



The Pi Kappa Phi Fraternity

Beta Alpha Particles

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Archon's report

House improvements, rush prove BA on the rise

The spring 1989 semester has been a time of rebuilding for the undergraduates at Beta Alpha Chapter. There has been talk in the past about our chapters deteriorating well being. This was due to the physical condition of the chapter house and the decreasing overall number of active brothers. At the start of this past semester, we were determined to make Pi Kappa Phi the number one fraternity on campus once again.

During winter break we took our first step towards this goal and we started rebuilding/remodeling our kitchen. The "beautiful, antique green" paneling was replaced, a drop ceiling was installed along with the house's first-ever ceiling fan. Once the semester began, the remodeling project continued as the second floor stairway was totally replaced.

With the physical condition of the house

shaping up, it was time to turn our attention to our more pressing situation - Rush. Historically, the spring semester has not produced as many associate members as the past fall semesters but we nonetheless set our goal to obtain 10 associate members, an optimistic yet attainable number. Our determination and optimism paid off when we surpassed our goal by recruiting 12 new as
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Beta Alpha charter members

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North Jersey Alumni Association Schedule of Events

- May 3** NJAA Meeting at the *Steak and Ale*, 7:00 p.m. *Please note different location for this meeting!* We will meet at the bar.
- May 4-11** Final Examinations at NJIT
- May 6** NJIT Alumni Association "Reunion '89" Reception and Dinner Dance, 7:00- 12:00 p.m. at the Sheraton Tara Hotel, Parsippany, N.J. \$70.00/person. For more information, contact Joe Manfredi, Reunion Chairman, (H) 201/728-3090, (W) 201/575-4990.
- May 7** Reunion Brunch, 11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. at the Sheraton Tara Hotel, \$25.00/person. For more information, contact Joe Manfredi, Reunion Chairman, (H) 201/728-3090, (W) 201/575-4990.
- May 25** NJIT Graduation
- May 30** First Summer Session begins at NJIT
- June 7** NJAA Meeting at the Ground Round, 7:00 p.m.
- June 7-9** Canoe Trip on the scenic Delaware River. For more information, contact Karl Kopans, (H) 201/889-0935, (W) 201/378-6555.
- July 10** Second Summer Session begins at NJIT
- July 22** "Day at the Races" at Monmouth Park Picnic Grove, family picnic and horesracing. \$7.00/person. Details to follow. For more information contact Jim Mowczan, (H) 201/988-0459, (W) 201/257-7705.
- August 5-8** 42nd Supreme Chapter, Washington, D.C. Plan to attend! We are going to break the current record of 27 Beta Alpha alumni at a National event!
- August 12?** Giants vs. Jets Football Game and Tailgate Party, Giant's Stadium. Details to follow. For more information, contact Jim Krucher, (H) 201/546-0035, (W) 201/740-5786.
- August 19?** BEG (Bruce-Ed-Gail) 1989 Clambake, Kingston, N.Y. Overnight accommodations available at the Villa Derohanes. Details to follow. For more information contact Ed Derohanes, (H) 914/255-9127.
- September 1** First day of Fall 1989 Semester at NJIT
- September 9?** Fan Appreciation Day at Yankee Stadium, free mug. Yankees vs TBD. Details to follow. For more information contact John Pegliesi, (H) 203/967-3141, (W) 203/359-2235.

NOTE:

1. The Ground Round is located on the eastbound side of Route 22 in Springfield, NJ, across from Channel Lumber.
2. Dates with a question mark are tentative.
3. The North Jersey Alumni Association is open to alumni of all chapters of Pi Kappa Phi Fraternity. Annual dues are \$15.00/year. (Dues are needed to cover cost of mailings, front money for ticket purchases, deposits, etc., for athletic and other events, to subsidize, in part, some events, etc.). Please send your dues payment to:

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Spring, summer hold many chances for alumni to gather

A busy spring and summer awaits the alumni of Beta Alpha. Beginning with the spring, the graduating seniors are being invited, by personalized invitations, to attend the April NJAA Meetings as guests of the Alumni Association. The alumni hope to get to know the graduating seniors better and introduce them to the world of the alumni - yes Mabel, there is life after being an undergraduate at Beta Alpha! Also joining us at this meeting will be the new Associate Members (Pledges) of the Chapter.

The May NJAA meeting will be held at "Steak and Ale," instead of the "Ground Round," for a change of pace. Who knows, if we like it, we might change meeting places next year.

As in the past, the NJAA will once again do their part to begin the baseball season by attending "Opening Day at Yankee Stadium." Those who survive Opening Day will venture to the Fiesta that same night to join the undergraduates at the 41st Anniversary Rose Ball.

On April 29th, we lined up against Johnson Controls in our annual Softball Game. The following weekend, many alumni plan to attend the NJIT Alumni Association's "Reunion '89" reception and

dinner dance at the Sheraton Tara Hotel in Parsippany. If you haven't signed up yet, please do so by contacting Joe Manfredi, the Reunion Chairman. Joe promised to reserve the best tables in the house for us.

The summer will begin with the annual Canoe Trip on the Delaware River from July 7-9. If this summer is as hot as last summer, the River will be a great place to be for a weekend. On July 22 we will converge upon Monmouth Park for our second "Day-at-the-Races." Last year's event was very well attended. Chairman Jim Mowczan has promised to make this year's event even bigger and better.

In early August, a large contingent of Beta Alpha Alumni, along with the undergraduates, are planning to attend the 42nd Supreme Chapter in Washington, D.C. Since it will be so close to New Jersey, we hope to break all previous Beta Alpha attendance records for national events. We are planning to charter a bus for the trip down and back as well as to host a hospitality suite in the hotel. Don't miss this one!

We will wrap this summer up with the annual "Giants vs. Jets Football Game" in September.

- Karl Kopans, President
North Jersey Alumni Association

Archon's report

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sociate members.

If you have visited the chapter house recently, you would have noticed that we are only one of four structures remaining on the block. As a result of this frightening realization, Jim Krucher organized a Megameeting 2000. This meeting addressed the issue of where we like to see ourselves in the year 2000.

Heading the agenda was the topic of a new housing structure which can be accomplished either by building on our existing plot or by relocating. To accomplish this goal, committees were formed to perform various functions to attack such issues as alumni support, future site location and legality aspects. Other topics included membership expectations, learning to deal with an uncooperative school administration, and the idea of completely restructuring our methods of performing fraternity business.

The period of instability of Beta Alpha is now a thing of the past. By looking ahead to the future we can see that the road to success has many obstacles, but they can be overcome because we have the unity of all the brothers of the Beta Alpha Chapter of the Pi Kappa Phi Fraternity.

- Michael Mariano

Successful rush yields 12 top men

Beta Alpha Chapter has seen several poor rushes these past few semesters which has resulted in a dwindling membership and diminishing morale. Fortunately, this spring '89 semester has shown a complete turnaround in our fraternity.

Through careful planning, foresight and great cooperation we proudly obtained 12 pledges this semester, more than any other fraternity this semester and more in one semester since the fall of '86. This is a clear reflection of the high spirit and drive which has rooted itself within the brothers of our chapter.

We are currently working to regain our number one status on campus. We are very proud of Pi Kappa Phi and anxiously await the challenges the future holds. I would once again like to thank all those brothers and alumni that helped make this rush a success. Let's keep on doing the right things and shoot for 20 pledges next semester!

- Robert L. Siciliano

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BA chapter house receives face lift

Over the past few months many changes have been made to the chapter house. The most significant being the dining area of the kitchen. It was re-paneled and a drop ceiling was put in along with a ceiling fan. If we can raise enough money in next couple of months, the rest of the kitchen will be redone over the summer vacation.

Another major project just recently completed was the fixing of all the leaks in the Archon's Room. The roof over the Archon's Room was ripped up, reframed and then shingled and tarred. There are no more leaks in the Party room and Archon's room! The second floor hallway was also redone with the addition of paneling.

The most important addition to our house has been the new furnace, installed a few months ago. We would like to give alumnus John Lee a special thanks for all the work and help he has given to this job. Some upcoming projects we have planned are the completion of the kitchen, the second floor bathrooms and the remodeling of the Bar Room.

- Mike Bettiio

Raffle provides funds for house

As in the past, Beta Alpha Chapter is holding its own financially. The "new look" in the dining area on the 3rd floor was paid almost entirely from the money raised from the phone/answering machine raffled off at the last Founder's Day. Other house projects have also been completed successfully as well.

We are already looking forward to next semester where we will hopefully attack areas of the chapter house that need some fixing up such as the stairs leading up to the second floor and the bar room which needs some extensive renovating. Of course, these projects will go along with the needed maintenance that the house needs on a regular basis.

Any brothers interested in making contributions to the house in the form of time or advice, feel free to contact any active alumnus or undergraduate. Hopefully, we can do more for the chapter house in the future with the operating revenue available to us.

- Paul Ferreri

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42nd Supreme Chapter

Alumni and undergraduate members will come together for four days this summer to share in the brotherhood that your Fraternity offers, as well as steer the direction that Pi Kappa Phi Fraternity will take in the future. As an alumnus, you'll enjoy the chance to refresh your Fraternity ties. You'll find that lifelong fraternity is something you share with your many alumni brothers.

Supreme Chapter will be held August 6-9, 1989, at the Hyatt Regency Crystal City, one of Washington, D.C.'s most luxurious hotels. Special rates have been arranged for Supreme Chapter attendees. All rooms (single, double, triple and quadruple occupancy) are \$73.00 per night. To make your hotel reservations, simply call **1-800-228-9000**. (To get the special rate, be sure to tell the desk that you are with Pi Kappa Phi.)

Pi Kappa Phi has also arranged discount fares with Continental/Eastern Airlines. To make your reservations, call **1-800-468-7022** and give our easy access number, **EZ 8P6**. After reserving your flight, you may purchase your tickets from your local travel agency or any Continental/Eastern ticket office.

To register for the 42nd Supreme Chapter, watch your mail for the registration information, or contact the Administrative Office at P.O. Box 240523, Charlotte, N.C. 28224 or call (704)523-6000.

