

THE CRIMSON & GOLD



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Stag 2004

By Roger White, Stag Chairman



Dear Zeta Chi Alumni:

On May 15th, Zeta Chi will celebrate its 99th STAG. We hope you can find time to attend this year. Send an e-mail/letter to your brothers, roommates and friends and announce that it is time for a reunion!

Plan to attend and bring your son, nephew or neighbor. Please fill in the enclosed card and return it to us and include a few words for the good of the order, or a favorite memory you have of your days at Zeta Chi.. This is also an excellent time to pay your dues. Dues are still \$15, but why not put in a little extra.

We hope to see you at STAG on May 15. The schedule for STAG is etched in stone— Mid-afternoon, gather at the Zeta Chi house, meet friends, check out your old room. Then at 5:00 pm –Zeta Chi Alumni Association Meeting in the Dining Room. At 6:00 pm –

99th Zeta Chi STAG dinner in the Fellowship Hall of the First United Methodist Church.

Return your stag card today.

Date: May 15th, 2004

Time: 12:00 House Tours and Activities at
the Chapter House
5:00 Annual Business Meeting
6:00 Dinner

Place: Baldwin City, KS

Pledge Class Project

The pledge class president, Jason Krebs and the this year's pledge class have decided to take on a project that they will need some help with, renovating the Zeta Chi kitchen. As you may know the kitchen has had some water pipe problems, a pipe burst in the ceiling causing water damage.

The pledge class would like to re-tile the floor, replace the cabinets, install new countertops, and replace the sinks. This is a big and much needed project. They began their project on March 26, 2004, but it was too big to finish in one weekend. The expense is also goes beyond their pledge class resources.

They would like donations of money, materials, and time from any and all former ZX pledges that are now alumni. Please contact Jason and lend your support, PO Box 1, Baldwin, KS 66006.

Fifty Years, Class of '54

If you know a Zeta Chi from the class of '54 please contact him and encourage him to attend stag this year. Contact one of the trustees if you are interested in heading up a class project for the class of '54.

Classes with special reunions are the classes of 1994, 1979 and 1954, 10, 25 and 50 years, respectively. If you have Internet access check out the Zeta Chi web sit at <http://www.zetachi.org> look under brothers to review the list of those with email.



President's Report

Gentlemen,

This will be my last "official" word to you as I will not be continuing as president of the Alumni Association after Stag. I have enjoyed my time as president but more importantly, I feel that I have made a difference for Zeta Chi. There have been many challenges in the 8 or so years that I have held the office of president. The actives are very much the energetic young men we all were back then. And, yes, some of us alumni are very much the grumpy old men they were back then too.

We have had another interesting year full of challenges and some unpleasant surprises--more on that in a bit. With a good pledge class and some of our seniors opting for the five-year plan, the active chapter anticipates doubling up in some of the rooms next year. It's been several years since we have had that many living in the house.

The physical structure continues to crumble. A water pipe froze and broke in the kitchen again. There are leaks in the roof that we are trying to get fixed. The plumbing and electrical in the brick addition are also showing their age. The plumbing is simply wearing out while the electrical is

overwhelmed with the demand placed on it by today's high-tech, digital student. There are other problems such as foundation leaks and the need for air conditioning. (Yes, I said need. None of the students in college nowadays grew up without air conditioning. They all end up with window units--a very inefficient way to cool things down that increases the strain on the electrical. And, the other fraternities already have air conditioning.)

For the last couple of years we have been trying to raise \$70,000 for improvements and repairs. There are a couple of large line items included in that number: \$25,000 for A/C; \$15,000 for plumbing and electrical in the brick addition, etc. My numbers may be a little off but I believe we have raised \$10,000-\$15,000 and most of that went into repairing country club head last year.

All of the problems listed here are things we can fix. All it takes is, you guessed it, money. Brothers, we must decide to save this wonderful, historic house we all lived in or expect that in a couple of years the Zeta Chi Fraternity will reside at some other location. At Stag 2005 we will celebrate the 100th year of Zeta Chi. Let's make sure that we have a house that is worthy of that great tradition. When you send in or bring your "dues plus" this year, add one more zero and let's get this house back in shape!!

Wayne Butler '87

President Zeta Chi Alumni Association

Newsletter on the Web

Zeta Chi is moving forward on information highway. The newsletters is and has been available on the Zeta Chi website, under the Alumni link. The newsletter has included pictures that come out in black and white in the printed version; they come out in color on the web. As more and more of our brothers take the on-ramp to the information highway it make sense to use email to announce the posting of the newsletter. <http://www.zetachi.org/>

If you have email and are willing to receive your newsletter via the web send your email

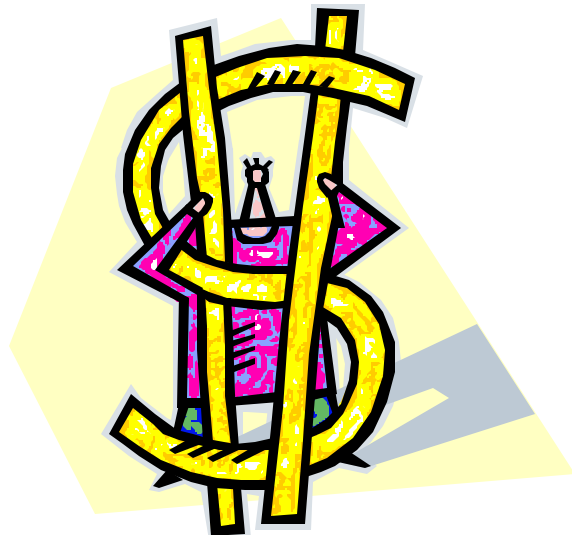
address to the editor, Bob Burnham at BobBurnham77@yahoo.com

The less money we spend on postage and the fewer trees we kill, the more that can be put into the house. If you are looking for the email address of a brother many of them are posted on the ZX web site, or send a note to Bob Burnham.

Treasurer's Report

By Michael Browne

Treasurer, Zeta Chi Alumni Association



Dear Brothers,

Since January 2004, the Alumni Association has received mere \$425 in general dues and contributions. In order to meet financial obligations, specifically insurance, taxes, and loan payments through the summer, the Alumni Association must raise at least \$15,000. Please show your support for the Active Chapter by donating. I encourage you to give a minimum of \$100 to Zeta Chi this year. As always, I appreciate those who

Stag Comments – 2003, Part 2

Jim Kikendall 1959	Maybe next year for the 45 th . Say hi to the guys from the 50's.
Bob Palmer 1950	Can't make it this year.
Jerry Johnson 1959	Unable to make stag this year. Will try for 45 th in '04.
Bill Cassell 1959	Keep up the good work. Probably won't be back til my 50 th
Cecil Williams 1956	Sorry I will not attend stag this year. On May 24, my wife (Bette Brewster '52) and I will be celebrating our 50 th wedding anniversary. Hello to ZX's fro the 50's!
Fred Romereim 1954	Looking forward to my 50 th next year.

give at any level. The structure of the house continues to be in need of renovations, and additional funding is needed toward these efforts. Your financial contributions are needed to keep the improvements moving in the right direction. As always your comments are encouraged and your financial support is appreciated.

Chapter House Officers

The active chapter officers are:

- President-Jake Hamilton
- Vice President-Mike Davis
- Secretary-Robin Burnham
- Treasurer-Derrick Lacom
- Scholarship-Jeremy Hogue
- Rush-Scott Allison and Dan Hicks
- Chaplain-Josh Gooding
- House Manager-Dustin Sherry
- Social-Matt Clark
- Historian-Kyle Michalski
- Alumni Relations-Jason Krebs
- Intramurals-James Barr
- IFC-Mike Davis and Jason Krebs
- Student Senate-Dan Hicks
- Students Activity Council-Matt Clark
- Webmaster-Rob List

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Ron Skaggs 1968	Our daughter Jenny will graduate from Vet School at K-State on 05/16. Our daughter Anna will graduate from high school the afternoon of 05/17.
Duane Chanay 1966	Have a great stag! Won't be able to attend this year. It conflicts with my youngest daughter's graduation from St. Louis University
Jim Bottomley 1968	Sorry I will not be at Stag. My last Ramble in '68 my dat fell in a creek. I hope you guys have better luck than I or my date had that night.
Ed Schwaneke 1962	Hi Hi for Zeta Chi. My best to the '63 grads on their 40 th ! Hi to all '61 to '66 grads.
Bob Timmons 1973	Hello to all! Crops are looking good. Missed the bad storms so far. I have several relatives and friends graduating stag day. Maybe next year.
Marty Rogers 1970	In another 20 day I'll be retired, and hope to be attending Stag in future years. Best of luck to all ZX'ers out there. See you in the near future.
Steve Crouch 1973	Sorry to miss the 30 th but I work that weekend.
Oliver Ruff 1970	Dear Brothers, Again I am regretful that I an unable to attend. Enjoy! God bless each of you.
Dennis Seager 1970	Please use this to the good of the order. Hi Hi for Zeta Chi. (sorry can't attend working Senior PGA)
Kurt Jorgensen 1977	My #2 son is graduating from Blue Valley H. S. the next day. Hope the 1978 class all show up for their 25 th .
Dennis Krebs 1981	My son Jason Baker Class 2007 will come with me.
Troy Clovis 1985	Beth and I hope to make it back in '05 for the 20 year reunion.
Bob Turner 1982	Can't come this year. Will try to come in 2005. I'm working in Warrensburg, MO now. Grace to you! God Bless America!
Wayne Adkisson 1983	Here's a little extra for past dues. I look forward to seeing everyone.
John Brethour Jr. 1986	I'm afraid I won't make it this year. I am closing ona new house in PA on the 9 th . The move along with the new job will make it difficult to get to Kansas for much this spring.
Doug Kitch 1988	Can't believe its been 15 years already! Sorry I can't make it this year. Enclosed are dues plus a little extra Miss you guys.

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<i>President</i>	Wayne Butler '87	email: butler@everestkc.net
<i>Vice-President</i>	Cody Fothergill '90	email: codyfothergill@smsd.org
<i>Secretary</i>	Dennis Krebs '81	email:
<i>Treasurer</i>	Michael Browne '94	email: michaeldbrowne@aol.com

Alumni Association Membership Dues

PLEASE MAKE YOUR CHECKS PAYABLE TO:
ZETA CHI ALUMNI ASSOCIATION
P.O. BOX 294
BALDWIN CITY, KANSAS 66006-0294

- ÿ YES, I am paying my \$15.00 2003-2004 Zeta Chi Alumni Association Dues in order to support the publication of the newsletter.
- ÿ YES, I am donating \$100.00 to help the Alumni Association with the upkeep of the Chapter House.
- ÿ YES, I am donating \$_____ (please provide exact amount) for the Zeta Chi Memorial to be erected at the Chapter House.
- ÿ YES, I am donating an additional amount of my choice to assist the Alumni Association in covering additional expenses and/or paying down debt owed to the Zeta Chi Education Fund. (Suggestion: Take the number of years since you graduated from Baker times \$20, plus any years you didn't pay dues.)

- ÿ New Address or changes please check.

Name Year

Address

enclosed amount \$ _____

City, State, Zip

email address

The Zeta Chi Alumni Association is a non-profit organization. Contributions to the Zeta Chi Alumni Association, excluding the annual \$15.00 membership dues, are tax-deductible.