

June 2006

UPCOMING EVENTS

July 22- July 23
**Annual Joint Alumni-
Actives-Parents House Work
Weekend**

This is quickly becoming an annual tradition! All Alumni and parents of actives are invited to participate. Meet the active brothers while helping with house improvements. Last year's projects included painting the basement and installing lampposts.

Theta-Pi Alumnus Featured in Cross & Crescent, March '06

J. Michael Bishop '57 shares his perspective on his career in science, winning a Nobel Prize and his book "How to Win the Nobel Prize: An Unexpected Life in Science" in the March 2006 edition of the Cross & Crescent, a Lambda Chi Alpha International Fraternity Publication. Go online for the full article - go to <http://www.crossandcrescent.com/>. Click on "March 2006" which appears on the right-hand side of the web page then Click on "Uncovering Cancer's Secrets" written by Jason Pearce which appears atop the web page.

The Cross & Crescent is now only available in electronic format, a change that will result in a substantial savings for the fraternity. You can now read the monthly issues online at www.crossandcrescent.com or you can print the pdf version. Monthly podcasts of the Cross & Crescent issues are now available. Download iTunes at <http://www.apple.com/itunes/download/> and search for "Cross & Crescent" in the Music Store.

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Alumni Activity Abounds - Alumni Weekend, Life Safety Initiative

As Alumni Corp. President I am happy to report that our active brothers continue to make us proud! They are consistently recognized by the national organization and by the college community as a model chapter that can be an example for many others, Greeks and non-Greeks alike.

Alumni Weekend (June 1-4) is quickly approaching and we are all looking forward to seeing old friends and making new ones. The Alumni Association will be hosting a reception Saturday from 2:00 to 5:00 p.m. - I encourage you to join us to see fellow alumni, recount your stories of Theta-Pi, and meet some of the active brothers.

We welcome any alumnus who is interested in becoming involved with the fraternity in any capacity from advising to reaching out to folks with whom we've lost touch. Please contact me at anytime to offer assistance, provide advice or ask questions. Like all the board members, I am here to serve you. I hope to hear from and see many of you in the not-too-distant future.

Life Safety Initiative

The Housing Corporation has made a firm commitment to the safety of our brothers living in and visiting the house. We are aggressively

moving forward with plans to upgrade our fire suppression and warning systems and other infrastructure safety improvements and to make quality of life renovations. We're working with the college to ensure our renovations meet the safety specifications they've laid out for all campus facilities and pulling resources across the campus to maximize pricing power. The Corporation has also undertaken smaller safety initiatives, including the purchase of new safety doors, which should be installed by the time you receive this newsletter. While all of this will be a substantial investment in our house, we believe it is a necessary and worthwhile project.

We are in the process of obtaining estimates from contractors and are concurrently establishing the renovation priority list. If you have a particular area of expertise or interest and would like to be involved please contact me! We need your help to ensure we have the resources to make this project a reality.

Stay tuned for further updates. We look forward to engaging all of you in this process as it gets off the ground!

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Community Food Drive Reaps Great Gains for Local Charity

By Joe Chongpinitchai, High Theta

Lambda Chi Alpha fraternity held the annual North American Food Drive to benefit South Central Community Actions Programs of Adam's County. The organization coordinates charitable human services for the county and assists low-income families. The food bank is always open and relies on its donations to fulfill

its needs. S.C.A.A.P is Lambda Chi Alpha's main charity, receiving the donations from all of our major service projects.

One week before collection, shopping bags are distributed to approximately 600 homes in the surrounding community for them to fill with non-perishable food items, we promote awareness and collect donations from campus. The last day of the drive, brothers collect the bags of donations, sort, weigh, repack the food and finally deliver it to the pantry. Approximately 2000 pounds of food was collected and an additional \$750 donated to S.C.A.A.P this year.

Great Accomplishments for Theta-Pi Chapter Continue Tradition of Excellence

By *Dave Gibbons, High Alpha*

Theta-Pi is proud of many accomplishments over the past semester. The highlights being winning the award for the highest GPA among fraternities this Spring, running an amazingly successful Food Drive and capturing the Greek Week title for the 5th consecutive year! Please see related articles for more details on these accomplishments.

Additionally, the active brothers have continued our long-standing tradition of leadership on campus. High Iota **Joe Gurreri**

is president of the sophomore class. Order of Omega, the Greek honor society, inducted 6 Lambda Chi brothers in March. Junior High Rho **Jeremy Meehan** and Sophomore **Geoff Crampton** continue their tenure as IFC president and vice-president.

We thank everyone for their continued support and extend an open invitation for any and all alumni to stop by any time and say hello. If you'd like to get your hands dirty, come by July 21-23 (see page 1) and give us a hand on our work weekend!



Members proudly wear their Bid Day jackets as they go to extend bids. The Alumni Executive Board subsidized the cost of the jackets for the chapter. Thank you donors!

Lambda Chi Excels Academically with Highest GPA on Campus and Search for Faculty Advisor is Successful

By *Tim Calamaras, High Sigma*

The Theta-Pi Zeta chapter of Lambda Chi Alpha has once again been recognized as having the highest GPA on campus for the Fall 2005 semester. With an average cumulative GPA of 3.14 and an average term GPA of 3.20, Lambda Chi has come out on top in both categories for another consecutive semester since recolonization. Proudly, no member is on either scholastic probation or scholastic suspension, and ten of our members attained Dean's List status.

After many semesters of searching, a suitable faculty advisor has been found. Professor Robert Bohrer of the Political Science department has agreed to serve as the chapter's faculty advisor. We are glad to have him representing us to the campus faculty. Lambda Chi Alpha has always emphasized scholarship above any other area of involvement, and as Scholarship chair I'm proud to see our chapter stand out among the other national fraternities on campus.

Greek Week Champions for Five Years and Counting

This year the brothers of Lambda Chi Alpha continued their winning tradition capturing the title of Greek Week Champions for the 5th consecutive year!

Greek Week consisted of five main events; a faculty appreciation luncheon, a kickball tournament, Airbands, Greek Olympics, and for the first time an "All Greek Community Cleanup."

Lambda Chi came out in full force, attending every event and showing their Greek pride. Friday we won the kickball tournament and then Saturday brought down the house with our airband routine of N*SYNC's "It's gonna be Me". Sunday was the first ever Community Cleanup where greek organizations were asked to provide 50% membership participation. Lambda Chi Alpha's brotherhood participated with over 60% of our members. Not only did we have the highest percent in attendance but we had the most participants!

Lambda Chi once again displayed how united their brotherhood is and how committed we are to excellence.

Recent Alumni Join Chapter Advisory Board to Offer Assistance in Day-to-Day Issues Facing the Chapter

By *Jeremy Meehan, High Rho*

This year, the actives and alumni renewed the Alumni Advisory Board. In addition to the Housing Corporation, the Alumni Association, and the High Pi, the AAB will offer continued alumni commitment to the actives. Its purpose is to increase alumni

involvement, provide regular guidance to the actives, and brainstorm new ideas about chapter programming and brotherhood involvement.

The Board consists of five recent alumni: **Marc Sorresso '05, Don Lustenberger '04, Bernie Klitsch '04, Douglas Stuart '04, and Justin Greer '04.** All men are former officers and dedicated to the undergrads. Each person brings a different strength to the table.

The chapter convenes with the Alumni Advisory Board on a monthly basis, conducting a conference call in the chapter library. According to chapter President

David Gibbons the program has been working very well. He says, "Working closely with the Zeta officers, as well as the other actives, will be a great way for the Board to offer their advice as well as help the chapter when we need guidance from those who have been there."

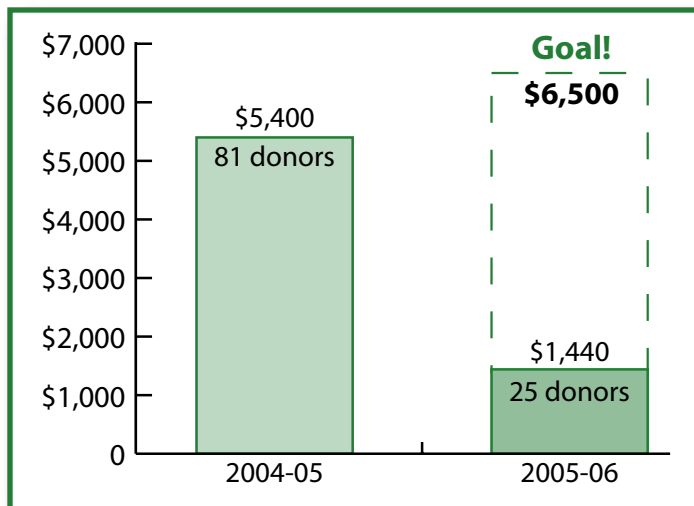
The High Pi and the chapter's executive board monitor membership on the Alumni Advisory Board. Any alumni interested in committing their services to the chapter, as a potential member of the board or in other areas, feel free to email lcaalumni@gettysburg.edu.

Only 3 Months Left in our Giving Year!

We hope that you enjoy this issue of *The Theta-Pi News*. This newsletter, along with our other annual alumni communications and our website, are funded solely by the contributions of our readers. If you're one of the brothers on this list who has donated so far this year, please accept our appreciation. **It is because of you that all of our brothers can keep up-to-date on the latest news!**

If you have not donated, please consider making a gift to Theta-Pi, so that we can ensure that publication of our Theta-Pi news continues.

This chart shows the progress of Theta-Pi alumni annual giving during the last two years. You can make a donation now by calling our toll free donation hotline at (800) 975-6699. **The success of to Lambda Chi Alpha, Theta-Pi Zeta depends on YOU!**



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ALUMNI UPDATES

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Karl Phillippi '39

(66 Bower Rd., Madison, CT 06443; kphillippi1@msn.com) Hi. I entered G-burg with class of '39. Am 23 years retired. Can't travel much. Would be interested in any addresses in above two classes.

40s

Robert (Bob) Burdett Lowton '47

(12300 Pioneer Drive, Jackson, California, 95642; rblowton@bigvalley.net) After time in the Navy (1943 -1947) I went to Yale University and earned B.S. and B.E. (Mechanical) degrees. Then worked for Kellex/Vitro until 1964. Next worked for GE until I retired in 1989. My wife died in 1995 so I sold my house in San Jose California and moved up to the Sierra foothills in Jackson California. I have five and one-half acres so I'm busy keeping up the place. Play quite a bit of golf and do a fair amount of traveling. All in all I feel I have led a good life.

Robert J. Dowie '48

(3001 Litiz Pike, P. O. Box 5093, Lancaster, PA 17606; cbi3101@aol.com) I became a Brother in December 1942 prior to entering the military later that month. Served U.S. Army in China Burma India T.O. until early 1946. Returned to G-Burg that fall and lived in chapter house. Married in June 1947, moved from house to apartment. Graduated August 1948. Returned to Pittsburgh Area and began employment with G.C. Murphy Co. (regional chain store) as management trainee. Recalled into Army fall 1950, served as Company Officer with 101st Airborne Division until late 1952. On return to Murphy Co. was given store management assignments in Ohio, Pa. and Maryland. In 1957 was selected for management of company's first computer operation and spent 18 months in training with IBM. Over next 25 years held numerous positions from Manager Information Services to Senior Vice President and member of corporate Board of Directors. Retired in 1986. Over the years served my community as elected member of City Council and later Mayor. Now reside with loving wife of 59 years in retirement community.

CHAPTER ETERNAL

We regret to inform you of the passing of an LCA Theta-Pi brother, **Michael J. "Duke" Frinzi Jr. '54**. An online obituary appears on the web site of the funeral home: http://www.noto-wynkoop.com/Pages/Obits/F/frinzi_duke.html.

Lambda Chi mourns his loss and sends our condolences to his friends and family.

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Charles Batcheler '61

(7426 Kennedy Rd., Nokesville, VA 20181-5841; clanebatch@aol.com) Employed at Merrifield Garden Center in Merrifield VA as Ombudsmen (Using my labor relations background to resolve problems). Enjoying interest in horticulture, concentrating in disease, insect & weed ID & their eradication. Attending son Clifton's wedding in Hawaii this October. We have scaled down from 50 acres to 2 (that's enough to take

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ALUMNI UPDATES

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care of). Have 4 granddaughters (will I ever get a grandson?). Miss all of my Lambda Chi brothers and the raucous good times we experienced.

Lawrence (Larry) E. Lees '65

(101 Jason Dr., Valrico, FL 33594-3119; homel@aol.com) Been retired for more than six years now. Play a lot of golf and travel. Worked in national parks for five summers. Saw 47 states, much of Canada and some of Mexico on our summer trips to and from the park positions.

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Robert Green '75

(3100 Connecticut Ave. N.W., Suite 415, Washington DC 20008; verde753@verizon.net) Only news is that I became engaged to Sarah Keener (Oberlin '86) in April. No wedding date set. I look forward to showing her the Theta-Pi house and G'burg campus. I stay in touch with **RC Baker '75**, **Richard Mousley '75** and **Gregory Neuhauser '75**. I regret we've lost touch with the brothers who "turned the house around" and graduated from 1972-78. We had an assortment of good guys and funny stories the current bro's ought to hear!

Jeff Bryant '77

(11 Indian Ladder Dr., Altamont, NY 12009; jeff@bryantasset.com) **Steve Shorrock '77** (LifeVentures Corp), **Mark Brigham '77** (orthopedist) and I (Bryant Asset Protection Inc) took a trip to Ireland to get in some golf and pub hopping. We played 7 courses in 6 days in the beautiful emerald isle. The courses were fantastic and we enjoyed the pubs at night chatting with the locals. My son will be graduating from Gettysburg in May - he still is in denial about having to leave G-Burg, it was a great experience. I also spent a weekend with **Greg Landrey '77** (Winterthur Museum) and their two younger daughters in NYC this past year, both of the older daughters go to Ithaca College. Also see **Tim Stauning '78** (Clear Channel in NYC) whose son Rob is a freshman at G-Burg. Tim is planning a golfing trip to Scotland this summer and his daughter is getting married this fall.

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Michael W. Herbert '87

(26 Martha Drive, Hamilton N.J. 08610; hvcglaw@aol.com) Wife: Kimberly. Daughters: Amy, Melissa, and Maggie. Job:

attorney, Partner at Herbert, VanNess, Cayci, and Goodell of Princeton N.J. I represent Mercer County Freeholders, Hamilton Twp., Ewing Twp., Washington Twp., East Windsor Twp., and Seaside Park. My firm represents many towns, school districts, and the Diocese of Trenton. I am also the vice president of Mount Carmel Guild Charity.

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Matt Nielsen '94

(235 Green Bay Rd., Lake Bluff, IL 60044; MattN@NielsenMassey.com) Everything is great in Chicago. I'm happily married to Clarice who is a wonderful and beautiful Wisconsin woman. The Bears vs. Packers rivalry lives on in our house every fall! I'm now COO of our family business, Nielsen-Massey Vanillas. My mom retired last fall and my brother, sister and I have completed a buy out of her stock to become majority shareholders. I won my first election as Republican Precinct Committeeman during the March primary. It's low man on the totem pole but it gives me a better foot in the door and a stronger voice in our county party. Still very active in Lions and have been elected as a director of our community's Fourth of July Celebration planning committee. Beringer passed away about 2 years ago and Clarice and I adopted two Siberian huskies, Sienna and Kodiak, a few months later from a rescue group. No kids YET. Best wishes to all!

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Douglas W. Ritter '03

(1855 Baltimore Pike, Apt. A3, Gettysburg, PA 17325; douglaswriter@yahoo.com) Major life changes have been happening over the past few months for me. I received my master's degree in Administration of Justice from Shippensburg University in December 2005 and entered into the 121st Pennsylvania State Police Academy Class. I will be graduating from the academy in June and will hopefully be stationed somewhere east of Gettysburg. Katie Turner ('03) and I also got engaged over the holiday season. We are planning a Gettysburg wedding for May 5th, 2007. I will update in the future with new contact information. Hope all is well with everyone.

Eric W. Sakovics '03

(4683 Pine Dr., Nazareth, PA 18064-8518; sakoer01@hotmail.com) 1LT. Stationed at Ft. Bragg NC assigned to the 82nd Airborne Division, 1-73rd Cavalry. I still stay in touch with **Adam Tokar '03** and **Steve Kareha '03** from Gettysburg College and MAJ **Robert Haldeman** who went to school down in Florida. Cell phone: 484 894 8040.

Nathan S. Ross '04

(1530 North Poinsettia Pl., Los Angeles, CA 90046; nathan@nathanross.net) After recently graduating with a Masters in Film and Television production from Bond University in Australia, I moved back to the states. After a brief high-school teaching position, in which I taught film theory and production, I moved to West Hollywood. I am currently working on a film project with well-known European photographer and filmmaker Andrea Giacobbe. His credits include numerous music videos, commercials, and ad campaigns. My award winning short film, "The Vanished", which I wrote and directed, has screened at three film festivals internationally and is scheduled to screen at several more. I still keep in touch with several brothers and plan on visiting sometime in the next few months. I also plan on attending **Frank May's '04** wedding at the Gettysburg Chapel in October.

Matthew Denholtz '05

(84 Corey Rd, Apt. 3, Brighton, MA 02125; matthew.denholtz@gmail.com) I'm currently working in Boston proper at the Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center; in Harvard Medical school department of Viral Pathogenesis.

Jim Hargreaves '05

(110 East Anderson St., Apt. A, Savannah, GA 31401; jimhargreaves@gmail.com) I am currently attending graduate school at the Savannah College of Art and Design. I will graduate next year with a Masters Degree in Graphic Design. I live by myself near Savannah's Historic District and split my time between academics, freelance graphic design, and a new girlfriend. My family, including my father, step-mother, two brothers and sister-in-law recently fulfilled a lifelong dream in February when we traveled to Detroit to attend Super Bowl XL and see the Pittsburgh Steelers win.

Jeremy Ross '05

(601 E. Main St., Dallastown, PA 17313; rossje02@yahoo.com) I am currently working at a company called Pharmaceutical Product Development in Richmond, VA where I work as a biochemist. My biggest news is that I will be attending the University of Virginia School of Medicine starting in August and will be pursuing my MD. Other than that, things in Richmond are pretty status quo.

