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## No 2nd Year Slump for Chi Chapter!

Well, brothers, we have avoided the sophomore jinx!

The 2001/2002 school year was our second in the new Chapter House on 308 North Street. I am happy to report that it was another year of growth for our chapter. Rush has remained strong, which has allowed the house to stay at or near peak occupancy. The quality of our undergraduate brothers is strong, which is reflected by their Top-15 academic standing. The measure of a man, however, is difficult until you have gotten to know him. I'm sure that all of you who have met our undergraduate brothers share the pride in what our chapter has become and is moving toward. Many thanks for the efforts of brothers Harshman and Sorensen who have been our alumni "point men" with the undergraduates.

Due to strong occupancy, we have been able to operate the chapter in the black during our first year in the completed house (remember that in 2000/2001 we had just half the house completed). Brother McCammon reports that we realized a \$40,000 operating surplus for this past year. We have used these funds to assist in the payment of remaining bills associated with the house capital campaign and construction project.

The fact that we were operating in the black was due to the fact that last year we were paying interest only on our loans. This year we will need to amortize our mortgage loan of \$1.2 million and pay back the \$400,000 loan that was funded against outstanding capital pledges. Chapter operations will cover the debt service on the mortgage and the interest on the line of credit, however campaign payments are needed to pay off the line.

The past year has certainly not been conducive to giving to a capital campaign. Despite this, our Chi alumni continue to support the chapter with their contributions. The consistent way that many of you are paying against your pledges will allow us to chip away at the debt. Our undergraduate and alumni brothers thank you for your efforts. We are counting on everyone making good on their pledge and paying in a timely fashion. If you have not given or have given below your capabilities, we still need you help! Please use the attached form to make a gift.

Additionally, when you return for Homecoming next fall, you will enjoy new furniture in the house common areas. Furnishing the common rooms will give our undergraduates quality rooms to gather and present the chapter house in the best light.

Our short-term priority is a deep cleaning for the chapter house this summer. As I write, the floors are being scrubbed, walls touched up and windows cleaned for next fall's move in. This process will take place each summer to ensure that the house that we have all invested in continues to be the top facility on Purdue's campus!

Here's to an enjoyable and safe summer too all Chi alumni and undergraduates and their families. We look forward to the 2002/2003 school year the opportunity to further establish Chi Chapter as a model fraternity for years to come.

A.E.K.Δ.B.,

Mike Galt '82, House Corporation President

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# *A Note From The Alumnus Advisor*

Chi Chapter has completed a very successful year. This morning at the Area III Leadership Conference, Worthy Grand Master Thomas Bishop presented the men with the following awards for the academic year 2001-02:

Two plaques inscribed "Kappa Sigma's Finest", one for the Largest Number of Pledges and the other for Most Improved Recruitment and Membership Growth.

In addition, the Chapter received three certificates for scholastic achievement: Having Developed an Outstanding Chapter Academic Program, Most Significant Academic Improvement, and for being Above All Men's Average (fall semester). Scholastically Chi ranked 11th (fall) and 14th (spring) among the 40 fraternities at Purdue.

Assistant Alumnus Advisor Brother Sorensen and I invited Andy Robison, Assistant Dean of Students for Greek Affairs to lunch this past week. We discussed the challenges faced by Greeks everywhere, and, of course, at Purdue. Chi enjoys an excellent relationship with the University. One of Andy's comments will be of special interest to our alumni. He congratulated us for having the wisdom to remain at 308 and create a state of the art chapter house.

In a brief thank-you note Andy wrote, "You guys have a good thing going with Chi chapter". I'd like to express that same thought to our alumni, especially to those who have invested in our future financially.

We hope you will return to campus this year for Homecoming, September 27th through the 29th. We're expecting (hoping for) many brothers who have not been back for years to come to the Friday Night Banquet. Worthy Grand Procurator Kevin Kaplan will be our Keynote Speaker. You can't imagine what fifty years has wrought: the actives have agreed to provide interested alumni with Campus tours.

The alumni volunteers have been diligent in coaching the Chapter in risk management. We remind them that potentially there are three possible death sentences: hazing, substances (alcohol and drugs), and financial mismanagement. The active brothers, especially the Chapter officers, have taken their responsibilities very seriously. The need for serious discipline has arisen and they have done what was necessary, in the right way. While there are yet many miles to travel before we consider Success to be a Chi Tradition, in three years since recolonization the brothers have reestablished Kappa Sigma as a significant fraternity at Purdue. You have every reason to be proud of them.

Fraternally,  
Joe Harshman '48  
Alumnus Advisor

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## U P D A T E S

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**Charles A. Aldag, Jr. '52** graduated in 1954 with a Chemistry degree. He worked first for the Archer Daniels Midland Co., then Ashland Chemical. He has since retired from Sherex Chemical Co, a subsidiary for Schering AG of Germany. During his time there, Brother Aldag served as Chairman of Schering's Industrial Chemical Division with headquarters in Berlin. He and wife Doris Lee have three sons and seven grandchildren. Brother Aldag spends much of his time with his church and enjoys playing tennis. When he has the time, Brother Aldag tries to attend Purdue football and basketball games. He stays in touch with some Chi members via e-mail. (4341 Lyon Drive, Columbus, OH 43220-4431, H: (614) 451-7296, email: [caldag@columbus.rr.com](mailto:caldag@columbus.rr.com))

**Ben Rossi '56** graduated in 1961 with a Civil Engineering degree. Upon graduating, he entered the US Army where he served for 10 years. After retiring with the rank of Captain, Brother Rossi went to work for the family business, a small construction and design firm that recently celebrated its 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary. He is currently President. He married wife Angelica, his "pin woman," in 1961. They have three children and six grandchildren. As an interesting side note, their son Geoffrey is married to the Angela Perez Baragio (Miss Hawaii), winner of the 2001 Miss America Pageant. Brother Rossi stays very active in his community and is on the Board of Trustees at St. John's Prep, his high school alma mater, and serves as President of the Board of Directors of the Trapp Family Lodge Guest Houses, Coop II in Stowe, VT. Brother Rossi has stayed active with the alumni chapter and enjoys helping the chapter whenever he has the chance. (89 Bridge Street, Manchester, MA 01944-1412, H: (978) 526-7070, email: [ARossi1882@aol.com](mailto:ARossi1882@aol.com))

**Ray Richardson '56** is currently an attorney in a private practice. He graduated in 1959 and immediately went to law school. He and wife Paulette

have two children, Rob (39) and Diana (35). Both are Purdue University alumni. Brother Richardson has stayed very active in the state of Indiana and was a member of Indiana General Assembly from 1966-1990. He is also currently a member of the Indiana University Board of Trustees, 1992-2001. (1510 Sherwood Drive, Greenfield, IN 46140, H: (317) 462-7642, email: [arichar@indiana.edu](mailto:arichar@indiana.edu))

**Mike Zachary '67** has been building quite a career since graduating with Industrial Engineering degree in 1971. He played an important role in the construction of the South Pole Station in Antarctica while serving in the LCDR, Civil Engineer Corps (US Navy Seabees) from 1971-1975. He then helped the creation of Bay Area Rapid Transit District in Oakland, CA and held the title of Manager of Construction. He is currently Chief Financial Officer and Chief Operations Officer of Century West Engineering Corp in Portland, OR. He and wife Cynthia have two sons, Jim (28) and Kevin (27). Both graduated from Purdue, representing the fourth generation of Purdue graduates. Brother Zachary officiates high school and small college football games when not working. He stays in contact with many Chi chapter alumni. (13800 South East 35th Street, Vancouver, WA, 98683, H: (360) 254-2443, email: [jmzacha@yahoo.com](mailto:jmzacha@yahoo.com))

**Kenneth O. Born '87** and his career have certainly soared since graduating in 1989 with a degree in Aviation Engineering Technology. As the Marketing Manager at GE Aircraft Engines, he is responsible for marketing and selling the CF6 engine line to customers around the world. He and wife Cathy, also a Purdue graduate, married in 1991. Brother Born stays in contact with Kappa Sigma brothers throughout the Ohio, Kentucky, and Indiana area, getting together at least three times a year. (7331 North Mingo Lane, Cincinnati, OH, 45243, H: (513) 936-0606, email: [ken.born@ae.ge.com](mailto:ken.born@ae.ge.com))

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## Homecoming 2002 Is Right Around The Corner!

It's not too soon to begin making your plans to attend this year's Homecoming celebration! The big game will be at **5:00 p.m. September 28th** against the Minnesota Golden Gophers. There will also be numerous activities for alumni and their families including a pig roast, walking tours and a continental breakfast at the Chapter House. The highlight of the weekend is sure to be the Homecoming banquet on Friday night which will include the Chi Hall of Fame program. Brothers Dan Evans '49, Charles Benner '66, Dave Derrick '66 and Rich Tiller '83 are the 2002 inductees. This is shaping up to be a great Homecoming weekend, don't miss out.

If you have any questions please call Ty Young at (800) 228-7326 or email him at [TYoung@FMGTucson.com](mailto:TYoung@FMGTucson.com).



**Note to Parents:** If your son is still attending Purdue University, this newsletter is intended for you. He will receive a copy at the Chapter House. If he is no longer in school, please send us his permanent address. Thank you!

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