

Kappa Kappa Psi- Kappa Chi Chapter

AEA Alumni**... so you don't die wondering what we've been up to!****Greetings from the President****Special points of interest:**

- Elections: 27 March 2008
- District Convention: 4 April–6 April 2008
- Kappa Kappa Car Wash: 12 April 2008
- Avenue Q: 17 April 2008
- Membership Retreat: 7 May 2008
- Graduation: 10 May 2008

Hello Brothers,

Hopefully everyone had a good winter as we're pushing forward into spring weather. Over here in Albion, the semester has flown by, and in a few weeks, we will be installing new officers.

In the past few months, Kappa Chi has been very active. We sponsored the annual Honor Band weekend, joint-hosted a benefit concert with Sigma Alpha Iota and Phi Mu Alpha, kept regular brotherhood activities, participated in Anchorsplash, and are in the works of several other service and fundraising events. Because of our increased involvement on campus, there

are more students who now recognize Kappa Kappa Psi and what we do, which has been very exciting.

We recently added ten new brothers to our chapter, and they have already started to become involved in the chapter, especially through the Honor Band weekend. Their class project was to host the Friday night activities for the participants.

Overall, the year has gone very well, and we have gotten a lot accomplished. We hope that you all are doing just as well, and we look forward to seeing you next year during Homecoming weekend!

AEA,

Christie Piper '09
President



Hello! From the chapter.

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Brother's First Block

Happy Spring! This semester, Kappa Chi is actively traveling to district events such as North Central District Block at Purdue University and Eastern Michigan University and District Convention in Indianapolis, IN. Not only are we increasing our knowledge about Kappa Kappa Psi, but we are connecting with chapters in the

NCD by sharing ideas on successful leadership and service to the bands. As a brother of KKY, the first district event I attended was Block at Purdue. Here I learned how the activities of KX follow the five purposes of KKY through service and support to bands, education, leadership, recognition, and member and societal bene-

fits. Descriptive report writing, budget allocations, and successful advertising are just a few of the sessions offered. The most important success I learned is sharing what you learned to improve the brotherhood of KKY.
AEA,

Lisa Anderson, '09
Recording Secretary

Finances are FUN!!

This past year has been very successful in terms of implementing a new fall fundraiser, updating existing fundraisers, and budgeting for things that have allowed us to improve the quality of our service projects as well as Brotherhood activities.

The previous carwashes have been extremely successful and the main source of income for the chapter. With more opportunities to support the bands, however, such as upcoming Jazz Band trip to the Caribbean and the Symphonic Band trip to Ireland, Kappa Chi is focusing on

raising as much money as possible. To help with this goal, the fundraising committee has decided to bring back the use of sponsorship forms so that chapter members can get donations from family, friends, and perhaps alumni ;). By combining sponsorship forms with on the spot donations, we are anticipating a raise in profits from previous years.

Aside from the benefits of good fundraising this year, Kappa Chi has also grown thanks to funding we received from Student Senate. For the first time, this fall we sponsored a “semi-formal.” We went to see a comedian and get pizza in Ann Ar-

bor, and the event was no cost for Brothers.

Thanks to updated fundraising efforts and an expanded budget, Kappa Chi has had a very successful year. Stable finances have allowed us to do new things, network with other chapters, and bond as Brothers in ways that we previously have not been able to because of money. We hope to keep growing as a chapter in the years to come!

AEA,

Katie Meier ‘09
Treasurer

A New Fine Arts Center

For years, Goodrich Chapel has served as the performing arts center for the music department, despite concerns that the facility is inadequate. Recently, the College formed a Strategic Planning Committee to look at future needs. While the committee is comprised mostly of faculty, staff, administrators, alumni, and trustees, I was also chosen to serve as a representative.

As a brother of KKY and a member of two bands, I know first hand the limitations of the Chapel and have

began the process of advocating for a new fine arts facility which encompasses the music, theatre, and art departments. Unfortunately, there are many physical and program needs at Albion which may draw attention away from the fine art demands, such as the desire for a new library. While we have students and faculty on board with the proposal, it would be really helpful to include alumni ideas and support as well.

If you or any other Albion alumni would be interested in lending support and/or ideas, please e-mail me at

spt10@albion.edu. Look for further updates in upcoming newsletters, as we may ask for small donations if the project gains traction. In ten years, hopefully all of us will return on Homecoming and attend concerts in a new facility!

AEA,

Steven Thompson ‘09
Member at Large

Zeta Class Off to a Great Start



Zeta Class after Third Degree

The Zeta Class project this year consisted of organizing and running the Honor Band weekend fun night for the high school students. The evening began after a concert by the Kalamazoo Brass Quintet in Goodrich Chapel. Afterwards the students went into the

basement of the chapel and played a round of Albion College trivia. Members of the Zeta Class hosted the trivia game. The students really enjoyed the trivia, especially the prizes! After trivia the students ate food bought and paid for by Kappa Chi. The optional activi-

ties throughout the rest of the evening consisted of card games, guitar hero competitions, and watching the musical “Hairspray”. The event lasted from 9 p.m. to 11 p.m.

AEA,

Lauren Stout ‘11
Member at Large

It's the Little Things

We may be brothers from other mothers, but there's no lack of family love going on in the Kappa Chi chapter! As the school year winds down, the Brotherhood committee and I have been working hard to keep events going that continue to connect and uplift the brotherhood. This year we've begun holding more small events such as the Kappa Kappa Coffee Hour in the SEE, study breaks and mini-brotherhood events. We've made secret valentines for broth-

ers, shared emotions in candle pass and have become closer as a chapter. There are more things I know now, through these events that I would not have known otherwise. For instance, Brandon Veremis had the assets for a great "bend and snap" and new member Seth Dawson has a really great "package." At study breaks and coffee hours we have a chance to get together outside the chapel to really get to know each other. This new venue

through communication has allowed many people to find out more than the just the musical lives of other brothers. As we launch into the final stretch we're gearing up for some competition, mixed with a little Avenue Q, and topped off with an amazing Senior Banquet. It should be a great time to make Albion the next city of brotherly love!
AEA,

Rachel Lippert '08
Brotherhood Chair



Happy Valentine's Day, from Kappa Chi

Continuing with Membership Education

Now that the semester is half over, midterms are in the past and we're anxiously awaiting the sunshine, warm weather and final exams! On February 3rd we initiated 10 fantastic new members and 3 honorary members in the Zeta class. Other than our typical busy spring schedule, we've managed to do a lot of traveling this year to visit other area chapter rituals,

such as visits to Michigan State, Central Michigan University and the University of Michigan. In February we traveled to Kalamazoo, MI for the installation of the newest chapter in the North Central District, Western Michigan University. In other news, we're excitedly planning our chapter membership retreat, which will be on May 7th. With upcoming officer elections,

we will be planning the retreat between the transition of officers, and hopefully end the semester on a high note with some continuing membership education and some good old fashioned brotherhood bonding at the retreat!
Always striving,

Lizzy Thornton '09
Vice President of Membership

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Honor Band Going Strong

For the fifth annual Albion College High School Honor Band, Kappa Chi once again played a vital role. Beginning in October, we began sending out materials encouraging area schools to send their best musicians to the two-day event. After a long day of rehearsal on Friday, February 22, and a few hours of sleep, the Honor Band

and college Symphonic Band got back to rehearsing. Saturday evening, the Symphonic Band performed "Concertino for Brass Quintet and Band" a piece featuring guest ensemble "The Kalamazoo Brass." The evening was capped off with a performance by the combined musicians of the High School Honor Band and the Symphonic Band of Clifton Williams' "Symphonic

Dance No. 3 'Fiesta'". Throughout the course of the weekend, the members of Kappa Chi served as runners, assistants, hosts, meal planners, cleaners, and recording technicians for the event. Despite a few rough moments, this was one of the most successful Honor Band weekends yet!

Nick Fish '08
Vice President of Service

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Striving to Stay in Contact

Welcome to that which is your Spring 2008 Alumni Newsletter! There are a few upcoming changes within the chapter and within the Fraternity itself that will affect you as Alumni members of Kappa Kappa Psi. The first major change is happening at the national level: as of Fall 2008, the cost of becoming a Life Member will be raised from \$250 up to \$500. This is your last chance to become a Life Member at this discounted rate; do it now before you never do it. Contact Kappa Kappa Psi National Headquarters online for more information. The second major change is happening within our chapter. Kappa Chi

is very excited to be in the process of creating its very own Alumni Association. This will be an Alumni Association exclusively for Kappa Chi Alumni and will therefore be nicknamed The Professor. In order to keep in contact with our ever-growing population of Alumni and help this The Professor get off the ground, we need your help. By filling out the top of this page, in print or electronic form, you'll be giving us a way to keep in contact and notify you of the activities within the chapter and within the Alumni Association. Please send this form in quickly. We will keep these records for

the *sole* use of the Alumni Association and the active chapter. Hope to hear from you soon!

Chris Langholz '08
Corresponding Secretary



The crack Gov Cup Presentation Team!