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## House Company Board of Directors — 2nd Meeting

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A meeting of the Sigma Nu House Company, Incorporated was held by conference call on Wednesday, May 24, 2000 at 11:00 P.M. EDT.

The minutes of the January 22 meeting were approved and Treasurer Gammack reported that as of April 30, the SNHC has \$7,630 in its checking account and \$205, 430 in its savings account.

Raab reported for the financial committee that additional information to support the tax basis for the house has been received from several members. After allowing some time for responses to another request for information in the newsletter, the basis will be recalculated. It is hoped that Raab and Dustin can prepare a draft tax return for consideration by the board at its fall meeting.

Brother Kruse reported that good progress is being made on locating lost brothers and that Dan Simpson has contributed greatly to this effort. Marshall Wilharm is also assisting. The ISU Alumni Association will soon make it easy to check its database. We also have an offer of help from a Mankato State Sigma Nu alum (Dan Schwartz) who has access to search software.

Brother Hill reported that inspection of the property stored in Ames is planned for the weekend of June 9 and 10. Bob Thompson and one or two others will assist. They plan to make a log of artifacts. The consensus of the board is that the items of no historical value (such as ordinary furniture) could be disposed of as seen fit by the property committee, and that expenses could be reimbursed.

Most board members had just received the first issue of the "Gamma Sigma News". All who had seen it were pleased with the result. The significant contribution of Jerry DeDiemar and his daughter Nancy of publishing the newsletter was recognized.

The election to be held in November was discussed. Brothers Thompson and Kruse were elected for one-year terms. While the consensus was that, in the long term, rotation of board members is a good idea, the lack of other volunteers who could become candidates makes it impractical at this time. Both Thompson and Kruse are willing to be re-elected and eager to serve. No other board members know any reason that they will be unable to continue their terms.

Next, a number of payments were discussed and authorized.

The need to change reference in the Articles of Incorporation from a c (2) corporation to a c (7) corporation was discussed. The consensus was that this was a typographical error. Bob Thompson will make a corrected filing with the Secretary of State.

Goals for the historian (Jerry Cormack) were discussed briefly. The consensus was that the following are suitable:

- Chronicling SNHC activities;
- Assembling a complete set of newsletters;
- Obtaining historical photos for the newsletter;
- Obtaining recollections from alums;
- Compiling information on the founding of Gamma Sigma Chapter.

Possibilities for reunions were discussed. The consensus is that we need to try to wait and see what response we get from the newsletter. Also, we need to try to develop enthusiasm in Des Moines area alumni.

The consensus was to hold the next board meeting in September.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:56 pm EDT.

Respectfully submitted, Frederick H. Raab, President.

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## Dan Simpson Needs Your Help

- 1) Please report your e-mail address, if not already done, to Dan Simpson at [djsimp@bellsouth.net](mailto:djsimp@bellsouth.net); Dean Kruse at [krusedd@aol.com](mailto:krusedd@aol.com) or Fritz Raab at [raab@ieee.org](mailto:raab@ieee.org). The Chapter or National Headquarters does not give out the e-mail addresses to anyone for advertising purposes.
- 2) Please ask all brothers to send along their zip code plus 4 numbers; it is included in the regular zip code mail from credit cards and most everything else. We can get a better bulk rate from the US Post Office if we have all the +4 numbers; it does cost a bundle to have someone do it for us. By doing it ourselves, the Hendersonville Shrine Club saved about \$600 for less than 400 names. GS brothers should include the +4 on all mail return addresses for others to pick up as well as sending it to Dean, Fritz or Myself.

I am working to find and update the chapter's known and missing addresses. We are making real progress in locating the missing.

Fraternally, Daniel H. Simpson GS520 '49  
205 Brook Forest Lane  
Hendersonville, NC 28791-9764  
282-891-1977 [djsimp@bellsouth.net](mailto:djsimp@bellsouth.net)

### A Note From Dick

Dick Winchester talked to Bob Moth, GS 355 recently. Bob suffered a broken hip a while back and is in an extended care facility run by the Canadian government near his home in Delta, BC. After being bedridden for some time, he is now able to move around on his own a little and is looking forward to continued improvement.

During WWII, Bob served in England with the OSS where he met his English wife Hillary, who was also with the OSS. Those that knew Bob remember him as a geology major, but he decided that the life of a geologist required frequent moves from one location to another. As a result, he enrolled in that "other school", SUI, and eventually after another tour of duty in the Korean war, received a PhD in history. Since then, he has taught history at the University of British Columbia and other colleges in that area.

Bob would be delighted to hear from his Gamma Sigma friends. His mailing address is 5345 Upland Drive, Delta, British Columbia V4M 2G3 Canada, and his telephone number is 604-943-4067.

Fraternally, Dick Winchester



## Messages From Brothers

*Several Gamma Sigma brothers have sent brief notes along with their dues and/or donations to the chapter reactivation fund.*

### Jerry Harris GS 368

Pleased you are making progress toward reactivating Gamma Sigma. Phone: 941-432-9385. e-mail: [Jecoa@aol.com](mailto:Jecoa@aol.com)

### George L. Irvine GS 190

Class of '30 BS EE. Joined GE Schenectady, NY 23 years, Dallas 3 years, Chicago until retirement to VP 15 years. Married twice, 50 years and 13 years. Now alone, Naples, FL. Phone 941-261-1724. e-mail [lynn301@mindspring.com](mailto:lynn301@mindspring.com)

### Russell C. Mangold GS 396

Graduated ISC 1947. In California since November 1997. In the restaurant business 1948-1997. Retired. Play golf 2 or 3 times a week. Wife Arlene, 52 years. Four kids, all doing well. Summer home at Parker, AZ on the "Parker Strip".

### Gerald W. Cady GS 476

Retired Navy orthopedic surgeon, living in San Diego. Family – wife and 3 sons, 7 grandsons and 2 granddaughters, oldest two in college. Phone: 619-465-9690. e-mail: [jcady@cts.com](mailto:jcady@cts.com)

### Calvin F. Glatfelder GS 439

My wife and I are enjoying winters in Naples, FL and summer in Flat Rock, NC where we recently moved from York, PA after 26 years there. Our daughter lives near us in FL and our son near us in NC. Summer: 544 Candlewood Lane, Flat Rock, NC 28731, Phone: 828-697-0492. Winter: 6240 Reserve Circle #803, Naples, FL 34119, Phone: 941-455-8209.

### Roy W. Brun GS 481

My wife, Audrey and I live at Westminster-Canterbury on Chesapeake Bay. This is a continuing life care facility owned and managed by Eastern Virginia Presbytery and the Southern Diocese of the Episcopal Church, jointly.

### Knowles Dickey GS 398

I am undecided on reunion. Have not kept contact with Gamma Sigma, but have kept up with old friends at Beta Xi. Address: 88 North Hill Rd, No. 272, North Bradford, CT 06471. e-mail: [kedickey@bestweb.net](mailto:kedickey@bestweb.net)

### Marshall Wilharm GS 779

Captain with American Airlines, flying international flights out of JFK. Wife, Ali, real estate agent. Daughter, Christina, just graduated from Johns Hopkins University in English. Daughter, Natalie, community college in Maryland and works. Address: 33 Townsend Dr., Middletown, NJ 07748-3127. Phone: 732-671-4635. e-mail: [marshallw@home.com](mailto:marshallw@home.com)

### Kirk Alm GS 1137

Address: 2400 Elliott Ave #224, Seattle, WA 98121. Phone: 206-443-1856. e-mail: [kirk-alm@loffmancorp.com](mailto:kirk-alm@loffmancorp.com)

### Art Garland GS 257

None of you will ever know how happy I was to receive the copy of Gamma Sigma News. I have wondered what, if anything, was happening with my old chapter of the fraternity I loved so much. I have never been able to find out what happened to cause it all to collapse. It is great and consoling to know that you and the other fellows are doing what you are to bring it back. I am not going to fill out the green sheet about a reunion. I am an invalid living in an assisted living facility and do not drive. I am now 88. I think I am somewhat fortunate to have this place to live and some good friends to keep me from going nuts. I feel badly that I can't contribute more to this effort, but will try to keep up with dues.

### Robert D. Newton DVM GS 733

January 1<sup>st</sup>, I retired from the Madison County Veterinary Clinic. Now doing a little vet work. Live on a farm 2 miles southwest of Winterset. Have a purebred Charolais cow herd and a common cow herd. Keeps me somewhat busy. Two daughters graduated from ISU and the last one two years before transferring to the Chicago Art Institute. Elaine and I go to almost all home football, men's and women's basketball games and always get to Kansas City for Big 12 basketball. 2310 Kippy Lane, Winterset, IA. Phone: 515-462-3309.

### The Tank

Brothers from the late 1960's may remember a maroon 1950 Mercury called "The Tank." Fritz Raab (GS 772) is happy to report that its engine has been rebuilt and it is now back on the road (occasionally). Restoration of the body and interior remain to be done.

## Report From Dean

Greetings Brothers in Sigma Nu,

I trust your summers have been enjoyable and wish you the best as we head into the fall. Also, the best of luck to the Cyclones as they continue their new season of greater expectations.

Personally I was very pleased to have heard from so many of you after our spring newsletter and learn a little of what you had been doing. Thanks to everyone who took the opportunity to write. Probably like many of you, I had lost contact with many of the brothers who had been so special to me and lived, studied and played in the chapter house in those glorious later years of the 1960's.

In addition to your warm and thoughtful comments, I was particularly grateful to those who responded so generously to our need for voluntary contributions to the publication of this worthy tome. However, as you may recall, the most important reason for the need to generate some funds is to assure the alumni chapter's standing as a verifiable non-profit institution. Since virtually all of our income is coming from proceeds from the sale of the house on Sunset Drive, having this additional income is a significant factor and reduces our tax liability. This is obviously important since we intend to use these funds to reestablish the active chapter when conditions on the campus warrant this action. So if you have been intending to write that check, but just had not quite gotten around to it – which is very understandable given the hectic pace of life – please take a few moments to send us a voluntary contribution and help sustain this fraternity.

Please make the checks out to Gamma Sigma House Corporation and send them to: Jason Gammack Treasurer  
719 N. Motor Place  
Seattle, Washington 98103-7233

And now a hearty and heartfelt thanks to those brothers who have already contributed: Gerald W. Cady, M.D. – our very first contributor, followed by Charles W. Dalton, Jr., Wayne D. Siebold, William C. Smith, E. Marshall Wilharm, Art Garland, Robert D. Newton, Richard B. Winchester, John B. Wilson, George L. Irvine, Roy W. Brun, John E. van der Linden, Richard S. Janssen, Steven L. Hill, Knowles Dickey, Freeman H. Forest, H. Michael McLaughlin, Calvin F. Glattfelder, Kevin M. Collins, Robert H. Voiland, Kirk Alm, Michael G. Burmester, Gerald H. TePaske, DVM, Daniel P. Dodd, Justin J. Sample, Edward C. VanDenburgh, Gerald W. Harris, Frederick H. Raab, Scott J. Morrison, Bob Jordan, Alan Welch, John D. Spaulding, Dean H. Kruse, Shawn C. Dawson, David P. Bippus, Don H. Geiger, Richard L. Milton, Robert S. Moth, Cleal T. Watts, and Osgood Whittemore.

Collectively these brothers have contributed \$815 to our alumni newsletter and chapter. Thank you all. Brother Fritz Raab, the President of our esteemed organization has threatened that if not enough of us voluntarily contribute, I am going to have to watch Robert Schuler and the Tower of Power every Sunday to learn proven fundraising strategies! So, please think about sending a small contribution.

### *Lost Brothers:*

In terms of locating lost brothers we have been making some progress. Many of you responded to our earlier mailings and supplied some of the missing addresses. Fritz mentioned in his President's notes that our secret weapon in locating lost brothers has been brother Dan Simpson who has been working nearly non-stop on this project. He did take a little time off for a big trip to celebrate his 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary – congratulations Dan! – but he went right back to work as soon as he returned. And I have finally mastered the on-line directory maintained by the ISU alumni office, so we have this tool as well. Plus, we are now using the USPS mail forwarding service to let us know when someone has moved. But, if you do move, please let us know of your change of address as it occurs.

### *Results of Reunion Survey:*

To date, 32 brothers have submitted reunion surveys – generally from the newsletter, although a few people did submit them electronically. Since this effort clearly was not intended as a scientific survey (my own graduate committee would have been appalled) so the results are largely subjective to interpretation. Not everyone responded to each question and several questions allowed for multiple responses. Nevertheless, I will present the data as succinctly as I can without sounding too much like a teacher.

Not surprisingly, the vast majority of the respondents, slightly more than 70% were interested in a reunion. Many of the others indicated they would be unable to travel for a variety of reasons. I did look for patterns including where an individual lives; we got responses from as far away from Iowa as Texas, Florida, New Jersey, Maryland, Pennsylvania, Colorado, Vermont, California and even the Pacific Northwest. The Midwesterners were well represented with folks indicating they would like to attend as well.

Of those respondents (20) indicating a preference for location, 65% indicated Ames, with the remainder favoring Des Moines. In all fairness, the two cities are

reasonably close and if we schedule this to coincide with a major university event, Des Moines would provide is with a better selection of places to stay.

Many individuals were flexible as to the timing of the event. Only four of 18 responding indicated a preference for the current academic year, while the remainder indicated 2001-2002. There was a reasonably strong preference for Fall, 59%, with 27% for Spring and 14% favoring Summer.

All but two individuals favored tying the reunion to a major university event. These are indicated in order of the number of positive responses. Again, people could list multiple preferences here:

Football	10
Veishea	5
Popular event	4
Cultural event	2

Regarding Gamma Sigma activities, the preferences were:

Informal get together	15
Informal dinner/dance	12
BBQ	12
Campus tours	4
White Rose Formal	1

Other ideas/suggestions included:

Regional get-togethers  
Warm weather location  
Golf tournament  
Avoid Veishea – too crowded

And bless their hearts, six brothers actually volunteered to help organize some of these activities. A special thanks to brothers Dan Geiger, Robert Newton, Alan Welch, Charles H. Dalton, Jr., Jerry DePaske and Steve Hill. You will be hearing from us.

As I mentioned in our last newsletter, I think we would be wise to attempt a small informal get-together of some type this upcoming year and something a bit more ambitious the following year.

I do wish to pass on the news that I have received word that two more of our brothers have passed to Chapter Eternal: Robert W. Norris GS 295 and George I. Wood, Jr. GS 340. Our thoughts and prayers go out to our brothers and their families.

### Gamma Sigma Web Page

Our congenial prospective web master has been incredibly busy flying his jets around the world, so I am afraid there is nothing new to report in this area.

One last note: special thanks to newsletter editor John van der Linden and his loyal group and the generous publishing services of Nancy DeDiemar, daughter of brother Jerry DeDiemar.

### We Need Your Help

Please take a few minutes to look over this brief message, fill in the blanks and mail to: Dean Kruse  
16893 NW Oakridge Dr.  
Portland, OR 97229.

Your Name: \_\_\_\_\_ # \_\_\_\_\_

If this newsletter was improperly addressed, please indicate the correct address below. Also we would appreciate having any additional contact information that may be applicable.

Correct address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_

Voluntary dues: If you'd like to help with the cost of this newsletter and the organization and activities of your alumni chapter, a contribution would be welcome. Our board of directors suggests voluntary dues of \$10 per year, but we could use more. Send whatever you like (dues or contributions are not tax deductible):

\$10       \$25       Other \$ \_\_\_\_\_ , and Thanks!!!!

News for our next issue — we hope to publish twice a year. Write a note about yourself and family, and send along with this form. Dean will see that it gets to the editor.

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