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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Greetings Y'all! How's life<sup>in</sup> Gamma Land you say? Not too bad at all, thanks. It's been a few weeks since the last GRIP so I'll go back and fill you in.

Saturday April 11- proved to be an extremely fulfilling day for GDP in general. Our road trip to Toronto started bright and early when we picked up our rental van for the day. Due to lack of personal vehicles, The I.B.C, Gamma Eta and the W.P.C.C split on the cost and all piled in.

Our first stop was the Northern Rally at the home of David Zvonik (Gamma Alpha). In attendance was a healthy Gamma Alpha showing, in addition to our road crew. It was a fairly successful meeting though it would have been nice to see Beta Xi.

Next up we played a little football in order to work up a thirst! For those sideliners, the Hack was good enough. After the exercise, we found ourselves without a place to prepare for the evening, but thanks to Brother Ken Blades we pulled through. We owe you one Bro!

We then continued on to the evenings location, namely the Bloor Park Health Club, for the first annual GDP Alumni Reunion. A fine event staged by Brother Bill Schmitt (see Letters to Grip) of Gamma Xi Chapter. We should all be thankful and hope Bill & Doug can keep the Alumni Association alive as well as have these reunions annually.

My next topic of discussion is our expansion efforts, and more specifically, the West Park C.C.. This fine group of young men is largely the result of our N.V.P. Ron Kita. His persistence over the last year has paid off and now seems to be rubbing off on the guys. They have built a fine bank account and are in the process of having meetings on their own. The best of luck should be extended by the Crescent to them so we can all look forward to Gamma Rho at Convention!

Along the same line, we have another Southern opportunity. This group is headed by Scott Spruce and attends Meadowbrook H.S.. Though we have only spoken once, he seems ready and willing to do it right. With 13 prospectives in all, and the help of Johnnie H., we may even see Gamma Sigma by September. To coin an old phrase; "The South may rise again". There is still hope for two other Southern C.C.'s, but they are lacking the motivation of Meadowbrook.

To go on, the History is now plugging up the entrance to my bedroom. I'm not going to go into alot of detail about it's condition, but I will elaborate a bit on it's completeness (or lack of). If you recieve a copy of this Grip, and you know you have something that should be included in the History, then be prepared to hear from me. I won't mention any names this month, but I will, soon.

Gamma Psi Fraternity has taken another step forward by inducting Epsilon Chapter at the University of Western Ontario recently (see Letters to Grip). In conversation with the Crust, we discussed the possibility of a GDP-GP conference to exchange ideas and look ahead as a dual Fraternal system. More details to follow.

The South - I've been asked by Brother Crist to extend his apologies to the Crescent for not doing more for GDP over the last year. He has been overworked and this left him no time to spend on Fraternity matters. My only contact with the Southern Board has been through T.J., our Southern Secretary. I would like to thank him for his continued efforts and I hope he will remain with us for some time. Then there is our Editor, Brother Bill Demet, and his Chapter, Beta Alpha, who I have not spoken to or heard from since '86. If you read this Grip Bro, give me a call. I'd rather not let this happen again for this year.

Well, that's about it for what's happening. Things to look forward to are the Northern Rally at Windmill Point, Fort Erie, and the Big C, St. Catharines. (see Coming Events)

The next Grip will be based around Convention, and will include the Convention Agenda. So I hope to see y'all in July here in St. Kitts, to hopefully welcome in our first Chapter in over a decade, and to just Have A Real Good Time!!!!!!!

Yours in Fraternal Bonds,

Edward J. Decker  
#103 Gamma Eta  
International President 86-87

### History Corner

Since I recently acquired what is generally referred to as the "history", I thought I'd share a few recent discoveries;

1953 - GAMMA DELTA PSI DUE TO BECOME INTERNATIONAL FRATERNITY.....

Through co-operation with GAMMA SIGMA and its BETA NU chapter of Mimico, Ont. Gamma Delta Psi has secured a group for possible induction at an early date. Direct contact at the IFC meeting last October has been responsible for this.

Douglas McArthur was inducted as the 31st Brother of Rho Chapter on the 25th day of July, 1901.

The monthly newsletter of GDP was first called the "Inter-National Grip" in Jan. 1961 by Grand Brother Doug Jamieson, who was Vice-President of the IBC at the time. P.S. Brother Jamieson was asked to become a Brother of Alpha Phi Chapter on October 1st, 1957.

Our very own Malcolm S. Dixon was the delegate for Chi Chapter at the National Convention of 1926

...more next month

LETTERS TO THE GRIP

May 27/87

Dear 'Grip',

I must thank all the support shown by the 75 or so Brothers that came out for the First Annual Alumni Reunion. All in all it was a great success both financially & spiritually. The Alumnus Association made \$185 to pay for stationary & envelopes after all the bills for the hall were paid. Brother Scott Crosby won the raffle for the two Blue Jays tickets (vs. Oakland), and I hope he enjoys seeing the Jays on their way to the pennant!

As I mentioned above, the alumnus association of G.D.P. is off the ground! Some time before the reunion Doug Jamieson and I had a discussion about the possibilities of something of this nature coming about. To date, what we have is a data bank of over 300 Alumni Names, Addresses and Personal information. What we would like to do is to be able to constantly add & update this list with the help of various Brothers whom may have a better idea of where some lost Fraternal souls are. The number one purpose of this organization will be to keep alumni in touch through their post Fraternity years and occasionally aid in arranging alumni functions, both International & Chapter. This will be run completely separate from the active Fraternity by various alumnus Brothers, north & south. Doug and I should be meeting in a week or so to iron out any details and an explanatory letter & info sheet should be in the mail before Convention. Any additions to our list can be sent to Doug Jamieson.

Before I get on with my next bit of business, I'd just like to mention that I went down to Virginia Beach on the Queen Vicky's Day weekend and it seems that in keeping with that Virginian Commonwealth Spirit, alot of people were celebrating the old bags birthday. I might be going again for the North American Holiday week (June 30 - July 7) so if your interested call me A.S.A.P. to reserve your seat in the Schmitt-Mobile. I had a conversation with Mike Clemens (Gamma Xi Alumnus) this evening and he wants to have another Northern Rally at Windmill Point Park like the one of two years ago. So he has asked me to get the out. Put it down on your calendar for the weekend of Fri. June 26 to Sun. June 28. Overnite rates are \$5 for one person & Tent, Trailer or RV and an additional \$1 per extra person. Day admission to the park is \$3-\$4 (I think!.) Mike would like to sell one Tent per active chapter at least so get organized and come on down. He has also planned a baseball game for Saturday afternoon (noon-3pm) so if some of the Alumni can dig up a Chapter team it could be interesting. It would be nice to see Alpha Phi, Beta Zeta, Beta Rho, and Beta Sigma come down with a team! There is always the possibility of heading up to Sherkston Beaches or Crystal Beach for Sat. or Sun. afternoon also (To check out the bikinis!) and by all means if you are from down south don't be timid, it is usually about 80° at that time of year and Canadian women own Bikinis!

Yes, for the 5th time in 13 months I have moved! My mailing address is once again back in Fort Erie and is as Follows

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See Y'all at the Rally or Convention!

Yours in Bond

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Dear Brothers,

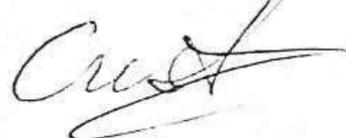
Since I have made my commitment to include Crusty's Corner in the new newsletter for Gamma Psi, I have yet come up with a column name for the Grip. Maybe I'll call it Delta File, whatever. Well how are things going these days, I see that GDP is getting a little organized, with an Alumni association and hopefully some money flowing in.

Well if you haven't heard the good news of late with Gamma Psi, you've missed alot. On Friday March 27 there was history in the making when Convention Beta was officially opened at the University of Windsor with delegates from all three active chapters. The crowd wasn't the greatest but the enthusiasm of Gamma Brotherhood was strong. The opening meeting was just the start of what was to come. With four Brothers from the mighty south and eight brothers from my chapter here in Windsor, we closed down the meetings to paint the town red. Needless to say the Virginia boys were more than willing to corrupt Essex County. We started what seems to be a Gamma Psi tradition by showing our southern brothers a taste of Windsor, peelers (strippers in most other parts) were revealing their skimpy pieces of clothing and thrusting their womanly features mere inches from their faces. Well if it wasn't for our very own womanizer, Marc 'Spic' Ford IHC #13, times could have been worse, Spic even gives The Gutless Swine (Mr. Kuch) a run for his money with the ladies. Anyways to make a long story short, the night ended in the wee hours of the morning back at the Crusty pad with large amounts of alcohol consumed and peoples morals being broken, right Spic and Larry.

As the end of one day finished, the next day began bright and early for this character and the chore of getting 15 hurting bodies out of their graves was not easy, but by 10:30 and a little grub later the general business session of Convention Beta was underway. Many things were discussed and argued about for the ensuing three hours and underneath the dust came out a bright new and exciting Fraternity with what was soon to be four active chapters and growing. Among the important things that were discussed, were hammering out and ratifying our constitution, setting up uniform pledge periods, straightening away any problems and most of all setting up our Board of Directors. Here it is: President-Larry Belcher, Vice President-Bill Michelin, Secretary-Mark Burch, Treasurer-Mike Soroka, and Historian-Dave Lapensee, as well as our Council of Advisors, Danny Wyatt, Marc Dixon, Frank Hosier, Lloyd Dunnavant, and Bill Bugyra. We set up committee's to work on all aspects of Fraternity and plan to put out an operating manual for further installation of chapters. In this manual will include all you'll need to know about Gamma Psi and how to run a chapter from scratch. This is just the beginning for Gamma Psi.

I've seem to ramble on today, but before I finish I will say the highlight of the weekend was the induction of our Epsilon chapter at the University of Western Ontario, in London. I must cut this short since this is the end of the page. but if you are interested in hearing more feel free to contact me and I talk to you or send the information. Until then, take care,

The Crust  
Bill Michelin



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May 18, 1987

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To the Brothers of Gamma Delta Psi Fraternity International:

As a brother of Gamma Delta Psi, Gamma Eta, I'm proud to introduce to you 10 new brothers. On Saturday March 28, representatives from Virginia including Gamma Psi president Larry Belcher, and Vice president Crusty Michelin inducted into the great brotherhood, the fifth chapter of Gamma Psi.....Epsilon (at the University of Western Ontario).

Epsilon strongly believes that although we are 2 Fraternities we are 1 brotherhood. Together we must act as 1 great Fraternity. The brothers of Gamma Delta Psi can now continue active Fraternity lives in the brotherhood if they go to Western. We in return believe that Gamma Delta Psi is the foundation of Gamma Psi, and we must help our brothers in every way possible. No Fraternal system combines this unique blend of university and secondary school brotherhood.

Please feel free to write or call us. We are open to all challenges by any chapter. Already we are planning a multitude of activities including, a road trip to Virginia, and a bikeathon to Windsor for charity.

We need your ideas and criticisms, without them we cannot function as an International Fraternity.

In closing I would like to point out that we can be reached year round at either my adress or our corresponding secretaries (Radical Rob "tojo" Tsuyuki)

Yours in bond,

*Dave Dekker*

Bother Dave D. Dekker  
Gamma Delta Psi, Gamma Eta #Q107  
Gamma Psi, Epsilon #1

P.S. I would appreciate if all brothers enrolled at Western next year could get in touch with myself.

D.D.D.

## COMING EVENTS

### Gamma Delta Psi's 5th Annual Spring Prom

Though a Gamma Eta tradition, this year's dance is a joint effort with Beta Xi Chapter. With the two Chapters working together, we should be able to pack'em in quite nicely. Hope to see y'all there.

GDP's 5th Annual Spring Prom?  
Friday June 5th, 1987  
Polish Legion Hall, Vine St.  
St. Catharines, Ont.  
\$5/person                      8-1 a.m.

### Gamma's 2nd Annual Windmill Rally

If you were lucky enough to attend last year's Bash, then you won't want to miss this one. Our host for the weekend is Brother Mike Clemens of Gamma Xi, who will be there all weekend to assist all the Brothers to their campsites. So bring your tent, trailer, or just your sleeping bag. Most of all, bring your Chapter so we can play a little team sports. (football, baseball, or ?)

Northern Rally "Under the Stars"  
June 26,27,28, 1987  
Windmill Point Park  
Fort Erie, Ont.

For more information call: Mike Clemens at (416) 871-6712 or  
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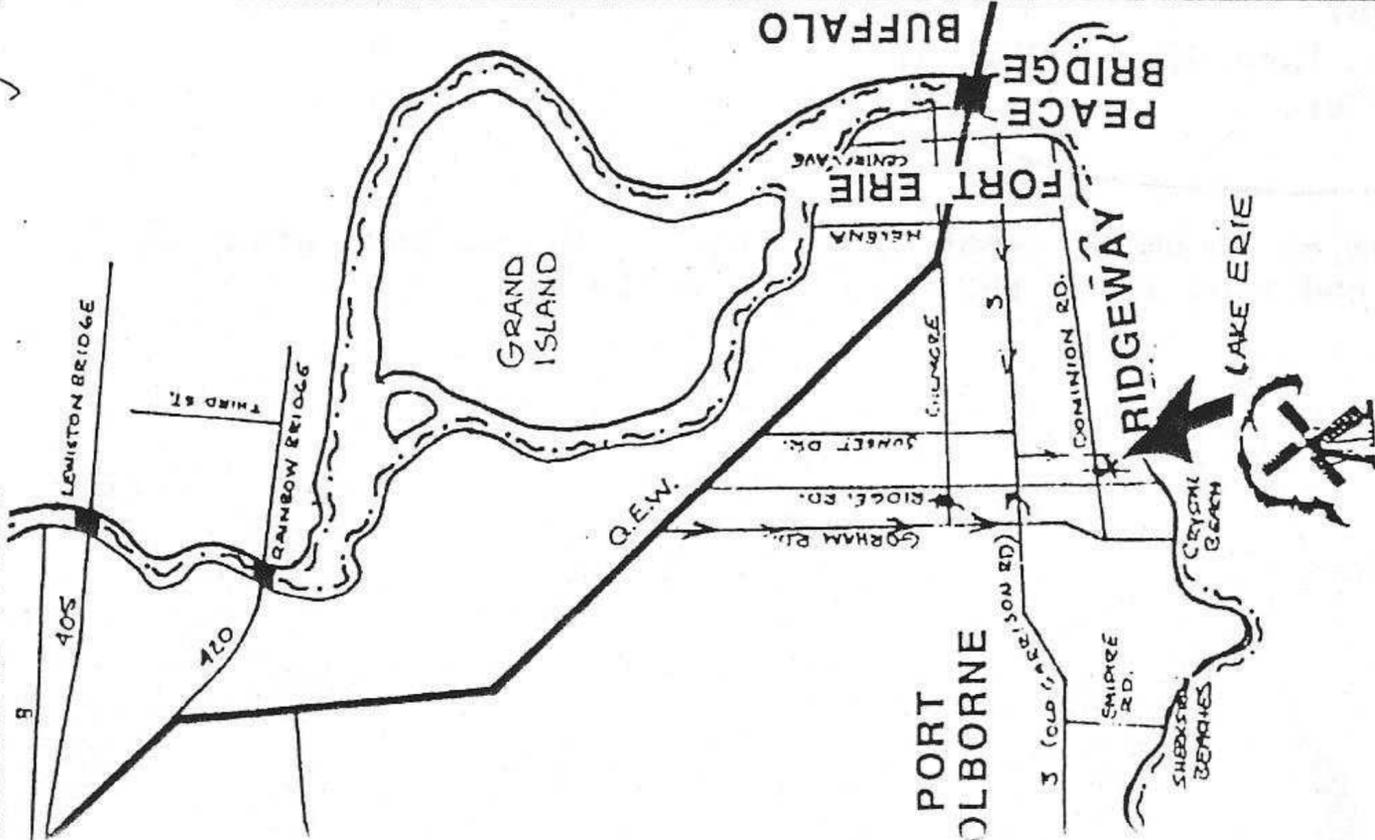
### GDP's Annual International Convention 1987

All is going well in preperation for this year's Convention. The center of business will be Howard Johnson's, the site of Convention 82. Full details, as well as the Agenda, will be in the next Grip (early July). So read your Constitution and get your Chapter ready, it'll make things easier for everyone.

Convention 87  
July 17 - 19, 1987  
Howard Johnson's, Lake St. at QEW  
St. Catharines, Ont.

\* If your Chapter has an upcoming event, then why not let us know about it?  
Just write it down and send it to the Grip, c/o Ed Decker.

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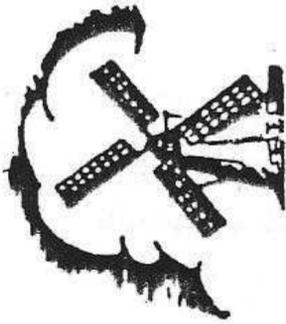


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