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CHAPTER ACCOMPLISHMENTS RESULT OF NEW ENTHUSIASM

By Jason Moment '99, Fall 1997 Chapter President

The past year has been an eventful one at the Phi Phi chapter. Beginning with last spring, our chapter has undergone many changes, both to the physical components of the chapter house and to the organizational structure and development of the brotherhood. If there is one prevailing feeling among all of the undergraduate members as we open the spring 1998 term, it is that we are heading in the right direction, and we are set to make our chapter a landmark one that is looked up to by other Alpha Chi Rho chapters.

To bring you up to date on some of the physical improvements we have made in the past year, I begin with the outside. As many of you may already know, the back yard saw major renovations thanks to the brotherhood's hard work. Following our initial project, we installed a new basketball court and volleyball

net, along with outdoor lighting for nighttime play.

Inside the house, our new bar looks fantastic, thanks to the contributions of Adam Tritt '00, Brad Griffith '99 and Yoram LePair '98. We just recently acquired new bar stools with burgundy leather to complete our downstairs. In addition, several photographs dating from the 1920s were framed and now adorn our bar room. Upstairs, in the dining hall, we have constructed new benches, which should last for many years. Finally, we have refinished the 100-year-old table that now stands in the living room, and it looks better than ever. In addition to these changes, we are eagerly awaiting new couches for the living room, which will complete our main floor and downstairs renovations for some time.

As far as the membership is concerned, we have had a steady

increase in participation and rising spirits. When I became president last January, we were a bit apathetic because of the sanctions we were facing. We had gotten into trouble with some alcohol and rush risk management violations, but after surviving probation and sanctions, we really have gotten the house back on track. Our new attitude is best exemplified by our recent outstanding rush, complete with trips to New York City and Bookbinders, and we have 20 new pledges to show for it!

Our upbeat attitude carried over into this semester. Our recruitment program is on track, and we have built up and maintained a database of prospective members, which we plan to use during official rush periods. Several successful social events have made many brothers much more active and involved. Through meetings with members

of the Office of Fraternity and Sorority Affairs (OFSA), our National Headquarters, and members of the Phi Phi Club board, I am confident that our undergraduate brotherhood is going to continue to improve.

To conclude, I think that our chapter has undergone an important period of change, and we are coming to learn about how we can be a better chapter in the eyes of the university, the Phi Phi Club, and our national organization. The past semester or two have been mostly devoted to building membership, and now that we have achieved our goals, I think we will be much better equipped to deal with the next set of issues that face us (i.e., risk management, community service involvement, etc.) On behalf of all undergrads, I thank the Phi Phi Club for all that you have given, both monetarily and in moral support.

FUTURE BRIGHT AS PHI PHI ENTERS ITS SECOND CENTURY

By Wayne Levy '99, Spring 1998 Chapter President

As you know, we celebrated our Centennial last year. The centerpiece of our Centennial celebration was parchment bearing the signatures of all attendees at the first annual homecoming celebration, dated June 3, 1897. At last year's banquet, a poster was passed around among attendees in order to once again create a printed record of a special celebration. By the time our Centennial Celebration ended, we had signatures from brothers representing classes from eight different decades this century. This new document was this year's homecoming celebration centerpiece. It was



Alumni Day Barbecue

Saturday, May 16
12 p.m. at the House

Hope to see you then!

framed and proudly displayed in the dining room. In addition, a table from the original furniture arrangement of the chapter hall was refinished and reinforced and is now back in use in the living room.

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SIMEON PARK '59 RECEIVES ALUMNI AWARD OF MERIT

B. C. Simeon Park '59 was awarded the General Alumni Society's Alumni Award of Merit at a ceremony and gala dinner held on Friday, November 7, 1997. Mr. Park joins a prestigious group of alumni in being awarded this highest honor by the university.

Mr. Park has contributed not only to the university, but also to Phi Phi. He had generously donated a 35" television to the fraternity. (Unfortunately, over Christmas break, the fraternity was burglarized, and the television, along with other electronics, was stolen from the living room.)

Alpha Chi Rho salutes Mr. Park for his continuing participation and generosity toward the fraternity and the university.

SOME AXP GRADS ARE ON-LINE: LOOK THEM UP AT OUR HOME PAGE!

For a list of Alpha Chi Rho grads who are on-line, look on the Web at <http://axp.home.ml.org>.

FUTURE BRIGHT AS PHI PHI ENTERS SECOND CENTURY *(Continued from Page 1)*

After the Penn vs. Princeton Homecoming football game, a large group of visiting and resident brothers headed out to 39th Street to Cavanaugh's to celebrate Penn's victory over Princeton. Nearly thirty brothers joined in at Cav's for a few hours of fun.

This year marks the beginning of a new century for the Phi Phi chapter. The house is stronger than ever, both internally and in the college and outside community. We are working with the National Council to regain our place atop our National fraternity as a pillar chapter, and we hope to see you at our next homecoming celebration to share our history, our special place in the national organization, and that special bond we have as members of the Phi Phi chapter of Alpha Chi Rho.

BOB WHITE '66 THANKS UNDERGRADS FOR HOSPITALITY

October 3, 1997

To the Brothers of Alpha Chi Rho:

I want to express my appreciation for the welcome and hospitality extended to me and my family on Sunday, September 14, when I visited the fraternity house for the first time in over 20 years!...

And what a wonderful reception we received! It was truly impressive to meet several of the Brothers, who took their time to provide us with a tour of the house, including the moose, the upstairs floors, the new area behind the house, and even the downstairs, with its familiar sights and smells — all this, I am sure, in the midst of their intense start-of-the-year, hit-the-ground-running weekend study. In spite of your impressive renovations in connection with the Centennial celebrations, much of the house was as my memory would have recalled it. Above all, it was the hospitality of the Brothers that was most memorable. What with all the negative press about fraternities these days and in recent years, it was indeed gratifying to be able to come back to a place like AXP and to receive the kind of welcome that we did. It made me, once again, proud to say that I once was a member of AXP Phi Phi Chapter, and shall always remain one.

In conclusion, I would be very happy to stay in touch with AXP, with the present Brothers, and also with Brothers whom I once knew from the classes of 1963 to 1969. Thank you very much for an experience which shall long remain with us.

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Bob White

CURRENT CONTRIBUTORS

Thank you to the brothers listed, who have already contributed to our 1997-98 giving program. (Our giving year coincides with the school year and runs from September 1 through August 31.) Your support enables us to continue our alumni relations program, which includes the publication of this newsletter. If you have not yet sent a contribution, please do so today.

William H. F. Auf Der Heyde '33
Duane G. Sonneborn '33
F. Victor Westermaier Jr. '35
Walter B. Gallagher '37
Robert E. Lentz '37
Thomas Martindale '37
Jesse D. Pierson Jr. '39
James Lacy '42
Gordon V. Moyer '42
William Cooper '46
Frank P. Norton Jr. '46

Daniel L. Masland '48
Robert R. Gaudian '55
Allen J. Staib '55
Phillip R. Troullos '55
Byung Chan Simeon Park '59
Peter T. Hesbacher '61
John E. Haner '64
Harry J. Stuart '65
John G. Kelly '71
William L. Courtney '73

David C. Mudge '73
Frank P. Homburger '74
Walter J. Coats '75
Peter B. Davidson '75
Steven M. Seide '76
Steven Arkin '77
Donald D. Ehre '77
Karl H. Smith Jr. '79
James B. Zorn '83
J. Stuart Ford '85

William J. Geller '89
Scott F. Kiesling '89
Alan G. Stahl '89
Robert A. Rosenbaum '90
Matthew R. Couture '92
J. Bradley Scott Murray '92
Brian R. Study '92
John Hawkins '93
Jordan D. Gushurst '95
Matthew Gilroy '96

Alumni News

Although **William H. Westphal '30** (3645 White Sulphur Pl., Sarasota, FL 34232) is legally blind, his health is "pretty good otherwise." He has many fond memories of Phi Phi.

Duane G. Sonneborn '33 (1515 The Fairway, Apt. 279-W, Rydal, PA 19046) is an emeritus associate in clinical medicine at the University of Pennsylvania Medical School and emeritus trustee of the Penn College of Podiatric Medicine.

"Nice to see pictures of **Walt Gallagher '37** and **Tom Martindale '37** at the 60th reunion," writes **Robert E. Lentz '37** (2004 South Fifth St., Allentown, PA 18103).

Attorney **Henry J. Prominski '50** (P.O. Box 540, Weirsdale, FL 32195) is semi-retired. Hank had served two terms with the Florida State Legislature and is a retired Navy pilot. He is interested in a 1950 class reunion in the fall of 1998.

Arthur C. Staib Jr. '51 (7 Outpost Ln., Port Royal Plantation, Hilton Head, SC 29928) has found two other brothers of his era living close by: **Dick Blaess '51** and **Bob Runyon '50** also live at or near to Hilton Head.

"Now retired and enjoying life to the fullest," writes **Mark K. Ford '52** (1170 E. Mahogany Ln., Crownsville, MD 21032).

After a 40-year career in the financial field, **Robert M. Grohol '54** (263 Woodland Rd., Madison, NJ 07940; rmgrohol@prodigy.com) and his wife, Bernie, are enjoying retirement. They have expanded their volunteer time and spend "a generous amount of time doting over our growing stable of grandchildren." They also get

together on a regular basis with a group of lifelong Phi Phi friends, and "never tire of the telling and retelling of the wonderful old stories dating back to our college days. We consider ourselves fortunate that life has treated us and our families so well."

Phillip R. Troullos '55 (3871 Indian Trl., #3C, Destin, FL 32541) is a pastor with Family Christian Fellowship in Destin. They opened a new church and Biblical training center in 1997 and started a children's program in northeast India. A training center in India was to open in 1998.

Guy E. Waltman '56 (314 N. Greenwood Ave., Lehigh Acres, FL 33972) was state presiding officer of a Masonic Fraternal organization called The Grand Commandery of Knights of Templar of Florida from May 1996 to May 1997. This organization has about 9,000 members in Florida.

Byung Chan Simeon Park '59 (Samchang Corp., Samchung Bldg., 109 Samsung-Dong/Kangnam-Ku, Seoul 135-091, Korea) planned to stop by the fraternity house during the weekend of November 7, 1997, when he visited Penn to receive the Alumni Award of Merit. (Please see article on page 2.)

Peter T. Hesbacher '61 (First Investors Corp., 2516 Highway 35, First Floor, Manasquan, NJ 08736) is resident vice president in his firm. He offers to provide interviews for brothers with his and other Wall Street investment firms.

Byron P. Connell '63 (50 Dove St., Albany, NY 12210) is now coordinating New York state's mandatory continuing education requirements for dentists and dental hygienists for the New York State Education Department.

Accountant **John E. Haner '64** (2025 N. Mohawk, Chicago, IL 60614) is a partner with Arthur Andersen LLP, where he is responsible for the firm's global technology infrastructure design.

"I shall never forget the Alpha Chi Rho fraternity experience," writes **Robert G. White '66** (La Rue, Route de Collex Bossy, 01210 Versonnex, France). Bob has worked with the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees continuously since 1981, has served in a number of countries, mainly Africa, and is now based in Geneva, though he lives just over the border in France. He has been in contact mainly with his sibling and fraternity brother, **David E. White '66** and with **William I. English '68**. "I would be happy to reestablish contact with other AXP brothers in classes of 1964-69." Bob, his wife, Benedicte, and son Gavin had a wonderful visit to the fraternity house in September 1997. Excerpts from his thank-you note to the house are printed on page 2.

In January 1997, **John W. Baxter '69** (4767 Woodview Dr., Santa Rosa, CA 95405) returned as CEO to Health Plan of the Redwoods, a 90,000-member HMO serving northern California.

"All brothers are welcomed to visit us in Durham, N.C.," writes **Michael J. Karpinski '70** (4027 Livingstone Pl., Durham, NC 27707). Michael is director of the finance department at Duke University Hospital. During the past year he saw **Don Kilpela '70** and his wife, Lorraine, in Durham. Two children from each of the families attend Duke.

Favorite memories for **John G. Kelly '71** (4701 Cedar Ln., Drexel Hill, PA 19026), an executive at Philadelphia Gas Works, are homecoming and

football games, poker, skimmer, whales tails and Farmer ('71) swimming across the party room floor. "Where are you, Mike?"

When he wrote in April '97, **V. Walter Bratic '75** (3023 Ella Lee Ln., Houston, TX 77019; Walt_Bratic@notes.pw.com), a partner in Price Waterhouse, was serving on the firm's policy board nominating committee. He is the national director of Intellectual Property Services.

Steven M. Seide '76 (1231 Upton Cir., West Chester, PA 19380; smsfg@aol.com), president of Seide Financial Group in Exton, Pa., is concerned about the dangers of alcohol abuse at fraternities, particularly the deaths that have occurred. "Let's be sure AXP doesn't fall into that trap ... and become a statistic!"

"Keep up the good work with the *The Phi Phi Review*," writes **Steven Arkin '77** (4601 Henry Hudson Pkwy., Apt. B2, Bronx, NY 10471; sarkin@smtplink.mssm.edu), a physician and assistant professor of pediatrics at the Mount Sinai Medical Center. "I'm glad to see it's in good hands."

"I have taken early retirement from the Navy after a 15-year career in the Civil Engineering Corps," writes **Scott Calisti '77** (3500 Highway 39 N. #83, Meridian, MS 39301). "At the age of 41, I now have the luxury of starting over! Graduate school for an MBA is a possibility, but I'd also like to hear from brothers who can tell me about careers in corporate real estate. I'm particularly interested in relocating to N.Y./Philadelphia/D.C. area."

Consulting engineer **Donald D. Ehre '77** (154 Oxford Rd., New Hartford, NY 13413) has

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been sole owner of Boulder Consultants of New Hartford, for 1 1/2 years.

Karl H. Smith '79 (1900 Alaskan Way, #415, Seattle, WA 98101; khsmith@russell.com) joined Frank Russell Co. in September 1997 as director of real estate consulting.

Peter J. Schankowitz '83 (95 Horatio St., Apt. 511, New York, NY 10014) is still a producer for television. In December '97 he had just completed projects for Court TV and was producing programming for VH1 and a pilot for Lifetime Television. Peter and his wife, Kathy, welcomed their first child, Carly Amelia, in October 1997.

Faith and **Jeffrey C. Adler '84** (413 Midsummer Dr., Gaithersburg, MD 20878; j.adler@4u.net) have a 2-year-old son, Jacob. "Addles," a vice president with Woelfel Research Inc., a marketing research firm, has been elected 1997-98 president of the Mid-Atlantic chapter of the Marketing Research Association.

After working for the in-house legal departments of Texaco and Mobil, attorney **John R. Varholy '86** (3203 Lenox Rd. N.E., #20, Atlanta, GA 30324; john.varholy@troutmansanders.com) has moved to Atlanta and is now of counsel with the Troutman Sanders law firm. "Wally" is counseling clients on energy commodity and related derivative trading.

Since he began practicing law in Philadelphia in 1989, attorney **Michael L. Viola '86** (1125 Cross St., Philadelphia, PA 19147; mlviola@earthlink.net) has been active in the Philadelphia Bar

Association. In 1997, he served as chair of their Young Lawyers Division, which has a membership of about 4,300.

"I've moved 'down under' for a few years to teach linguistics at the University of Sydney," writes **Scott F. Kiesling '89** (55 Newman St., Newtown, NSW 2042, Australia; kiesling@mail.usyd.edu.au). "It's a marvelous city. Visitors are welcome!"

Physician **David C. Rettew '89** (205 Walden St., Apt 1-S, Cambridge, MA 02140) started his residency in psychiatry at Massachusetts General and McLean Hospital in Boston in the spring of last year. When he wrote in March 1997, he and his fiancée, Jennifer Bane, were planning to be married in October 1997 in Vermont.

Joshua G. Getzler '90 (205 West End Ave., Apt. 4W, New York, NY 10023; jgrilse@aol.com) and Amanda Newman were married in New York City in October 1996. **Bill Geller '89** was a groomsman and **Brian Pope '89** and his wife, Jane, attended the wedding. Joshua is a minor league baseball vice president with Sandlot Sports Inc./Watertown Indians.

"It's a girl!" writes **Andrew S. Edelsberg '91** (34 Marlon Pond Rd., Hamilton Square, NJ 08690). All went well when Andrew's wife, Cathy, gave birth last July to Emily Rachel.

Leighanne and **Steve Henkenmeier '91** (Escondido Village, Quillen #9F, Stanford, CA 94304) were married in August 1997 on Martha's Vineyard. Steve is attending business school at Stanford.

After practicing law in a large New York law firm for about three years, **Geoffrey N. Hess '91** (155 W. 68th St., Apt. 502, New York, NY 10023) has accepted a job as an attorney in the mayor's office in NYC.

Joanne Linquito and **Pete Szarka '92** (912 Pinecroft Ct., Franklin Lakes, NJ 07417) were married in August 1997.

"I have been out of touch for a long time, but I miss my good friends at AXP and extend warm greetings from Michigan," writes **Jeffrey L. Vinson '92** (P.O. Box 182, Boyne Falls, MI 49713; vinson@boyne.com). Jeffrey is an executive at Boyne USA; he is involved with their three golf and ski resorts in northwestern Michigan.

We have another wedding! **Michael Alfano '93** (2601 Pennsylvania Ave., Apt 1225, Philadelphia, PA 19130) and Jennifer Gentile were married in September 1997.

Mitchell S. Clearfield '93 (621 Diana Dr., Ellettsville, IN 47429; clearfield.1@nd.edu) is a fourth-year graduate student in philosophy at Notre Dame, "working — slowly — toward a Ph.D." He and his wife bought a house near Bloomington, where his wife started her graduate work.

Jessica Wolf and **Jason Dasher '93** (5500 Wissahickon Ave., Philadelphia, PA 19144) were married in October 1997.

When Marine **Carl Forsling '95** (6921 Holiday Ln., Corpus Christi, TX 78414) wrote in April 1997, he was hoping to be sent, eventually, to Camp Pendleton, Calif. He was completing his

Marine Corps aviation training and thought he would be going to Pensacola Fla., for advanced helicopter training next.

Jordan D. Gushurst '95 (525 Shady Ave., Apt. 1, Pittsburgh, PA 15206; jgushurst@dtus.com) is working for Deloitte and Touche Consulting Group. "I am happy to announce my engagement to Renée Cassidy, who I first met at an AXP-XΩ mixer.

Joseph Riggio '96 (15 Merlin Pl., Pine Brook, NJ 07058; jriggio@ous.com) is a trader with Sterling Watters, in hedge fund management. He wants Hawk to call him ... "I don't know your number."

Since publication of our last issue, we have learned of the death of the following Alpha Chi Rho brothers:

J. Lloyd Lister '28
(October 17, 1996)

George W. McCoy Jr. '29
(May 21, 1997)

Walter L. Reichardt '30
(October 1, 1995)

J. Franklin Norcross '31
F. Victor Westermaier Jr. '35
(November 21, 1996)

Dale T. Anstine '38
(October 6, 1996)

David N. Tyre '39
(September 16, 1996)

Richard A. Rosengarten '41
(November 15, 1996)

Daniel J. Kelly '51
(March 31, 1997)

William J. Santos '55
(February 1997)

John F. Dugan '58
(November 1997)

Thomas J. Fleming Jr. '58
(November 29, 1996)

Phi Phi brothers extend condolences to their families and friends. They will be missed.