



Looking East



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Special points of interest:

- Letter to Alumni from the Active Chapter
- Sign up for the Alumni Association
- Pre-Pay for Carnation Ball and Poly Royal

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House Renovations Continue — Tired 244 Major Remodel Planned

Rick "Bozo" Rengel
VP/Housing

As you can see from the sketch, we have grand plans for a renovation of the House. After 30+ years of heavy use, the House is in relatively good condition, but tired from wear. The objective of the renovation is:

1. New facade along California Blvd., more consistent with the current City architectural standards and keeping the appearance of the House ahead of local Greek Community.
2. Add a Men's and Women's accessible restroom.
3. Expanded kitchen, laundry, TV facilities.
4. Additional storage facil-

ity and Active's Room.
5. Six additional bedrooms to replace front living rooms.

Although we have grand plans to renovate the House, maintenance and major repair items have taken much

the six new bathrooms (4 renovated last year, and two this Spring), new heaters Chapter room, and new lighting in the Chapter Room.

What you won't see are all the little upgrades, like the



ACB is considering a major remodel of 244 California

of the donations and maintenance budget for the House. If you get a chance to visit at Poly Royal, you will be pleasantly surprised to see

electrical GFI outlets, exhaust fans in the bathrooms, new heaters in the suites, and may other routine, but important, improvements.

Alumni Use Yahoo Email Group to keep in touch— all for FREE!

The Chapter Alumni Association hosts a FREE email group sponsored by Yahoo. The group is a great way to get information out on upcoming meetings, events, and happenings.

To subscribe to the e-alumni Yahoo group just

send an email to: e-alumni-subscribe@yahoo.com.

Once you are verified as an alumni of the chapter you can enter your contact information and set your email receipt settings. You

can elect to receive a daily digest of email, individual messages, or no messages.

The site also has files such as the alumni directory in pdf format and update form for easy downloading. See 21st Century on page 3.

Dear Alumni: January News from the Actives

Chad "Deuce" Brooks (Spring '02)

It has been a while since the last active monthly report was sent out (the end of November). First off let me say that David Crowell "Trips" has handed over his Alumni Relations duties to me. I have met many of you over the years since my dad, Tom Brooks "Woody" (W' 73) was in the house and I look forward to getting to know more of you as I serve as Alumni Relations Chair.

A lot has happened since the last update. First off we initiated our fall pledge class on Super Bowl Sunday. It was a typical beautiful day in San Luis Obispo and made it all the better for the new brothers since we had a Super Bowl party later on in the day. This

was the first pledge class since I got in last spring and seeing their excitement when they got to put on their letters was awesome. I think we can all attest to how sweet it is to finally be a brother. We got a great turn out setting up TV's in the Chapter room since the Tube Room didn't have the capacity to hold everyone. The new JA's even got to have high pin for the day so they were relishing in pinning out older brothers for the best spots on the couch.

We initiated 17 new brothers into our house. They were a solid class and have vast potential for carrying on the tradition of Delta Sigma Phi. With this new class our chapter now has roughly 70 active members. The number itself is impressive but I am more proud of the quality of man within that 70. Eve-

ryone is so close that house pride is contagious.

December brought initial elections for the new exec board. The first positions elected before the end of the fall quarter were President, Rush and Treasurer. Our new President is Brian Moore "Sherman". Sherman is a 4th year and has served on exec for the past couple of years. He is a true leader and embodies everything a true Delta Sig stands for. Treasurer remained Alex Koper "Casper" for another year. Casper has made great strides as far as house finances go. We now have an online billing agency Omega Online that keeps everything in its database which makes it very simple to solve any discrepancies.

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Alumni Association is Back in the Black

The first ever Chapter Alumni Association Treasurers report is out and although modest, it is a start.

Through membership drive and a gathering of Alumni at Tahoe the EP Chapter Alumni Association has resurfaced. Dues collected have amounted to \$3,881.00. Expenses to date have mostly been postage and mailing costs for the directory and other mailings (\$1675.06) and set up fees for the checking account

(\$32.90).

As of March 1, 2003 the Chapter Alumni Association has \$2173.04 in cash on hand with some expenses pending such as a chapter gift, another mailing (this newsletter), and the production of additional Directo-

"Your dues are supporting the communication it takes to get the AA growing again"

ries for Poly Royal. Your dues are supporting the communication it takes to get the AA growing again.

There are over 1100 Alumni of the Epsilon Rho Chapter and only 151 have supported the Association by paying dues.

Thanks to all the contributing members. — Where are the rest of

you?

What Happened to Lifetime Membership?

In the early 80's, 70's, and earlier — in an effort to raise cash — the Chapter Alumni Association offered "Lifetime" Membership for a significant bump in fees.

Unfortunately no records were kept, but we do have a good idea of who you are.



The EP Alumni Association The association's honor stands as strong as the pyramid

wishes to honor the promise made to those who purchased lifetime memberships.

If you were a "Lifetime" member of the Alumni Association, send in your name to jonathanmonfort@yahoo.com or call 510-338-1138 and leave a message with

your name and pledge class.

Lifetime members receive mailings and directories just as regular members do.

As a Lifetime member your generous donations are always welcome.

Homecoming ACB Meeting Minutes

Epsilon Rho Alumni Corporation Board Meeting
Oct. 26, 2002

I. Call to Order

Meeting was called to order at 9:25 am
Introductions were made
Officers Present: John Quinn (Bogart), J.T. Gilkeson (Lego), Aaron Smith (Moby), Brian Crowell (Stumbles), Ray Hill (Sosa), Brian Moore (Sherman), Alex Koper (Casper), Rick Rengel (Bozo).
Officers Absent: Bob Watt (Tee), Scott Smith (Buster)
Alumni: Chris Zito (Claven), Patrick Ward (McFly)

II. Approval of Minutes

Minutes from 4/20/02 ACB Meeting Approved

III. Finances

A. Active Treasurer (Casper)

1. \$8,000 in cash. \$11,000 in liabilities
2. The increase in rush budget helped.
3. Opened an account at Wells Fargo for alumni donations
4. Security deposit will be \$2,500

B. ACB Treasurer (Lego reporting for Tee)

1. Purchased QuickBooks
2. Taxes are being filed
3. Lots of expenses which will be tracked carefully
4. Insurance was raised 10%
5. SAP's mom still donates \$1000 for scholarship.
6. Need to put together a slush fund of \$1000/month for house maintenance.

IV. State of the Chapter (Sosa)

- A. 52 actives, 19 pledges, only 2 graduate in June, 4 premature alumni
- B. WOW leaders helped with getting pledges, as did house dinners.
- C. Morale is up and social calendar is full
- D. Finances are ok.

V. State of the House (Sherman)

- A. New bathrooms and actives room are finished.
- B. 27 live-ins
- C. Workdays are going well and currently looking for pledge project ideas.

VI. Alumni Association Report (Stumbles)

- A. Membership Drive going on, forming local area smaller groups.
- B. Peabody is going a great job.
- C. John Kerr is currently writing a house history.
- D. Newsletter is now being sent out.
- E. Looking for non e-mail ways to contact alumni.

VII. Old Business

- A. Scholarship Update- all have been paid out
- B. Code Violations Update- Heaters are in. Chapter room to get new lighting 10/27/2002.
- C. 4 bathrooms are done, final 2 will be done over Christmas break.
- D. Bozo's report-
 1. House is messy during the summer, wants room checks.
 2. House renovation plans are in, all we need is the money.

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21st Century Communication

The Alumni Association is working to optimize and consolidate communication. Currently there are three main electronic gathering places for alumni.

The Chapter hosts an alumni section on their website at <http://www.sloyitbos.com>.

The Alumni Association is working to develop an easy to use full service site.



Industrious communication is what we're about

National's website is <http://www.deltasig.org/> where you can update your information.

For day to day announcements and Alumni Association related news join the ep-alumni group on Yahoo.

The Yahoo group also includes a chat room and uploaded files including the 2003 directory and

Alumni Association subscription forms.

For a wilder read check out the ep-alumni-bs Yahoo group where brothers trade stories and humor. Warning: the emails can get quite randy! To subscribe to this group send an email to: ep-alumni-bs-subscribe@yahoo.com. This site has all the same features of the ep-alumni group but the rules are a bit looser.

If you have any suggestions for the web site contact jonathanmonfort@yahoo.com.

EP YITBOS in the Gulf—Hussein pledges to pledge not to pledge

Always on the look out for fine brothers, USMC Major Hal “Kilgore” Angus is patrolling the Kuwait—Iraq frontier for any Sailors who were once in the Army.

Rumor has it that another EP Alumni (with higher pin number no doubt) is cruising the gulf in one of those fancy guided missile destroyers ready to pounce on anybody who thinks about messing with Major Kilgore.

Major Kilgore, on a recent hike said “I’m pretty sure these guys don’t understand what I mean by sailing the Nile, because they only have the Tigris and Euphrates here”.

Email Kilgore at: AngusHM@imefdm.usmc.mil

Mystery Alumni to be Recognized at Carnation Ball

For the first time in over a dozen years the alumni will recognize one brother for his outstanding contributions to our chapter.

Presentation will be at Carnation Ball 9:30 PM.

Here's a hint.....pledge class in the 1950's.

If you're from the '50's or 60's please make a special effort to attend.

How to make a TAX DEDUCTIBLE DONATION FOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT

Delta Sigma Phi is an ASI recognized club and donations can be made through the University to the Fraternity Chapter for Capital improvements while achieving a tax deduction. With the stock markets doing so well, there’s never been a better time to donate to a worthy cause.

What’s that?? Dow and Jones are bailing out their boat that’s up a creek without a paddle?

As a wealthy Delta Sig Alumni you’re immune to market corrections!

Contact your Alumni membership director for more information on making a tax deductible contribution to the Chapter.

Poly Royal Activities

Sign up for:

- Farmers Market 4/24/03
- Golf Tournament 4/25/03
- Alumni Active BBQ 4/25/03
- ACB Meeting 2/26/03 at 244
- Carnation Ball 4/26/03 Embassy Suites Buffet Dinner, no host cocktails

Time	Price
6:00 PM	No Charge
TBA AM	TBD
5-8:00PM	TBD
9:00 AM	No Charge
7:00 PM	\$100.00 per couple \$30.00 Dance only

Method of Payment

- Check
- I'll Pay at the Door, and if I don't show you can charge me twice as much

Name _____
 Address _____

 Phone _____

Signature _____

Pay To: **Delta Sigma Phi**
 Mail To:
Kyle "Bekan" Cope
DSP Social
416 Buena Vista Drive
San Luis Obispo, CA 93405

cope_w_it@hotmail.com
 cell phone 209-482-4843

Verify location, time and \$\$ at the house!

[FREE OFFER]

Special Offer

For absolutely no charge you can spend time with some people that you didn't realize how much you miss... yes it might be a little awkward at first... but once you get past the gray hair, paunch, and wrinkles, they are the same person... just a bit wiser... just as willing to laugh. Life is too short to not see an old friend.

CALL BEKAN TO RESERVE YOUR SPACE AT CARNATION BALL NOW!!



Epsilon Rho Chapter Alumni Association

February Letter to Alumni

Dear Alumni,

Well the month of February has flown by in what seems like a week. This month brought a solid spring rush. Ben Cull (Clops) led a great rush that followed a Fall rush that brought in 18 new brothers.

Some of the events we had were Mud Wrestling, Casino Night, Woodstocks Pizza and BBQ / Volleyball at the house to name a few. We gave out seven bids and surprisingly got 8 pledges.

You may wonder how this is possible. Well one pledge got a bid in the fall and quit about mid way through pledging. After rushing again and talking to his former PB's he figured DSP was just too good of an opportunity to pass up. This 100% acceptance rate shows the value a DSP bid holds here at Cal Poly.

This month also brought the Goals and Objectives Retreat with ACB held in Monterey. Those in attendance from ACB were Tee, Lego, Buster, Moby and Bogart. From our Exec board was Sherman (President), Trips (Vice President), Casper (Treasurer), myself (E.L), Skipper (Sergeant at Arms), Bekan (Social) and Thunder (Housing).

It was a very productive meeting reassuring our active brotherhood that the alumni still have a serious concern for our house. The night brought a great dinner and some bar hopping while exchanging classic stories from the house. All in all it was a great time had by all while achieving our purpose of relaying our goals and objectives to ACB.

In the Greek Sports world our basketball team had a good season making it all the way to the 2nd round of the playoffs and losing on a last second shot. We are a young team with great promise for the future.

Basketball was down for a while at DSP and we are excited to be competi-

tive again. Our strongest sport, Soccer is starting to practice for their spring season of IFC and Greek Week. We have a championship to defend in Greek Week so everyone is excited about that challenge. The Soccer team will also be competing in a Greek tournament held at UCSB in the Spring that will match up fraternities from UCSB, USC, Cal Poly and UC-Berkeley.



Defending Champs in Soccer and getting better at Basketball.

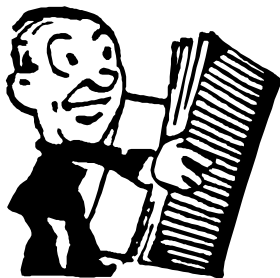
The IFC Billiards tournament was held last weekend and DSP brought home a strong 3rd place (among 18 houses).

Now on to the social scene.

Two weeks ago we had our Winter Formal better known as Al Capone. Everyone was decked out in their 20's mobster outfits. We had a great turn out. Bekan did a great job of organizing the event this year. The ceremonies were

Special Offer

Send in your Alumni Association Dues and your updated information and you'll Receive a Directory with cross references by Nickname, Pledge-class, and profession! 96 pages of memories...



ONLY \$20

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Make your check payable to:
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Jonathan Monfort
6657 Gunn Drive
Oakland, CA 94611

January Letter Continued

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Our new Rush Chair is Ben Cull "Clops". Clops is a younger brother although he is a third year. He was a unanimous choice in being our new rush chair due to his dynamic personality and all around great character. A huge step forward was also taken for DSP in the IFC elections. Brandon Miller "Hangar" really stepped up and ran for IFC President and won. We are all really proud of Hangar and glad we not only have a voice on IFC but a Presidential voice.

We all charged through finals and went home for a well deserved Christmas Break. This break included a DSP New Years Trip to Las Vegas. There are a handful of brothers including myself who recently turned 21 and several others who are slightly older. Brian Allee "Trax" did a great job of getting on the ball early and got two rooms for 3 nights at the Excalibur on the Strip. 11 of us embarked on Times Square of the West and had the time of our life living it up bringing in 2003.

January brought a return to SLO and everyone was recharged for another great year at 244 California (except the pledges who were by now really wondering if their pledging was ever going

to end). Another House trip was organized by Sherman over MLK weekend to Reno where 20 of us stayed at the Sands. On Saturday and Sunday we got shuttled to Squaw Valley for some skiing. I was afraid there would be huge crowds being that it was a three day weekend but we really lucked out and had no crowds with some great snow.

At the end of January we held elections for the seven remaining exec positions.

Our new exec board has great diversity and endless promise. The following brothers were elected: David Crowell "Trips" was elected to Vice President. Trips has been a leading force in the house and definitely belongs at the fore-

front of exec. Roy Flores "Munson" was elected Pledge Master. Munson being a past O.P is custom made for that position. Brett Strauss "Sonar" retained his position as Commissary. Kyle Cope "Bekan" was elected Social Chair. Bekan has connections all over campus and is just a solid well rounded guy. Our social calendar will definitely be packed with Bekan running the show. John McDonald "Thunder" was elected as Housing. There isn't a tool that he hasn't used or a project he couldn't fix so everyone expects big things out of Thunder as Housing. Aaron Kendall "Skipper" was elected

as Sergeant at Arms. Skipper is another brother that wanted to help in the worst kind of way and is already doing a great job maintaining order at the house.

Lastly, I was elected as Engineered Leadership and am extremely excited at what this job holds for me and my opportunity to have a voice on the exec board. Overall Exec is a great representation of the complexion of our house. We are all gearing up for an ACB retreat in Monterey which takes place February 22nd and 23rd.

We have just finished our rush week for spring and are pinning new pledges February 13th. We handed out seven bids. Rush was down all across the board, which is usually the case in the Spring since it is only one week after the Fall pledges get in.

We are not disappointed though. The seven guys we bid all have the capability to carry on the tradition of Delta Sigma Phi.

I hope the New Year finds all of you in good spirits and health.

YITBOS – Deuce

Hey Deuce...try to shorten it up next time us alums have a pretty short attention span...The Editor



The Chapter is growing

Alumni Yahoo Group Use

After you sign up for the EP Alumni yahoo group please respect the breadth and diversity of the brotherhood.

Many brothers use the alumni group to keep up to date and receive these emails at home or work. Off color humor and jokes may not be appreciated by all members of the group.



Freedom of speech can be had at the ep-alumni-bss web-

The group email is directed towards the distribution of alumni related events. These events can be regional or local.

Additionally the site is used to upload pertinent documents and photos of events.

General chat, recollection of memories, and sharing of

jokes should be directed over the ep-alumni-bs yahoo group.

The Chapter Alumni Association thanks you for your cooperation in keeping the lines clear.

ACB Minutes Continued

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- 3. Thoughts on turning downstairs living rooms into bedrooms, it is ok, money is the only question.
- E. Renovation- Full renovation will cost about \$400,000
- F. Fundraising-
 - 1. We want \$500,000 which is half our loan to value ratio. We have 8k right now.
 - 2. Donations are now handled by student affairs.
- G. New Carpets

Motion: To approve funding not to exceed \$25/sq yd to remove and replace the chapter room carpet.

Motion passes unanimously
- H. We need to set a date for groundbreaking.
- VIII. New Business
 - A. Line of credit for the house for projects and emergencies

Motion: To establish a line of credit for up to \$500,000.

Motion passes unanimously

- B. Carnation- SLO country club is tentative
- C. Need to put mesh covering over the gate.

Motion: To install gate mesh not to exceed \$100

Motion passes unanimously

- IX. Schedule next meetings
 - A. EL Retreat-?
 - B. Spring ACB- Poly Royal weekend.

Meeting Adjourned 11:31am

February Letter Continued

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held at the house and then two buses took us out to a ballroom in Cayucos where we danced until about 12:30 then the buses brought us back.

February has also brought the biggest celebration of the year in San Luis Obispo, Mardi Gras. The parade was reinstated this year and a lot of the brothers were down on Marsh to attend.

We also organized a DSP trip to the movies. We all had dinner together and then about thirty of us went to see Old School at the Freemont. For those of you who haven't seen the previews the premise is there are these thirty year olds who are out of college with nothing going on in their lives so they go back to college to start their own fraternity. Needless to say it was hilarious, it was our generation's Animal House. I encourage all of you to check it out with your fraternity background.

Carnation will be held on April

26th at the Embassy Suites in San Luis Obispo. I wanted to give you guys a heads up so hopefully you can make it down and also find a place to stay. I hope we can get a good turnout of alumni. I know last year a lot of Yitbos came back and it made for a great carnation weekend. Bekan (social) said the Embassy Suites is sticking it to everyone since it is Poly Royal so the room rates are doubled to \$199/night.

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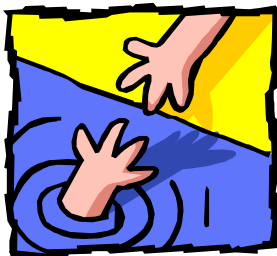
bank is in dire need of blood supply. In the Spring we are going to try and hold a sorority sports tournament where all the proceeds go to a charity of our choice. With a brotherhood as big as ours it only makes sense to give back a little.

In Academic news Mike Graham (Comb) our house secretary has passed an academic performance initiative.

The rule that passed was that any brother who improves his GPA by 0.5 or more gets a free pair of blocks. This should only help our house GPA (2.83 last quarter) which was third out of all 18 fraternities. We are all getting ready for finals, which are now less than two weeks away.

Have a great March!

YITBOS - Deuce



The Chapter is again helping out in the community.

In the Community Service department we are volunteering once a week at a local school playing games with the kids.

There are plans in the making for the first annual DSP blood drive since the local blood

Bond Eternal

The Chapter Alumni Association recently learned that Brother Henry Coleman Ortman recently passed away. Henry was initiated with the Spring 1959 Class.

If you have a story or memory of Henry please send it to the editor for inclusion in future Bond Eternal lists. Do you know Henry's nickname?

We would like to recognize all Bond Eternal alumni who have served in the Armed Services.

If you ever travel through Washington DC please stop by the Vietnam Memorial to remember two fallen brothers that we know of:

Dave Kingsbury Spring 1954 (panel 23E line 52), and
Dan Prien Fall 1963 (Panel 36E Line 32)

If you know of other brothers who fell on the field of battle, please let the editor know so we may properly honor them.

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