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Message from the High Alpha *New Attitude Comes with Change*

By D. Scott Miner '94



Hello, Alumni! As always, it is a pleasure to fill you in on current chapter events and the many exciting developments at Sigma. The change in the status of Greek life on the Michigan campus has resulted in a new attitude for the chapter. Greek life is at a crucial point. With the city and the neighboring community questioning the usefulness and validity of the Greek system, we must rededicate ourselves to our fraternity's ideals and show those who question us that our

organization is beneficial not only to its members but to the community around us as well. As members of the Greek community, we must become more involved in volunteer services, philanthropies, academic organizations and neighbor relations. If it was true that we were too focused on our own agendas, we must change and can no longer be concerned only with our own members. Rather, we must serve our members by reinforcing principles that make the fraternity experience a valuable one.

We realize that all of this is easy to say, but it is action that counts. We at 1601 are faced with this great challenge. We continue to have high academic standards and are dedicated to community service. Our annual fund-raiser, "Winterfest," continues to raise over a thousand dollars to support local organizations. Also, we continue to hold philanthropic events many times a semester that are focused on serving those in need. This is not to say that we are where we want to be and that there is no room for improvement, but that we are striving to meet this challenge.

At Sigma, we are poised for a very bright future. With a group of enthusiastic young leaders, a housing reconstruction plan well on its way to being realized, and a group of members who care a great deal about the fraternity, we realize the opportunity is ours to build a stronger organization on this very firm foundation.

As president of Lambda Chi Alpha, I thank all alumni who have contributed to the changes that are being made. I would also like to issue an invitation to any who wish to be involved. We hope to see or hear from you soon.

Renovation Plans Completed *Excitement Grows as Renovation Date Nears*

By Peter Haun '93, Building Committee Member

During the past year-and-a-half, a tremendous amount of work has been done on house renovation plans by both alumni and undergraduates. If all goes as planned, the renovations will begin in the winter of 1993 in the basement, with the rest of the renovations being completed during the following summer, enabling undergraduates to reside in the house throughout the renovation process. The kickoff for the fund raising of the million-dollar-plus renovation began on Founders' Day, March 21, 1992.

The plans, which took almost a year to complete, are exciting. The exterior will be cleaned and refinished with mostly only minor changes, but a terrace will be established on the Hill Street side of the house. The basement, on the other hand, will see many changes, such as the expansion of the kitchen, game room

and dining/chapter room. The first floor, too, will receive a new look. A complete living suite and a kitchenette are in the plans, while the foyer, chapter and pool rooms will be completely redeveloped. Second and third floors will see the least change. Included in the plans are the addition of a bedroom in the present upper level of the main staircase and minor remodeling of the rooms and bathrooms.

After all the changes, the Chi house will be a "new-and-improved" model, while maintaining its age-old traditions, such as community Chi showers and a cold dormer. As the renovation date draws closer, the excitement in and around 1601 Washtenaw grows. My only regret is that by the time the renovations are complete, I will have graduated and won't be living in the "new" house.

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Sigma Celebrates Founders' Day In Grand Fashion

This year's Founders' Day celebration at Sigma was a major success in the "Restoring the Pride" campaign. An excellent showing of alumni from all decades turned out to kick off the campaign and rekindle old friendships.

The undergraduates of Sigma spent many hours preparing for the arrival of the alumni. We planned events that we hoped would help you to recapture the spirit of your undergraduate Greek

experience for a weekend! The scheduled events included a Friday welcoming cocktail party at the Sheraton Hotel in Ann Arbor, while Saturday included events designed to acquaint alumni with the current undergraduate brothers.

Saturday began with the executive committee meeting, which was followed by a class leader meeting. Next was the event eagerly anticipated by all — the house tour at 1601 Washtenaw! The undergradu-

ates had cleaned "Club 1601" until it looked almost new, even without reconstruction. (Well, maybe it didn't look *that* good!) Following the house tour were cocktails and a dinner at the Sheraton. While at dinner, alumni reflected on great times and shared their experiences with the current undergrads. Sooner than anyone wanted, the evening came to a close, with all looking forward to another great time at Homecoming in 1992!

Everyone's a Champion at Winterfest 1992

Our Winterfest Greek Olympic celebration was a great success again this past February. Although the amount raised for this year's selected philanthropy has not been finalized, it is believed that we exceeded last year's amount of a thousand dollars.

Best Buddies of America was chosen this year to be the recipient of the proceeds of our event. In this worthwhile program, the interaction between college students and the mentally or physically disabled is encouraged. All Sigmas past and present will agree that this is indeed an extremely beneficial program for the children of the area as well as for the brothers involved.

This year's Winterfest included donations from all sororities on campus. With the fund raising completed, a celebration ensued at the house with all contributors participating. Due to the cold weather, we had to do without the usual elaborate competitions, so all houses were declared to have won the dubious distinction of being named Champions of Winterfest. Victory for everyone provided a great reason to celebrate.

The planning has already begun for an expanded Winterfest sweatshirt sale next year. We hope to generate an even larger donation for another organization committed to improving the local community.



The guys celebrate after the hard work of fund raising for Winterfest 1992.

Alumni News

The 1920s

Thomas A. Nowlen '26 resides at 301 W. Napier, Benton Harbor, MI 49022.

You can reach **Richard S. Cole '30** by writing to 8505 Woodfield Crossing, #141, Indianapolis, IN 46240.

The 1930s

Frederic E. VanDorn '31 makes his home at 2175 Monterrey Dr., Fairfield, CA 94533.

"When I got married in '35, we lived on Joy St.," writes **Clair E. Carpenter '33** (5882 Easy St., L. 7, Bradenton, FL 34207), "and when I retired, we moved to Easy St. What a journey!" Although he has retired, Clair, a clergyman, still enjoys preaching and writing.

The new address for **Charles R. Ashton '34** is 6551 Red Cedar Ln., West Bloomfield, MI 48324.

Since his retirement, **Rogers A. Bradley '38** (2717 Martin St., Sarasota, FL 34237) fishes three mornings a week and walks two-and-a-half miles the other mornings along with playing bridge and volunteering through his local Rotary Club. Rog reports: "**Chet Shelly '38** is recovering from two operations and recently returned to his golf game. I have talked with **Han Staley '37**, who is practically retired; **Wally Truce '37**, who has enjoyed sailing all over the world; and **Larry McKay '37**, who has retired to Michigan."

The 1940s

Gidden S. Doman '42 (1 Rondure Rd., Granby, CT 06035) writes, "I'm still working in Italy on the design and development of multi megawatt wind turbines." Gid hears from **Warren Robinson '41**.

You can reach **William R. Jack '48** by writing to Kelgermyk Higher Derry, Boscawen, Cornwall PL35 0HL, England.

The 1950s

Carlyle V. Stewart Jr. '50 (16654 Kennedy Ln., Falls Church, VA 22042) is the owner and president of Crystal Quarters.

When he wrote in January, **John P. Whalite '50** (417 Dutch Mill Dr., Flushing, MI 48433) had just returned from a two-week visit in Costa Rica with Ann and **Claude Morehouse '49**. Jack was planning to spend the month of March with his son in Mission, Texas, and April with his daughter in Corpus Christi, Texas. He stays in touch with **Ray Reece '48**.

In '91 **Gary M. Hicks '51** (1503 Berkshire Dr. S.E., Grand Rapids, MI 49508) retired, then opened a travel agency, A World of Travel.

John D. Box '52 lives at 127 Hwy. 22 E., #N21, Madisonville, LA 70447.

W. Patrick Cuslek '53 (10378 Deerwood Club Rd., Jacksonville, FL 32258), president of Xomed Trace, Inc., a subdivision of Bristol Myers Squibb, reports that "**Emmett I. Smith '49** (42125 Gladwin St., Northville, MI 48167) is ill and would probably enjoy hearing from his brothers."

Stanley G. Lush '53 (26354 Centennial Tr., Golden, CO 80401) is a marketing representative for Drexel-Heritage, Inc.

The chief of the section of urology at Providence Hospital, **Mark C. McQuiggan '54** (29653 Club House Ln., Farmington Hills, MI 48334) has been elected president of the Michigan Urological Association for 1992. "I have met with **Dick Good '55** and a lot of other Lambda Chis to help finance the house renovations."

Elliott E. Bard '56 (2119 Kimrick Pl., Timonium, MD 21093) is the vice president of marketing for Medical Life Insurance Co.

J. George Fries '57 (33995 Ramble Hills Dr., Farmington Hills, MI 48331), an electrical contractor with Shaw Electric Co., is a member of the University of Michigan Engineering School Alumni Society Board and the construction committee for the Sigma Chapter rebuilding. He writes, "The last of my three children has graduated from University of Michigan, making our family 100 percent U. of M. alumni." George hears from **Al Simmons '56**, who has remarried and lives in Tecumseh, Mich.

Frank O. Brabaw '58 (412 Lauterback Island Dr., Satellite Beach, FL 32937) is an engineer at Delco Systems Operations.

John R. Cross '58, vice president of marketing and materials for Chardon Rubber Co., resides at 13422 Walnut Tr., Chardon, OH 44024.

Thomas L. Capua '59 (3189 Old Farm, Flint, MI 48507) is associated with Thomas L. Capua, Sr. C.L.U.

The new address for Lynn and **William A. Hockenberger '59** is 31530 Wallham, Beverly Hills, MI 48025. Bill is a senior consulting manager with Deloitte & Touche.

The 1960s

In 1991, **John C. Braidwood '60** (10524 S.W. 11th Dr., Portland, OR 97219) sold his majority interest in the Molded Container Corp., and now acts as a consultant for the firm. When he wrote in January, John was planning to travel with his wife to Antarctica in February and the Galapagos Islands in May.

J. William Schepers '60 (3375 Oak Hollow Dr. S.E., Grand Rapids, MI 49546) is self-employed as a manufacturer's representative.

James L. Tanner '60 (7409 Kenyon Dr., Middleton, WI 53562), special ministries director at the University of Wisconsin Campus Crusade for Christ, ministers primarily to University of Wisconsin faculty, international students and Greeks. Jim is also a field assistant for the University of Wisconsin marching band. His wife, Jacquie, also ministers to students. The Tanners have four children, two boys and two girls.

As a teacher in the Huron Valley Schools, **John S. Hardy '64** (3915 N. Latson Rd., Howell, MI 48843) teaches sixth grade math and science and eighth grade math and coaches basketball. Jack is also a part-time pilot for First Corporate Air, which flies the Roundball Express to University of Michigan basketball games.

Randall L. Mitchell '64 (65 Britker Rd., Barrington Hills, IL 60010) is an attorney with

Schuyler, Roche & Zwirner. Randy and his wife, Karen, have three children.

John R. Moorhead '64 (19 Heatheridge, Ann Arbor, MI 48104) and his wife, Belle, announce the adoption of their son, Sean, who celebrated his first birthday in February. Both Jack and Belle retired from MSI, a general contracting company, to spend more time with their son and to start up a new building company, WM Associates, Inc. Jack reports, "**G. A. 'Mac' McCarty '63** just opened an OBI/GYN office in Troy."

Frank Grace Jr. '65 (120 Vassland Dr., Nashville, TN 37205) and his wife, Carol (U. of M. '65), have two children. "Grazov" reports: "We have a large University of Michigan contingent in Tennessee. I represent the university at a number of college nights held at area high schools, and I interview scholarship candidates." Frank is an attorney with Willis & Knight.

A pediatric dentist, **Thomas C. Pink '65** (1312 W. Franklin, Jackson, MI 49200) was recently appointed to the Dental Specialty Task Force by Governor Engler. "Pinker" and his wife, Sandra, have two sons. Their eldest, Jason, will be enrolling at University of Michigan in the fall.

When he wrote at the beginning of March, **Ronald J. Russell '65** (182W15698 Valley View Dr., Menomonee Falls, WI 53051), a manager of corporate compensation for Miller Brewing Co., was planning to attend Founders' Day Weekend. "**Bob Tobias '64** can't make it, but sends his regards."

Robert L. McCulloch '66 (8935 Giraldi Cir., Boca Raton, FL 33433) is president of the construction firm, McCulloch Enterprises.

David B. Sheldon '66 (3016 Osceola St., Denver, CO 80212) and his wife recently celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary. They have three children. "Percy" is in touch with **Bill Prakken '63**, an attorney in Colorado. **Bob**

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Gilbert '62, an attorney in Michigan; **Jack Moorhead '64**, a retiree in Michigan; and **Ed Petrick '64**, in Chicago. Perry is vice president and group executive of sales and marketing for Bell Corp.

Lawrence A. Grace '67 (2841 Provincial, Ann Arbor, MI 48104) and his wife, Sally, have three children. Larry is a banker with Michigan National Bank.

C. Robert Kidder '67 (329 West Ln., Ridgefield, CT 06877) is the chairman, president and CEO of Duracell International, Inc. Bob and his wife, Mary (J. of M. '67), celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary with a trip to Jumbo Bay, Antigua, in January. Bob reports that **Jim Mumby '63** is a neighbor in Connecticut.

Andrew M. VanderMolen '68 (7212 W. Parker, Lansing, MI 48848) is a staff physicist at Michigan State University.

The new address for **Dennis C. Dill '69** is 1803 Building North, Dow Chemical, Midland, MI 48674.

The 1970s

A principal architect in the firm of Hansen Lind Meyer, **Charles W. Cole Jr. '73** (880 Little Bend Rd., Altamonte Springs, FL 32714) is director of design. Chuck and his wife, Julie, have one son. He hears from **Gregory Broome '72** and **Bill Thomas '72**.

Gary Spariosu '73 (20 Crestmont Rd., West Orange, NJ 07052) and his wife, Ann, are expecting their first child in July. Gary reports, "I recently spoke with **Paul Johnson '74**, who lives in Milwaukee and is an editor of an automotive publication and **Bill Snell '74**, who is working on his second master's degree in Chicago." Gary is a marketing researcher for Manufacturers Hanover Trust Co.

Jeffrey R. Neal '74 resides at 7 El Cardo, Rancho Santa Margarita, CA 92688.

William G. Snell '74 (830 Elm St., Glen Ellyn, IL 60137), who is associated with the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, is also the father of three children.

Kenneth J. Burke '75 (2600 Union St., #204, San Francisco, CA 94123) is an investment analyst with Pacific Growth Equity.

Attorney **Mark J. Reidy '75** (1705 N. Quessada St., Arlington, VA 22205) is a managing partner in the law firm of Balch & Bingham. Mark writes: "My practice in energy and environmental matters has taken me around the world. Currently I'm structuring an electric power facility project in India."

Gerard A. Geraci '79 (48 Oakwood Dr., Naperville, IL 60540) and his wife, Debbie, have two children. He is in touch with **Jack Withrow '79**. Gerry is a west zone sales manager for Amoco Oil, Lubricants Division.

Jack D. Withrow '79 (2952 N. Westview Ct., Bloomfield Hills, MI 48304) is a manager of product planning for Chrysler Corp.

The 1980s

Robert M. DiScipio '80 (22 Harrison Ave., New Canaan, CT 06840) is an attorney with Hawthorne Ackerly & Durance.

The new address for **Patrick C. Cauley '81** is 781 Keaton, Troy, MI 48068. Patrick is a lawyer with Bodman, Longley & Dahling.

John C. Harder '81 has moved to 7960 Remington Rd., Cincinnati, OH 45242. John is in insurance planning with the Lang Krake Financial Group, Inc.

"Life is good," writes **Robert G. Hiss '81** (405 Marlborough St., #21, Boston, MA 02115), who is a consultant with Andersen Consulting and has been married to his wife, Mary (J. of M. '81), since 1983. Bob reports that **Chuck Vinson '80** is a music professor at Northwestern; **Jim O'Connor '82** is a consultant with Monitor Co. in Boston; and **Steve Alderman '81** is an attorney in Syracuse, N.Y.

Bob Swiler '81 is resident manager for the U.P. Merrill Lynch Consumer Markets. His business address is 3400 W. 66th St., Edina, MN 55435.

The new address for **John E. Cunningham '82** is 2615 Robindale Ln., Bloomfield Hills, MI 48302. John is a consultant with Andersen Consulting in Detroit.

James C. Becker '83 (2119 N. Cleveland, Chicago, IL 60614) is associated with Royal LePage.

Thomas R. Berglund Jr. '83, vice president of Precision Polymer Manufacturing, has moved to 1432 Woodland, Portage, MI 49002.

Sean M. Mulrone '83 (3628 N. Janes St., #1, Chicago, IL 60613) is an attorney with the Environmental Protection Agency.

Scott C. Haclas '85, who is associated with General Motors, now resides at 2020 Ridgefield Ct., Rochester Hills, MI 48306.

Louis Therus '85 recently moved to 867 Lincoln, Grosse Pointe, MI 48230. Louis is an attorney with Dickinson, Wright, Mott, Van Dusen & Freeman.

The new address for **Michael F. Ottaway '86**, a financial consultant for Merrill Lynch, is 348 Tauraine Rd., Grosse Pointe, MI 48236.

Kurt S. Halsey '88 (1141 N. Oxford, Grosse Pointe Woods, MI 48236) is a senior accountant with Deloitte & Touche.

Peter K. Hoglund '88 (545 Madison St., Birmingham, MI 48009) is an MBA student at University of Michigan.

In February, from his new home at 707 Purdy, Birmingham, MI 48009, **Kurt J. Schneider '88** announced his plans to marry in May. "To," an advertising account executive for Lintra; Campbell-Ewald, has attended the weddings of **Pete Hoglund '88**, **Chip Moore '87**, **Mike Heffer '87**, **Brad Laffrey '86**, **Mike Laramie '86** and **Doug Smith '89** during the past year. He also has heard from **Tim Monahan '87** and **Eric Kratochwill '87**.

A medical student at Georgetown University Medical School, **Richard L. Makowiec '89** has moved in with **Brian Kelliber '89**. Their address is 1527 27th St. N.W., Washington, DC 20007. When he wrote in February, Rich was planning to be in the April wedding of **Mike Burke '88**.

Tarek F. Saad '89 (1853 E. Round Lake, Dewitt, MI 48820) will soon be graduating from the University of Texas School of Law and plans to begin working with the law firm of Hughes & Luce in the fall of 1992. "T. Saad" hears from **Rich Makowiec '89**.

Jeffrey B. Shaw '89 (215 Grandview Ave., Kalamazoo, MI 49001) began working for Lifetouch National School Studios in August 1991 as a salesperson

as well as a photographer. "Great job," he writes. "Lots of variety." Jeffrey has also been a part-time salesperson for Redwood and Ross for about two years.

In January **Douglas T. Smith '89** (339 Purdy, Royal Oak, MI 48028) accepted an in-office promotion to manager at Independence One Mortgage. "Fresh" and his wife, Kelly, are looking forward to homecoming. He stays in touch with **John Reehil '88** and **Mike Burke '88**.

The 1990s

Mark J. Kozlowski '90 (5 Windward Pl., Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236), a medical student at Wayne State University, reported in March that **John Mack '90** had returned from a six week tour of Europe.

When he wrote in January, **Ross M. Lacy '90** (2500 Massachusetts Ave. N.W., Washington, DC 20008), a production associate with ABC News Nightline, wrote: "It looks as if I'll be moving to L.A. in May to check out the entertainment world and live with **Pete Riehl '89**, **Drew Grandi '89** and **Mike Burke '88**. I plan on visiting lots of folks on the way out." "Rosen" also wrote that he had just received a call from Paris from **Dave Kohnstamm '90**, who reported that all the Chis in Europe (**Louie Melhem '91**, **Steve Trowern '90**, **Ken Oehler '91** and **Bill Gryzenia '91**) are happy and safe."

The new address for **Adam P. Schnellberg '90** is 155 W. 68th St., #204, New York, NY 10023. "Schnibbly," an associate equity analyst with Donaldson Lufkin & Jenrette, plans to return in New York for another year.

An engineer for International Paper, **Mark C. Moore '91** has moved to 875 University Ave., Palo Alto, CA 94301.

John A. Wenglarski '91 (2118 Ballman Dr., Lansing, MI 48917) is associated with Coopers & Lybrand.

We regret to inform you of the death of the following alumni:

Thomas J. Abele (5/23/91)
Thomas E. Daley
Richard A. Hart (1/6/92)
Cornelius V. Velde '14
George L. Johnson '30
William S. Cerny '68