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SIGMA CHI, XI CHAPTER I JANUARY 2009

SESQUICENTENNIAL
save the date:

Our 150th anniversary celebration is scheduled for October 30-31, 2009.

E-mail us at ivanhoffman_2001@alumni.depauw.edu if you plan to attend.

More details will follow.

plan to join us:

The following brothers have already RSVP-ed for our sesquicentennial:

Jim Baker '53
Phillip C. Davis '53
Bill Beggs '89
Glenn Brower '75
Robert Fuson '54
Lou Hensley '77
Ivan Hoffman '01
Mark Hudson '92
Duane Patterson '53
J. Bergen Parkhill '56
Todd Ponder '81
Brad Sexauer '73
Phil Steinberg '53
Jay Stutz '86
Frank Walker '57
John Wittich '44

A message from the new alumni chairman

As the newly appointed House Corporation alumni chairman, it is my honor to update you on the current status of the Xi Chapter. Working in the DePauw office of admissions allows me to stay abreast to the campus climate and connected to all facets of the university. Through my involvement with prospective students and families, current students, and alumni from many generations, one simple truth is glaringly evident: The men of Xi Chapter dominate the leadership positions at DePauw.

The "depauw.year1" program and freshman orientation is the first impression an incoming student receives of DePauw. The mentor program hires the top leaders on campus to ease the transition for freshmen throughout the first year, which is the most competitive leadership position on campus. Sigma Chi boasts more mentors than any other Greek house, with eight active members in this role.

Although this involvement in freshman programming inevitably aids rush efforts in February, this kind of leadership also carries much deeper into the campus community. Active Xi Chapter members are visible in all aspects of the DePauw community—helping steer policy decisions on controversial issues that will affect Greek students for years to come on our campus. We have five active members on the hazing task force and three on the drug and alcohol task force, part of the university's push to build a more responsible community.

The men of Xi Chapter also control the two most important student governing bodies on campus. Michael Gentry '09 is president of the Interfraternity Council (IFC), and Andrew Emhardt '10 serves as the vice president of risk management. Their former positions as risk manager and vice president at Xi Chapter have served them well within a larger university context. Active Xi members not only oversee the Greek governance; Matt Jennings '09 leads the entire student body as the president of Student Congress.

These men are proudly carrying on Xi Chapter's tradition of excellence. DePauw's student body has recognized these accomplishments for several years—voting Sigma Chis into both student trustee and graduate alumni board spots in 2006 and 2008! Theodore Tubekis '08 and Clay Taylor '08 have just begun their three-year terms, while Jon Coffin '06 and Mike Stanek '06 enter into their final year in these coveted roles. Furthermore, Nicholas Casalbore '08 was hired as the fifth-year student intern in the new Janet Prindle Institute for Ethics and will remain living on campus as the Xi Chapter house dad.

As we near the 150th anniversary of Sigma Chi Xi Chapter's founding, I find it appropriate to recognize the current successes of our chapter as a direct result of a long-set precedent from generations of leaders. It would be an honor to hear from any and all of Xi Chapter alumni regarding this legacy of excellence as we near this historic 150-year celebration. I would like to compile these stories in order to share with the larger alumni base.

Your continued alumni involvement and generosity will ensure many future years of Xi Chapter distinction both on campus and beyond.

In Hoc,
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XIS AROUND THE
world

BROTHERS STUDYING AND INTERNING ABROAD

Tad Alford '09–
Alicante, Spain (Spring)
Brendan Belz '10–
Pune, India (Fall–Interning for Cummins Corporation)
Ryan Brown '10–
New York City, New York (Fall–Interning for Brunswick Group)
Michael Gentry '09–
Boston, Massachusetts (Summer–Research for Massachusetts General Hospital)
Evan Hunter '10–
Tacoma, Washington (Summer and Fall–Interning at Russell Investments)
Matt Jennings '09–
Paris, France (Spring)
Nick Kennedy '10–
Miami, Florida (Fall–Interning at Independent Purchasing Co operative)
Zach Koch '09–
Goree Island, Republic of Senegal (Summer–Intern at Goree Institute)
Dan Osterhage '09–
Siena, Italy (Spring)
Michael Ratliff '10–
Munich, Germany (Fall–Interning at Threeview Company)
Andy Spataro '10–
Segovia, Spain (Fall)
Brian Tekulve '09–
Washington, DC (Spring)
Ryan Tinker '09–
Honolulu, Hawaii (Spring–Interning at Element Media)
Regan Tolley '09–
Cork, Ireland (Spring)
Drew Wilson '09–
Cork, Ireland (Spring)
Duncan Wolfe '11–
Chicago, Illinois (Summer–Intern at Operations Department for Barack Obama)
John Workman '09–
Washington DC (Summer–Intern at Washington Navy Yard)

Alumni support crucial to Xi Chapter's success

The active chapter would like to offer its most sincere thanks and appreciation to all alumni for their constant support and encouragement.

College is a fantastic yet hectic time, and it is easy to not adequately express our appreciation for all the work that has been done previously and will continue to be done by our alumni. We would like to take this opportunity to recognize those efforts and let our alumni know that we truly are excited about the future.

With the 150th pledge class set to arrive at the end of January and the 150th celebration less than a year away, the active brothers of the Xi Chapter are grateful for the incredible amount of work that has and is being done to help enrich the Sigma Chi experience. As current inhabitants of 311 South Locust St., we will continue to do our very best to help carry on the incredible tradition of excellence established by our predecessors.

If you are ever visiting campus or just wish to stop by and come have dinner, see the house, or attend chapter, feel free to contact Alumni Relations Chair Michael Reed '10 (michaelreed_2010@depauw.edu) to help aid your visit. We are also online at http://depauw.edu/greek/sigmachi/index.asp.



Undergraduate brothers gather for a photo.

Xi alumni in middle of D.C. whirlwind

While a town like Greencastle would not be confused with the nation's capital, two men who are broadcasting and writing some of the biggest stories in D.C. both spent their undergraduate years at 311 South Locust St.



Baier '92.

Bret Baier '92 and Stephen Hayes '93 have both ascended from their days in Greencastle to key positions in the media in Washington D.C.

Baier is the chief White House correspondent for the FOX News Channel, and Hayes is a senior writer for the Washington-based magazine *The Weekly Standard*.

Baier previosly served as the chief Pentagon correspondent before assuming his current position. During his time at FOX News, he has had the opportunity to conduct interviews with Donald Rumsfeld, Vice President Dick Cheney, and President George W. Bush. The former DePauw golf team member has been back to campus twice in the past calendar year.

In the spring, Professor Ken Bode interviewed Baier regarding the media's coverage of the presidential primaries. In the fall, Baier returned as part of DePauw Discourse to discuss America's role in the world with former Congressman and DePauw graduate Lee Hamilton.

Hayes recently received the honor of being named the official biographer to Vice President Dick Cheney.



Hayes '93

A graduate of the Columbia University Graduate School of Journalism, Hayes has authored three books in the last four years, including *The Connection: How al Qaeda's Collaboration with Saddam Hussein has Endangered America*, in which Hayes argues that there was a definite link between Saddam Hussein and Osama Bin Laden.

The men of Sigma Chi's Xi Chapter are proud of these two brother's achievements.

ALUMNI REPORT THEIR NEWS

"Hope to hit the 150th, but don't know if that will be possible," writes **William H. Coleman '42**. Keep in touch with William at 70784 Lakeview Dr., White Pigeon, MI 49099. E-mail him at longlakejb@juno.com.

Max H. Forster '42 writes, "Now retired. Career followed growing field of human resources development through seven major companies and banks and adjunct faculty at eight universities, most recently at St. Mary's College of Moraga, California." To find out more, write to Max at 5622 Bettencourt Dr., Clayton, CA 94517.

Christian M. McClure '45 writes, "I am 84 years old, and after retirement, my Kappa Kappa Gamma wife of 63 years and I are living in a large home in Anderson, enjoying the 'last of life for which the first was made.'" Write to Chris at 1325 Winding Way, Anderson, IN 46011; chris.mickey@att.net.

"At 84 am still on the tennis courts two or three times a week," writes **Robert N. Bills '46**. "Still active with hobby of collecting big band music from the '20s-'40s. Have more than 1,400 90-minute cassettes of music." Write to Bob at 2145 Los Amigos St., La Canada-Flintridge, CA 91011.

A. Glenn Shoptaugh '50 reports that he has 10 children—five boys and five girls—17 grandsons, and seven granddaughters. To find out more about the Shoptaugh family, write to Glenn at 2085 Paseo Del Oro, Colorado Springs, CO 80904.

John N. Chapin Jr. '55 writes, "Retired senior consulting partner, PricewaterhouseCoopers. Significant Sig: 2001. Constantine Sig: 2005." Keep in touch with Jack at 2441 Fox Meadow Ct., Northfield, IL 60093; jackchapin @aol.com.

John C. Melangton '52 writes, "You many not be aware that Xi Chapter has at least three alumni who are Significant Sigs: **James Baker '53**, **Ian Rolland '55**, and John Melangton." Send "Smoothie" greetings at 3 Hiawatha Cove Trl., Apt. 8, Battle Creek, MI 49015; jcm1134 @aol.com.

"Expect to attend 150th, God willing," writes **Phillip C. Davis '53**. Write to Phil at 104 Brascote Ln., Wilmington, NC 28412; pcmddavis@aol.com.

"Now full time living/traveling in a 40-foot diesel motor home—U.S., Canada, Alaska, and Mexico," writes **William "The Owl" Oliver '53** (P.O. Box 31716, Seattle, WA 98103; bilwko@msn.com). "Wife, Sue, deceased in 1998. Out of 12 original Sig pledges, eight of us are still 'kicking' with a pledge class reunion, with all eight of us in South Carolina in October 2004. How about that!"

"I will be in Greencastle for the 150th Xi reunion, good Lord willing!" writes **J. Bergen Parkhill '56.** Write to Bergen at Lake Park, 58 Chestnut Ct., Champaign, IL 61821; jbparkhill@aol.com.

Don M. Dixon '57 reports that he is a retired Episcopal priest, deputy sheriff, and opinion page writer. To find out more, write to Don at 231 Springview Dr., Apt. 821, Battle Creek, MI 49037.

"Eight brothers in the class of 1958 had a great 50th anniversary reunion in June," writes **Thomas L. Turk '58**. "We are going to do our best to get ourselves and other class members back for the Xi Chapter 150th anniversary." Keep in touch with Tom at 643 Harpeth Trace Dr., Nashville, TN 37221. E-mail him at turktj@comcast.net.

"Daughter Mindy Ellis married to past council Chuck Ellis," writes **Michael W. Laukitis '64**. "Brother **Richard Laukitis '72** attorney in Peoria." Write to Mike at 5002 Heinz Ln., Edwards, IL 61528.

"I enjoyed your recent chapter newsletter and applaud your efforts to reconnect with your alumni," writes **Richard N. Weber '66**. "In one way or another, my Sigma Chi experience greatly enhanced my time at DePauw and certainly life after DePauw. Meeting my wife, a Tri Delta DePauw student, was only one of many things that Sigma Chi was partially responsible for, and here we are, some 42 years later, with many pleasant memories of DePauw and our fraternity experiences. I wish you every success with this year's pledges and with all the challenges to the Greek system that you must face on a daily basis. The fraternities received a lot of criticism through the years, much of it justified, but your charity efforts and other such community and charitable events help to show that being a Sigma Chi is not the stereotype that many would have you believe." Write to Richard at 196 Bentwood Dr., Spring Branch, TX 78070; bnd4tx @gvtc.com.

Bradley L. Sexauer '73 writes, "I have pursued my career in health care administration since graduating from Tulane in 1976 and that has taken me to jobs in New Orleans, Jacksonville, Florida, Atlanta, Chicago, Danville, Virginia, and most recently, Saratoga Springs, New York. I have been in Saratoga Springs three years now and really love this community." Write to Bradley at 154 High Rock Ave., Saratoga Springs, NY 12866; bsexauer @saratogacare.org.

Robert F. Sharpe Jr. '74 writes, "Currently still live near New York City. Hope to get back to retirement soon. One of my two stepdaughters is a junior DG at DePauw. My son, Beau, is now 28 and living in Boone, North Carolina, where he fixes up houses with a reasonably amount of success. If any of you ever make it to Fantasy Fest in Key West, let me know. We have had a house there for a number of years and always seem to make it for that weekend." Write to Rob at 11 Edwards Ct., Bedford Corners, NY 10549; rob.sharpe@conagrafoods.com.

William H. Tucker '74 writes, "I was present to see **Mark Emkes '75**, the CEO of Bridgestone Firestone Americas, LLC, receive an honorary doctorate and serve as commencement speaker at the University of South Carolina Aiken on May 8. I am in contact with **Lou Hensley '77** regarding the sesquicentennial celebration in October of '09 and should have a strong contingent of brothers

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officers

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from the '70s era. Congratulations on the upgraded newsletter. Keep up in the good work." Send "Tuck" greetings at 704 Pin Oak Dr., Aiken, SC 29801; e-mail: tuckedaway@mac.com.

"My path was to go to work for Ford Motor Company as my first job," writes **Charles A. Johnpeter '75**. "I worked with them for 10 years, but after being transferred five times in that period of time, I left and went to work for Hyundai. I was the 27th employee of the company ...helped set up the company. Worked for them for 19 years in Atlanta and Chicago. Left as a VP. Hyundai wanted me to come to California a couple of years ago, and I left to go to help on a turn-around project at Mitsubishi (bad move!) Now I am working with a start-up company to bring Chinese vehicles to the U.S. It is a lot of fun and much less stress. I'm enjoying the pace. Have made several trips to China...very interesting place." Write to Charlie at 313 Royce Woods Ct., Naperville, IL 60565; chasjp@aol.com.

William K. Simons '75 writes, "Gail and I recently celebrated our 32nd wedding anniversary (remember the snowy December 20 wedding in Chicago?) and our kids, Julia and David, live in Chicago. Following DPU, I got an MBA at the Amos Tuck School at Dartmouth, and Gail and I moved to Minneapolis in 1977. Since Gail wanted to establish some roots, we have stayed in the Twin Cities and have even been in our current house since 1983 (through two renovations). Currently, I am the director of business development for Cooper Power Systems, a division of Cooper Industries, a $5 billion Houston-based conglomerate." Write to Bill at 4620 Casco Ave., Edina, MN 55424; wsimons@sinchcorp.com.

"I am married to Sara Francis (Theta). After getting reacquainted at our 25-year reunion we were married," writes **Daniel A. Saver '76**. "Interesting how those DePauw connections continue. We will be married five years this fall. I worked for GE Lighting for 12 years and landed in Lexington, Kentucky. After several moves, I started my own sales agency in 1992 selling products to the electric utility industry such as Power Generating Transformers, Transmission Poles, Fiber Optics, etc." Send Dan greetings at 211 Creek Ridge Dr., Nicholasville, KY 40356; dan@saversales.com.

Robert C. Graham III '77 writes, "After leaving DePauw, I went to Pepperdine Law School and believe it or not gave the student commencement address in front of the crowd including of all people Armand Hammer and the Honorable William Rehnquist and sat between them at lunch. As you can imagine I didn't have much to add to the conversation. I went to work for a mid sized litigation firm in St. Louis. I found that litigation was not for me and so, after two years, changed to another firm in St. Louis which had a general practice. I successfully made the switch to the business side and was made partner in 1985. In 1991, I moved again to Armstrong Teasdale, LLP, where I am a partner today. I was married a week after law school and have four wonderful daughters from the marriage which ended some years ago, the last of which started her freshman year at Mizzou last week. I was remarried last summer to a fantastic woman who is a very talented securities lawyer. We love to travel and have recently been to Italy, Turks and Caicos, Mexico and did our honeymoon in Paris and the Nice area." Write to Robert at 320 Weston Oaks Ct., St. Louis, MO 63122; rgraham@armstrongteasdale.com.

"Wife, Anne. Daughters, Hannah (14) and Olivia (11)," writes **Douglas S. Clift '80**. To find out more about the Clift family, write to Doug at 741 Carman Oaks Ct., Manchester, MO 63021; dougc1012@hotmail.com.

"I am engaged to be married to Gabriele Goerlich Nash (Delta Gamma '82)," writes **Joel C. Hammond '82**. Send Joel congratulations at 590 Southbrook Dr., Kirkwood, MO 63122; goboilers@aol.com.

R. David Edwards '84 reports that his 18-year-old son, Austin, is beginning to look at colleges. Keep in touch with Dave at 11100 Crofton Overlook Ct., Duluth, GA 30097; david_edwards@premierinc.com.

"I am now the deputy director of the County Commissioner's Association of Ohio," writes **Thomas D. Strup '89**. "My wife, Marcia, and sons, Deon and Jackson, and I now reside in Dublin, Ohio." Write to Thomas at 5469 Windwood Dr., Dublin, OH 43017; tstrup@ccao.org.

Matthew L. Glowacki '99 reports that he's attending the University of Chicago Graduate School of Business. E-mail Matt at darkechoes@yahoo.com. Send him postal mail at 450 E. Waterside Dr., #1810, Chicago, IL 60601.

Michael L. McCoy '01 writes, "Married in June 2006. In August 2008, we are expecting our first child." To find out more, write to Michael at 3405 NW 85th Terrace, Kansas City, MO 64154; mikemccoy35@hotmail.com.

"Completing anesthetic residency at Indiana University," writes **Brian P. McVay '02**. E-mail Brian at bpmcvay@iupui.edu. Send him postal mail at 2530 River Alder Way, #1334, Indianapolis, IN 46268.

"I married Meloney L. Harris on May 10, 2008, in Stanton, Virginia," writes **Jonathan D. Lau '04** (35300 N. Woodward Ave., #403, Birmingham, MI 48009; jlau @lau-lau.com). "More than 20 Sigma Chis made the big trip down for the wedding and one helluva party."

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WE REGRET TO ANNOUNCE THE DEATH OF:

Allan M. Anderson '38
December 2007

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To help further connect Xi alumni, we are working on setting up an alumni-focused website.

More information—including your personalized log-in information—will follow in a separate mailing.