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## Report of the President

*Nathan A. Neal - E '83*

Our next social gathering and non-business meeting will be held on **Wednesday, June 12th 2002, at 7:00 p.m.** We will be returning to **CHADWICKS OF GEORGETOWN** located at **3205 "K" Street, NW in Washington DC, 202-333-2565**. Come early because there are half-price appetizers and beverage specials on Wednesdays at **CHADWICKS OF GEORGETOWN**. We met on Wednesday, May 8<sup>th</sup> also at Chadwicks and a number of undergraduates from Iota Xi were in attendance. Iota Xi's newly elected Consul David Faulk reported on the end of the academic year at George Mason and his chapter's plans to attend the Balfour Leadership Training

Workshop, which will be held at Murray State on July 31 - August 4, 2002. We also met the newly elected undergraduate Iota Xi Tribune Tim Regan.

On Tuesday, May 14, 2002,



I had the pleasure of attending the North American Interfraternity Conference

Congressional Reception held at the Cannon House Office Building. Many SIG and other Greek Hill staffers were in attendance as well as, from the General Fraternity, Grand Consul Doug Carlson, Grand Trustee Bruce Morgan Casner, Grand Praetor Harvey A. Silverman, Grand Praetor Dennis Santoli, Sigma Chi Foundation Board Member Ben Fischer, Headquarters Alumni Director Mike King and Washington Alumni Chapter President Ken Putkovich. One of the many purposes of the NIC reception was have the ear of Members of Congress on issues affecting Greeks which include (1) student

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## SiGnificantly Social

*Heath Hutchison - KP '00*

The Capital City Alumni Association held the first open social event on July 1st at the Bowie Baysox Game. It was the enthusiastic cheering of our beloved president that gave the last place Baysox the edge over the first place Navigators. (Or maybe it was the major league pitcher who was playing down that night due to an injury) Whatever it was, the game was exciting and a good time was had by all.

Our July meeting will be

held in accordance with our schedule of the second Wednesday of the month. This week we will be meeting at Chadwick's in Georgetown. There is no real business to conduct so please come out and have some dinner and a few beverages. All the baseball goers can fill you in on the highlights of the Baysox victory and tell of the harrowing escape from the killer firework fog that enveloped the field after the game.

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housing; (2) Freedom of Speech and Association on Campus issues; and (3) Tax treatment of the numerous Greek entities.

On June 1, 2002, we had an opportunity to attend the **BOWIE BAYSOXS** minor league baseball game. The **BOWIE BAYSOXS** won the game against the **NORWICH NAVIGATORS**. The Score was 10 to 2. If you missed the game, you missed great peanuts, beverages, company, other notable sites, and the

fireworks. Coming in the months of June, July & August are events at the ARLINGTON CINEMA & DRAFT HOUSE as well as a **POTOMAC CANNONS** outing. We may even go back to see the **BOWIE BAYSOXS**.

For the summer months, the undergraduates are out of school, thus, we will not have very many formal events with our local undergraduate chapters. In September, they will be starting Recruitment/RUSH and we should be able to help out with Recruitment efforts. Additionally, I have

been advised that the Capital City Alumni Chapter should take a break from our social events and thus our Social Committee will be planning events during the summer. From July 31, to August 4, 2002, I will be attending Balfour Leadership Training Workshop as an Alumni Team Faculty member. Some of you may be in attendance at the Workshop and when we return, plans can be made on whether to hold another mini-leadership workshop for the undergraduates and recent alumni.

## Alumni Updates

*Michael Lally - KP '99*

A few alums have recently notified us of some successes and big events happening in their lives. Here's where we share that with you.

**James Messina (KP '98)** went live with and launched [www.deerstopper.com](http://www.deerstopper.com), the official website for his family's business. Deer Stopper is an all-natural deer repellent, and is truly a one-of-a-kind product. Deer Stopper currently has a client base of over 1,500. The website itself was developed by **Stephan Hovnanian (KP '98)**, owner and creator of Shovi Web Designs ([www.shovidesigns.com](http://www.shovidesigns.com)). Step's company is a full service website design and Internet marketing firm specializing in results-oriented websites.

In the film industry, **Andrew Major (KP '00)** has been working as an assistant to a

movie producer in Los Angeles, CA. He recently completed work on a teen comedy called *Who's Your Daddy?* that is due for release in October of 2002.

On September 1, 2002, **Brian Tinger (KP '98)** will wed his college sweetheart and former sweetheart of the Sig chapter at American University, Meg Streff. Brian and Meg will be surrounded by a myriad of their closest friends and relatives in Boston as they say their vows and celebrate their union. Also on the marriage front, **Teddy Novin (KP '98)** has made plans to wed his fiancée, Kristi Altringer come December in Washington, DC.

Former Secretary of the Capital City Alumni Association, **Adam Harrington (KP '02)** recently left the Washington, DC area for the bright lights and bravado of New York city.

Adam will be working as a trader's assistant for Bernard Capital, a commodities trading firm.

Congratulations go out to brothers **Bob Ward (New Orleans)** and **Terry Hillery (Boston)** on being awarded the Minton Best Alumni Chapter Officer Award for the 2001-2002 year.

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Find It Here."

## Knock your Baysox Off!

### Bob Grabowski - KP '01

On June 1<sup>st</sup>, the Capital City Alumni Association (with friends) attended its first social gathering of the summer. Members of the association carpooled out to Bowie Maryland to see a major league baseball game between the Yankees and the Orioles... well, something like that. You see, this game was between the minor league AA affiliates of the Yankees and the Orioles. And as everyone who follows baseball regularly already knows, with free agency and trades, it is highly unlikely that any of these players will actually play for the pro team with which they are affiliated. But it was fun nonetheless and packed full of surprises.

The week prior to the game, the Norwich Navigators (AA affiliates of the Yankees) announced that a recent retiree from the Yankees would be the new manager. That person was none other than the always jolly (even though he hardly played) Luis Sojo. So, for all those people looking to see Major League caliber ball players... you got to see someone who *did* play in the pros at *one* point. Then the second surprise came the day of the game. One of the starting pitchers for the Baltimore Orioles was injured and due to make a rehab start for the Bowie Baysox (AA affiliates of the Orioles) that night. So those that went were treated to a pro pitcher starting in this minor league game.

But for those that went just for a good time, not caring who played for what team, there was plenty of fun to be had. The game was a high-scoring, fast-paced affair with your hometown Baysox winning handily. In addition to that, there were the birds perched over Nathan



A. Neal's head, (ummm... taking care of business, let's say), and there was the kid behind our group that did NOT want to be at the stadium (screaming and kicking the seats), and there was the ballpark food and beverages to enjoy, and then to cap off the evening, there was quite a fireworks display.

All in all, the night was very eventful and very fun. Everyone who went had a great time. There has been much speculation over our next social event... could it be a road trip? A bar trip? Or another baseball game? Everyone, continue to check your email for updates on this developing situation. And be ready to relax and enjoy some fun in the sun this summer!

This summer be  
safe, social, and  
have some fun with  
Cap City!

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## Upcoming Events

- **June 12** - *Capital City Alumni Association Meeting* - Chadwick's of Georgetown
- **June 28 - 30** - *Grand Council* - Miami University Oxford, Ohio
- **July 10** - *Capital City Alumni Association Meeting* - Location TBD
- **August 1 - 4** - *Balfour Leadership Training Workshop* - Murray State University
- **August 14** - *Capital City Alumni Association Meeting* - Location TBD
- **September 11** - *Capital City Alumni Association Meeting* - Location TBD



## Local Undergraduate Chapter Reports



### Kappa Rho - American University *John Lenss - Consul*

[www.geocities.com/EXPsiG](http://www.geocities.com/EXPsiG)

#### **Ready For LTW**

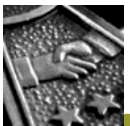
After finishing up our spring semester strong, Kappa Rho is looking forward to LTW and hopefully a third consecutive Dwight D. Peterson Significant Chapter Award. Brothers attending will be Consul John Lenss, Pro Consul Adam Natale, Recruitment Chairman Dan MacAvoy, Quaestor Brandin McMillen, and Magister Marshall Thompson.

Kappa Rho has also just selected and appointed our new Chapter Advisor for the 2002-03 academic year,

Brother Justin Steifel. Brother Steifel graduated from the University of Idaho and currently works for Senator Stevens (Alaska). He has recently passed his bar exam, and is looking forward to taking on the task of helping to develop the leadership of a young Chapter. Brother Steifel has also served on the BLTW staff.

Brothers Mike Lally, Heath Hutchison, and Clay Wilkinson have all expressed interest in Assistant Chapter Advisor roles. With the help of Brett Kennedy and our Grand Praetor Harv

Silverman, we are confident that our advisor team will be the best yet. The Chapter is currently formulating both short term and long term goals, and looking forward to the Vision Quest at LTW.



### Iota Xi - George Mason University *Mike Abousaleh - Editor*

[www.sigma-chi.org](http://www.sigma-chi.org)

The brothers of the Iota Xi chapter at George Mason University ended their school year with victory. About one-decade in the making, they managed to win the intramural softball All-Campus Championship. Nevertheless, this accomplishment was only one of many. They recently pinned ten gentlemen for the Spring 2002 pledge class, soon after initiating yet another ten worthy

gentlemen from the Fall 2001 pledge class. These new Sigs already demonstrate ideals of responsibility, with four of them currently holding positions in the chapter. The Iota Xi chapter also ranked 2nd amongst the universities' eleven fraternities for the highest cumulative GPA. After yet another successful Derby Days, the chapters' philanthropic efforts remain unparalleled. The Iota Xi

chapter just returned from Greek Beach Week in Myrtle Beach, South Carolina, for some much-needed rest. However, this rest was also much deserved. The chapter continues to reach new heights and looks forward to another strong year next Fall; Only the best from the Iota Xi chapter at George Mason University.



Softball Champion Sigs from the Iota Xi chapter at George Mason University



# The Graduate Page

## Jon Davis

Jon graduated from George Mason University in May of 2002. He was awarded a B.A. in History upon graduation.

## Ryan Oates

Ryan graduated from George Mason University in May of 2002. He was awarded a B.A. in both Business and Finance.

## Kyle Schultz

Kyle was awarded his degree from George Mason University in May, 2002. His major was Graphic Design.

## Stephen R. DiGennaro

Stephen was awarded a B.S. from George Mason University in May, 2002. His major was Public Administration. Stephen also had a double Minor in Information Technology and Business.

## Mike Simms

George Mason University conferred the degree of M.A. on Mike in May of 2002. His major was History.



## Heath Granas DmcraNJ9th@aol.com

Heath graduated from American University in May, 2002. He was awarded a B.A. in Political Science. Currently, Heath is searching for work in the District of Columbia. His focus is on positions that have dealings with democratic politics.

## Michael Stefanski 4001 47th St, NW Apartment 1 Washington DC 20016 m.stefanski@conservation.org

Michael graduated cum laude from American University in May 2002 with a degree in International Relations. He also received University Honors in International Relations. Michael has one more semester to complete his graduate degree in Environmental Policy at American, but is keeping his eyes open for a position in environmental or international politics. His true job search will begin in December. Currently, Michael has an internship at Conservation International, a leading organization in biodiversity conservation. He also serves part time at Chef Geoff's, a restaurant near American's campus.

## Dan Greenfield

In May of 2002, Dan completed his M.A. in Communications at George Mason University.

## George Schaubhut BBslider42@yahoo.com 202-276-1776

George graduated in May of 2002 from American University: School of Public Affairs. He has a B.A. in Political Science, and a B.A. in C.L.E.G. (Communication, Legal Institutions, Economics and Government)

George is looking for a job in the field of law enforcement. He would like to go to grad school in a year or two while he's working. Outside of law enforcement, he is willing to consider any positions that would add to his resume and experiences.

## Mitch Herkis MHerckis@aol.com

In May of 2002, Mitch completed his undergraduate work at American University. He will begin work on an M.A. in Political Science at American University over the next year. He has been working in political advocacy and government and plans to continue work in this field, with the hopes of branching out and broadening his horizons.

## Ken Tambaschi

Ken graduated in May of 2002 from George Mason University with a B.S. in Computer Science.

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