

The SALTINE SIG



Finding & Connecting with Your Alumni Brothers

Over recent *Saltine Sigs*, we have encouraged you to connect with your Psi Psi and Sigma Chi alumni brothers. Many of you have missed out on the unique personal and professional advantages of being a Psi Psi of Sigma Chi. So, this issue is focused on what you have missed and on the continuing benefits to being connected.

In this issue, Sigma Chi Executive Director Mike Church addresses and helps us deal with the current rash of unacceptable fraternity behavior on college campuses. Elsewhere, you will read about life and accomplishments of our current undergrads—this will make you proud to be Sigma Chis. There is a full section of alumni updates. Read, enjoy, and experience the unique lifelong bond of brotherhood, which it is never too late to start enjoying.

First of all, by the numbers: you have over **1,300 Psi Psi alumni** brothers with which to connect and over **245,000 Sigma Chis**. You have brothers everywhere: near where you live (see the top-10 Psi Psi states below), in your professions, and sharing your interests or lifestyles. Isn't it time that you reached out to your big or little brother, your decade grads, or simply the many Psi Psis or thousands of Sigma Chis who live near you.

TOP 10 STATES WITH PSI PSI BROTHERS:

New York: 348	Pennsylvania: 72
Massachusetts: 149	Connecticut: 62
New Jersey: 103	Maryland: 36
California: 77	Virginia: 28
Florida: 76	Illinois: 26

To learn about the thousands of Sigma Chi brothers and the **Sigma Chi alumni chapter** near you (there are 116), check out Sigma Chi National's website: sigmachi.org. If you live in the **NYC area**, check out nycsig.org.

If you want help in finding specific Psi Psi brothers or learning about the Sigs near you, let me know (poldham405@aol.com).

Now is a great time to be a Psi Psi and a Sigma Chi!

Phil Oldham, ΨΨ'66
Saltine Sig Editor

What's Happening This Summer in the House Corporation

Most of my updates pertain to the well-being of the physical house and the status of the house corporation's custodianship over the property we own to benefit the undergraduates who enjoy the house at 737 Comstock Avenue. This time, I write about the gradual enlargement of the SU campus, which soon will encapsulate the mid-700 block of Comstock Avenue. Back in the day, Comstock had Greek housing on both sides of the street, as well as along most of College Place. Today, the SU Life Sciences Complex occupies most of the west side of the block, taking up over a dozen houses formerly in its place.

Like most of you, I received the SU magazine (sumagazine.syr.edu) and then an email, within which were coverage of the master plan emerging for the next round of expansion of the SU campus (campusframework.syr.edu/wp-content/uploads/2016/06/June-Campus-Framework-PDF.pdf). As I scanned the master plan, I had the very eerie feeling, with two new dorms being proposed along Ostrom Avenue, directly behind us, that the property we own was suddenly encapsulated within the campus and was no longer at its perimeter. Given the disappearance of Greek housing across the street from us, it made me feel like we are next to go. There is even talk by SU of mandating a three-year obligation to live in SU-owned housing, which would be devastating.

So with this in mind, I felt it was appropriate to reach out to our remaining neighbors along Comstock. I am hoping we can work with our common interest in preserving the Greek housing heritage we are a part of for the generations to come. My sense is that we can probably have a more powerful presence, acting together rather than individually. So far, I have only heard from three Greek housing property owners. Even so, I will continue the outreach.

So, with all of this in mind, it compels me to encourage alumni to increase your participation in supporting the well-being of Psi Psi Chapter. And by this, I mean that you need to come back to reunions, contribute to Derby

Days fund-raising solicitations, find ways to get involved with our ritual where alumni participation is needed, and stay connected with the chapter. If you make donations to SU, earmark them for Greek-related activity, and make it well known that you support the Greek system at SU. Sadly, if you don't, I fear our days are numbered here at SU. We all share a very common bond, which begins with our common ritualistic experience and grows with the friendships we established at 737 Comstock Avenue and have enjoyed over our lifetimes.

Guard well the honor of the cross, my brothers.

IHSV,
Hank Suominen, ΨΨ'74
President and Treasurer
737 Comstock Avenue, Inc.
(a.k.a. House Corp.)



The Future of Fraternities and Sigma Chi*

Much has been reported recently about extreme and unfathomable undergraduate fraternity events and the future of fraternities themselves. While some of it is deserved, the vast majority of undergrad fraternity chapters focus on a positive experience, preparing brothers for successful post-grad lives. This is particularly true with Sigma Chi.

As Sigma Chis, we know that our fraternity is a special, social, character- and leadership-development, experience that permeates throughout the duration of our lives. It provides undergraduates, fresh from the structure of home and high school, with the balance of social development and interaction and academic and personal challenge. **This experience is supported by an international fraternity, the alumni, and the undergraduate leaders, all focused on chapter excellence and success for each brother.** This leaves no room for misguided practices of hazing or excessive social abuses.

The success of the Psi Psi Chapter, demonstrated by its social and academic position on the Syracuse campus, will always be the result of this three-way commitment. The commitment to Psi Psi and all of our Sigma

Chi undergraduate chapters needs to be constant and given without hesitation by each.

In this environment, in order to thrive well into the future, all Sigma Chis must be fully committed to the idea of living a life in accordance with our principles and being educated on our offerings so that we can, collectively, make a real impact on the world around us and, as a result, drive a different narrative about the value of fraternity life.

We need to demonstrate to our host institutions, to parents, and to the rest of the world that the Sigma Chi Fraternity experience is worthwhile for the current and next generation of students. To do that, we need to redefine what every Sigma Chi undergraduate experiences to make it truly meaningful and safe. The Preparation for Brotherhood (**P4B**) pledge-education program is the first step.

We need to demonstrate that the Sigma Chi Fraternity, through its world-class leadership-development programs, such as the **Balfour Leadership Training Workshop, the Jon M. Huntsman Horizons Leadership Summit, and many academic and support programs,** constantly seeks to build leadership and personal responsibility among its undergraduates.

We need to demonstrate that we are welcoming to diversity on our campuses, in our brotherhood, and in society at-large. **The Scobey Spirit Initiative** is the first step.

We need to provide **scholarships** to our young men to help make the escalating and prohibitive cost of higher education more affordable. To do that, we need more alumni paying it forward by providing monetary support to the **Sigma Chi Foundation.**

We need to embrace the challenges our undergraduates are having every day and own those challenges so that we can relieve some pressure on them. Our partnership with the **JED Foundation** and the curriculum that's coming out of that partnership, such as Sigma Chi Lifeline and our Strong Arms program, is the first step, and there are many more to follow.

Brothers, we are all working for the same common purpose, which will take us to a level of success that will absolutely ensure that our leadership in building successful undergraduate and alumni brothers is enduring and perpetual.

Michael J. Church
Executive Director

Sigma Chi Fraternity International Headquarters
* article edited with permission

A Psi Psi Picture Is Worth a Thousand Words

Check out your class composite on the **new Psi Psi website (psipsi.org),** going back to 1960. Below are 11 more reasons to check out the website.

1. See pictures of **737 Comstock** (past and present)
2. Join **the Alumni Chapter**
3. Update your **Psi Psi and National Sigma Chi profiles**
4. Read back issues of **The Saltine Sig** (all the way back to 2006)
5. Report your own alumni news for the next **Saltine Sig**
6. Check out who is on **Psi Psi Facebook** and join the connections
7. Start a discussion with your alumni brothers on the **discussion page**
8. Check out **upcoming events**, such as **Orange Central Reunion 2017: October 5–8**
9. We own our 737 Comstock Ave. chapter house; learn about your **House Corporation**
10. Meet the **current undergrad officers** and read their statements
11. And a bonus reason: check out current **undergrad expenses**

Another Project List Almost Complete

I took a quick road trip to 737 Comstock Avenue to check on the progress made on the summer 2017 projects (electrical rewiring of the second and third floors, fire-sprinkler extensions into all bedrooms, and a new fire-alarm system). Work is done, so we now focus on putting ceiling tiles back in place, painting, replacing carpet in the common area (wow, the stale aroma in a hot closed-up house was rough), relocating the sink and ice machine, fencing off the cut-thru in the rear parking lot, replacing a couple bathroom floors, replacing window blinds, and seriously cleaning. We are still working on a solution for an upgrade of the wireless internet service, which is lagging due to a lack of cooperation from Spectrum (for-

merly Time Warner). We hope that will get done in time for the house opening on August 25. Another ambitious summer-project list almost done! All the wear and tear from fraternity use takes its toll, yet all that considered, the house is serving us well.

You can see photos of our house on the Psi Psi Facebook page (www.facebook.com/groups/185906081488089/). They show the wear and tear over the last 80 years from the tough Syracuse climate. We need to start planning for an "exterior envelope" project, which will need to get done in the next 10 years.

IHSV, Hank Suominen, ΨΨ'74
President and Treasurer

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Seeking a Few Good Brothers...

Being a Psi Psi of Sigma Chi is a unique relationship, with lifelong personal and professional advantages. Yet too few of us are making the connections...or getting the benefits.

Today, we have the media options to make connections and share benefits: *The Saltine Sig*, the Psi Psi website, Facebook and social media...and brother-to-brother chat.

If you want to help make Sig connections, we are looking for a few alumni to

serve as the Psi Psi communications team: brothers who want to help build the systems and provide the information—that includes you, retired brothers with time...or tech-savvy recent grads. It would be great to have at least one brother from each half-decade class (1970–'74, 1975–'79, etc).

To be part of the Psi Psi communications team, simply respond with your interest and ideas to your *Saltine Sig* editor: Phil Oldham (poldham405@aol.com).

What Happens to My Annual Dues?

The Central New York Alumni Chapter Executive Committee (President Brad Short, VP John Trop, Treasurer Mike Yates, and Secretary Bill Gerbig) met recently to discuss this question. We agreed that our overall mission is to promote alumni interaction and involvement with the chapter and to grow the size and influence of the alumni chapter. Therefore, our budgeting needs to be done with that goal in mind.

Our largest single expense is with Elvate, formerly Stewart Howe, which manages our database. They are responsible for publishing and sending *The Saltine Sig* and other correspondence as necessary. Providing this service to fraternities and sororities is their specialty, and they have served us well over the years.

Remaining funds are divided between social, scholarship, and 737.

SOCIAL: Reconnecting and staying in touch with old friends is probably the number-one reason that we stay involved, and it greatly supports our mission. We recently decided that dues-paying members will not be charged for Homecoming or Clam Bake, and additional events can also be considered, subject to availability of funds. If you have an event in mind that supports our mission and would like us to consider a contribution to encourage involvement, please contact anyone on the executive committee.

SCHOLARSHIP: We have contributed to undergraduate scholarships through the house corporation in the past, primarily based on contribution to the undergradu-

ate chapter and need. Going forward, when awarding scholarships, we will consider what the individual has done to promote alumni involvement. Along with the house corporation, the alumni chapter has encouraged these efforts, and the scholarships allow us to emphasize their importance and to reward the initiative in support of our mission.

737: We all like to see a well-maintained and well-equipped chapter house when we visit 737 Comstock Ave. Improvements to the property or amenities that enhance our experience when we visit are also a good use of your annual dues and support our mission.

The dispersal of funds is not fixed and is based on the best opportunity to invest your contributions in what we feel to be your best interests. We welcome your feedback, input, or involvement in these decisions. If you are interested in serving on the executive committee or holding any of the four offices, please let us know.

We hope this will encourage you to continue with your annual contributions, increase the amount you contribute, or maybe add this to your budget if you have not been making an annual contribution. We appreciate your generosity and want you to know that, by contributing, you strengthen the alumni organization and its connection with the undergraduate chapter.

Bill Gerbig, ΨΨ'81
Secretary

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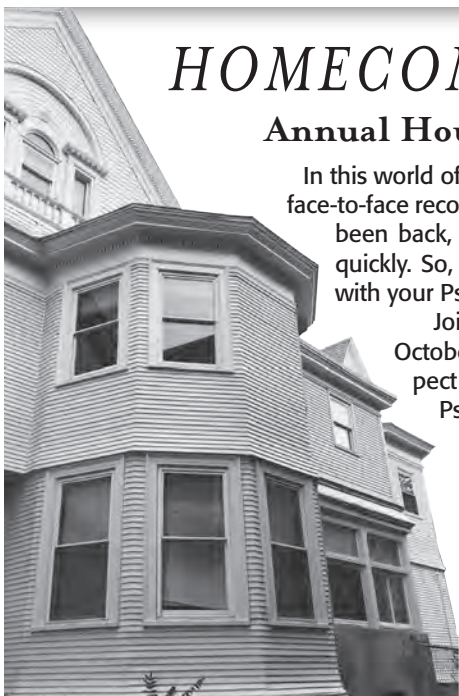
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HOMECOMING OCTOBER 5-8, 2017
Annual House Corp. & Alumni Meeting

In this world of electronic communications, nothing replaces face-to-face reconnection. If it has been a while since you have been back, you will find the memories come back very quickly. So, plan on being at 737 Comstock to meet up with your Psi Psi alumni and current undergrad brothers.

Join us for breakfast at the house on Saturday, October 7, and be part of the annual meeting. Expect a cookout after the game. Specific details on Psi Psi reunion events will be announced later and posted on the website. Just plan on being there. The members of your alumni board will be there to greet you.

Classes of 1967, '77, '87, '92, '07, '12, and of course '17, the university has big plans for you.

SU plays arch-rival Pittsburgh. Should be a great game and a great weekend on campus.

The State of the Chapter

CONSUL'S REPORT

The Psi Psi Chapter continues to thrive. This year has been a great one so far. We began with a very successful spring rush, taking in men we found worthy of wearing the White Cross. Recruitment has been something we pride ourselves on and we continue to excel in. We are excited for them to learn and to grow as young men in the coming years inside the doors of 737 Comstock Ave.

Our philanthropic efforts are still very strong. We began a nice tradition of holding the blood drive with the American Red Cross in the chapter house at 737 Comstock. We easily met the quota for number of participants, opening our doors to all of Greek life, as well as to the entire Syracuse University community. For our Derby Days philanthropy week this year, we set a goal of \$30,000 for the fight against cancer. This event has a significant impact on both the Greek and Syracuse communities, because we are able to come together to contribute funds for the Children's Miracle Network, the Upstate Golisano Children's Hospital, and the Huntsman Cancer Institute. Our newest pledge class also took time to give back to our community at the Good Samaritan Center here in Syracuse. Pledges spent time making multiple trips to assist those in need around our community by providing nutritious meals to the hungry.

Following the revamping of our kitchen staff, our chef, Smitty, has been doing a phenomenal job making sure that the men of Sigma Chi are well fed in his second semester at the helm. Having a good relationship with the cooking staff makes life much easier for everyone involved. He listens to suggestions and provides us with a great dining experience overall. We hope to have Smitty for years to come to ensure a wonderful experience for future brothers as well.

We have built a great relationship with Lisa, the house maintenance manager, who helps us in more ways than imaginable. Her hard work and dedication set us apart from other houses on this campus. She helps make sure things are in line for recruitment and makes sure she stays on top of any problems that might come our way.

Since Sigma Chi's original implementation of the online pledge learning program, P4B, we have really been able to work past the initial kinks and effectively applied the program to our pledge process. P4B was put in place to create a pledge program that every chapter can execute in the same way, giving all Sigma Chis the same experience no matter what chapter they were initiated at. It was done to better educate and to better protect the fraternity from things

like hazing and other problems the fraternity has seen in the past. In the second semester of running the program, we are extremely pleased to see the learning experience it provides to the new members awaiting initiation and the ease with which our magister has been able to translate the values and ritual of Sigma Chi through P4B.

We are excited to continue to grow with our chapter advisor, Mark Howard, who is now in his second semester at the reins of the Psi Psi Chapter. Mark was a tremendous help with the implementation of P4B last semester, and has been readily involved in our ritual practices and initiation ceremony. One thing we love is that Mark is a Psi Psi and understands the deep traditions of our house in particular. His help with initiation last semester made it one of the best I have seen yet. His dedication to the fraternity is shown in his work with the Binghamton Chapter, which underwent its formal initiation this past March. We thank Mark for his hard work and look forward to his continued time with our chapter.

The Psi Psi Chapter is in a great spot right now. We are starting to see consistency in all aspects of the house, which will make things easier for those with positions in the future. At Psi Psi, we hope to build an environment that is uplifting and inspiring, something that makes you want to be the best person and brother you can be. This energy is felt when you walk through the doors, through the different experiences every member brings to the table. I am eager to see the younger men step up and continue the amazing traditions we have here at 737.

In Hoc, Dante Sesti '18
Consul

PHILANTHROPY REPORT

At the helm of the Psi Psi Chapter's philanthropic efforts are two of our accomplished seniors: Sean Tandy and Brett Polinsky.

As our astute philanthropy chair, Sean Tandy has made tremendous strides in our traditional American Red Cross blood drive at 737 Comstock. Tandy once again strongly delivered, and the reciprocation from our own donors here at Psi Psi, as well as from the Greek and Syracuse University communities, enabled us to fully reach our quota. All 32 donors came through our doors with open arms, and the blood donated

will have the potential to save over 150 lives throughout the country.

Sean's influence has also inspired our newest pledge class; pledges have made multiple trips to Syracuse's local Good Samaritan Center. They were able to spend their time assisting those in need around the greater Syracuse community by providing hot meals to the hungry. We couldn't be prouder of their efforts and the initiative they showed as a pledge class to give back to our community.

The anticipation was building here at 737 Comstock as established senior and Derby Daddy Brett Polinsky did everything in his power to make April's Derby Days one of Psi Psi's finest. Our Derby Days offered a week-long philanthropic effort, involving various events and competitions that incorporated the Greek community here at Syracuse to raise as much money as possible for the fight against cancer. All donations went to The Children's Miracle Network, The Upstate Golisano Children's Hospital, The Huntsman Cancer Foundation, and a personal charity of meaning. We hope to break last year's chapter record of \$20,000 worth of donations, looking to exceed this total with a goal of over \$30,000 to be distributed among our charitable causes. A portion will specifically go to our triage suite in the Upstate Children's Hospital in honor of one of our fallen brothers, Jeffery Russ, and toward a plaque in the Psi Psi Chapter's name on the Huntsman Institute's Wall of Fame, which honors chapters across the country for their Derby Days contributions. Any contributions or donations can still be made at www.crowdrise.com/sigma-chi-syracuse-derby-days-2017/fundraiser/brettpolinsky.

IHSV, Corey Sandler '19
Chapter Editor
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The Psi Psi Chapter celebrating Derby Days, fall 2015.

The State of the Chapter

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RECRUITMENT REPORT

This year, our spring rush process was a remarkable success and made me extremely proud to be a Psi Psi. Being the recruitment chair as a senior, I wanted to make my mark, but I knew that this wouldn't be possible without every single brother contributing together. I made it known to the chapter how hard I had been working, from getting the rush shirts to setting up events, and in turn, the brotherhood proved to have my back, showing up in great numbers with energy and excitement day in and day out to ensure a great future for our house.

Every brother showed a sense of engagement with the rush process and went out of his way to talk to as many potential new members as possible. The interactions I saw and the reactions from all the kids rushing showed me that the brothers in the house embody the true values of Sigma Chi, and I couldn't be prouder. Bid day proved to be one of our most successful yet; we had 24 new members accept their bids: an excellent group of new young men who, I believe, will go on to be leaders in our house. I couldn't be happier with how our spring rush process went and the legacy I am able to leave behind with this next group of future Psi Psis.

Sam Linabury '17
Recruitment Chair

ACADEMIC REPORT

Going into last summer's Balfour Leadership Training Workshop (BLTW), one of the biggest goals of the chapter was to raise our house GPA. Prior to BLTW, our house GPA was a 3.1. Our goal for the 2016 fall semester was to raise our GPA to a 3.2.

At Balfour, we decided to mandate weekly study hours, as well as to monitor individual class grades. Those strategies helped us achieve and even exceed our goal raising the house GPA. We have elected to keep those same programs in place and aim to raise our house GPA even higher this semester heading into BLTW. Along with the house GPA, participation in the various scholarship opportunities offered has been very high, and we look forward to honoring those brothers who put in the hard work and dedication to achieve these great honors.

In Hoc, Hunter Acone '19
Pro Consul

BROTHERS ABROAD

"A New York minute is a Hong Kong second" were the first words uttered out of junior Dante Sesti's mouth while looking back on his time spent abroad last fall. Every semester here at 737 Comstock, we find a constant mix of brothers coming and going as they embark on adventures to foreign grounds. The experience is one of a kind for those venturing out to gain knowledge that cannot be achieved within the confines of the classroom.

This all became real for juniors Dante Sesti, Brandon Renick, Hindoveeh Etheridge-Bullie, Pat Doherty, and Matt Debonis, who spent their fall semester abroad in Hong Kong, China. Their time away enlightened them to the culture of the Eastern World as they immersed themselves in the sights, cuisine, and lifestyle of the city.

This expedition was not limited to just the city of Hong Kong, but extended over surrounding areas of China and destinations such as South Korea and Thailand. Pat Doherty, a brother in the Whitman School of Management here at Syracuse, made the most of his opportunity by taking on a business internship with a company located within the city. "Interning in a location like Hong Kong definitely offers its challenges, but it was such an extraordinary opportunity to be able to become familiar with foreign business principles in an emerging enterprise," said Doherty. This trip proved to be extremely worthwhile for all as they returned for the spring semester, offering accounts of their expedition.

We also look forward to the return of our fellow brothers Ian Fister, Bernardo Rodriguez, and Chris Seidel, who are currently away in Europe.

IHSV, Corey Sandler '19
Chapter Editor



Brothers Hindoveeh Etheridge-Bullie, Dante Sesti, Matt Debonis, Brandon Renick, and Patrick Doherty at the Great Wall of China



NYC-Area Sigma Chi Connect

The NYC-area Sigma Chi alumni chapter provides alumni connections to more than 10,000 Sigs living in New York City, northern New Jersey, Long Island, and the Lower Hudson Valley. At Slattery's, on 36th Street to the east of 5th Avenue, Psi Psi memorabilia adorn the second-floor walls. It is our any-day/any-time Sigma Chi home for all local and visiting Sigs. The Slattery's Sig sign welcomes all alumni.

NYC Sigs enjoy numerous other social events and service projects with other fraternities and sororities (currently connected with NYC ΔΓ's and Tri Deltas). The NYC Sig chapter has begun professional networking for Sigs in the advertising, finance, and media industries. I attended an advertising session, where I discovered the "degrees of Sigma Chi connection." Two of the Sigs I met (not Psi Psis) turned out to be personally connected to where I live or have lived, went to schools I attended, and had jobs related to either my wife or myself. On the professional side, both had connections that they were willing to make supporting two sports projects I represent. We have followed up and are building connections. Only by being there was it an evening well spent.

You can also check out our Syracuse hang-out: Marshall Street. (49th Street, east of 2nd Ave). So whether you live in the area or are just visiting, being a Sigma Chi / Psi Psi, you can feel right at home.

Psi Psi Alumni Send Their News

"Marilyn and I are enjoying our 69th and are still sweethearts for life," writes **Austin Cline '50**. He reports on a fellow Sigma Chi brother: "I had a pleasant surprise hearing from **Frank Smith '47**. Frank was a 'forester' with great credentials and a recalled naval officer who distinguished himself in the Pacific Theater. He is still married to his Sigma Chi sweetheart of college days." Reconnect with Austin at austincline@yahoo.com or at 44650 South St., Box B-8, Alexandria Bay, NY 13607.

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Psi Psi Alumni Send Their News

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Carl D. Bauer '51 writes, "We have been in a retirement community now for five years in Venice, Florida. At age 88, I am still pretty active, but had to give up skiing and tennis. Wife Alicia (80) attends to my failing memory, keeping the daily calendar, reminding me to take my meds. Be aware, memory loss is an insidious thing, includes 'geographic' loss—not knowing where I am or where we are going. Advice: keep physically and mentally active, diversify lifestyle, limit alcohol intake." Keep in touch at 920 Tamiami Trl. S, Apt. 351, Venice, FL 34285, or cbauer351@gmail.com.

Raymond P. "Swiz" Swierczynski '52 writes, "Graduated in '52 with a BFA in painting. Served a hitch in the U.S. Navy as an officer. Went to work in the men's wear and paper industries, then settled into a job as an art teacher in a public school system. Retired in 1990 after working for more than 40 years. With the support of my lovely wife, Ursula, I survived the onslaught of cancer and a heart attack. On January 21, I celebrated my 88th birthday." Congratulate him at 10 Hillside Terrace, Suffern, NY 10901, or monday2129@verizon.net.

Bryan N. Leather '66 writes, "This letter has been crawling around my head for some time now, and I've finally found the patience to sit down and write. The subject relates to recognizing just how lucky we have been over the years to attract some of the most dedicated and talented people to leadership positions. There have been challenging times at Psi Psi since my initiation, and, fortunately, we have had great brothers to help steer us through the storms. One of the more significant Sigs in my life was Frank Colon. Many of you my age will remember the giant of a man that led Sigma Chi Psi back into the national brotherhood. My feeble memory will probably cause me to leave out a name or two along the way, but clearly men like **Bill Beach '69** and **Hank Suominen Jr. '78** came from that same mold. We should take a moment every now and then to honor these selfless individuals. Another name that has too long gone unrecognized by our Psi Psi brothers is **Joe Durzo '67**. Many of you might not know that he is, in large part, responsible for Psi Psi attaining coveted Bell Chapter distinction.

Life Loyal Sigs **Harold Gilbert '77** and **Don Schefmeyer '69** have also generously supported this effort over many years. In my 50-plus year fraternity association, I know of no other Psi Psi alum who has risen as high in the national Sigma Chi hierarchy as Brother Durzo. Joe is the current vice chairman of the Sigma Chi Foundation Board of Governors. I am proud to call this man a friend and brother for his many contributions to Psi Psi and Sigma Chi. Also, let me say how nice it was to hear from fellow '60s brothers **Bob Larsen '68** and **Jon Halter '64** in the latest newsletter. One of these days, I must tell **Monty Johnson '66** of the time I hastily turned off Route 81 on one of my many northern treks to search for him in the town of Natural Bridge. Lastly, I was saddened to read of the passing of **Bob Dann '66** and **Billy Joe Zanieski '68** in the last SU publication. May they rest in peace." Keep in touch at 414 Catalina Dr., Mooresville, NC 28117, or bnleather@aol.com.

Richard R. Prenot Jr. '66 writes, "Enjoyed seeing brothers **Jack Smolik '66**, **Bryan Leather '66** and **Phil Oldham '66** at 50th Reunion." Drop him a line at 16 Buttonball Rd., Whitesboro, NY 13492, or richard.prenot@gmail.com.

"All is well for wife Janna and me," writes **Rick "Danger" Tasker '74**. "We are splitting our time between Southern California, where I work, and Park City, Utah, where we relax and recreate. Kids are grown and on their own, paying taxes, and creating their own adventures. I've had some health issues in the last seven years: cancer and by-pass surgery, but still ticking. We skied Austria in March, visited Havana in January, and went off to play courses that they shouldn't let me on in Scotland in June. Eat dessert first; life is short! I grew up in Syracuse and hadn't been back in 38 years, but mad a fall trip to see some friends in 2015. I stopped by Psi Psi. My, how the campus has changed, but glad to see the big old white house on the hill standing. I fondly remember those times. In hoc, my brothers." Catch up with Rick at sageret@aol.com or at 28261 Via Rueda, San Juan Capistrano, CA 92675.

Paul J. Gilson '75 writes that he is "out of the cold of New Jersey and into the sun of Florida, where one doesn't shovel sun-

shine." Keep in touch at 6430 Warwick Ave., Naples, FL 34113.

Anthony A. Scarpino Jr. '76 writes, "After 37 years in public service as an FBI agent and New York State judge, I left public service in 2015 to join a Westchester law firm. After two years, a vacancy developed in the position of district attorney. In November of 2016, I was elected district attorney and took office January 1, 2017. If any brothers happen to be in White Plains, New York, feel free to stop in my office at the Westchester County Courthouse." Congratulate Tony at 30 Brockwood Rd., Bedford, NY 10506, or arpino2010@gmail.com.

John E. Predmore '79 writes, "Join me in welcoming the newest chapter in Sigma Chi. On April 1, 2017, over 60 new brothers were initiated into Mu Delta Chapter at SUNY Binghamton (a.k.a BU). BU is the second largest campus in the SUNY network (after Buffalo, a.k.a. UB). This is a new chapter, a new beginning. My thanks to undergrads and alumni who supported the colony and the installation process." Learn more at 23 Wallingford Rise, Fairport, NY 14450, or johnpredmore@sigmachi.com.

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