



Xi initiates its 153rd pledge class

In April, the Xi Chapter initiated 18 new brothers into our order. Among the 18 initiates, two were legacies. The initiation ceremonies were expertly performed in front of alumni and family, assembled to welcome our new brothers. Following initiation, the new brothers joined the active chapter and guests for a reception in the newly renovated dining room.

The Xi Chapter would like to thank our Magisters, Logan Meek '12 and Matt Maloof '12, as well as our ritual chairs, Connor Stallings '12 and Jacob Weinstein '12, for their efforts during pledgship and initiation.

William King '12
Tribune

High Ambitions: A special message from Grand Consul Santoli

January 2012

Dear Brother:

The key reason our undergraduates attend a college or university is to better themselves by obtaining a higher education and eventually, a degree. By completing a degree, no matter the designation or the field of study in which it was awarded, there is recognition of the accomplishment. Because of our unique paths, some of us reach for the stars or search for the White Cross; others seem to barely reach graduation. But no matter the level of accomplishment, the focus is on learning, one of our three Great Aims. Learning sets the stage for us to accomplish bigger and better things throughout our lives. It helps us gain the necessary tools to earn a living, better ourselves, and solve everyday problems.

Everyone learns in a different way, and we all have different tolerances for what it takes to attain a satisfactory level of learning. A college degree is a symbol of our quest to learn. Ultimately, obtaining a college degree does not make one a learned or wise person, but it does recognize a basic intelligence and perseverance in curriculum, and it demonstrates the high ambition and personal responsibility needed to reach the high level of achievement. Just as The Jordan Standard describes to us the minimum standards for becoming a Sigma Chi, so too does a degree designate the minimum standards for completing a college education. We pride ourselves in the fact that the minimum standards, which allow us to pledge Sigma Chi, are just the starting point of a journey to continually improve ourselves and strive for ideals that we will never fully attain. Why should the same not be true of our education?

One of the key components for measuring success in education is the grade point average (GPA). In one of my first messages as Grand Consul, I asked that our chapters voluntarily increase their

minimum GPA requirements for recruitment, initiation, and for maintenance of membership in good standing.

How many of our undergraduate chapters have GPA requirements that exceed those contained in our governing laws? How many of our chapters have established scholarship or academic improvement programs? If your chapter GPA exceeds the fraternity's minimum standards, or if it has established such programs to assist with academics, let us know at high.ambitions@sigmachix.org. We need to demonstrate leadership in academics, as in all Sigma Chi endeavors.

To my alumni brethren, I ask: Have you maintained your commitment to lifelong learning? We must continuously strive to reach the ideals taught to us by the quest for the White Cross. Are you continuing that quest to learn and reach higher levels of education? Many professions and designations have established continuing education requirements as a condition of licensure or technical qualification.

Sigma Chi offers a learning continuum for its alumni that goes well-beyond post-initiation training. We have programs to continue that training throughout life. The programs help us to be better Sigma Chis, and they allow us give back a small portion of what we get out of membership in the fraternity. Think about it—why not become an alumni Big Brother, Cornerstone mentor, CHOICES facilitator, Balfour Leadership Training Workshop faculty member, chapter adviser, or even a Grand Officer?

I wish you all as much pride and joy in your membership in Sigma Chi as I have in mine.

In Hoc Signo Vincas,
Dennis Santoli
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67th Grand Consul

Xi raised \$6,200 during the 2012 Derby Days!

From April 15–19, the Xi Chapter raised \$6,200 during Derby Days. The week-long competition pitted sororities against one another and was won by our neighbors, Pi Beta Phi. Sororities competed in two new activities this year, a mural painting competition, as well as a Derby Days dinner at Chiefs on the square. In addition to these new events, sororities competed in a flag football tournament, collected bandanas from undergraduate brothers, and performed a dance routine at week's end.

Funds raised during the week came to \$6,200, and went primarily to the Greencastle Summer Enrichment Program, which will sponsor 10 local children this summer. We were also able to give funds to the Huntsman Cancer Institute, and Riley Children's Hospital. The events ran smoothly thanks to the efforts of Philanthropy Chair Hunter Goble '14 and involvement from all the brothers in the house.

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Brothers, we invite you to share your Xi stories (and read what others have shared) at the new stories.xisigs.org. And of course, you can keep up with all the latest updates about the chapter at www.xisigs.org.

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In a new Derby Days event, sororities painted murals in the back staircase of the Xi Chapter house. Kappa Alpha Theta's entry highlighted its theme for the week, "Individually Unique, Together Complete."

Sigma Chi named Greek Chapter of the Year

No fraternity shined on DePauw's campus quite like the Xi this year as we were named Chapter of the Year during the Order of Omega Greek Awards. The Xi took home five awards in total. In addition to being named the Most Outstanding Fraternity, Xi also won the awards for Outstanding Community Service and Philanthropic Endeavors, Outstanding Alumni Relations, and Outstanding New Member Education Program. Along with these chapter awards, two brothers were recognized for

their efforts on campus and within their fraternity. Logan Meek '12 was named Fraternity Man of the Year and Hunter Goble '14 was named Rising Greek Leader. These accolades announced to the university what the Sigma Chis have known for some time, that the Xi and its members has led and will continue to lead DePauw University in a positive direction.

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Brothers prepare for "Hipster" Flower-In with Pi Beta Phi. From left: Joe Hennessey '15, Doug Tipsword '15, Grant Brown '15, Jamale West '15, Quinn Smith '14, Ty Frost '15, Parker Schwartz '15, Lukas Meyer '13, Garrett Foley '15, Adam Thacker '15, George Morrison '14, , Peter Kralovec-Kirchherr '15, Lucas Jeffries '15, Henry Binning '15, and (in front) Connor Hollensteiner '15.

Xi heralded for philanthropic endeavors and participation at Indiana State Day

The Xi Chapter participated in Indiana State Day and brought home two awards at the closing reception. For its philanthropic efforts, the Xi was awarded the Richard E. Hester award for the third year in a row. In addition, the Xi won the James F. Bash award for having the highest percentage of its membership in attendance at the day's events.

The reception was held at the Riverwalk Banquet Facility in Indianapolis, and capped off a busy day. Brothers competed in the basketball tournament where

they avenged the previous year's loss in a sweep of Wabash College, only to be eliminated by host Butler University. Then brothers attended workshop classes on a variety of topics with brothers from all over the state. At the reception, brothers listened to a keynote speech delivered by International Sweetheart Sydney Binnington and joined with all the brothers to serenade the sweethearts in attendance including our very own Sara Drury '13.

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Please join us in welcoming our new brothers

Henry Binning '15
Grant Brown '15
Garrett Foley '15
Ty Frost '15
Caleb Haydock '15
Joe Hennessey '15

Doug Hinkel '15*
Connor Hollensteiner '15
Lucas Jeffries '15
Peter Kralovec-Kirchherr '15
George Morrison '14*
Jeff Schulte '15

Parker Schwartz '15
Quinn Smith '14
Adam Thacker '15
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ALUMNI REPORT THEIR NEWS

"My wife, Sue, and I had an enjoyable trip to Lithuania, Latvia, and Estonia, plus St. Petersburg, in August 2011," reports **Leonard W. "Len" Huck '44**. "I think that makes more than 60 countries that we've visited. This trip, in which we learned more about [these countries'] existence under Russian, German, and Polish domination, reminds us how lucky we are to live in the United States of America, where we can do what we want to do, go where we want to go, and thrive in democracy. Treasure it! Also—congratulations to the brotherhood on your Province Balfour Award, the Bash Participation Award, and your community fundraising efforts." Reconnect with Len at 7501 E. Thompson Peak Pkwy, #520, Scottsdale, AZ 85255.

John N. "Jack" Chapin Jr. '55 was re-elected as trustee of the village of Northfield, Illinois, for his second four-year term, which began in May 2011. Jack graduated from Washington University in St. Louis with a BSBA in 1955 and an MBA in 1960. After 19 years in the computing industry, he started a litigation services practice in Chicago and the Midwest for Coopers and Lybrand, LLP (now part of PricewaterhouseCoopers). He later started his own firm and is now serving as national chair of the Institute of Management Consultants USA. He was recognized as a Significant Sig in 2001 and a Constantine Sig in 2005. Catch up with Jack by writing to 2441 Fox Meadow Ct., Northfield, IL 60093; or by email at jackchapin@aol.com.

Charles A. "Tod" Eberle '66 writes, "I retired on October 26 after working for the past 12 years in DePauw's office of admission. I moved to the Pittsburgh area to be near my two sons, Scott (DePauw '99) and Tod, and six grandchildren. I will miss both DePauw and Greencastle—the past 12 years were lots of fun!" Get in touch with Tod by sending postal mail to 128 Summit Dr., Sewickley, PA 15143.

"Brothers **John Easton '73**, **Mark Ulmschneider '75**, and I planned the February 2012 Xi Snow Ski Festival at Vail," reports **John Kniesly '73**. "Hatched at the 150th anniversary celebration in 2009, the first event in 2011 was a rousing success. Housing arrangements are available for brothers who went to school with the organizers on a first-come, first-served basis. I learned to surf this past year and chose the inaugural Tour of Colorado pro bike race over six of the seven stages." Contact John at 5339 N. Park Ave., Indianapolis, IN 46220; jkniesly@financialguide.com.

Catch up with **Joel C. Hammond '82** by writing to 590 Southbrook Dr., Kirkwood, MO 63122; or emailing goboilers@aol.com.

Graham J. Glander '91 is now director of sales for

SPX Corp., Inc., in Overland Park, Kansas. Send congratulations to him at 14904 Carter St., Overland Park, KS 66221; monon35@yahoo.com.

Erik Tracy '02 married Danielle McMaster on April 14, 2012! Send congratulations to the newlyweds at 28195 White Rd., Perrysburg, OH 43551; erik.tracy@gmail.com.

Michael Reed '10 is in his second year of law school at DePauw. He recently moved to 4220 Hampton Ave., Western Springs, IL 60558—and can be reached via email at mreed1855@gmail.com.

deceased

WE REGRET TO ANNOUNCE THE DEATHS OF THE FOLLOWING XI BROTHERS:

Robert W. Fisher '37

March 6, 2011

John F. Dewar '43

February 12, 2011

Martin J. Tuckett '44

June 28, 2011

J. Bradley Chandler '44

April 1, 2011

Williard H. Chester '46

April 7, 2011

Robert C. Kendall '47

August 27, 2011

Elam L. Stewart Jr. '50

October 19, 2011

Thomas C. Walker '51

November 23, 2011

Gordon C. Gimple '54

January 4, 2012

Maurice C. Hack '56

June 18, 2010

Ralph E. Deater '59

September 19, 2010

Charles G. Pierson '59

December 19, 2011

W. Lance Martin '59

May 11, 2011

James Woodward Hart '81

November 5, 2011

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THEIR NEWS AND NOTES

Ian Rolland '55 given 2012 Sachem Award

Indiana Governor Mitch Daniels presented civic leader and former Lincoln National Corp. Chairman Ian Rolland of Fort Wayne with the 2012 Sachem Award, the state's highest honor. Daniels said Rolland has led "the sort of life you'd like your kids to emulate. He has constantly searched for the right thing to do and then done it." The Sachem is given annually to recognize a lifetime of excellence and moral virtue that has brought credit and honor to Indiana. Previous recipients include John Wooden and philanthropist Bill Cook.

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