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# From the Desk of the Worthy Master . . .

The fall semester is rapidly approaching its midway point and I am certain many of you have been wondering when The Bugle would be arriving. We were almost prepared to print when we decided to finalize some very important social events such as Founder's Day and Frog Hop. Now all the arrangements are set and included in this newsletter so you, the alumni, can plan accordingly. The first 2 months have been extremely busy for the active chapter. However, before I touch on that, I will bring you up to date on how the spring semester ended and how the summer went.

ATO's Eighth Annual Frog Hop was held on April 20th with the seven MSU sororities, several faculty, numerous alumni, and brothers and little sisters enjoying roasted pig, frog legs, beer, and of course our famous "swampwater." The Sigma Sigma Sigma sorority won the actual hop which was refereed by alumni John Witt and Greg Brown.

A week later an Alumni Cocktail Party was held at the House to show off our new furniture and carpeting. Because of late planning and poor communication, many alumni had previous plans or simply did not hear about it. Consequently, turnout was not the best. Nonetheless, all who attended were impressed with the improvements and agreed that the event was a fine idea that could not properly be planned in the short time we allowed ourselves.

School came to a close and Zeta Lambda proudly saw 12 members graduate. Most everyone left for summer jobs and over the July 4th weekend our usual summer bash took place with alumni, brothers, and little sisters bringing several rushees making the party all the more successful.

Next, during August 7-10 Dave Finley and I attended the Alpha Tau Omega National Congress. We were able to bring back many fine ideas to Murray.

This brings us to the present semester. There was still much work to be done on our latest complex improvement project: the concrete basketball court. But thanks to several contributions and lots of hard work, the court was completed during the first week of school.

Next Zeta Lambda had to prepare for fall rush at MSU. The active chapter was smaller than it had been in several semesters so this rush was a very, very, crucial one.

Due to the careful planning of Todd Barborek, the positive support of our alumni, and the hard work of both the brothers and little sisters, 13 excellent young men decided to pledge. That is the largest pledge class Zeta Lambda has taken in the fall in almost 4 years! Furthermore, the prospect of a very, very large pledge class this spring is excellent. A special thanks must go to Tom Adams who was our guest alumni speaker at our Rush Smoker.

A major attraction to rushees is Zeta Lambda's ever improving scholastics. For the spring, the chapter posted a GPA of 2.68! This easily surpasses the all-mens and the all-fraternity grade point averages. This is up from the 2.55 we posted in the fall and we have no intentions whatsoever of halting this climb.

Homecoming was quite early this year so the active chapter hustled to get out the information and prepare for the various activities. It was a successful Homecoming with a fine turnout. Some information on next year's homecoming is included so please start making plans to attend. Let's make it the biggest turnout ever.

As always the active Chapter is very busy. We are choosing candidates for our new advisors, we are planning a big rush function to end the semester, and our rush committee is carefully plotting our strategies for the all important spring rush. In about one month, we will be having our fall formal dance at Clarksville, TN. If anyone wants any more information so that they might attend, simply call the House at 1-502-753-7605. The information for both Frog Hop and Founder's Day is included elsewhere in this newsletter. I especially urge you to attend Founder's Day so that we may show Doc how much we really appreciate his dedication. Let's all make that extra effort.

In closing I must note that Zeta Lambda is definitely on a roll. Our pledges are sharp, our grades are great, our property is looking fantastic—all excellent reasons to be "fired up." However, the true reason we are on our roll is that our brotherhood is still strong, easily the best on campus. Feel free to visit us anytime and if you have any questions contact me at 1-502-753-9101.

I Love and Respect All My Brothers Kirby A. Rhines



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Alumni Zeta Lambda Chapter Alpha Tau Omega Fraternity

Dear Brothers:

The active chapter has requested that I include a brief note to you in this newsletter. I am delighted to respond to their request.

Following two rather difficult years, the active chapter appears to be on solid footing. The chapter's academic performance has improved for two successive semesters, the fall pledge class of 1985 is the largest we have had in several years, improvements have been made to the interior of the main house, a basketball court has been added behind the annex, and I sense a renewed commitment to the ideals of Greek organizations. In short, all indicators appear to be positive. We had an excellent turnout for homecoming and everyone worked hard to make it a festive occasion.

The active chapter is making a special effort to schedule events well in advance so that you can be advised at the earliest possible moment. Founders Day is scheduled for March 29, 1986, in Louisville. We hope that all Louisville and central Kentucky alumni will join with the active chapter in making this one of the best Founders Day week-ends we have had. The potential for success is certainly there. I also hope that those of you who live outside the Louisville area will make a special effort to be with us. You will note this newsletter also contains the date of homecoming for 1986. Please make your plans early and work with us to make that occasion a resounding success.

I would remind you again that the chapter is now old enough that many of your sons are enrolling at Murray State University. Unfortunately, we frequently are unaware they are here. Therefore, if your son or the son of another brother plans to attend Murray State University, please advise us. We will follow up with appropriate invitations.

If there is any way I can be of personal assistance to any of you, please do not hesitate to contact me.  $\begin{tabular}{ll} \hline \end{tabular}$ 

Sincerely yours,

Kenneth E. Harrell, Advisor Zeta Lambda Chapter Alpha Tau Omega Fraternity

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#### Editorially Speaking. . .

Brothers:

I sincerely hope that this newsletter finds our alumni brothers doing as well as the active chapter. On behalf of the chapter I would like to express the enthusiastic sentiments of the chapter to our alumni. After working hard toward our most successful fall pledge class in many years the active chapter looked forward to showing off our new pledges at Homecoming. We felt sure that the alumni who were able to attend the festivities would be as proud of them as we are. The chapter was overjoyed by the alumni attendance at Homecoming. Many old friendships were renewed and even more new friendships were begun.

Over the course of the weekend, some important events took place concerning the Alumni Housing Corporation that I feel everyone should be informed about. Tom Adams '79 and Bill Beasely '64 were elected as the new trustees to the Board of Directors of the Housing Corporation. It was also moved and passed to take \$5,569.31 from the Certificate of Deposit, \$166.58 scholarship funds, and \$1,177.78 from the debt retirement fund to put toward the mortgage balance of \$44,828.48 on the property.

In closing, I hope this issue of the Bugle has been both informative and enjoyable for our alumni. I would also like to thank all the people for their help and cooperation in putting out this issue. In order to keep putting out informative and effective publications we need to hear from our alumni brothers. If you have any comments or questions or if there is anything I can do on this end feel free to contact me. I look forward to hearing from you!

Fraternally,
Respecting the Creed,
Tim Childers, Alumni Relations



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Any Suggestions or Advice is Appreciated. Send them to:

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# **ALUMNI UPDATES**

The chapter has received information on the following brothers about what they have been up to. I urge everyone to drop us a line, because we'd like to hear from you!

- \* Robert E. Partin of the Alpha lota pledge class is currently the owner of Redfork Oilfield Supply, Inc. in Oklahoma City, OK.
- \* Jim Collignon of the Upsilon pledge class has recently completed his Doctorate in Exercise Physiology at the University of Southern Mississippi and is residing in Hattiesburg, MS.

Dear Jim: Here are the addresses you requested (as recent as the chapter has):

Mike Dunsizer, 5925 27th Ave. N. St., Pete, FL 33710 Randy Hutchinson, RR#1, Box 362a, Philpot, KY 42366.

\* George H. Smiley III of the Chi pledge class is currently residing in Morrisville, PA. He is employed as a Captain-Caesars Hotel Casino Flight Department. He would like everyone to know that on March 25, his family had a new arrival—George H. Smiley IV "Tucker" (7 lbs., 14 oz.)

\* Mike McCarver of the Omicron pledge class is currently residing in Mountain View, CA. He is employed as the Director of Silicon EPI Business of the Monsanto Electronic Materials Company. He says, "It seems like a long way from Murray State to here in the heart of 'Silicon Valley.' But much to my delight, I occassionally see ATO's from MSU i.e. Glen Strangland, Ken Woods and take Mike Sanford's money on the golf course when he travels here from San Diego. It's just as good to hear about Zeta Lambda news now as 16 years ago when I graduated. Hope to visit sometime in the near future. Keep up the good work."

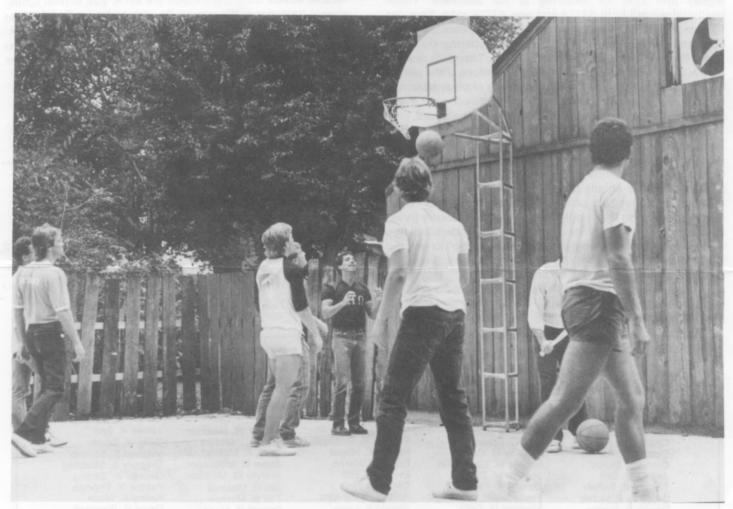
\* "Geno" Roberts sends the following message to "Hugo": What's up with you? Let me hear from you.

Geno of the Alpha Beta pledge class can be reached at G. H. Brown & Co., Suite 405, 444 South 5th Street, Louisville, KY 40202, (502) 587-0975.

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\* Bill Beasley '64 was recently honored to be named the Chairman of the Board of Regents at Murray State University. The Chapter would like to extend our congratulations. We are really proud of his accomplishments.

# **Basketball Court**



Pictured above is Zeta Lambda's newest addition: our concrete basketball court. It allows brothers, pledges, and rushees to "blow off steam" after a hard day of classes. Many hours of hard work were put into it and the final slab was

poured on August 30, 1985. Those contributing to the court were: Dwain Taylor '59, Michael Kirkpatrick '60, Kurt Rhines '80, Jeff Oakley '80, and Greg Brown '82. The brothers greatly appreciate it!

# Leadershape Column

These days it seems the only time you hear something about fraternities in the press is when something bad has occurred such as a hazing or alcohol abuse incident. Many people right now are down on fraternities. The President of Colby College, for example, abolished all fraternities from the campus (including one of the oldest ATO chapters, a true merit chapter!) because "fraternities are no longer the training grounds for leaders that they once were." ATO realized there was much truth to his statement and began taking corrective steps.

Currently there are very few seminars for young people aged 17-24 to learn valuable leadership skills. As a national organization, ATO has undertaken a major project which will help to shape future leaders, aptly named "LEADERSHAPE." What is planned is each summer 12 one week-long sessions will be held for 60 people at a time dealing with leadership. Buildings are to be built at the National Headquarters in Champaign IL which will be used for housing, meals, and classrooms. An endowment fund is being set up so that no one will have to pay for housing, food or transportation. A small registration fee will be charged however, to assure attendance. Many successful businessmen in the country are concerned about our future leaders and have pledged both money and time for lecturing at the seminars. These businessmen are both ATO's and non ATO's alike. They are Presidents and Chairmen (both working and retired) of such companies as General Foods, Supervalue Supermarket chain, Coke, Rich Inc., Pepsi, and the list goes on. Their only request is that it be available to everyone. Therefore, 75% will be ATO's, and the other 25% will be made up of other fraternity men, sorority girls, and incoming college freshman. Every year each ATO chapter will send three representatives.

As I stated earlier, this is still in rather early stages. More money is needed and Zeta Lambda (active chapter) has decided to pledge money each year for the next two years.

Donations are coming from other ATO chapters, alumni, and other people simply concerned about America's future leaders. The thing Zeta Lambda is the most proud of is that Alpha Tau Omega is the only fraternity in the country trying something like this. Many other national fraternities are closely following the progress of "Leadershape" to see if it works (We know anything ATO puts its heart into will work) so that they may copy us. But we are the first!

If any of you are interested in learning more of the details of "Leadershape," contact National Headquarters and they will send you all the information. ATO SHAPES LEADERS!

# Advisor Change

Currently, Zeta Lambda is in the midst of a transition period. With the Beta series of pledge classes comprising most of the chapter, many new ideas are being brought forth and changes are being made. Some of these changes include an increased emphasis on scholarship, a more constructive membership education program, and steps for a better relationship between actives and alumni. Our advisors have assisted us throughout these changes with both their suggestions and actions. There is one more change that they have suggested, however. They feel that the time is right for a change of advisors.

There are several reasons for this. Both increased responsibility and a heavier workload at their jobs have reduced the amount of time they are able to spend with us. This has affected Dr. Harrell, Lynn Richard, and Joe Ward. Dr. Harrell has spent the last 14 years helping young men grow at Zeta Lambda and he feels it is a good time for a younger advisor. Consequently, Joe has already stepped down, Lynn will be exiting at the end of December, and "Doc" will relinquish his duties after the advisor change is fully complete, that is, our new advisor is informed and ready. The active chapter greatly appreciates the many years these men have spent helping us through the good and bad. Furthermore, we fully expect to still receive advice from them much the same way several other alumni have done. We especially wish to honor Doc for his contributions at this year's Founder's Day. Also, the first newsletter of the spring semester will printed about February 1st and it will be dedicated to Dr. Harrell. Please send any anecdotes or comments pertaining to Doc to our ARO so that we may print as many as possible, along with the other important information. I am sure nearly everyone has something to contribute.

Now I will return to discussing our future advisors. The chapter is carefully selecting candidates right now. We will discuss them with our present advisors, other alumni, and our Province Chief Lawrence Baggot. We will send our nominations to Lawrence who will let Nationals know of it. They will get back to him and then he can appoint them. We must have one faculty advisor; additional advisors need not be. If anyone has any suggestions or comments, contact Kirby Rhines at 1-502-753-9101.

# LOST BROTHERS

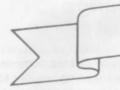
The following list consists of brothers of whom we have no correct mailing address. If you know the address of any of these brothers, please send it to us on the enclosed alumni information form.

Jerry D. Adams Charles R. Allen Donald H. Asmus Glenn T. Bailey James D. Bell Ronald K. Bohler Bruce A. Bratcher Dewey E. Brown Leo D. Burns Stephen R. Burns Ronald L. Catton Alan R. Chandler Daniel L. Collins
Neil C. Covington
Bradley G. Curle
Homer W. Davenport
Joseph M. Davis
Dennis A. Faulkner
Frederick H. Fernengel
Norman G. Foltz
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William N. Fulkerson
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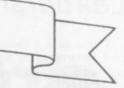
John L. Gering, Jr.
Tommy B. Gilchrist
Robert E. Hager
Eddie M. Harris
Dennis E. Hill
Daniel L. Holt
Ronald E. Jenkins
Gerald E. Long
Charles R. Lovett
Larry R. Lovett
Garritt W. Loyd
John D. Luten

Robert W. Matteson Frank D. McKee John R. McIeod, Jr. Steve H. Meacham Marvin W. Melhiser Jim R. Mitchell Tim B. Morrow Carvell D. Moss John G. Mueller Tony L. Patton Edward Roberts John E. Schultz

James R. Self Gary W. Smith Mitchell F. Somner Gregory S. Stiebling George W. Strong Patrick V. Thomas Kenny L. Wade David H. Warnock Wilson A. Welch David K. Wells Larry R. Wiles Ricky V. Wynkoop



# **ATO Announcements**



# 1986 HOMECOMING

It will be the weekend of October 25th. Plans will be similar to this year's homecoming with events planned Friday night and most of Saturday including that night. The events, of course, will take place at the house. Make your plans early and spread the word. Let's have a huge turnout.

The format will pretty much the same as this year's: Thursday night Early Arrival Beer Garden Party; Friday night Cocktail Party; Saturday morning Brunch/Meeting, followed by the football game and the dance later that night. This is all scheduled the weekend of October 25, so make your reservations early and tell other ATO's.

#### WHITE ROSE

On Saturday, November 23, 1985 the chapter will hold the 1985 version of White Rose Formal Dance in Clarksville, TN's Holidome off of I-24. Call the house for more details, if interested.

#### **FROG HOP**

Frog Hop will be held on Saturday, April 19, 1986. Sororities will arrive at 1:00 p.m. But ATO's always start early!

### FOUNDER'S DAY

This year's edition of Founder's Day will be a tribute Dr. Kenneth "Doc" Harrell who has been the chapter advisor for the past 16 years and will be leaving the position in December. The event is planned for Saturday, March 29, at the Ramada Inn East in Louisville, KY. The assessment is tentatively set for \$30. Call 1-502-491-4830 and ask for the ATO block for reservations. In association with this tribute to "Doc," the first newsletter this spring will be published in Doc's honor. If anyone would like to have an interesting anecdote or any comments about Doc printed in the newsletter we urge you to send them to us!

#### WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU!

Please let us know what you are up to. Below is a form requesting some information of what you are presently doing. There is even a space for you to send a personal message to other alumni to be published in the next newsletter. Please fill this out and send it to us.

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Clip and mail this form to: ATO House, % Tim Childers, 101 North 16th Street, Murray, Kentucky 42071



#### PLEDGES:

Back Row, Left to Right: Ted Gore, Puryear, TN; Sean McMahan, Lewisport, KY; Jim Murphy, Boston, MA; Kevin Uhls, Louisville, KY; Bryan Bell, Jackson, MO; Scott Miller, Anna, IL; Mike Dailey, Belleville, IL. Middle row, Left to Right:

Todd Hathcock, Calvert City, KY; Spencer Cathey, Benton, KY; Darrin Jole, Danville, KY; Randy Longshore, Louisville, KY; David Miller, Calvert City, KY. Front row: Brad Gass, Belleville, IL.

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