

Xi Alumni Most Loyal Givers

Are the alumni of your chapter as loyal as those of other chapters in their giving to either the chapter or the national fraternity, or many times to both?

A tabulation of the names on pages 3-7 shows that Mu at Stevens and Xi at Cornell both recorded 29% of their alumni giving during 1977-78.

In total number giving, Xi was also Number One this past year with 203.

Many alumni of inactive chapters also give: for example, 18% of the alumni of Alpha-Pi (Iowa State) gave during the 1977-78 fiscal year. In the number giving, Nu of Texas was first with 40.

Top 10 Percentages of Chapter Alumni Giving

Mu, Stevens	29%
Xi, Cornell	29%
Alpha-Tau, Michigan	27%
Eta Delta, Southern Cal	24%
Alpha Delta, Penn State	21%
Rho, Lafayette	16%
Theta, Rensselaer	14%
Theta Delta, Florida	13%
Gamma, Emory	12%
Lambda, California	12%
Gamma Delta, Minnesota	12%

Top 10 in Number Giving By Alumni of Active Chapters

Xi, Cornell	203
Alpha-Tau, Michigan	181
Alpha Delta, Penn State	149
Mu, Stevens	139
Eta Delta, Southern Cal	122
Gamma, Emory	114
Theta Delta, Florida	102
Omega, Georgia Tech	98
Eta, Georgia	92
Rho, Lafayette	89

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Tau Hospitality Warm at Congress; Madison Is Site of 1979 Meeting



Alpha of Congress Jim Waters, a Tau alumnus, presided at Birmingham, with Grand Alpha McCall at his right. Far left is Steve Schneiderwind, ATHX 73, Grand Zeta, and far right is Gamma of Congress, Ravenal Ball ThD 80.

A strong turn-out of actives and alumni from throughout the nation received Alabama hospitality in full measure when the 1978 Chi Phi Congress met in Birmingham, Aug. 9-13.

The three-day Congress was preceded by two days of the Krannert Leadership Seminar, produced for actives under sponsorship of the Chi Phi Educational Trust. Meetings of the Trust and of the Grand Council were also held.

Major actions:

Large increases were voted in the pledge fee (from \$31.10 to \$35) and the initiation fee (from \$85 to \$110). National Director Ray Donohue Ome 61 reported that these increases would put Chi Phi at the middle among national fraternities in what they charge during four years of college, although some fraternities charge annual dues.

J. Darryl McCall, ThD 50, G 52, PsiD 70, was re-elected Grand Alpha for a third term beginning at the 1979 Congress, over Bates Block, G 40, H 42. McCall became the first three-term Grand Alpha in over 40 years as he asked re-election to complete his plans to make the fraternity financially sound by appealing to alumni for capital donations and other support, and by expansion.

Madison, Wis., was named as the site of the 1979 Congress, with Kappa Chapter as host. Congress sessions will be held in the Memorial Union, and delegates will be housed at Madison's newest hotel, The Concourse. Chapter house, Union and hotel are all within easy walking distance.

Action was taken to assure close

Monitor Hell Week?

Hazing tragedies will continue unless action is taken, according to an article in *Human Behavior* magazine, capsuled in a recent issue of "National On-Campus Report."

The author recommends:

Prohibit any use of alcohol during initiation ceremonies.

Establish detailed procedures for Hell Week activities.

Have such activities monitored by a neutral party such as an alumnus.

Writing in the October issue, the writer, a free-lancer, relates numerous incidents of severe hazing over the past several years, including many that were connected with campus organizations other than fraternities.

supervision of hazing by chapter officers.

Alpha of Congress was James P. Waters, Jr., T 52, who presided through the four Congress business sessions held on Friday morning, Aug. 11, morning and afternoon of Saturday, Aug. 12, and morning of Sunday, Aug. 13.

Alabama Hospitality Shone Throughout

Alumni of the University of Alabama's
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Thanks for Photos to Jerry Caruso Pi 81!

When photographs were needed at Congress, Jerry Caruso of Pi Chapter at Northwestern volunteered. With a helper, he took well over 100 pictures.

Additional photographs will appear in the December Chakett.

Alumni of '78: Theta's Keiser, Psi's Spitzig

Chi Phi Alumni of the Year for 1978 are Edmund Spitzig, Jr., Psi 57 (Lehigh), and Fred Kieser, Jr. Th 62 (Rensselaer).

The recognition plaques were presented at the Birmingham Congress, although Spitzig was unable to attend.

The strong "class" of nominees included also: Peter Amann H 68 (Georgia), James Embree A-T 69 (Michigan), Elwood McKnight ED 33 (Oregon State), Richard Owens G 48 (Emory), and Kris Whitten SD 70 (UC Davis).

Spitzig is Active Lehigh Alumnus; Bethlehem Steel Exec

A year after he graduated in 1957, Lehigh Chi Phi alumni elected Ed Spitzig as a Trustee of the Briarfield Association which is the chapter's alumni and house association. At that time he served through 1961, but was reelected in 1971 and has served as its President since 1972.

He has been in the Sales Department of Bethlehem Steel since he graduated, serving as District Office Salesman in Baltimore and Chicago 1960-1970. He returned to Bethlehem in 1970, and is assistant manager of Sales for Carbon and Alloy Bars.

He is married and the father of four daughters, aged 16 to 6.

In addition to his Briarfield work, he is president of the Fraternity Alumni Council at Lehigh (1976-1979), and was its vice president 1973-1976. He served as alumni representative to the Fraternity

Management Association board 1975-1977, and is currently on the board of the Lehigh Home Club since 1976, being elected vice president this year.

He is a Trustee of the Central Moravian Church at Bethlehem, and served eight years in the Army reserves, retiring as a Captain.

"Country Lawyer", Kieser Is Theta Leader, Active Nationally

Since 1971, when he became president of Theta Chapter's alumni association, alumni gifts, a mortgage, plus student labor, have almost totally rebuilt the chapter house at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute.

A self-described "simple country lawyer", Kieser lives almost in the shadow of New York's skyscrapers in Metuchen, N. J. After graduating in Building Science from RPI—where he was Chapter Steward and Alpha—he went to law school at the University of North Carolina, receiving his LL.B. in 1966. He is also a part-time farmer, raising Charolais cattle, corn, hay and oats in Pennsylvania. He describes himself as an avid hunter.

Kieser was married in 1963, has no children. He has attended about half of the last 10 congresses, and served as alumni advisor when the subject of initiation of women came up at the Rhode Island Congress. He was regional Council Representative 1977-78, and was

named Grand Gamma at Birmingham.

He served as Deputy Attorney General, State of New Jersey, 1969-70, Municipal Prosecutor in 1972, and is a member of the Mt. Zion Lodge #135, Masons. His effort in politics was unsuccessful ("I was a Republican") when he ran for local office.

Others Who Have Received Alumnus of Year Recognition

1976-77—William B. Coppedge ID 75 (Indiana), John D. Craft ID 61 (Indiana), John M. Foushee A-A 26 (North Carolina), William R. Kitchin A 49 (Virginia).

1975-76—George E. Duncan, Jr., G 70 (Emory), Joseph V. Goeller ID 63 (Indiana), William F. Ross A-T 31 (Michigan), Dana A. Yarger, K 69 (Wisconsin).

Chi Phi at Indiana U. Leads in Food, Safety

A comparison by Indiana University of the Health and Food Service at fraternities, and Fire and Safety, showed Iota Delta Chapter at the top of the list in both among the national fraternities.

In Health and Food Service, Chi Phi was rated 83.4%, compared to a low of 46.3% for the lowest ranking frat. In Fire and Safety, the Chi Phi ranking was 56%, compared to 12.4% for the lowest. A local club (Evans Scholars) ranked 81.9% on fire and safety, probably because it has no food service.



Chi Phi's 1978 Alumni of the Year are Edmund W. Spitzig, Jr., Psi 57, who could not be at Congress to receive the award, and Fred Kieser, Jr., Th 62, left, about to receive his plaque from Ray Donohue, National Director.



An Editorial:**Does Your Chapter Need To Be Larger?**

Since the Renaissance, men have sought to become well-rounded individuals—and Chi Phi has held up as a goal for its chapters the self-development of actives through encouragement of Scholastics, Social Life, Athletics, and Campus Participation.

The Doonesbury cartoon published herewith shows how *not* to do this—get so many members that you have nothing but specialists: jocks, bookworms, socializers, etc.

But you do need to have enough members so that each member can have experience in all four fields to his maximum desire or potential.

All of which is to note that some Chi Phi Chapters are too small in numbers to maintain consistent chapter management, and in addition put the needed stress on Campus, Social, Scholarship and Intra-Mural participation.

The average Chi Phi Chapter initiates 15 members each year based on the last five years.

As a starter, alumni and actives of smaller chapters might set reaching that average as an initial goal, making a plan to get it done, and rating themselves as to how close they're getting to providing for today's version of "Renaissance man" as they progress in expanded membership.

Bell & His Lafayette 50th

Lafayette class reunion records topped as the Class of 1928, headed by Joseph E. Bell Rho 28 as president for many years, held its 50th reunion last June.

Aided by a strong reunion chairman and his own 40 years of work from graduation until retirement in 1968 as Lafayette's first full-time alumni secretary, Bell reports the following records:

The class gift to the college of over \$133,000 was more than double any previous 50-year class gift.

The 50-year class had both the highest percentage of returning grads (over 80%), and also the highest number attending of all the classes having reunions in 1978, which, he notes, "is uncommon—a first at Lafayette for any class."

As a result, his Class elected him "president emeritus" when he gave up the active presidency preparatory to moving permanently to Delray Beach, Fla., where he has been spending six months a year.

The following is excerpted from an article in Lafayette's "Alumnus" published when he retired 10 years ago.

Joe Bell came up the hard way—the muscular way, in fact. He was named captain and quarterback of the city's All-Scholastic team in 1923 at Philadelphia's Northeast High School. When a knee injury in his first college season halted his gridiron career, he switched to soccer as a center halfback for coach "Scotty" Cuthbertson and to baseball as Bill Coughlin's first baseman for three seasons.

During his sophomore year he was the very exacting president of the Calumet Club which was responsible for teaching tradition to the Class of 1929. Arthur Phillips '29 recalls of Joe, "His ferocity in dealing with us was such that today he is the only member of Calumet I still remember."

In balance, he was known at the same



Are you affiliated with a college? Or just with Chi Phi? The unmistakable style of Garry Trudeau marks the Doonesbury cartoon above which appeared in July 22 newspapers—and just might be all too true for some of today's (and yesterday's) actives! Copyright 1978, G. B. Trudeau/Distributed by Universal Press Syndicate.

Bro. Byrd Nominated For Florida Bishopric

The Rev. Richard E. Byrd, ThD 50, an Episcopal priest, is one of seven candidates nominated as Bishop Coadjutor of Southeast Florida, to succeed the Rt. Rev. James L. Duncan when he retires within the next two years. Election is scheduled Nov. 4.

Fr. Byrd is currently executive vice president and chaplain, Wilson Center for Education and Psychiatry, Faribault, Minn.

If elected, Bro. Byrd would become Bishop automatically when Bishop Duncan retires.

Trust Needs Broad Base of Gifts to Carry Out Its Charitable Program

A broad base of donations from many alumni is needed by the Chi Phi Educational Trust to maintain its status as a "public" Trust and to carry on its charitable program within Chi Phi.

So reported Melvin R. Jessup HD 45, Chairman, to the Chi Phi Congress in Birmingham. The complete report will be published in the December *Chakett*.

During the fiscal year ending last July 31, the Trust:

Loaned \$9,931 to 20 students.

Gave 25 scholarships totaling \$7,745 to actives in 17 chapters.

Made Library improvement grants of \$1,500 each to Alpha-Alpha chapter at North Carolina and Alpha Delta chapter at Penn State.

Financed the two-day Herman Krannert Leadership Conference for two actives from each chapter, held in conjunction with the Congress, with 36 chapters attending.

Divided \$1000 in prize money among six chapters who did excellent work raising money for Muscular Dystrophy: Alpha Theta Chi, Nebraska; Theta Delta, Florida; Psi Delta, UNC Charlotte; Zeta, Franklin and Marshall; Delta Xi, West Virginia Wesleyan. Alpha Theta Chi was especially noted because it raised more than \$15,000 for the charity.

Made grants to the University of Georgia, West Virginia Wesleyan College, Lafayette College and Emory University for housing programs involving Chi Phi chapter houses.

During the 1978 Congress, library improvement grants were approved for Xi Delta Chapter, Florida Institute of Technology, and Phi Delta Chapter at Tennessee.

Two members whose terms have ended were recognized for their service: Jack C. Fraser H 43, and Bates Block G 40 H 42.

Their successors—Richard Gilbert P 62, and Edward O. Wayson, Jr., PsiD 70—were introduced and sat in on the meeting.

Election of officers for the 1978-79 fiscal year was held, with Melvin R. Jessup HD 45 as chairman, Harold Steinke K 43 vice chairman, A. R. Updike, Jr., ThD 43, secretary, and William R. Kitchin A 49 treasurer.

In urging alumni donations, Jessup also pointed out:

1) The rising cost of higher education increases the need for more and larger scholarships and student loans.

2) Our newer chapters need help for satisfactory housing.

3) The library-study area program needs to be extended to more of the older chapters.

He noted that what the Trust has given, plus operating costs which steadily rise, has exceeded income from investments for a number of years, making donations essential.

Are There Any Other Jesuits?

Tony Ozzimo BZ 76 has concluded his novitiate in the Society of Jesus (Jesuits) and has taken vows. He writes:

I am now studying philosophy at Loyola University in New Orleans for preparation to the priesthood which is about eight years away. Jesuit formation is traditionally very academic and long but results in a man who is well-formed in prayer and studies.

I am curious if there have been any Chi Phis who have become Jesuits or Catholic priests? I wonder if in any of the northern chapters (where there are more Catholics) any of our brothers have taken up the religious life? I don't know of anyone mentioned in *The Chakett* or in our (Florida) newsletter, but I would be interested if there is.

I really enjoy reading about the chapters and especially my chapter, Beta Zeta. It sounds like everything is fine and the chapter is growing.

My prayers continue for the continued success and well-being for our great fraternity.

UPS Matches Alumnus' Gift

The personal gift of Gordon B. Wetmore to the Chi Phi Educational Trust brought a second gift from the UPS Foundation, with this letter:

"It is a pleasure to inform you that the personal gift of \$10 ... is being matched ... under (our) United Parcel Service Educational and Cultural Gift-Matching Program. A check in the amount of \$10 is enclosed."

Many brothers may be unaware of the potential for increasing their gift to the Trust through similar gift-matching programs. For additional information, write the Chi Phi Educational Trust, 3400 Peachtree Rd. NE, Suite 1041, Atlanta, Ga. 30326.



time by the members of the Chi Phi fraternity as their "most congenial" brother.

Lafayette never had a full-time alumni secretary prior to Joe's appointment a few weeks before his graduation in June 1928.

In 1946 the faculty in a formal resolution presented by Dr. James W. Tupper and sent to Alumni Council by Dr. William M. Smith '03, clerk of the faculty, commended Joe for stimulating, through the alumni magazine, the interest of alumni in the academic side of the College.

In addition to keeping the alumni informed, Joe Bell operated on the premise that since the alumni were the most important asset of the College they should be involved in the meaningful affairs of the institution.

Over a period of four decades he attained a remarkable record in selecting for recommendation to various alumni offices men of ability and interest in Lafayette.

As to the 50th Reunion, Bro. Bell adds a description useful to all Chi Phi chapters and alumni groups:

Our class program embraced time for nostalgia but we went further. We wanted to give our men and their wives the opportunity to be better informed about the college as it is today. To that end we had walking tours of the campus guided by knowledgeable young men from the Admissions staff and our class forum featuring talks and a question-answer period by the Provost, Director of Engineering, and the Treasurer.

For our class dinner we had the president-elect of Lafayette introduced by the chairman of the Search Committee of the Board of Trustees. To keep our dinner from being stuffy we made it a dinner dance.



Newly completed swimming pool, a "first" in Chi Phi, was enjoyed by Psi Delta actives during late summer. The University of North Carolina at Charlotte group lives in a sylvan setting, but close to the campus.

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Women Residents Will Live at Phi, But Delegates Affirm All-Male Clause

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Tau Chapter were lavish in their hospitality.

Actives found a large supply of beer awaiting them on their hotel floor, and alumni were entertained at dinner at the city's newest and most exclusive country club on Thursday evening, Aug. 10.

Friday evening found the delegates at a Band Party at the Vestavia Country Club.

Saturday Noon, the Congressional luncheon heard noted economist, Arthur Upgren, K 21, T 21.

That evening, Tau Alumni held a reunion prior to the Congressional Banquet, where guests of honor were three early members of Tau which was installed in 1920: Thomas D. Russell, T 25, Judge Clinton J. Coley T 25, and Upgren. Banquet speaker was William C.



Judge William C. Sullivan was the banquet speaker at Chi Phi's Birmingham Congress.

Sullivan T 50—a circuit judge in Talladega, Ala. and a forceful and entertaining personality.

During the banquet, two Alumni of

the Year were named: Edmund Spitzig Psi 57 (Lehigh) and Fred Kieser, Jr., Th 62 (Rensselaer). (More information elsewhere in this issue.)

The Carl J. Gladfelter Leadership Award for the outstanding student of the year went to Thomas Bush K 78, and J. B. Kauffman AD 78.

Leadership Seminar Helps Equip Actives

The Krannert Leadership Seminar involves two members from each chapter, who are not necessarily delegates to Congress, and its sessions occupied Wednesday afternoon, Aug. 9, and all day Thursday, Aug. 10.

How to handle money and how to communicate with alumni are examples of the broad material presented to students during this intensive program.

The Seminar is held annually with a grant from the Educational Trust in memory of Bro. Herman Krannert.

Other Congressional Action: Women Members?

The Grand Beta, Wyford Jones A-X 34 opened the Annual Congress meeting with the Prayer of the Fraternity at the first session. The Grand Alpha then delivered his report verbally as delegates followed it in the printed Message of Council.

The session was adjourned early so that Committee Meetings, which



Alabama hosts included: Tom Russell, T 25, Jim Waters, T 52, Alpha of Congress, and Judge Clinton Coley, T 25.

occupied much of the remainder of Friday, could begin.

Psi Chapter at Amherst was allowed to "admit women members without initiating them into Chi Phi" after considerable committee work and much discussion on the floor.

The Chapter has voted to have women live in the House, since Amherst has recently admitted women students. The 1978-79 school year will be a trial period to see how the coeducational fraternity system works out. If it does, Amherst will renew its request to initiate women a year from now. To show the position of the 1978 Congress, the following resolution was passed:

"Let it be resolved that we, the delegates to the 1978 Congress of the Chi Phi Fraternity, affirm our support of the all-male clause in our Constitution."

It was voted to bill chapters Nov. 1 for registration fees for two delegates to the next Congress, with the provision that the fee for one delegate may be refunded no later than March 1.

The Council was instructed to provide at least two alternatives for national income generation at the next Congress other than increases in pledge and initiation fees.

Brunch & Devotional Conclude Congress

A sincere personal devotional witness by the Alpha of Congress, Jim Waters, at the Sunday Brunch marked the conclusion of the 1978 Congress.

Waters stated that his own dedication to God had come about long after his college days and told actives they might expect a similar experience.

Council Gets Three New Members

The Grand Council has three new members named by the Grand Alpha.

Thomas A. Gehring, M. D., ID 60, Indiana U., is now Grand Beta; Fred Kieser, Jr., Th 62, Rensselaer, is Grand Gamma; and Edward O. Wayson, Jr., PsiD 72, (University of North Carolina at Charlotte), Grand Eta.

Retiring from the Council were Wyford D. Jones A-X 34 (Ohio Wesleyan), Grand Beta; Bates Block, G 40, H 42 (Emory and Georgia), Grand Eta; and Richard S. Gilbert P 62 (Lafayette), Grand Gamma.

Spangler Visiting Eastern Chapters

Visits to 17 chapters, including most Northeastern chapters, were scheduled for Ed Spangler, AD 77, Assistant to the National Director.

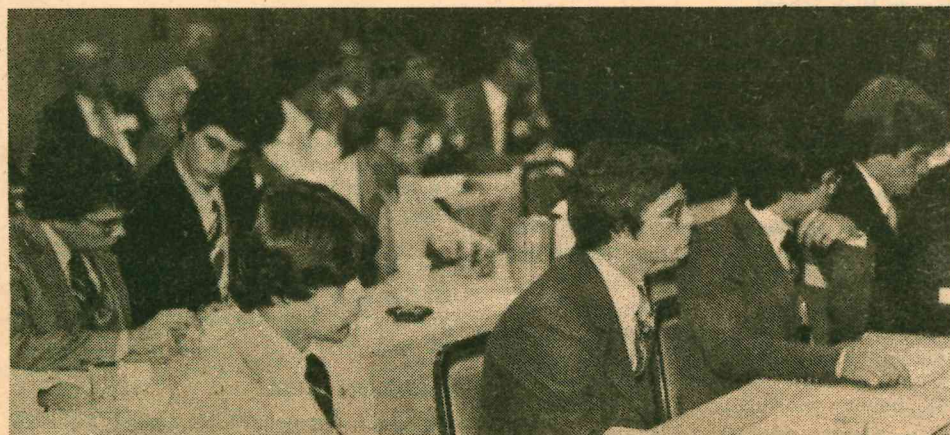
September—Nu Delta, Florida State University; University of North Carolina Wilmington Colony.

October—Alpha-Alpha, University of North Carolina; North Carolina State; Epsilon, Hampden-Sydney; Delta Xi, West Virginia Wesleyan; Pi Delta, West Virginia; Zeta, Franklin and Marshall; Alpha Delta, Penn State; Xi, Cornell; Dartmouth; Rho Iota Kappa, Rhode Island.

November—Mu, Stevens; Delta, Rutgers, Theta, Rensselaer; Phi, Amherst; Austin (Texas). National Director Ray Donohue will also visit Psi, Lehigh; Rho, Lafayette; and the Washington, D. C., Chi Phi Club, Nov. 17.

Visit Your Chapter This Fall!

Alumni who haven't been to the Chapter House recently are urged to drop in when next on campus. See what your actives are doing—and spin a few yarns about what happened in "'02" when you were active.



At Congress sessions, delegates had assigned places by chapters. Each chapter is entitled to two delegates, and most were fully represented.

Council Meets At Birmingham

The Grand Council met three times—before, during and after the Birmingham Congress—with a wide variety of business.

Steve Schneiderwind AthX 73, Grand Zeta, reported that all past Grand Alphas have been contacted for information which will enable the fraternity history to be updated from 1939 when the Chronicles of Chi Phi was published. Carl J. Gladfelter A-X 33, retired National Director, will assist.

A study is to be made to present concrete proposals on transferring records to computer with report to be made at the next Council meeting.

The proceeds from sale of the Sigma chapter house at Illinois will be used to purchase a new house at a later date.

Accounts receivable owed by chapters to the fraternity are being reduced by national office action.

Theta Delta Chapter at Florida was authorized to initiate an adult, Ralph J. Bisz, who has set up a memorial loan fund for that chapter in memory of his son, Ralph C. Bisz ThD 65, missing in action in Viet Nam for many years.

It was decided to have only one traveling staff member in addition to the National Director.

Council heard an objection by Beta Chapter to the special assessment voted on all members two years ago. They were advised that the assessment was legal, and all other chapters have accepted the obligation.

On hazing, Council proposed that the president of each chapter be held responsible for the pledge training program unless he gets approval from the chapter as a whole in advance.

The Grand Alpha announced that the next Council meeting will be held in Atlanta on Saturday and Sunday, Dec. 2-3, following the National Interfraternity Council meeting there. Alumni are invited to attend and location and time can be obtained from the national office.



Actives enjoyed an afternoon of sports followed by a barbecue supper as a mid-Congress break.



Committee work was often difficult as in Finance Committee when delegates had to recommend a steep rise in pledge and initiation fees.

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