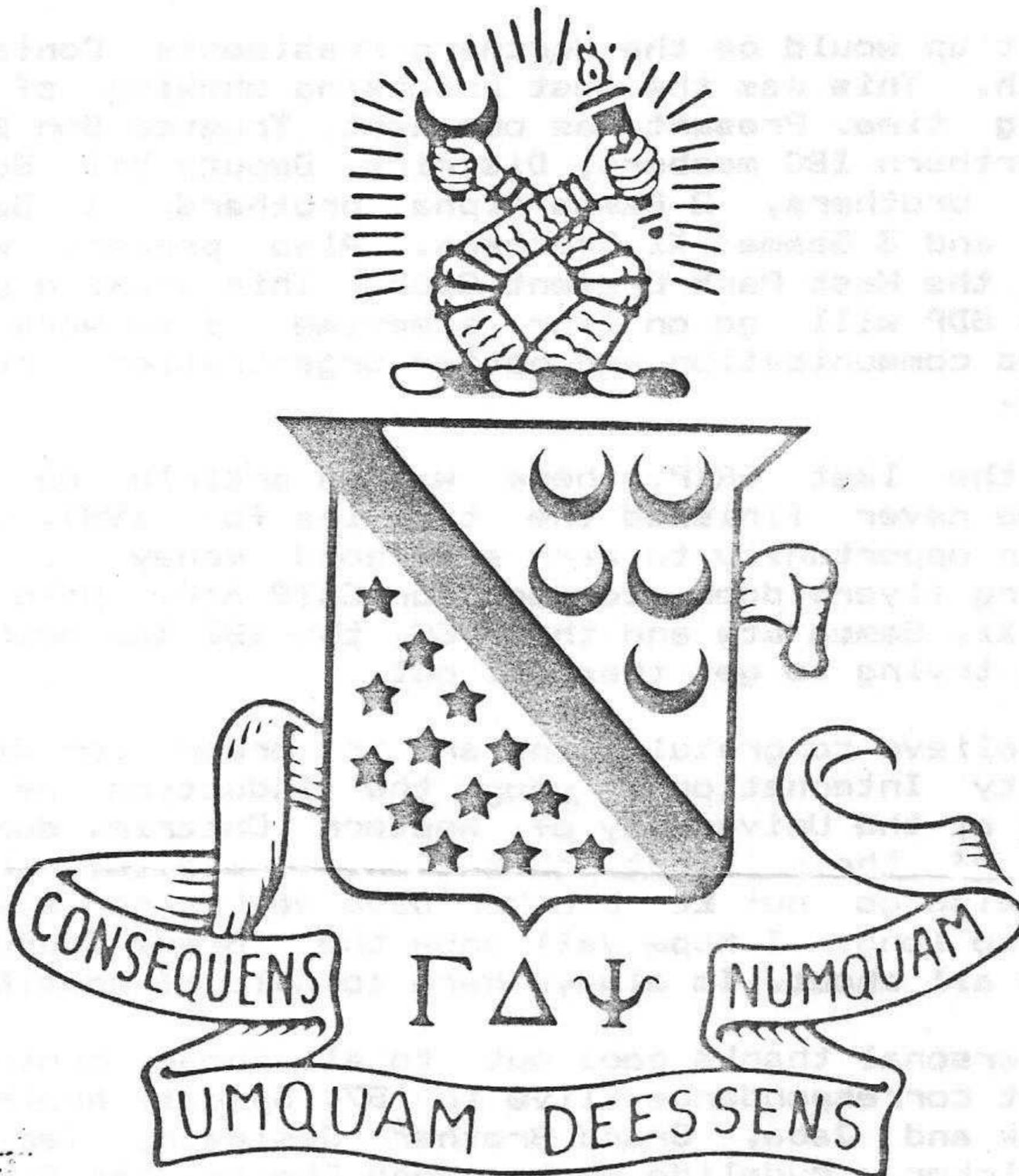


# Gamma Delta Psi Fraternity International

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## THE GRIP



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THE MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF GAMMA DELTA PSI FRATERNITY INTERNATIONAL  
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Hey now! In case yall havent noticed, there is an awful lot happening with GDP these days.

I'll start with the IBC dance of Feb. 28th. This was a classic to be remembered by all. A full house of high school students who drank all night with NO trouble whatsoever. Well at 1:30 AM someone pulled the fire alarm. No parent alive would believe it unless they saw it for themselves. Of course a financial success, a donation will be made to the St. Catharines General Hospital for their fund raising efforts.

Next up would be the Northern Presidents Conference of March 8th. This was the most promising showing of brothers in a long time. Present was our host, Trustee Don Sowchuck, all 4 Northern IBC members, District Deputy Bill Schmitt, 2 Beta Xi brothers, 2 Gamma Alpha brothers, 1 Gamma Eta brother and 3 Gamma Xi brothers. Also present was Kevin Smith of the West Park Crescent Club. This showing proved to me that GDP will go on for sometime if we work towards continued communication and better organization. Keep it up brothers.

In the last GRIP, there was an article on the CCA. Well, we never finished the turn-ins for 1987, but were given an opportunity to earn some good money for GDP by delivering flyers door to door for CKTB 610. With the help of Beta Xi, Gamma Eta and the WPCC, the IBC has been working all week trying to get them all out.

I believe congratulations are in order for Gamma Psi Fraternity International upon the induction of Epsilon Chapter at the University of Western Ontario, during the weekend of their first convention. A special thank you should also go out to brother Dave Dekker for sticking it out for so long. I hope yall show the "Greek Council" what Gamma is all about. Im always here to help if possible.

A personal thanks goes out to all those brothers who have kept correspondence alive in '87. Spicoli brothers Jim, Joe, Jack and Jaba, Grand Brother Jamieson, Teej, Scary Larry Belcher, Mudslide Weeks, John Chotka, The Schmitthead and of course Shux Dixon.

I guess that brings us up to the present, now for whats happening this month, in a nutshell.

Sat. April 11th is the big day. First will be the Northern Rally at 10 AM at brother Dave Zvoniks home in

Rexdale. All Northern Chapters are expected to attend. Later that evening is the Alumni Reunion. For details see coming events. There will be T-shirts and golf shirts for sale so bring a few extra bucks.

There isnt anything else to discuss so I'll close by wishing Grand Brother Doug Jamieson and Brother Bill Schmitt the best of luck in forming the GDP Alumni Association.

Yours in Bond,

Edward J. Decker  
International President '86-87

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LETTERS TO THE GRIP  
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Dear GRIP

Hi, I'm Kevin Smith. As you know we are starting a Crescent Club at West Park Secondary School and we are very eager to learn more about "GAMMA DELTA PSI".

Ron Kita is our advisor and together we make a great team. We have 6 people in our Crescent Club and we hope to be inducted by April '87. We are going to the Northern Rally and hope to see everyone there. We also will be at Convention '87 and want to meet as many people as possible.

Things started out a bit rough in Nov. '86, people didnt know if they wanted to bother and they were lame. Things are picking up now, we lost a couple of guys but gained just as many better guys. We are starting some fund-raising with a car wash planned in a couple of weeks.

We would appreciate it greatly if you would write, giving us some ideas for fund-raising and how to be a good chapter if we get inducted. It would be great encouragement.

Yours Truly,

Kevin Smith  
W. P. C. C.

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Dear Brother Ed,

Happening! I just got your GRIP. Thanks man. I will give you \$10 next week. This Spicoli is a little low on funds. Whats this sponsor stuff? Thats bowgas.

Brother Peadon from Beta Pi recieved my long awaited letter on Sunday and he called me. I wasnt home but he left me his number. I called!! Beta Pi is doing well, they sell donuts every week and they are going to Murtle Beach for beach week. He tells me Beta Alpha are coming alive and they have some new faces. They (Beta Pi) are coming down for Convention and they want us to come up real bad. Road Crew!!

I'm going to process the hockey tournament shots tommorrow or Thur. I'm also going to see Brother Jamieson this week. I should freak him out. I will try to smell out a few more Alpha Chi or Alpha Phi Alumnus for the Alumni Reunion.

I wrote a letter to Brad Young, so maybe I might get some response. I just had an exam, I think I did pretty well. Watch out for that Spicoli with a camera.

Yours in Bond

Trevor "Joe" Heidebrecht

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Dear Ed,

Received your nice letter... always interesting. I do not know if I asked you this question before or not? Maybe you dont know? I've asked someone anyway. Question... Do you know this far ahead when the next National Convention is and where and when? I MIGHT scrape up enough to go. Long way but I enjoyed the last one. The weather is 65 F today, getting near summer.

A lady was visiting here last week from a town called Milton, near Toronto. I told her about you Canadian 'Gammmas'. Very nice lady. I really appreciate your letters.

Bro. Malcolm S. Dixon  
Chi Chapter #130

P. S. I'll be 81 years old May 27th.

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Dear Ed,

Sorry it took so long to get back to you but between work, night school, 2 hockey teams and contract negotiations things have been hectic to say the least. We had our third conciliation meeting today and we didnt make any progress so in 3 weeks we will be in a legal strike position. Hopefully we will go on strike, I could use the holiday. I recently applied to the Etobicoke fire department and will be writing their test in 2 weeks time. Two weeks after that I take possession of the cottage my brother and I recently purchased.

I dont know whats happening as far as the chapter is concerned, all I know is that they've been very LAME this year. Enclosed is a cheque for \$30 to help with your efforts to publish the GRIP.

Yours in Bond

Tim Weeks  
Gamma Alpha #126

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A letter to Bill Schmitt...

Dear Bill,

Concerning your letter for an Alumni Reunion. I'm all for it and will go along with whatever arrangements are made. I have talked to several brothers and they feel the same. I was in contact with Dave Flemington and Gary Horlick, so consider this letter a response from them. Please keep in touch. GOOD LUCK, hope to see you soon.

In bonds

Mike Smallwood  
Alpha Chi #206

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ADDITION TO THE NIRVANA CHAPTER  
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Brother William H. Frawley of Chi Chapter passed away recently at the age of 76.

He retired Oct. 1st after 24 years on the federal bench as a bankruptcy judge.

Brother Frawley was a delegate for Chi Chapter at the 1925 National Convention held in Detroit, Mich..

He graduated from the University of Wisconsin in 1934 and joined his father in practising law. Four of his uncles also practised law in Eau Claire.

He is survived by his wife, Margaret; a son, William H. Frawley III of Windsor, Conn.; a daughter, Margaret Hall of Seal Beach, Cal.; and three grandchildren.

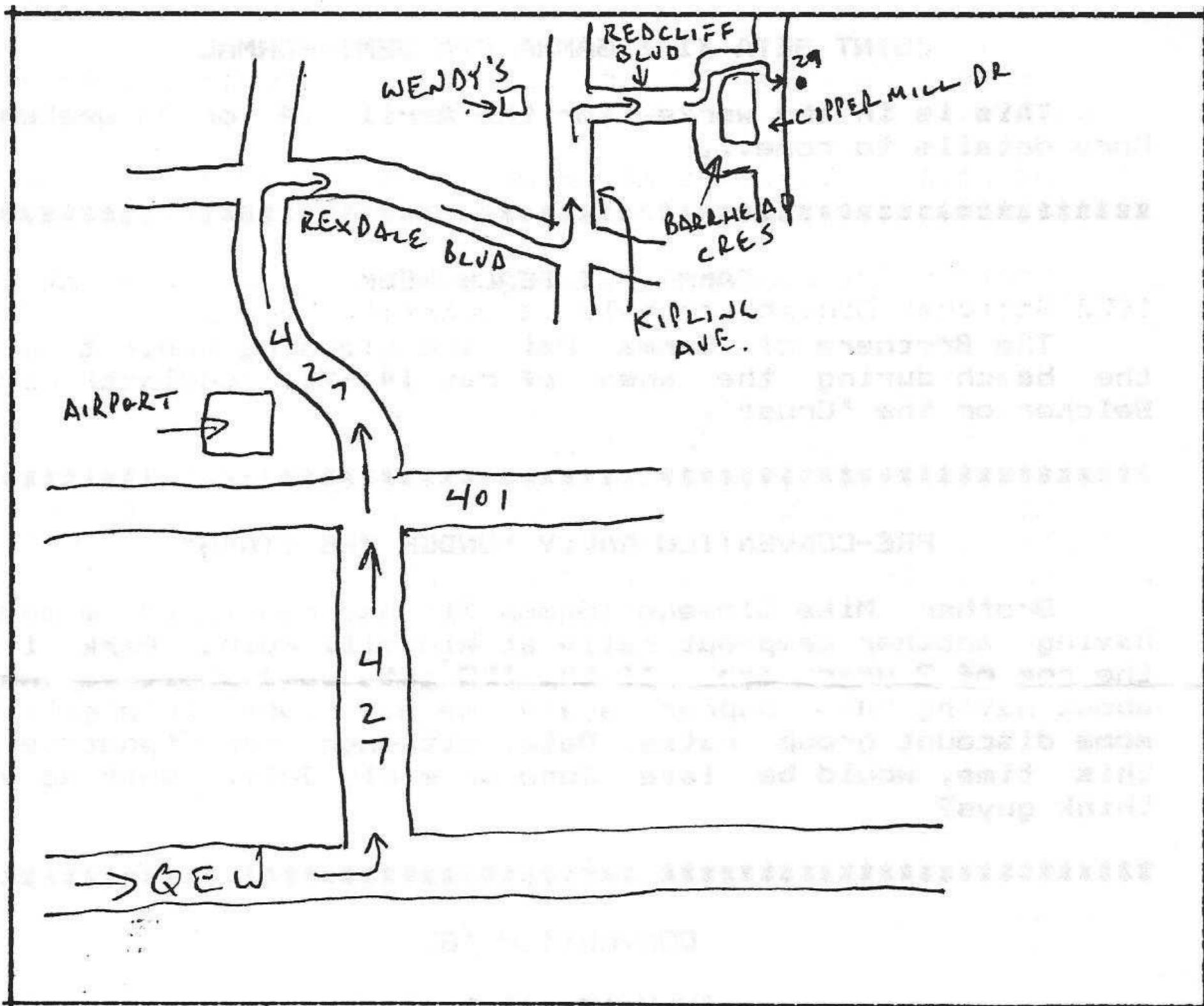
COMING EVENTS

NORTHERN RALLY - SPRING '87

Will be on Sat. April 11th as previously stated. The place is Brother Dave Zvonik's house of Gamma Alpha. See map for directions. All Northern Chapters and Cresnet Clubs are expected to attend and have reports prepared to let us know exactly whats happening with them. The time is 10 AM sharp. Please try to show up on time as this will be an extremely busy day for myself and the rest of the IBC.

Dave Zvonik  
29 Coppermill Dr.  
Rexdale, Ont.

(Note: This may not be the shortest route, but it is the easiest to follow. EJD)



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1st ANNUAL NORTHERN ALUMNI REUNION

This will of course be the same day. You should have received your invitation from Brother Bill by now. See you there.

GDP NORTHERN ALUMNI REUNION  
SAT. APRIL 11, 1987  
BLOOR PARK CLUB  
HUDSON BAY CENTRE  
CORNER OF YONGE & BLOOR STS.  
TORONTO, ONT.  
7:30 PM

At both events the IBC will be selling T-shirts and golf shirts, so bring a little extra money if you are interested.

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JOINT BETA XI / GAMMA ETA SEMI-FORMAL

This is in the works for the April 24 or 25 weekend. More details to come...

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GAMMA PSI BEACH WEEK

The Brothers of Gamma Psi are planning their trip to the beach during the week of May 14 -21. Contact Larry Belcher or the 'Crust'.

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PRE-CONVENTION RALLY "UNDER THE STARS"

Brother Mike Clemens (Gamma Xi) has contacted me about having another camp-out rally at Windmill Point Park like the one of 2 years ago. If the IBC gets some positive input about having this happen again, we may look into getting some discount group rates. Date, although very tentative at this time, would be late June or early July. What do you think guys?

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CONVENTION '87

JULY 17, 18 & 19  
ST. CATHARINES, ONT.

What do y'all think? If no one says anything, then these are the dates.

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ALUMNI NOTES  
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- BRAD YOUNG - (GAMMA ETA) - is still in the USMC as a weapons student, bound for the Phillipines. It is also reported that Brother "Jim" almost lost his freedom to a sweet young thing from Alamabama, but gathered up enough sense to get out while he still could!
- JOE ITALIA - (GAMMA XI) - and wife Denise are expecting their second child in the near future.
- TOM MATZ - (BETA DELTA) - former Chapter President is now practising law in Willowdale, Ontario.
- MARK COURTEMANCHE - (FORMER TRUSTEE) - is presently employed by the Arthritis Society of Canada.
- MAC STOODLEY - is reported to be happily living in Thornhill, Ont.
- OTTO JELINEK - (ALPHA CHI) - is presently Canada's Sports Minister in Ottawa.
- PAUL WEMPLE - (BETA RHO) - is in the Insurance Business in Toronto, Ont.
- MIKE KUCH - (GAMMA ALPHA) - will be departing Toronto at the end of April with girlfriend Kathleen in hand, to take an Arts Course at the University of British Columbia at Vancouver. Good luck, Mike and keep in touch!

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EDITOR'S NOTE  
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Yours truly would like to thank brothers Bill Schmitt and Jim Gardiner for the many hours they spent behind Jim's computer to get this copy of the GRIP out in time. Thanks guys!

Edward J. Decker

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