



THE GRIP

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

The fall part of the Fraternal year has been a long hard term. All the I.B.C. officers are on the board for the first time and we are unexperienced in our responsibilities. Only now are we beginning to work as a unit and not as individuals. The south has started off strong under the leadership of Ronny Hartman. So far this year they have had an excellent rally with more than eighty Brothers in attendance. The southern board has also been put in excellent form and is running and leading south well. The north on the other hand has started off slowly, even though there are many strong Chapters. The president's conference was only attended by nine Chapters and those same Chapters with only a few changes attended the rally. The major gain was the vote which allowed the Fort Erie Crescent Club to be inducted as Gamma Xi Chapter. The induction will be held at the northern rally in January.

The I.B.C. itself needs district deputies for the north for we only have two. This large area needs them, and the I.B.C. officers cannot handle that job. I hope that this problem will be remedied quickly.

The new year is full of plans to strengthen the fraternity. It will start off with a northern rally in January. Then there will be a president's conference in February or March. There will also be a southern rally in March. The hockey tournament will be played in that month also. In April there will be a Founder's Day Banquet and the final rally in May.

The last effort will be for the convention in Toronto, which we are planning to be one of the best yet. I would like to apologize for the late printing of the Grip but that was due to inactiveness of the board in the fall term. We are still planning to have 3 issues this year.

I hope that this year new Brothers will offer assistance to the board. For without the support of the Chapters and the Brothers, we cannot do anything. There are many plans but they can only be continued and carried through by the help and support of the Brothers.

In conclusion I hope that this year will improve. We have many new ideas and we hope you will agree with them, and help us carry them forward into action. For without help the board cannot do anything.

Yours in Bonds,
John R. Miszuk
President

NOW A WORD FROM THE EDITOR

I don't believe introductions are necessary, but for those who don't know who I am — my name is David Labayen of Gamma Lambda C#2, and I am the first editor to ever come from the South.

Well the new fraternal year started at the past convention in Washington, C.C. I've been to two conventions before and this one had to be the quietest, but of course it was to the advantage of the Brothers who preferred to sleep while fraternity business was at hand.

The business meetings were in fact also quite quiet, usually in past performances, the IBC has had quite a bit of trouble with a few interested Brothers who wanted something done or accomplished. This year meetings ran smoothly, until the last day after committee reports were read and accepted, as brothers brought forth gripes that committees had just reported on, having wanted to make motions and votes on the gripes, which had just been voted on in the reports. This goes to show how much attention the delegates paid to the reports and to the business at hand.

This year we have one of the youngest and most inexperienced boards ever, that includes myself. The only experience comes from Brothers Miszuk and Hartman, and their experience comes after short terms in office. What our inexperience lacks in knowledge of board work, our ideas make up for a functioning and hard working board. But we will need help and that can come from only one source, and that is the chapter themselves, without your help we will not be able to function. When I say help, I mean such things as paying dues, keeping in contact with the board in such matters as; history, newly inducted brothers, financial status, etc. So we can work for you, not against you, we don't want to go to rallies, meetings, and convention and hear things like, "What are you doing with our money?" "How come we never hear from you?", etc. We are here because you elected us, and expected something from us and we expect something from you, COOPERATION.

In conclusion make yourself aware of what is going on in this fraternity, make the board aware of what is happening. With your help and cooperation and our functioning and hard work this fraternal year of GAMMA DELTA PSI FRATERNITY INTERNATIONAL will be the best yet.

David Labayen, Editor

EDITOR'S THANKS

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Northern Rally Coming Up Soon

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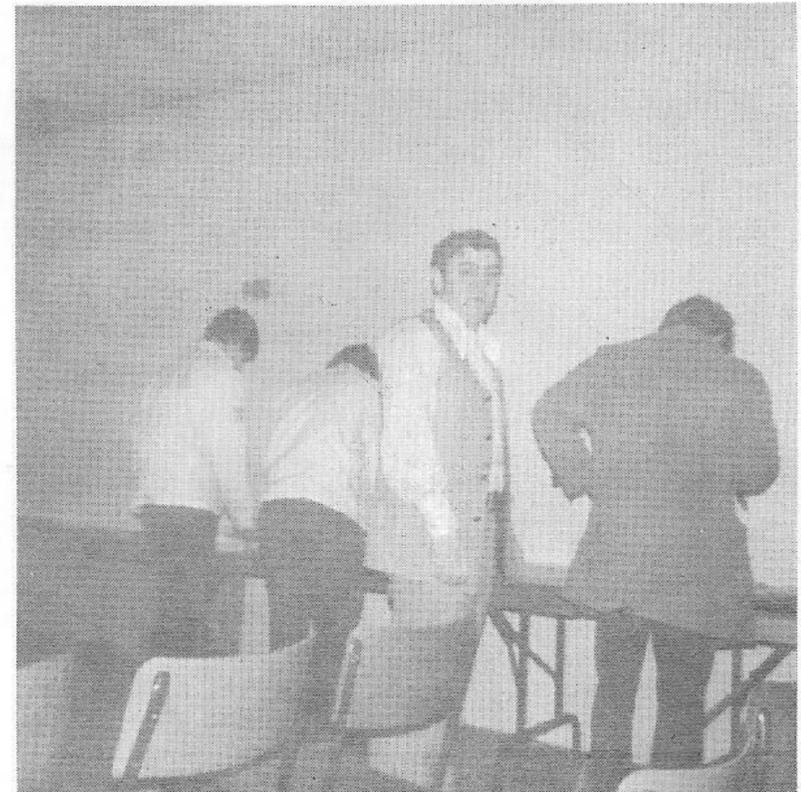
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NORTHERN RALLY



GAMMA BRO'S.



SUPER BRO. BOB

THE YOUTH OF NORTH AMERICA

It seems that there has been a lot of emphasis on youth today. It also seems that the North American youth is a trend setter. But I don't want to talk about setting trends, but about the goal the North American youth is reaching for.

People often say "What good is it when most of the youth of North America don't care by using drugs, living in cold water-community bathroom flats, and wandering around the country in so called search of themselves."

But all the above is a goal. Some may disagree with some of it, but not all of it. Youth are looking for themselves and what life is all about. They don't want life if it's given to them. They want it by finding it - feeling it - and looking at it.

Sure, there are some youth of today that find their goal on a silver platter, but these same youth find themselves in the divorce courts, liquor cabinets, and such. They are far from being happy.

But what does all this have to do with you, the reader of this Grip. It is quite simple. We have two sets of North American youth, the Canadian and the American. We both exchange ideas; at rallies, convention, and through correspondence. But what does this have in setting a goal? The goal is to continue the strength of Gamma Delta Psi Fraternity International. Some of you may understand the point of this article. Others may not. Then READ IT AGAIN.

David Labayen

LETTERS FROM INTERESTED BROTHERS
THE STRENGTH OF BROTHERHOOD

Over the last few years, in which I've been a Brother of Gamma Delta Psi, I have noticed a general change in attitude amongst us. How many times have you stopped a brother in the street, reached out your hand, call out your name and Chapter, and all you get is some sort of queer look? Or have you ever gone up to a group of Brothers, whether at a rally, on the street or at convention, to greet them, and you find it hard to get even one person's attention? Even then, the rest couldn't care less.

Well, let's look at it from this point of view . . . what's your response, when a Brother of a different Chapter approaches you to greet you? What immediately crosses your mind? — He's not in my Chapter, so I don't care — I had better not say anything, for I may say something wrong — My friends are with me, so I had better pass it up, this time, but next time for sure.

Whether you're with your girl, other friends or even by yourself, doesn't it give you a real warm feeling of the true spirit and strength of Gamma, doesn't it at least touch something in you, to make you smile? Doesn't it cross your mind . . . "I wonder how his chapter's doing" or "what they are doing", "how many active", whether you can then envy them, or feel the pride of your own Chapter.

Take this to heart brothers. Whether active or passive . . . at one time, we all walked that same ground in order to earn the right to be a member of that mass, which strided for the same concept of ideas, and everytime an individual Brother in some way or another shows a lack of interest in the Brotherhood of Gamma, it affects us all.

Brothers, let me warn you. Next time you see a brother on the street and he doesn't signify any greeting to you, remember, he may be waiting for you to make that first move. Don't worry . . . he'll regret he let you make that first move to show that first sign of brotherhood; and next time, believe me, he will be the first to move.

Take this to heart, too. If every Brother takes one more step towards the spirit and interest of Gamma, it puts us all up that much further on the scale, and causes this great Fraternity to unite all the Brothers in some way all the more, putting us that much farther ahead of all other Fraternities.

VIVA LE GAMMA DELTA PSI! - Bro. Keith Comeau-Alpha Phi 158

"NOW IS THE TIME FOR CORRESPONDING SECRETARIES TO COME TO THE AID OF THEIR FRATERNITY"

Communications within each Chapter is one of the main backbones of the Fraternity. I don't believe the perfection in a letter means anything, but just a letter to inform other Chapters how you are doing is better than nothing.

After a hockey game this year, I walked up to another Brother from one of the Chapters who was renting the ice after Alpha Phi, I reached out my hand and said "Bud Nataway, Alpha Phi." After a strange look, he approached and shook my hand, then walked away. Either I'm queer or something, but this isn't BROTHERHOOD.

What the Hell is wrong?

Gamma Delta Psi is the most reknown Fraternity in Toronto for a strange Brother going up to another Brother shaking his ahdn and talking to him. Several fraternities and sororities complimented me on our achievement, and I'm proud of it. I have to apologize for my constant cut-ups, but to other chapters, I would like to bring your Chapters back into circulation. I hope that a Brother in each chapter will read this at their next meeting and write me about what you think of my views.

Bud Nataway
IBC Treasurer

CONGRATULATIONS

To Bro. Ron Hartman on his recent marriage. Details are shaky since I couldn't get in touch with him at this printing. Future Gamma's for sure?

IBC

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WHAT ABOUT THE GRIP

Brothers of Gamma Delta Psi, I as Editor of the Fraternity's newspaper, need your help and assistance.

This Grip you are now reading should have been published over a month ago.

But due to a lapse in communication from the Board and such, I had to wait until I had enough material to publish it. But do you know how we can avoid this situation from happening again? It is quite simple. If each chapter would take upon itself to write some article of interest such as Chapter Relations, Correspondence, Pledge Training, Youth, Drugs, anything reasonable, then I'll be able to print the grip without any hang ups or hassle's.

But I'm depending on you. RIGHT ON.

MEMORABILIA

- 1st National Convention held in the spring of 1899 in New Haven, Conn.
- 1st Garnet & Silver published in 1899
- 1st Board President was Bro. Everett Elijah Belding Kappa 10C, president over the 1st Board of Control in 1905, previously the fraternity was governed by Alpha Chapter.
- Bro. Douglas MacArthur was initiated on January 25, 1901, as Rho #31.
- The first Convention Banquet was in 1907
- At the 1941 convention a clause in the preamble of the Constitution "we the students of the various scholastic institutions of learning in the North American Continent . . ." thus paving the way for the entrance of Canadian Chapters.
- the Red Carnation was adopted as the fraternity's flower in 1941.

ALUMNI NOTES

- STEVE LAND (Beta Eta)
is presently enrolled at Lakehead University
- HAMILTON CHAUVIN (Gamma Lambda)
is presently enrolled at Louisiana State University in New Orleans
- CRAIG WALKER (Beta Eta)
is presently enrolled at Carlston University in Ottawa
- JAY PETUS (Beta Eta)
is Attending Trent University
- BOB CRIST (Gamma Lambda)
is enrolled at the University of Southwestern Louisiana
- GLEN SEARS (Gamma Lambda)
is now living somewhere near Denver, Colorado
- TONY RIVERIA (Gamma Lambda)
has enlisted into the United States Marine Corps.

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