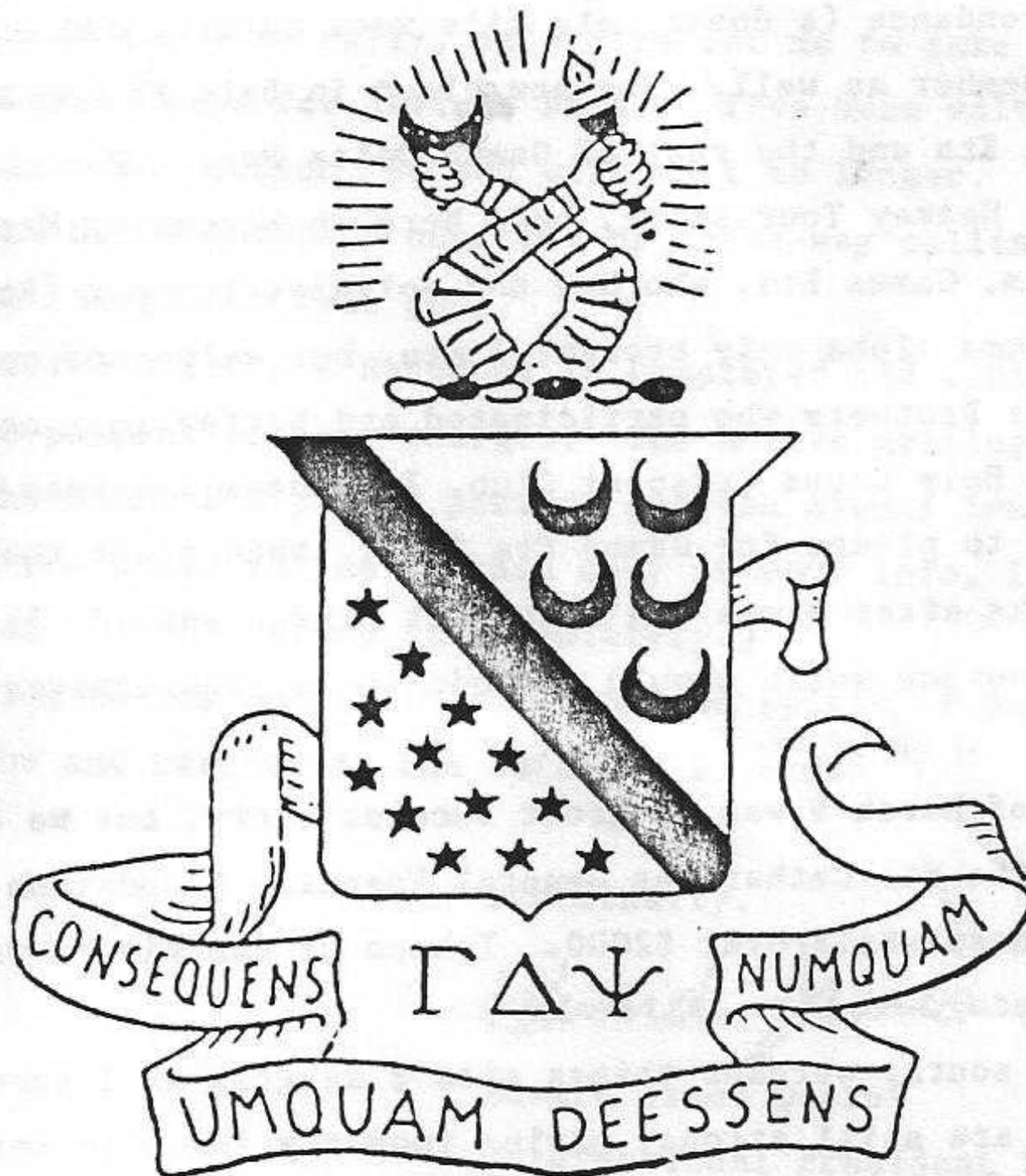


GAMMA DELTA PSI FRATERNITY INTERNATIONAL

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THE GRIP



President's Message

Happy New Decade! It's almost three months old but a grip is finally here. I haven't exactly had any contributions from the International (which is everyone but Gamma Eta), so there was no great rush on.

Things are progressing as well as could be expected since the last Grip. Our most recent Northern Rally (Mar. 10) showed great promise, with all three Chapters in attendance (a dozen Beta Xi's were early), and a prospective crescent club member as well. The new blood in Beta Xi has brought them much closer to Gamma Eta and the rest of Gamma Delta Psi. CHI

Our Annual Hockey Tournament, held here on Wednesday March 14, was won by the host team, Gamma Eta, who had the solidist turnout (Beta Xi had no one over 17, and Gamma Alpha only brought 7 men, but we're not complaining). Thanx to all the Brothers who participated and better luck next year! (B)

As for the Holy Cross Crescent Club, I've been informed that three of them would like to pledge for Gamma Eta first, then start their crescent club. A couple of weeks after Gamma Eta's present pledge period (11 goats left!) there will be another which should include these prospectives. Good Luck Kevin and Al.

Our Dance of March 9 was no great success story, but we did manage to donate \$300 to the St. Catharines General Hospital Foundation, raising our total to local hospitals over \$2000. I hope we can find a way to make these things work someday.

As for the south, perhaps things aren't as grim as I thought. Beta Alpha says they are still strong, having recently inducted three new brothers. Beta Pi though appears to need more help, hopefully from some Southern Alumni and Beta Alpha. The South needs some leadership!

I did mention having a Southern Rally on April 28. Something has come up for the day before so I can't make it. If you want to schedule it for the next weekend I'll do my best to make the trip. Whatever happens I'm still going to take up Beta Alpha on that Beach Week plan!

We're hoping to see lots of letters written and recieved during this year's Correspondance Week from April 8-14. We don't expect a short novel to each Brother, just write to a few you haven't heard from for awhile and then to a few you never met before, that's all. Just say What's Up? How's Life? If you need a mailing list call/write/fax me soon.

That's right. ~~I'm now faxable. I have a seperate line and I expect y'all to use it.~~ My fax/office number is 1-416-227-2111. If you've got one or access to one let me know real soon! The miracle of FAX can do our North-South relations wonders for immediate transfer of necessary Fraternity info and documents, SO USE IT.

As I stated at the last rally, it's time for me to take control of this search for the Gamma Delta Psi Savings Bonds. I've been waiting for someone else to do it since Convention '88 and will wait no longer. I've talked to both Ron Kita and Gerry Thompson courtesy of three-way calling and hopefully we'll straighten things out real soon.

Part One of the Officer's Handbook is completed and copies are available upon request and payment of copy charges. The active mailing list will be updated after the Gamma Eta pledge period, and the alumni immediatly after that. (Doug, if you could FAX me a fresh copy of your info, I'll make the necessary corrections and return it immediately.)

Not much else to say except that I hope the spirit of Gamma Delta Psi continues to grow and prosper in the 90's and beyond.

Fraternally,



Edward James Decker

International President 1986-90

P.S. CONVENTION 1990.....LIVE IN T.O.!!!!!!!

Hey Grip,

It's Marko again. Hope this Grip finds you all well. Well, March Break is nearly over, now (and it'll definitely be over by the time you get this), I'm sure you spent it "wisely". The "Gamma-Aid" should have reached our Southern Bro's by now. They are having quite a bit of trouble, it seems, and I'm sure that a show of support (in the way of letters, etc.) would do a Great Deal for them.

The most recent Northern Rally (March 10) was quite successful, with a great showing from Beta Xi. I'd like to mention that we Gamma Etans really appreciate the help we've gotten on our recent Blue Moons, especially Sean and Gino. Anyway, the Rally was pretty good. Somewhere in this Grip there should be a list of the main things that were spoken about there.

That's all for now, folks...

(yeah- I know it's cheezy...)

Marko

"Jypoff Spicoli"
#136 Gamma Eta
N.Sec IBC 89-90

Yo Grip

This is your Northern Vice President Dropping you a line on the better late than never GRIP 1990. To start off we had a great rally on March 10 at the Q.E.W. center in St. Catharines. All 3 northern chapters were present, along with a guest from the possible Holy Cross Catholic School Crescent club in the north end of St Catharines. Jay Farrer of the I.B.C. originally of Gamma Eta chapter has taken on heading the crescent club to there illustrious beginning. If it really happens; I will tell you more about it in the next grip.

The I.B.C. just had a dance with Gamma Eta chapter at the C.A.W. hall on Bunting road. Everything was going fine till the boys in blue showed up and said our fine, smooth running dance was HAVOC. HA So we called it off. Profits were fairly good for a dance that was called off an hour and a half early. Last friday March 16 the fraternity had inter chapter matches on skates, in which all three chapters showed up and played well. Butt they were not strong enough for the mighty Gamma Eta Leafs!!! who took home the illustrious coveted plaque purchased the day of the tourney by the I.B.C. (hint hint alphans) Other than that brothers, my office has benn at a slow pace all year hopefully I can pull my socks up at the end. We have been holding meetings regularly give or take, and Jay and I will be getting together to type up the expansion leaflet. Take care for now brothers and don't be shy write me a letter, I wrote 2 today to Beta Pi and Beta Alpha.

BYE BYE

Yours in bond

Kerry Decker

Kerry Decker #115 Gamma Eta

To the Brotherhood in general,

Hey what's happ'n'n! My name is Steve Sicard and I'm the Vice-President for Gamma Eta Chapter. My position, however, has little to do with the concerns of my letter. To the best of my knowledge this great organization, at one time, designated a particular week as Correspondence Week on an annual basis. During this time all Brothers, actives and alumni, are encouraged to write up a storm of letters to as many Brothers as possible. I do not believe this program has been executed since I was inducted in '87. Whether or not the I.B.C. is planning such an event, I'd like to propose that we strive to rebuild this fundamental cornerstone. Very shortly I will begin the process of sending out my letters to the many Bro's I know and to the many more I do not. The Mailing List that is now available should dispell any excuses masking procrastination. So expect to hear from me soon and I hope you feel as strongly as I do and will reply.

Yours eternally
in bond

Steve Sicard

"Jester Spicoli"
No. 134 Vice-President
Gamma Eta

P.S. For those of you wishing to make the first move, here's my address. Let's talk Fraternity.

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Hey Grip,

-hmmm, not much to say, this time, except" George, and Troy, and maybe even Riley, and- dare I say it- Pete WRITE ME A &%\$"IN" LETTER?!! "

Yours looking in my mailbox
daily,

Marko
#136 MS
N.SEC IBC
1989-90

Dear Grip

Hi, this is Chris A. Burnip of Gamma Eta! The new Semester has begun and we're ready, how about you, are you prepared? Here are the new officers of Gamma Eta, and their positions for the second half of the fraternal year.

Chris Nye - President

Steve Sicard - Vice-President

Marko Kaczor - Recording Secretary

Donal Foley - Historian

Steve Sicard - Civics Organizer

Chris Burnip - Corresponding Secretary

Bruce Armstrong - Treasurer

Kerry Decker - Seargent-at-arms

Right now we have 13 Pledges, a change for the better! We would be very pleased and excited if some of you Bro.s who are reading this could come on down and enjoy our Pledging spectacle. If some of you need directions or what not, there are 3 magical numbers included at the end of this letter. WOW!

We also have some Civics activities planned in the near future. Scheduled ^{be} events are: Semi-formal, Mar. 9 /90

Poker night, Mar. 17 /90

Before I end this letter, it would just feel great to tell some nice tasteful jokes,

1. 3 guys and a girl were stranded on an island. The girl was so disgusted for what she had done with the guys she killed herself. 2 weeks later the guys were so disgusted with what they had done with the girl that they buried her.
2. What's the latest gay t.v. sit-com? - Leave it, it's beaver.

I'd love to hear from anyone about anything. Talk to y'all later.

Your's in Bond,

Chris Burnip, Corresponding Secretary

Gamma Eta Chapter

Steve Sicard - (416)687-7139

Robb McMaster - (416)934-8324

Me - (416)6463340

Coming Events

Gamma Eta Hell Night - Friday March 30 at 7pm at Secord. BRING FOOD!

IBC Meetings - Tuesday April 3 in Rexdale at 8pm and
Tuesday April 17 in St. Kitts at 8pm (call EJD for details)

Happy Anniversary - Friday April 13.....got to Celebrate! WHERE???

Southern Rally - Saturday May 5 at 1pm (I hope), contact George Lowery
for details.

Northern Rally - Saturday May 12 at 1pm, QE Center in St. Catharines
contact EJD for details.

Convention '90 - August 4,5, and 6, Rexdale, Ontario. Complete details
and early registration forms in the next Grip.

RALLY THINGS

BETA XI: -barbecue at Carmen's!

-4 goats!

-dance April 13!!!

GAMMA ALPHA: -hockey trophy by Convention!

GAMMA ETA: -March 24 pool tournament!

ELI: -plans to attend Beta Xi meeting(s)!

IBC HIST: -doubles of film for Gamma Eta!

EJD: -rituals! quarterlies!

-trustee money by Convention!

MISC: -April GDP Birthday Bash!!!

-International Corespondance Week April 8-14!!!

-Camping for Summer Break! (ask Abner.)

SO LET'S DO IT!!!

"THE GRIP"

c/o Edward J. Decker

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