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Spring 1989

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

May 5
Commencement

May 13
Spring Pic Nic/Camptown Races
Brookmeade Sod Farm
Ashland, VA

July 8
Summer Gathering
Fat Daddy's Beach House
78th & Atlantic, VA Beach

Oct. 28
Lambda Chi Homecoming
(Tech vs. Tulane)

ALUMNI SUPPORT FUND OFF TO A GREAT START

by Timothy A. McDermott

Once again, the alumni have responded with tremendous generosity to the fraternity's appeal for gifts to the Alumni Support Fund. Twenty-six brothers have contributed over \$2,300 to this year's fund! This includes seven brothers who are making their first gift to the fraternity! As in year's past, there is not another fraternity on campus who can claim a more supportive and involved alumni.

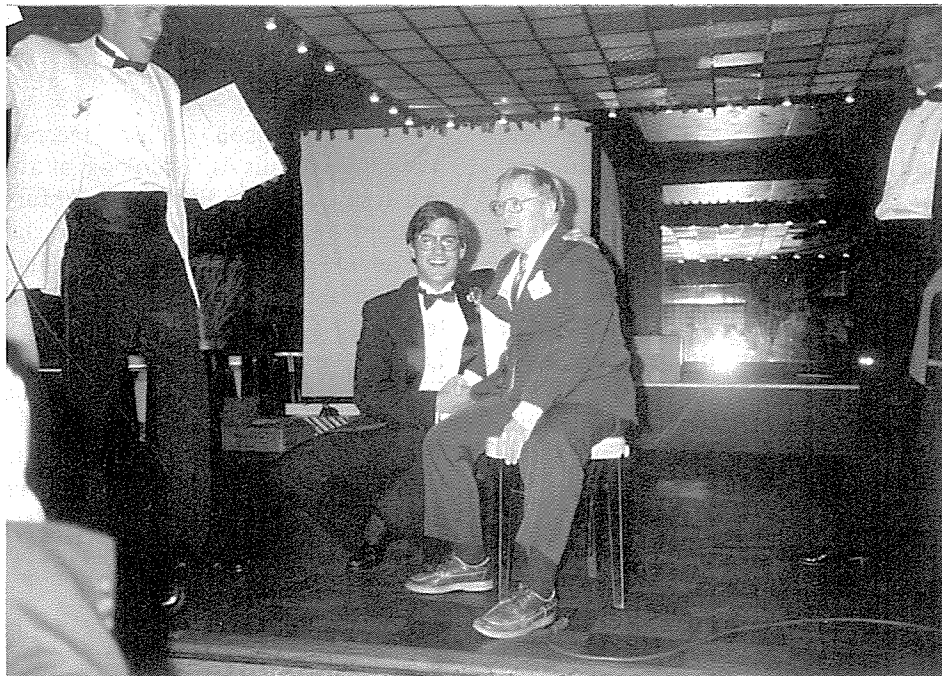
As a reminder, all contributors to this year's fund will receive a brass key ring embossed with the Alumni Chapter's logo. These are very attractive rings, and I believe many of our alumni will use them proudly. The rings will be sent out in late summer.

Furthermore, all gifts of \$100 or more will be recognized by the awarding of a Dotson Cup. This program, now in its ninth year, has been very successful and has enabled the Alumni Chapter to provide the financial resources to become a viable organization in its own right. In addition, we have been able to provide the support to the active chapter enabling it to become a leader on the Virginia Tech campus.

The Dotson Cup program serves another very important purpose, however. It is a memorial to Brother Curt Dotson, and a testament to his love of the fraternity. The key words engraved on The Dotson Cup are Brotherhood and Involvement - two words which symbolize what the fraternity meant to Curt.

In addition to serving as a fund raising program, the Dotson Cups exemplify our highest aspirations as a fraternity. Joining the fraternity is a lifetime commitment and I hope all alumni remain involved in our activities. The opportunity to make a gift is only one way to be involved. Attending the alumni weekends is another, as is staying in touch with alumni in your area. It's a great fraternity - stay active!

Below is a list of this year's donors as of March 15, 1989. A gift form is enclosed with this newsletter for your convenience.



Webby getting ready to blow out his birthday candles and open his birthday present at Formals.

Nathaniel W. Ames, Jr.
 James A. Cole *
 William C. Comer *
 James R. Dafnis
 John T. DeBell *
 Randy C. Earnest *
 Ray W. Edwards *
 David C. Farnum *
 James B. Ferguson *
 John W. Funkhouser *
 Joseph C. Kincheloe, Jr. *
 Frank Kopraver, III
 Leonard P. Kosco *
 Samuel B. Long *
 G. Archer Marston, III *
 Timothy S. Menter *
 Bryan J. Monaghan *
 Eric N. Nelson
 H. D. Nottingham, Jr. *
 Wayne K. Nystrom *
 Sam Parsons
 Paul Prideaux *
 Thomas A. Rockecharlie, Jr. *
 Anthony D. Shultz
 Ronnie L. Temple *
 Royal C. Thayer, Jr. *
 Scott Tidey *

* indicates Dotson Cup donor.

LAMBDA CHI HOMECOMING '89

by Jeff Ryan

This year we will be having Homecoming on Oct. 28 when Tech plays Tulane. Many of you may have noticed that this date does not coincide with the University's date for Homecoming. This year we are going to try something different to hopefully end the confusion and problems we've experienced in the past with hotel reservations. Rooms will be much easier to come by for the Tulane game than they would be for the scheduled Homecoming game.

The weekend activities will be the same as always except we won't have to fight for our seats at the game as we have in the past. This is only an experiment for this year's Homecoming; we will wait for feedback from the alumni as to this year's success before planning the following year's event.

SCOTT ALLEN FEATHERS SCHOLARSHIP

by Scott Tidey

Starting this April at formals, the alumni will award a new scholarship in honor of Scott Allen Feathers. Scott was a past High Kappa, a past High Alpha, and a recipient of the Benoit Scholarship. When he first joined Lambda Chi, there were only 20 brothers in the chapter. At the time of his graduation in 1985, Lambda Chi had become a top fraternity in academics, sports, and had grown to over 50 brothers. After graduating, Scott married Anne, a Zeta from Va.Tech, in July and moved to Charleston, South Carolina. In October of 1985, Scott died from an unusual accident at work.

Eleven alumni: Doc Benoit, Bob Bragg, Greg Burton, Steve Finley, Jeff Gilliland, Scott Hudson, Dave Jackson, Charlie Knight, Mark Loving, Marc Saitta, and Scott Tidey have established the Scott Feathers Scholarship. Each alumnus mentioned will donate a minimum of 20 dollars a year in addition to their regular Dotson Cup donations. This sum will be collected yearly by the treasurer and awarded to an active brother during formals for the first year and Homecoming thereafter. Unlike the Benoit Scholarship, this brother will be judged on involvement, athletics, and overall brotherhood by the actives. Also, he must be in his third, fourth, or fifth year with a minimum 2.7 overall.

This year at least 200 dollars will be awarded and a cup will be placed in the center holder of the right wing Dotson Cup cabinet. If you would like to be a donor or receive more information, please contact Scott Tidey at 1501 S.E. 15th Ct. Apt. 401, Deerfeild Beach, Florida 33441 or by phone 305-428-0292.

DOO - DAH, DOO - DAH

by Timothy A. McDermott

That's right, it's time for the CAMPTOWN RACES in Ashland. On Saturday May 13, 1989, the horses will run again. Once again, for some unexplained reason, Louis and Ginger Brooking have invited us to hold Spring Picnic on their farm, Brookmeade, in conjunction with Camptown.

Last year, we had a small crowd that we know will increase this year. We are counting on all the "senior brothers" to come back since they have such fond memories of the event in years-gone-by. Yes, that's right, we're tired of hearing what a great time the Camptown Races used to be!!! Honestly, if bells don't go off, and a choir doesn't sing, we'll probably be in the wrong place!

In addition, we hope that many of the "junior brothers" will come this year and rebuild this event into the gathering it used to be.

Never mind the \$20.00 ticket cost - you'd spend that on fertilizer for your yard or paint for the house, anyway! We want you to come to the races and enjoy this year's Spring Picnic.

Looking forward to seeing you there.

ALUMNI NEWS

Randolph-Macon College recently recognized Louis L. Brooking at the half-time of the R-MC vs. Mary Washington basketball game for his service to youth athletics in Ashland, Va. Louis received an award for his service to the Ashland Youth Soccer League, which he helped to found and has served as association president and as a coach. Way to go Louis!

And there's another Quillen ready to join the fraternity. David and Karen (Stroud) Quillen announced the birth of their first son, Richard. Should he attend Tech in 2007, Richard will no doubt join his father, Uncle Richard, and Cousin Lee as a Lambda Chi brother.

ALUMNUS PROFILE



Joseph Carl Kincheloe

1. PERSONAL DATA

NAME: Joseph Carl Kincheloe
CURRENT ADDRESS: Rt.3 Box 31A, Culpeper, Va.
PHONE: WORK (703) 547-3311 HOME (703) 547-2263
CLASS YEAR: 1965
DEGREE: BS
FRATERNITY OFFICES HELD: President and V.Pres.
AWARDS OR OTHER ACTIVITIES WHILE AT TECH: Numerous cheek awards
CURRENT OCCUPATION: Real Estate Investor
FAMILY MEMBERS: Wife, Connie; Sons, Carl and John
WHO FROM THE FRATERNITY HAVE YOU KEPT IN TOUCH WITH SINCE COLLEGE? Most of the brothers that come to Homecoming every year, Doc, and Webby.

2. LIFE AFTER COLLEGE

OTHER DEGREES EARNED: Degree in Mortuary Science
MILITARY SERVICE: National Guard
WHAT DO YOU DO FOR FUN? I hunt, fish, ride horses, play tennis, and ski.
WHAT HAS BEEN YOUR GREATEST ACCOMPLISHMENT SO FAR? Besides a good family and financial security, being a brother of SIG TAU.

3. YOUR EXPERIENCES WITH THE FRATERNITY

WHY DID YOU JOIN THE FRATERNITY? Fellowship and social life.
WHAT WAS THE FRATERNITY LIKE WHEN YOU WERE AN ACTIVE? Very close, fun loving, and deep in debt.
WHAT CHALLENGES DID WE FACE? Survival from the Town of Blacksburg and paying our mortgage payments (we had no alumni support fund).
WHAT WERE OUR SUCCESSES? To continue our brotherhood in the spirit of SIG TAU.
WHAT IS YOUR MOST MEMORABLE MOMENT ABOUT THE FRATERNITY? When we finally finished the basement after years of shoveling dirt by hand.
WHAT IS YOUR MOST MEMORABLE CHEEK? When Funky allowed a select few of the brothers to watch through the upstairs window while he was with Becky Badbreath.
WHO WAS THE MOST MEMORABLE BROTHER WHILE YOU WERE ACTIVE? WHY? Doc and Webby. To me they exemplified what brotherhood is all about.
WHAT HAS THE FRATERNITY DONE FOR YOU? It has given me lasting friends and a chance to meet new brothers every Homecoming.
WHAT ADVICE WOULD YOU OFFER THE CURRENT BROTHERS OR SOMEONE JOINING THE FRATERNITY TODAY? Don't join if you are not willing to be an active brother and alumnus because you will be missing what true brotherhood is all about.
IS THERE ANYTHING ELSE YOU WOULD LIKE TO SAY TO THE BROTHERS AND ALUMNI OF THE FRATERNITY? Keep the fraternity no.1 by your support so that I can continue to enjoy the brotherhood that I look forward to visiting every year at homecoming. I feel as close to the fraternity now as I did as a student, except older.

ACTIVE CHAPTER REPORT

by **Todd Dunbar**

If this newsletter comes out later than it should it is because we are all still recovering from Spring Break. Over thirty brothers spent the week relaxing in Key West (If you believe all we did was relax you're an old fart). It was a great time, but it will probably take the rest of the year for us all to get back into the swing of things.

As was mentioned in the last newsletter the chapter has accepted the challenge of cutting down on its liability in order to obtain insurance coverage. So far, everything has worked well and the social program is as strong as ever.

The curse of second place is haunting us. We recently finished second in both the competitive and recreation divisions of the IFC Basketball Tournament, but both teams gave a great effort.

The biggest event of Spring semester next to formals, is Webby's birthday (April 5th). A group of brothers and associates visited him and took him to lunch. At formals, Webby was given a birthday present and cake with candles. He blew them all out before we finished singing the first three words of "Happy Birthday."

The end of the year is quickly approaching and with it we will be losing many valuable seniors, but I am confident that the younger brothers and associates will step forward and keep Lambda Chi Alpha the top fraternity on campus.



Alumni, future alumni, and never to become alumni—partying on New Year's Eve.

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