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TOM FOX '00 IS PSI U'S EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

A Hearty "Psi, Psi, Psi" for Brother Fox

As reported in *The Diamond*, Brother Fox was named Psi U executive director last summer. Pictured with Alumni President and pledge brother **Mark Tallungan '00**, the Omicron gave Tom a special plaque to celebrate this achievement during our Homecoming celebrations.

Brother Fox reports, "It's a heck of an honor. I'm the 8th person to hold this position for Psi Upsilon since it was created in 1963 and three have been Omicrons (**Alfred Morton '19**, the first executive director, **Tom Phillips '85**, and myself)." We also send our thanks to **Mark Williams Phi '76** for his 22 years of dedicated service. Brother Williams continues his work as President and CEO of the Psi U Foundation.



ALUMNI PROFILES

MIKE MIKHAIL '87.5 & GENE ANDERSON '83



Omicron Alumni and Fellow Business School Deans

Brother Mikhail PhD '87.5 (far left) became Dean of the University of Illinois at Chicago's Liataud Graduate School of Business in 2012, while Brother Anderson PhD '83 (left) was appointed Dean of the University of Miami's School of Business Administration in 2011.

Q: Tell us about your family and where you're from:

Anderson: My wife, Sheryl Manning, is an attorney, and we have two children—Ian, who just graduated from Swarthmore, and Hanna who is a freshman at Rice. My brother, Eric '86, and I were both born in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, but we moved to England when he was in 4th grade and I was in 8th. My dad was with Burson-Marsteller. The company sent him to London in the early '70's when the British were joining the European Economic Community and their business was expected to expand. It was a great experience. I'm pretty sure I exceeded my lifetime fun quotient while living there. We came back toward the end of my junior year in high school and

moved into Naperville outside of Chicago. By the way, for the '86's out there, **Eric** is doing absolutely great. He just returned from Chile where he was regional head of Luxottica's business in Chile, Columbia, Ecuador, and Peru. He now lives in Cincinnati and is CEO of LensCrafters U.S.A. Genuflections can be made at your local mall.

Q: Why did you join Psi Upsilon?

Anderson: I was a transfer student and came to Illinois as a sophomore. I was recruited by **Al Reid '83**, who I had known in high school. There were a lot of great guys in the house during those years including **Doug Glidewell '81**, **Tim**

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ARCHON'S CHAPTER REPORT

ALEX CHAPMAN '15

Many great things are happening at the Omicron. The fall pledge class saw 15 men initiate, including **Josh Seiter '16** who is grandson of Omicron **Jim Cunningham '49**. Our spring class had 12 initiates, including **Joe DeBrock '16.5** whose father is Dean of the U of I College of Business. We thoroughly believe in these men, and look forward to their future contributions to Psi U.

For the fall semester, the chapter was ranked 7th out of 45 fraternities within the IFC. Our GPA was 3.22, .12 points higher than the all-fraternity average. 16 brothers received internships for this summer, and 9 brothers accepted full-time job positions upon graduation.

As you'll read about later in the *Arrow*, we were graced with the company of the university's chancellor, Phyllis Wise, at one of our Thursday formal dinners in the fall, and four brothers and I had the pleasure of attending the reactivation ceremony of the Rho chapter. Specialized bricks for the "Buy a Brick...Build a Legacy" program were installed in the house's front walkway and patio area. These bricks can be purchased by alumni and allow one's presence to forever be with the house. Thanks to alumni donations and fundraising we have finalized a contract to renovate our basement bathrooms. Completion of the project is set for early August, and will be ready for use by the start of the school year.

Socially, we had events with $\Sigma\Delta T$, $A\Delta\Pi$, $\Pi B\Phi$, $A E\Phi$, ΔZ , and ΣK . Our new V.P. External, **Brian Palmer '16**, is looking to forge a philanthropic event with $A E\Phi$ in the upcoming year. The chapter is excited for the social excellence that Brian will create with his position. Other social events in the year included barndance, semi-formal, and formal.

On the extracurricular and award front, Omicrons are getting it done across campus. **Jacob Persons '15** was highly recognized for his service and leadership in ROTC. He was awarded the Chris Michel Leadership Award, Marine Corps League Award, and General Society of the War of 1812 Outstanding Student Award. Former archon, **Matthew Hamielec '14.5** was elected to serve as the Vice President of Standards for the IFC and completed a much needed update of the Illinois Greek Initiative (IGI) Standards.

Brian Dizunno '15.5 was selected to be a TA for ECON 103 (Microeconomics) and constantly is proving his academic excellence with a cumulative GPA of 3.98. **Mike Larsen '16** and **Josh Seiter '16** were accepted to pledge the business fraternity Alpha Kappa Psi this spring semester. **Nick Kazanjian '14**, and **Neil Pelech '14** became members of the Flight Team. Nick and his fellow teammates competed in the 2012 Regional 8 NIFA Competition and placed 2nd. As a result, the team went on to compete at Nationals and placed 8th overall.

Collectively, the chapter completed a total of 1028 service hours for the year. Each semester every brother is required to complete a total of 10 hours or get dropped to the bottom of chapter role. There are a wide variety of service opportunities brothers are involved in. Some of these include: Red Cross Blood Drive, Habitat for Humanity, Carle Hospital, Urbana Middle School tutoring, and cleaning Boneyard Creek. In addition, we required our spring pledges to complete Walk a Mile in Her Shoes. This program helps raise awareness about the causes, effects and remedies for sexual assault and domestic violence.

In the fall semester we donated \$1,000 to various sorority philanthropies, and \$640 for the spring semester philanthropies. Additionally, \$5,000 was contributed to the Little Giraffe Foundation, \$700 went to the Ronald McDonald House from proceeds raised during Mom's Weekend, \$585 was donated to the Make-A-Wish Foundation from our BBQ philanthropy, \$420 was donated to Relay for Life, and \$100 was donated to Empty Tomb, Inc., a local service organization that helps provide for those in the Champaign-Urbana area who are less fortunate.





UNDERGRADUATE PROFILE: JAKE PERSONS '15 NROTC MEMBER, FUTURE MARINE, AND OUTDOORSMAN AT HEART

Q: Tell us about your family.

My mom is Julie and dad is Bill, and I've got two little sisters—Lexi is in high school, and Hayley is in middle school. My dad owns a BP gas station in Edina. It's a family business. My grandpa owned it when it was still an Amoco.

Q: How'd a Minnesota kid end up in Champaign?

In NROTC, they pick where you go, and they chose Illinois. I'm from Eagan, Minnesota. It's a suburb of about 60,000 people just outside St. Paul. I'd never been to Illinois and didn't know what to expect. I've always liked rural areas, so I liked that about it.

Q: What is your major? What career will you pursue?

I'm majoring in Natural Resource and Environmental Sciences, specifically Fisheries and Wildlife. I've always loved the outdoors. We have a cabin in Canada near Nipigon where we go for two weeks every year. It's the farthest north you can go on Lake Superior. My grandpa bought it in 1959—it has no electricity, no running water, and we love going there to fish and hunt.

As for my career, ever since I was little I wanted to be in the military, and I also wanted to fly. I picked the Marines because I thought it would be a challenge; to try and be part of the best of the best. Right now I'm a Midshipman, 3rd class in NROTC. Flying is still my goal, and I'm trying to get a flight contract that will guarantee me a spot in flight school after college. I'll apply for that this summer. I think I'll probably be content with 4-5 years in the Marines and then get a wildlife job somewhere after that—I'm still debating this. I'll be in Officer Candidate School next summer, so we'll see after that.

Q: Why did you join Psi Upsilon?

I had some ROTC buddies that knew some brothers, so I'd come to some parties to hang out, but I really joined on accident. **Matt Cropper '12** and **Bob Chain '13** brought me in. I was living in Garner Hall—it was

voted worst dorm in America and has since been torn down. I ran into Bob and Matt in the house after taking a



phone call during a rush event and ended up hanging out with them all night. Since I'm from Minnesota and didn't know anyone here, I thought I'd give it a try. Matt became my pledge dad. He's from Cincinnati and is now a mechanical engineer in Atlanta.



Jake with his dog, Hunter, after a day of fishing at the family cabin in Canada

Q: What are your top Psi U memories?

Hanging out on the sundeck. We call it "Country Sundeck" – Matt and I both love country music, so we'll pull speakers out there when it's warm out and just chill. I'll put on my cowboy hat and we'll just have a good time. I definitely look forward to Barn Dance, too. We have one each semester, and we'll go to a local farm & have a couple of bonfires along with the dancing part in the barn.

Q: What is your favorite Omicron tradition?

I think Initiation is my favorite. Singing the songs is probably the most fun thing that we do.

Q: What positions or chairmanships have you held in house or on campus?

I was house manager in the fall and got to work with Kevin Huckstep, our new property manager. It was a great decision to hire him, one of the best things that's happened to us, really. His work speaks for itself. The speed which he takes care of problems is great, and he also cares about the people in the house. I was on the Pledge Ed. team for the '15.5s—it's good to see things from the other side.

I'm pledge dad to two people—**Kevin Lannon '16** and **Patrick Hulsebosch '16.5**.

Pledge dads make sure they keep their grades up and just guide them through the process & give them a brother they can talk to. Now I'm getting busy with ROTC. I'm the comptroller so that takes a good chunk of my time.

Q: What's your favorite part of the social calendar?

Like I said, I like Barn Dance the most. As for sororities, we hang out with ΔZ and ΣK the most. We also had an exchange with $AE\Phi$ a couple weeks ago, so we do a lot of things with them, too.

Q: Do you live in the house, and what's your favorite room?

Living in house is the most fun thing I've ever done. I moved in second semester of my freshman year, and though it can obviously be a distraction, it's the best. I've lived with



UNDERGRADUATE PROFILE: JAKE PERSONS '15

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Alex Chapman '15 [current archon] all three semesters. We mesh well together and have similar goals. My freshman room was right above the owl, the one with the Chief on the wall. Right now, I'm a couple doors down from that in room 11 right above the kitchen. Next year I'm living in and am looking to get a single. I'm not too picky, so any will do.

Q: What's the best part about the renovations?

The renovation of the Beta Chi bathroom will be huge, especially with the new piping. That'll be really important to get fixed & good for future occupants of the Beta Chi. The Grill is definitely nice. Our cook, Shannon, will do BBQs when the weather is nice. She's loved by everyone and has been the cook the whole time I've been in—she puts in a little extra effort for us.

Q: What's your favorite class or professor?

Surprisingly, I liked Rhet 105. I'm not a big writing guy but my professor made it

interesting. He brought it down to an understandable level and let us write about cool topics. My favorite was one about the Armory. I also liked Naval Science 321-Amphibious Warfare. The



Jake with his dad, Bill

instructor was Captain Kimberly Byrd. She's been in the Marines for 10 years and is good at motivating you. I was inspired that she could excel at both the physical and mental demands, and by

what she did in the military police with her ability to lead marines.

Q: What activities do you enjoy or what campus groups are you involved with?

I like playing broomball with the guys. I kind of suck at it, but it's fun. I'll also play softball. I was in the rodeo club for a semester, and I almost got to ride a bull but it didn't work out...probably for the better that I didn't.

Q: What are your goals for the next few years?

There's three things I want to do. First, I want to finish out on a positive note with a high G.P.A. I also want to learn as much as I can in ROTC, and I want to contribute to Psi U as much as possible.

Q: What has Psi U meant to you?

It's really taught me a lot. Not knowing anyone when I came here, to be able to be with people that share similar things and values was big. Psi U is a place to hang with friends and not be judged, just to feel comfortable and supported.



ANNUAL CHAPTER AWARD WINNERS

A HEARTY "PSI, PSI, PSI" TO OUR BROTHERS ON THEIR WELL-DESERVED RECOGNITION



Omicron earns Garnet and Gold Award for Academic Excellence at 2013 Convention

Receiving this award on the chapter's behalf was the Omicron undergraduate delegation (l to r): **Will Walker '16**, current archon

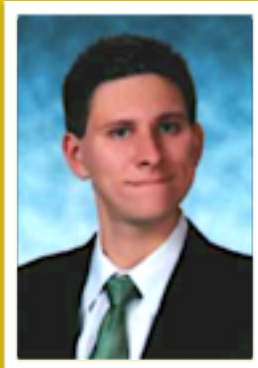
Alex Chapman '15, & former archon **Matt Hameilec '14.5**.





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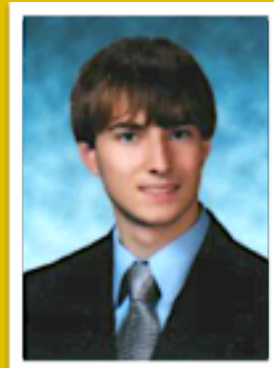
A HEARTY "PSI, PSI, PSI" TO THESE BROTHERS ON THIS WELL-DESERVED RECOGNITION



"Psi U of the Year"
Matt Hamielec '14.5



Joseph A. Miller '57 Psi U Alumnus
of the Year **Dave Simpson '07**



Dean C. Marinakis '90 & David P. Komie '92.5
Scholarship Award **Brian Dizunno '15.5**



Salvatore (Sam) Biardo, Jr. '02
Biggest Heart Award
Nick Kazanjian '14



Griffin Award for
Senior Excellence
Jan Lumibao '13



Omicron Chapter
Junior of the Year
Bryan Kennard '15



Kenneth F. Reimer '51
Pledgeship Award
Josh Seiter '16

Scholarship Grant Program hands out annual awards at the 2012 Homecoming gathering



(l to r): Brother Seiter receiving his award from Brother Evers and Alumni President Mark Tallungan '00

The Psi U Scholarship Grant Program awards scholarships totaling \$3,000. (1st - \$2,000; 2nd - \$750; 3rd - \$250) to three incoming male freshmen attending the University of Illinois who exhibit the highest moral, intellectual, and social excellence. A rose goes to SGP Chair **Max Evers '15** for his work in coordinating this important chairmanship.

1st place was awarded to Nicholas L. Tarleton

2nd place went to **Joshua Seiter '16**

3rd place was given to Philip Barnett

Congratulations to Max Evers '15 for being awarded the Salvatore (Sam) Biardo '02 scholarship from the Psi U Foundation

Brother Evers (at right) is a Molecular and Cellular Biology major and is on the Dean's List, along with being a James Scholar and Chancellor's Scholar. He was elected to several honor societies, including ΑΑΔ, ΦΗΣ, and Golden Key, and did volunteer work with the Eastern Illinois Food Bank.





UNDERGRADUATE NEWS AND NOTES

DRESS-UP DINNER TRADITION RETURNS WITH A BANG

The Omicron hosts U of I Chancellor Phyllis Wise among others at “Dress-Up Dinner” *Submitted by last year’s Archon Matt Hamielec ‘14.5*

Though many fraternity chapters look to adopt future endeavors and progressive attitudes, it is often in the past that the Greek system can learn from the most. When **Tom Fox '00** initially mentioned the idea of faculty dinners to me, I’ll admit I had not heard of the concept. When enlightened on the matter, I decided to make this practice one of the cornerstones of my tenure as Archon. I’m glad to say that, throughout the course of this year, the Omicron played and will continue to play host to a bevy of distinguished guests.

The first faculty member to cross the portals of Psi U in almost a decade is renowned amongst the Champaign-Urbana community. Dr. Cynthia Turner is a professor of Accountancy and taught my processing course. She also was a reverend at the Canaan Baptist Church and served as a community leader for 17 years in Champaign until her recent move to

Columbus, OH. I thought that Dr. Turner’s passion and spunk would carry over well for a trial run of the formal dinners. The Omicron was also itching to show off their new formal dinner accoutrements donated weeks before. With a bit of trepidation, I invited Cynthia for early March.

As the day neared, I realized that the brothers were genuinely invested in the cause; everyone seemed to want to make an impression. The same went for the house’s cook, Shannon Wilson. Shannon is a parishioner of Canaan Baptist, and upon

learning that she was cooking for Cynthia, she was ecstatic. She carefully crafted a menu to complement Dr. Turner’s vegetarian lifestyle. In the end, the event proved a huge success. The brothers greatly enjoyed the professor’s company. Similarly, Cynthia was highly impressed by the professionalism and courtesy the brothers extended to her. She left the house with a huge smile on her face. I could not have been happier.

With the success of Dr. Turner, my ambitions rose to higher proportions. During Convention, Brother **Brad Corner '72** had mentioned Chancellor Phyllis Wise’s recent move to Illinois. Dr. Wise had served as the interim president of the University of Washington, and Brother Corner suggested that the Omicron invite her to dinner to celebrate her first year. I thought this a great idea, and immediately began work throughout the summer. After passing a background check, the chapter was approved by her office, and a final date of November 6th was put down in the books.

The week prior to the occasion was a busy one. With Champaign’s notoriety for its Halloween frivolities, we were on a time crunch. What loomed ahead of the chapter was a repainting of the entire first floor the Sunday before; likewise, the carpeted areas and hardwood needed to be cleared of all furniture and cabinetry prior to a well-needed cleaning. Despite the daunting magnitude of the tasks, the brotherhood pulled together, and by Monday evening the first floor (indeed, the whole house) looked immaculate. In the kitchen, Shannon

Top: The Omicron undergraduates and alumni with Chancellor Phyllis Wise

Top: Archon Matt Hamielec '14.5 alongside the Chancellor





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DRESS-UP DINNER TRADITION RETURNS WITH A BANG (CONTINUED)



thought it apt to show off her culinary skills, and did a “surf and turf” theme.

A dinner like this without alumni simply would lack spirit. Naturally, Brad had a great idea for this as well. Recently, Brother **Guy C. Fraker '60** (at left) had completed his book, *Lincoln's Ladder to the Presidency*. In a sort of unveiling ceremony, Brother Fraker would discuss his work and present a copy to the Chancellor as well as the chapter. To complement the occasion, the chapter decided to present Dr. Wise with a paddle bearing the letters and the inscription “may the Greek system flourish under your tenure”. Brad also suggested I invite any local alums as well. I thought Brother **Robert McIntire '68** (in orange sweater) would be an excellent addition to the table, and, despite the last minute call, he agreed to make an appearance.

Despite the rain, the dinner and resulting panel hosted by the chancellor was a success. Her office told me that she revels in the input and questions students present her with. Indeed, I could see the excitement she had for her job. This being the first Greek house she had ever visited, Dr. Wise was “blown away.” Like Dr. Turner before her, she was genuinely impressed of the chapter’s intellect and maturity. She also complemented us on our diversity, a struggling factor for some chapters at UTUC as well as at U Washington. The chapter had done their homework on the Chancellor, and the topics covered during the post-dinner panel ranged from administrative matters to cross-collegiate transitions to Seattle weather.

Enjoying the dinner are Brothers Grant Gribble '14, Steve Getty '14.5, Alex Johansson '14.5, and Martin Griffin '14.5

Needless to say, everyone lost track of the hour, and by the time we wrapped up, it was late. While the entire event was wonderful, the chapter had no idea of how to conclude the night in an impactful way. No sooner than after all the goodbyes were said and chancellor and I had walked outside did we get our wish. It was then realized that Dr. Wise’s car had been towed! Luckily, Brother McIntire was nice enough



to drive the Chancellor to the towing station with a couple of brothers and recover her car. In the end, we all had a good laugh about it.

Nights like the one on November 6th will forever remain with me. It is during nights like the 6th when our house shows its true nature as a campus leader. Even in the face of flawed situations, we find the capacity to rise above the occasion. I am proud of all the brothers for helping restore a tradition, and I cannot wait to see who will cross the portals of Psi U in the coming future. Whoever it is, I hope they have just as great an experience as those of the past.



UNDERGRADUATE NEWS AND NOTES

Phired Up puts on rush workshop for undergrads

Last August the Omicron Alumni Association invited Josh Orendi of Phired Up Productions to put on a recruitment workshop. We had great success with their 2007 visit and see promising early returns for this one by the looks of a 13-man class of '16.5s.

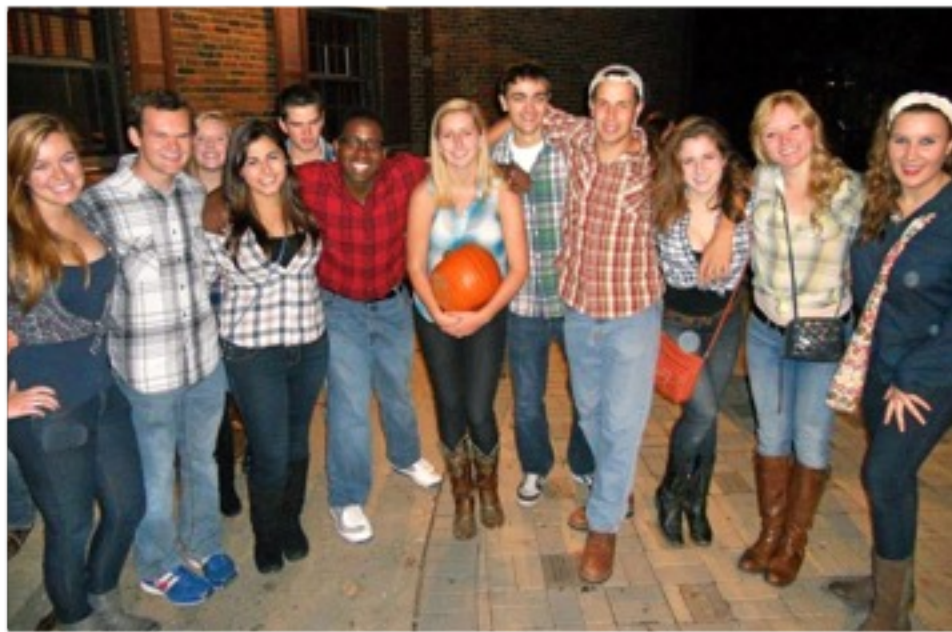
Former V.P. New Members **Nick “Kaz” Kazanjian '14** said that the workshop taught the difference between “Static Rush”, which is the old-school method, & “Dynamic Rush”, which focuses recruitment around a names list that brothers contribute to.

Brother “Kaz” writes, *“All in all Phired Up was an excellent experience that really taught the whole chapter a lot. We were very excited after leaving the seminar and a lot of people kept that enthusiasm going throughout rush to really help us get the numbers we wanted....I cannot recommend this program enough; I feel it will do great things for my chapter in the coming years.”*



“Hanging out with ΑΕΦ: Some brothers having a great time at their “Survivor” philanthropy.”

“Barn Dance Pre-party: With their dates are Josh Seiter '16, Carmani Lane '16, behind Carmani is Brian Palmer '16, Mike Larsen '16, and Justin Dierkes '15



A Rose to Brandon Burd '13.5 for his work at International

Congratulations to **Brother Burd** on his work as a 2012 summer intern at the Psi Upsilon International Office. Brandon, who hails from Watseka, is a former winner of the Omicron “Active Active” award which seeks to recognize in-house juniors and seniors for their active participation in house activities. He just graduated with a major in Accounting and minor in Leadership Studies. Brandon previously served for two semesters as Philanthropy chair, Pledge Educator for the '14.5s and '15s, and as Membership Development chair. You might have also spotted him in the crowd during basketball games as he was a three year member of *Orange Krush*.





Sam Tinaglia '88 (Omega) -- Psi U Foundation President and Unofficial Omicron Rush Chair for the Park Ridge area

Chapter secretary and Park Ridge native **Will Walker '16** writes the following: "Sam was really the one who got me to join Psi U. During the summer before my first semester, he came over to my house (we're neighbors) to tell me I should definitely check it out when I get on campus. By simply talking to me, Sam set into motion my interest in Psi U, an interest which would soon turn into me pledging, and finally initiating into a fraternity that already means so much to me. I cannot thank him enough for getting me involved



with Psi U and continuing to help me along all throughout pledgship. Sam and I share this Park Ridge connection with **Matt Hameilec '14.5** and **Mike Larsen '16**. We all want to keep the Park Ridge tradition alive and continue to recruit from our hometown!"



Above: At the 2013 Convention hosted by the Chi Delta chapter at Duke, the Omicron delegation presented **Brother Tinaglia '88, (Omega)** with a plaque naming him an official rush chair of the chapter. Top right: (l to r): **Mike Larsen '16, Matt Hameilec '14.5, Will Walker '16, and Sam Tinaglia '88, (Omega)** enjoying the '16's initiation celebration at 313 East Armory Avenue.

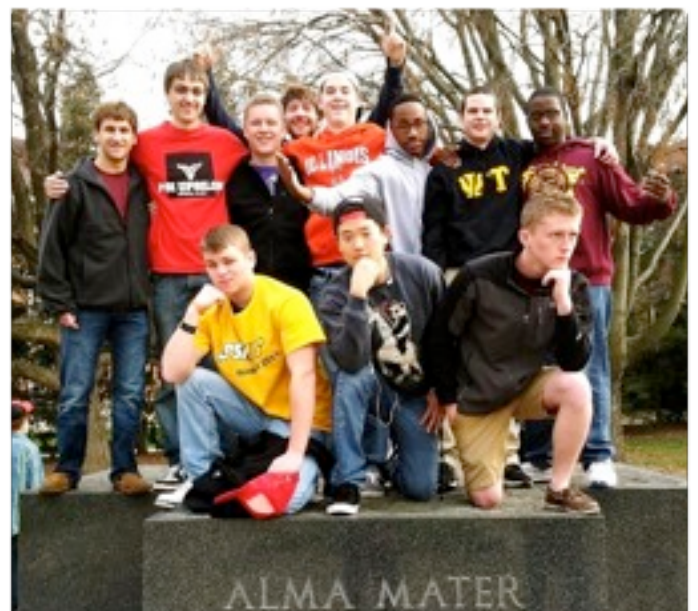
Former V.P. New Members Nick "Kaz" Kazanjian '14 reports on the Class of '16

Brother "Kaz" describes this group of fifteen as "tight-knit and true brothers." He writes, "The pledge class is certainly diverse in terms of majors—3 business majors, 5 assorted engineers, 2 Molecular and Cellular Biology majors, 3 undecided majors, and 1 dance major—a rather interesting combination of minds. They are certainly hard working as well as more than once half of them would be studying at the house all night getting ready for an exam the next day."

He continues, "While they have just initiated, I have great expectations of these guys and think they can do some really great stuff for the house. There are already two 16's on the Executive Board - **Josh Seiter '16** who is our new Treasurer & **Will Walker '16** our new Secretary; with this, coupled with other 16's lining up for chair positions, I think it is safe to say that the house is going in a good direction."

Some '16s doing their best impression of the Alma Mater

Standing (l to r): **Jermey Kvasnicka, Mike Larsen, Alex Burzinski, Mihajlo Vujisic, Kevin Lannon, Ricky Perry, Brian Palmer, Carmani Lane.** Kneeling (l to r): **Chris Gerhard, Sam Choi, Sean Haney.**





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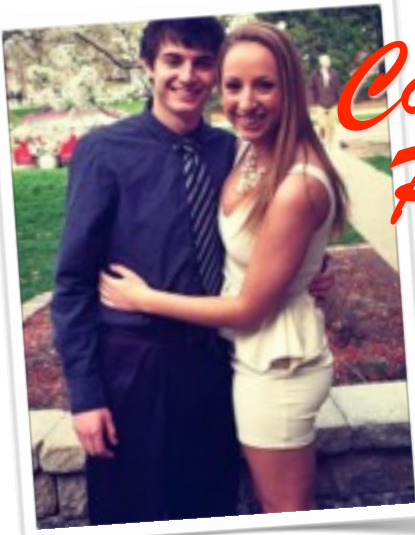
Omicrons travel north to help welcome back the Rho

Archon **Alex Chapman '15** reports the following: "Four Omicron brothers and I had the pleasure of attending the reactivation ceremony of the Rho chapter. In addition, we witnessed the initiation of their current pledge class. To top it off, we celebrated with an elegant meal and weekend stay with the Rho brothers." Brother **Tom Fox '00** adds, "The Omicron was helpful throughout the expansion process, with many Rho and Omicron undergrads becoming friends. The Rho even made a trip to Champaign last spring."



Omicron brothers row for the Illini

Aaron Sachs '14 (right) and his brother **David Sachs '16.5** (white cap) are members of the Illini rowing team. Aaron, was male rower of the year for last year's accomplishments, and currently is the boatman. David and his boat brought home silver at the John Hunter Regatta in Gainesville, GA, and gold at the Illinois Collegiate Rowing Invitational in DeWitt, IL and are now training for the American Collegiate Rowing Championships in Gainesville, GA.



Congratulations to our Psi U Sweethearts



Stephanie Weber (l) Spring 2013, with **Josh Klein '16**

Jelena Verkler, (r) Fall 2012, while visiting **Josh Klein '14** in London

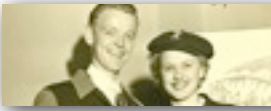




UNDERGRADUATE MEMBERS

Archon	Alex Chapman '15	Accounting	Elmhurst
V.P. Internal	Thaddeus Hatt '14.5	Computer Engineering	Ephrata, PA
V.P. External	Joe Batherson '15	Kinesiology	Westchester
V.P. New Members	Bryan Kennard '15	General Engineering	Mt. Carmel
Secretary	Will Walker '16	Economics	Park Ridge
Treasurer	Josh Seiter '16	Accounting and Finance	Evergreen Heights
House Manager	Justin Dierkes '15	Civil Engineering	Bloomington
Scholarship Grant Chair	Carmani Lane '16	Undecided	Glen Ellyn

Daniel Amador '13	Global Studies/Commun.	Chicago	Nick Kazanjian '14	H.F. in Aviation	Libertyville
Robert Bansfield '15.5	Electrical Engineering	Palatine	Tom Kim '15	Civil Engineering	Buffalo Grove
Sean Barowsky '14.5	Electrical Engineering	Lockport	Andrew Klein '14	Molecular Cellular Biology	Peoria
Steve Bieszczat '13	History	Chicago	Josh Klein '14	Political Science/Math	Manorville, NY
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Garrett Conklin '15	Civil Engineering	Washington	Ryan Madigan '13	Electrical Engineering	Lisle
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Brother **David Ko '92.5** sent in the following: "**Erik Sundquist '94** got married to Laura Keenan in Chicago on March 31, 2012 and I was honored to be the Best Man. **Chris Lawrence '96** and **Lt. Col. Patrick Godfrey '96** also served as groomsmen. Several Psi U's were in attendance including Erik's cousin Paul who was a Psi U at Dartmouth.

Erik returned the favor on September 22, 2012 where he served as my Best Man for my wedding with Jeanus Tang in Honolulu, Hawaii."

Pictured in the Sundquist-Keenan Wedding photo, from left to right: Paul Sundquist (cousin of groom, Psi U - Dartmouth College), **David Ko '92.5**, **Erik Sundquist '94**, **Tad Huntington '95.5**, **Lt. Col Patrick Godfrey '96**, **Mike Schober '93**, **Chris Lawrence '96**, and **Jay Steinhilber '92.5**

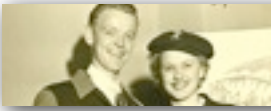


Brother Ko continued, "We were fortunate enough to have several Psi U's attend the ceremony as well."

Pictured in the Ko-Tang Wedding, from left to right: **Jay Steinhilber '92.5**, **Lt. Col. Patrick Godfrey '96**, **David Ko '92.5**, Jeanus Tang, **Erik Sundquist '94**, and **Mike Schober '93**



Dave Komie '92.5 along with **Eric Vallejo '92.5** and his children, Annika and Ian, hit up a 2012 Cubs game. Eric and his family live in Saudi Arabia where Eric and his wife, Liz (Zibbie), are on the science faculty at Dhahran High School, an international school located adjacent to the American Consulate for the Eastern Province of Saudi Arabia. Among his courses, Eric teaches International Baccalaureate physics and leads students on Habitat for Humanity trips around the globe, including Thailand in 2013.

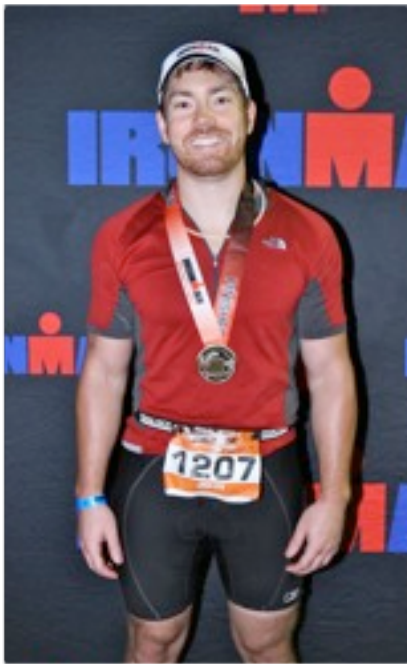


OMICRON ALUMNI NEWS AND NOTES

Congratulations to:

William Gossett '45 on being honored with Lincoln School District 27's "Most Distinguished Graduate Award". According to the *Lincoln Courier*: *Brother Gossett is a well known business and civic leader, is now recognized by his voice to those tuning into "View Point" every Wednesday morning on a Lincoln radio station. He has been a business owner, is a U.S. Army Air Corps veteran and has been a strong voice for education. He served on two school boards, including Lincoln Elementary School District 27 as president, and the Lincoln Community High School District 404 Steering Committee.*

He is a trustee for Lincoln College, has been a coach, a mentor at Washington-Monroe School, chairman of the Lincoln Elks Crippled Children's Commission and a participant in Logan Correctional Centers' Story Book Reading Program. He has been commander of the Constantine Commandery 51, Knight's Templar, and is a lay reader at Trinity Episcopal Church. Gossett has served on the boards of many organizations. Among his professional organizational ties, he is a member and former president of the Illinois State Fabric Care Association.



John Cukierski '09 completed the Ironman Triathlon in Madison, WI. He sent in the following update:

The Ironman was one of the most exhilarating, fun, difficult and physically challenging things that I have ever done. It was an eye-opening and fantastic experience that I really enjoyed. The race started at 7am and I finished at 11:21:21pm. My time was 16hr:21min:21sec. This was not fantastic, but I was not going for time, I was going to finish.

I was scheduled to run the Vineman 70.3 Ironman and full Vineman races in July, but unfortunately, I shattered my ankle playing hockey in December 2012. I underwent surgery in January 2013, and will hopefully be able to begin walking again in May 2013. I fully intend to start playing hockey and running Ironmans again as soon as I can!

Currently, I am working in the HR Department at Maxim Integrated, a high-tech semiconductor company, out of our Beaverton, OR high volume fabrication plant. I was working in a generalist capacity for the past 1.5 years supporting the operation here, but have recently transitioned into our Compensation team. I am scheduled to move to San Jose, CA when I can walk again.

A few weeks ago I was back in at U of I on a recruiting trip at the LER program. We presented a real world business issue that we are currently having to the students in the form of a case competition. We asked the students to research best practices, scholarly research, etc. and to come up with a solution. We got a ton of great responses and are currently applying them at the company.





LETTERS TO THE EDITOR AND MORE OMICRON ALUMNI NEWS AND NOTES

Congratulations to:

At last year's convention, **Lew Finkelstein '83** became the Treasurer for the Executive Council and **Matt Hameilec '14.5** was elected by the convention to serve on the Undergraduate Advisory Board. Also, a rose to **Brad Corner '72** for his continued service as an Alumni Term Member of the Psi U Executive Council, and to **Bob Petersen '68** for his service as Treasurer of the Psi U Foundation.

Allen Hoover '90 (*right*) for his ongoing work with the UI College of Law as reported in last year's *Arrow*. He sends along a hello from "Jake" in the house.

Lou Margaglione '91.5 for his service to the University of Illinois Alumni Association. Lou writes: "I sit on the University of Illinois Alumni Association Board of Directors (3 years into a 6 year term). I also Chair the Urbana Campus Alumni Advisory Board for the Alumni Association. Last year I completed a 4 year term on the Department of Intercollegiate Athletics Advisory Board."

David Ko '92.5 on his new position as Director, Global Digital Strategy at Hill-Rom.

Bill Cornfield '93 and his wife, Amy, on the birth of their daughter, Victoria. She's pictured here in between her sisters Norella and Sophia.

Howard L. "Tad" Huntington '95.5 on joining the law firm of Mahoney Silverman & Cross LLC.



Patrick Godfrey '96 on his promotion to Lieutenant Colonel in the United States Air Force.



Andrew Haning '00 and his wife, Laurie, on the birth of their son, Kyler Edward (7-27-12). He writes, "Everyone is recovering well and Hunter is very excited to be a big brother!"

Justin Kuehlthau '03.5 and his wife, Allison, on the birth of their son, Jackson Eugene (2-21-12). Jackson was 8 lbs., 14 oz. at birth.

Letters to the Editor:

Art Wood '43 writes: "Congratulations on another great *Arrow*. I talked to **Red Andrews '43** and both of us think it was just fantastic." Art added, "This summer, I've played in two golf outings through our church. One was in Huntington Beach and had 144 golfers, and would you believe we came in second at 15 under par! Our group had two terrific players, including one who could drive it over 300 yards. I had one really great contribution when I sank a 46 foot putt for eagle." [Art, who is 91, has a standing tee time at 6am on Wednesdays. I told Art that my home course has become the Glencoe Public Course to which he responded]: "I practically grew up on the Glencoe course. I started to caddy there at age 11, and I can remember caddying for two and sometimes three rounds. They made me caddymaster later on, and I won the caddy golf championship many times. I used to play in pro-ams with the Glencoe pro, Jim Gurley, too."

Left: the Cornfield ladies; Bottom left: the Hanings; Bottom right: the Kuehlthaus





2012 OMICRON GOLF OUTING

Psi U hits links at Mount Prospect Golf Club

Coordinated by **Mark Tallungan '00** and his team, 23 golfers enjoyed the Omicron Golf Outing. **Dave DiPrima '89**, whose home is on the 9th fairway of the course, hosted his annual post-golf BBQ. A big rose to both of these men and their families for the work that goes into this annual event.

Congratulations to:

Andy Larson '77 (left) and Beth DiPrima (middle left) won longest drive, while **Matt Petersen '89** and **Dave Yang '89** (below, sitting alongside **Art Main '84**) were closest to the pin. The 89s repeated as champions: **Matt Petersen '89**, **Stan Parker '89**, **Brian Hughes '89.5**, and **Dave Yang '89**.



Dave DiPrima '89, host extraordinaire

Taylor DiPrima baked a fairway, bunker, and green out of her cupcakes!

Mark Tallungan '00 swinging at the tee



ALUMNI PROFILE: MIKE MIKHAIL '87.5 AND GENE ANDERSON '83 (CONTINUED)

Hansen '83.5, Tom Hope PhD '83.5, & Marty Hower '80. Too many to name them all. **Tim Miller '80** and **Dan Wojnowski PhD '81.5** were both great leaders, and I'm glad to know they're still involved with Psi U. I am grateful that they all put up with me.

Q: What are some of your best memories from fraternity days?

Anderson: Mostly I remember the people, parties, and fun events. We rewrote "Louie, Louie" by the Kingsmen as "Psi U, Psi U" for serenading sororities. For better or worse, I still remember the words and music. I played too much poker in the library, but it was usually a good excuse to order a pizza from Willie's. We also took a class road trip out east to visit different chapters there—Syracuse, Union, and NYU all in about three or four days—and somehow managed to get back safely despite my driving abilities. I lived in the BX one semester and then my last year was up in the Penthouse.

Q: What got you into academia?

Anderson: A faculty member at U of I talked me into pursuing a PhD. My interests were primarily on the research side, particularly marketing and statistics, but when I went into teaching, I had a great time. The connections you make with students and the ability to help them in their lives is fantastic. I went into the administrative side later after I was granted tenure. [Ed. note: Prior to joining the University of Miami, Brother Anderson was senior associate dean for academic affairs and the D. Maynard Phelps Professor of Business Admin. at the University of Michigan's Stephen M. Ross School of Business.]

Q: How will fraternities need to adapt to change?

Anderson: Fraternities have always played a great social role for students, but I think the most successful ones going forward will offer even stronger networks and greater professional development. The job market is so much more competitive these days, so there is a premium on creating and maintaining strong bonds among contemporaries, as well as providing access

to the networks of successful alumni. In terms of professional development, "soft" skills like teamwork, communication, and leadership are absolutely critical when it comes to getting a first job in this competitive market. Students that can work well in teams, communicate clearly and persuasively, and can demonstrate leadership accomplishments have a significant advantage over those who are just technically competent. Fraternities can provide a great venue for students

to test and develop those capabilities.

Q: How will our alumni association need to adapt?

Anderson: Technology will play a critical role in how successful the fraternity and chapter will be in strengthening the alumni network. It's figuring out how to use it in the right way to further the chapter's goals and increase the benefits of staying connected that the Omicron will have to think about.

Q: What advice would you give to an undergraduate brother?

Anderson: Be yourself. It's simple, but it's also complex if you think about it. You have to know yourself to be yourself—and that's often hard to do. What are your true capabilities and passions? You have to find out. Everyone has something special to give and it is great to be engaged in a job or avocation that you are truly good at and for which you have real passion.

Q: Tell us about your family and where you're from:

Mikhail: I was born in the city but grew up in the northwest suburbs. I met my wife Sheila at a Psi U party in the fall of 1984. She was a Pi Phi and a model student—the type who would close out the library. She eventually was Bronze Tablet. Her pledge sister, Ruth Panek, was a Little Sister of Psi U and she dragged her to a party. It's kind of incredible that we met. We have one daughter, Megan, who is a junior at Stanford. She's the smartest one in the family.

Q: Why did you join Psi Upsilon?

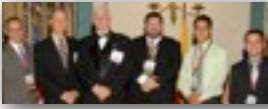
Mikhail: Basically because there was a bunch of nice people, guys like **Shagg Makino '87, Mike Halvorson '87, and Dev Proctor '87.5.** I was in FAR and one of my dorm friends had the idea to go through rush. I had no idea what that was. I went to Illinois after my junior year of high school, so I was younger



Brother Anderson with his children, Hanna and Ian, and his wife, Sheryl, at Ian's graduation this summer



Brother Anderson and family, along with Ian's girlfriend, Olivia Ensign, on vacation in Peru



ALUMNI PROFILE: MIKE MIKHAIL '87.5 AND GENE ANDERSON '83 (CONTINUED)

and pretty clueless about things. I pledged as a sophomore and went from one extreme to the other. I wasn't headed down the best path, but then I met Sheila and grades went on an upswing.

Q: What do you remember from your fraternity days?

Mikhail: Psi Us were friendly, not really outwardly focused, so people became really close. I got involved with rush & became chairman. We got 15 pledges, which was a lot in that era.

Q: What got you into your profession?

Mikhail: I was a CS major, but Sheila still had two years left to go so I was looking to hang around campus. I took an accounting class for non-business majors and then looked into getting an MBA. They wanted two years of work experience, so I got my Master's in accounting. The classes were more research-focused, and an instructor pointed out that I might have a future as an academic.

My first job was with Arthur Andersen in Chicago, and though I had no plans to leave, there was a recession and work had dramatically changed so there were no long-term prospects. I enrolled in the evening MBA program at the University of Chicago while my wife was in school there. She was expecting Megan, so I started my PhD at the U of C in the fall of '92. They had a great faculty and really prepared you for an academic career.

I started my teaching career at MIT and was there from 1997-2000 when Boston was in the midst of the dot.com boom.

[Ed. note: Brother Mikhail then taught from 2000-06 at Duke University's Fuqua School of Business, and next was KPMG

Professor and director of the School of Accountancy at Arizona State University's W. P. Carey School of Business from 2006-12] Headhunters had been asking me about other dean jobs when the UIC search firm called. It was a good fit. Coming back to my hometown was appealing, and with changes to how the university worked, it was going to be possible to make significant changes in the business school. I became Dean of the College of Business Administration in August 2012.

Q: What's similar or different about universities today from your time as an undergrad?

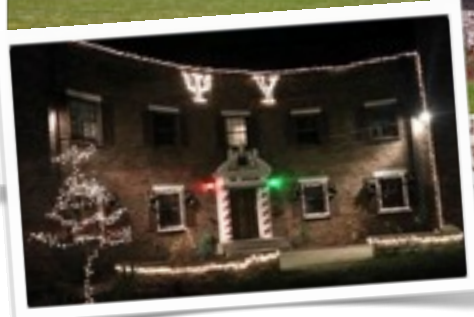
Mikhail: Students are having to grow up faster and take on more responsibility. They are paying a fortune—more in one year than an entire college education used to cost. A lot of students can't just be students. The number of people working even full time has changed. Campuses are also more diverse than before, so there are opportunities to work with different students, more international students. And as everyone knows, there's more uncertainty in the job market.

From an educational perspective, especially in business schools, the old focus was to give training in some functional areas. Nowadays, developing "soft" or intangible skills like leadership, working with diverse groups, and ethical decision-making has become much more important. You see them integrated into the curriculum, and it's making a difference for employers. Knowing the nuts and bolts of something and having a good g.p.a. are fine for your first job. For their second job, the "soft" skills are more important and thus are being looked at as companies recruit on campus.

Q: How will fraternities need to adapt?

Mikhail: Bottom line, the things Psi U's need to be successful are the same as they were 20 years ago. Actions you take as an undergraduate can have dramatic impact on your life. Having 2/3 years of fun can impact the next 40 years. It's like saving for retirement: put in the effort upfront, make that initial investment and build your human capital instead of only having fun and

blowing it off. Get involved in some leadership opportunities outside class. You have to take school seriously and work hard. Getting that right first job is important for your long-term trajectory.



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Q: How will our alumni association need to adapt?

Mikhail: Help the brothers develop the "soft" skills I talked about earlier. They're not big mysteries—public speaking, working in teams, putting people in ethical situations, maybe have a leadership development program where alumni could play a role on campus. The alumni should also have some sort of a database that people can access to target individuals and connect.

Q: What influence has Psi U had on your life since graduation?

Mikhail: Psi U helped me the most with developing intangible skills. I was the quiet kid in the corner. Psi U gave me an opportunity to develop those skills better than in other settings.

Q: What advice would you give to an undergraduate brother?

Mikhail: A few of us win the lottery but most don't, so if you want to be successful, the only way is hard work. That's the only way to success. I've seen a ton of students try to find a different path, and occasionally with a special skill it might happen, but for the most part it's a matter of sheer hard work.



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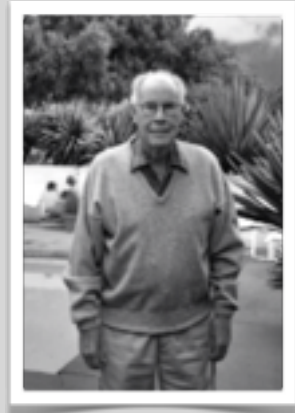
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G. Cameron “Cam” Brown ’37

Brother Brown of Lake Forest died at home on March 7, 2013 with his wife Jean and family at his side. Born in Chicago on September 29, 1914, he was the eldest son of George F. and Irene (nee Larmon) Brown. Cameron graduated from New Trier and the U of I, where he was president of the Student Senate. He served with the army in Europe during WWII where he helped plan the Normandy invasion, and retired with the rank of lieutenant colonel. As a leader in the reinsurance industry, Mr. Brown served on the board of the National Association of Independent Insurers for many years, was head of Lloyd’s Brokers Assn. in the US, and was also an underwriter at Lloyds’s of London. He served as President of Planned Parenthood of Chicago, and later on its national board. After retirement he was on the board of the MS Society and also contributed time to other charities. Cameron loved to travel and visited over 200 countries and territories during his life, traveling around the world seven times. An avid golfer, he was a member of several local clubs as well as The Royal and Ancient Golf Club in Scotland. He is survived by his wife Jean; their daughter; his daughter and son; and three stepdaughters, and was preceded in death by his brother **Park ’41**.



“University Life” - chapter excerpt from The Last George: the Life Story of George Cameron Brown

Brother Brown was a champion of the Omicron, an honorary director of the Psi Upsilon International Foundation, and was interviewed for the feature article of the 2005 Arrow. In 2006 he self-published his memoirs and donated a leather-bound copy to the chapter for the '28 Room’s library. What follows is a fascinating selection from that work which sheds some light on the Omicron in a very different and fascinating era.

Sometime in mid August, I ran into a friend from New Trier, **Bob Knauer** from Kenilworth. He had completed his freshman year at the University of Illinois and had liked the school and the fraternity he had pledged, Psi Upsilon. Illinois, by law, was required to enroll any graduate of an Illinois high school. Tuition was thirty-five dollars a semester, and I had saved about \$250.

The idea of being away from home on my own intrigued me. I had had enough of commuting to the city. I wrote Northwestern and Dartmouth that I wouldn't be enrolling and headed by train to Champaign and the Psi U house at 313 East Armory Street. At Bob's invitation, I could remain at the house through registration and rushing.

I wanted to join a fraternity, as that's what my uncles and friends had done. The question was which one, and the answer depended on which one could give me the best financial arrangement. Psi U won. They agreed that I could pay for my board by working for my meals my freshman and sophomore years, and that I would be a candidate for the job of treasurer for my junior and senior years. Moreover, I liked the men of the Psi U house and was pleased to find that another friend from New Trier, **Teed Tideman**, was also going to pledge Psi U's Omicron chapter. I roomed with **Bob Collett**, a junior, that first year.

Psi U kept its part of the bargain. I waited tables at the Alpha Chi Rho house next door to ours, which reduced my house bill from \$44 a month to \$20. I liked Illinois from the first day on campus and never regretted that I had had little choice.

Freshman year courses repeated much of what I had completed in my senior year at New Trier. I passed proficiency exams in French and algebra, so I skipped the first semester in each of those courses. Having had passing grades my first semester, I was initiated into the fraternity at the conclusion of Hell Week in February. This week had historically been one of serious bullying, paddling, and pranks, some very physical, both inside and outside the house. The university stopped almost everything outside the house and warned strongly against physical abuse anywhere. There were fifteen pledges, and as a group we agreed that we wouldn't stand for rough hazing so there was no paddling or activities outside the house. We waxed and polished the floors, washed windows, and did silly stunts as ordered by the upperclassmen.

At the end of the week we were taken to the secret chapter room in the basement and, after a short ceremony, were taught the fraternity handshake, the secret password and were given the pin to wear over our hearts for the rest of our lives. The initiation fee of \$100 would have made a big dent in my budget. After a call from my mother, Grandmother Larmon came to my rescue and sent me a check to cover it. My grades were solid and, at the end of the first year, I was elected to the freshman scholastic honor society, Phi Eta Sigma.



My social life was minimal. I had “Coke dates” with girls who were friends of fraternity brothers’ girlfriends. Cars were not permitted on campus, so social activities were always local. We went to movies and listened to big bands on the radio, sitting or lying on the floor in the living room. I liked the Ray Noble orchestra in particular. Toward the end of the freshman year, Teed and I were selected to become members of the sophomore interfraternity society, Skull and Crescent. The initiation included the members playing pranks on the initiates, like forcing us to lie on our backs and chew tobacco which made many of us sick. One whack with a paddle, the only one I ever had, and we were members.

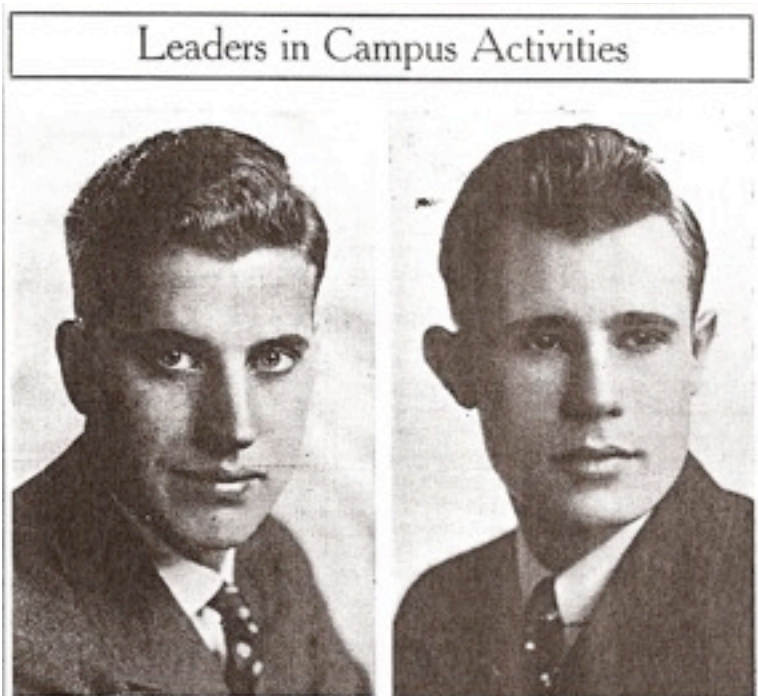
Psi U encouraged freshmen to engage in a campus activity outside of classes. I tried working on the staff of the *Daily Illini*, selling advertising space to local vendors, the usual job for trainees. A fraternity brother, **Howard Emrich**, was business manager. His brother, **Lyman**, had been its editor, was Phi Beta Kappa, and was currently enrolled in law school. He was soon to be designated a Rhodes Scholar. Once again, I found I did not like direct selling, which I had learned when I was in grammar school selling subscriptions to the Saturday Evening Post. I managed to sell a few ads for the Illini, but gave it up after Christmas.

In the spring, a Psi U alumnus from the class of ‘27, **Frank Kegley**, visited the house. He was an architect who had a hand in designing and financing the buildings of the Colonial Village, a new part of the 1934 Exhibition, “A Century of Progress,” situated along the lakefront in Chicago. He was looking for workers for the coming summer. I, along with a number of my fraternity brothers, jumped at the opportunity. We helped him find Chicago-area girls from the sorority houses to be hostesses.

Most became guards, but my job was to be the village blacksmith, despite weighing 125 pounds and being minimally muscled. I pounded out horseshoe nail rings, which sold for ten cents each. My hours were five in the afternoon until midnight for which I earned fifteen dollars a week. We were given our meals and passes to all the attractions, including the performances of Sally Rand, the fan dancer. My expenses were riding the North Shore and buying beer at fifteen cents a quart. (Roosevelt had kept his promise about ending Prohibition.) I saved most of my earnings and started the sophomore year at Illinois in pretty good financial shape.

That fall I returned to Champaign with enthusiasm and a totally new attitude. The drudgery of freshman house activities, cleaning and running errands for upperclassmen, was at an end. I continued to wait tables at the house next door, but was switched to washing pots and pans, which took less time. I augmented my income by typing papers for five cents a double-spaced page and helped a fraternity brother, Max Leach, operate his cleaning pick-up and delivery service. He had permission to run his car on campus. My laundry was mailed home to Glencoe where it was washed, folded, and returned. **Teed Tideman** had worked with me at the fair. We got along well and decided to room together, an arrangement that lasted until graduation.

Pearl Adler, a classmate from Chicago, Bill Easterbrook from Champaign, Bill Whyte from Beverly, and I got together at the start of the sophomore year and organized what we called the Liberal Party. I became the candidate for president of our class and was elected after a successful campaign against the conservative candidates. I was also elected one of the two sophomore members of the Student Senate. The university had reorganized the student body the year before and assigned a faculty advisor, Professor **Frederick Green**, to work with it. The Student Senate had no direct powers but was an important way to get student opinion to the university.



SELIM TIDEMAN AND G. CAMERON BROWN are two members of Omicron who are taking a prominent part in campus activities. Selim served as Mothers Day Chairman last spring and held the position of rushing chairman during the summer. Cam Brown is president of the Student Senate this year and is chapter treasurer.



As class president, my major task was to appoint a committee to organize the Sophomore Cotillion held in the early spring. Red Nichols and His Five Pennies provided the music in the Huff Gymnasium. The music was right up-to-date and the dance a big success.

Before the demise of Prohibition in 1934, a local bootlegger had provided alcohol for the campus. He came around weekly with his supply hidden in the proverbial brown paper bag. It cost two dollars a gallon. Before the transaction was concluded, however, we tested the quality of the alcohol by lighting a few drops on a desk pad. If the flame burned blue, we paid full price; if yellow, we paid less. Chemistry was my freshman major so I was chosen to conduct the tests.

Drinking was prohibited in fraternity houses and at large campus dances. To monitor campus drinking, the university established a Dance Supervision Committee, and I was appointed to it. This was more show than real and had no stigma attached to it. The reward for this service was a free pass to all the university athletic and social events, so I saw all of the football and basketball games for free.

My sophomore year marked the onset of my academic downfall. I made a conscious decision that grades were less important than fun, and my grades dropped from As to Bs. More time was spent in the card room - bridge and hearts - than on homework. I had considered majoring in chemistry but by the middle of my sophomore year switched to a major in political science with a minor in economics.

During the Christmas break, **Tideman** and I and a few other friends went to debutante parties in Chicago. Sometimes we had an invitation, sometimes we “crashed.” All the parties were white-tie affairs at major downtown Chicago hotels, usually the Drake or the Blackstone.

At Easter break in 1935, two fraternity brothers, **Bill Linton** and **Bud Schroyer** (who lived near the college and had a car), and I drove to Florida for some sunshine and to visit Ann Binkley in Sarasota. We drove straight through, taking turns at the wheel. Ann lived two blocks from me in Glencoe; we had recently met at a church social, and I had started to date her. We stayed at a motel near her for a few days and then turned around and drove back. We found some moonshine whiskey in Kentucky and bought a few gallons to share with our fraternity brothers at a profit.

Academic backsliding persisted in my junior year. I was having too much fun outside of class and didn’t find the class work exciting enough to demand more than minimal attention. I became house treasurer, which took care of all my fraternity expenses of forty-five dollars a month, and eliminated waiting on tables and cleaning pots. Now all my meals were with my fraternity brothers.

My job included hiring the cook and janitor. The latter had a room in the house next to the kitchen. He was a black fellow named Al Rivers. I had to work with the cook on a menu that would be acceptable and not cost more than eighty cents a day per person. Again, I was elected to the Student Senate and received a pass to all activities . . .

Edward Malerich '38

Edward Marion Malerich, former Mayor of Lincoln, IL from 1965-1981, passed away June 21, 2012 at St. Clara's Manor in Lincoln, Illinois. He is survived by his wife Virginia and their five children, ten grandchildren, two great-grandchildren and his two sisters.

Born Marion Edward on July 7, 1916, he graduated from Lincoln High School where he was active on both the football and basketball teams, he attended the U. of I., majoring in Industrial Engineering. After graduating, Malerich worked at International Harvester, where he was also a statistician for the Moline Plows, a minor league baseball team associated with the Chicago Cubs, and at Caterpillar.

He married Virginia House on November 4, 1939, and they later settled in Lincoln. Volunteering for the Navy in 1943, he served as an Engineering Officer during WWII on a PCE 868. In 1946, Malerich returned to Lincoln, going into the dry cleaning business with his father and brother, **James Malerich '44**, with whom he also crop dusted. In 1964 he was elected Mayor of Lincoln and served in office from 1965-1981. He retired from his job as Business Administrator for the Lincoln State Prison in 1981. Ed was a member of the First Presbyterian Church of Lincoln, where he served as Deacon and Elder. He was preceded in death by his parents and brother.





Eugene S. “Gene Kwas” Kwasniewski ’46

Brother Kwas” died Nov. 16, 2012, in his home in Austin, Texas. He is survived by his wife, Lillian; one daughter; one grandson; and his nieces and nephews. Gene Kwas, to all who knew and loved him, was born Eugene Stanley Kwasniewski on Oct. 14, 1922, and though he couldn’t speak English until second grade, athletic ability earned him many sports letters in Evanston Township H.S. His strength was speed, breaking the 100-yard dash time in high school in under 10 seconds, bettering Jim Thorpe’s record. He received a football scholarship to the University of Illinois.

WWII interrupted college, sending him to the Air Force. A bombardier at age 19, he was taught how to fly a B-17, and was off to Bari, Italy. With the war over, Gene resumed his career as a football halfback, with a win against UCLA in the ‘47 Rose Bowl. Gene earned a law degree in 1950, then practiced law in Peru to be close to his college sweetheart. Gene married Lillian Marie Forcht in 1950, a happy 63-year union. Gene joined the FBI and later joined Allstate for a 28-year career. Retiring to Austin in 1984, Gene passed the Texas Bar first in the class over recent UT graduates and hoped to set up shop, then decided a better goal was to play golf with friends.



Herbert R. Jackson, Jr. ’48

Brother Jackson, Jr., age 91, passed away on Sunday, Aug. 12, 2012. Formerly of Frankfort and Flossmoor, IL; devoted husband for 52 years to the late Alice E. (nee Gainer) Jackson. Mr. Jackson is survived by his six children; and many grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

He proudly served in the Army Air Corps during WWII was shot down on July 19, 1943 and was a POW in Germany until his release on May 30, 1944. He married Alice Eileen Gainer on Nov. 26, 1948 in Danville, IL. Herbert graduated from the U. of I. and remained a strong supporter of it and Psi U throughout the years. He worked for IBM & Simplex before starting his own successful fire alarm company, Affiliated Systems, in Downers Grove, IL. He was a former member of St. Anthony’s parish in Frankfort and Olympia Fields Country Club. He enjoyed golf, watching football, attending U of I games, and spending time at their Ft. Lauderdale, FL condo at the beach, pool and playing Yahtzee.

Theodore R. “Ted” Ranney ’48

Brother Ranney, 89, passed away March 4, 2012 in Greeley, Colorado. He was born on Nov. 9, 1922, in Chicago and grew up in the Beverly Hills section of Chicago. Ted attended University of Colorado in Boulder for a year before being drafted into WWII in 1943. He served in the Army’s 86th Infantry Division, Company D, 342 Regiment - The “Blackhawks” - and was honorably discharged in 1946 as a first sergeant.

After discharge, Ted attended the U. of I. where he was a member of Psi U. Ted married Margaret Katherine Alcock on Nov. 26, 1949. Ted started skiing with the whole family at age 38 and he skied until 79. Marge introduced him to tennis, and together they were active players. He drifted into retirement with a motor home in which he and Marge drove well over 100,000 miles visiting national parks.

In 1992, Ted and Marge moved to Greeley, CO and maintained their active lifestyle until Marge became ill with Alzheimer’s. Ted was a devoted husband, who personally cared for his wife at home until her death in 2006. Ted’s health declined during his care-giving years. After her death, he spent most of his social time with family, friends and his R.O.M.E.O. group – Retired Old Men Eating Out. Ted is survived by his five children, 10 grandchildren, six great-grandchildren, and his brother, Lynn. He was preceded in death by his wife, parents, two brothers and a sister.

Arthur “Art” Andrew ’50

Art passed away peacefully at his home on St. Thomas, in the company of his loving wife of 45 years, Toya Andrew and son Skip Williams, on Aug. 10, 2012. He is survived by his wife, their children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren. Art was born in St. Louis City, Mo., on June 12, 1931 and was a graduate engineer of the U. of I. After college, he went into the Navy and became an Underwater Demolition Team (UDT) “Frogman,” the first Navy Seals. He was deployed to St. Thomas and fell in love with it. After the service he married and moved to St. Thomas in 1957. Art engineered, designed, constructed and inspired many homes and facilities on St. Thomas including Lionel Roberts Stadium.

In 1967, Art married Toya and her three children and together they had one. Art continued to be a forward thinking engineer as he designed and built Coral World among many other projects. He loved diving and spear fishing and when ear problems arose, he took up sailing, winning the first





V.I. gold in the Central American Games in 1975. He was the V.I. Finn class sailor at the 1976 Olympics.

Art was always sharing his knowledge, experience and wry sense of humor to help people. Art with son Skip taught many Boy Scouts how to sail sunfish. He was a founding member of the V.I. Toastmasters, a charter member of the St. Thomas Yacht Club, a long standing member of the V.I. Ham Radio Club and the V.I. Historical Trust and Engineers Assoc. Art was a local television star in the 50s, when TV came on at 5 p.m. and went off at 11 p.m. They had a group that played Charades. He has been many things to many people and he has always been charming, fun, humble and a gentleman.

Walter Hamilton Lloyd III '52

Walter Hamilton Lloyd III, age 81 of Reedsburg died on Thursday, February 16, 2012. He was born on December 13, 1930 in Westlake, OH the son of Walter H. II and Lorraine (Hughs) Lloyd. He was married to Sandy Shelton on October 15, 1976 in St. Louis, MO. Walter was an avid reader, he enjoyed coin collecting, gun collecting, flying, woodworking, traveling and boating. He also was involved with helping teach boater safety classes. He was preceded in death by his parents, his siblings, Margaret, Hugh and Lorraine. He is survived by his wife, three children, and numerous great grandchildren and nieces.

William E. “Bill” Cofel '53

Brother Cofel passed away Saturday, February 23, 2013 in Boynton Beach, Florida. Brother Cofel was born September 28, 1931 in Chicago. He married Ann Healey September 6, 1953 at the Federated Church of Paxton. She survives. He is also survived by one daughter; six grandchildren; four great grandchildren; one sister; a brother-in-law, **John (Ann) Healey '58** of Loda; two nephews and one niece. He was preceded in death by his parents and one son, William.

Featured in the 2010 *Arrow*, Brother Cofel graduated from South Shore H.S. in 1949 and from the U. of I. He served in the U.S. Army 1954-56 and afterward went to work with his father-in-law and was soon joined by his brother-in-law and fellow Omicron, **John Healey '58** in Loda Poultry. They were later joined by Robert Thorstenson in the Kentucky Fried Chicken franchise. He retired from Loda Poultry where he was both President and Operations Manager.

He was a member of the Federated Church of Paxton, the President’s Council and Foundation of the U. of I., Paxton Chamber of Commerce, Paxton Rotary Club and Chairman of the Paxton United Fund. He received the Honorary I in 1982. He was president of the Quarterback Club, Lakeview Country Club, Property Owners Association at Quail Ridge, FL, National Independent Food and Poultry Distribution Association. In 1986 he was National Independent Food and Poultry Distribution Association Man of the Year.

Bill enjoyed golfing and traveling. He was an avid Illini football and basketball fan and Chicago White Sox fan. Memorials may be made to the William E. and Ann Healey Cofel Scholarship U of I Foundation, Federated Church of Paxton, PBL Education Foundation or an organization of the donor’s choice.

Thomas H. Swanson '54

Thomas H. Swanson, Sr., age 81, passed away May 1, 2013; beloved husband of the late Dolores Swanson; loving father of Thomas Howard Swanson, Jr., Julia (Jeffery) Rutt and Michael Richard (Deborah Madsen) Swanson; cherished grandfather of Jeffery Rutt, Melissa Rutt and Karen Rutt, Michael and Bryan Swanson, great-grandfather of Jacob Rutt; dear brother of Jane (John) Keller and the late Shirley (John) Wickman.

Julius “Jerry” Monterastelli '67

Brother Monterastelli passed away July 8, 2012. He was born on April 24, 1943, the child of Julius and Rose Monterastelli Johnson. On May 20, 1972, he received the gift of his life-long companion and wife, June. He was blessed with the gift of sons, Michael and Shawn, of a daughter-in-law, Lynsey, and granddaughters, Kate, Tessa, and baby Monterastelli. He was preceded in death by his father, Julius, and his younger brothers, Steven and Lawrence.

He served as an urban forester with the Missouri Department of Conservation. He retired to Springfield in 2003 and used his forestry skills to serve part-time with Greene County Parks and Recreation and then with Springfield Public Works.





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DESCRIPTION	START	FINISH
Demolition of Existing plumbing & slab floors	05/27/13	05/31/13
Under Slab Plumbing	06/10/13	06/14/13
Concrete floor pour and framing walls & ceilings	06/24/13	06/26/13
Rough In Plumbing above slab work	06/27/13	06/28/13
Electrical Rough In Including (demo & new work)	06/27/13	06/28/13
Bath fan exhaust ducting	06/28/13	06/28/13
Inspection of electrical and plumbing and framing	07/01/13	
Drywall ceiling hanging, taping, and finish	07/02/13	07/09/13
Plywood sheathing on interior walls	07/03/13	07/08/13
Installation of hollow metal frames and doors	07/08/13	07/10/13
Painting ceiling (varnish slat wall off site)	07/10/13	07/11/13
Cement board walls and floating floor slopes pre-tile work	07/11/13	07/15/13
Tile installation	07/16/13	07/23/13
Painting doors, and frames	07/16/13	07/17/13
Install open shelves, vanity support and vanity top	07/24/13	07/25/13
Install slat wall	07/29/13	07/30/13
Plumbing trim out	07/26/13	07/29/13
Electrical trim out	07/30/13	07/31/13
Installation final hardware on doors, bath accessories, partition doors	07/31/13	08/02/13
Final cleaning and punch list items	08/05/13	08/09/13



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