

The Beaver Sig

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Recruitment Brings 44 Pledges



For many fraternities, Rush is summed up with the simple question: "How were your numbers?" Our numbers this term were exceptional — we recruited 44 men, the largest pledge class of any fraternity on campus! — but throughout summer Rush, we emphasized quality over quantity, and sought members that lived up to our ideals and standards.

This past summer, **Sean Belding** ['09-1642] and I wanted to implement new ideas and plans, so we made a to-do list. The best rush tool that we developed was the "Man of Good

Character" scholarship fund. With the help of our Mothers' Club, we raised \$4,000 to give out in scholarships to incoming freshmen with outstanding high school careers and high ethical standards. We met or Skyped with 60 potential rushees and their parents. Not only was this a good way to meet quality guys, but we also had the chance to talk to their parents and help them understand what a fraternity truly represents.

We set up a rafting trip on the Deschutes River, which brought us many more potential members. All the

brothers helped enthusiastically with this and other activities, which contributed to our success. The men we rushed are all good students, and men of good character. Several are the sons or nephews of alumni, or younger brothers of current members. Their names are listed on Page 2 of this newsletter.

— *Michael Newell, '09-1658*
Rush Chairman

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Welcome, New Pledges!

Andrew Weiss Applebee	Gladstone, OR
Kevin H. Behbahany	Lake Oswego, OR
Jonathan Dwain Boothe	Lakeview, OR
Tyler James Brooks	Bellevue, WA
Christian Anthony Capistrano	Tigard, OR
Richard Trevor Davies	Eugene, OR
Sean David Dimeo	Hillsboro, OR
Taylor Crane Edwards	Houston, TX
Aaron Richard Estoup	Beaverton, OR
Brent Michael Evans	Grants Pass, OR
Nick C. Heitzhausen	Tigard, OR
Cole Alexander Hendrickson	Bellevue, WA
Adam Hijazi	
Daniel Clark Hodges	
Colton Dane Hubler	
Jake Thomas Keudell	Beaverton, OR
Ashlin Jordan Bryan Kneeland	Corvallis, OR
Kaleb John Kohne	
Kevin Robert Kreiner	Rancho Palos Verdes, CA
James Stephen Leathers	Tigard, OR
Garret James McBride	Beaverton, OR
Jack William McCaskill	Eugene, OR
Nigel Alain Monk-Coens	
Todd F. Moore	Eugene, OR
Gabriel Anthony Morris	Portland, OR
Matthew Alan Nelson	
Michael Henry Partlow	Portland, OR
Aaron Matthew Petrous	
Talon Michael Power	
Taylor John Regier	Gladstone, OR
Devon Marquis-Socrate Renard	Gladstone, OR
Jordan Kanoa Rideout	
Trevor Kingsley Rippee	Eugene, OR
Ian Stuart Simon	
Thomas John Smelter	Tigard, OR
Aaron Mitchell Sneed	Clackamas, OR
Joseph Raymond Spearing	Portland, OR
Ryan Lee Thoma	Tigard, OR
William Thompson	
Jay Ryan Watermeyer	Gig Harbor, WA
Todd W. Wellman	
Drew Derek Wheeler	
Austin Reid Wold	Beaverton, OR
Austin Lawrence Zuck	Portland, OR

Congratulations, Scholars!

The following Beta Pi members made OSU's scholastic honor roll for spring term, 2010. Their grade averages are shown at right:

Jace A. Allison, '09-1645	3.92
Sean P. Belding, '09-1642	3.85
Justin P. Kreitz, '07-1626	3.69
Rakan A. Khaki, '08-1630	3.67
Kyahn R. Daraee, '10-1662	3.67
Brian P. Mitchell, '09-1644	3.54
Ben J. Haynes, '08-1628	3.53
Jake O. Jensen, '10-1670	3.51
Jake D. Goodman, '10-1668	3.50
Christopher A. Thompson, '09-1651	3.49
Collins W. Waki, '10-1666	3.43
Brady L. Regier, '09-1648	3.40
Blake R. Flury, '09-1655	3.35
Nicholas R. Johnson, '08-1629	3.33
Austin M. Newman, '10-1665	3.23
Cody D. Belgarde, '10-1664	3.19
Jesse D. Graham, '09-1649	3.17
Alexander G. Otey, '10-1663	3.16
Richard W. Campo, '09-1646	3.09
Brooks E. Barkow, '07-1617	3.07
J. Thomas Schmitz, '09-1660	3.01
Steve A. Behbahany, '09-1653	3.00
Andrew T. Pickett, '08-1636	3.00

A Social Impact

This past spring term, many exciting social events brought us together as a chapter and raised our profile within the OSU Greek community.

We held our usual weekly functions with practically every sorority on campus, and hosted a couple of events on a larger scale. During the eighth week, we held a luau house dance where, with the help of the social chairs and many freshmen, we transformed our basement into a beach in Hawaii. The following day, we hosted another large event with Sigma Phi Epsilon called The Catalina Wine Mixer. This all-night event was open to anyone in Corvallis, and featured a barbecue, a social get together, and a live band in our parking lot.

We finished the term with an all-day Daytona Beach function with Sigma Alpha Epsilon, consisting of outdoor activities followed by a dance party in their chapter house open to all sororities on campus.

— Richard Campo, Social Chair

Philanthropy Success

Sigma Chi kicked off spring term by participating in Alpha Gamma Delta's philanthropy, Deeds For Diabetes. We were able to contribute a little over \$700 to the total of \$3,000 that was raised.

During week four, we participated in Kappa Alpha Theta's philanthropy, Iron Brawl, raising well over \$1,000 toward the total of \$5,800. Beta Pi Chapter placed first in both these philanthropies. Other philanthropies in which we participated were Kappa Kappa Gamma's annual golf tournament (we placed second and third), Alpha Chi Omega's Swingers softball tournament, and Tau Kappa Epsilon's Pledge Bowl flag football tournament.

Much of our philanthropy success has been due to increased enthusiasm and involvement of the brothers. We eagerly anticipate hosting Derby Days next fall!

— Collins Waki, Philanthropy Chair

Seventeen Initiated in 2010

In 2009-10, we had a strong rush, giving us an opportunity to meet many great men and gain some worthy brothers. As a senior, I am confident that our new members will live up to the expectations of Sigma Chi, and that I will be able to return to the chapter many years from now and find that the same traditions are upheld.

— Ben Haynes, Magister

Initiated January 30, 2010:

1662 Kyahn Reza Daraee	Beaverton, OR
1663 Alexander Guy Otey	West Linn, OR
1664 Cody Douglas Belgarde	Lake Oswego, OR
1665 Austin Michael Newman	Bend, OR
1666 Collins William Waki	Tigard, OR
1667 William James Anderson	Eugene, OR
1668 Jake Daniel Goodman	Stayton, OR
1669 Adam Patrick Rahrer	Sacramento, CA
1670 Jake Ole Jensen	Eugene, OR

Initiated April 24, 2010:

1671 Dylan Christopher Whitelock-Wolff	La Grande, OR
1672 Bryan Jon Zuurbier	Redding, CA
1673 Miles Vincent Naughton	Elgin, OR
1674 Michael Spencer Pharr	Beaverton, OR
1675 Taylor Mitchell Abdie	Portland, OR
1676 Scott Robert Kelly	Hillsboro, OR
1677 Evan Kyle Lyons	Milwaukie, OR
1678 Eric Lloyd Miller	Springfield, OR

Mom's Weekend Raises More Than \$10,000

This past year's Mom's Weekend, held April 30 through May 2, was a great success, thanks to the efforts of **Chris Thomson** ['08-1649], our Mom's Weekend chair. The freshman class participated in All-University Sing on Friday night with the ladies of Kappa Delta, led by Sing leaders **Jace Allison** ['09-1645] and **Matthew Geniza** ['08-1635]. The participants sacrificed a great deal of time, and put in an exceptional amount of hard work.

Saturday morning started with a large breakfast at the chapter house, allowing the moms to get better acquainted. Following breakfast was a silent auction of such items as T-shirts, blankets, party baskets, Nike shoes, and more. Immediately following the silent auction was a live auction, where the biggest items were sold and the most money was made. **Jordan Peterson** ['07-1612] led the auction as efficiently as he usually does. Unfortunately, this was his last Mom's Weekend auction, since he graduated at the end of the school year. The income from both auctions totaled more than \$10,000, which is a record high. This money will be put toward new kitchenware, new desks, and scholarships for next year's incoming freshmen.

The last planned event of the weekend was a barbecue at the chapter house, which was followed by a large party. We are proud of our achievements this past Mom's Weekend, and are excited to see what is in store for us next year.

— *Jace Allison, Chapter Editor*

Obituaries

Robert V. Glaze, '41-295, of Bellevue, Washington, passed away on November 15, 2009. Born in Weiser, Idaho, in 1916, he graduated from Milwaukie High School in Oregon and earned a degree in mechanical engineering at Oregon State. During WWII, he served as a Second Lieutenant with the 18th Combat Engineers; this unit built the Alcan Highway through Alaska and the airstrip on Shemya Island. He married Norma Jean Heil in 1944 in Spokane, Washington; they lived in Sacramento, California, where Bob worked for the state as a mechanical engineer. In 1957, the family moved to Mercer Island, Washington, and Bob worked for Boeing until his retirement in 1978. He and Norma then moved to Sunland Golf Course in Sequim, Washington. Bob enjoyed playing golf and building things, and was fond of opera and classical music. Norma passed away in 2008. Bob is survived by their four children: Claudia Jean, Paul, Robert Jr., and Leslie Ann.

Altan V. Fullaway, '47-382, of Hillsboro, Oregon, passed away on March 9, 2010, according to the *Oregon Stater*. He was 83.

William D. New, '50-430, of Salem, Oregon, died November 30, 2008, a few days short of his 81st birthday.

Douglas A. Johnson, '51-454, of Gold River, California, died February 5, 2009.

Christopher C. Harris, '95-1353, of Gilbert, Arizona, died March 23, 2010. Born in Corvallis in 1973, Chris earned a degree in political science from OSU, where he met and married Janea Fleming. He went on to complete his doctorate in dentistry at OHSU, and worked at a community health center in Tucson, Arizona, assisting low-income families, before opening a successful private practice in Mesa. In 2007, he opened a second practice in Queen Creek. Chris was an active member of the Church of Latter Day Saints, and a devoted father

to his five children. He is survived by Janea, and by children Brinley, Emma, Clara, Aften, and Christopher.

Alumni Notes & Quotes

Edward M. Potter, '40-285, is retired. He and his wife, Beverly, have a son, Dr. Michael Potter (64), and a daughter, Shirley Hoen (62). Ned lists his primary interest as "staying alive," and comments: "At 88, there's not much new. I visited with **Dave Childs** ['42-301] two years ago. Those on the obituary list included my best friend, **Harry Moss, Jr.** ['40-282], **Ken Kirby** ['41-289], **Harry Gustafson** ['43-334], **Bert Close** ['46-369], and **Wayne Fox** ['47-379], all in school near me from 1939 to 1943. I see **Mac Heitzhausen** ['56-535] almost yearly. I was close to the **Roger Hamreus** ['68-773] family in Scouting." Write to Ned at 1482 Scenic Heights Rd., Oak Harbor, WA 98277 (360-675-3686; bvpotter@comcast.net).

Robert H. Anderson, '42-312, retired eight years ago as a district judge for Douglas County, Oregon. His wife, Bernice, is deceased; he has a son, Robert Jr. (60), and a daughter, Leslie Saterfield. He is "hanging in there, waiting for the weather to warm up so I can play golf. My grandson, Trent Berg, is going to OSU this fall. He is a freshman at Mt. Hood, with a 3.0 average fall term." Write to Bob at 2118 SW Willow Pkwy., Gresham, OR 97080, or call 503-618-9309.

Paul W. Rompanen, '48-397, and his wife, Bettie, have a daughter, Laurie Malmfeldt (52), and a son, Eric (50). He writes: "The winter 2010 *Beaver Sig* mentioned the passing of **Donald H. Nopson** ['49-419]. I would like to pass along some information about my dear friend, and the experiences we had in common. Don and I attended and graduated from Astoria (Oregon) High School in 1944. We both enlisted in the Navy. After the war, we entered OSC and lived in a dorm. Don became engaged to Patty Cyrus (XΩ), and I to Peggy Burroughs (ΔΔΔ). Later, I participated in Don's wedding ceremony and he in mine. After joining Sigma Chi, I had some influence on Don becoming a member. I know he took great pleasure in being a Sig at Oregon State. After graduation in 1950, Don went to work at Hyster Company, two weeks before I did. We worked in the purchasing department, with our desks butted together. This began our more than 40 years with the Hyster company. I soon transferred to the sales department, and Don to the export department at the Portland plant. Within a short time, I moved to the Los Angeles, California, branch to spend 10 years as an equipment salesman. Then, after a nine-month period in Portland, I moved to manage the company branch in Seattle, Washington. Don's career in the international division took him to Peoria, Illinois, and then to Caracas, Venezuela, as our representative in South America. From there, Don moved to England to serve as a liaison officer to a company with which we had business relations. Next, Don moved to Scotland, and was involved in building a large manufacturing plant and becoming its managing director. After Scotland, Don moved back to Portland to be a sales manager of one of the company divisions. His next move was to the management of the Los Angeles branch. This gave us another thing in common — retiring from Hyster Company from the same type of job at the same time. For nearly 70 years, I had the honor and privilege of knowing Don Nopson and enjoying our activities and experiences. Together with our wives, we sailed in the Bahamas and played golf and tennis in Hawaii, the Northwest, southern California, and the California desert. We made trips to Europe and Asia. Don was a true friend and a real Sigma Chi brother; he is always in my thoughts. Friendships are important." Paul's summer address is 2959 81st Pl. SE, #D4, Mercer Island, WA 98040. During the winter months, he may be reached at 78678 Links Dr., Palm Desert, CA 92211.

Howard M. Nolte, '58-576, is retired, and is a member of Tualatin Country Club. He enjoys woodworking, making custom fine furniture, and RV travel, and notes: "I've recently been elected to the board of Emerson Hardwood, a 100-year-old Oregon company, here in Portland." Howie and his wife, Patsy (KKT-Monmouth College, Illinois), have two daughters: Carol is 46, and Mary Anne (ΠΒΦ-U or OR) is 43. Write to him at 6140 SW Picard Ct., Portland, OR 97223 (503-297-4670; shoptime11@comcast.net).

Ralph R. Fritchman, '62-639, is a retired English instructor and school administrator. He and Mandy have a son, Stewart (43). He enjoys folk music ("I still play the banjo"), travel, and playing with his three grandsons, ages 6, 8, and 10, and reports: "Retirement is great! Come on in, the water is fine!" "Robin" receives mail at PO Box 4058, Sunriver, OR 97707 (541-598-2835; USELC1@gmail.com).

Richard C. Johnson, '63-659, is owner/manager of Onomea Investments LLC, a member of Rotary, and president of Hawaii Tropical Fruit Growers. He and his wife, Jenny, have two daughters: Amber (38) lives in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, and Mica (34) is in Papaikou, Hawaii. Dick reports: "Life is great on the Hamakua Coast of the Big Island. Jenny and I are trying to simplify things in our old age. The tropical fruit business, Onomea Orchards, is up for sale. We look forward to more traveling, and even attending a Beaver football game or two." Dick receives mail at PO Box 43, Papaikou, HI 96781 (808-896-2781).

Richard C. Mehlhaf, '67-727, is president of Mehlhaf's Men's Clothiers in downtown Corvallis. He writes: "If you're in the area, drop in and say hello. Terre (OSU) and I have finally gotten to the point that we are able to travel and take some vacation time for ourselves. We had **Blair Fox ['06-1604]**, the son of brother and classmate **Don Fox ['68-764]**, work for us before he graduated from OSU. It's great to see the next generation of Sigma Chis." Write to Richard at 3210 NW Elmwood Dr., Corvallis, OR 97330, or call 541-757-8038.

Thomas V. Scoggins II, '67-733, is a semi-retired forester. He is president of the Clatsop Emergency Food Bank, and is active in the Presbyterian Church, the Society of American Foresters, and Rainland Fly Casters. He reports: "Joan and I moved into our newly remodeled home last August, after a year's absence. It's great! Come visit us, as have **Steve Van Doren ['68-746]**, **Jed Langley ['70-785]**, **Jim Satterwhite ['98-1427]**, **Eric Holmes ['98-1409]**, and **Brooke Clenaghan ['98-1416]**." Tom's older son, Joseph, is 33. His younger son, **Jeff ['98-1421]**, died in October 2007, and was commemorated in the winter '07 issue of the *Beaver Sig*. Write to Tom at 92989 Cedar Bay Rd., Astoria, OR 97103 (503-325-6358; tvscoggins@q.com).

Steven K. Miller, '68-762, is a manufacturer's representative, and a member of the Willamette Valley Country Club for more than 25 years. He writes: "I've been married to my Sweetheart, Linda, for 37 years. I've been a partner with Rhi-Solutions for 20 years, and have been in the food service industry since 1973. I have taken golf vacations to Ireland, Scotland, and various U.S. resorts." Write to "Goodmood" at 2864 40th St., Washougal, WA 98671 (360-210-4265; steve@rhi-solutions.com).

Lawrence G. Haroun, '72-829, is president of L.H. Remodeling. He and his wife, Debbie, have two children: Erin is 18, and Joe is 16. He reports: "We had a great season of tailgaters, especially Dad's Weekend. I saw several brothers I hadn't seen since college days. Our family attended the Vegas Bowl — Ouch! I saw and had my picture taken with the Rogers brothers the day after. Nice kids. Come join me in Texas next September, when we play TCU." Write to Larry at 2442 Southslope Way, West Linn, OR 97068, or send e-mail to lharoun@comcast.net.

Matthew B. Eusterman, '82-1078, is a senior account executive with Integra Telecom. He and his wife, Heather, have nine-year-old twins, Michael and Mark. He writes: "I have been in Boise, Idaho, for 16 years now. Come on over for the Bronco game this year, and watch the Beavs smack these guys down. We should have a lot of brothers here, and I'll be hosting a bash." For details, contact "Eust" at 8680 W. Atwater Dr., Boise, ID 83714, or send e-mail to matteusterman@msn.com.

David C. Cox, '83-1102, is an agent with Farmers Insurance. His interests include Rotary, youth athletics, OSU sports (he is a season ticket holder for Beaver football), travel, and various community projects. He notes: "Many of my closest friends today are Sigma Chis from Oregon State. To all that are in school now, enjoy! Live, love, and learn — your time there will go by fast." David and his wife, Sarah (ΔΔΔ-OSU), have two children: Kristin is 16, and Kyle is 14. Write to him at 16568 NW Brandberry Dr., Portland, OR 97229 (503-515-3857; dcox@farmersagent.com).

Scott R. McCollister, '94-1327, is a Portland, Oregon, police officer and a volunteer with Special Olympics. He and his wife, Pamela (Portland State) have two daughters: Mackenzie is 3, and Brooklyn is 6 months. Write to Scott at 637 Ironwood Dr., Newberg, OR 97132 (503-538-2631; scott40709@hotmail.com).

W. Brandon Aman, '99-1441, has been an accounting manager with Laika, Inc., since late 2009. He receives mail at 3 Cellini Ct., Lake Oswego, OR 97035.

2010 Honor Roll of Contributors

Many thanks, Beaver Sigs! Through October 15 in the 2010 program year, 43 brothers contributed a total of \$6,965 to the Alumni Communications Fund and the Chapter House Renovation Drive. Your generous gifts helped fund needed repairs and upgrades to the chapter house, and funded publication of *The Beaver Sig*! Although this issue of *The Beaver Sig* appears only on the chapter's Web site, a "traditional" printed issue will be mailed winter term, and the Alumni Communications Fund still needs your support. **Please mail your donations of any amount, and personal news for Alumni Notes & Quotes, to Sigma Chi Fraternity, Beta Pi Alumni Office, PO Box Q, Corvallis, OR 97339.** Donations to the Annual Fund may now be made directly through the Web site — just click on the "Donate" button.

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