

## Recruitment Success: 31 Pledges

Recruitment is a major responsibility of any fraternity, because the men that we recruit today are the future of our chapter. **Nicholas Johnson** ['08-1629] and I did most of our summer recruitment out of a house we rented in Lake Oswego, Oregon. We met with potential pledges, told them a bit more about our chapter, and got to know each of them a little bit better. We took them out to lunch and involved them in various activities. One of our big rush events was hosted by **Todd Johnson** ['83-1094], Nick's uncle, so a special thanks to him is in order. We also thank **Eddie La Berge** ['01-1499], **Ian Lewallen** ['02-1515], and **Brent Hedberg** ['02-1539] for their assistance and advice; we look forward to working with them in the future, as they are currently working with our house corporation.



Nicholas and I were able to attend the Balfour Leadership Training Workshop in North Carolina, where we gathered many ideas to help us improve our recruitment process. Our efforts paid off, as we ended up pledging thirty-one diverse men from all over the west coast — one of the largest pledge classes at OSU. The fact that so many incoming freshmen were attracted to Sigma Chi speaks well for our chapter. While recruiting a large pledge

class was one of our goals, the character of the men we recruited was far more important to us, and this year we succeeded in recruiting guys that live up to our high standards. In Hoc,

— Ben Wright, Recruitment Chair, 2008

## A Festive Secret Santa Exchange



We held our annual Secret Santa Exchange on the Saturday before finals, the night after our Merry Fifthmas house dance. **Nicholas Johnson** ['08-1629] played Santa, and did a fantastic job of dispensing and explaining the gifts. He himself received the funniest gift: a picture of his sister with her new boyfriend, who is also in the chapter. We all laughed as he looked for the culprit. Other gifts included a half-gallon Pendleton bottle with two live fish inside, a bottle of Crown Royal, video games, and a fancy backscratcher.

## Beta Pi to Host Province, March 5-7, 2010

Brothers! This year, Beta Pi Chapter has the honor of hosting our annual Province Banquet. Sigs from Oregon, Washington, and Canada will be making the trip to Corvallis to attend the awards banquet, celebrate our ideals, and enjoy the fun time to follow. Along with our province members, many grand officers of the national fraternity — including Grand Quaestor **Mike Greenberg** — will attend. All alumni are invited.

**David Thompson** ['07-1621], our Province Chair, is in the process of booking facilities. We are attempting to book the Kelly engineering building for our awards banquet. For more information, please contact David (thompsondot@gmail.com) or **Brooks Barkow** ['07-1617] (barkowb@onid.orst.edu).

— Brooks Barkow, Pro Consul

## Derby Days Fun Benefits Kids

Once again, our annual Derby Days Philanthropy was a great success, raising \$11,000 for Doernbecher Children's Hospital at OHSU in Portland, Oregon. This was a significant increase over the \$6,000 we raised last year.

We hosted a variety of events during the first week of November, with the help



**Delta Gamma's flag football team for Derby Days was coached by Richard Campo, lower right.**

chapter talent show, and the sorority lip sync, along with T-shirt, sweatshirt, and bracelet sales.

The four-time defending champ and winner of the 2009 Derby Days, Kappa Alpha Theta, consistently gained points through the week, and pulled ahead on the last day to claim first place in t-shirt orders and the penny drive. Second place went to Alpha Gamma Delta, who made an impressive effort, and a respectable third place went to Delta Gamma after a stunning performance in their lip sync competition.

of 10 participating sororities. The sororities were Alpha Chi Omega, Alpha Gamma Delta, Alpha Phi, Chi Omega, Delta Delta Delta, Delta Gamma, Kappa Alpha Theta, Kappa Delta, Kappa Gamma, and Sigma Kappa. This year's events included a four-day-long penny drive, a three-on-three basketball tournament, house tagging, a seven-on-seven football tournament, an OSU campus scavenger hunt, a



**Our Derby Days Chair, Jason Patterson, with Sigma Chi Derby Darling, Taylor Johnson**

We are extremely pleased with the success of this year's Derby Days. The sororities competed enthusiastically to support this worthy cause, and we all had a great time. Every year we strive to raise more money for Doernbecher than the year before, and this year we exceeded our goal.

— Jason Patterson,  
Philanthropy Chair

## A Productive Work Week

With summer coming to an end, it was time to start work week and get the house ready for another great year. Many notable improvements had already been made while we were away, including new exterior paint and removal of the moss from the roof. Now it was our turn to roll up our sleeves. We began with a thorough cleaning, which filled a full-sized dumpster in no time with all the leftover assignments and old couches which seem to come to our house to die.

Later on, after the usual chores of replacing light bulbs, cleaning the carpets, etc., it came time to tackle a real project — the basement! This much-neglected space was in



desperate need of renovation. Plans had been drawn up with a contractor the previous year to totally remodel our basement, but these were denied by the house corporation. Hence, the burden lay on us with a tight budget. We began by removing all of the old

wood paneling, priming the walls, and painting them with a blue and gold color scheme. We painted the stairs black, and installed fraternity-strength railings made from plumbing pipe. Then, the floor got two coats of black garage floor epoxy, with blue flakes in it for traction in the likely event that liquid would be spilled on it. Finally, we added base trim and rope lighting. The photo, at left, only hints at how much better it looks!

To christen the project, we got a new sound system at an extraordinarily great price. The upgrades have made our house even more welcoming, and have mitigated the problem of too many people congregating in the halls.

— Brian Mitchell, House Manager

### Initiation Is January 30, 2010

All alumni are cordially invited! If you are able to attend, and would like to participate in the investiture ceremony or any of the events of the preceding week, please contact Magister Ben Haynes at 541-441-6683.

## Beta Pi Alumni Report

This past fall, the Alumni Board members held a start-the-year meeting with the undergraduates. We discussed the history of the Sig House, which is fully paid for and owned by the alumni, and the importance of maintaining it for better livability. Over the summer, the alumni had the house completely repainted, the window trim repaired, and the roof power-washed, at a cost of \$12,000. The project was coordinated by our new Board member, **Eddie La Berge** [’01-1499]. In the last four years, the alumni have spent over \$80,000 to upgrade and maintain the house facilities. We thank all the alumni brothers who made contributions, totaling \$5,825 over the past year, toward these improvements. Please consider sending us a contribution this year, as we plan to completely renovate the second floor rooms before our 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary in 2016.

We also thank the Mom’s Club for their strong support of the chapter. They raised funds this past year to remodel the den study room.

**Kevin Dodds** [’02-1516] has joined our Alumni Board, and **Brent Hedberg** [’02-1539] (with Kevin’s support) has taken over as treasurer. **Bill Amestoy** [’95-1357] organized an alumni function last summer at the Mallory Farm. If you missed it, we hope to see you all next year!

Our financial report for the last two years appears on page 4. You can see that the financial condition remains strong, with cash and securities at \$230,000 and no debt on our books. It’s great to be a Sig!

— *Peter V. Potwin, House Corporation President*

## “I’m a Howling Sigma Chi, Seldom Swear and Never Lie”

To a young man, it must seem like long ago, but to an old guy, it was just yesterday. It was the fall of 1950, and I rushed the Sigma Chi chapter at Oregon State College. Even that has changed to Oregon State University.

The house was immaculately clean, with leather chairs and couches, and a grand piano with a talented brother playing. The dining room had a large table, high-backed chairs, and a hardwood floor. Many of the young men were playing cards.

Lunch and dinner were served five days a week, and Sunday breakfast featured eggs cooked to order. The brothers ate together, and the school did not have classes that interfered with dining hours: there were few night classes. The House Mother was escorted and seated first, and then the seniors, juniors, sophomores, and freshmen entered, in that sequence. All the brothers were required to wear coats and ties, but you could wear any kind of pants or shorts. When everyone was seated, no one started to eat until the Head of the Table raised his fork. Only seniors were allowed to eat bread and gravy, and seconds were given according to class order. The dinner was served by the pledges. No one was allowed to leave the table without being excused by the Head of the Table. The freshmen were given an orientation in table manners, which I personally appreciated, as it brought me into the company of another social stratum. I learned to be a gentleman, in the company of a whole group of young men. It all seemed so civilized, when behavior was guided by your code of dress.

At the conclusion of the evening meal, there were announcements and a few rounds of song. Study hours were then invoked, and no freshmen were allowed to leave the house except to go to the library. Academics were stressed, and, in 1950, there were a few World War II veterans who kept all of us young guys in line and taught us the value of study. Only a very few didn’t make their grades.

When I became a pledge, I studied the book of Sigma Chi and learned the history, rituals, and purpose of the fraternity. I have never forgotten that Constantine was the first Christian emperor of Rome, and that he saw the Southern Cross constellation in the sky, saying “In Hoc Signo Vinces.” Only years later did I really understand the whole history that the fraternity incorporated in its mission.

As pledges, we were required to work a few hours on Saturdays to clean the house, and underclassmen were always required to keep the study rooms clean. Believe it or not, there was still time for a social life that included exchange dinners with sororities. The work done by the pledges was guided by an upperclassman known as the Work Master. It was a tradition to throw him in the river at the end of the year.

I was living in the tradition of an old-style men’s club, and felt a sense of pride, respect, and appreciation for a home that was both clean and well kept. No alcohol was permitted on the premises, and a fine was imposed by the president for drunken disorderly conduct. Yes, there was drinking, but not in the house: tap beer was ten cents a glass, any place in Corvallis. Many of the brothers did not imbibe, but most smoked. I didn’t, but in those days, tobacco companies passed out free cigarettes on campus.

We looked forward to Mothers and Fathers Days, as we were proud to show our parents the care we took with the fraternity house. The Portland Mothers’ Club bought much of the furniture.

We had a twelve-inch television that only had programming in the evening, and on Wednesday nights we huddled around to watch the boxing matches. We participated in all the intramural events, and we took first place in basketball my senior year, beating the athletic Phi Delta Thetas. Upperclassmen were allowed to wear cords, sophomores were allowed to wear moleskin, and underclassmen could wear anything else. Many a freshman would be so bold as to break the tradition, only to have his pants taken off on campus. In spring, the entire freshman pledge class would hold a surprise and secret walkout, leaving the house in disarray while they spent the weekend at the Oregon coast. A dance was held each quarter, highlighted by the crowning of the Sweetheart of Sigma Chi.

Alumni came back to campus for initiations. Hazing was still allowed, but no one was hurt during my four years.

At the end of my senior year, all the brothers without medical problems went into the service, either as ROTC officers or as draftees. It was a quick switch from a sheltered life to the rigors of the military. I met many Sigma Chi brothers in the service, and even stayed at the MIT chapter house in Boston while stationed at Fort Devens.

I revisited the house forty years later to find it not so well kept. The brothers were friendly and greeted me, but some were drinking in the house and others had women in their rooms. This was an observation, not a judgment, and I suddenly realized how the culture had changed and the badge of the White Cross had taken on a different meaning. I was pleased to learn later that community service was still a part of Sigma Chi. But times had changed, Oregon State had changed, America had changed, and so had fraternities. So, I suppose, had I.

I still value my friendship with my Sigma Chi brothers, and have fond memories of them all. They were all good men, and, to the best of my knowledge, have all been successful in their lives.

— *Miles “Satch” Richmond, ’51-452*

## ΣX Dad's Weekend 2009

Dad's Weekend fell on November 13-15 this year, and was a complete success. We got the house in great condition to welcome our visiting dads, and we were all excited to greet and entertain them for the weekend. We started off with a friendly cocktail party Friday evening, where we could all socialize. Later that night, sons and their fathers went out to dinner, and then returned to the house to play various games.

We started the second day with a festive Sigma Chi tailgater, held by alumnus **Randy Schaaf** ['74-878]. Then, with a 12:30 PM kickoff time, the Beavers took on the Washington Huskies. It was a fairly lopsided game, and in the end the Beavers came away with a 48 – 21 victory. Their win only improved the already wonderful weekend, and we all returned to the house to celebrate. Overall, it was a great time: the majority of our dads were able to show up, and they are all looking forward to coming back next year!

— *Richard Campo, Dad's Weekend Chair*

## Increased Officer Involvement

Chapter officers this year have taken on increased responsibilities, benefiting the house in several ways. **Brian Mitchell** ['09-1644], House Manager, began the year with the idea of renovating the entire basement, and he coordinated an extremely productive work week. Our Galley Steward, **Steve Behbahany** ['09-1653], put some members to work in the kitchen, fixing cabinets and painting the walls and ceiling. He improved the methods used to clean the kitchen, and effectively reduced the food budget. **Jason Patterson** ['09-1650], Philanthropy and Derby Days Chair, coordinated an exhilarating and intense Derby Days, raising \$11,000 with his innovative ideas on how to improve the competitive events.

Not only are the officers demonstrating pride in their positions and in the chapter, but each officer plans to mentor another member during winter term, so the transition of officers will be smooth during the spring. Due to the officers' increased involvement and initiative, the house has never looked better. Everything is operating perfectly, people understand their roles, and — most importantly — the number of members living in the house is on the rise. As we have said for years, "What you put into the chapter, is what you get out of it." I am pleased to say that the members now living in the house are receiving the benefits of their hard work and effort.

— *Sean Belding, Chapter Editor*

## Community Relations

In December 2008, I was elected IFC Vice President of Scholarship and Community Service. As the first Sigma Chi to serve on the council in several years, I made the most of this opportunity to serve our community. This year, I was elected IFC Vice President of Public Relations and Diversity Affairs. In this role, I will represent the IFC and Sigma Chi to the larger community, and try to help dispel some of the stereotypes surrounding fraternities at OSU.

Beta Pi Chapter has placed second among OSU fraternities in grades for the past two years, and we are second among fraternities in our total number of community service hours. Having one of our members on the IFC has provided us with opportunities to improve in both areas.

— *Rakan Khaki, Quaestor*



Alumni at the Dad's Weekend Tailgater. L-R: John Lynch ['75-890], Thomas Britton ['76-911], Scott Timmer ['76-921], Larry Haroun ['72-829], Randy Schaaf ['74-878], Dennis Harlow ['76-927], Jeff Mastrandrea ['73-856], Steve Whitehorn ['76-916], John Abrahamson ['73-853], Dave Merriman ['74-876], Don Vinton ['73-854], and Jim Farance ['74-864].

## Financial Statement

### BETA PI ALUMNI OF SIGMA CHI FRATERNITY

(An Oregon Non-Profit Corporation)

BALANCE SHEET	June 30, 2008	June 30, 2009
<b>Current Assets:</b>		
Cash	\$ 77,767	\$ 85,936
Saleable Securities	152,080	165,344
Note Receivable Undergraduates	0	0
<b>Total Current Assets</b>	<b>\$229,847</b>	<b>251,280</b>
Land	\$ 91,600	\$ 91,600
Building	163,000	163,000
Furniture and Equipment	24,000	24,000
<b>Total Capital Assets</b>	<b>\$ 278,600</b>	<b>\$ 278,600</b>
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>\$ 508,447</b>	<b>\$ 529,880</b>
<b>Liabilities and Equity:</b>		
<b>Current Liabilities:</b>		
Note Payable to Bank	0	0
Total Current Liabilities	0	0
General Fund Debentures 6%	0	0
<b>Equity</b>	<b>\$ 508,447</b>	<b>\$ 529,880</b>
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### INCOME STATEMENT

<b>Operating Income:</b>		
Regular Rent	\$ 50,000	\$ 50,000
Other Income-CMA	0	0
<b>Total Operating Income</b>	<b>\$ 50,000</b>	<b>\$ 50,000</b>
<b>Operating Expenses:</b>		
Note Interest	0	0
Board Meeting Expenses	0	0
Real Estate Taxes	\$ 2,629	\$ 3,169
Insurance	15,995	15,739
Repairs and Maintenance	11,389	14,081
Beaver Sig Printing	0	3,022
SAIF Workers' Comp Insurance	1,283	0
Furniture and Equipment	0	0
Taxes	1,251	1,522
Miscellaneous	716	822
<b>Total Operating Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 33,263</b>	<b>\$ 38,355</b>
<b>Net Operating Margin</b>	<b>\$ 16,737</b>	<b>\$ 11,645</b>

## Obituaries

**Paul A. Haig, '27-181**, of Honolulu, Hawaii, died April 4, 2001. He was 97.

**Ellis J. Stevens, '29-204**, of Clackamas, Oregon, passed away on February 19, 2004, at the age of 96.

**Robert M. Hill, '36-250**, died October 30, 2007, at his home in Hood River, Oregon. Born in 1916 in Long Beach, California, he was raised in Hood River and graduated from Odell High School in 1934. He graduated from Oregon State in 1938 with a degree in biology, and worked in Alaska for the Fish and Wildlife Department before joining the Navy in 1942. He served as a lieutenant with the Ninth Division Anti Aircraft on the USS Pennsylvania until late 1945. He married Ruth Parks, and they returned to Hood River to run the family orchard. They raised three children, Frances, Joseph, and Roberta. Ruth passed away in 1979, and he married Lucille Hazeltine in 1982. Bob was a board member of the American Legion for many years, and a member of the Elks Club. He was an active supporter of the Boy Scouts, and started the Odell Little League. He enjoyed hunting, fishing, and traveling. He was predeceased by Lucille, and by children Joseph and Frances. He is survived by his daughter, Roberta, and a grandson.

**Carl W. Detering, '37-256**, of Los Angeles, California, died March 1, 2003, at the age of 86.

**Harry Moss, Jr., '40-282**, of Portland, Oregon, passed away on October 9, 2008. He was born in Idaho in 1922, and moved with his family to Portland when he was four. He graduated from Oregon State with a business degree in 1943. In college, he served as senior class president and president of Sigma Chi, and was a member of the Interfraternity Council and the Thanes and Blue Key honor societies. He married Mary Louise Ruckdeschel (KAΘ-OSU) in 1943, joined the Navy that year, and served in the Supply Corps for three years. As part of his training, he attended Columbia University and the Harvard Graduate School of Business Administration. He served as a lieutenant on the destroyer escort USS Bright, which was hit by a kamikaze plane while participating in the blockade of Okinawa. Returning to civilian life, he spent his professional career in sales and marketing for the food industry, working for 30 years in the Portland office of the Amalgamated Sugar Company. Harry was a longtime member of the Multnomah Athletic Club, where he enjoyed working out and socializing with other "jaded jocks." He was preceded in death by his wife, and by his daughter, Marilee. He is survived by son Richard; daughter Molly Nix; and seven grandchildren.

**Kenneth W. Kirby, '41-289**, a lifelong Hood River Valley resident, died April 14, 2009. Born in Odell, Oregon, in 1921, he graduated from Odell High School, attended the University of Southern California, and graduated from Oregon State in 1946. He served in the Marine Corps for four years during WWII, with duty in the South Pacific. In civilian life, he worked as an appraiser for the Veterans Administration, and served in a number of federal and local governmental positions. Ken was a member of many organizations, including St. Mark's Episcopal Church, Elks Lodge, American Legion, VFW, DAV, Oregon Historical Society, the National and Oregon Associations of Review Appraisers, and OSU Dads' Club and Alumni Association, and served in numerous elected and appointed offices within them. He was active in fundraising and administration for many charities and civic organizations, including Cub Scouts and 4H. He is survived by his wife, Bonnie Jean, who notified us of his passing and donated in his memory; son **Christopher** ['69-781]; and two grandsons.

**James D. Nordahl, '43-317**, of Kitsap, Washington, died June 2, 2001. He was 78.

**Robert E. Marks, '43-320**, of San Bernardino, California, died March 5, 2000, at the age of 77.

**Harry A. Gustafson, '43-334**, a longtime resident of Lake Oswego, Oregon, passed away on August 12, 2009. Born in Portland in 1923, he attended Oregon State for a year before enrolling in the Naval Officers Training Program at the University of Colorado, where he completed his degree in mechanical engineering. He served in WWII, and, after his discharge, married Betty Jean Disbrow in 1945. The couple returned to the Portland area, where they raised their two children, and Gus began a lengthy career with Pacific Northwest Bell, retiring in the early 1980s. Gus was an active member of Lake Grove Presbyterian Church. He is survived by Betty; son Richard; daughter Jan Todd; three granddaughters; and two great-granddaughters.

**Bertrand J. Close, '46-369**, died February 13, 2009, at his home in West Linn, Oregon. Bert was born in Portland in 1925, and attended Benson High School, Oregon State, and Willamette University School of Law. He served with the Third Armored Spearhead Division in WWII, and received two Purple Hearts and a Bronze Star; his tank crew was featured on History Channel specials. He began a solo law practice in Portland in 1954, later joined the firm of Stoel Rives as an associate, and joined the Tonkon Torp firm as a partner in 1986, retiring in 1997. He married Charlotte Mollett in 1956 at Mt. Tabor Presbyterian Church, of which he was a member for more than 52 years, serving as an elder and a deacon. He was past president of the Visiting Nurse Association of Portland, president of the Mt. Tabor Presbyterian Church Foundation, and past secretary treasurer of the Benson High School Reunion Scholarship Fund. He is survived by Charlotte, and by daughters Beverly and Catherine.

**Wayne E. Fox, '47-379**, of Coos Bay, Oregon, passed away on December 3, 2008. Born in Minnesota in 1925, he moved with his family to North Bend, Oregon, in 1930, and graduated from North Bend High School in 1942. He was all-state in basketball, and student body president in his senior year. He enlisted in the Navy in 1943 and, before his deployment overseas, married Virginia Sandine; they were married for 40 years. He served in the South Pacific on a Navy patrol bomber until his discharge in 1945, and enrolled at Oregon State, graduating with a bachelor's degree in biology in 1950. He began his teaching career in 1952 at Coos River High School, taught general science and coached basketball and golf at Marshfield High School in 1957, and became head basketball coach at North Bend High School in 1958. In addition, he taught biology and was an assistant football coach. In 1967, he became athletic director at North Bend, a position he held until his retirement in 1985. Also in 1985, he married Sheryl Mosley, and they lived in Mesa, Arizona, until her death in 2001. Wayne is survived by three sons, Steven, Gary, and Jim; a daughter, Janet; seven grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

**Donald H. Nopson, '49-419**, of Oceanside, California, died July 8, 2009, at the age of 82.

## Alumni Notes & Quotes

**Harold A. Mattice, '46-354**, is "87, and still going strong!" He writes: "Class of '46! There are not too many numbers left under 354. Let's hear from you!" Hal and his wife, Blanche, receive mail at PO Box 96, Cambria, CA, 93428.

**Miles P. Richmond, Jr., '51-452**, is retired, and is the publisher of *Pointless*, "the paper for people with uninteresting and mundane lives." He and his wife, Betty Jo, have three children: Debbie, Miles, and Mike. Please see his article elsewhere in this issue. Write to "Satch" at 2200 Promontory Point Lane, Gold River, CA 95670 (916-635-7334; bjnmiles@aol.com).

**C. Richard Wilson, '56-485**, is retired, and reports: "I summer in Montana, winter in Mesquite, Nevada, and play lots of golf." Write to Dick at PO Box 211, Bigfork, MT 59911, or send e-mail to d\_lwil@yahoo.com.

**Malcolm E. Heitzhausen, '56-535**, is "enjoying retired life, and participating in the Alumni Fireside Chat at Initiations. I look forward to your getting another Peterson Award." Mac and his wife, Raydene, live at 2262 Condor Dr., Redmond, OR 97756 (heitz@bendbroadband.com).

**Thomas M. Nichols, '60-611**, reports: "I graduated from OSU in June 1964 with a BS in pharmacy, became licensed in Oregon, and worked at Corner Drug in Gold Beach. I went to work at Ender's Drug Store in Crescent City, California, in January 1965, and bought the store in 1970. In 1989, I became a Medicine Shoppe franchise, until selling to Safeway and retiring in September 2008. I am a member of Elks Lodge and Rotary. Carol (ΔΔΔ-OSU) and I have three sons. Matthew (40) is married with a three-year-old daughter, and works as a pit boss/shift manager for Harrah's Casino in Laughlin, Nevada. Warren (38) lives in Long Beach, California, and is a biologist for the state of California. His daughter was born in July 2009. **Allen** (36) is a teacher/coach at Desert Pine High School in Las Vegas. He became a Sig at San Diego State." Write to Thomas at 261 James Rd., Crescent City, CA 95531 (707-457-3171; tmn@charterinternet.com).

**Roger D. Hamreus, '68-773**, and his wife, Joanne (OSU), have four children: Christopher (32), Sarah (30), Trevor (21), and Kacie (19). He writes: "I love to fish. I have a 26-foot boat at Ilwaco, Washington. Call if you want to go fishing! I have been with the Camas School District since 1975 as a PE teacher and athletic administrator/facility coordinator. I coach the boys' golf team, which in 2009 was second in the state. My number one golfer, Daniel Snoey, is being recruited by OSU. Go Beavs!" Roger receives mail at 30700 NE 37<sup>th</sup> St., Camas, WA 98607 (360-834-2884; hamreus@comcast.net).

**Michael D. McCloskey, '75-893**, writes: "It is always fun to get the Beta Pi Chapter newsletter, and see that all is going well in Corvallis. Keep up the great work! I live in Kenmore, Washington, with my wife and six kids. My boys' favorite video is *Open Season*, written and produced by Brother **Steve Moore** ['75-899]. My company, San Juan Publishing, released a critically acclaimed new book, *Gloria's Miracle*, by *Seattle Times* sports columnist Jerry Brewer, in September 2009. My family enjoys vacationing on Henry Island near Roche Harbor. We often hike to the Mausoleum where Sigma Chi's first Grand Consul, **John McMillin**, is buried." Mike can be reached at sanjuanbooks@yahoo.com.

**Donald S. Waddell, '80-1001**, is an investor, "Living in Phoenix, Arizona, and semi-retired. Look me up if you are in the area, and we will tee it up and have some fun." His interests, in addition to investing and golf, include "MAC, squash, travel, and reading." Write to him at 4902 E. Estevan Rd., Phoenix, AZ 85054 (503-319-5099; wadsie@hotmail.com).

**Ken J. Griggs, '82-1058**, has been with NBS Financial Services for 15 years, and is now an executive vice president and partner. He and his wife, Mary Beth (KAΘ-OSU), have five children: Allison (22), Jeff (20), Rachel (15), Kim (13), and Peter (12). "Griggsy" reports: "Allison graduated in May 2009 from Whittier College. Jeff is a junior at OSU. Mary Beth and I just celebrated 24 years of marriage. She was a Sweetheart of Sigma Chi, and mine too. Who would have thought? It's nice to see that 'Double Nickels' is still a great room." Write to Ken at 126 Del Prado St., Lake Oswego, OR 97035 (503-697-6597; kgriggs@nbsfinancial.com).

**Thomas A. Cooper, '88-1206**, is owner of Pension Planners Northwest. He and his wife, Jennifer (U of Portland), have two children: Grace (9) and Charlie (5). Write to "Coop" at 7900 SE 29th St., Portland, OR 97202 (503-230-4852; tcooper@ppnw.net).

**James R. Allardyce, Jr., '95-1339**, is director of M&A with Hewlett Packard, where he has worked since 2000. He and his wife, Andrea (ΣK-CSU Chico), "live in the Bay Area with our two beautiful daughters, Claire (4 months) and Ella (18 months)." Write to "Dyce" at 4727 Torrey Pines Cir., San Jose, CA 95124. Call him at 408-540-7231, or send e-mail to jay.allardyce@gmail.com.

**Tyler J. Washburn, '97-1433**, reports: "Last year, I was promoted to branch manager of the Woodinville, Washington, location of HD Supply Waterworks. I've been with the company for seven years, and am currently the youngest branch manager, at 30, in the U.S. We have more than 500 branches. I continue to live in Bonney Lake with my wife, Aletha (U of Portland), and our three-year-old son, James. I see my fellow Sigs often, forever strengthening our bonds." Write to "Tendaloin" at 13618 Cedar Ct. E., Bonney Lake, WA 98391 (tyler.washburn@hdsupply.com).

**Walter B. Aman, '99-1441**, has been a senior accountant with Waggener Edstrom Worldwide for one year, and enjoys playing indoor soccer, coed soccer, and golf. He and his wife, Ann (KKΓ-OSU), have a new daughter, Ruby Lou, born in May 2009. He writes: "What I've lost in sleep, I've gained in diaper-changing experience and the ability to multi-task while soothing a screaming baby. I hope to get more involved as an alumnus: I could possibly help start a Beta Pi career advice and networking program." Walter receives mail at 3938 SE Madison St., Portland, OR 97214 (503-320-5400; brandm.aman@yahoo.com).

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## 2009 Honor Roll of Contributors

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