



PSI NEWS

The Psi Chapter of Psi Upsilon at Hamilton College

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Remodelization Begins

The \$100,000 loan from Hamilton College was approved, and we are well into our extensive remodeling project. This is being carried out under the supervision of the Stetson-Harza engineering/architectural firm of Utica, New York.

The house windows, previously single-pane, have been replaced by an energy-saving thermopane variety that have been specially constructed to retain the architectural integrity of the building. In addition to the expected heating cost savings, the new windows give the house a better-cared-for look. Those of you who attended Homecoming shared our enthusiasm over this project.

Still to come is extensive rewiring and the replacement of all suite doors. This will also be financed through the college loan.

The loan is the product of a 1985 decision by the Hamilton College trustees to enhance fraternity life at Hamilton by making funds available for safety and energy-saving renovations. The terms call for a 15-year payback, with the interest rate pegged to the prime rate. There is a provision for partial prepayments without penalty.

After careful evaluation, your trustees are confident that the debt service can be handled from house income as long as there is full occupancy and as long as the full cooperation of the undergraduate brothers is offered.

As trustees, we are in a position of not only having to provide a safe living environment for the brothers, but we also find our-



Dan O'Leary, Hamilton vice president of financial administration, hands the \$100,000 check to Jeb Becker '61.

selves competing with the college dormitories for residents. To be successful and thus sustain the Psi Chapter legacy, we must continue to make these improvements.

Homecoming '88 was a great success, with the postgame cocktail party attracting some 75 alumni brothers and families. It
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New Windows Highlight Exciting Fall Semester At Psi Chapter

Greetings from the Psi Chapter! Many exciting things have been happening on the Hill. This fall the renovation project got under way, and structurally the Psi house has improved tremendously. All of the windows have been replaced, and soon the doors and electrical system will be redone. These improvements are making the house more attractive to the brothers as well as to prospective pledges.

Even though the Psi Chapter has been on probation for the fall semester, we've enjoyed a fine opportunity to get involved in the community. This year's efforts have been diverse and very successful. At the Hamilton-Union football game we held a campus barbecue to benefit the Big Brother-Big Sister program of Utica; the event generated \$350, which will buy Christmas presents for these children. We also have a number of brothers who are tutoring young children in their studies. We continue our Psi U Safe Rides program and are looking forward to February and the annual Saint Thomas party, another Big Brother-Big Sister benefit this year.

Athletically, the brothers are involved with a number of teams. Nine brothers lent their talents to the football team, which finished with a record at 5-3, while two Psis bolstered the soccer team and four were on the golf team. One member, Steven Elkins

'90, went to the ECAC championships in Hersey, Pennsylvania, and finished seventh out of 120 golfers with scores of 77 and 75. On the hockey team there are six Psi brothers; Rob Beaulieu '89 is a co-captain. Psi U has seven lacrosse players, and Bill Plumb '89 is a tri-captain. There are also six brothers who play on the rugby team, and two of the members, Hunter Reichert '89 and Robert Rosenstein '89, are captains. Additionally, one member is on the squash team. This is a very strong showing and gives the Psi Chapter very good representation at Hamilton.

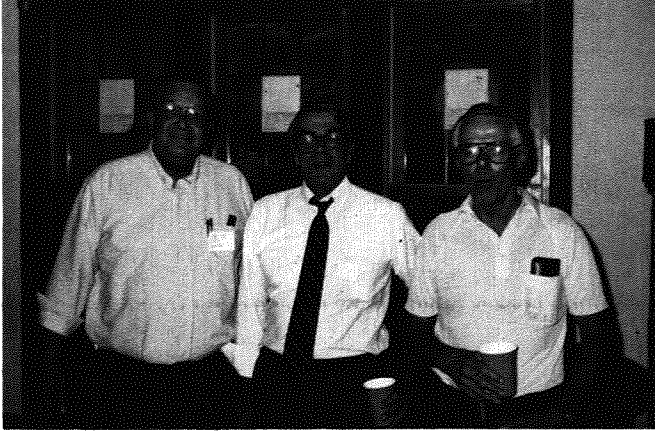
We are looking forward to another strong pledge class to boost the house into the spotlight for many years to come. We are proud of our position of success in the past few years, and we hope that you, our alumni, continue to share our pride, endorsing our efforts with your support. We hope to begin a fund-raising campaign very shortly; perhaps our performance will encourage you to participate.

The undergraduate members of the Psi Chapter also encourage alumni to return to the Hill and the Psi U house to see what we have accomplished.

William K. Plumb '89
President

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Psi Chapter Psi Upsilon Homecoming, October 1, 1988.

Psis Contribute To Gridiron Success

For the past few years, the Psi house has been dominated by hockey and lacrosse players; however, this year bold participation of many Psi U brothers has aided toward yet another successful season for the Hamilton Continental football squad. The Continentals ended another winning season with a 5-3 record.

Psi U Continentals line up on both sides of the ball. Offensively, the Psi house claims running backs Mitch Mund, Billy Goodman, and Mark Goodman; wide receiver Kevin Hooten; and offensive guard Rob "Pipes" Ensero. Both Goodmans were plagued by injuries throughout the season but gave grand team support nonetheless. They are both expected to be key players in the 1988-'89 Continental backfield. Mitch Mund, a starting tailback for the 'Nental squad, aided the forceful running game. He boasts a few 100-yard days as well as a few important touchdowns. On the passing attack, Kevin Hooten is a threat to any defensive backfield. His great hands caught many key passes. In the offensive trenches, following in the tradition of offensive guard great Jeff Papa '87, sophomore Rob Ensero is a rising power. This past year, Rob has made many inspirational plays on the special team corps.

The defensive unit also boasts quite a few Psis. Two-year starter John "Jake" Knapp will be returning next season as a defensive-end force. Fans often call "Jake's" hits bone-crushing, as he lowered the boom on more quarterbacks than anyone else on defense. An upcoming star on the line is sophomore Scott "The King" Jones. "The King" is the future of the Continental "D-Swine." Flexible, able to play both the defensive-end and -tackle positions, "The King" is a great asset for both the 'Nental team and our house. Erik Roemer has had his problems with injuries but has a promising future at linebacker. The defensive backfield is led by Psis as well. Starter Drew Kliber and Rick "Joneser" Jones have been the keys to a successful D-back unit. Kliber and Jones have both had interceptions in key situations this year.

All Psi U ball players will be returning next year, promising another successful Continental season.

Robert Ensero '91



Ma reveals some of her fine cuisine.

Union Brother Turns Psi

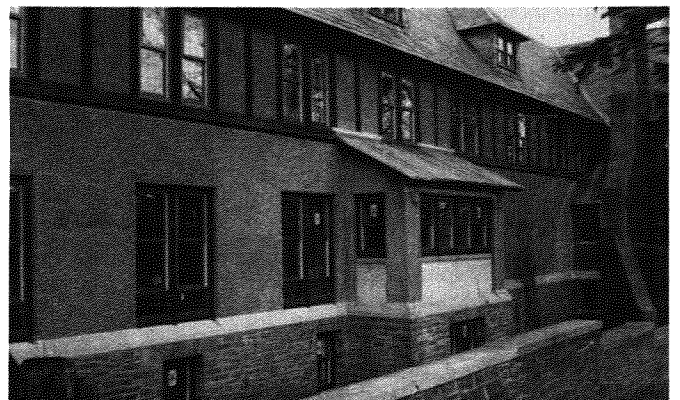
One year ago, I was living in the Theta Chapter of Psi Upsilon, a Greek-revival house nestled in the heart of the Union College campus. Virtually everything was accessible from the house: classes, athletic facilities, and downtown Schenectady. When I arrived at Hamilton College this past fall, I had to learn my way around a new campus—from classes to social life. Regardless of the changes and challenges I faced, it was consoling to know that I would find a chapter of Psi Upsilon at Hamilton.

As I grew more familiar with the brothers at Hamilton, it became increasingly evident to me that the character of both chapters was extremely similar, making my adjustment time easier. For a house of its size, Psi Upsilon has struck me as a well-unified group, which was demonstrated this fall by Psi U's fine representation at President Payne's inauguration on November 11. Additionally, the brothers distinguish themselves as active supporters of Hamilton athletics—not only as participants but also through their initiative in generating and sustaining morale. This was certainly in evidence at the barbecue they sponsored during the Hamilton-Union football game.

However, perhaps the quality I admire most about the Psi's brothers is their reputation for diversity. When I arrived at Hamilton, I was unable to describe the house in a way that would include all of its members. Psi Upsilon comprises some 50 brothers who come together as individuals to strengthen the whole fraternity—a fraternity with bold integrity.

I have found the Psi Chapter to be most welcoming.

William Gilbert '90



A look at the Psi house after window installation.

Not Just Another Road Trip

It started out innocently enough as what we thought would be a pretty good time. One Friday in September, Bill Plumb '89, Rich Koehler '90, and Todd Hoffman '90 traveled to Princeton, New Jersey, to pick up assorted items donated by bold alum Sean Clancy '85. Sean was involved in opening his restaurant, Clancy's Place, and had some kitchen things he didn't need. So he called the Psi house and offered everything we could fit. We rented a 30-foot Ryder truck, and before long we were on our way to good old New Jersey, three Psis in the cab.

After Hoff's tour of Albany, staving off attacks of claustrophobia, a near loss of \$175, and finding our way after being lost a few times, we made it to Princeton by 8:00 p.m. We loaded up the truck and then got some food and traded Hamilton stories with Sean, his wife, and their friend. By around 11:00 p.m. we were ready to leave, but we realized that we were in dire need of gas. Of course, there was no indication in, on, or around the truck about what type of gas our pleasure craft took. But we finally found a gas station where the attendant was able to correctly identify the substance in our tank as gas and proceeded to fill 'er up. Then we hit the road yet again.

At this point, we entered a sort of twilight zone—a dimension of dip, fog, Classic Coke, dead racoons, and ridiculous conversation. By around 3:00 a.m., we were convinced that we were going to die on the foggy, rain-drenched New York State Thruway or kill one another as a result of mere claustrophobia. Our fears were allayed when, through the fog, we finally saw the 32 sign appear. When we pulled into the parking lot, the clock struck 5:30, and we let ourselves realize that we'd made it safely. We went upstairs for a beer and watched TV until sunrise. Then we hit the rack, knowing that we had accomplished a lot in one long day.

We would sincerely like to thank Sean for his bold generosity—for our new brick oven grill, which we use frequently, as well as our new refrigerator, kitchen cabinets, dining room chairs, and a few miscellaneous items. Thanks, Sean!

Todd Hoffman '90

Psi U Seeks Two More Trustees

The following is a list of the Psi Chapter of Psi Upsilon, Inc., trustees elected at the October 1, 1988, annual meeting.

Jeb Becker '61, President
Pat Gilrane '83, Vice President
Tim Reed '80, Treasurer
Rick Stone '79, Secretary

Gardner Callanen '29
Dave Holgate '83
Peter Mead '80
Aaron Reed '80

Bryan Schu '80
Jim Sontheimer '50
Bill Spicer '43

There are two trustee vacancies remaining on the board. Anyone who is interested in serving is asked to call Jeb Becker at 315/568-5841 (office) or 315/568-6210 (home).

Additional 1987-'88 Contributors

Late in the summer, you received an honor roll acknowledging Psi U alumni who had made contributions during our 1987-'88 operating year, which runs from September 1 through August 31. Since the tabulation of that honor roll, we have received additional gifts from J. Terence MacAvery '72 and Edward J. Wynkoop Jr. '40. These gifts were credited to the 1987-'88 year. We extend our sincerest thanks. A strong Psi U depends on your continuing support.

Spotlight: Archon Bill Plumb Leaves Legacy Of Success

Archon Bill Plumb is a natural leader both in the Psi house and on the athletic field. As president, Bill has dealt with substantial adversity with the house's probation, yet always with an admirable combination of calmness and strength. In athletics his leadership ability is apparent in his being elected captain for the college lacrosse team after three successful seasons as a midfielder. Last season he scored 12 goals to go along with four assists, and he was also regularly called upon to lead the team in "man-up" situations.

But perhaps "Plumber's" most impressive athletic accomplishments have been on the Sage Rink ice. In December of his sophomore year, Bill was called up from the junior varsity team to make his debut for the Continental varsity squad. In that first game, Bill had one goal and two assists and, with that performance, established himself as a valuable component of the Hamilton hockey program. By the end of his sophomore season, Bill was the first line right wing, and he finished the year with an impressive 14 goals and 11 assists.

His success continued in his junior-year season, as he scored 16 goals and had 14 assists. The 1988-'89 season should be Plumber's most successful one. His experience and leadership ability should prove to be some of the most influential factors in determining the success of the '88-'89 Continentals.

As Bill passes the torch to the succeeding archon, he leaves behind a legacy of strength and success. A sense of optimism abounds at the Psi, and Bill has gained tremendous respect from the whole brotherhood. He leaves behind a tradition of talent we may all emulate in the years to come.

Andrew Wilkins '89

Psi Undergraduates Reach Out To The Local Community

This fall Psi U has taken an active interest in reaching out to the community. Five Psi brothers have agreed to help tutor children in the city of Utica. The program was begun in early October by Tom Meyer and will continue through the end of this academic year.

The brothers participating are Jim Preschlack, Andrew Wilkins, Chris Niemeth, Mike Flag, Robert Ensero, and Tom Meyer. We tutor at the Utica Community Center every Wednesday for two hours. The children are between the ages of nine and 14 and have specific problems with certain subjects. The program emphasizes a one-on-one relationship between student and tutor. And the relationship's benefits are rewarding to both. The children grow very close to their tutors and become an important part in their lives. In addition to tutoring, we may take them to certain community events. For example, last spring the children came up to a spring lacrosse game, and I remember really making one student's day by having Bill Plumb autograph a ball for him.

Under the leadership of Bill Pottle and Dave Gardner, The Psis have also taken part in the Big Brothers of America program. After completing an intensive training program, Bill and Dave will each work with one child, spending about five hours a week with them. Bill and Dave will take them to attend local sporting events and enjoy other activities on the Hill.

Both of these undertakings will not only be rewarding because they are so worthy of our help, but our involvement will also retain our prominence within the Hamilton community.

Thomas H. Meyer '89

Alumni Share Their News

Lawyer GARDNER A. CALLANEN '29 writes, "My job suffers from May to October when my wife, Kay, and I spend the summer at Brewster, Massachusetts, on Cape Cod." He adds, "My years at the Psi and with the Psi men as an alumnus have made a foundation for which I am very grateful." Send warm wishes to Gard at 238 Tower St., Waterville, NY 13480.

A retired DAVID P. FAIRCHILD '31 receives correspondence at Valcour, Box 128, RFD #2, Peru, NY 12972. He reports, "I do not know how rushing is conducted now at the Psi, but when I was there rushing was most frantic in the week before classes started and the ensuing two or three weeks. By that time most delegations were complete. The Psi had a reputation on the Hill for good rushing. I was chairman two years and know what a help it was to have suggestions from alumni and other brethren."

When she wrote in August 1988, Carolyn Hollinshead shared with us that her husband, JOSEPH "Bud" HOLLINSHEAD '33 was in the hospital. Send best wishes to "Bud" and Carolyn at 24 Ashford Dr., Farmington Woods, Avon, CT 06001.

"The most important news," reports JAMES AVERY JR. '36, "is the death of my wife, Reba, after a year-long battle following an operation for a brain tumor." James also writes, "I had a great time at the 50th with old classmates, especially with Psi U brothers JOHN D. DALE '36 and JAMES S. D. COOPER '36." Write to James at Court St., Aurora, NY 13026.

Keep in touch with JOHN V. THORP '38 at 121 Azalea Dr., Waynesville, NC 28786.

Announces HIRAM F. GREENE '45, "I retired on January 1, 1988, after 25 years as president of the J. W. Webb Agency, Inc., Massena, New York." Hiram adds that he has seen ROBERT M. NEISWANGER '50 and RALPH M. SHULANSKY '49. Hiram resides at 64 Bishop Ave., Massena, NY 13662.

Orthodontist ALBERT A. H. VOLLMER '52 informs us that he has done some traveling with the Harlem Blues & Jazz Band. He adds that the man JOHN C. SANBORN '52 made a musical request of at his 40th Mamaroneck, New York, high school reunion dance was actually *him*. "I recognized John, but clearly he did not recognize me. I would have moved heaven and earth to grant my former teammate, roommate, and fellow Psi Upsilon brother his musical wish!" Send greetings to "Ax" at 11 Dogwood Lane, Larchmont, NY 10538.

Ophthalmologist JAMES P. THOMPSON '55 receives mail at RD #4, Box 501, Easton, MD 21601.

"Finding myself single again after 25-plus years," writes JOHN F. BUSH III '56, "I have retired to 688 East Ave., #3B, Rochester, NY 14607."

Dentist WILLIAM D. BAXTER '68 announces, "My wife had a daughter on July 15, 1988." He adds that Susan and MARK REINER '68 were expecting their second daughter in August '88. Congratulate Bill at RD #2, Box 50A, Monticello, NY 12701.

SCOTT W. BELLEMAN '72 informs us that he has been with Manufacturers Financial Group for eight years. "I do financial planning for families and small businesses." "Bells" reports that he has seen BRUCE H. HAMMEL '74 and ANDREW C. BURNS '78. Write to Scott at 427 N. Stafford Ave., Richmond, VA 23220.

A tax partner, J. TERENCE MacAVERY '72 invites brothers to visit him at 8 Hillside Ave., Glen Ridge, NJ 07028.

Agricultural economist ROBERT E. NAVIN JR. '73 reports that he is in Jakarta, Indonesia. He works for the U.S. Agency for International Development and receives mail at the American Embassy, Box 4, APO San Francisco, CA 96356-0006.

When JAMES "Duke" LOGAN '74 wrote, he announced that he and wife Kerry were expecting their first child in October. They reside at 58 Stacey Circle, Windham, NH 03087. James is president of MicroTouch Systems.

Elaine M. Porter sent the following news for DAVID F. PORTER '74 in July 1988: "In June 1988, David accepted a new position with Fireman's Fund as territorial sales manager for Pennsylvania and New Jersey." She continues, "We look forward to hearing from any Psi U in the Philly area (728 Trappe Rd., Collegeville, PA 19426)."

Trader JON D. MURPHY '76 welcomes news from brothers at POB 2531, Al Khobar, SAUDI ARABIA 31952. He writes, "My thoughts often turn to the Hill and the house, both of which have a large part of my heart. With my stay in Kingdom slowly but surely coming to an end, it still may be some time before I get back to the house, as my wife and children are residing in Thailand, where we have made our home."

"Have a cigar, I'm a dad!" boasts AARON REED '80 (1654 Oak Spring Way, Reston, VA 22090). "Alexandra Selkirk Reed was born July 8, 1988." Aaron works for Avmark, Inc. "I provide aircraft valuations, appraisal services, and residual value forecasts for leasing companies, banks, and operators of commercial aircraft."

We congratulate NATHANIEL C. HUNTER '81 on his May 16, 1987, wedding to Heidi L. Gruber. Nat is an attorney and resides at 1401 Orchlee St., Pittsburgh, PA 15212.

PAUL S. FREYER '83 writes that he attended the wedding of JAMES C. CROWLEY JR. '84 and Connie Pappas. "JOHN B. BURDE '84 and BRIAN J. SULLIVAN '84 were ushers." Drop Paul a line at 238 Garfield Place, Brooklyn, NY 11215.

Give SIMON D. J. HIBBERSON '83 a jingle at 1115 Willow Ave., Unit 0-01, Hoboken, NJ 07030—telephone: 201/963-5047. Simon has been working at Arthur Andersen & Company since graduating from Rutgers with an MBA in 1984.

DECEASED

We regret to report the death of the following alumni:

SIDNEY B. BENNETT '28
ARTHUR W. BREEN '26, August 13, 1988
ROBERT L. FAY '33, November 10, 1987

Remodelization Begins, continued

is always good to see the returning Psis and especially to hear your comments about the renewed spirit of the Psi Chapter as seen in the quality of the undergraduate brothers and the improved condition of the property.

We look forward to working with the new Hamilton president, Hank Payne, and his administration as we together strive to make the fraternity experience an important part of a Hamilton College education.

Yours in the Bonds,
Jeb Becker '61, President
Psi Chapter of Psi Upsilon, Inc.