allen Anderson (#2728) and Cory Lloyd (#2769).

Dick Anderson (#796) moved to Norman in November 2006 after a 45-year career as a professional opera singer in New York City and Europe. Like many Gamma Phi alumni, he was surprised to learn that singing (particularly, singing Beta songs) has ceased to be a normal, every-day activity at 800 Chautauqua. Through his efforts and the interests of several actives, the Chapter now has a couple of quartets and an octet. They plan to perform at local, regional and national Beta Theta Pi events, including the Annual Convention. Hopefully, the members involved in these formal ensembles will provide musical instruction to current and future Gamma Phi members and pledges.

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