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Welcome to the latest edition of the Garnet & White!

We have adopted a new format as we continue to grow and expand our new brand presence as a Fraternity and Foundation. We have adopted a more traditional magazine layout with an electronic flip book format for ease of use.

Like what you see or have any suggestions? Drop a like to Staff at hq@alphachirho.org.

On the cover:

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Check www.alphachirho.org for updates.

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Article Submission

At the Garnet & White, we are always looking for content from Graduate and Resident Brothers! Please send Chapter or individual news to editor@alphachirho.org so we can publish them in upcoming editions!

WHAT'S NEW: The Garnet & White

Brothers,

Welcome to the new format of the Garnet & White! We remained an electronic format and have improved upon our previous model by making future editions one file. Currently we are hosted on a free, third party software site. Once we have continued our branding initiative and finished our new web layout, this magazine will be integrated with the system.

On a side note, we are currently in the process of digitizing our old Garnet & White editions to be searchable PDFs. This will also be added to our new website and allow for Chapters to research our Rich History! We have a lot going on, and I would like to thank everyone who has been patient during our growing pains. Enjoy the issue!

In The Bond,

David Luckenbill
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Omega Phi (LaSalle University) '05
Editor, Graduate Councillor



LSI 2012 was held at the Ramapo College of New Jersey, which is home to our Xi Chi Phi Chapter. Photographs of the event will be spread throughout this issue of the Garnet & White to highlight various events for those unable to attend.



From The President's Pen



I would like to welcome back the students to a new semester. I hope it starts off on the right foot, and that rush is successful in bringing in new members who believe, as we believe, in the true meaning of brotherhood. Please remember to download and provide to potential new members the one page factsheet that gives those considering joining the Fraternity basic and important facts. If there is anything you need from the Council members or the staff, please do not hesitate to reach out. Whether you need assistance in finances, postulant education, managing your houses, setting up philanthropic events, or just talking through difficult times you may be going through, we have the resources to assist you. Your successes are our successes, and true Brothers are there for you in times of need. And please remember to

focus early on your classes. Getting a good start on your classes can make the difference between that elusive A and something less.

Last time I wrote we discussed an ongoing effort to refine the brand and image of our Fraternity. I don't have anything major to report, but know the effort is ongoing and you will begin seeing some changes starting with the presentation of this edition of the G & W.

I'd like to share with you the recent problems we've had at the Penn State Chapter. Late in the spring semester we were notified by the borough of State College that our rental permit for the Chapter house was being suspended. This was almost entirely in part to a lack of communication between the borough of State College, the property association and the undergrads. Believe me when I say that with all that has transpired at Penn State over the last 10 months, the potential of losing the Chapter was the last thing I needed or wanted. During the summer we met with the borough manager, code officials and the police department and appealed the suspension notice with the agreement that we would develop and monitor a corrective action plan. We subsequently held a retreat with the office of Fraternity and Sorority Life on campus and hopefully are on our way to getting back into the good graces of the college and borough. This situation could have resulted in the closing of the Chapter had several alumni not become involved.

What I'd like to point out is that we are vulnerable if we do not care for the Fraternity and the Chapters. Through the efforts of many volunteers and the hard work from the staff, our Fraternity is doing well, but it could always be better. Progress is being made on many fronts; and if you've ever said I'll get involved later, I'm here to tell you that later is now. Get involved.

Lastly, and along the lines of improving communications I've ventured once again out of my comfort zone and registered a Twitter handle. My intent is to post items which will allow those following to stay in touch with what the Fraternity is doing. So as they say "follow me on Twitter" [@AXP_Vic](#)

All the best to you and your families, I remain

In the Bond,
Vic

LSI 2012 Recap

The Alpha Chi Rho Educational Foundation presented this year's scholarships at the 2012 Leadership Scholarship Institute held at Ramapo College. These scholarships are awarded to both undergraduates and graduates based on academic achievement, leadership and community service. The Foundation was proud to support and encourage the following Brothers for demonstrating achievement in all of these areas.

Graduate Scholarships

Donald F. Jones Scholarship – Brendan Carr

- Binghamton University – Bachelor of Science – May 2012
- Binghamton University – Master of Science – May 2013
- Interning with Ernst & Young – summer 2012
- Brendan wrote: "It is my hope and duty to one day be able give back to the organization that has already played such a pivotal role in my growth as a person, a student, and as a professional thus far in my life."

Stanley G. Bedford Scholarship – Paul Flanigan

- LaSalle University – May 2008
- Temple University – Ph.D. in Chemistry – December 2013
- After graduation, teach/work in pharmaceutical industry or continue research
- Published two papers and two manuscripts in progress
- Volunteers in House of Hope and Peace Program, which works with underprivileged inner city children
- A professor wrote: "Mr. Flanigan is an extraordinary researcher and has discovered an important new method to analyze materials ... He is one of the best graduate students that I have seen in my career."

Wilbur M. "Curly" Walden Scholarship – Joshua Kramer

- Temple University – May 2012 – Major: Accounting
- Masters of Accountancy – August 2013
- Selected for the Pennsylvania Institute of Certified Public Accountants Outstanding Senior of the Year Award
- A professor wrote: "Josh's personality, eagerness to learn, strong academic performance, focus and leadership skills are the characteristics of someone who will achieve success in public accounting."

F. Prescott Hammond Scholarship – Brett Taylor

- TCNJ – Bachelor of Arts and Education – May 2011
- Columbia University Teachers College – Masters in Cognitive Studies in Education – December 2012
- Summers 2009 – 2011 – Producer and Programmer of Scrape at Riversound Media
- Brett wrote: "Understanding the psychology behind learning is the path I chose with the goal to become the most well-rounded game designer I could. I design cognitively stimulating games with the goal of expanding players' minds and making people think and feel smart."

CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

In the 21st chapter of the New Testament Book of Revelation, the One sitting on the throne declares "Behold, I make all things new." In the halls of academia, there is always that sense of newness in September. At least, that sense exists in the classrooms of college campuses. What about in your Chapter house or your Chapter meeting space?

Some Chapters of our Fraternity have developed bad habits over the years and even after a summer break, come back to campus to recreate those habits, thinking that is the normal way to do things in Alpha Chi Rho. In spite of all the information and warnings that the National staff has shared with Chapters, alcohol abuse continues to be a problem in some of our Chapters. In spite of legal prohibitions, hazing continues as a regular practice in some Chapters. In spite of our revered Landmarks, there are Chapters where Brothers speak ill of other Brothers. None of these is normal for an Alpha Chi Rho Chapter or an Alpha Chi Rho man.

If you see yourself, or your Chapter, in any of the previous words, make this fall a chance to do something new. Make a commitment to your Chapter that when you say "Once a Crow, always a Crow!" it means something more than a semester of commitment, or a few years of commitment. When a disgruntled alumni Brother, upset over behaviors of the past, finds out that his Chapter is engaged in an intentional program of improvement, he will realize that "...always a Crow" pertains to him once again. When your Chapter works at creating an atmosphere of true Brotherhood and concern for each other, rather than being just a party place, it creates a welcome not just for today, but for the future as well.

One of the commonalities of all the world religions is the celebration of the human dignity of each person on this earth. Christian, Jew, Muslim – all seek to find ways to celebrate the gifts and talents of each person and find ways to use those gifts and talents for the improvement of all humanity. Our Fraternity was founded within religious ideals, ideals that through the years have transcended one denomination and have found ways to make our Fraternity open and welcoming to all men who see the potential of being an Alpha Chi Rho man. We see beyond the outer, superficial aspects of men and look into their hearts and very souls to build the bonds of Brotherhood that have kept us going since 1895.

One of the definitions of insanity is "doing the same thing over and over again and expecting different results." This fall may be a good time for your Chapter to examine itself and see if there are some things that could be changed – changed for the better. Is it time to make some things new in your Chapter?

Brother Pastor David Jost
National Chaplain
Eta Phi (Gettysburg College)



A VIEW FROM THE ROAD



Submitted by
Brother Ryan Thomas, Leadership Consultant
Beta Phi (Rutgers University)

As I spent my final few hours at headquarters before I hit the road for the fall semester, I tried to think of everything I might need to take with me. This actually turned out to be a difficult task because I wanted to keep the luggage to a minimum, but also ensure that I had everything that I needed. It was at this point that a slight nervousness settled over me, the likes of which I have never felt before. Every year, school had always been a constant in my life and there were always aspects of this life that I could always count on to be there. This year was different, however, since I would be starting this new chapter of my life where I would be living out of my car. I had a mix of emotions that ranged from excitement, all the way to apprehension. After walking through headquarters for the fiftieth time and thinking of every possible scenario I might encounter on the road, I decided it was time to begin this voyage and leave Neptune, New Jersey behind.

I headed out to York College of Pennsylvania for my very first visit. The entire ride I was feeling very antsy because I had no idea what to expect. As I arrived at my destination, I was immediately greeted by some of the Brothers and made to feel right at home. I met with the President of the Chapter and the school's Greek Advisor almost immediately upon my arrival and the men are in a great position to become one of the school's best Greek organizations. The experience I had at York was amazing and it was all because each and every Brother took the time to meet me individually and include me in their day-to-day activities.

After a very successful visit to York, I then headed off to Gettysburg College. I had never been to Gettysburg, so the history of the area was overwhelming. Just as at York, the men of Gettysburg were very receptive to me and included me in whatever activities they were participating in throughout the day. They have a much larger Chapter than York, so it took me a little bit longer to get to know the Brothers, but once again I had a great time. The Brothers are going through a time of transition, where they are getting themselves back on track, but the men are all committed and should emerge stronger than ever. The history of the AXP house was truly astounding; they have paintings on the walls that are decades old. As my time in Gettysburg came to an end, I was eager to see where my travels would lead me next, and also get out of the unbearable humidity of the region!

I headed for Shippensburg University as the next school on my list. According to my gps, I was less than a mile from my destination, but all I saw was farms for as far as my eye could see. I began to wonder if the school was disguised as a barn, or if I was just completely lost. Right when I was starting to feel a little panic settle in, a little town popped up out of nowhere! Once again, the men were very receptive to me and I had yet another great visit! The men are doing awesome in terms of academics, community service, and philanthropy. The Greek Advisor at the school had nothing but great things to say about the men. The only thing that these men were struggling with was ideas for recruitment. We worked hard over the course of my visit to formulate an aggressive recruitment plan and I am confident that the men of Shippensburg will be very successful in achieving our goals.

My next stop took me all the way over to Penn State. The ride to PSU was quite an experience. I traveled Route 74 and it felt like I was on a rollercoaster. As I traveled over the mountain pass, there were times

A VIEW FROM THE ROAD CONTINUED

(continued from page 7) ... that the drop on the other side of a hill was so steep that I was not entirely sure whether or not I was driving off of a cliff. Needless to say, I came through unscathed and finally arrived in Happy Valley. Similar to Gettysburg, the history at the AXP Penn State house is truly amazing. The house was remarkably clean upon my arrival and I was impressed with the pride the men showed in keeping the house in top shape. My meeting with the Greek Advisor, Doctor Baker, was great and he seems very excited about the initiative the men are showing this semester. I was also in attendance for a BBQ rush event that was incredibly successful. At just this one event, the men had over 142 potential new members stop by the house!

The morning after the Penn State rush event, I headed for Lock Haven. As I got further along in my trip, I noticed that the mountains were growing much larger and the surrounding area was getting much more wooded. It was incredible to see the diversity of terrain that Pennsylvania has to offer, but also how quickly the terrain changes. The men of Lock Haven do not have an actual Chapter house, but they rent numerous off campus houses. The men here, just as all of the other schools, really made me feel welcome and I had another great visit. The men are doing great in terms of service and philanthropy and the school views them as leaders in these areas. The only issue that these men face is improving the overall GPA of the chapter. Throughout my visit, we came up with different tactics and incentives to see that this goal is reached. I now head back to Philadelphia for the next week and look forward to the challenges that await me!

CHAPTER CORRESPONDENCE

Pi Phi (Robert Morris University)

The Brothers of the Pi Phi Chapter would like to welcome back all of the Brothers in all the Chapters to the fall of 2012 semester. The Pi Phi chapter this semester has a lot of rush events both planned and completed. So far the recruits seem to be great guys and fit in well with the current brothers here at Robert Morris. We have already had dodge ball, basketball and a "Meet the Greeks" event. Upcoming we still have our smoker and a mixer with one of the Sororities on campus. We are trying to keep the alumni involved with the younger brothers and to do this we are inviting all of the past alumni to come tailgate at a pig roast with us at the homecoming football game. We will be spending time planning the annual Crow Ball basketball tournament to be held in spring of 2013.

-Alex Guckes of the Pi Phi Chapter of Alpha Chi Rho

Brothers, this past Summer I had the experience to go to China for my senior year project at WPI. During my seven week project I designed a new shipping rack for Caterpillar Inc. During my free time I was also able to enjoy the Chinese culture and quite a few famous sights.

The food and Chinese culture were incredible. I was able to experience some odd foods like jellyfish, duck blood, liver, intestines, and snake. All of the food was excellent and very different to the normal Chinese food stateside. The culture was fun but could cause problems. One such example was cheering. I went to dinner with one of our group partner's families. At such a dinner, all hosts (15 people) had to cheers the guests (5 of us). Each cheers we had to drink about 4oz of wine, which was painful towards the end.



I was also able to travel to other cities during my trip. My shenanigans outside Wuhan included visiting a police equipment shop and defying gravity in Hangzhou (right photo). Finally, I got to meet some fellow college students who were great partners for my project (bottom photo).

If you would like more pictures, a 30 page journal of all my experiences, or just a random question, email me at allenr912@gmail.com.

Robert Allen
AXP ΔΣΦ 912
Resident Councillor

SOUTHER CONNECTICUT ALUMNI CLUB!

Wednesday, October 17, 2012

From 6PM to 8PM

The event will be held at the Bear and Grill Restaurant at 385 Boston Post Road (Rt 1), Orange, CT 06477. Please RSVP online at www.alphachirho.org or by contacting National headquarters.

PACE UNIVERSITY CHARTERING!

Saturday, October 20, 2012

Time to be determined

The chartering will be held on the Pleasantville, NY campus of PACE University. More details can be obtained at the www.alphachirho.org website or by contacting National headquarters.



(above) Members of the PACE Colony pictured after receiving word of their approval for Chartering with National President Brother Victor Ramos and Brother Ryan Barck.



LSI 2012 RECAP CONTINUED

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Undergraduate Scholarships

Paul K. Addams Scholarship – Jeffrey Crooks

- Robert Morris University – May 2013 – BA Communications
- President of Society for Collegiate Journalists
- Assistant News Editor of school newspaper
- Summer 2011 Press Intern for US Senator Bob Casey
- Summer 2012 Intern with the Democratic National Senatorial Election Committee.
- Jeffrey wrote: "I am a hard worker who is dedicated to many things, especially the bonds I have with my fraternity."

Donald F. Jones Undergraduate Scholarship – Brett Little

- SUNY Geneseo – December 2012 – Major: Accounting
- Volunteer – Income Tax Assistance Program
- Multiple leadership and development awards
- An office manager wrote: "As a summer intern, I have found Brett to be hardworking, dedicated and conscientious ... He exemplifies the morals, intelligence and ambitiousness that every college should strive for in their students."

James McFadden Scholarship – Kevin Poplaski

- Gettysburg College – May 2013 – BA in Economics
- Vice President, President – Economics Honor Society
- Summers 2010 – 2012 Business Analyst at Liberty Mutual
- An assistant professor wrote: "Mr. Poplaski is a very resilient person. For someone that experienced a family tragedy in the middle of the school year and still performed is the most powerful signal of the will and determination to succeed ... He is very humble, respectful, and extremely open-minded. He possesses a very outgoing personality."

Richard V. Olson Scholarship – Derrick Wells

- Robert Morris University – Spring 2014 – BA in Biomedical Engineering
- Plans to attend either graduate or medical school
- Student Program Board, Freshman Mentor, Biomedical Engineering Society
- An officer of the Fraternity wrote: "Derrick possesses the right mix of academic discipline, personality, and leadership that one would be looking for in a candidate for a scholarship ... I feel that Derrick has really proven to us his intrinsic worth and has made us all more humble and appreciative for what we have in life."

John C. Enk Scholarship – Jesse Wolfe

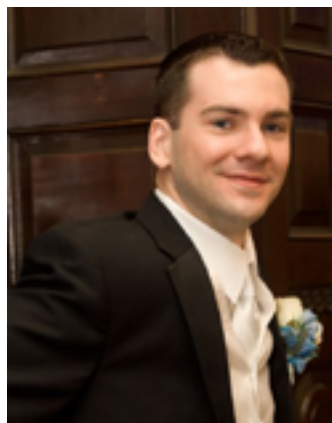
- Penn State – Spring 2014
- Bachelor Major: Psychology – Neuroscience option
- Information Technologies Intern – summers 2009 and 2010
- Support / Coronary Unit Intern Fall 2011
- The Director of a psychiatric rehabilitation program wrote: "Jesse spent 3 ½ months as an intern in our program ... He worked to support members in their recovery process. In doing so, he was exposed to persons with a wide array of mental health diagnoses. Everyone found him to be mature, professional, and patient. He demonstrated good judgment and initiative."

Charles W. Coughlan Scholarship – Derek Stack

- NYIT – 2014 - Bachelor of Science – Mechanical Engineering

R.B. Stewart Undergraduate Man of the Year Scholarship – Steven Heiss

- University of Illinois – May 2013 – Business Honors Program at the College of Business
- Won two Ernst & Young national accounting case competitions
- Studied international business culture in both Turkey and Germany
- Assisted foreign exchange students in registration, housing and general adaptation to the United States
- Led a sustainability research project and received a \$10,000 grant to create a large-scale community and education garden in a depressed neighborhood
- Ongoing restoration of historical documents including photos and chapter newsletters
- Active communication with alumni and holding alumni events
- Steven wrote: "I have learned what it means to be a true friend, a Brother, a scholar, and a citizen. I am certainly proud of what I've accomplished in the six semesters of Brotherhood, but to be completely honest, I'm much more excited about the lifetime of memories with my Brothers and friends that lie ahead after graduation."



Pictured above are Scholarship winners Brother Steven Heiss (left), Brother Paul Flanigan (center) and Brother Jeffrey Crooks (right).

SAVE THE DATE FOR CONVENTION 2013!

Brothers,

The location and dates for the 2013 Alpha Chi Rho Convention have been decided!

It will be held at the Kingston Plantation Resort in sunny Myrtle Beach, South Carolina on August 8th through the 13th!

The resort's website shows some of the great amenities and area attractions for those of you who have not been to Myrtle Beach.

More information will be available in the coming weeks, including a special reservation link to lock in with our group rate. We hope to see you there!



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