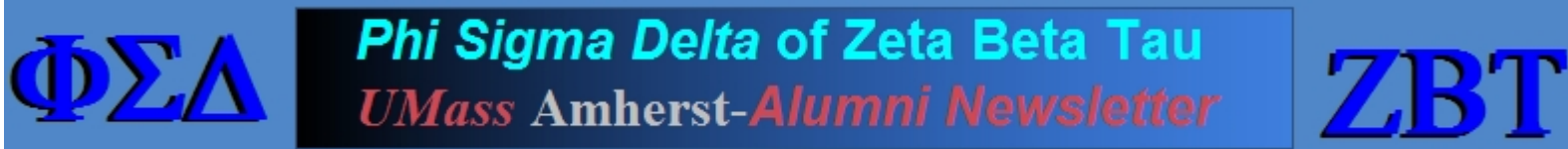


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Brotherhood - is not a one year commitment, it is a life-time commitment.... We took an oath to remain brothers. An oath is something that cannot be taken back, that's what makes it an oath. We may have outgrown pounding down beers but you can never outgrow your commitment and the bonds of brotherhood.

From the Treasurer:

I want to thank all of the early responders who signed up for next Septembers reunion. When we did our survey requesting input on reunion location Cape Cod was the leading vote getter so I'm expecting another terrific turnout again this year. September weather should be great on the Cape and many of the Summer crowd will be gone. Hyannis is still a vibrant community all year round and I think we have an exciting and interesting series of locations booked. I know that most of the usual suspects will be there along with some other guys we have not seen in years and even a couple that have never attended. Looking forward to another great time.

President Bill Troupe sent me a copy of a letter he wrote many years ago following his first Homecoming reunion the year after his graduation. Bill asked me to publish it here in the hopes that it might bring back some fond memories for you and to also motivate you to join us in September. Bill writes:

Reflections of Homecoming 1968

Welcome-Welcome-Welcome-----

Dear Brothers and fellow alumni of Alpha Mu:

I have just returned home from visiting good old UMass and the 1968 version of Homecoming. Since I am well aware of the fact that I am very lucky to be home in the U.S. and to have been able to attend Homecoming 1968, I feel that it is the least I can do for you to tell you of the weekend, and, moreover, to tell you of the news of the house in the absence of a long overdue alumni news letter. So here goes boys and please forgive spelling and punctuation that have been so typical of the Whale.

Friday I started out for the old home with Linda and Mary Lou (she's the little blonde girl that Pratre Benson was so lucky to marry). We arrived at approximately 8 PM and Davy greeted us and the parade was nearly over. The first order of business was to repay Davy for the tickets that he got us to which he had added a very Jewish feel!

Friday night at the Cage there was a concert by the group called BIG Brother and The Holding Company. This was reported to have been good and the lines were 200 yds long. Friday night John Shag, Woj, Dave, Mary Lou, myself and Linda stayed at the house for a while but the upon a suggestion by Mary Lou (a typical Benson suggestion), we all went to the PUB, a new local hot spot, and proceeded to, one and all, get quite shitty indeed! You won't believe this but John Morgan, better known as Dirty John was there and singing up a gross storm. What a hangover I had. On Saturday we lost to U Conn 28-20 which was unheard of in years gone by. A buffet was served and later in the evening a party of past origin was in full swing. That evening we went to the concert at the cage featuring the Young Rascals (I nearly had an orgasm watching their drummer) the Hugh Massekealla (?) of Grazing In The Grass fame. It was really good and enjoyed by all. Some hot shifts (probably Fernie) made counterfeit tickets up for the concert and seating was scarce. Returning to the house we found Jerry Creem was back from Colombia and Wall St. with his beautiful Fiancee Iris and we talked for hours and later went to the tower of some pizza. After leaving the women off at the dorms that they stayed at, really, we went back to the house and as usual there was the usual bullshit sessions until 3-4 AM.

Sunday AM found my head a lot better off than it was the previous morning and a buffet lunch was good. Farewells were given and we departed at approx 3:30. The weekend was wonderful and I'm sure you all would have felt that way too, and if you all could have been there the time would have been that much better but we all know that, regardless of personal feelings, the job you doing is an important one and sacrifices have to be made.

I realize how lucky I am to be home but I sometimes feel a bit to the contrary that I wasn't able to contribute to the country in the same way that you fellows are. You're probably saying "that Troupe is a real ass hole," but really guys, you do feel that way sometimes at home here where everything is nice and cozy knowing that each of you is going through his own little hell wherever he may be. Not to mention the strain upon your wives, girls, or family.

on this page I will sound a little like James Joyce's stream of consciousness but its the best way I can deliver all that I want to say about the house to date.

First off let me say that the house has really changed and mostly for the good. 70 men now call Phi Sig home and there is no more of the Phi Schmoog on campus at all. The boys are sharp athletic, intelligent (for the most part but of course Pernie, who is still around until Jan, screws up the I.Q average), and Gung Ho Phi Sig. However with size and reputation the house is not as close as it was in the years past and the brothers do not have to work individually as hard for what is too be accomplished as we did but I feel the house has achieved its goal, ie the new house due in Sept of 1969. One can even notice how the brothers shit on other houses as the other houses would shit on us. Presently PSD is about 5th in reputation 2-3rd in sports and high in schoolastics, and the guys really shit on houses like SAM, ZN, Delta Chi, PSK, TEP, etc. The house is ~~now~~ really close to QTV and when snow falls the brothers team up with QTV to really give LCA a beating in snow ball fights. Im sure several of us can remember experiencing black eyes and broken windows ~~in~~ in fights with other houses. Now that I look back on it we must have had some balls to stand up to those poor odds but we did and were none the worse off for it!

I personally came into the house quite unaggressive and unsure of myself and I know that PSD really developed me and I'm sure the same holds true for most of you. I can remember soph year playing football with TEP and having a kid named Steve Monsein ~~from~~ TEP elbow me all night and letting him get away with it. But by the junior year I met him again and he tried it again and I hit him so hard that he fell on his ass. From then on he avoided me and I think that was one of the first times I really stood up for the house and myself. I remember Benny punching out a PSK in defense of the house, Ronnie running until he would fall for the house and other "athletic giants" like Finlay, Hirsch, English Campbell etc getting knocked silly by Kappa Sig's twice their size just for the house. I'm sure as we think back on it we can really see that working and playing for the house not only built the house to what it is now but also even did more for the personal development of each of us.

Now for some general house news:

Fortier finally graduates this January and will probably go to work for Uncle Sam.

Davy is decided upon going this full year to get his masters and a teaching cert. He is still quite horny but what else is new.

Duke was up ~~there~~ for homecoming and has just enlisted into the navy. Duke is still his old loveable self "drunk and horny."

PSD should be 2-3rd in sports and beat Kappa Sig in football this year but lost in the playoffs to them 12-8 by a bum call of pass interference with 10 secs to go. We also won all other football games beating ZN ~~and~~ Theta Chi etc.,

PSD has 70 guys and freshman rush hasnt begun yet. They will only loose about 5 to graduation.

The new house is set for Sept of 69 and plans are underway for construction in a short time.

Gideon is still an ass man and gets it every week! (no doubt because he learned under me as my roommate senior year HA HA.)

Creem is getting rich on wall street even while going to law school. He will be married in this Jan.

Goldie is to be married and is working as a recreation head of a Hebrew YMCA in Conn.

Jack Baker is a hippie and supposedly has gone off the deep end with dope etc. I see him in Harvard square occasionally and he still talks to me but he says he cant seem to find a way out of the mess he is in.

Bob Singer calls himself the GURU of PSD and can occasionally be found in his room smoking a little of the illegal stuff himself, but he is still the freindly young kid we pledged a few years back.

Bob Band runs the house bar et als, and is in my opinion still trying to find himself but is still with out a doubt the funniest guy that PSD has had ever.

Ralph Goldfarb came up for homecoming and works for his father as an accountant and passed the two most difficult parts of the CPA exam which shocked the shit out of him. As usual he says life sucks and told me to tell you all to SUCK. Typical!

Jay Cohen was up for Homecoming and is leaving for a station in Calif in the Navy and will be on a destroyer off Viet so Pete at Cam Ran Bay will probably see the star Jay wondering around base some day.

Steve Whitkin is a Suffolk Law School and says life in general sucks. He came up for Homecoming and got layed so he was very happy about that. He is quite disturbed about passing his physical since his knee is perty bad.

John Shag is at GE and making loads on green and believe it or not he admits that he will probably marry Woj in about a year. And we thought he would be the perpetual batchelor!

As to myself. I work for Liberty Mutual as a claims adjuster and go to Suffolk Law School nights. I am pinned to Linda and of course I still love her. We plan to get married in about two years. (That was the first time I've put that in writing so dont let Libda see it or she'll sue me for breach of promise. Only kidding.) I still paly the drums but not professionally any more. I'm down to about 202 lbs and I really dont look like the old whale any more.

This is to Earl, Ronnie, and Jon: Sorry I havent written but to this moment I dont have your address and will have to write for it in order to send this letter to you guys. Creem is sending me Earls, and Davy is getting me Ronnies and Jon's.

Well guys its late and I feel like this is a term paper and I'm pulling an all nighter so I'll close now. Since I'm home here and have written to all of you except the above three so far please send me any addresses of others so I can tabulate them and pass it on to all of you.

Please dont be too critical of the errors of this letter and realize its intent was good! HoHo.

Please write me and I'll try to do the same and I plan to see you at Homecoming 1969 at the new house.

Be good

Faternally

Bill

Information on how to proceed and sign up for the Hyannis reunion follows later in this newsletter.

In other news:

In January a number of the local Brothers made the trip to Amherst for a men's basketball game. Once again this was not

UMass's year but we enjoyed the time and had a fine dinner after the game.

Once again the Brothers will be making the annual trip into Fenway park for a RED SOX game. If you are interested please contact Stan.

This years annual business/house meeting will be held at the reunion. This is an election year for officers. Our officers serve a two year term and if you are interested in the duties please contact any of the current officers for information on

their responsibilities. Up for election are: President, Vice president, Secretary and Treasurer. The new President will also be appointing all committee Chairmanships, including Scholarship, Historian, and a Trustee to the Brothers Alternate Relief Fund. Please let President Troupe know if you have any interest in contributing by taking on a position.

Reunion Sign Up Information:

Location: Hyannis, MA. Our host hotel is The Resort and Conference Center at Hyannis 508-775-7775. This is a great location just off Main St. Hyannis and of course has all the usual amenities as well as a 9 hole golf course on site.

Dates: Friday-Sunday September 16-18. I know many of you may want to arrive days earlier or stay later so I've made arrangements with the hotel to accommodate your schedule. Our first group function will be a dinner Thursday evening for early arrivals.

Schedule: Thursday evening dinner at Spank's Seafood Shack
Friday evening welcome dinner for all at Alberto's restaurant
Saturday Morning Brothers only brunch/house meeting at the hotel
Saturday evening clam/lobster bake at the hotel
All meals and bar will be pay as you go

It is imperative that you use the enclosed reservation form even if you are not staying at the hotel. The hotel is providing Saturday evenings clam/lobster bake and will use this registration form for the count. If you live near and will not be staying at the hotel be sure and let them know.

There are two things I need each Brother to do if you plan to attend any part of the reunion.

1. Please send Stan \$25.00 **per person** for related reunion expenses, check to: Phi Sigma Delta 399 Old Farm Rd Franklin, MA 02038 508-528-1107 kitco1@comcast.net
2. Return the enclosed reservation form to the hotel. Even if you are not staying at the hotel, just let them know you are in for the meal only. The form will provide the meal count for Saturday evenings clam/lobster bake. If anyone has a health issue with shell food, arrangements can be made for an alternate meal.

(SEE SEPERATE ATTACHED RESERVATION FORM)

Scholarships:

Scholarship applications for 2016 are due before the annual meeting and should be forwarded to Chairman John Cycz at 23 Capt. Lathrop Dr., S. Deerfield, MA 01373. Applications can be downloaded from the web site or by contacting John at: 413-221-9938

Web-site: Lloyd Bristol ' 74 continues to do a fabulous job maintaining and constantly updating the web site. Photo's from the latest

Vegas and other reunions along with a host of other information is on the site. If you have not seen it lately please check it out at:

PHISIG.ATSPACE.COM (no www needed).

Association Dues: Dues for the Association are strictly voluntary \$10.00/per yr but please remember it does cost money to run the association and award scholarships. Whether or not you are attending the reunion please forward your dues to the Treasurer.

PLEASE if you receive a copy of this newsletter by U.S. Mail it is because I do not have your email address. Please forward your email address to me at: kitco1@comcast.net **Faternally, Stan Kittredge ' 72 508-528-1107**

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