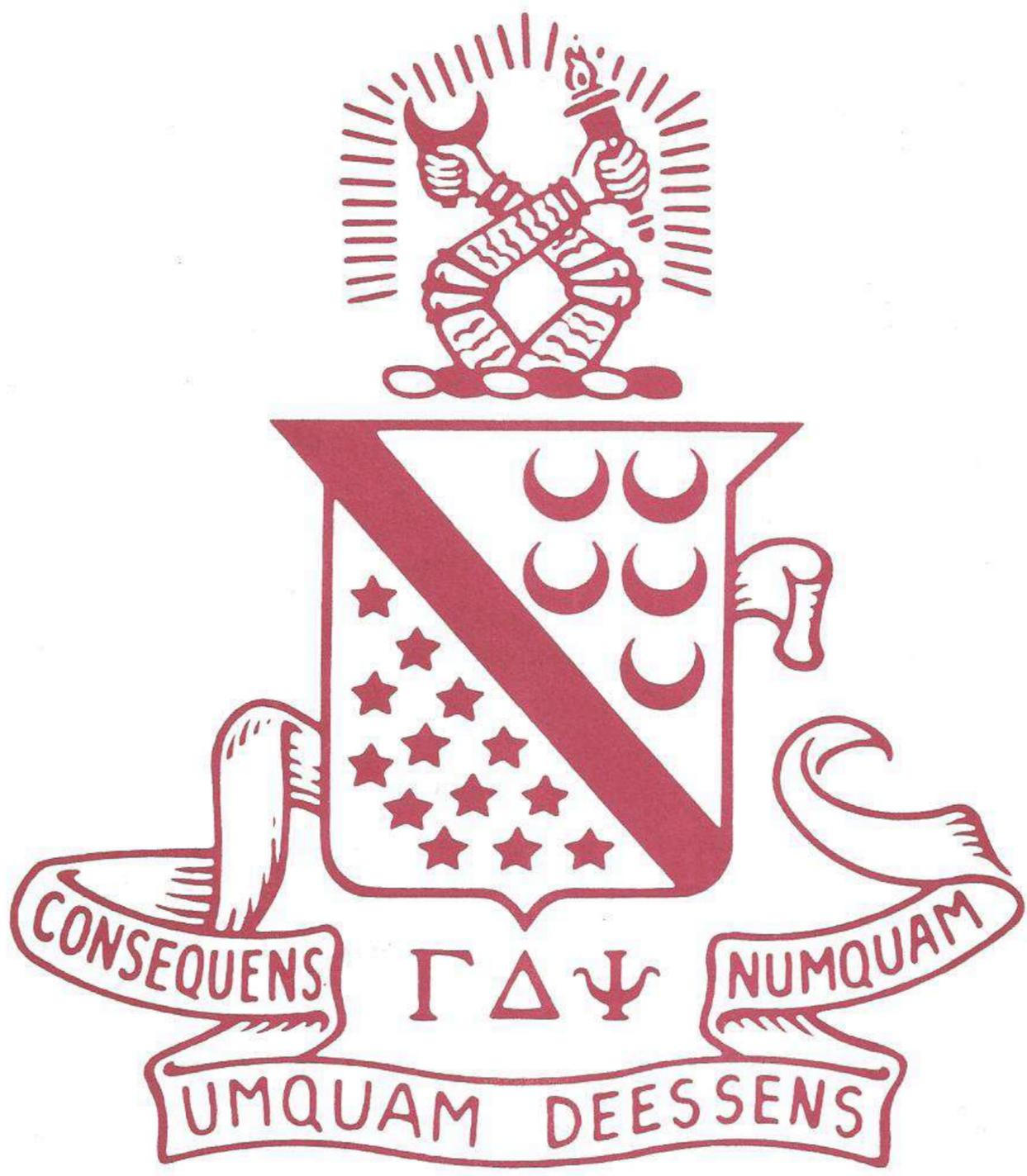


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DEDICATION

I would like to dedicate this small publication of the Grip, to a person who in my opinion deserves something so that Gamma Delta Psi can remember him by. The person I am talking about is Ricky Becker, of ~~OMEGA~~ chapter. This brother may not be famous or well known through the work he has done for the fraternity but many brothers remember him due to the fact that brother Becker had such great fraternity spirit. His spirit was so great that he influenced many brothers and was one of the strong leaders of his chapter. Many brothers will remember Ricky Becker from convention '71 in Virginia for he made the northern brothers feel at home and enjoy themselves. It is a shame that Brother Becker was killed.

The brothers of Gamma Delta Psi and all the I.B.C. members wish that there are many more brothers like Ricky Becker and may he be thought of by all chapter members.

BY John Miszuk
President

ON MARCH THE 4th BROTHER RICKY BECKER OF GAMMA THETA WILL BE PLACED IN NIRVANA CHAPTER. I WOULD LIKE ALL CHAPTERS TO HAVE ONE MINUTES SILENCE ON THE FIRST MEETING IN MARCH IN DEDICATION TO BROTHER RICKY BECKER.

A Rebel's Viewpoint
by Kevin Stockdale
Southern Vice-President

Gamma Delta Psi in the south is finally back on its feet. After two years of inactivity. Very active chapters and an active Southern Board have made this one third of Gamma Delta Psi as strong or stronger than the days of Bro. George Longsworth.

Correspondence between chapters has improved to a degree, but still is poor and this has a definite affect when the southern vice-president lives 120 miles from most chapters. The South is very much pleased with a revival of our older chapters Beta Alpha and Beta Psi and the expansion plans in Metro Richmond and Metro Washington D.C.

Though contact with Gamma Psi Fraternity is poor, it is evident that the chapters are doing quite well, especially Beta located at Richard Bland College. For the 1st time, extensive work is being done by Gamma Nu in cooperation with the International Board of Control to gather history from past Gamma Delta Psi chapters.

All in all, Good Board meeting attendance, improving correspondence, more I.B.C. involvement and Most important ----Outstanding Brotherhood (and sisterhood!) has made the south adopt its great Dixie phrase.....

The South has Risen!!! Gaining ever Failing Never

Convention '72

In Some Ways Good and in others Bad

by John Miszuk Convention Chairman

This years past convention was held at the Toronto Airport Hilton from July 28th to July 30th. Overall the attendance was quite good with many passive brothers arriving throughout the three days saying their hellos. Friday night after registration the board through a beer keg party with ten kegs of beer and by nights end about one keg was left and about 100 glasses broken. Brotherhood was extremely high with brothers singing (Dixie and O Canada) and just talking to one another.

Saturday the meetings were of a big disappointment with only few brothers coming out about 37% of brothers were in attendance. The day went on and during the Annual Convention Banquet again spirits were high as the trophy winners were announced.

Chapter of the Year-----	Gamma Nu
Corresponding Secretary---	Chris Coresentino
Historian-----	Gamma Alpha
Civics Award-----	Alpha Chi
Most Convention Attendance	Beta Zeta
Chapter Report-----	Gamma Nu and Beta Phi
Most Improved Chapter-----	Beta Phi and Beta Pi
Brother of the Year-----	Kevin Stockdale

After the banquet the convention had their first dance in many a year for the enjoyment of the brothers. Sunday again the meetings had small attendance and the elctions were held.

Convention Report Con't

The results of the election for the Board of Control for 1973 are as follows:

International President-	John R. Miszuk (reelected)
Southern Vice-President-	Kevin Stockdale (New officer)
Northern Vice-President-	Dave Meyers (New Officer)
Secretary	- Bud Natawary
Treasurer	- Frank Mantells
Histroian	- Rob Stewart
Editor	- David Labayen

Appointments to the Board of Control were:

Southern Secretary---	Chris Corsentino (New Officer)
District Deputies----	David Duncan, Mike Harper. Don Sowchuk, Jim Topping.

Members to the Board of Trustees were also elected because their terms had ended

old Member	New Member	Expiry Date
Ron Jamieson	Reelected	1976
Mark Courtemanche	Frank Judkins	1976

And so the convention ended with the decision being made by the delegates unanimously to have 73 convention in New Orleans, Louisiana

BY **John Miszuk**
President

Allumni Notes

Bros. Rocky Glass, Curtis Butterworth and Dale Kitchen (Beta Alpha) are students at Virginia Military Institute, Lexington Virginia.

Bros. Ron Hurst and Ralph Little (Gamma Nu) are freshmen at Virginia Tech in Blacksburg Va.

Bro. Frank Walker (Zeta) is employed by the federal Gov't in Washington

Bro. Godwin Taylor (Alpha Rho) is head of a large construction firm in Fairfax County Virginia

Bro. Dave Lambert (Beta Zeta) is now married and working with Budget Rent a car.

Bro. Tim Fuelling (Past Northern V-p) is now trying to be an actor

Bro. Keith Comeau (Alpha Phi) is back from the west coast and is somewhere in New Toronto.

Bro. Keith Watkins (BETA SIGMA) is leaving for Europe in late January to see the world, and the red light district in Amsterdam

Bro. Phil Tierney (Beta Zeta) is going on the professional golf circuit in 1973-----beware Jack Nicolas

Bro. Barry Yates (Beta MU) is still going to school at Guelph University

Presidents Message by John R. Miszuk

This year has brought into the light many new strong brothers in the fraternity, both of which are on the L.B.C. with out showing favouratism I feel that there offices are in excellent running order and that they will be the head of the fraternity next yeare. The convention topic which as of last convention was all for New Orleans has turned into a snag. Some want it in Virgina others in the voted destination of New Orleans. I hope that one area will start the ball going and get the full information. I would like to see the completed idea of where, how , and when as soon as possible.

This year has also been the usual one of resignations. First went the office of Secretary when Brother Natawary resigned but it is filled by Brother Kirk Bolton. Next went as a sort of New Years gift the offices of Editor and Treasurer. For the office of editor I will take the responsibility and as you can see with this first publication after many hours of work the first GRIP. Treasurer will be Brother Bolton who is close to the present bank. He will be the co -signing authority at the bank due to the fact that all cheque must have two signatures so that they can be cashed. As Editor I would like to state that I am planning an edition of the garnet and silver. To cover the high cost of publication I would want chapters to sell advertising more information will be sent in the near future.

Treasurers report will be completed soon and sent out to the chapters as soon as possible. The I.B.C. has also planed function (listed on calander) which we hope chapters will attend.

This edition of the GRIP is only going to chapters for distribution to the actives and the recent passives becuase the alumni list is in New Orleans. I would like to thank the chapters for answering the questionnaire for the results of it helped to plan the events and the publications for the rest of the fraternal year. I feel it is a shame that brother Chris Corsentino had to resign but I feel that he will be back on the I.B.C. and for the time being he can bring Beta Tau back to its high standard.

I would also like to say that while this GRIP is dedicated to brother Ricky Becker of Beta Tau the Garnet and Silver will be dedicated to brother E.J. Stewart, the second brother to receive the order of the Grand Crescent. The history of his life will be included in the publication. To help increase the sale of advertisment their will be a gift to the chapter that sells the most advertising.

The rest of this fraternal year is on the upswing after its poor start and I hope that it will be at its high point at convention.

I feel that the fraternity has reached its low point and is starting its trend again. The fraternity has gone through many troubled years and now are we starting to grow. Only a few years ago the average active l^{ost} per chapter was about eight to ten brothers now it is in the high teens and sometimes twenty or more active brothers per chapter. Many chapters are finding it easier to get pledges and even the community is starting to recognize due to many of the chapter efforts for charity work. I must commend here Aloha Chi for its splendid effort for last year they gave over \$500.00 to chaifity. But still every chapter is different but still they strive before convention a few more will be suspended so that only the strong and active chapters are left so that we can build from there. I hope that our college level affiliate will also strive in the future and that they too will soon be international. First may they strive in the south and when they have achieved their strength and size expand to the south and north as Gamma Delta Psi did. I will end as this message the future is brighter for the fraterntiy and may new leaders step forward.

Secretary's Report by Kirk D. Bolton

Although it is early for myself to make a decision on the fate of the board and Gamma Delta Psi, I would say that this year is a year of the extreme with some chapters with a membership of 30 brothers and some with 6 brothers. Brotherhood seems to be strong between the members of each chapter but as far as inter-chapter relations there are very few encounters.

It is my hope that this year the board will try to link the chapters together through district deputies and board functions. There are many events in the future which chapters can come out to and participate as Brothers.

Correspondence is in somewhat of a hault as chapters don't seem to be writing. It is only necessary for a chapter to send out 1 set of letters a month so every chapter should be able to achieve this easily. It is my hope that correspondence will improve in the near future. I guarantee my performance on the board to be quite adequate and know that the rest of the brothers on the board have already proved themselves at least to me but we need the support from you the chapters. I say down with pesimists look to our motto

"Gaining Ever Failing Never".

Northern Vice-President's Report by Dave Meyers

In opening my report for this edition of the grip O would first like to take the opportunity to express my deepest appreciation to the Brothers of the North for their confidence in me by electing me as their Vice-President

Since accepting my job I have been working constantly for the improvement and upholding the fair name of Gamma Delta Psi. Much of my time has been spent with improving the chapters of the North mainly in the St. Catharines, Fort Erie, Hamilton areas. I'm proud to say that with confidence that with the constant efficient and plain hard work of my two district deputies Mike Harper and Don Sowchuck that the improvement in their chapters is a very noticeable one. Since becoming Vice-President I have found it essential to be in constant correspondence with the southern board. Listening and dealing with the ordeals that the south seemed to be enduring at post convention time was challenging and time consuming affair. After meetings with John Miszuk President and calls to Kevin Stockdale in the south conditions improved so that now the south is operating as a strong force and the fighting strength of Gamma Delta Psi.

I'd like to take this opportunity to wish Gamma Delta Psi that the new year bring a more visable amount of communication and brotherly love to the members.

Northern Function Calander

At the first board meeting in January the result concluded with a small calander for board activites it also brought into the open that two offices are vacant. Brother Frank Mantella resigned as treasurer and the books are being temporarily looked by John Miszuk. And Brother Kirk Bolton will be the other signing authority for the bank cheques along with the President. Another vacancy is caused by the resignation of Brother David Labayen as Editor, the person filling the spot will be the President for the rest of the year.

The northern clander shows the dates for the events and which board member to contact.

January 27, 1973 President's Conference sponsoring I.B.C. member
Dave Meyers
February 11, 1973 Northern rally sponsoring I.B.C. member Dave Meyers
February 28, 1973 Basketball tourney sponsoring I.B.C. member
Don Sowchuck and Mike Harper
April 1973 Fraternity Formal sponsoring I.B.C. member Kirk Bolton
March 1973 Fraternity Hockey Tourney sponsoring board member
John Miszuk

Remarks of the Editor by JOHN MISZUK

I took over this office on January the 2nd and I am pleased to say that in three weeks I have a small grip ready for the chapters. I will attempt to have three more of these kind of GRIPS out before convention. These editions only go to the active brothers for the time being, due to the fact that the alumni list is in New Orleans

There is also going to be an edition of the Garnet and Silver this year but it will depend on the brothers of every chapter to sell advertising to cover the costs of printing. More information will be sent out in letters in the near future. I hope that brothers will send in articles as soon as possible so more editions can be published if you have any information and any articles to send in mail it to

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I would like to thank the board members who submitted articles for this publication Brothers Stockdale, Meyers, and Bolton.