

Beta Pi of Sigma Chi

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Oregon State University

Active-Alum Golf Tourney Set

The Beta Pi chapter wishes to invite all our golfing alums to an active-alum golf tournament to be played May 14 at the Albany Golf Course. The fierce 18-hole competition will begin at 9:00 AM, and continue until all the alums have finally finished playing.

Please RSVP as soon as possible so we know how many people to plan for. Just write to Bob Polich, c/o Sigma Chi, 312 NW 25th St., Corvallis, OR 97330. In mailing your letter of intention to participate, please enclose \$9.00 for trophies and green fees, as the course must be paid for in advance.

Feel free to bring wives or girlfriends along to cart your clubs around or lend moral support or whatever. Remember, please let us know as soon as possible if you will be able to attend. We have to figure out how big our victory party will be.

Help Harlan

Our new rush chairman, Harlan Thompson, left a note on my desk asking if I could fit a plea for alumni help in amongst this plethora of meaningless gibberish. Well, here it is. Harlan needs any recommendations you may have about anybody you might know. All you need to do is write a short note to him, letting him know the recommendee's name and anything else you might know about him. He would appreciate any help you might be able to offer.

Intramural Sports

Intramural sports were a real strong point for our chapter this year, in spite of a close-minded IM office. After taking the all-university title in volleyball, the house jocks (which seems to include just about everybody these days) registered an overall second in water polo and a league runner-up in basketball. With track coming up, our powerhouse event, and softball also just around the corner, one would think that we had a good chance at capturing the overall intramural title. Not so, says the good ol' IM office.

It appears that the only sports that will now earn a team any points are basketball, football, and softball. Therefore, "unimportant" sports, such as swimming (which we were easily on our way to winning) are now worth nothing. If you feel like hollering, go ahead. We already did.

By the way, if anybody knows any potential Sigs who also happen to be excellent water polo players, send them our way. After four straight years of making it to the finals undefeated and then losing the big one, we're tired of the second-place jinx.

New Faces

Four new pledges joined the ranks during spring rush this year. They are: Steve Pickett, who is also president of the OSU Rugby Team; Mark Alexander, a sophomore in pre-med; Jeff Gray, our import from Great Britain; and Tom Hays, who has the dubious distinction of being Brother Jim Hays' younger brother.

An even dozen new initiates are now sitting down in the chapter room on Monday nights. They are, in absolutely no logical or alphabetical order: Jeff Lind, Ty Chin, Mark Ratoza, Mike Brown, Todd Garretson, Lon Hoss, Bob DeWitt, Rick Wilson, Tim Abshire, Ron Manseth, Rod Graham, and Rick Johnson.

Spring initiation took place April 17-24. We are pleased to welcome thirteen new Brothers into our Fraternity and into Beta Pi. Congratulations to our new Brothers: Joe Grainger, Lance Stockton, Jeff Nicoud, Tim Schwab, Sam Goesch, Jim Gionatti, Dan Ciacci, Ken McInnis, Mike Frederick, Gordy Nelson, Gary Yahn, Tim Wagner, and Les Steffensen.

Sigs Around Campus

At the Barometer, our school's highly acclaimed student newspaper, Steve Moore is now a full-time reporter.

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KBVR-TV, a cable station here in Corvallis, now features a comedy news show starring Kerry Cox, a broadcasting senior who loves to see his name in print.

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The Memorial Union Program Council still features Rick Brindley as head honcho. Rick is currently involved in planning all the details of Cow Day here at OSU.

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All concerts that play at OSU have to be put under contract by a committee known as Encore, and heading that committee is Randy Schaaf, music buff extraordinaire.

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We finally have someone to help fight city hall, in a manner of speaking. John Peterson spearheads the Traffic Committee, which handles complaints from "wrongly" ticketed students.

Social Bull

It's Mystery Date time again, and bets have already started around here as to whose date will be the first out the door. The previous record was set just last year by

Jim Meyer, and will be a tough one to beat. Jim managed to convince his dream-girl to leave before she had even finished eating dinner, thus establishing a new record of twenty-five minutes. An effort like that will be a hard one to top, but I have a feeling there will be a few contenders.

On the other hand, one performance that seems destined to go unchallenged is the "Boy, Did I Get Burned" record, currently held by Magister Steve Beeson. In an admirable display of thoughtfulness, Steve sweet-talked his lovely date into saying she had a headache and would like to go home. Not one to let a Friday night fritter away, Steve dutifully took her home and then joined some of the lads in a visit to a nearby campus party. Lo and behold, in a master stroke of timing he ran almost headfirst into Brother Ken MacDonald, who was escorting a young lady who looked suspiciously like Steve's stricken date; which, in fact, she was. In a further demonstration of her remarkable recuperative powers, she even went so far as to show up back at the house with Ken, who was very proud to be at the Mystery Date without ever having asked anybody.

Short, Short Stories

Next February 4th and 5th will see the Beta Pi Chapter hosting the province workshop, if all goes as planned. Talk with Bob Polich, our alumni relations chairman, for the specifics.

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Speaking of Bob Polich, he somehow conned his way into being Grand Council Representative for our Northwest Province, and Beta Pi's delegate to Grand Chapter this summer in Orlando, Florida.

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New officers for the next year have taken over their posts as of the beginning of this term. Rich Fahrner is our new Consul, with Doug McClenaghan taking over the Pro-consul post. Our humble Annotator is the house politician, Bob Polich, while the Tribune duties have been handled by Ty Oliver. Quaestor Jim Hays will be counting the bucks in the upcoming year, and last but certainly not least, yours truly, Kerry Cox, will be committing one verbal atrocity after another as Chapter Editor.

Newsletter Staff

Kerry Cox Chapter Editor
(with help from #902)

Changed Addresses Lately?

Please send your new address to the alumni relations chairman at the chapter house: Sigma Chi Fraternity, 312 NW 25th St., Corvallis, OR 97330.

Name _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip Code _____

Phone _____ Class Year _____

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