

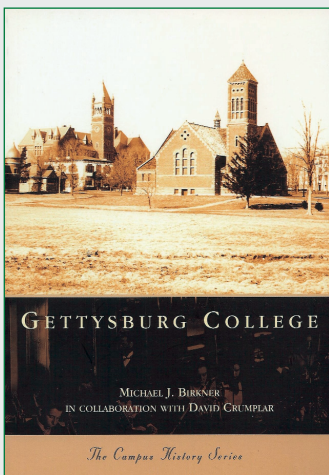
UPCOMING EVENTS

May 31 - June 3, 2007
Gettysburg College Alumni
Weekend 2007 Reunion
Classes of '52, '57, '62, '67,
'72, '77, '82, '87, '92, '97

The Theta-Pi Alumni Association Board is still working out its plans for that weekend. We hope to keep building on the successes of the past few years. More information will be sent out in the spring. If you have any suggestions or ideas, please contact Secretary **Douglas J.D. Walo '03** at DouglasJDWalo@gmail.com or 781.771.6142.

Summer '07 **Annual Joint Alumni-** **Actives-Parents House** **Work Weekend**

As was done last year, the chapter is planning to hold another house work weekend. All alumni and parents of actives will be invited to come back to get to know some of the active brothers while working to improve the Theta-Pi House for the future. Last year's projects included the renovation of the basement bar. More information and dates will be published in the spring newsletter.



David Crumplar '06 collaborated with Dr. Michael Birkner to write a pictorial history of Gettysburg College.

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Theta-Pi Zeta of Lambda Chi Alpha Fraternity at Gettysburg College

ALUMNI PRESIDENT REPORT

Active Members Renovate Basement, Excel in Academics **and Host a Memorable Homecoming Weekend** **Alumni Board Continues Safe Living Efforts and Encourages** **All to Return for Reunion Weekend 2007**

By Mark Trudeau '92

As yet another school year is underway back at Gettysburg, I want to reiterate to our vast Brotherhood what a great job the active members are doing. On their own, they undertook to redo the bar room in the basement, complete with new walls, drop ceiling and lighting with dimmers. They continue to excel in academics and are very involved with various other on-campus activities. And they put on one of the best Homecoming Weekends in memory, including a Clambake with London broil, shrimp and lobster.

The alumni board has been active as well. We are currently waiting for bids on the Life Safety Initiative I have written about in the past. For those of you who may not already know, by 2010, our house must be fully equipped with sprinklers, hard wired fire alarm systems and other items to comply with College requirements to ensure safe living areas for all students. In addition, we have just ordered a new boiler system (at a cost of over \$16,000) to replace one that has serviced the house for probably 50 years.



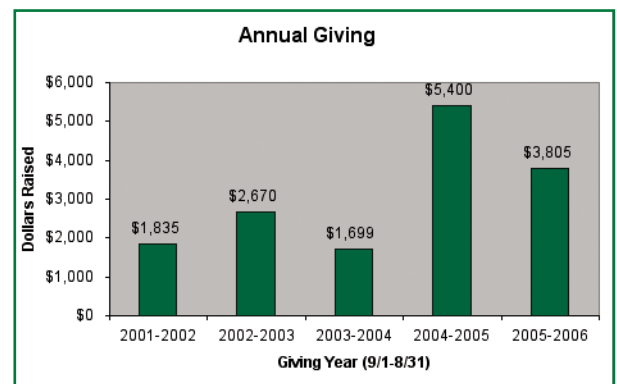
The active members hosted one of the best Homecoming Weekends in memory that was enjoyed by all who attended.

While these and other repairs are not cheap, we wish to maintain safe and comfortable living areas for all Brothers.

If you have not been by the house in a while, please stop by. The reunion weekend is fast approaching (May 31- June 3, 2007), so if you have chance please make plans to join us, especially if it's your class reunion year. Please also feel free to get in touch with the alumni board or the actives themselves to ask questions, make comments or just make some new friends. We look forward to hearing from you. ■

Sustain Our Momentum. Make Your Donation to Kick off **Our New Giving Year and Watch Our Giving Grow!**

The Lambda Chi Alpha Alumni Association would like to thank the 59 alumni members who contributed a collective \$3,805 to our 2005-06 annual fund. While this was a great response, we'd like to increase our giving total! Help us exceed what we've raised in the past by making your gift today to kick off the 2006-07 annual fund. It's easy. Just call 800-975-6699 to make your donation. ■



EXTERNSHIP PROGRAM

Active Members Seek Opportunities for Real Life Career Experiences with Alumni *Seeking Alumni or LCA Family Members to Host Members*

Your college experience doesn't end with Graduation. In fact, everything you've learned in your four years begins to be applied when your diploma hits your hand. A Gettysburg College education can provide its students with great opportunities but the active members of Lambda Chi Alpha are looking to take advantage of another opportunity by introducing the LCA Summer Externship Program.

In an effort to connect alumni and actives, the brothers are creating an externship program where actives can shadow alumni in their professions allowing active members a real life experience filled with daily life in their

field of study. But more than that they would get a first-hand account of what it is like to balance a family, career, and personal life.

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In a similar program sponsored by the College's Center for Career Development, alumni who participated in the program say it has given them a re-energizing look at

their careers. Seeing the energized and committed undergrads that are passionate about their craft has helped many alumni feel re-connected to their jobs.

We are currently looking for alumni, or family members of Lambda Chi's, to host students and invite them into both their work place and homes as guests and extended family members. We will be happy to work with you in coordinating a week that would be convenient for both you and the active. If you are interested in this program, please contact the Alumni Relations Chairman with your name, class year, address and profession at lcaalumni@gettysburg.edu. ■

PHILANTHROPY

For Jake's Sake 5K Race Exemplifies Our Brotherhood and Contributes \$8000 to the Community *Lambda Chi Alpha Philanthropy Takes Adams County by Storm*

Amid the coursework, long nights of studying, hectic extra-curricular schedule, and the daily ins-and-outs of college life, the brothers of Lambda Chi have found the time to commit to a fellow Brother in his time of need. Without question, Gettysburg's Lambda Chi Alpha has been defined by its brotherhood this semester.

After losing his biological little brother to an accident last December, junior **Joe Gurreri** looked to the brotherhood for help

and support. To honor his little brother Jake, the chapter hosted the 1st Annual "For Jake's Sake 5K Race" on September 16th, 2006 at the College with over 300 participants. Part of the money collected was used to build a playground at York Catholic High School and part was donated to the Hershey Medical Center in support of neurological research and development. As a result of the overwhelming support from neighbors, friends, family members, the College

Community, the Student Senate, student organizations, other fraternities and sororities, and the surrounding Gettysburg Community, the race raised nearly \$8,000. The playground was dedicated Jacob Gurreri before a Friday night football game in October. All of the planning, publicity and organizing of the event came together on that day to pay tribute to the life of a young boy who loved his family, his life, and sports. ■

HISTORIAN REPORT

All Members Should be Able to Return to LCA and See Their Picture Adorning the Walls from Their Time Here *Active Brothers are Restoring Composites from 1950's, 60's and 70's*

By Braden Moore '08, Historian

We've recently set a goal on a project that will surely be rewarding for all Brothers. Through the help of **Matthew Dempsey**, High Tau, and **Jeremy Meehan**, High Rho, this project has come to life. In our possession are twenty-two unframed composites from the 1950's, 60's and 70's. There is a large pile of photos which have fallen off of these composites and my goal as Historian is to repair and frame them for the enjoyment of our brotherhood and alumni.

The first quote obtained last spring was

too costly. However, this semester Fraternal Composite Inc. has been able to provide a feasible quote for the project and we are in the final stages of finalizing the contract.

“The plan is to have the fallen pictures reapplied to the composites in time for reframing in January 2007.”

We at Lambda Chi Alpha are firm believers that everyone should be able to return to their fraternity house, and see their picture adorning

the walls from the great days they spent here at Gettysburg College. We are very excited and please that we will bring back these amazing pieces to Lambda Chi Alpha's Theta Pi Zeta chapter.

We want you to know that the composite restoration plan has been funded completely by active brothers. We certainly are not seeking any donations for this work. We have taken on this project in hopes to see a smile on your face when you return to Lambda Chi Alpha. Thank you and we hope to see you for a visit soon. ■

Still Rockin' and Rollin'

Music brought these Lambda Chi's together in the mid '70s with the band, Prime Time. Now, nearly 30 years later, the band plans to reunite for a special Alumni Weekend at Gettysburg next summer. Theta-Pi News sits down with **Don Lehr '77** and **George White '79** to get the inside scoop on this special musical reunion.

When did you start the band?

Don Lehr: Prime Time was formed in the spring of 1976 and consisted of four Lambda Chi's and one independent: **Dick Hollyday '79, Mike McArdle '79, Don Lehr '77, George White '79**, and Jack Laufenberger, '79 (independent).

How did Lambda Chi bring the band members together?

Don Lehr: The four freshmen lived in Rice Hall. With three of us pledging Lambda Chi, and meeting up with Don Lehr - The Older, the fraternity gave us a lot of encouragement and allowed us to play at just about any event the house was putting on.

Are the original members the same as the members today?

Don Lehr: With graduations there was some

turnover, but we became a six-man group in '76 and stayed that way until we disbanded in '80. Hollyday, White, and Lehr stuck with it until the end.

What kind of music do you play?

Don Lehr: We were doing classic rock before anyone would call it that! We had a pretty good range of oldies from the 60s, rock hits from the 70s, and a touch of country and folk stirred in.

Describe your favorite experience/memory as a member of Prime Time.

George White: The four freshman nervously sitting down with the bass playing, effervescent, junior "Dynamic Donny Lehr". We tried Barbara Ann in Don's room on the 2nd floor. With the addition of his great bass work and vocal, it was a major thrill for me... like "there may be something going on here that doesn't stink and that other people may actually like hearing once in a while!"

I also remember January 1978 we were booked for about eight consecutive nights – all on campus for various organizations. We called it our "All-Campus Tour." Hot stuff. The most we ever made. By the way, for any gig we charged \$10!

Why are you coming back to celebrate Alumni Weekend?

Don Lehr: Three Lambda Chi's from the band stayed in fairly good touch over the years thanks to Alumni Weekends, etc. In 2004, **Mike A. Falco, '79** suggested that the band return and play for the Class of '79's reunion weekend. Hooking up again was a blast. Several of the guys had continued playing pretty steadily over the years, so all it took was an extended weekend the week before the reunion for us to have our first rehearsal in 25 years and still put something together.

What advice can you offer to future Lambda Chi's on how to make their experience at Gettysburg the best it can be?

George White: Beyond all the conventional advice, make a conscious decision to be a risk-taker while in school. For me, aiming to be in a performing group was a nerve-racking gamble. Forming a fellowship with guys like Donny, Doc, and Mike just added to the enjoyment as our confidence developed. Had I followed my instincts and said "no thanks" the first time I was asked to sing along, I would have missed out on a great experience and so many wonderful memories with our band of brothers. ■

ALUMNI UPDATES

'30s

A. Karl Phillippi '39

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What's going on with me? Only one wedding so far, in '44 to Vera Foote Barker. After college, mostly I did things that other people thought were important and were willing to pay me for doing. The rest of the time I did things I thought were important for which I never received a dime. I think there were about 36 of us living in the house. I can't remember a single name but would love to reconnect with them!

'50s

Kearney Kulthau Jr. '54

(33 Hillcrest Drive, Piscataway, NJ 08854) Retired from the banking business in 1990, I now run a cemetery close to home. I also sing barbershop harmony, do arbitration for NJ Superior Court, serve on a nursing home board

of trustees and dote over 4 grand-children. I live next door to **G. Laurence "Larry" Liedel '59**.

George Tracy Jr. '59

(1602 Foxberry, San Antonio, TX 78248)

I have retired from teaching (2005) and now hit the golf course several mornings a week and travel when we feel like it.

'60s

Norman H. Henry '60

(46 Thayer Bay Cir., Colchester, VT 05446; nhenryvt@adelphia.net)

I'm retired. I did the Egyptian pyramid tour recently and a drive through the Southwest. I'm a swinging single guy looking for an engaging female person to travel the world or U.S. with me. I'm also doing a lot of thinking and reading and a little writing, but there are still one or two issues that evade solution.

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EXCLUSIVE:
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Brother **Dan McGill '92**, U.S. Army Major, shares his personal experiences and opinions developed from over 14 years of service. Go to www.thetapi.com for Q&A interview.

Where Have You Been?

Submit your update for possible publication in a future issue by emailing our editors at content@affinityconnection.com.

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'70s

David Dunn '75

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Attended son Jeremy's wedding August 3 in Maui, Hawaii. Both kids are out of college and have jobs! Yippee! Work as Director of the Railroad Museum of Pennsylvania, in Strasburg, PA. Since graduation I have had one wife, four jobs, two children, three houses and two dogs. Would love to reconnect with **Kip Dellinger '73**, **Bob Bullard '75**, **Loren Sweet**, **Bob Baker '75**, **Dennis Fisher '75**, and **Steve Buly '75**.

'90s

Geoffrey Jackson '91

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OK, some recent news. I got married to Gretchen Fee on Sept. 23, 2006. I've made a slight career change too- I'm now focusing on drug and alcohol counseling for teens and young adults. I recently won the college's 2006 Young

Alumni Achievement Award at the 15 year Reunion. I see **Pete Stine '93**, **Adam Ellis '93**, **Watt White '92**, **Brian Heun '92**, **Andy Sonn '91**, **Dougie Davis '91**, **John Petrycki '91**, and **Mark Trudeau '92** and regularly engage in rambling political diatribes with **Craig DeMallie '91** who is consistently misguided.

J. Peter Shupp '96

(82 Old Church Road, Oxford, CT 06478; jpshupp@simplusllc.com)

In May of 2006 my wife Karlen and I welcomed our second child, Tanner Andrew Shupp. Yes, that means 2 boys under 2...not much sleep in our house currently. We also moved in late 2005 so please see our new contact info. We'd love to catch up with anyone in the New England area. 203-733-1477

Josh Wright '97

(319 Aftons Circle, Spring City, PA 19475; joshuadwright@yahoo.com)

My wife Maureen and I had our first child (Kevin Joshua) on August 22. Everyone is doing well and we are living near Phoenixville, PA. I know **Ken Krista '97** and his wife Kristen also just had their first child (Lucy Jeanne) on Sept 1st.

'00s

Douglas J.D. Walo, '03

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I recently began a new position at Harvard Law School, moving from the HLS Financial Aid Office to the Dean of Students Office where I am now the Housing Administrator. In September, Katie and I bought our first home in Whitman, MA, the birthplace of the chocolate cookie. Ever hear of Nestle Toll House cookies?

Joseph F. Susco, III '05

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I spent last year, July '05 – August '06, teaching on the JET program in Japan. I was posted near Osaka and taught English lessons in Japanese schools. I saw fellow brother Aaron Dilliplane '05 also teaching on JET. I got married in October 2006. Brothers **P.J. Heckman '05** and **Kevin Caviston '05** were part of the wedding party.

Composites to be restored, externship program introduced, a memorable Homecoming 2006, \$8000 raised for community and more...details inside!

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