As of the writing of this Newsletters the Active Chapter has signed 4 Associate Members for the Fall and are confident that we will exceed our goal of signing 20 Associate Members (all living in house). This is exciting news for a number of reasons. First, and foremost, a 20+ man pledge class will be the largest recruiting result at Alpha Psi in over 30 years!! Since August 2013 we have averaged just over 6 men each semester. A semester with double digit growth would be huge!!

Second, we will [finally] have an Active Chapter large enough to fill the house with underclassmen who are both eager to do the work required to make the Chapter better and excited about what making the Chapter better means for the future of Alpha Psi!

Lastly, since the Alumni Association is taking steps to secure two properties (1603 and 1601 Pine Street) we will have two additional annexes which will also be filled (estimated 12 spots) with upperclassmen Brothers who will provide much needed maturity and leadership at the house to compliment the Active Chapter Officers (who must live in the original Annex).

All of these things are continuing to push Theta Xi at S&T forward into a bright future. Just like in 1949 when a group of young men who called themselves Chi Sigma worked together with a small group of Brothers from the Iota Club at Washington University in St. Louis to found our beloved Alpha Psi Chapter. Also in 1957 when, just after we initiated our 100th Brother into the Bonds of Alpha Psi the Active Chapter and the Alumni Association moved forward on the decision to purchase the property at 1605 Pine Street and move from 1203 State Street, Alpha Psi was confident we would continue to thrive in Rolla and grow. In the 1970s after a fire caused significant damage to the annex and another one destroyed the Main House, we decided to push forward and repair the annex and build the New House.

We are determined to succeed and you can all help us. Financial support is always welcome and this group of Actives are willing and able to be mentored in areas of leadership development, organizational improvement, property upkeep and any other areas of expertise our Alumni are willing to share their knowledge. Join us in this journey to grow Alpha Psi and help us achieve this much needed milestone of rebuilding our home. The new building isn’t going to magically cause us to overcome our current challenges, but rather it will represent the great accomplishments and immense amount of growth we have experienced on this journey to turn the organization around. YITB

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MEET OUR ALUMNI

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DOB: 10 January 1946
Brother Lebo enjoyed hanging out at the Chapter House and other campus parties with the Fall 1962 Pledge Class. He pledged in January 1963 and his very first week of Pledge-ship was Hell Week for the Fall 1962 Pledge Class!

BS CE-University of Missouri - Rolla

MBA - Loyola University of Chicago

He is currently the Director of Investor Services for Mewbourne Oil Co in Texas.

Married Merri 30 December 1967 and they currently live in Spring, TX.

Brother Gene and wife Sandy have two children (Melissa, and Pipere).

Jerry’s hobbies include golf and cards.
Since the last newsletter a lot has been happening on a number of fronts. Perhaps the most strategic action was the just completed lease of two houses on property adjacent to the chapter house which gives us room to grow as we transition to a future that includes a larger chapter membership. There is general agreement that it is important to retain the intimate, personal nature of Alpha Psi that we all experienced as actives but growth to a more robust, but still modest size, will dramatically impact our ability to remain strong on a personal level but also financially. Financial strength will allow us to create a chapter environment that is comfortable for the actives and attractive for potential associates. More, much more to come on plans for the future but the leasing of the 1601 and 1603 Pine St. properties is a significant step toward a new future for the chapter.

Rush continues to take a lot of the time and energy of both the actives and the alumni. Early efforts have already yielded four new associates, a good start toward our goal of 20 for this next semester. Rush events are planned in St. Louis and Kansas City over the summer and a new offering in rush this year of a $500 scholarship awarded to one of the incoming students, whether they pledge Theta Xi or not, is generating considerable interest. The applicant is only required to come by the chapter house personally and submit the application giving us a chance to impress him with the benefits of membership in Theta Xi.

This year we are sponsoring three active officers to attend the Theta Xi National Convention in Minneapolis in August. Max Rose, Albert Perlman AΨ621 and Justin Carollo AΨ608. Our chapter GPA at 2.9+ still needs work and a couple of our actives can do better with support from the chapter scholarship officer and Joe Kuss, AΨ234 our alumni officer responsible for Chapter Guidance. Collectively, we can do better – and will.

Look for another letter from me in the next week or two via snail mail as I continue my effort to make you part of what is happening at your fraternity.

The Chinese have a curse, “May you live in interesting times”, well, these are certainly interesting times for the chapter and for the alumni association but frankly, I love it. The energy, creativeness and commitment from all the participants is a joy to be part of and I know if you, as one of us Alpha Psi alumni stopped by the chapter for a visit, you would feel it too.

YITB,
Steve Jungers, AΨ164

Areas
Any Alumni
Can Help In

Property Upkeep
• Work Weekends
• Improvement Projects
• Donate Old Tools
• Funding for Projects

Recruitment/Retention
• Host Rush Events
• Participate on Rush Teams
• Facilitate Rush Workshops
• Sponsor Scholarships

Alumni Engagement
• Host/Coordinate Theta Xi gatherings
• Keep your contact information current (thetaximst.com)
• Find lost Brothers
• Send us news on life events

Financial Planning/Budgeting
• How can we establish residual income streams for the Chapter?
• Mid- to Long- term planning for saving / spending money

Mentorship & Leadership Development
• Help underclassmen connect with Alumni in their field of study
• Inform development of SOPs for offices and committees to improve the chapter and provide vital leadership skills

Plug what you enjoy doing in here to help us improve the Chapter.
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**Feasibility Study Results**

Key outcomes of the feasibility study:

- The city code for living facilities (like fraternities and sororities) requires one parking space per every 3 beds. Should we purchase properties in proximity to the current Chapter House to meet this requirement or redesign the new facility to include required parking on our current property at 1605 Pine?
- Need to finalize the plan for the new construction prior to start of the Capital Campaign
- Develop and execute the strategy to transform our Alpha Psi Chapter into the organization that can sustain the new facility (recruitment, chapter operations, Alumni support structure, scholarship performance)

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Our Chapter House has stood at 1605 Pine Street in it's current state for almost 50 years! The "New House" is on the right side and the Annex and Basement are on the left side.

**Tool Drive:** We are collecting tools for the Active Chapter to use throughout the year. If you have tools you don’t use or are going to have replaced, please consider donating them to the Active Chapter! Contact the House Manager Today!

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After years of discussions on how better use our presence on the web, we have rolled out our new website (alphapsialumni.org). The purpose of the new website is threefold:

1. Keep Alumni and Active members informed of the latest Alpha Psi news
2. Generate a recruitment stream for potential members
3. Provide Brothers, Parents, and other beloved friends of the Chapter a convenient and secure way to provide continuous financial support thus generating a reliable income

The purpose of the new website is to consolidate multiple websites into one portal so anyone interested in learning about Theta Xi at Missouri S&T. The Alumni Association also rolled out our initial proposal to build a new facility at 1605 Pine Street. The Alumni Association also rolled out our initial proposal to build a new facility at 1605 Pine Street.

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Theta Xi

Alphapsialumni.org: Website created for Alumni to stay informed of the latest Theta Xi news and happenings.

- AlphaPsialumni.org: Website created for Alumni to stay in touch with the Chapter and each other
- Web.mst.edu/~thetaxi: Website created for potentials to learn about Theta Xi at Missouri S&T

Both of the above websites should now redirect you to our new website thetaximist.com. It is our intention to keep this site updated with the latest news and upcoming events so our Alumni, Active and any potential members can be informed of Chapter events - especially events happening in their geographic area.

Over the last two years the Alumni Association has invested a lot of time and effort to reach out and connect with our Alumni Brothers. Let us know if you have big news to share with the Brotherhood! All Brothers with sons/daughters who are graduating from High School this year! Brooks Buchanan (AΨ438); Brian and Tina Boydston (AΨ548); Brian and Betty Crawford (AΨ545); Brian and Tina Melberg (AΨ546), Patrick and Mary VanDewiele (AΨ543), John Thien (AΨ455); John Beck (AΨ451); Joe Skeeters (AΨ493); Mark Takacs (AΨ458); Chris Lee (AΨ495); Don Novak (AΨ368);

Anniversaries

April 1: Robert and Katie Diefenbacher (AΨ515); 5. Matthew and Angela Clipper (AΨ443); 9. Matthew and Jennifer Funk (AΨ522); 18. Matt and Seana Beard (AΨ483); 27. Ed and Sandie Sullivan (AΨ201),

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