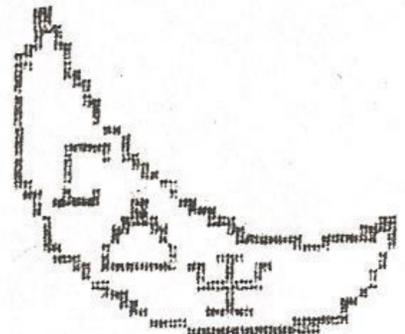


GENERAL DELTA PSI

CONVENTION

MEMPHIS

1985



Convention Minutes 1985

Friday July 26, 1985 7:55 P.M.

First General Business Meeting

Roll call by J.B. Christ

3 present , 3 absent , 1 under suspension

Statement of the Motto and Lord's Prayer

Introduction of the Head table

Appointments of Convention offices.

Convention Chairman- Don Sowchuck

Convention Secretary- Wm. Michelin

Parliamentarian- Tim Weeks

Sargent-at-arms- J.B. Christ

Telegram to the oldest Living Brother

-Malcolm Dixon couldn't make it this year because of health,
has kept up constant correspondence, 79 years old, letter
was very inspiring

REVIEW AGENDA

-Special Induction of GAMMA PSI DELTA chapter after meeting
-Brother Sowchuck's story of first convention
-set up and nominations for awards and Who's Who

PRESIDENTS WELCOME

-good show from south.

-Kevin Stockdale's first convention missed in 17 years

APPROVAL OF 1984'S MINUTES

MOTION TO RECESS

Saturday July 27, 1965 10:00 a.m.

Roll Call

-5 present , 1 absent , 1 under suspension

-quorum present

Chapter Reports

-see appendix

I.B.C. Reports

-see appendix

Trustee Reports

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Gamma Psi Report

-presented by J.B. Christ, induction of first Canadian

Chapter

Motion to Recess

Sunday July 28, 1985 10:00 a.m.

Roll Call

-5 present , 1 absent , 1 under suspension

Old Business

-discussion prior to previous years about expansion

-Gamma Delta charter will remain dormant and will be
reinstated at time of rebirth

NEW BUSINESS

-Brother Moore brought up idea of sponsoring Big Brothers for
forward planning

-Liquor licence under fraternity name, dicussed and voted
against for reason of liability.

-Expansion was dicussed by brother Johnstone and suggested
the committee should be set up

EXPANSION REPORT

-Brothe Schmitt suggested that it be done on the chapter
level by correspondance and promotion by contact with other
schools. At the board level, send out flyers to all schools
in area and where interest is stirred , meet with anyone
interested. Main point is to communicate with parents and
principles. On a personal level one must press the point to
relatives and friends about what can be gained by fraternity.

-some comments were that ideas never get past convention

-advertizing in yearbooks

-strength only built in numbers

-suggestion for expansion fund

FINANCE REPORT

-discussion about individual dues, motion raised by Gamma Xi

,defeated

-money big problem but it seems that money goes fast and chapters are not forward enough in payment of dues

-suggestion of money being more apparent to chapters by semi annual reports

-motion by Beta Pi to raise the yearly dues to \$125

seconded Gamma Eta

-motion passed, early payment receives \$25 reduction (nov 15)

-Motion for Convention in South in 1984, Passed

-Brother Wall discussed front money from the board for chapter events

ELECTIONS

President - Michael Kuch

Northern U.P. - Joe Italia

Southern U.P. - not elected

Secretary - Ed Decker

Treasurer - Wm. Schmitt

Historian - Wm. Michelin

Editor - Stephen Moore

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Scott Crosby

Bruce Johnstone

PRESIDENTS REPORT - see appendix

Nirvana Chapter report - Gothard Wallard Chi Chapter

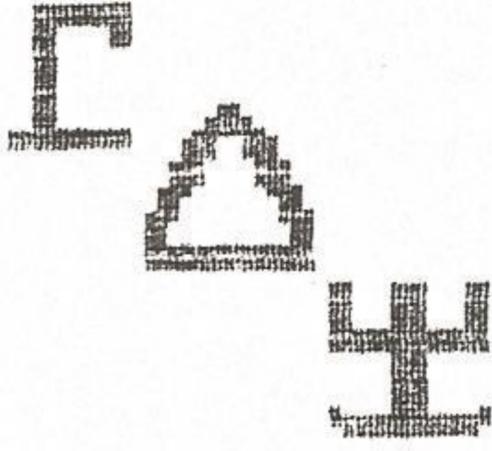
-silent prayer for deceased

Brothers

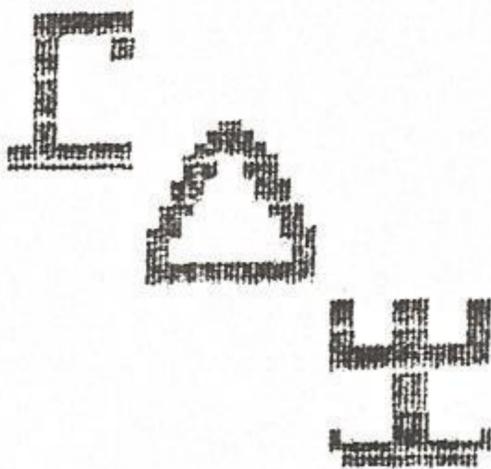
Passing of the Grip

Singing of the Fraternity song

Motion for adjournment.



REPORTS



International President



As International President of Gamma Delta Psi, it is with immense pride and honor that I present to the Brotherhood of the Grand Crescent, the 1984-85 edition of our annual publication, the Garnet & Silver.

At this moment, I find myself looking back in retrospect at the many fine events which have transpired throughout the course of the past year, and I am consequently left with a deep sense of both relief and satisfaction.

Undoubtedly, the past twelve months was a period in which Gamma Delta Psi made positive strides forward in several avenues previously believed to be unattainable until now. In the process of reaching new and unprecedented levels of accomplishments, the fraternity as a collective body strengthened its already infallible Brotherhood, especially the bonds between the north and south.

I am also quite pleased to report that, the International Board of Control and its respective officers were once again visibly active in hosting a wide array of fund-raising and social events during the 1984-85 fraternal campaign. Most noticeable amongst our activities was Convention '84, proving to be a lucrative financial success and a rather popular social affair in Petersburg, Virginia.

In subsequent months directly following last year's convention, members of the Northern Board made frequent trips to Virginia, where we attended our own Brunswick Stew held in association with Beta Alpha and Beta Pi chapters back in October, and also enjoyed the definitive social gathering of the year, the I.B.C. Christmas Dance & Southern Alumni Reunion held on December 14, 1984. In addition, the I.B.C. was active in staging other successful ventures such as regional rallies, president's conferences, and co-sponsoring Gamma Alpha's November semi-formal dance in Rexdale, Ontario of which all profits were donated to the United Way of Canada.

The I.B.C. also made bimonthly visits to St. Catharines for our Board meetings and contact with chapters, and embarked on two additional trips down south, one over the Easter weekend and the second during May was spent in Nags Head, N.C. in the company of a small contingent of Dixie Brothers. In summary, we've estimated that the Northern Board has travelled in excess of 7,000 miles since last August and shows absolutely no signs of letting up in the near future.

As interim-Editor of our monthly newsletter, the Grip, I was able to publish seven issues over the year and I believe the presence of such a journal opened up the lines of communication for all of Gamma Delta Psi. In particular, the Grip was well received and supported by our alumni, and their appreciation was equally well displayed in their correspondence to my office. On other notes, I wish to commend my fellow correspondents, especially the alumni, on their enthusiastic and persistent letters as its made my personal quest of writing a letter per day, all the more enjoyable and fulfilling.

However, and more importantly, it was the efforts of the general Fraternal body which really stroked the spirit of Gamma Delta Psi this year. My congratulations are extended to Brother Bill Schmitt for his diligence and unselfish efforts in reactivating Gamma Xi chapter of Fort Erie, Ontario, after a dormancy of nearly three years, and to Brother Bill 'Crusty' Michelin in his solo endeavours of establishing Delta Crescent Club of Gamma Psi Fraternity (International) at the University of Windsor.

Once more the distinguished alumni of Gamma Delta Psi were by far the most vocal and dearest supporters of the '85 Garnet & Silver project, and I do hope that this edition fully lives up to your collective expectations of what a model publication should resemble. A great deal of thanks to all those individuals who made material and monetary contributions to the year book, especially Brothers David Myers, Buster Pace, and Grand Brothers James L.S. Fermoile, Douglas R. Jamieson, and Kevin M. Stockdale, for without your consideration, this publication would not have been possible.

I would also like to take advantage of this opportunity to openly offer my sincerest form of appreciation to my fellow I.B.C. officers on serving the fraternity with a distinctive note of pride, honor and esteem. Further congratulations to the '85 Garnet & Silver committee consisting of my associates, Brothers Michelin (Co-Editor), Steve Moore (Chief Editor & Photographer), and Jeff Matthews (Printer & Graphic Artist), for doing one heck of a job.

An additional note of appreciation is graciously acknowledged to the Board of Trustees for their moral support and greatly needed financial backing of the year book, as I seriously doubt this project would have succeeded without it. I truly owe them all a wealth of gratitude, and I remain forever coherent of their role in Gamma Delta Psi. On a more personal basis, three alumni Brothers in particular have made a positive and lasting impression on my life, and have influenced me in varying means. These individuals are Brothers Danny Wyatt, Scott Crosby and Malcolm S. Dixon, all of whom have inspired me in a silent manner to accept the challenges of Fraternal Life, and I admire them greatly.

And lastly, I honestly doubt that, without the involvement of Brothers Barry and Tim Poe, and especially, the first lady of Gamma, Carla Poe, could our fraternity prosper as much as it has over the previous two years. Simply put, the Poes have shown the north that the south is alive and kicking.

In closing, I am at a loss for words to describe my emotions towards an organization such as Gamma Delta Psi which has not only enriched my values and quality of life and spirit with that of yours, but for also providing me with the privilege and honor of serving the finest corp of Brothers on this planet. Thank y'all so very kindly, it's been a sincere pleasure.

I shall return smile.

Michael-Alexander Kuch

Southern Vice-President



During the past year, the Southern Board was very active in a variety of ways promoting, enriching, and enhancing the lives of Brothers living in the south. The most memorable function to have been hosted by the Board was our Southern Alumni Christmas Dance & Reunion held at the Jordan point Country Club in Hopewell, Va.

Over one hundred Fraternity Brothers from across Virginia and their dates attended this event, and it proved to be surprisingly successful both in financial gains and the amount of rejuvenated Brotherhood displayed. Hopefully, next year's Christmas dance will receive the same attention and support as it did this year.

Another successful function planned by the Board was a Brunswick Stew held at my house during last October. The stew was held in cooperation with Beta Alpha (Hopewell, Va.) and Beta Pi (Colonial Heights, Va.) chapters, with many alumni strongly supporting us, especially Gamma Theta.

Other events to have made a positive impact on the south this year were the many trips by the Northern Board down to Virginia since Convention '84. The Canadians brought down a lot of Brotherhood, spirit and enthusiasm, and beer, and returned north with much of the same, and maybe a little more.....

The south was also very fortunate to have amongst its ranks of devoted I.B.C. members, three district deputies working with our chapters. These Brothers are J.B. Crist, Barry Poe, and G.C. Edmonds. Brother Crist is commended on his work with Beta Pi chapter, as much of their initial strength and bonds are the result of J.B.'s dedication to that chapter. Additionally, Brother Barry along with his wife, Carla, were a dominant force in the south, and essentially are both responsible for all of our progresses we have made.

Lastly, I'd like to say thank you to all those Brothers whom made this past year the success it was, and for keeping Gamma Delta Psi alive and well.

Tim S. Poe

Northern Vice-President



As this being my fifth year since I was inducted into Gamma Delta Psi chapter, I have to say that the last couple of years have been my best as a brother. With winning 'Brother-of-the-year', and then being elected Northern Vice-President for two consecutive years.

In those two years, I have met some really good brothers and made alot of new friends forever. What I am trying to say is that, I wouldn't have missed it for anything. So, thanks to Gamma Delta Psi Fraternity International and to the Brothers in my chapter for giving me this chance to be part of this great organization.

It will always be a part of me, and me a part of it. So, here's to Gamma Delta Psi.....all the best in the years to come. Thanks.

Post script: To all younger brothers, get involved, become active and you will know what this letter means.

Doug 'Budha' Johnson

Northern Secretary



So, it's finally here. The first Garnet & Silver in what, maybe eleven years? Well, my last two years on the board have been very rewarding and satisfying. First as Editor, starting this handle going, and thanks to Steve and Mike for finishing something I doubt I could have done. Congratulations.

Secondly, came last year's convention as my chapter, Gamma Eta proved that we were proud to be part of Gamma Delta Psi and won 'Chapter-of-the-year' honors. This kept my interest going even more for my second term on the board, now as Northern Secretary.

This year, I began writing letters and attempted to update our records, but never received much in return from the chapters. I kept in close communication with the rest of the I.B.C. officers and chapters even though I was away at University.

There were trips to the south in October and December which I couldn't make due to the heavy load of school work and exams. However, after a long and unproductive winter, we made it to the big 'VA' in April, for my first time in nine months. It was particularly good to see the southern brothers again, and special thanks to Barry and Carla Poe, Tim Poe, Kenny Martin, J.B. Crist, Larry Belcher, and Beta Pi chapter.

Also during this term, I got a notion of starting a chapter of Gamma Psi Fraternity at the University Of Windsor, the first such Canadian chapter. I initially received a good response from the people around campus and presently have eight interested students to start groovin' when classes commence in September. Gamma Delta Psi has been a life-line to me for the past six years and I want to see it expand, both as it was at its strongest days and in the colleges and universities. In this manner, Brothers can keep a great spirit throughout their schooling days and hopefully beyond.

I may not have been a consistent letter writer, but I do believe that I accomplished a job of helping bring back Gamma Delta Psi onto its feet again. On a final not, I would like to thank the brothers of Gamma Delta Psi for making my year and life most enjoyable, and I guarantee you that I will continue to help the progress of this fraternity forever.

Bill 'Crusty' Michelin

Historian



As you read through the many reports filed by fellow I.B.C. officers and chapters, you'll soon discover that 1984-85 was indeed, a fine year for Gamma Delta Psi in comparison to previous years. The fact that you all are reading the first edition of the Garnet & Silver in a decade is reason enough to believe that our fraternity is rebounding back strongly after a few years of relative inactivity.

At the risk of re-phrasing and re-iterating the reports before mine, allow me to comment on what may be considered just a few of this year's many so-called, 'Highlights'.

First, its difficult to believe that we finally witnessed a financially successful convention, as we did in 1984. After this time, the Board was preoccupied in staging a number of functions and events which have since made fraternal history. Very briefly, these events are the several regional rallies, president's conferences, numerous road trips, Christmas dance, Brunswick Stew, joint semi-formals with chapters, as well as constant correspondence and issuing near-monthly editions of the Grip.

However, the only apparent draw back to an otherwise optimistic year was the Board's failure to formally standardize the fraternity's historical archives. In view of this tremendous chore, it is without doubt that the incoming officers should make the restoration of our history a priority item on their agenda of fraternal objectives. It should be noted that such a project will require strong financial support and considerable amount of time and dedication to properly formulate our records.

In closing, Gamma Delta Psi has again grown another year older, and I think, at least that much more wiser. We are soon to be one hundred and seven years old, and with so much to look forward to and accomplish. Read on, enjoy, and here's looking for you at Convention '85.....

Tim Weeks

Treasurer



As the fraternal year draws to an end, I'd like to say that, this has been a very successful year from my point of view on the board. I've seen an uplifting of spirit among the chapters and on the board. We've set and met the main goals we decided upon at the beginning of the year. This year book was one of the goals, another was for the I.B.C. to give financial and moral backing to each chapter so they could hold a function to raise money for their treasuries. We accomplished this with all but a few chapters, who are now top priorities for the beginning of the next school year. I feel this arrangement has improved the relationship between chapters and the board, as it shows the chapters that the money they pay for dues can be used by the I.B.C. to further benefit the chapters.

On the down side, throughout my term as Treasurer, I've made the unfortunate discovery that this fraternity can no longer operate on money paid to the I.B.C. from chapter dues and the sale of paraphernalia. As the number of chapters have declined throughout the years, so has your I.B.C. treasury. To-date, this year we have received \$485.00 in dues and negotiated 1,745.80 in loans from the Board of Trustees, including receipts from various fraternity functions. Our total disbursements is presently \$2,349.13.

We all know that communication is an essential part of fraternity. In keeping with this doctrine, we've seen fit to make our major expenditures on postage (\$194.85) and phone (\$259.43).

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank my fellow board members and all the Brothers I've had the pleasure of working and enjoying myself with this past year, for helping me make it a productive and meaningful one.

Post script note: a full financial disclosure for the 1984-85 year will be made available at Convention '85.

Joseph W. Italia

Editor



The Garnet & Silver (a.k.a. the 'G & S') has finally returned from a deep sleep. This year book commemorates our one-hundred and sixth anniversary, and is the first such publication since 1974. The fraternity is slowly awakening to the memories of the past, renewing fraternal spirit in today's active members. If this wasn't true you would not be looking at this year book at present.

This year book was originally started in September 1983 by Brothers Bill Michelin and Michael Kuch, however, a publication could not be produced since a committee could not be established.

The 1984-85 'G & S' committee consisted of Brothers Bill Michelin, responsible for initiating the rebirth of the Garnet & Silver; Michael Kuch, editing, contacting chapters and alumni for reports, selling advertising space, and designing the cover; Jeff Matthews, typesetter, printer and formulating the finished product; and myself, designing layout, photographing, selling ad space, etc.

Why did I become Editor of the Garnet & Silver? I did so, because I feel I owe Gamma Delta Psi Fraternity International a lot of support like Gamma Delta Psi supported and enriched my life. The position of Editor was left open following Convention '84, and I filled in this position in January 1985. Brother Kuch appointed me to this position because he knew that I was worthy to fulfill the demands of this office.

Over the six years in which I have been associated with Gamma Delta Psi, I have been corresponding-secretary, recording secretary, treasurer, historian, and funds and civics director at the chapter level. On the International Board of Control, I was historian in 1983-84, and now the Editor.

This edition of the year book I would like to dedicate to Brother Kuch, who has helped out tremendously with the Garnet & Silver. He is editor of Gamma Delta Psi's monthly newsletter, the 'Grip', and has done extensive work for the fraternity and deserves to be commemorated for all of his endeavours, past, present, and in the future.

I am proud to be a Brother of Mike as I know other Brothers are as well. Maybe this is why I am known as 'I only wish I looked like Mike Kuch'. Enjoy this year book and remember that, life is only as great as you expect it to be. Learn to enjoy and expect the best out of life-I know I do. Thank you for your support Brothers.

Stephen W. Moore

Dear Brothers,

This has been a successful year for the IBC in many ways, other than financially. If anything held us back from doing more than we did this year it was the grave lack of funds we had to work with. You'll notice that there is no new paraphernalia on sale this weekend; We simply didn't have the extra cash.

This year I'm glad to say that the odds can't be put on the chapters for this predicament. Almost all the chapters had their dues in before convention this year. Unlike the earlier years of the Fraternity when there were many more chapters than the present day six active we have now, the revenue taken in by the board was much greater then now, and the overhead cost of functioning was much less.

Therefore: after experiencing the frustrating setbacks we've encountered this year due to the lack of funds, I've come up with a couple of suggestions for the delegates.

First, I would like to suggest that a motion be made to erase the 15% payment to the board of Trustees, Trust fund this year.

Second I'd like to suggest a motion be made that the Board of Trustees turn over no less than \$500 and no more than \$1000 to the board treasury. The amount should be discussed during the motion.

On a final note before I start rattling of this years' financial figures. I just like you to think about this.

The trust fund was set up to help the Fraternity out if it started to die. Low finances is like a tight noose on this Fraternity. It's time we put the fund to the use it was intended for.

Fraternally,

Joseph Italia
IBC Treasurer 1984-85

We started the year off with a balance of \$192.47.
Our total Receipts for the year was \$2,600.80.
And Our total Disbursements equaled \$2,792.50.

We now have a current Balance of \$1.22.
And an accounts Payable balance of \$264.30.

Throughout the year we spent:

194.85 ON POSTAGE

259.43 ON PHONE BILLS

26.53 ON STATIONARY

31.25 IN BANK CHARGES

43.59 ON FILM

10.96 IN XEROXING

130.41 ON T-SHIRTS AND SOLVENTS. "CONV. 84"

92.19 FOR EXPENSES

370.00 FOR A CONVENTION DOWN PAYMENT.

& 1,380.50 IN REPAYING TRUSTEE & PRIVATE LOANS.

IN RECEIPTS THIS YEAR WE RECEIVED:

485.00 IN DUES

706.10 FROM FRATERNITY FUNCTIONS

153.73 IN EXCHANGE ON THE U.S. DOLLARS.

1,135.00 ~~950.00~~ IN LOANS

24.00 IN T-SHIRT SALES

AND 218.00 FOR THE GARNET & SILVER.

CURRENTLY; THE CHAPTERS STILL OWING
DUES ARE;

GAMMA ALPHA - \$25.00

GAMMA XI - \$230.00 which should be discussed LATER TODAY.

GAMMA ETA - 100.00

EXPANSION COMMITTEE REPORT

AT THE FRATERNITY LEVEL

- ASK A FRIEND OR RELATIVE IN ANOTHER SCHOOL IF HE IS INTERESTED IN FORMING A CRESENT CLUB
- APPROACH THE STUDENT COUNCILS OF OTHER SCHOOLS
- DISTRIBUTE LEAFLETS TO SELL $\Gamma\Delta\Psi$
- DISTRICT DEPUTIES SHOULD BE FROM OTHER CHAPTERS THAN THEIR OWN
- TALK TO SOCIETIES IN OTHER SCHOOLS
- MORE CO-OPERATION BETWEEN CHAPTERS IN ALL ASPECTS (PLEDGE PERIODS & CRESENT CLUBS)

AT THE CHAPTER LEVEL

- SET UP A COMPETITION TO SEE WHO CAN GET MORE PLEDGES, THE WINNER GOES TO CONVENTION FREE OR WINS A TRIP UP NORTH OR DOWN SOUTH (AS THE CASE MAY BE).
- IF EACH BROTHER WERE TO ASK 1 PERSON TO PLEDGE, CHAPTERS WOULD GREATLY GROW
- EITHER SEND LETTERS OR GO TALK TO PARENTS EXPLAINING $\Gamma\Delta\Psi$
- $\Gamma\Delta\Psi$ SHOULD CONVERT TO MORE OF A SERVICE GROUP LIKE THE LIONS OR JAYCEES

AT THE PERSONAL LEVEL

- EXPAND EACH YOUNG BROTHERS PERSONALITY BY GIVING THEM AN ASS. POSITION
- MORE CHAPTER HISTORY IN PLEDGE PERIODS
- ASSESS EACH INDIVIDUALS CAPABILITIES BEFORE AWARDDING AN OFFICE

Dear Brothers,

This year Beta Xi Chapter of Gamma Delta Psi has been actively involved in several major events. Our most successful planned event was undoubtedly our semi formal. It was both financially and socially beneficial. As well we participated in a water ski show at the Welland Ski Club last month. Several Brothers showed up and we participated in a skit which was video taped. We all had a good time at a stag which I personal organized and hosted. One of our more formal gatherings was our annual chapter Christmas Dinner which brother Gus Vogiatzis helped organize. It was a big success with almost all the brothers there, most importantly however, was the welcoming in our five new brothers into our chapter. No one will ever forget the great times we had during their goating period. I'd like to note that older brother interest has never being better as proven by the turnout at our annual golf tournament held at Greenwood earlier this month.

Fraternally,

Fred Winterburn

Gamma Eta

This year has been a very busy year for Gamma Eta chapter. Gamma Eta has improved in many different ways in its dedication to serve as a model chapter. These improvements may be summed up into three important categories: chapter life; International fraternal relations; and social functions.

Gamma Eta has done very much in way of improving its chapter life. We initiated weekly meetings every Sunday at a brother's house, and as of January '85, we would have meetings every Thursday after school. These meetings would serve to bring brothers up to date with events and aid in chapter organization.

Our chapter also passed a series of by-laws which were intended to help the chapter to run more proficiently. Our history department also researched every single brother in Gamma Eta. They researched to their induction numbers and in many cases were contacted.

The brothers of Gamma Eta also inducted four new brothers into the chapter: Troy Christopher, Pete McQuinn, Mario Zeoli, and Tim Wyatt. One of the major concerns of Gamma Eta was to function with the International Brotherhood. The correspondence department of Gamma Eta wrote over one-hundred letters to other chapters, I.B.C. members, and alumni in an attempt to stimulate Brotherhood.

Gamma Eta was also present in Toronto for the Gamma Alpha semi-formal, and we also played a hockey game with Beta Xi. We built inter-Fraternity relations by playing Gamma Sigma Fraternity in a football game and corresponded with Sigma Tau Psi, a national college fraternity. We have also researched the names of several area sororities and have attended their social events as well as they participating in ours.

Lastly, Gamma Eta has been greatly involved in social events. We had a successful semi-formal dance with Theta Sigma Rho Sorority on March 30, 1985, where we raised money for the Kidney Foundation. Gamma Eta canvassed for the Kidney Foundation as well. Several other major functions included a party at the Rockway, and a B-B-Q in which Gamma Eta, Gamma Xi and the I.B.C. came to. Gamma Eta is planning a chapter alumni reunion later this summer.

In conclusion, few words can describe the dedication and spirit that has been regenerated in Gamma Eta this year.

Gamma XI

The coffin is open and Gamma Xi is alive. Thanks to an inspiring trip to Virginia for Brother Bill Schmitt and a few older Brothers with a little fraternal spirit left in them, that little town in the far reaches of southern Ontario known to most as 'Fort Dreary', has once again a thriving chapter in the Grand Crescent.

Even though Gamma Xi's active Brother list showed only five (Bill Shmitt, Jim Gardiner, Stan Miksovsky, Kelly Rankin, and Shawn Street), and the first few meetings were rather informal, the chapter seemed to be filled with new life and fraternal spirit. Since then, many things have happened.

The first priority of our chapter has been the induction of new Brothers. It seems as though this priority has been taken care of, as on April 24th, we inducted Brother #94, Bob Falconer as an Honorary Brother, and on May 7th we started a pledge period. By the middle of June, Gamma Xi will have three new Brothers.

Although our year started late, Gamma Xi has been more than active. We have attended every fraternal function open to us including Gamma Eta's B-B-Q and a trip to Nag's Head, N.C. We also had a going away party for Brother Shawn 'Snafu' Street, and a Rush Party for our goats. For the future, Gamma Xi is planning on attending Gamma Eta's semi-formal and Beta Xi's semi-formal.

Since our treasury leaves something to be desired, some fund-raising functions and charity work have also been planned. We have also been hard at work organizing a Northern Rally for the July 6 weekend at Windmill point park.

For the distant future, Gamma Xi will be strengthening its foothold in Fort Erie through constructive pledge periods and community exposure. We are going to return Gamma Delta Psi to its stature as one of the finest community service groups.

The coffin is open and the corpse has risen.

Beta XI

On behalf of all the Delts and Beta Xi chapter, I would like to extend a warm greeting to all the Brothers of Gamma Delta Psi. Beta Xi chapter is enjoying a successful year thus far, already hosting a profitable semi-formal dance and proposing another, possibly with a live band performing.

A car wash will also be held soon with the help of brothers and goaties. We are attempting to raise a considerable amount of money to make a donation to a charity. Our annual golf tournament will once again be held and several other events are being planned for the future.

Our Brotherhood is quite strong for us this year, and I believe the future looks bright.

Gamma Alpha

Gamma Alpha had a very good year. It started with a popular Corn Roast in September of which was called the best party of the year. We also made a financial killing.

Our next event was a dance in which all bar proceeds were donated to the United Way of Canada. This amounted to \$300.00, while the chapter profited a good dollar as well. In addition, the I.B.C. should be thanked for their support of our dance as they were able to negotiate a liquor permit for this function as well as help us with bartending and set-up.

During the year, we only held two pledge periods and inducted two new, young Brothers. Our active total of chapter members currently stands at eleven Brothers for Gamma Alpha.

Other events included another semi-formal dance which again proved to be a success, and a host of charity fund-raising and canvassing efforts. However, the best thing we did this year was to keep our chapter a close knit group. All of the Brothers were constantly in contact with each other and this made it easier to plan out certain functions.

Gamma Alpha was also doing much travelling this year as some of the Brothers went to Virginia more than once. We also enjoyed road trips to St. Catharines for dances and parties. This was also good in strengthening our chapter by knowing there were others like us. As we travelled around, the hospitality of Brothers in other places was un-paralleled. We thank all the Brothers who put up with us.

1985-86 is also going to be another year of prosperity for the mighty boys from Rexdale.

**Interpretive Material to Enhance
Understanding of the 1985
Convention Minutes**

The digital scans that follow are NOT part of the 1985 Convention Minutes. These selected scans are taken from the 1984-1985 Garnet & Silver official fraternity publication. Adding these scans to the 1985 Convention Minutes gives a much clearer and broader understanding of what was happening in Gamma Delta Psi fraternity during that era. Of course, seeing the faces of the brothers who led the fraternity during those years as they appeared 30 years ago is another most enjoyable perk.

DAH

Fraternal Reflections of the 1970's

Gamma Delta Psi left the sixties in a position of power with almost thirty chapters located in Ontario, Virginia, New York, and Louisiana; experience with Bob Guthrie & company in firm control; and wealth with a budget, chapters paying dues, profit making conventions, etc. How in ten short years did our fraternity decline from these great heights?

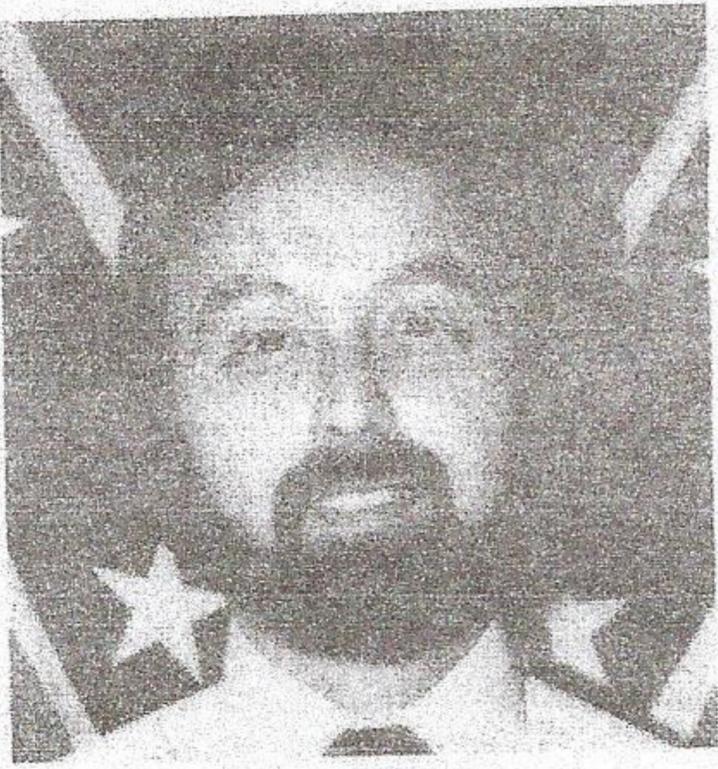
The availability of drugs to high school students, the emergence of the 'Me generation', inflation, and the energy crisis brought a high flying Gamma Delta Psi down to earth. As society was changing so was the fraternity. The Brothers who brought Gamma Delta Psi into one of its most prosperous times, the Bob Guthrie era, were moving into adulthood and all of its responsibilities.

Brothers such as Doug Jamieson, Ron Fleming, Ken Marskell, Barry Yeates, George Longworth, Mac Stoodley, Ron Hartman, and others were being replaced by a younger crop of leaders. Names that come to mind include John Miszuk, Dave Bartlett, Don Sowchuck, Bruce Johnstone, Danny Wyatt, Dave Myers, Rick Brockwell, Mayes Marks, Mike Terry, Gerry Thompson, David Duncan, Kirk Bolton, and many more.

Many of the sixties' methods of running the fraternity would not work in the 1970's. Chapters that once had to turn away prospective members, now were begging for pledges and often failing. Although desperate for new blood, many chapters refused to change their '60's' style hazing methods and paid dearly for it. Once powerhouse chapters such as Beta Zeta of Port Credit, Ontario and Beta Tau of Dinwiddie, Virginia, now failed. Many others did as well.

If it appears that the 1970's were all doom and gloom, believe me they were not. For many of us, they were exciting and challenging. Let me touch on a few highlights: recognition and respect for Gamma Psi Fraternity; expansion into metropolitan Washington, D.C.; rebel rallies; northern president's conferences; Brothers exchanging visits several times yearly; sweatshirts, pins, towels, mugs, cards, and ashtrays showing our pride; Scranton, Pennsylvania mid-year conclave; and a very friendly, healthy relationship between the north and south. And of course, conventions, sweethearts, and Centennial celebrations in both Petersburg, Virginia and Toronto, Ontario, to name just a few.

There is so much more to the 1970's than just these short paragraphs. Talk with an older Brother and get it first hand. Make the decade of the 1980's a decade of renewal, a decade of pride.



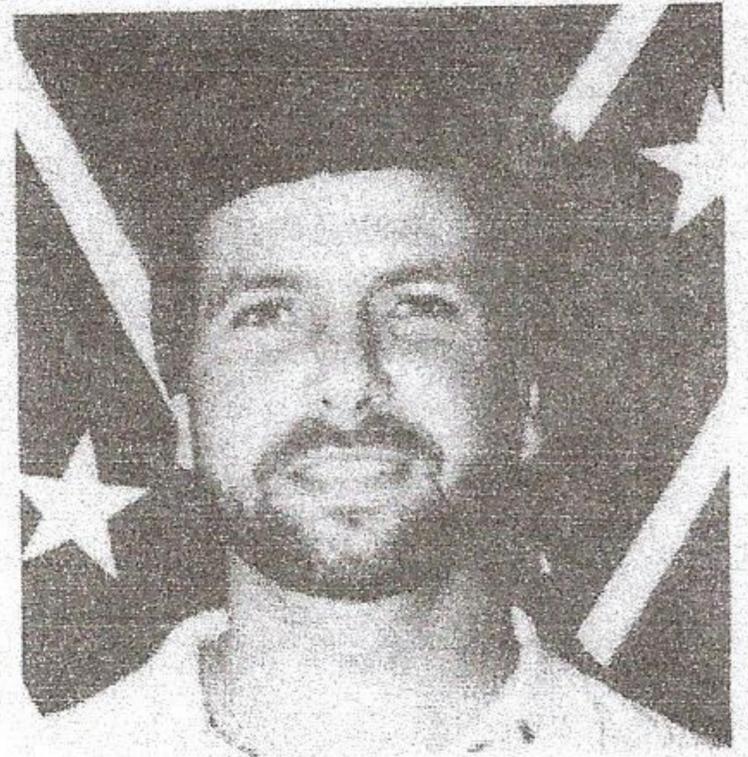
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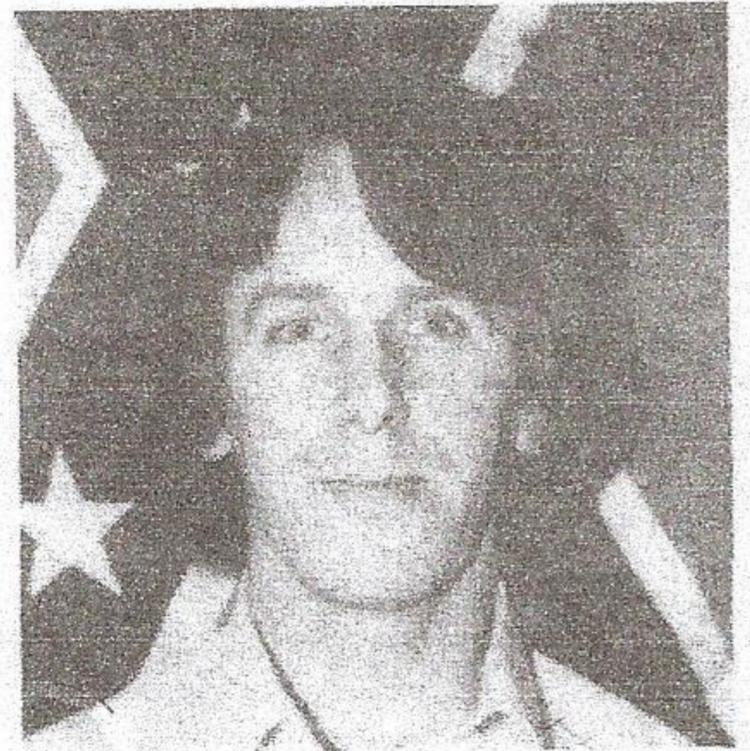
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A Word from the Board of Trustees

Brothers,

Congratulations on publishing the first Garnet & Silver in over a decade!

Gamma Delta Psi has gone through a considerable downsizing of active chapters since the last Garnet & Silver, but our present state (surviving; with active chapters) is better than many other fraternities of the same era.

On a more cheerful note, several Grand Brothers have been inducted into Gamma during the same period.

The Board of Trustees acts as a library or consulting service to the I.B.C. and the active chapters. Trustees are usually ex-I.B.C. members who have an interest in the proceedings of the Fraternity. Although the Trustees formally meet only one to five times per year, dialogue through telephone calls and letters is maintained. Trustees are usually in attendance at I.B.C. functions like Conventions.

In closing, good luck in the years to come. Please preserve the physical history of your chapter for posterity. Most of all, preserve the Fraternity through maintaining your friendships introduced through Gamma Delta Psi.

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In Bonds,
Bro. Gerry Thompson
for the
Board of Trustees

Gamma Delta Psi Fraternity International

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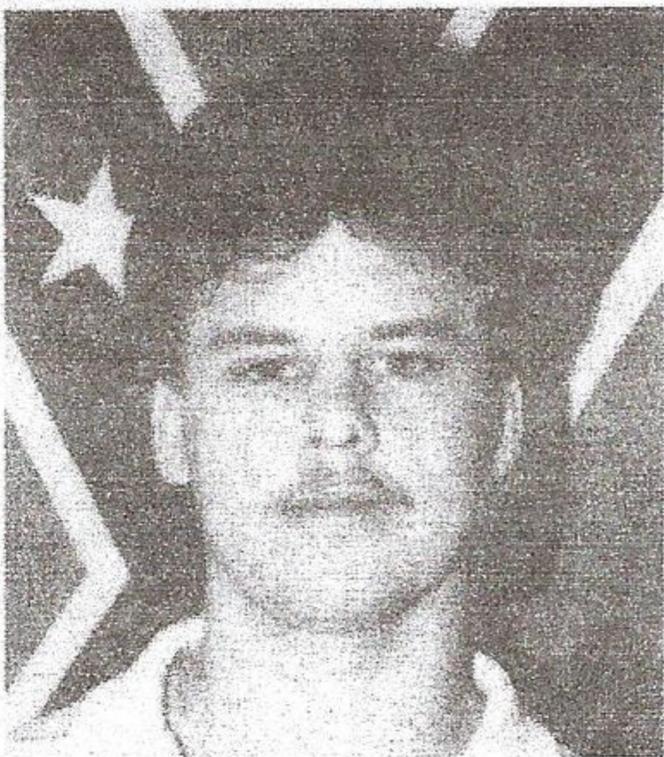
Northern District Deputy

Following this past convention, when I was appointed District Deputy, I set out to accomplish many goals. In the fall I attended my first year of university out of town and isolated from the northern chapters. Thanks to Brothers Mike Kuch and Bill Michelin, I was kept abreast of all the recent going's on of the fraternity. I was able to write several letters and attended some of the social events put on by the chapters. Being away from home restricted my fraternal obligations somewhat, however, I was still able to attend a few I.B.C. meetings as well as chapters meetings of Gamma Eta and Gamma Xi.

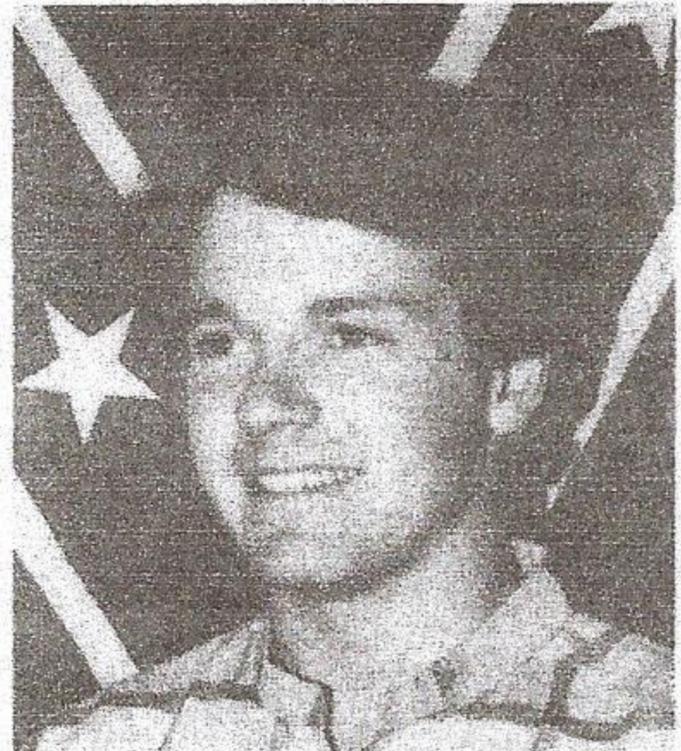
In this past year, I have witnessed renewed spirit and dedication in many of the fraternity members I have come in contact with. I am glad to be a part of this great organization and hope to see it continue in its progress. Communication and interaction is needed to keep this great fraternity of ours alive and well.

I would like to thank all the members of the I.B.C. for their patience and understanding they showed towards me in the fulfillment of my duties. Thank you for the priviledge of serving as a member of the board.

Steve Laubach



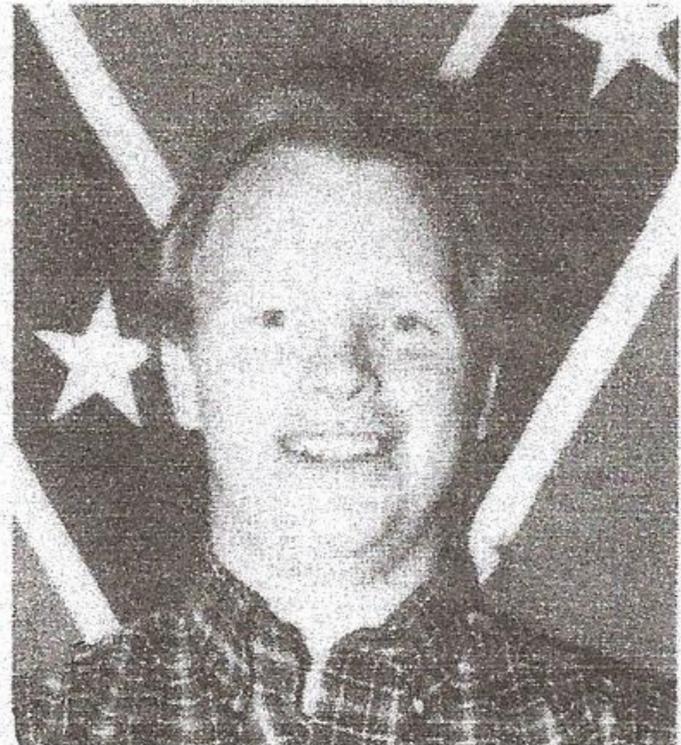
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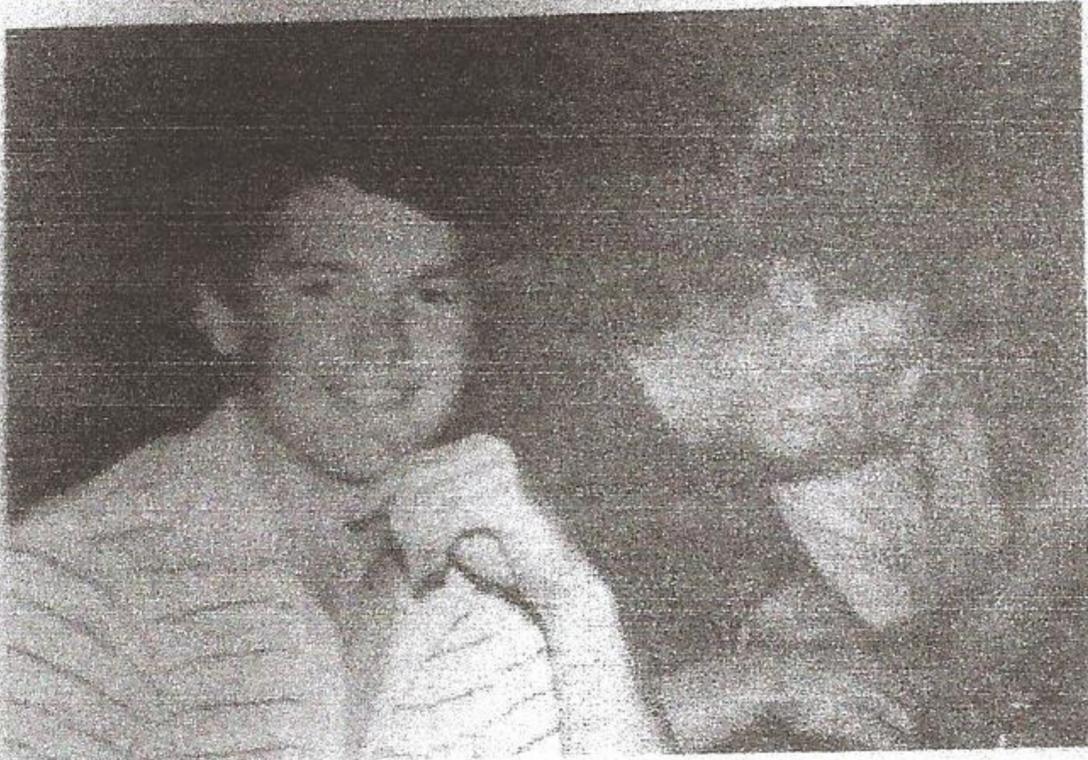


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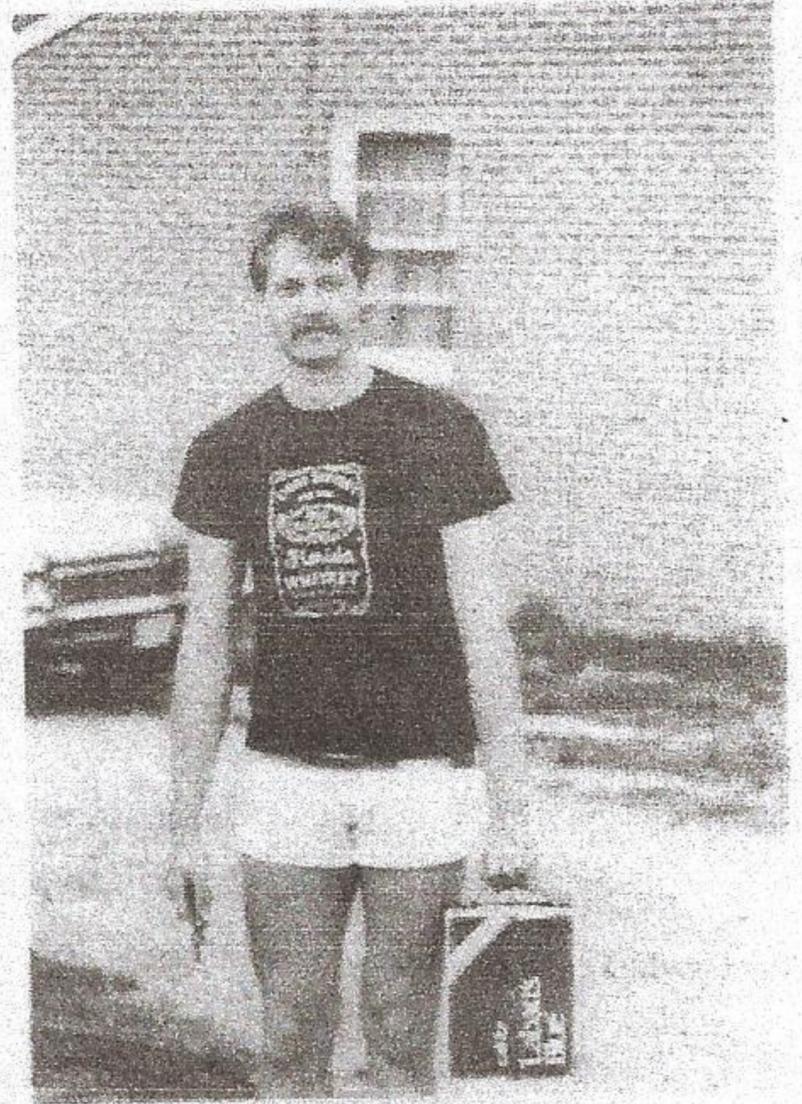


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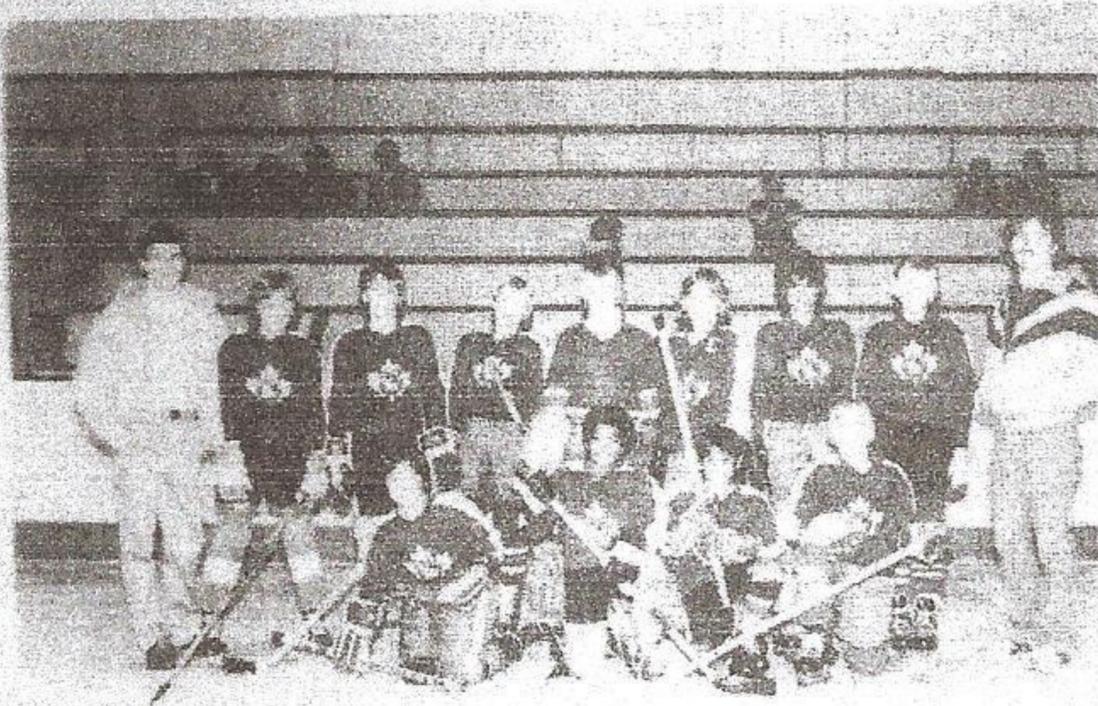
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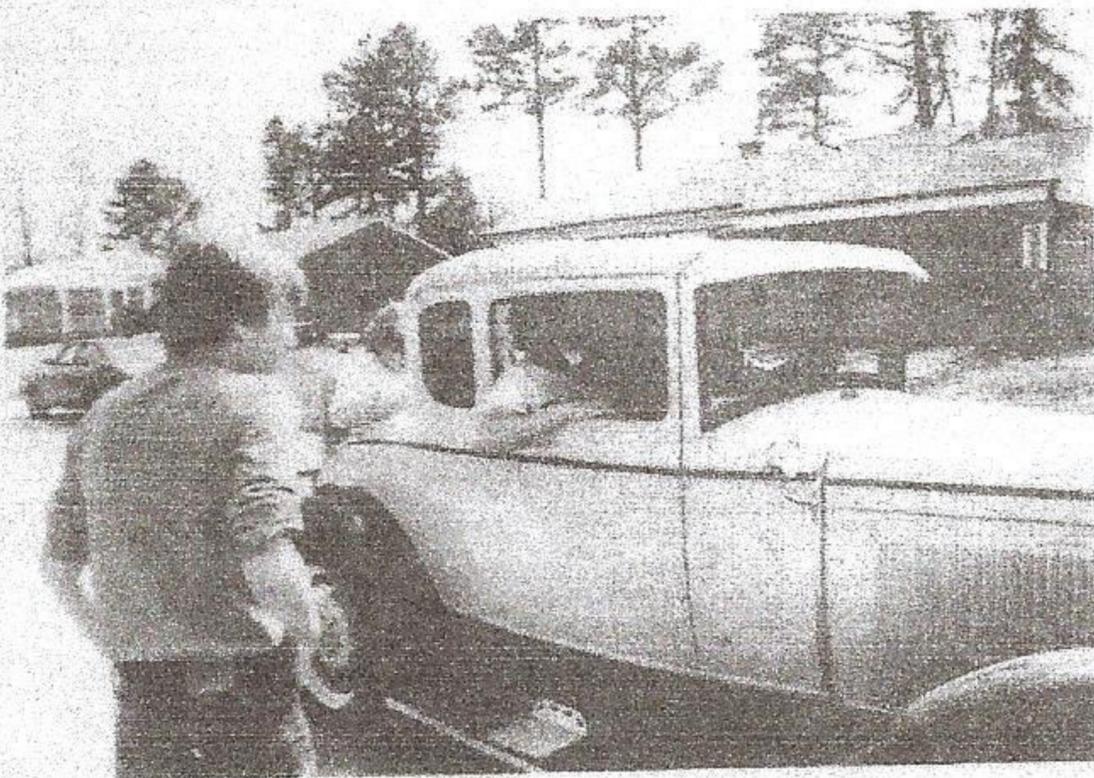
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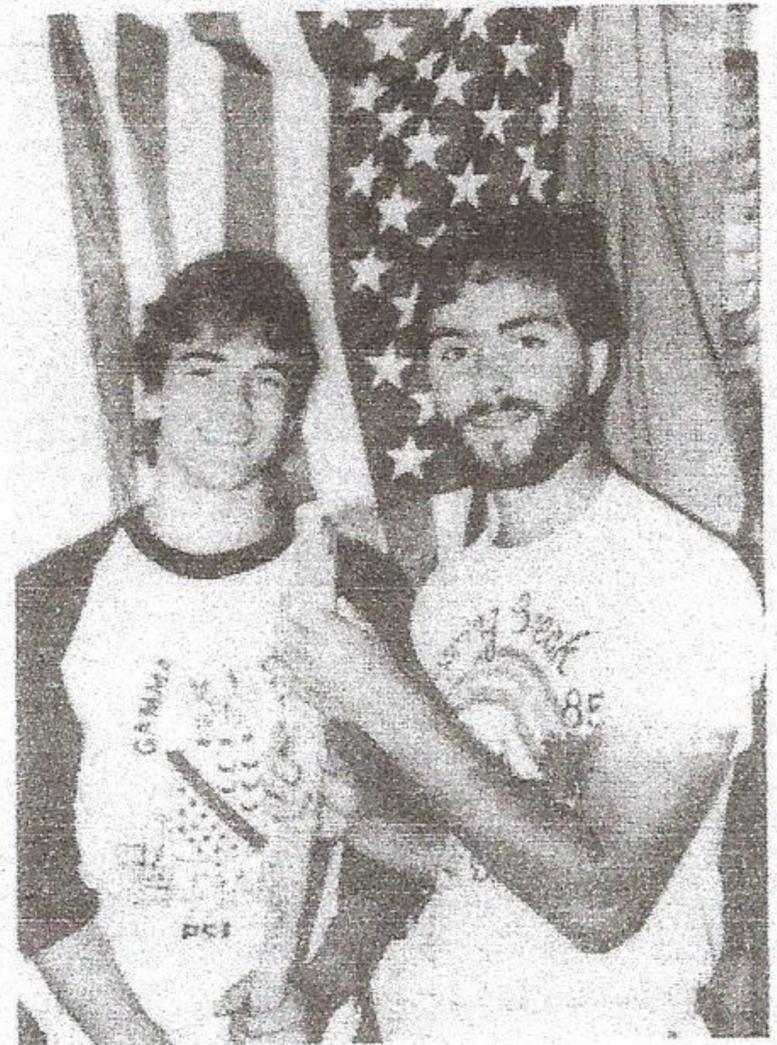
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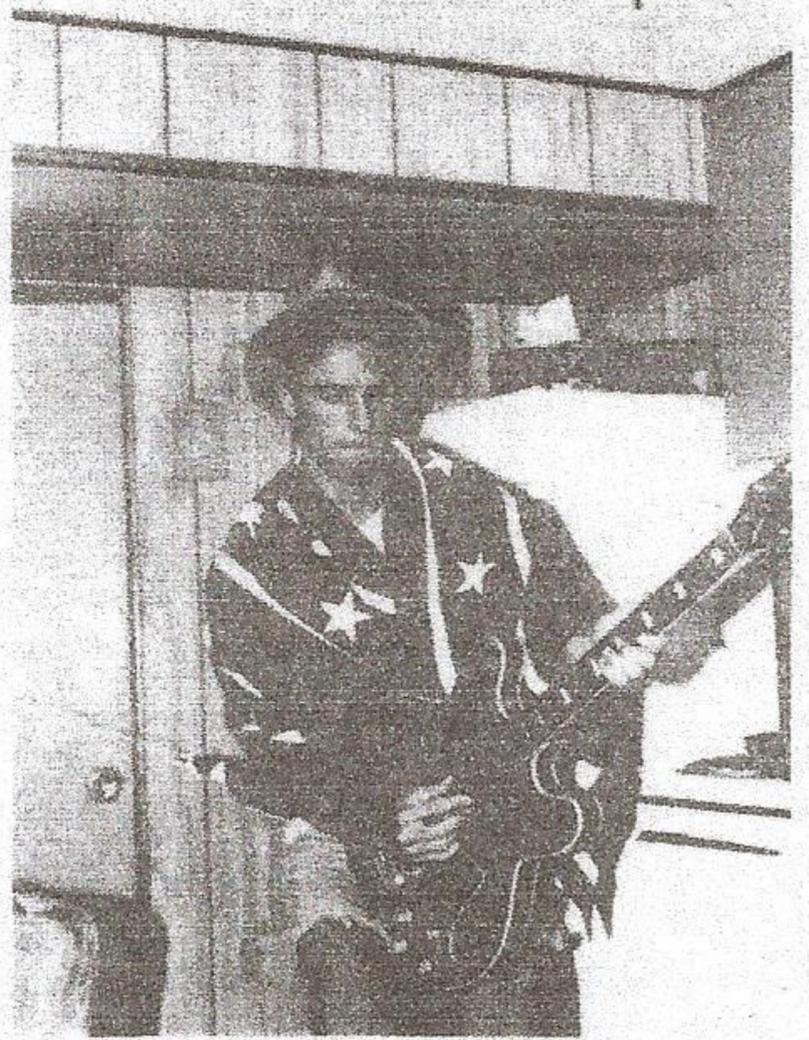
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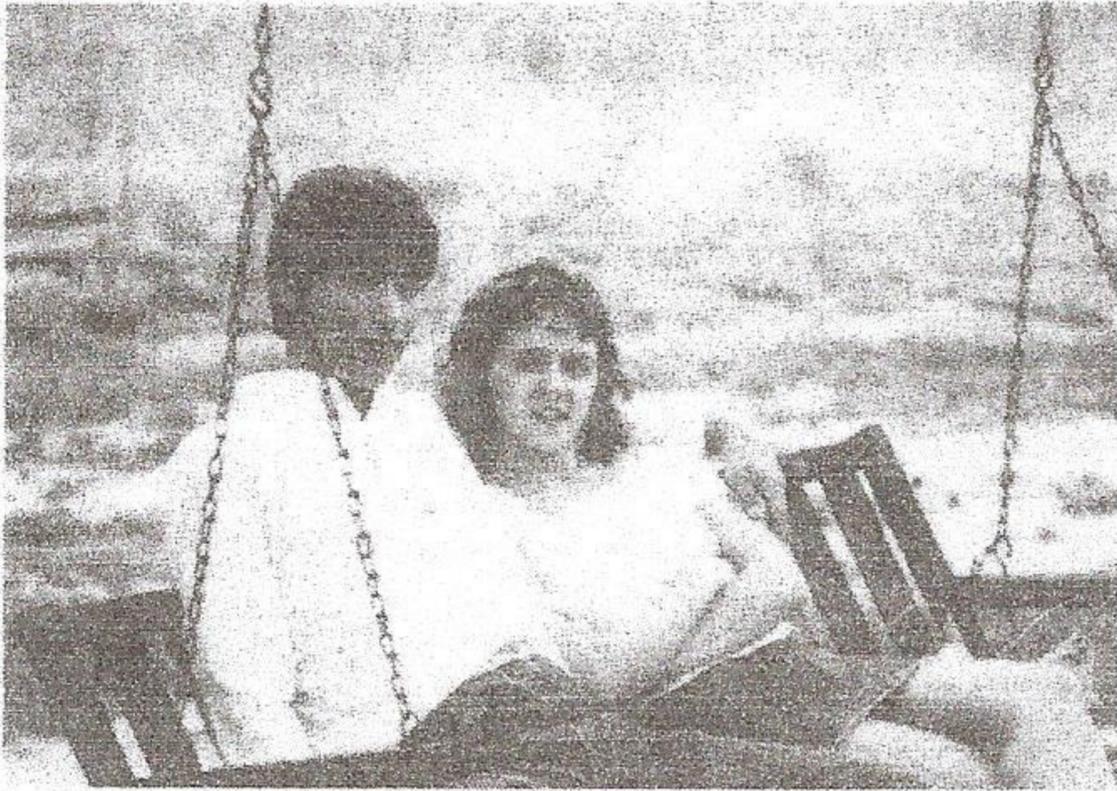
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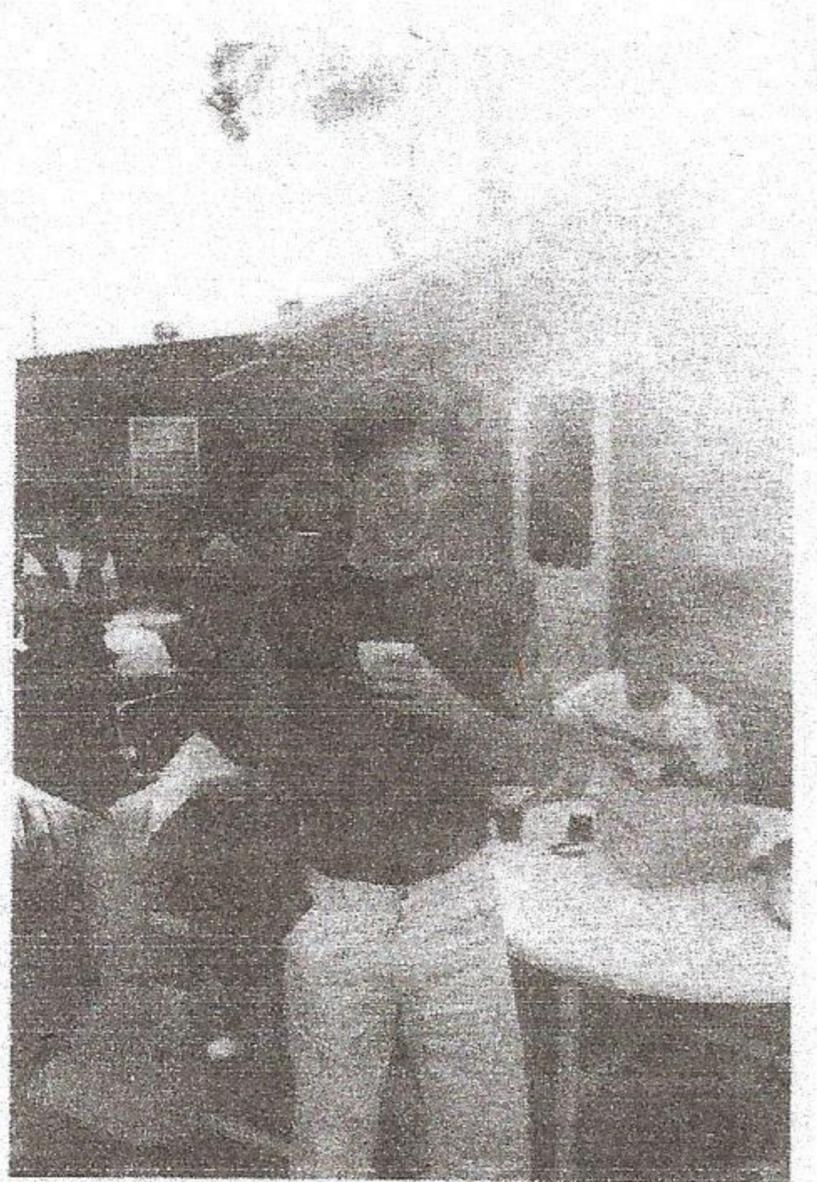
Mike "The Boss" Kuch



Beta Pi Lovers



Gamma Eta B.B.Q.



Bro. Del 'GQ' Wall

Fraternity in the 1950's

Fraternity life in the 1950's for me, meant being part of Alpha Phi chapter which was spread over two high schools in what now is Etobicoke, formerly a suburban borough of Toronto. Mimico High School, where I attended, had recently been made into a commercial high school, and our neighbouring school, New Toronto Secondary was a technical school.

The chapter drew members from both schools. We had about thirty chapter members and the fraternity at that time consisted of about seven known operating chapters. Alpha Phi chapter, having been the first chartered Canadian chapter, had the responsibility of setting up and chartering all other Canadian chapters, and as such had perhaps a more international attitude to the fraternity than many other chapters.

The last two National presidents had come from our chapter and as I recall, we were in the process of sponsoring another chapter when I was brought in. In spite of all this clerical work, our chapter primarily consisted of jocks, drawing members from the football and track teams.

I tell you all this so that you may get some idea of the environment in which we operated at the time. Fraternities were not recognized by the school and although we were allowed to wear our jackets and pins in school, it was made abundantly clear that we certainly weren't going to get any special treatment. Membership in a fraternity at that time was, we felt, a status symbol. There were two fraternities and one sorority operating in the school, and we of course felt we had the pick of the crop.

Alpha Phi met every Sunday night at the home of one of our members, at which time we discussed projects which we had on the go. We always seemed to be trying to show the public and the school authorities that we were not a bunch of hooligans, so we tended to take every opportunity to volunteer under the fraternity name to canvass for the United Way or the Cancer campaign.

We always made a point of submitting the story to the local newspaper with a photograph after one of our projects, and were successful in getting good members and convinced our parents that our organization was worthwhile.

This is not to say we ignored the social aspect. On the average of about once per month we would have a mixed house party at someone's home, and perhaps twice per year we would hold a dance at a local hall to raise money for some cause.

The single most meaningful event to me at the chapter level was attending the international convention in 1958 in Petersburg, Virginia. The International President that year was Jeff Smith, currently a dentist in Etobicoke, and he and about four more of us drove non-stop to Petersburg. We went strictly because he needed drivers.

Although the convention itself was really quite a bust - only three chapters attended, the excitement of meeting fraternity members from another area and the instant Brotherhood we experienced sold me once and for all on the benefits of the fraternity as a multi-chaptered entity. Largely because of that experience, I was quick to volunteer to chair a regional rally that fell in my area, which led to my holding national offices.

It seems odd to me that when I chronicle the chapter events in the fifties, there is no great happening or special projects which we worked on to explain why the fraternity was such an important part of my life. A great deal, I suppose, has to do with the friends I made, the challenges we faced and worked through together. The sense of accomplishment and personal confidence I gained through the fraternity made fraternity membership probably one of the most important times of my life.

If I understand correctly, this is one of those many low times in Gamma Delta Psi's history. It's a time when the fraternity needs young men to come forward and offer leadership and organization. To these young men, will go the work, the frustration, the thrill of taking a chance on their own capabilities and ultimately the satisfaction of seeing the fraternity survive because of their efforts. I envy you this opportunity.

Good luck in the '80's.

Eternal Thoughts

In life, you must make a plan or a map to chart your course, in order to have an idea what direction you want to grow. Without one, you do not stand a chance to get cross town let alone through eighty years of life. You plan must be flexible enough to alter directions, based on good and bad luck

Now, work your plan and enjoy yourself with the fruits of your plan. As the song says, take a little time along the journey to 'Smell the Roses' as well. The future is where it is and keep an eye to it..... just do not forget to enjoy the present because this is where you live.

'You help yourself when you help others'.

'People must like themselves and feel good about themselves and others-a positive attitude of life'.

'Have trust in others-if you choose correctly they will do a better ob than you do, this way everyone is a winner'.

James L.S. Fermoile

The Order of the Grand Crescent

1. James L.S. Fermoile
2. E.J. Stewart
3. Douglas R. Jamieson
4. Robert E. Guthrie
5. Ron Fleming
6. V.Kenneth Marskell
7. Kevin M. Stockdale

Fraternity Identification

Nomenclature	Delts or Gamma Delts
Colors	Garnet & Silver
Flower	Red Carnation
Alma Mater	Like A River's Flowing Waters
Annual Publication	Garnet & Silver
Monthly Newsletter	The Grip
Official Jeweller	L.G. Balfour