



MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

Old Gold:
October 6!

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 6
SX Old Gold Weekend

Schedule of Events:

10:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.

Sigma Chi Tailgate

- We will be grilling out at the house! Come enjoy the food, refreshments, and good times! Come see your alumni brothers and what you have done to improve Xi!

1:00 p.m.

DePauw vs. Ohio Wesleyan football game

WE HOPE TO
SEE YOU THERE!

stay connected ALUMNI WEBSITE

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.

Xi House Corporation Corner

I have wanted to bring you up-to-date on Xi House Corporation activities since our 150th Reunion. In May 2010, the house corporation had \$250,000 in the bank, and the only debt was a \$200,000 note due to the university bearing no interest. In the summer of 2010, we went through a major \$1,200,000 renovation; we replaced the heating and ventilation systems and added new air conditioning. We also replaced the roof, gutters, windows, Mom's room; renovated/opened the foyer and living room; and upgraded finishes in the dining area and educational spaces. I certainly hope you have been able to stop by and see how great the house looks. This was financed by using \$200,000 of our own cash and a \$1,000,000 bank loan.



With this renovation, a capital campaign took place, and we received pledges of \$1,064,000 collectible/payable over a five-year time period. To date, we have received some of those payments and paid our bank debt down to

\$830,000. This summer, we had to spend \$14,000 to replace all fixtures in the bathrooms on the second and third floors, along with piping to the sewer.

Thanks to all who have pledged or contributed to the capital campaign and/or the annual fund. New pledges, increase in current pledges, and faster pledge payments will reduce our bank debt quicker and will certainly be in Xi's best interest for the next 150 years. Your continued support of Xi is always appreciated!

In Hoc,

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Xi Chapter Wins Fourth Consecutive Peterson

For the past three years, the Balfour Leadership Training Workshop was held at UNC Chapel Hill, and the DePauw Sigs successfully brought back a Peterson Chapter award from each one of those sessions. This year, Balfour moved back to Indiana—to be hosted at Purdue—where DePauw earned its fourth-consecutive Peterson Significant Chapter award. The Peterson Significant Chapter Award is given to chapters showing exceptional performance in all areas of chapter operations.

As a Bell chapter, made possible through a gift from Bret Baier, Xi was able to send eight brothers to participate in training workshops at Balfour, covering the positions of Consul, Pro Consul, Quaestor, Rush, Magister, and Risk. Brothers Henry Johnston '14, Henry Binning '15, Chris Jennings '13, Pat Ledwidge '13, Charlie Castino '14, Matt Coffin '13, Lukas Meyer '13, Hunter Goble '14, and Chris Wright '13, in the picture above, holding the plaque.

Matt Coffin '13

Xis Committed to Academic Improvements

During the spring 2012 semester, the Xi Chapter improved its collective GPA to a 3.09 average, improving upon the fall average of 3.04. This improved average ranks above the university's all men's average of 3.07. While this achievement reflects a more focused academic attitude among the brothers, the expectation of the chapter is that this number will continue to improve.

In a push to realize our goal of becoming the preeminent leadership organization on campus, which also includes academic success, Pro Consul

Hunter Goble, with the support of the executive board, has formulated the Academic Committee, whose main objective is to create and support measures to improve the performance and academic success of any and all brothers in the chapter. This committee exemplifies the commitment of the chapter to continually improve and reach our academic goals.

Chris Wright '13

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XI CHAPTER ALUMNI SEND THEIR NEWS AND NOTES

Alumni Weekend Was a Success

The Xi Chapter hosted another enjoyable alumni weekend over the summer as brothers from several different classes, and a number of decades, returned to their old stomping grounds. Several members from the class of 2007 celebrated their five-year Reunion. None, however, were to outdo the class of 1987, returning for its 25th Reunion by traveling with an RV and parking in front of the Xi chapter

house. Members of the class of 1962 also returned for their 50th Reunion, a true mark of the legacy of Sigma Chi. Actives and alumni alike got together for the weekend to celebrate and share stories of how the chapter has changed and in what ways everything still seems to be the same.

Matt Coffin '13

Xi Continues Philanthropic Commitment

During the 2011–2012 school year, the Xi Chapter continued its tradition of leading the DePauw community in philanthropic engagement. We hit the ground running in the fall, co-hosting two events in the first two months of school. The first, Tigerstock, was a joint effort with Alpha Phi Sorority that raised \$1,500 for the local United Way. We cooked out on the Lilly Center patio, played cornhole, and tie-dyed T-shirts while listening to classic hits from the '60s and '70s. For the second event, Chiland, we teamed up with Alpha Chi Omega Sorority to host a cookout and cornhole tournament in the southern quad of campus. That event yielded more than 400 non-perishable goods, donated as entry fees for the tournament and subsequently given to a local food bank. Our work in the first semester earned the Xi Chapter the Philanthropy Award at State Day in February.

We continued our commitment to philanthropy in the second semester, focusing on our annual weeklong competition, Derby Days. We sponsored a dinner at Chief's, a local barbecue restaurant, from which we received 15 percent of the

night's profits. In total, we raised nearly \$6,500 during the week's events, which took place in mid-April. The majority of the funds were donated to the Greencastle Summer Enrichment Program, which provides a safe and fun environment for underprivileged children during the summer months. The funds we donated went toward entry fees for 10 local children. The rest of the Derby Days funds went to Riley Children's Hospital and the Huntsman Cancer Institute.

In addition to our various fundraising efforts, Xi Sigs participated in a number of service opportunities throughout the year. In an effort to become more active in the community, we organized a Saturday build with the Putnam County Habitat for Humanity. We sent 12 brothers to a local site for the four-hour build, during which Habitat provided lunch for all. We hope to participate in more Habitat builds during the 2012–2013 school year, in addition to our annual fundraising and service efforts.

Hunter Goble '14
Philanthropy Chairman

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Sigma Chi Athletics

The Xi Chapter continues to impact DePauw athletics with members on several sports teams. Zach Starr '14, Brendan Bolander '14, and Rob Stein '14 look to lead the baseball team to another great season following NCAA post-season play this past year. Pole vaulter Kyle Mackey '14 will be back to defend his conference championship in the 2012–2013 season. DePauw University also added varsity lacrosse to its athletic program this year and will be led by Sig co-captain Chris Wright '13. Other Sig athletes include: tennis players Sam Winkler '14 and Garret Foley '15; golfers Matt Coffin '13, Charlie Castino '14, Andy Hill '14, and Ty Frost '15; basketball player Alex Payne '14; and swimmer George Morrison '15.

Matt Coffin '13

No news is not good news ...

The strength of this newsletter depends, in part, on alumni news. Please take a moment to fill out and return the enclosed newsform, or fill one out online at xisigs.org. Let us know what you've been up to so we can share it with your brothers in the next edition of this newsletter.

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WE REGRET TO ANNOUNCE THE DEATH OF THE FOLLOWING XI BROTHER:

Robert L. Fuson '54
March 16, 2012

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