



SIGMA CHI CAPITAL CITY ALUMNI CHAPTER

Capital City Constantine

Report of the President

Nathan A. Neal - E '83

Our next regular scheduled meeting will be held at our favorite location

CHADWICKS OF GEORGETOWN, 3205 "K" Street, NW in Washington DC, 202-333-2565. The meeting is scheduled for **Wednesday, May 14, 2003; at 7:00 p.m.** We have a few items of business to take care of in regards to Grand Chapter.

For those who missed it, many of our Executive Committee Grand Officers were in town on Friday, April 25, 2003. The Sigma Chi Foundation is hosting an event in Washington, DC on Capital Hill. The Sigma Chi Foundation is our tax-exempt entity, which provides various scholarships to fraternity members. It also co-sponsors many of our education programs like

the Balfour Leadership Training Workshop and Horizons. There was a short dinner at the Cosmos Club.

On May 14, 2003, I will be



installing the new officers of Alumni Chapter in a short ceremony. As per our bylaws, the new officers

assume their responsibilities effective May 1, 2003. The new officers are: Nathan A. Neal, PRESIDENT, Robert Grabowski, VICE PRESIDENT, James "JP" Paluskiewicz, TREASURER, Ryan Harmon, SECRETARY, Brad McCormick, SOCIAL CHAIRMAN, Michael Lally, EDITOR, James Ormerod and Robert Farrow CO-AWARDS CHAIRMAN. We will also talk about our summer social events so bring your calendar.

Mark your calendar for Saturday, June 14, 2003, that's the day that Capital City will go to that greatest professional baseball team in this area. That's Right, the **BOWIE BAYSOXS**. Admission to the game is about

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Sigma Chi Rho Housing Trust

Heath Hutchison - KP '00

Another year has passed for the Sigma Chi Rho Housing Trust (SCRHT) and the KP Chapter. This year has been the most successful year to date in several areas. The SCRHT has expanded our programming to include events during Homecoming Weekend, and is working with the undergraduates to develop an Alumni Weekend in the spring. We have

continued to sponsor the initiation luncheon in the spring and fall, and held our first fundraising event this spring, selling tickets to the Washington Wizards Basketball game. The Board of Directors cannot thank you all enough for your generous contributions to the most significant fundraising year for the SCRHT.

Our fundraising goal is to

reach \$10,000 by October 9, 2004, just in time for the 5 year Anniversary Gala. (More on that to Follow) With the support of KP Alumni and the tremendous success of our Wizards Fundraiser, we have raised just under \$5,000 this semester! Our total assets have almost reached our 5-year goal. Because of the increased cash flow, the

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\$9.00 per person. Wives, girlfriends, significant others and non-SIG friends are invited to attend. For those who want to know who the **BOWIE BAYSOXS** will be playing, they will be playing an affiliate team of the Pittsburgh Pirates from Erie Pennsylvania The **ERIC SEA WOLVES**. Game time is 7:05 pm and there will be fireworks.

Since our last meeting, I have attending meetings of many of the local Chapters in connection with Grand Chapter and can report back to you at the next meeting. On Thursday, May 8, 2003, I was invited along with Jon Miller to speak at the Washington Alumni Chapter luncheon. All are welcomed to attend.

For details you must contact the Washington Alumni Chapter President Kenneth Putkovich at kenneth.putkovich@noaa.gov. I believe that the WAC luncheons are held at the Embassy Row in the International Marketplace restaurant on the lower level of the Hilton at 12:00 Noon. As I recall there is a cost for the luncheon.

There is a graduating senior luncheon hosted by the Sigma Chi Rho Housing Trust, Inc on Saturday, May 3, 2003. Please contact Heath Hutchison at hutchison@worldnet.att.net Also, please remember that dues for May 1, 2003, to April 30, 2004 are due. The cost is \$25.00. JP, the incoming Treas-

urer can be contacted at BlkEagle5@aol.com

There is also a social event on Tuesday May 20, 2003, our new social chairman Brad McCormick can be contacted at sighappyhour@yahoo.com for additional information.

Lastly, we must remember that we have to continue our recruitment efforts. We want new members. Our incoming secretary Ryan Harmon will be working on recruitment idea in for the summer and the next year.

See you on May 14, 2003

Summer Social Events

Heath Hutchison - KP '00

BOWIE BAYSOX

Join us in June when we attend our second annual Bowie Baysox game! The Bowie Baysox are the AA affiliate of the Baltimore Orioles. Last year we attended a game in which Scott Erickson made a rehab start for the Baysox. This year we hope to see an exciting game followed by enough fireworks to permanently damage your lungs from smoke inhalation. Despite finishing in last place last year, the Baysox are hot out of the gates this year, winning 12 of their first 20 games and in first place in the South Division. Tim Raines and Joey Hammond lead this not-so-offensive minded team with a combined 2 home runs. That's right, 2 WHOLE HOME RUNS.

Well if their offense doesn't bring you out, maybe the biggie adult beverages will. Be on the lookout on our listserv for more information regarding this outing. Its fun and its cheap. What more could you want?

POTOMAC CANNONS

Since we had so much fun at the Bowie Baysox game, we thought we would branch out to the Single A Affiliate of the Cincinnati Reds. If you thought Double A baseball could be comical... you should see Single A! The Cannons are off to a 9-12 start, but look strong. With sluggers like Mike Calitri and Jeff Bannon, there is no doubt that this team will win another game or two as the year progresses. Again, be on the lookout for more information regarding this

outing this summer.

MORE SOCIAL EVENTS

Come out to the annual Kentucky Derby Day event at Jon Miller's farm on May 3. Go to www.sigmachiep.org for info.

Don't miss the first Annual Sig Happy Hour at The Front Page on May 20.

We are always interested in hearing what you would like to do. Last year we attended the Arlington Cinema & Drafthouse and enjoyed a game at the ESPNZone. If you have any ideas and would like to share them with us, feel free to contact any of our officers. If you would like to organize an event yourself, please feel free to post some info on our listserv.

Attending Initiation

James Ormerod - KP '02

As a Kappa Rho alumnus, I was extremely proud to see such a large, quality group of men initiated into our great fraternity on April 12. The ceremony took place in a church in Silver Spring, Maryland and was one of the best ceremonies of initiation that Kappa Rho has ever done. Many Sigma Chi alumni were on hand to witness the event including Grand Trustee, Bruce Casner,

Capital City president Nathan Neal, visiting KP alums Graham Gibson and Greg Andre, and, what I believe is a Kappa Rho first, one of our pledge's fathers there to pin his son. As the ceremony ended, 20 new brothers had ended almost a semester's worth of work and were ready to continue their journeys as Sigma Chis.

The ceremony was followed by the an-

nual Housing Corps luncheon. Brothers young and old mingled and inhaled their submarine sandwiches. Alumni Adam Harrington and Wojtek Stasiewicz stopped by to greet the new brothers and impart some of their knowledge and experience. After an intense evening, most of the brothers were exhausted and headed off to bed, ending a great day of initiation.

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SCRHT was able to put \$5,000 into an interest bearing account. Not the most daring financial move, but a big step for our young House Corporation.

We are currently forming committees in three key areas: The Anniversary Gala, Fundraising and Alumni Events. We want to get as many people involved with the

planning process in order to spread the work, improve communication flow and better the execution of each event. Committees also allow the Board of Directors a chance to increase alumni involvement and develop our future leaders internally. If you have any interest in volunteering your time toward any event planning committee for the SCRHT please contact me directly at (202) 285-2195 or hjhutchison@att.net.

Farewells

The Capital City Alumni Chapter would like to bid a fond farewell to the following brothers who will be moving on to bigger and better things over the summer.

Grant Olan will be entering Officer Candidate School for the United States Navy sometime between the end of August and the beginning of fall. The official date has not yet been finalized, but we wish Grant the best of luck in his military career.

After completing his degree and officially becoming an alumnus of Johns Hopkins University, **Ryan Shuell** will be permanently moving to Chicago on June 1st. Ryan has been unable to contact any Sigs in the windy city, but is looking forward to the big move.

Our Chapter Editor, **Mike Lally** will be leaving the DC area in mid-May and will be moving to the Philadelphia area to take a new job. Mika plans to continue publishing the Capital City Constantine in his spare time and keeping up his ties with Cap City despite the distance.

Sig Awards

Grant Olan - KP '01

Another year is coming to a close. Of course it always seems like some year is coming to a close -fiscal, tax, calendar, anniversary, birthday, whatever. In this case, though, I am referring to, what else, the 2002-'03 chapter year. And what a year it has been! Scratch that. It has been *the Golden Year* for us -with induction and all. And, I am happy to report that it has been a great year for the awards committee too.

In addition to submitting awards nominating Laird Anderson for Significant Sig and Mike Lally for Outstanding Alumni Chapter Officer, we submitted a strong application for the Alumni Chapter Excellence Award-which, though the status is still pending, I believe reflects the strength of the chapter considering how young we are.

I believe we will win the Chapter Excellence Award and Mike Lally the Outstanding Chapter Officer Award. But if not,

that would not be a critique of us - just an indication of how young we are and where we need to go. The fact that we have strong candidates and nominations when we are so young says a lot in itself. Though Laird Anderson didn't get selected for Significant Sig this year - through no deficiency of his own - his application will be reconsidered with each year's applicant pool, and as our influence grows, the more assured his selection will be.

Let us continue down the path we have begun, keep active and check our progress as we do. I believe the awards committee is a critical component of that. If we do not have strong candidates and nominations, then we are doing something wrong. But this year has been evidence to the contrary.

NEXT GOAL: NATHAN'S INDUCTION INTO THE ORDER OF CONSTANTINE!!!

Upcoming Events

5/03/03 - Derby Day Celebration - Jon Miller's Farm

5/14/03 - Meeting/Social Event - Chadwicks of Georgetown

6/7/03 - Social Event - Poto-mac Cannons

6/14/03 - Minor League Baseball - Bowie Baysocks

6/25/03 - 6/29/03 - Sigma Chi Grand Chapter - Renaissance Orlando Resort at Sea world

7/03 - Social Event - Hooters of WDC

8/03 - Balfour Leadership Training Workshop - TBA

9/10/03 - Meeting/Social Event - Chadwicks of Georgetown

10/8/03 - Meeting/Social Event - Chadwicks of Georgetown

11/12/03 - Meeting/Social Event - Chadwicks of Georgetown

12/10/03 or 12/17/03 - Christmas/Holiday Party - TBD

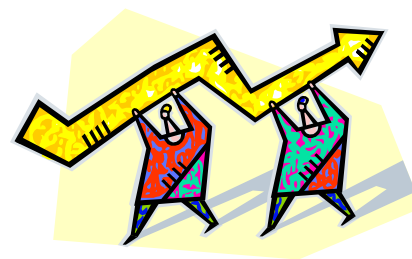


Growing Our Membership

JP Paluskiewicz - KP '01

At Capital City we are always looking to increase are membership to build stronger bonds of friendship with local alumni. As the school year ends, we encourage all graduating seniors to join us in our active role in helping nearby undergraduate chapters and keeping our ties to all local Sigs. Knowing the burden that obtaining a college degree has

placed on our fraternity's newest alumni we offer a special payment plan for new graduates. Despite our yearly dues being only \$25 we encourage all new graduates to join with a \$10 down payment due May 14th with the remaining \$15 due June 11th. Payments can be made in cash at our next meeting or by check.



A Literary Exercise

Submitted by Ryan Harmon - AN '99

Tomorrow

by Edgar Guest

He was going to be all that a mortal should be **Tomorrow**.
No one should be kinder or braver than he **Tomorrow**.
A friend who was troubled and weary he knew,
Who'd be glad of a lift and who needed it, too;
On him he would call and see what he could do **Tomorrow**.

Each morning he stacked up the letters he'd write **Tomorrow**.
And thought of the folks he would fill with delight **Tomorrow**.
It was too bad, indeed, he was busy today,
And hadn't a minute to stop on his way;
More time he would have to give others, he'd say **Tomorrow**.

The greatest of workers this man would have been **Tomorrow**.
The world would have known him, had he ever seen **Tomorrow**.
But the fact is he died and he faded from view,
And all that he left here when living was through
Was a mountain of things he intended to do **Tomorrow**.

1st Annual ΣX Alumni Happy Hour

The Capital City Alumni Chapter of Sigma Chi is throwing a happy hour for all Sigs who live in the DC Metro area.



Where: The Front Page
located @ Dupont Metro Stop
When: Tuesday, May 20
Time: 5:00pm – 9:00pm

Happy Hour drink specials from 5-9, half-price burgers all night!
Stop by after work, friends welcome.

For more information go to www.angelfire.com/sc3/capcityalum

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The year has been a great one for Kappa Rho. We recently won the IFC Chapter of the Year Award as well as the award for best Fraternity Community Service Programming. We initiated the 20 men of the Iota pledge class, will be graduating 12 seniors, sending 9 men abroad, and getting 6 back. Many of the graduating seniors will be staying in the area and have plans to work in politics, the arts, and in professional sports (the administrative side). Our chapter is growing and

changing for the better and is truly the strongest we have ever seen it. We hope more and more alumni become active as the semesters go on and we hope we can make some of the events held this year (pancake breakfast, alumni weekend, etc) become annual events. Only you can make this possible.

For everyone's information, the election results are listed below:

Consul - Marc Bridgeman

Pro Consul - Aaron Killian
Annotator - Aaron Dyke
Quaestor - Jeff Rothenberg
Rush - Noah Goldberg
Social - Terry Levine
House Corporation - Danny Sexton
Community Service - Dan Paepke
Kustos - CJ Perego
Magister - Dan Krupnick
Scholarship - Chris Burns
Tribune - Brian Evans
Historian - Rory Obletz
Chapter Editor - James Mazzella

Graduating Seniors

Best of Luck to the seniors below who will be graduating in May of 2003

Jeff Abate - Political Science (KP)
Will Adonizio - International Studies (KP)
Brian Ayers - Political Science (KP)
Nick Banovetz - Political Science (KP)
Lloyd Belcher - Political Science (KP)
Kevin Duncan - Political Science (KP)

Nick Gentile - Political Science (KP)
John Lenss - Computer Information Systems/Physics (KP)
Adam Natale - Directing for Theatre and Film (KP)
Dan MacAvoy - International Studies (KP)
Dave Strousberg - Political Science (KP)
Marshall Thompson - Anthropology (KP)

Military Sigs

Mitch Wander - E '91



According to his parents, **Bruce Fitton** (E '92, pictured at left) is a staff sergeant in Special Forces. He served in Afghanistan for six months in 2002 and was awarded a Bronze Star. Just before he was deployed in early March to Iraq, Washington Post correspondent Dana Priest's book, "The Mission: Waging War and Keeping Peace With America's Military" was published. Bruce was interviewed by Ms. Priest in both Nigeria and Afghanistan, and he is pictured on page 177. In keeping with Special Forces secrecy, we know very little about his assignments or location in Iraq.

Dave Greenlees (E '92, pictured at right) is presently in Al Hillal, Iraq with the I Marine Expeditionary Force. Dave is a lawyer who recently passed the California Bar Exam, but did not find out until after his Reserve unit was called up to go to Kuwait in November. Dave has Internet access and regularly spams us with pictures of his exploits. Feel free to email him at GreenleesDW@imefdm.usmc.mil for his latest update.



Captain **Jonathan Bennet** (E '96) is currently working with the 443rd Military Police Company, guarding captured Enemy Prisoners of War. Jon was the Installing Consul for the Kappa Rho chapter on October 9, 1999 when they received their charter..

A complete Listing of all Sigs overseas in the active military can be found at www.sigmachi.org

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Thanks and Welcome!!!!

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