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New House Plans Are Completed



Construction to Start This Spring

With the plans of the new chapter house completed, the 80 brothers of Lambda Chi Alpha anxiously await the melting of the snow and the breaking of warmer weather. The brothers have started to clear the long driveway up to the house site above fraternity row and will complete the rest of the tree removal themselves. Construction will begin as soon as the water has drained off the hill. Several brothers will remain here for the summer to help in the actual building, assisting the contractor's men whenever possible.

As a physical structure, the house will be deluxe. Being very modern, it will have one wall of the party / social room made of sliding glass doors and full length windows. All rooms will have individual bathroom / shower com-

binations and large floor to ceiling windows. There will be rooms for forty men as in the old house with more space being efficiently used than in the Binns home. Naturally, one of the most carefully designed aspects of the building was the bar; it will afford more than enough room to handle a host of psyched groggers. Kitchen facilities will have been improved also; architect Donald Banton has worked well on developing a beautiful and well working fraternity house. The brothers and builders are most confident that the building will be ready to be occupied by next Semester. The move will carry the memories and success of the old chapter house onto a new place of Lambda Chi Alpha Brotherhood.

David Cole Elected

David Cole was elected President of Lambda Chi for the upcoming year at house elections held late last semester. Dave, a Philosophy major from Fairfield, Connecticut, served as house manager prior to his elections. Dave has demonstrated his confidence, determination and ability to lead in the past. The brotherhood knows that he will continue to do so throughout the next year, possibly Lambda Chi's most difficult yet.

Showing its confidence, the brothers elected Skip Yates Vice President. Skip, brothered only this past semester, is a sophomore Psychology major from Port Washington, New York. Rounding out the High Zeta are Treasurer Jim Bender, a junior Business Administration major from Silver Creek, New York and Geoff

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Alumni Corporation Report

As you may or may not know, last October, at homecoming, the Alumni Corporation of Kappa Sigma Zeta voted to approve the construction of a new house. This was necessary because of the University plans to construct a new library on the Lambda Chi site.

Since that time many things have been happening. The Alumni Corporation has continued negotiations with the University to define the exact building site and the provisions of its acquisition. Planning has continued with an architect to refine and design the floor plans. The financial questions are being explored with the banks. Contractors are being contacted to determine the most economical method of building. And finally, the active brothers have started to clear the building site. While this has been going on, the active brothers have continued the day to day business of running and maintaining the present house.

New Officers

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Lindemer, Secretary, a junior Business Administration major from Manlius, New York.

In other offices, it is Andy Lewis, a sophomore English major from New Canaan, Connecticut, as Rush Chairman and Mike Friona, a junior Biology major from North Tonawanda, New York, as Pledge Educator. House Manager went to Russ Nedyl, a junior Business Administration major from Mt. Vernon, New York.

The popular office of Social Chairman went to John "Big Pink" Fernbach, a junior Business Administration major from Eggertsville, New York. Of all the newly elected officers, "Big Pink" has the biggest shoes of all to fill. Outgoing chairman did "one hell of a job" seeing that everybody had a smile on their face.

Ritualist for the next year will be sophomore Ken Korwin, a Pre-Med student from Roslyn, New York, while Scholastic Chairman is sophomore Curt Dann, from Pittsburg, New York.

In an unprecedented move, the house voted into office three seniors Brad West, Chuck Melquist and John Ostrowski, to the offices of Fire Marshall, Sports Chairman and Kappa Sigma Editor, respectively. This "psych" by the seniors, is in response to the notion that graduating seniors are apathetic. Well, Kappa Sigma Zeta is one place where the senior class is not apathetic.

The brothers realize that not every brother is able to hold office. With this in mind, each brother contributes in whatever way he can. We feel that we have the best man for the job in each position and we expect to maintain Lambda Chi's qualified leadership for another year.

The next year promises to be the most challenging period in Lambda Chi history, for at no time before has the brotherhood been so completely uprooted that it has been necessary to build a new house. To build the new house the Alumni Corporation will be drawing on our local resources of the time and advice of the nearby Alumni, and our financial reserves from the sale of the old house.

We, the alumni who live in the Alfred area, that have worked with the active brothers in getting this project off the ground, have been very encouraged with their willingness to work and accept this challenge. To complete the project we will be looking for the support and encouragement of all our alumni.

Bob Volk, '65

Bzdak Finishes Grid Career

Henry Bzdak, the hard-hitting halfback from Allegany, New York, closed out his Alfred football career as the all-time leading ground gainer for the Saxons with a total of 3,030 yards. Affectionately called "Hank" by the brothers, he is one half of the Lambda Chi rushing tandem, the other half being Rick Hansinger, the fleet footed flanker from Mt. Clemens, Michigan.

Not being gifted with any speed at all, as Mercury Morris, nor monstrous size, a'la Larry Czonka, the brothers have often wondered along with opposing linemen why he won't fall down. When asked to comment about his success, he was quick to attribute it to hard work and determination, coupled along with the fact that he was playing with a fine team under the direction of "the best coach in the East."

Luncheon, Ground-breaking Ceremony

On March 16th, St. Pat's Weekend, Kappa Sigma Zeta will host a luncheon and ground-breaking ceremony. The kickoff luncheon will start at twelve, preceeded by the parade, and will close with the walk up to the wooded hill chosen for construction. Come join the active brotherhood to start the history of a new chapter house, built specifically as a fraternity house. See the beginning of what will produce all the memories you have of brotherhood for another young man in his search for education, friendship and wisdom. We hope you can attend this memorable occasion and also enjoy the St. Pat's Weekend with us. If you plan to participate, please be sure to fill out the form below and mail it as soon as possible to:

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THANK YOU!

Name:

Address:

Phone No.

Need Motel Reservations?

Do You Remember . . . ?

This column is going to be a new corner of our publications. It will be used for anecdotes and memories submitted by Alumni to tickle the minds of their classmates. Do you have a particularly fond memory? If you do, drop us a line. We'll need your memories to make it successful.

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Try these on for size:

1) When for St. Pat's in 1964 (or was it '63) the brothers "borrowed" a horse-drawn hearse that they found in a barn to use in the parade . . . but ended up in the hands of the local police.

2) Dave Scoby? This legend, who descended on the house about 1962, is still here and as mysterious as ever. We must admit though, we don't know how he originated.

3) The "Pers" and the "Stompers" and the flag football game where the Stompers "threw" the game to the league champion Pers. (circa 1968)

The teams included such luminaries as Zikker Boiko, Tummy Bailey, Wayne Walding, Kiwi Bird, Hibes, Mouse Doin, and Rag Arnold.

Wedding Bells

It seems as though getting engaged is the thing to do at Lambda Chi. A burst of engagements first semester makes a total of five brothers now getting ready to tie the knot.

ENGAGED

Brad West '74 and Alice Harrison '75;
Chuck Melquist '74 and Sue Peterson;
Dale Lathrop '74 and Wendy Peacor;
Rick Hansinger '75 and Mena Myers '73;
Butch Bolen '75 and Wendy Wilson '75.



February 4, 1974 Pledging . . .

Since the news that Lambda Chi would be moving to a new house, it's been common knowledge that if we don't brother good men willing to work this year, our transition to the new house next year will be made that much more difficult. This fall, Lambda Chi initiated nine new brothers. This lifts our active brotherhood to 72.

The pledge period lasted seven weeks. The brothers were not without their doubts as to the quality of the prospective brothers, however. During this time, the pledges set a new house record by doing nothing right. This eclipsed the old record of doing one thing right, set by the Fall '71 pledge class. But don't think that their record came easy. They must have worked very hard to get it.

The pledges, under the careful supervision and watchful eye of Pledge Trainer Dale Lathrop '74, got off on the wrong foot with a losing homecoming sign. The brothers easily passed this defeat off with the excuse that the pledges were still new and a bit jittery, all the while figuring that things would get progressively better. However, this was not the case. Next came two "innovative" pledge pranks, master-minded by pledges Skip Yates and Gary E. DelRegno. The first consisted of stealing all the light bulbs and shoes while the second found salt in all the beds. Needless to say, the pledges greatly "impressed" the brotherhood with their ingenuity.

Going into the pledge finale, the pledge skit, the pledges had everything to gain and nothing to lose. The now worried brotherhood was willing to forgive the past mistakes and forget the losing image for a decent skit. The Brotherhood was denied, however. A terrible per-

formance drew no laughs from the Brothers. It only served to emphasize the point that the pledges were somewhere in left field.

An anxious Brotherhood wondered where it went wrong, turning to Pledge Trainer Dale for the reason, which caused him to utter his now-famous last words:

"Don't ask me, that ain't my job."

Actually, it's hard to do anything right when you're only a pledge and the cards aren't in your favor. This class will be a definite asset to and will doubtlessly contribute to Lambda Chi . . .

Where are They?

We are trying to locate the addresses of several alumni. If you know the whereabouts of any of the following brothers, please let us know. Your help will be appreciated. And while you're at it, let us know what YOU'RE doing.

Augustus D. Beckman	KS 326
Benjamin W. Bently	KS 109
Charles A. Domenicali	KS 373
William H. Fellows	KS 245
Paul A. Fisher	KS 456
E. Grace	KS 509
Herbert B. Harris	KS 23
Stig Bertil Holmquist	KS 472
Henry Hopkins	KS 588
Donald J. Julbert	KS 575
Henry J. Jaworski	KS 272
Dyer B. Lake	KS 32
Arlie C. McGuire	KS 220
John Milani	KS 620
Charles Robins	KS 163
John H. Ryan	KS 203
Charles K. Snyder	KS 348
Charles L. Studwell	KS 046
Donald R. Whitcomb	KS 052

When somebody mentioned that Lambda Chi has a good chance to win the Intramural Trophy this year, the most common answer was, "What's that?" This is an indication of how long it's been since Lambda Chi has been in contention in intramural sports. But for the first time in recent years, the house is making a strong bid for the championship . . . knock on wood.

After storming into a football playoff birth, the boys put together two great games and humbled previously undefeated Klan 18-12 in the semifinals, and outlasted the Delta Sig "Tools," 46-42, to win the championship played on Merrill Field.

It was a wide open game in the finals as the score indicates, and were it not for a last minute interception by rookie safetyman Chris Makin '76, Lambda Chi would have been resigned to bridesmaid once again.

One outstanding player was quarterback Chuck Melquist '74. His play-calling and ability to read the defense made him the team sparkplug. Speed merchants Artie Esposito '74 and captain Butch Bolen '75 made running the ball look easy. On defense, it was Paul "Hans" Ormond '74, Jeff Yigdall '74, and Flash Resnach '74 (maybe). The way they grabbed flags, it seemed as though they had glue on their hands.

The "B" team, also deep in dormant talent, had a chance to give Lambda Chi a one-two finish. However, the Klan "A" team proved to be too strong for the boys and thus had to settle for fourth place. Still not too bad for a team considered to be made up of turkeys.

Elsewhere in the world of sports, Chico Fernandez '74, took first place in the ping-pong intramurals for the second year in a row, while John Marsh '74, took second. The all-day affair attracted over 40 players. It's little wonder Chico was a little cross-eyed after taking first place points for Lambda Chi.

In the still young basketball season, Lambda Chi is 3-1, the only loss being to Kappa Psi. Coach Chuck Melquist says the team has good height and depth with sophomores Mark Schneckenberger and Frankie Williams more than taking up the slack left by graduating seniors.

On paper, Lambda Chi looks tough in swimming, wrestling, volleyball and handball. The brothers can taste victory now and they're psyched. Only time will tell, so hold your breath and cross your fingers.

Clark J. Whitman	KS 071
Homer C. Wilkins	KS 451
Donald C. Withers	KS 594
Chauncey W. Young	KS 140