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Expansion At St. Peter's

First Alumni Associations Forming to Support Chapters



At a July 7 Beta Pi Alumni Association meeting are, from left, Hernando Velazquez, Franco Libertore, Chris Pascocello, Scott Albert, Nick Deninno, Sal Rabasco and Andy Ovanessian.

Alumni Associations, groups of Alpha Phi Delta brothers from a single chapter who meet to support the chapter, have begun springing up.

The National Council approved the establishment of Alumni Associations in February. Since then at least three Associations have formed, and more are in the planning stages.

While Alumni Clubs consist of brothers living in a specific region, Associations focus on one chapter.

The Beta Pi (St. John's Univ.) Alumni Association met on

April 7 in the home of former Pledgemaster **Brian Disken** (BII, 1987). The group has a roster of 14 graduates of the chapter that was reactivated in 1986. According to **Chris Pascocello** (BII, 1988) the Association meets on the first Sunday of each month. The Beta Pi Alumni Association has held a beach party at Rockaway Beach and an alumni picnic on July 28 at Cunningham Park in Queens.

The brothers of the Beta Sigma (St. Francis College of Brooklyn) Alumni Association

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President's Message

Faces of Leadership Change

by Joseph Rahtelli
National President

As we enter our seventy-eighth year as a fraternity and my second year as President, we have a few brothers who have completed a term of duty to our organization that I would like to acknowledge.

John Russo (Psi, 1972) has just ended a fine year as Executive Vice President. He made significant contributions in time, energy and vision, while maintaining his effort and dedication to his family and his career. It was an honor and privilege to have worked with him.

Garry Kosteck (Beta Xi, 1971) is ending his year as Third District West Governor. Garry was asked last year to step forward and fill a void at this position. He answered the call, as he has done on the national level since 1983. He served his district well and continued to be a

stabilizing force in our organization. Garry deserves many thanks and praise.

Andy Cozzolino (Beta Beta, 1987) has been taken from us by law school in the Mid-West after serving as VP-Public Relations. I hope Andy was able to use his time in office to grow and mature.

As we turn to the year ahead we see some new and promising faces on the Executive Committee. **David Barr** (Beta Chi, 1986) will take the reins for the Second District. **Nick Franki** (Gamma Lambda, 1987) is the new leader in the Third District Central. **Ed Mucci** (Beta Sigma, 1983), as Third District South Governor, is our "older" rookie.

Chris Pascocello (Beta Pi, 1988) is stepping in as VP-Public Relations after serving as Assistant Executive Secretary.

They are all devoted

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John Russo, left, and Joseph Rahtelli at the 1990 Summer Convention.

Brotherhood Profile

Theta Beta's Charles Fiore, Esquire



Charles Fiore (BΣ, '73) General Counsel of the Alpha Phi Delta Foundation.

by Neil Anastasio
Kleos Editor, 1978-84

Life in Alpha Phi Delta without **Charlie Fiore** (Theta Beta, 1973) is impossible for me to conceive, as we pledged into an aging chapter of two brothers in desperate need of revitalization in 1973. Through the efforts of Beta Sigma (St. Francis of Brooklyn) brother and childhood friend, **Joe Caldarella** (Beta Sigma, 1973), we were invited to build Theta Beta (New York Univ.) Soon we were introduced to an amazing alumnus with the fraternal energy of a 16-year-old: Past National President **Al Palazzo** (Theta Beta, 1946). Together we went on to lay the foundation for one of Alpha Phi Delta's strongest and finest chapters.

"Charlie's the kind of guy who is always there - reliable, steady, even cautious to a fault," said Caldarella, now Executive

Director of Housing for the Alpha Phi Delta Foundation. "He'll do a job well, without needing to be the focus of attention. His behind-the-scenes work and mobilization of others has helped build a strong Theta Beta, Brooklyn Alumni Club, National Council, Alpha Phi Delta Foundation, and on and on..."

What's ironic about Charlie is that, although he consistently challenged the thinking of his Alpha Phi Delta predecessors, he is very much like his senior brothers: dedicated, hard working, giving. Like earlier brothers, he's helped create a legacy for brothers of another generation to enjoy, developing chapters and alumni clubs, serving on numerous committees, giving the fraternity many hours of free legal advice, playing a key role in the creation of the Foundation.

Charlie has never sought the limelight of a National Presidency, but remains content providing strength as a key player to the fraternity he holds so dear.

"When I've asked for legal advice or fraternal opinions from others," said Past National President **Santo Barbarino** (Beta Sigma, 1965), "I sometimes received a treasury of wisdom, but walked away thinking a World War would result if I followed their advice. When I've asked Charlie for advice, I not only received sound guidance, but I also walked away laughing hysterically at his dry wit."

Is Charlie really different than the "old timers?" "Maybe in

approach," added Barbarino, "but like them, he's one of the great ones."

Perhaps the greatest irony, though, happened one fall Friday night in 1975, when a brother asked Charlie to do him a favor and take one of two dates he had made "off his hands." True to form, Charlie said yes, and snagged one of the finest ladies around to be his wife. Charlie and Gail are the proud parents of a non-stop encyclopedia of questions in five-year-old Caroline, my Goddaughter.

Whether his law firm (Lewis and Fiore in New York City) is defending justice in the Fatal Attraction case, or Manuel Noriega (yes, the real McCoy), or writing a grandmother's will, Charlie *always* makes time for brotherhood. He lives the credo we all know so well:

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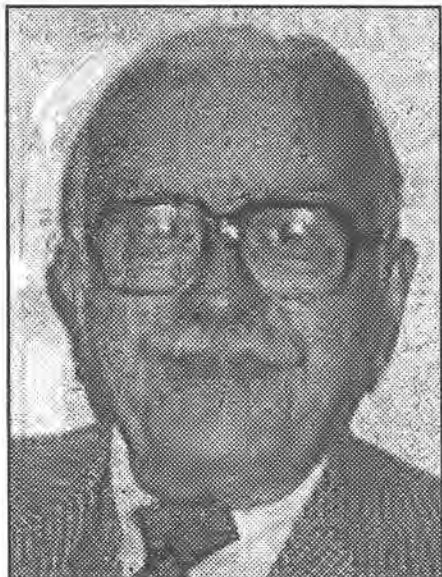
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AΦΔ Brothers In The Community

MDs Honored, Psi Brother on Drag Race Tour



Peter Fiore, M.D., (Alpha, 1925), shown above, was honored by The Methodist Hospital in Brooklyn for his "contributions to the quality of life" in that community.

Fiore, an honorary attending physician at The Methodist Hospital, has been associated with the institution for more than a half-century. A graduate of Syracuse University's College of Medicine, he became an assistant surgeon at The Methodist Hospital after four years with the Army Medical Corps. By 1968 he had achieved the title of attending physician and was serving as president of the Medical Board.

Fiore later became an active member of the hospital's board of trustees, serving on several committees during his decade-long tenure on the board.

Fiore is a Fellow of both the American College of Surgeons and the New York Colon and Rectal Society and a past president of the Brooklyn

Surgical Society.

Vito J. D'Alessandro, M.D., (Theta Beta, 1953) has been appointed Executive Vice President of Wyckoff Heights (N.J.) Medical Center. "Dr. D" has moved up Wyckoff's administrative ladder, starting as a medical intern in 1963, becoming an attending physician in 1970, Medical Director-Quality Assurance in 1983, Vice President of Medical Affairs in 1987.

"Born and bred in Brooklyn," D'Alessandro graduated from the University of Bologna, Italy. While at Wyckoff Heights Hospital, his training was interrupted for service in the Army Medical Corps from 1966 to 1969.

Leon Panella (Psi, 1962) has been spending his summer on the drag race tour. Panella is a pharmacist during the week and drives "The Silver Fox," a 1970 Chevrolet Chevelle SS with a 485 horsepower 454 engine, at

Youngstown, Ohio's Drag City on weekends. Leon's best times to date is a reaction time of 0.609 seconds, an elapsed time of 12.82 seconds, and a speed through the quarter-mile of 107 miles per hour.

Mike Musser (Psi, 1987) was named the Atlantic 10 baseball Player of the Week for the week of April 1, and was named to the Atlantic 10 first team. Musser is a centerfielder. He earned the Player of the Week honor by getting 9 hits in 13 at-bats, 5 RBIs and 5 runs scored that week. He's the first Duquesne player ever named to those honors.

The late New York City activist and state Assemblyman **Vito Battista (Rho, 1928)** has been honored with a playground named in his honor. Mayor David Dinkins signed into law April 5 a bill naming the playground within Highland Park in Brooklyn after Battista.

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Leon Panella (Ψ, '62) and friend Karen DeRiso show off The Silver Fox, Panella's drag race car, in front of his New Brighton, Pa. pharmacy.

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Traditional Italian Festivals Live On



*by Samuel Catanzano, Jr.
Vice President for
Cultural Affairs*

Italy may be small, but the celebration of various festivals occurs all over the country. These festivals fall into four categories: country festivals which celebrate the fertility of nature; civic festivals glorifying a city's prosperity; religious festivals celebrating divine blessings; and political festivals. These festivals are a sharing that reinforces bonds of family and friendship and a sense of identity that stretches across centuries.

During festivals, large cities and small villages alike are completely changed: dressed up with lights, banners, flowers and colorful decorations.

Italians live in a land with many layers of history piled up visibly in the walls, streets and stone cathedrals of every little town. No wonder that their festivals are deeply rooted in a com-

munity's history and mythology.

Seasonal festivals are tied to the agricultural year. Spring festivals celebrate the reawakening of nature as seeds respond to the sun's warmth. Summer celebrates the work of the fields and bringing in the harvests of wheat, olives, grapes or other fruits.

By the time of the Renaissance, the new city/states had created festivals intended to celebrate themselves. Each is unique to its particular area, with colorful activities and events. Civic festivals have died out in some areas, but prevail in others.

During the Roman Empire, there were at least 182 sacred festival days to honor the many gods. But when Christianity became the religion of the country, the Catholic Church simply substituted its own sacred figures for heathen deities. Today most cities and villages have patron saints that are honored with fest-

ivals, each in a style particular to its area.

Food plays an important role in all festivals. Tradition dictates the menu for the celebration. The menus for these festivals have been developed

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over the years and are now legendary. All festival foods come in gigantic amounts to convey a message of abundance.



1990 AΦΔ Scholarship winner Donna Marcotriangelo receives her award check from father Vincent (H,'45). The Scholarship Committee will announce 1991 awards at the National Convention August 29.

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Alumni Associations

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have met regularly for more than a year, according to chapter president **Mike Failla** (Beta Sigma, 1988), but officially formed the Association in February.

The Beta Sigma Alumni Association recently held a reunion dinner, planned a trip to Great Adventure August 2, and will hold a picnic in September. The Alumni Association plans to award an annual scholarship to a Beta Sigma brother.

In addition to the Alumni Associations at Beta Pi and Beta Sigma, a group of Beta Eta (Brooklyn College) Alumni have held two meetings and are working on a statement of

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Gamma Delta
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Waynesburg, Pa 15370
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To start an Alumni Association, contact:
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purpose. They have planned some events for this fall.

In the planning stages are Alumni Associations for Gamma Lambda (Fordham University) and Gamma Delta (Waynesburg,

Pa.). At Gamma Lambda, Nick Franki and Joe Narciso are trying to bring the alumni together. In Waynesburg, Joe Sadlek and chapter president Donald Hearn are working on the project.

Brothers In The Community

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Battista passed away last year after serving in the state Assembly for three terms, and as a member of the Republican State Committee for five terms. (See *The Kleos*, Fall 1990.)



VP-Alumni Affairs Mike Iacovelli (Theta Beta, '81) holds his new son, Marc.

Hon. Martin A. Russo (Beta Mu, 1968) has been re-elected to the U.S. House of Representatives.

Richard F. Gaccone (Beta Eta, 1965) was appointed President of Bristol Myers Products.

Congratulations to Past National President **Michael Zerega** (Psi, 1969) and his wife, Barbara, on the birth of their first child, Giancarlo, on March 23. PNP **Al Fafara** (Beta Xi, 1969) and wife, Debbie, saw the birth of their first child in May. Vice President for Alumni Affairs **Mike Iacovelli** (Theta Beta, 1981) and wife, Rosaria, are celebrating the birth of their first son, Marc Stephen, in February.

Apologies!

We regret incorrectly identifying Past National Grand Consul **Peter J. Sammartino** (Eta, 1922) in the Spring issue. Apologies to Dr. Sammartino.

Apologies also to **Mark Seftas** (Gamma Delta), who served in Operation Desert Storm, but was not included in the Spring issue's article about Brothers who served in the Persian Gulf conflict.

President's Message

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young men. Their strong love for our fraternity has created a desire to step forward and serve while they try to start or cultivate their young careers.

It is with this mixture of youth and experience that we will continue to forge on in our quest to raise this organization to new and higher levels of success. With the efforts and support of the Alpha Phi Delta Foundation, our expectations are high and the future looks bright.

J.R.

Alumni Club News

Pittsburgh A.C. Dances to Oldies

The Pittsburgh Alumni Club will hold an oldies dance this October. Brother **Dick Mellick** (Psi, 1955), the organizer, promises "different strokes for different folks and different speeds for different breeds." No date or location have been determined yet. Call PAC President **Paul Fabrizio** at (412) 373-3578 for details.

The PAC also plans its first golf tournament August 10 at the Sylvan Heights Golf Course in New Castle, Pa. The cost is \$20 per player, and includes 18 holes of golf, a cart, and a pizza and beer picnic. Call (412) 654-6037 for details.

Brooklyn Alumni Club

The BAC held its election meeting in April. The fraternity's General Counsel **Michael Manniello** (Theta Beta, 1983) was unanimously re-elected BAC President, with **Joe Narciso** (Gamma Lambda, 1987) named Vice President.

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The BAC held a trip to Yankee Stadium June 22 to see the "Bronx Bombers" play the Minnesota Twins, and had a pool party July 14 at the home of **Joe Caldarella** (Beta Sigma, 1973) and his wife, Janet.

Third District Central Governor **Nick Franki** (Gamma Lambda, 1988) has taken over publication of the BAC newsletter.

Long Island A.C.

The Long Island A.C. met June 7 to install its new officers. **Ben Cerrone** (Beta Pi, 1959) was elected President, with **Michael Mangino** (Beta Pi) named Vice President. **Angelo Sinatra** (Delta, 1945) was named to a term as Treasurer, while **Joseph Ruisi** (Beta Pi, 1969) was elected Secretary.

North Jersey A.C.

The spring banquet of the North Jersey A.C. was its most successful, with 160 people attending. Vice President **Bill Andrews** (Beta Xi, 1982) organized the event. At the banquet, area chapters honored their outstanding seniors: **Attila Toth** of Beta Xi (N.J. Institute of Technology); **Mike Poploski** of Gamma Pi (Ramapo State College); and **Rod Ruggeri** of Gamma Nu (William Patterson College).

The N.J.A.C. held two sports tournaments this spring: a volleyball tournament on April 19; and a softball tournament in May. The alumni club defeated the brothers of Beta Xi in the final game to win the softball championship.

ARTIST NEEDED!



We need an artist to lend his talents to *The Kleos*, the magazine of Alpha Phi Delta. If you can create line drawings from photographs, or if you'd like to draw a regular comic strip for *The Kleos*, please contact Editor **Andy Cripps**, 811 Atlantic Avenue, N. Wildwood, NJ 08260; or call (609) 522-2572.

Alumni Directory Delayed

The Alpha Phi Delta Fraternity has postponed publication of the alumni directory, according to Executive Director **Anthony Carfang** (Psi, 1969). He says the Foundation and the publisher were unable to come to an agreement. The Foundation is now soliciting proposals from other publishers, Carfang said.

Keep The Kleos Informed!

Send your chapter, alumni club or alumni association newsletter, or any account of your entity's events (with photos and phone number for more information) to:

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Chapter Chatter

ΑΦΔ Expands To St. Peter's, Wesley

The new brothers of Alpha Phi Delta at Wesley College in Dover, Del. celebrate their initiation.

The expansion boom of Alpha Phi Delta has continued with three new colonies joining the fold in the Spring semester.

Executive Vice President **James Lentini** reports colonies at Wesley College (Dover, Del.), St. Peter's College (Jersey City, N.J.) and Kings College (Wilkes Barre, Pa.) are in place.

At Wesley College, 23 brothers of a local fraternity were incorporated into the national organization. The new colony already enjoys school recognition, meeting facilities and dorm space.

St. Peter's College has 10 brothers on campus, and recently gained official school recognition. The recognition came during a special student council meeting during the summer. Official recognition makes Alpha Phi Delta the first fraternity on

campus at this prestigious Catholic college.

The colony at Kings College boasts nine brothers installed in late April. The colony is seeking official school recognition.

The three new colonies are included in an unofficial count of 468 new brothers initiated into Alpha Phi Delta in the 1990-91 school year, a new record. Lentini reports the unofficial figure marks an increase of more than 100 over the previous year.

Beta Iota, Utica College

The Beta Iota Chapter has moved into a joint fraternity house with the Beta Chi chapter (State University of New York at Utica). Chapter leaders say the

cohabitation has made the two chapters more united.

Brothers from Beta Iota traveled more than 275 miles to visit the Beta Rho Chapter at Gannon College (Erie, Pa.). They say the trip improved communication between the chapters.

The chapter initiated Professor **Paul W. B. Herring**, 52, this fall. Among Herring's accomplishments are Purple Heart and Brown Star medals earned in combat. Herring is a doctoral candidate.

Beta Iota held a charity flower sale during the spring semester to benefit the United Cerebral Palsy Foundation during the Fall semester. Working with alumnus **Bruce Brodski** (BI, 1970), they raised \$200. The chapter also raised \$100 for the Big Brother/Big Sister organization during a bowl-a-



The newly-initiated brothers of Alpha Phi Delta at St. Peter's College rejoice in the home of Executive V.P. James Lentini.



The Gamma Pi Chapter cleaned up the littered Kameron Pond on the Ramapo College campus.

thon.

Gamma Pi Ramapo College

With help from a local store and a pizza parlor, members of the Gamma Pi Chapter held a raffle to raise money for tuition. Chapter members, concerned about a \$200 tuition increase, sold 600 tickets at \$2 each. They awarded \$890 of the \$1,200 they raised to Sue Aschner, a senior at the college whose boyfriend bought her the winning ticket. The \$890 will be added as a credit on Ms. Aschner's fall tuition bill. The chapter donated the remaining \$310 to a charity.

"People were skeptical at first because they didn't think they were ever going to get free tuition," said chapter president **Martin Panariello**.

The video store and the pizza parlor helped foot the costs of printing the tickets and publicizing the raffle.

(Reprinted from *The Chronicle of Higher Education*, June 12, 1991)

On March 13, the chapter

cleaned up Kameron Pond, a lake on campus, as well as the area around two dormitories.

According to Panariello, the goal was to "gear Alpha Phi Delta to make Ramapo environmentally sensitive, and to let the campus community know Alpha Phi Delta is constructive, not just another partying fraternity."

Panariello added that the chapter is "trying to promote a clean campus and to make students, faculty and staff more environmentally aware."

Gamma Delta Waynesburg College

Bryan Maltony (Gamma Delta, 1989) was named Outstanding Undergraduate of the Fifth District. That makes two consecutive years that a Gamma Delta brother has won the award. (**Brian Chesmer** [Gamma Delta, 1988] won in 1990.)

The chapter held its Spring Formal March 28 at the Pittsburgh Marriott Hotel.

Beta Eta Brooklyn College

The Beta Eta chapter participated in a bowl-a-thon April 26 to raise money for the local Ronald McDonald House and for Kids with Cancer.

The chapter also held a dance party March 16 with a live band and disc jockey and a raffle to raise money for a brother who has cancer.

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Members of the Georgia Alumni Club pose during a family picnic at the lake home of V.P.-Cultural Affairs Sam Catanzano (center).

In Memoriam

Beta Mu Founder Coscia, "ΑΦΔ Rose" Lyricist Imbro Lost



Charles C. Coscia (Theta, 1938), shown above, a former national Grand Pro-Consul and founding member of the Southern California Alumni Club, died March 3 at the age of 73.

Born in New York City, Coscia was a chemist with an environmental control agency in the St. Petersburg, Fla. area.

Coscia served as Grand Pro-Consul between 1952 and 1954 (the title was changed to National Vice president in 1953) under Adam DiVincenzo. With the late Dr. Sam Petronella, he organized the Midwest Alumni

Club and the Beta Mu chapter at DePaul University in 1949 (both now inactive) and was instrumental in setting up the Seventh District to service them. He was also instrumental in the founding of the S.C.A.C. in 1983. Coscia became a Life Member of ΑΦΔ in 1938.

He graduated from New York University in 1940 as an organic chemist, and soon began a career in water pollution control.

Married in 1945 to the former Mary McHale, he leaves behind three sons and three daughters.

H. Albert Imbro (Theta, 1928), a brother of Alpha Phi Delta for 63 years, died June 18 at the age of 82.

A native of Italy, Imbro taught Italian in West Virginia schools before co-founding Diane Lampshade Studios with two brothers in Brooklyn in 1946. He was co-founder of the Long Island Alumni Club and wrote lyrics for several Alpha Phi Delta songs including "Alpha Phi Delta

Rose."

He is survived by a daughter, four grandchildren, and two great-grandsons.

(Submitted by Emil R. Imbro [Pi, 1967])

Dr. Mario A. Caruso, D.D.S. (Beta Iota, 1948), passed away May 8, due to Leukemia, in Utica, N.Y. at age 62. A life long Utica resident, Caruso earned his B.S. degree from Utica College of Syracuse University and his D.D.S. in 1953 from the Univ. of Buffalo. Caruso devoted more than 30 years to his private dental practice. He was also a Eucharistic Minister at his church.

Caruso was stationed in Alaska during the Korean War, attaining the rank of Captain.

His remembrance of his humble beginnings contributed greatly to the generous manner in which he lived.

Surviving are his wife, Louise, two daughters and two sons.

(From the Utica Observer-Dispatch)

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