



The

PSI NEWS

The Psi Chapter Of Psi Upsilon Fraternity At Hamilton College

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Uphill News

A Message From

The President

The Psi Chapter started the 1977-78 academic year with fifty Brothers in the ranks, thirty-six of whom are living in the House. These figures represent a slight rise in the number eating in the House, and a small decline in the number living in the Psi. Thus, after losing fourteen Brothers to graduation, five to inactivity, and three to programs at other schools for the semester, we still find ourselves in a very strong position.

As most of you know, the House suffered from water leakage in the scullery causing the dishwasher, scullery floor, and boiler all to need repairs of varying degrees. In typical fashion, the Trustees and Alumni Association quickly came forward to cover the expenses which far exceeded our budget for the year. Perhaps I should digress here and salute the gentlemen who have stood behind us these many years; in particular the works of Brother Roy Perkins '19 and Brother Gardner Callanen '29 should be praised.

This fall saw a significant rise in the number of alumni returning for Homecoming Weekend. The weekend not only provided a rare football victory, but also an opportunity to meet with many of the Brothers who helped make the Psi Chapter what it is today.

Attendance during Parent's Weekend was also up over previous years, and most expressed satisfaction with the looks of the House, and the general attitude of the Brothers.

The highlight of the fall was the initiation of 19 new Brothers into the House. The closeness of the House this year has been greatly enhanced by the unity of this group, and the Brothers gladly accepted them into our midst.

I am graduating in December, and I must say that I am very proud of the Psi U House that I leave behind me. Many Brothers are actively involved in football, hockey, basketball, and swimming on the varsity level. Other Brothers have been

Kirkland Folds — After long deliberations the Hamilton College Board of Trustees decided not to make a five-year financial commitment, valued at \$600,000 per year, to the operating fund of Kirkland College and thus ended the ten year old experiment of coordinate education on the Hill. While promising to make every effort to maintain the best of both approaches to education, Chairman of the Board William M. Bristol has recently made it clear that all final decisions in regard to the future of the new co-ed school will be made from the perspective of "Hamilton College as the continuing institution".

Kirkland faculty will be retained for a minimum of two years. Tenured Kirkland faculty will be given 4-year contracts with the understanding that consideration for tenure at Hamilton will take place within four years. Some Kirkland departments will not fare as well, notably Dance, which will be subsumed by Hamilton's Phys. Ed. Dept., providing another opportunity to master a carry-over sport.

Rain Slows Construction — Cranes, backhoes and hard hats have been incongruous sights on College Hill this fall. The most conspicuous fruits of the current Capital Campaign are the renovation of the Chem building and Alumni Gym, and the construction of a new field house which will house basketball courts, squash and tennis courts, and an indoor track. While the Chem building labs and offices are virtually complete, the perennial autumn rains of Clinton have pushed deadlines back. After about 22 days of rain in 25 days, workers must not tromp in the mud to try to raise the roof on the fieldhouse before the snow and ice arrive.

Bill Skinner

elected and are now serving as Judiciary Board, Honor Court and Student Senate members. Some talented Brothers perform in the Choir, Buffers, or Minor Theater productions. Of course, several Brothers work diligently enough to make the Dean's List. I leave physically, but not in spirit,

John Cousineau, Archon

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Psi's Bolster Hamilton Varsity Teams

Again this year members of the Psi Chapter of Psi Upsilon played significant roles in the success of their respective varsity sports teams. Second semester sophomore Rick Kienle, sophomore Tad Kuhn, and junior Tom King all played on the football team. The Continentals, coming off a 4-4 season, got off to a disappointing 1-5 start, but showed signs of coming alive with an impressive 27-6 victory over W.P.I.

Rick Kienle proved his athletic versatility by making the varsity hockey squad for the 77-78 season.

Senior "Spunky" Graf will attempt to regain the form which earned him All-American honors in his freshman year. Spunky should be a key figure in the swimming team's bid to capture its third consecutive New York State Division III championship.

As in past years, the Psi Chapter will be well represented on the Hamilton varsity basketball team. Juniors John Magee, Bill Southworth, and Bob Johnson return to form the nucleus of yet another powerful Hamilton squad. The Blue should have enough talent to maintain the level of play which has earned them a 43-9 record over the past two seasons.

"Rogue" Exner

Conservation In The Kitchen

The good news from the kitchen is that we have a much more efficient cook this year. All the Brothers seem to agree that George Edick has done a fine job in keeping our stomachs full and content. George's outrageous buffet was a key contribution to a very successful and well run Parent's Weekend.

George, who will be with the Brothers for the fall semester, is frequently kidded for his lunchtime potpourri soups. George is not just a master of conservation, for he does an excellent all-around job in the kitchen. If you happen to see a rotund, white-haired figure banging pots around in the Psi U kitchen, say hi to George — we love 'm.

Jim McDaniel

Intramural Roundup

Psi U, Hamilton's intramural champions for the past two years, is attempting to defend the coveted title this year primarily with new talent. Replacing the highly skilled graduates will not be easy, but the newly initiated Brothers along with the rest of last year's returning talent hope to be up to the task.

Football started out well only to end, ultimately, in disappointment. The gridiron players took their division but lost in the semi-finals of the playoffs when a pass bounced out of the hands of a Psi U defensive back into the waiting arms of an opponent. Psi U did, however, garner third place points.

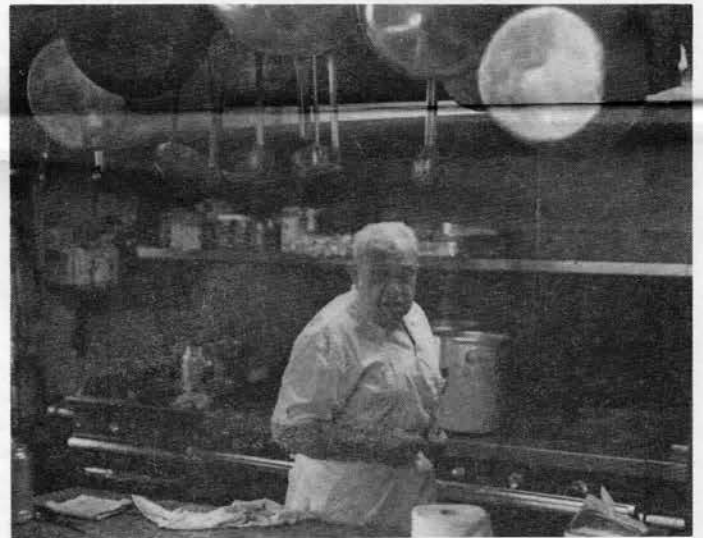
In basketball we will, as always, be tough. Many members of last season's first place squad return, and the hoopsters should be aided by many talented sophomores. The biggest surprise of the intramural season should be Psi U's strength in hockey. Virtually the entire championship Dunham squad joined the House, and they will join some veterans who have hoped for some good players to help them in what has been, heretofore, an uphill battle.

Psi U had three Brothers grab points in squash last year, and any one of these three could go all the way this season.

While softball is still in the distant future, we should field a more than competent nine. Surely some points will be won by Psi U's batsmen this year.

The strength of our volleyball team, one of Psi U's most successful squads year in and year out, is in doubt. The Psi's, however, behind the spiking power of our many leapers and the hustle of our smaller players, might well regain the title we lost in last season's final. All in all, the Brothers stand an excellent chance of winning our third consecutive intramural crown.

Dave Michelman



Psi U's new cook, George Edick.

Tap Room And Library Undergo Major Improvements

Since the publication of the last issue of the *Psi News*, the condition of the Psi U House has undergone a number of significant changes. While some of these were brought about by necessity, most reflect the continuing concern that the brothers have shown for the welfare of the House.

The Tap Room and the Library are two areas that have undergone some major work. The Tap Room was painted in the traditional buff and blue of Hamilton College and trimmed with black paint. Brother Tom Porter '79 painstakingly painted the Psi shield on one wall which greatly enhances the room's overall appearance. Earlier this year the Library was repainted, and with the hanging of the House composite photographs and new, insulated curtains, this room too presents an impressive appearance.

Several problems occurred over the summer that necessitated physical changes in the Psi House. The death

of the old Psi boiler resulted in the purchase and installation of a new, more efficient, and longer lasting model. A leak in the pantry during the summer months resulted in the laying of a new flagstone floor in that room.

Following the departure of our housekeeper last year, we have hired a local high school student to work ten hours per week, and have given the rest of the budgeted hours to ambitious Brothers.

The House is in prime physical condition, and with the positive attitude of the Brothers, the appearance of the House should continue to improve. We encourage alumni to come inspect the House and get to know the Brothers.

Tom Livingston



The Psi Chapter in Winter.

News From Psi Alums

HOLDEN K. FARRAR '20 is now retired and living at 1410 Sheridan Road, Wilmette, IL 60091.

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Retired Episcopal clergyman JOHN H. PARRY '11 resides at the Episcopal Church Home, 505 Mt. Hope Avenue, Rochester, NY 14620.

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As of July 1, JIM NELSON '67 was appointed assistant professor of surgery in the Division of Urology at Ohio State University College of Medicine. In addition he will serve a two year kidney transplant fellowship and a three year American Cancer Society Junior Faculty Fellowship, as well as becoming active on the staff of the Columbus Children's Hospital. His wife Sharon is a sophomore at Otterbein College in Westerville, Ohio, as a pre-law political science major. Son Jay (7) is a budding talent in junior hockey, soccer, and swimming. Son Matt (1½) is trying to put two words together and discover the uses and virtues of the potty chair! (3793 Wenwood Dr., Columbus, OH 43220)

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JOHN GRAY '37 is busier than ever before, importing an industrial filter, selling real estate, and importing a special new coin machine. "Tennis is an everyday thing as is swimming just now" says John. (850 West Garden, Pensacola, FL 32501)

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FOSTER H. WILLIAMS '25 reports that DOUGLAS HAYS '25 died last April. He is survived by his widow, Helen, his daughter, Helen Hays, and son, James Hays. "Doug was a big man on campus, a leader in reunions, recently attending the 50th in 1975, the 50½ in Oct. of 1975 and the 51st in Oct. of 1976; a real great guy in all facets. He was Pentagon, was Los, D.T., Chairman of Honor Court, House Pres. in the first term of his senior year, among other things. He was a graduate of Harvard Business School, President of Ireland Brothers in Johnstown, N.Y. prior to his retirement," says "Fos". (40 Hublard Dr., Vernon, CT 06066)

This past summer DONALD FREDERICK MILLER '54 moved to a new seven-bedroom home right across from beautiful Lake Erie. Says Don, "we have three children - 8, 12, and 16 years old - and will enjoy having plenty of room for them to grow up." Don has been in the travel business ever since graduating from Hamilton; 4½ years ago he bought his own agency, Lakewood Travel Bureau, Inc., which burned down this past February - the building was completely demolished, which is why he has a new business address of 14601 Detroit Avenue, Lakewood, Ohio. During the past few years, he has enjoyed many wonderful trips, his latest one a Caribbean cruise in August. (19930 Edgecliff Drive, Euclid, OH 44119)

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JOEL JOHNSON '65 just moved to the Maxwell House Division of General Foods Corp. as a Product Group Manager. Says Joel, "will try to keep coffee prices down and supplies up so the Psi's can be wide awake for those dreaded 8:00 a.m. classes." Joel and his family - wife, Beta, Kate (5), Geoff (2) - would love to greet any Psi's passing through Westport. (7 Placid Lake Lane, Westport, CT 06880)

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Wedded in September of this year was JOHN T. HAMILTON, Jr. '73. Jack married Julia A. Whitlow. He is now working as an attorney with George S. Evans and living at 339 E. 65th St., 4B, N.Y.C., NY 10021.

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Resident physician C. DONALD BAUER '71 is working at St. Clare Valley Hospital in San Jose, Calif., and residing at Box 8693 San Jose, CA 95155.

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In August DAVID C. CHILDS '39 moved to his new retirement home, which he built on Cape Cod - 16 Juniper Road, Centerville, MA 02632. Dave reports that BART STEVENS '39 and his wife, Jay, had dinner with them last month. He apparently is still very active as a consulting surgeon in Princeton, N.J.

DECEASED

Dr. T. BANFORD JONES '18 passed away on January 29, 1977. He was the first chief of surgery at Strong Memorial Hospital, and had organized the first surgical staff at Strong when it opened in 1926. Dr. Jones is survived by his wife, Josephine R. Jones of Williamsburg; one daughter, Mrs. Julie Sturges of Bristol, R.I.; one son, Thomas B. Jones Jr. of New York City; one sister, Mrs. Howard O. Chapman of Seneca, S.C., and three granddaughters.