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THETA CHI FRATERNITY
Gamma Upsilon Chapter
1308 West Fredonia Avenue
Peoria, IL 61606

As we stated at the onset of this campaign and as we repeat numerous times, our objective is to establish a group of 100 alumni brothers who are willing to commit to donating \$100 each year, thus avoiding the need for a few brothers to make substantial donations to reach our giving goals. Thus far, we have collected 47% of that group.

By now, everyone reading this article should have received his 2010 annual campaign appeal via postal mail. If you have not, or if you know of a brother who did not receive his, please contact our vice-president and campaign director, **KARL KULHANEK**.

We would like to close by recognizing all brothers who contributed to our campaign in 2009 and those brothers who contributed \$1,000 or more over the previous five years. Thank you again for your continued support; without your assistance, the significant growth and development of our chapter since 2005 would not have been possible.

PLEASE COMPLETE AND RETURN THIS FORM TO UPDATE OUR RECORDS, EVEN IF YOU CHOOSE NOT TO PARTICIPATE.

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Here is what is new with me _____ _____ _____	

CHAPTER HOUSE GETS NEEDED IMPROVEMENTS

MIKE SCHEVE '02

In the past couple years we have continued our history of investment into the chapter house facility. Last year we finally said farewell to the original Century II Boiler system. Out with the old and in with the new state of the art Raytherm H3-182 atmospheric commercial hydronic heating boiler! This boiler is so great; we even got two of them! Each with dual zone firing, not only do we have redundancy in our system but a new energy efficient system that will reduce gas costs and save the chapter money. Special thanks to brother Tony Ranallo from Meilner Mechanical Sales, who assisted us in selection of the system and got the fraternity a great deal on a boiler system.



Mike Scheve '02

This year also saw major changes to the chapter house. For years the alumni corporation has been planning on converting the former rack room on the upper west side of the house into six individual rooms. This year we saw that dream become a reality. Brother Tom McClintick acted as General Contractor, ensuring we got the best deal on materials and labor, with the quality necessary for a fraternity house. With this subdivision of space, we have added capacity to the chapter house so more brothers can live there. We added forced heat and air conditioning so the rooms are comfortable year round. And with the vaulted ceilings still exposed, use of the vertical space makes the rooms large enough to fit two.

With the cost of this project running over \$50,000, it will take some time to rebuild the alumni corporation's reserves to complete another project of this magnitude. Unfortunately we may not have the option to wait. The State of Illinois passed HB4361, turning into public act 093-0887, which required all dormitories (including Greek houses) to install fire sprinkler systems by January 1st, 2013. We are currently working at quoting out all of the different aspects of an installation such as this, and trying to spread out the cost over several years. The alumni corporation is also looking into possible loans that may financially assist us in meeting this three year deadline. Cost estimates at this point are somewhere around \$40-50,000.

In the past several years we have poured money into the chapter house making needed repairs and upgrades with the intention of keeping one of the finest chapter houses on campus always on the top. We've come a long way, but still have quite a road ahead of us.



New boiler system for the chapter house.



View looking from the back stairs



Inside one of the new rooms

GAMMA UPSILON ADOPTS NEW ALCOHOL POLICY FOR CHAPTER HOUSE

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Bob Carroll '88



Sean DonCarlos '03

Earlier this summer, The Grand Chapter made a number of significant changes to The Constitution of Theta Chi Fraternity. The one that will have the greatest impact on alumni is the decentralization of alcohol-free housing (AFH). Effective July 1, 2010, Article V – Section 13(b), has been repealed; this is the section that mandated the adoption of alcohol-free housing (AFH) by all undergraduate chapters with dedicated houses. This now means that all chapters are free to develop their own policies regarding the use of alcohol, provided that policy does not conflict with: (a) national, state and local laws (chapters cannot adopt policies allowing those under 21 to drink in the chapter house); (b) campus regulations of the host institution (chapters must enforce all campus policies); and (c) local regulations of the property owners and managers—in this case, the Gamma Upsilon Alumni Corporation (GUAC).

The Fraternity enacted this change to reduce the time and energy spent by the IHQ and regional staff on relatively minor infractions and allow them instead to concentrate on larger issues, to better serve chapters with major operating issues (serious risk management violations, lack of success in recruitment, and poor scholastic performances), and to address an increasing leadership vacancy in undergraduate chapters (as too many seniors and second semester juniors moved out of houses, electing executive committees composed entirely of second semester sophomores). In a proactive statement, the GUAC unanimously adopted the following alcohol policy for the chapter house on June 10, 2010.

1. Resident members 21 or older may possess and consume alcohol in their personal rooms.
2. Non-resident members 21 or older and alumnus members may possess and consume alcohol only in the personal room of a resident member 21 or older.
3. Guests 21 or older of resident members 21 or older may possess and consume alcohol only in the personal room of the member who invited them. Resident members are responsible for the behavior of their guests, including any violations committed by said guests.
4. No person, regardless of age, may possess open alcohol in any common area of the chapter house, except during designated social events. To be a designated social event, an event must have been planned by the Social Committee and approved by the Risk Manager. A copy of the Social Committee meeting minutes showing the plans for the event, together with the Risk Manager's approval, will be sent to the Chapter Advisory Board (CAB) at least 3 days prior to the event. Such designated social events shall meet all other requirements (laws, FIPG, Bradley regulations, etc.) applicable to such events.
5. The GUAC may plan and host alumni social events at the chapter house under such rules as it may determine for each event.
6. All consumption of alcohol will be in strict accordance with all applicable laws, Bradley University regulations, FIPG policies, Theta Chi by-laws and policies, IFC policies, and this Alcohol Policy.
7. The following are strictly forbidden under any circumstances: Kegs and other communal sources of alcohol, drinking games or contests of any kind, beer bongs and other devices that enable the rapid consumption of alcohol, and destruction of property regardless of ownership.
8. Any event connected with recruitment, Ritual, new member education or philanthropy shall remain alcohol-free at all times.

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GAMMA UPSILON ANNUAL CAMPAIGN FINISHES FIRST FIVE-YEAR PHASE

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Karl Kulhanek '91

2009 was the 5th year of Gamma Upsilon's Annual Campaign, so now is a good time to not only measure 2009 against the previous four years of the campaign, but also compare the actual results against our anticipated results when we began in 2005.

As you can see, 2009 marked an improvement over 2008, but did not quite match the success of 2007, even though we registered six more donors this past year than we did in 2007. 2009 was also marked by the receipt of a number of late donations for 2008, which inflated those totals over what was initially report. Our actual income from donations of \$9,150 eclipsed our expected income of \$5,225 because we have a number of alumni brothers who either donate on a semi-regular basis, but do not commit to becoming annual donors, or who made large sum, one-time only contributions.

Year	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
Total contributions	\$2,150	\$5,100	\$9,730	\$8,535	\$9,150	\$700
Actual change	—	+\$2,950	+\$4,630	-\$1,195	+\$ 630	—
Percent change	—	137.0%	90.8%	-20.2%	7.2%	—
Total contributors	18	32	31	27	37	3
Actual change	—	+14	-1	-4	+10	—
Percent change	—	77.7%	-0.3%	-10.8%	37.0%	—

Annual pledged funds (assuming 100% collection from all 47 annual contributors)	\$ 5,225
7 junior (\$25-\$50) contributors	\$ 175
34 standard (\$100) contributors	\$ 3,400
2 deluxe (\$200) contributors	\$ 400
3 accelerated—Level I contributors	\$ 750
1 accelerated—Level II contributor	\$ 500
Goal for annual donations after five years	\$10,000 (at 52.5% of goal funds)
Budgeted donated income for 2009	\$ 9,000 (at 113.8% of budgeted funds)
GRAND TOTAL RAISED TO DATE	\$33,865

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Gamma Upsilon Lifetime Donation Clubs (since 2005)

GOLD LEVEL (\$5,000-\$9,999)
DRU NEIKIRK '88 JERRY SMITH '54

SILVER LEVEL (\$2,500-\$4,999)
SEAN DONCARLOS '03

BRONZE LEVEL (\$1,000-\$2,499)
CARL BIRKELBACH '62 TOM HOWARD '05 PAUL MOORE '62 DICK STERLING '58 ARNO WEHR '63

Gamma Upsilon Annual Campaign Donors for 2009

PLATINUM LEVEL (\$500+)
SEAN DONCARLOS '03 PAUL MOORE '62 RANDY MOULTON '92 ARNO WEHR '63

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GAMMA UPSILON POSTS RECORD HIGH GPA FOR SPRING 2010!

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For the Spring 2010 semester at Bradley University, Gamma Upsilon posted its highest grade point average (GPA) as a chapter since Bradley University converted its GPA to a 4.0 scale! The following graph lets you know exactly how well the chapter is doing compared to other fraternities on the BU campus:

Fraternity	GPA	Membership (Spring 2010)	
Lambda Chi Alpha	3.24	43	(7/14)
<i>Theta Chi</i>	<i>3.19</i>	<i>41</i>	<i>(8/14)</i>
Alpha Epsilon Pi	3.13	25	(12/14)
Phi Gamma Delta (Fiji)	3.11	21	(14/14)
Sigma Alpha Epsilon	3.05	38	(9/14)
BU ALL-MEN'S AVERAGE	3.05	2,036	
Delta Tau Delta	3.04	66	(4/14)
Sigma Nu	3.02	80	(2/14)
Sigma Phi Epsilon	3.00	69	(3/14)
BU ALL-FRATERNITY AVERAGE	2.99	664	
Delta Upsilon	2.93	86	(1/14)
Phi Kappa Tau	2.92	44	(6/14)
Sigma Chi	2.81	60	(5/14)
Pi Kappa Phi	2.81	34	(11/14)
Pi Kappa Alpha	2.80	35	(10/14)
Theta Xi	2.73	22	(13/14)

Congratulations to our undergraduate brothers for continuing to emphasize scholastic achievement! As you can clearly see from the above graph, the first priority of most male students at BU is their studies.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR THE PICNIC!

BOB CARROLL '99

9th Annual Theta Chi/Gamma Upsilon Summer Family Picnic

Saturday, August 7, 2010

Noon until dusk!

Busse Woods Forest Preserve—Grove #23

Elk Grove Village, IL



RSVP is not required, but is encouraged to help us estimate the supplies. Call or email **KEN LOMBARD '99** (630-362-1500 or buoxalumni@gmail.com) to let us know you're coming. Your fee (\$15) covers all your expenses: food (from chefs **MIKE SCHEVE '02** and **TOM HOWARD '05**); beer (a choice homebrew by our own brewmaster **LARRY SANTELLO '00**); non-alcoholic drinks; and fun and games! Guests (\$15), in the form of family and friends, are welcome; their will be games and activities for the children under age 10 (\$5).

The more the merrier!

- Violations of this policy by an undergraduate member or new member will be referred to the chapter Standards Board. A complete record of each such case, including all relevant facts of the case, the results of the case, and any sanctions imposed, will be sent to the GUAC immediately for review. Violations of this policy by an alumnus member will be referred to the GUAC for resolution.
- The chapter may adopt additional conditions regarding the consumption of alcohol as it sees fit to advance its risk management and/or academic goals, but it may not weaken or eliminate any condition in this Alcohol Policy.

What this policy means for alumni is that when there is a designated alumni or social event at the chapter house, alumni may bring alcohol to the facility and consume it. In the event, however, that there is not such an event, alumni may not enter with alcohol unless they have been invited by a resident member who is at least 21 years of age and in such a case they must only consume the alcohol in that member's room.

BRADLEY UNIVERSITY TO SPONSOR ALL-GREEK ALUMNI EXCHANGE ON NOVEMBER 13

BY BOB CARROLL '88, GUAC PRESIDENT (708.720.2397 OR WOOCARROLL@AOL.COM)

On Saturday, November 13, the Bradley University Greek Alumni Network will host a Mixer for all of its Greek alumni, including Theta Chi, at Harry Caray's Restaurant in Lombard, Illinois. The mixer, or exchange if you prefer, is an opportunity for you to not only see some of your fellow Theta Chi brothers, especially those who live in Chicago area, but also a chance to see some of your friends from other fraternities and sororities. The mixer is not aimed at any one generation of Greek alumni, but is designed to allow social interaction among all attendees, so expect some type of contests and games between the various fraternities and sororities represented. A buffet will be served and a cash bar will be available. Former Dean of Students, Ed King, will present an overview of how Greek life at Bradley has changed over the years and the event is an excellent opportunity to learn how the current Greek community exists and performs.

Additional information will appear in the Fall issue of *Hilltopics* and invitations will be mailed to all of our alumni brothers who live in the Chicago metropolitan area, however, all our alumni are eligible to attend, regardless of where you live now. Registration will be done using the Bradley alumni website (www.bualumni.org). For additional information, you can become a fan of the Facebook page (www.facebook.com/BradleyGreekReunion) and take the survey to help plan the evening (www.surveymonkey.com/s/BUGreeksRule).

You can also contact the Office of Alumni Relations at 800.952.8258 or dana@bradley.edu or the Theta Chi coordinator, **DON KISSOCK '60**, at 847.272.7053 or dkissock@faxitron.com.

ALUMNI WEEKEND / HOMECOMING

GAMMA UPSILON FALL ALUMNI WEEKEND TO COINCIDE WITH BRADLEY UNIVERSITY HOMECOMING

By BOB CARROLL '88, PRESIDENT, GUAC (708.720.2397 OR WOOCARROLL@AOL.COM)

As has been the case for most of the past 10 years, the **Theta Chi Fall Alumni Weekend** will coincide with **Homecoming for Bradley University on October 15–17, 2010**. Please note that this is the third weekend in October, not the first weekend, as has been the case the past several years. To allow alumni and undergraduates more opportunities to interact, most events are being held at the chapter house itself.

For our senior alumni brothers, the festivities will commence on **Friday, October 15**, with the **9th Annual Golden Guard Luncheon** at the usual location, the **Lariat Steakhouse**. This event is open to brothers with 50 or more years of membership in the Fraternity (those initiated in 1960 or before) and their guests. As is tradition, the luncheon will begin at **noon** and allows participants to order on individual checks from a limited but tasty menu. Everyone who attends receives an update on the status of the Fraternity, chapter, and alumni corporation, but the focus is on renewing those enduring friendships. First time attendees will receive their official Golden Guard certificate (those brothers should notify me 30 days in advance so I can order the awards from the International Headquarters). To reserve your seat, please contact either **DICK GILLET '56** (309.657.1945) or **MIKE UNRUH '57** (217.877.2806 or golfguyone@comcast.net).

The business of the weekend is confined to **Saturday, October 16**, and limited to the chapter house. At **1:00 PM**, the **Gamma Upsilon Chapter Advisory Board** will hold its planning meeting and discuss methods for alumni to assist the chapter in its continual self-improvement. This meeting is open to all brothers with an interest in the status of the undergraduate chapter and a desire to help; it is required of all CAB members. At **3:00 PM**, the Board of Directors of the **Gamma Upsilon Alumni Corporation** will hold its annual meeting; this meeting is also open to all brothers who want to continue the current progress in operating, renovating, and supervising the housing facility. At **5:00 PM**, the Gamma Upsilon Chapter will offer **tours** of the new renovation and at **6:00 PM**, will serve **dinner** to all brothers and their guests. All brothers initiated during the 1985 calendar year or before will receive their Silver Legion certificates marking 25 years of membership in Theta Chi Fraternity (Again, those brothers should notify me no later than September 17). To aid the chapter in determining the correct amount of food, brothers are also requested to RSVP to 309.677.5851 or thetachi@bradley.edu.

As parking spaces on campus will be especially difficult to find on Homecoming weekend, brothers are encouraged to carpool from their hotels and park in one of the two lots on the corner of Bradley Avenue and Duryea Street; across the street from University Hall or in the University parking structure across the street from Williams Hall and next to the Garret Center.

Homecoming 2010 will also mark the 50th anniversary reunion of the **Class of 1960** and the 25th anniversary reunion of the **Class of 1985**. Brothers in those classes are especially encouraged to attend. Bradley University will host events for those and all other alumni over the weekend, look in your *Hilltopics* or visit the Bradley University Alumni Association website (www.bradley.edu/alumni) for more information.

2010 THETA CHI ALUMNI WEEKEND BRADLEY UNIVERSITY HOMECOMING SCHEDULE

(www.bradley.edu/alumni)

Theta Chi Events in Bold

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 15

- Founder's Day Luncheon 11:30 am Michel Student Center
- **Theta Chi Golden Guard Luncheon** 12:00 noon Lariat Steakhouse
Honoring the Initiates of '60 (and earlier) 2232 W. Glen Avenue (309.691.4731)
and the Class of '60
Order from limited menu; pay individual checks
To reserve your seat; please contact either:
Dick Gillet (309.657.1945) or Mike Unruh (217.877.2806 or golfguyone@comcast.net)
- 50+ Club Reception 4:30 pm Michel Student Center

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 16

- Tippet Memorial 5K Run 8:30 am Michel Student Center
- Bradley University Class of '60 Reunion Luncheon 11:30 am Hotel Perre Marquette
- **Gamma Upsilon Chapter Advisory Board Meeting** 1:00 pm Chapter House
(Bob Carroll at 708.720.2397 or woocarroll@aol.com)
- **Gamma Upsilon Alumni Corp Annual Meeting** 3:00 pm Chapter House
(Bob Carroll at 708.720.2397 or woocarroll@aol.com)
- Tailgate Party 4:00 pm Shea Stadium Parking Lot
- **Theta Chi Silver Legion Dinner** 6:00 pm Chapter House (One World Café!)
Honoring the Initiates of '85 and the Class of '85
To reserve your seat; please contact the Chapter
(309.677.5851 or thetachi@bradley.edu)
- Bradley University Men's Soccer Game 7:30 pm Shea Stadium

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 17

- **Homecoming Brunch** 10:00 am Michel Student Center
Make sure to look for the Theta Chi table(s)!

For Bradley Events, please contact the Alumni Center at 800.952.8258 or dana@bradley.edu.