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Meet us in Ames!

Fall! Crisp Days! Clean air! Brilliant leaves!
Blue skies! Homecoming! Football! ISU
against Texas Tech! Anda Gamma
Sigma Reunion!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

What could possibly be better? Please mark
your calendars now for the weekend of
October 11 and 12th!

Many of you have indicated this would be a
good time to get together, renew old
friendships, meet some new brothers, and
revisit our shared heritage in Ames. Let me
provide you with some highlights of the
weekend schedule and then you can read
below for more details if you wish.

This next sentence is really important.
Homecoming is a complete sell out each year
in Ames, so you will need to act fast to secure
your reservations. So please fill out the
enclosed intention form. We fully anticipate a
reminder letter to those of you indicate you
will be able to attend. And this will really help
those of us who are working to plan this event
and make it fun and meaningful for you.

Events

Friday, October 11th 7:30 pm. An informal
no-host icebreaker centered at the Iowa State
Memorial Union. We plan on taking a brief
tour of the Iowa State University campus as
well as viewing a few of the homecoming
displays.

Saturday, October 12th 11:00 am. Tailgate
party prior to the football game. There will be
some grill-type sandwich foods (i.e.,
"gourmet" hotdogs and hamburgers),
condiments, chips, fruit and cookies. You will
need to provide your own beverages.

Saturday, October 12th approximately 1:00
PM (precise time to be announced depending
on possible television coverage).
Homecoming football – Iowa State v Red
Raiders of Texas Tech.

Saturday, October 12th. 6:30 pm social hour.
7:15 Gamma Sigma Reunion Dinner. Starlight
Village, Ames, Iowa.

Sunday, October 13th. On your own.

Costs are still approximate at this stage – but
the following are suggested as most realistic.

Tailgate grill	\$15.00 per person
Football game	\$25.00 per person
Gamma Sigma Dinner	\$50.00 per person

Football game

We must have your checks for football tickets
no later than May 15th if you wish to sit with
us as a group. Sales do not occur until June
1st. We will obtain the best seats we can
reasonably close to midfield. Again we must
have your checks in advance to purchase these
tickets. If you would like to see the Jack Trice
Stadium layout, you may go to

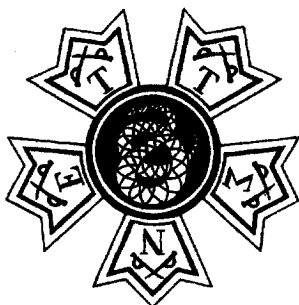
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tickets/tickets-static-info/jacktricemap.html](http://cyclones.fansonly.com/marketplace/tickets/tickets-static-info/jacktricemap.html)

Some of you are season ticket holders, but
please join us for the tailgate party prior to the
game.

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Room Reservations

The Best Western Starlight Village in Ames has graciously agreed to accept block reservations for Friday, October 11th and Saturday, October 12th. We have reserved 25 rooms (including five for those of you who smoke). You must telephone them directly to reserve a room in your name. The rates are \$59.95 for one person and \$69.95 for two people. Our group number is "4444." Check in time is 4:00 pm. Small pets are allowed in smoking rooms – but I would advise you to find someone to pet-sit and leave your companion animal at home.

Best Western Starlight Village
2601 East 13th Street
Ames, Iowa 50010
515-232-9260
1-800-903-9260
– extension "4" for Ames

If you would like more information on the Starlight Village, you may go to their web site:

<http://www.bestwestern.com/>

This is a generic web site put together by Best Western. From here you will need to indicate Ames, Iowa as a location.

Football Facts

You may use these to bore family, friends and neighbors whenever you like.

Last year the Cyclones under Head Coach Dan McCarney were 7-4 with a 4-2 home field advantage. They placed third in the Northern Division of the Big 12 and were 4-4 against conference foes. They went on to lose a heart breaker against Arkansas in the Mainstay Independence Bowl on December 27th.

The Red Raiders from Texas Tech in Waco had an identical record to Iowa State. They were also 7-4 last year and 4-4 in the Big 12 Conference placing third in the Southern Division. They went on to play at the Sylvania Alamo Bowl on December 29th against Iowa. As many of you will recall, Iowa won that game 19-16. Previously the Hawkeyes had been beaten by Iowa State. The Cyclones and Texas Tech did not meet last year.

While no one can guarantee a win for us (sorry Tony Soprano was not a Sigma Nu as far as I can tell) this upcoming year we hope the team will perform even better and we can certainly anticipate they will be playing hard for the Homecoming crowd. One of the staff members from Oregon Public Broadcasting and I work together on the Oregon Children's Clean Water Committee. She and her husband are both die-hard graduates from Texas Tech and I am sure looking forward to some bragging rights next year.

If you would like more information about athletics at Iowa State, you might like to visit their web site: <http://cyclones.fansonly.com/>. If for some strange reason you wish to read more about Texas Tech, they have a web site too, but you will need to find that one on your own!

Iowa State University Homecoming Activities

Homecoming is a great time to visit the campus, but as of yet the Alumni Association and the University have not finalized nor published their plans. They did indicate that some events will begin as early as October 6th. You may wish to include some of these in your schedule as time allows – but please

come to our events first! The alumni association web site – and it is still barren as I write this - is:

<http://www.alumni.iastate.edu/events/homecoming.html>

Many thanks

Several brothers have been more than helpful in the early planning stages of this event. I would especially like to thank Brothers Alan Peterson, Lorne Wazny and Dennis Keitel. As well as our eminent president, Fritz Rabb, who has worked diligently to keep me on task(?)

More information on Ames?

I would suggest you visit the Convention and Visitors Bureau web site at:

<http://www.amescvb.com/index.asp>

My apologies to this fine group of professionals for adapting their catch phrase for our purposes. As they say, "Right place, great times."

I hope the world has been treating you well. Keep the faith and I hope to see you in Ames. And please fill out the form!

Faternally,
Dean
ΓΣ 807

Gamma Sigma Reunion Form

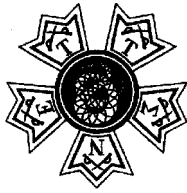
Please complete this form and send along with your check made out to "Gamma Sigma House Company" to Brother Jason Gammack.

Jason Gammack, Treasurer
14 Rosedown Place
The Woodlands TX 77382-4417

Yes. I intend to attend the Gamma Sigma Reunion in Ames on October 11th and 12th. Even if you cannot attend all events, please indicate the ones you can.

Number attending:

- _____ Ice breaker no-host Memorial Union
_____ Tailgate party at \$15.00 per person
_____ Football tickets at \$25.00 per person
_____ Reunion dinner at \$50.00 per person



Announcements

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE FOR SPRING 2002

The taxes are paid ...

During the last several months, we have paid the federal and state taxes on the sale of the house. Thanks to inputs from a number of our members, we were able to establish a reasonable basis for what went into the house and thereby reduce our capital gain and tax obligation considerably. I took care of the federal return and Don Geiger (GS 655, '57) prepared the state return. In the end, we paid about \$10,000 total for both federal and state tax.

Submitting these tax returns is a great relief for me personally. When I took over, I didn't even know a nonprofit had to submit a tax return. Every time I turned around, it seemed, there was something else to be done with the taxes. Every time I talked to a different CPA, I got a different answer on how to handle things. Since as much as half of the proceeds of the sale were at risk, taking care of the taxes naturally got priority.

For the fraternity, this is also a major milestone. In addition to paying the taxes, we have taken care of an assortment of legal and organizational issues. The organization's infrastructure is up and running, thanks to volunteers from all over the country. We will now be able to focus our attention on alumni activities and planning for recolonization. I'll have more on this subject in the next issue of the newsletter. Meanwhile, you can read elsewhere in this newsletter about the reunion planned for Homecoming this fall. I'll see you there!

Frederick H. Raab, ΓΣ 772, '65
President

NEWS FROM THE BROTHERS

Bob Jordan ΓΣ656
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Wayzata, MN 55931

Thanks for taking the effort to keep Gamma Sigma alive. I do have fond memories of our fraternity and ISU.

I'm retiring from a career in marketing and general management with two great Minnesota companies, General Mills and Land O Lakes, following active duty in the US Navy and graduate business school at the University of Michigan. My wife, Lin, an ISU Kappa Alpha Theta, and I have been married 40 years and have two children who both graduated from ISU. I volunteer with two organizations that help people with disabilities. When Minnesota gets cold, we break away for some time in Tucson, Arizona.

Best of luck in your efforts!

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Looking forward to a reunion this fall.

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Seattle, WA 98125

Had our 60th wedding anniversary last year with dinner at Ivan's Salmon House. Have gone on 35 Elderhostels –the 36th will be Hawaii.

Send Us Your News!

Did your wife have twins? Or sextuplets? Did you shoot a trophy moose on your trip to Alaska? Has your son pledged Sigma Nu?

Whatever your news...your Sigma Nu brothers will be glad to read about it in our next issue. Send your news (with or without a donation to our newsletter publication fund!) to: Dean Kruse, 16893 Oakridge Dr. Portland, OR 97229. And thanks!

ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATIONS

Marshall Wilharm advises us that our Gamma Sigma web site is up and running at our own domain name <http://www.sigmamuisu.org>

Our web page is maintained by Marshall Wilharm ΓΣ771 '65 (marshallw@comcast.net).

Our e-mail repeater (list server) is a convenient way of distributing news and coordinating activities. An e-mail sent to the repeater (gammasigma@yahoogroups.com) is broadcast to all members of the group. To join the group, send an e-mail message to "gammasigma-subscribe@yahoogroups.com". Reply to the e-mail from Yahoo. Also send an e-mail to "gammasigma-owner@yahoogroups.com" with your e-mail address, name, and pin number or initiation year so he will know who you are and can approve your entry without delay. If you change your address, unsubscribe from the old address by sending an e-mail to gammasigma-unsubscribe@yahoogroups.com, then subscribe from your new address.

LOST BROTHERS

The number of "lost brothers" is getting smaller with every issue of Gamma Sigma News...thanks to the valiant efforts of Dan Simpson. But we still have 129 to go. Can you help? Send any information you have to:

Dan Simpson
205 Brook Forest Ln.
Hendersonville, NC 28739-9764
Phone: 828-891-1977
e-mail: djsimpo@bellsouth.net

Please:

Answer any e-mail or calls you get from Dan

Send any information on any lost brother any way that is convenient for you: e-mail, phone or regular mail. Let's get this list pared down even further.

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LOST BROTHERS LIST

19	Roy A. Lyman	543	John A. Borchers
25	Royal G. Crowder	545	John G. Donahue
34	Harry J. Cockfield	547	Joseph R. Richards
36	Raymond B. Henderson	550	Robert J. Macfarlane
53	Merril M. Manning	559	Roger R. Fisher
54	Chesley F. Jenness	561	Clarold L. Britton
70	James E. Norton	566	John Chatellier
74	Leroy D. Church	570	Richard C. Allen
80	Richard W. Reep	579	Richard J. Meinking
89	Julius E. Beach	581	G. Robert Beese
99	Walter C. Lott	595	Arlen B. Mekler
130	John W. Holmes	601	James H. Sheldon
136	Harold M. Hintz	602	Garret H. Conner
153	Loren E. Worley	621	Rodney E. Spangler
166	William G. Finn	628	Richard E. Stillwell
179	John L. Thorngren	635	Robert M. Davis
203	Laurence W. Murray	637	William P. Wilson
206	Richard L. Kestler	639	Gordon E. Zimmerman
211	Karl F. Hendricks	647	William H. O'Neil
220	Willard R. Merchant	658	James A. Stout
222	John D. Rockafellow	666	Dennis R. Mintle
230	John F. Matthews	668	William R. Fogarty
258	George W. Keene	672	William R. Allen
262	Maurice W. Brown	674	James E. Lary
264	Francis O. Marion	677	Larry L. Miller
268	Gene M. Thorngren	683	Robert L. Feddersen
270	Joseph J. Roach	686	Charles P. Barrett, Jr.
275	Phillip D. Eldred	688	Henry H. Jensen
279	Arthur G. Edwards	696	John M. Doherty
292	Victor H. Soderstrom	698	Donald L. Hinmon, Jr.
293	Gordon D. Dennison	732	Charles D. Corwin, III
300	Henry A. Brandt	739	Richard M. Hogan
301	J. Duke Gowin, Jr.	742	Oscar C. Miller, Jr.
303	Robert K. Pfunder	751	Larry A. Lee, Jr.
304	William L. Beuttler	757	Jack Meisinger
326	Howard M. Milligan	774	Victor E. Zeuthen, III
330	John V. Lawson	806	Ronald L. Cooper
332	Robert M. Scott	824	Daniel B. Holmstrom
343	Walter E. Stuenkel	834	David J. Landess
355	James G. Childe	840	Gregory T. Smith
363	Arthur V. Snyder	842	Richard W. Peterson
375	Andrew H. Allbee	843	Thomas R. Wolfe
410	William L. Short	844	David R. Bartilson
412	Ernest W. Tremayne	860	Marvin D. Brown
414	Paul B. Higgs, Jr.	863	Roger A. Cousins
421	Gregory A. Webster	868	Thomas M. Korpela
423	Lloyd C. Fuhrmeister	875	Gary K. McFarlane
424	Gerald L. Thompson	882	Thomas M. Wilson
434	Theodore H. Berst	886	William C. Schuster
462	John D. Harvey	888	Scott B. Zima
467	Robert C. Yockey	892	Bruce B. McPheeters
491	Charles R. Skinner	893	Douglas P. Langefels
492	Robert H. Johnson	895	Larry S. Nelsen
494	Earl J. Moore	907	Steven D. Milligan
501	Richard L. Rick	914	Thomas R. Birt, Jr.
503	Robert Kral	918	John W. Sexton
515	Howard O. Jackson, Jr.	945	Scott C. Taylor
519	Arthur C. MacMurray, Jr.	958	Jeff C. Lingren
532	Pieter E. Hoekstra	990	Robert A. Uherka
533	James P. Dobyys, Jr.	999	Scott E. Jensen
541	Jack E. Lessin	1015	James M. May
		1086	Martin A. Dimas
		1091	Aaron D. Groff

VOLUNTARY DUES

I would like to thank the following brother for sending their voluntary dues. Without your help, we will be unable to publish this newsletter without using our limited capital. And I believe it is in everyone's best interest to allow this money to remain so it can be used for a down payment on a new chapter house. So please, if you have not already done so, send in a check. A \$10.00 minimum has been suggested, but please contribute an amount you feel is appropriate.

Our thanks to brothers:

Jerry Harris	\$25.00
Bob Jordan	\$50.00
Lester A. Juon	\$50.00
David H. Kruse	\$15.00
Ramon D. Leach	\$10.00
Scott Morrison	\$25.00
Walter T. Matzen	\$10.00
Scott Morrison	\$25.00
Fred L. Omundson	\$25.00
Frank "Skip" Sherman	\$100.00
Osgood J. Whittemore	\$25.00

– Dean

MINUTES OF THE FIFTH MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS of the SIGMA NU HOUSE COMPANY, INCORPORATED

(Under the Amended and Restated By-laws)

A meeting of the Sigma Nu House Company, Incorporated was held by telephone conference call on Wednesday September 19, 2001 at 9:00 P.M. EST. The meeting was called to order by Frederick H. Raab, President. Also in attendance were Dick Winchester, Steve Hill, Dean Kruse, and Jason Gammack.

REPORTS

The minutes of the fourth meeting meeting (May 5, 2001) were approved.

Treasurer Gammack reported savings and checking accounts at \$218,188 and \$3768, respectively. The Iowa 1999 and 2000 income taxes have been paid.

Alumni Contact Kruse reported that the number of "lost brothers" remains at about 240. While a number of formerly lost brothers have been located, a nearly equal number have become lost, based upon returns from the spring newsletter.

Property manager Hill said Bob Thompson was to have arranged for donation of the furniture, but has not reported yet whether or not it has been picked-up. Getting rid of the furniture will reduce our need for storage space substantially. If no one has taken it by the end of the year, it will be sent to the dump.

OLD BUSINESS

Treasurer Gammack reported that our savings account is currently paying interest at 3.45 percent. A simple cash-management account will pay about 5.5 percent. Gammack will check on the availability of funds at the First National Bank in Ames and submit a list of other options by e-mail.

Gerry Whittemore said that he wanted to think about our invitation to become a member. Otherwise he has not replied to our invitation. Winchester will contact him.

NEW BUSINESS

Raab reported that he had figured the 1998 federal income tax as \$5,525. With an estimated interest of \$1,794, the total due will be \$7,319. This is based upon a capital gain of \$37,835, which is based upon both available records and information on capital improvements furnished by various members. This figure is believed to be as accurate as is practical. However, it was noted that the IRS could challenge these figures for lack of conventional receipts or insist upon applying depreciation. Either would result in substantially more tax.

Winchester moved to pay the tax as calculated. Hill seconded. Passed unanimously. Raab and Gammack to work out details of payment.

Candidates for board membership were discussed. The terms of Scheffler and Hill expire at the end of the year. Scheffler is willing to run again, but Hill prefers not to run. Several possible candidates were discussed. Raab will contact them and report by e-mail.

Since Secretary Scheffler will be on the ballot, Hill will collect the ballots and certify the results.

Hill moved to send flowers (value to \$100) to Nancy DeDiemar for her continuing hard work on our newsletter. Approved unanimously. Dick Winchester will select and deliver.

Kruse reported that the survey showed the majority of members would prefer a get-together in connection with a sporting event in the fall. Since a good deal of lead time will be required, the Board decided to hold the first such get-together in the fall of 2002.

Winchester moved to commend Raab for his hard work. Passed.

Hill moved to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 10:05 E.D.T.

During the week following, Raab discussed serving on the Board with three members. Craig Adamson GS 1142 was willing to serve, but the others preferred not to do so. The Board voted by e-mail on September 27 and 28 to place Adamson's name on the ballot.

Respectfully submitted
Frederick H. Raab, ΓΣ 772, President
October 1, 2001

Member Profile: Dick Winchester

This issue's Man of the Moment is Richard B. Winchester, our newsletter publisher, who hangs out at P.O. Box 937, Pacific Palisades, CA 90272. We persuaded Dick to furnish us with the very interesting life story, below... and the accompanying photo.

My dad was transferred frequently, but we managed to stay in Cedar Falls for six years and Des Moines for four where I graduated from Roosevelt High School. I thought I wanted to be a chemical engineer and what better place than Iowa State, especially since both of my parents had gone there. By my junior year I knew chemical engineering was not for me, but "tuffed" it out until graduation in the spring of 1942. Gamma Sigma was one of the top fraternities on the campus with a good mix of jocks and scholars.

Meanwhile, my parents had moved to Dallas and my brother, Ken, came to Iowa State as a freshman in the fall of '42 and was initiated into Gamma Sigma. Those that knew him remember him as an exceptionally gregarious individual. Swim coach, Clark Munger, named him the most promising swimmer ever to enroll at Iowa State up to that time. He set a freshman record for the 100-yard freestyle that stood for over 10 years. In 1943 he enlisted in the Army Air Force and flew as a night fighter pilot over Italy. After the war he finished at the University of Minnesota where he was Eminent Commander of the Sigma Nu chapter. Ken was tragically murdered in 1972 while on a business trip to Indianapolis. The picture shows the two of us shortly after we received our "bars."

A boyhood hobby of building crystal sets and one-tube short wave receivers resulted in an assignment for me as an electronics officer in the Air Weather Service during WWII. This involved installing the world's first operational, electronics, winds aloft station outside of Ketchikan and overseeing other installations throughout Alaska.

Following "The War," I attended Harvard University where I received an MBA and then spent 15 years with Honeywell and TRW primarily in marketing. I went on my own in 1965 specializing in real estate investment and development. Growing avocados has been the most fun, but not the best investment, even though my production is three times the average. My chemical engineering training has been helpful in achieving the latter.

One week before entering Harvard, I married my wife of fifty-four years, Nancy. Like Dwight Burnham's wife, she is a girl with fine midwestern values. We have one daughter, two sons and five grandchildren, none of who have any interest in leaving California. Nancy and I travel a lot and have seen much of the world. Our first trip was to Switzerland where I worked for Swissair in 1948, between my two years at Harvard. This started a summer

intern program with Swissair for two to three students from HBS that lasted at least 20 years. Last October, we spent two weeks in a great place called Winchester, England and were there again last March. I would like to live there if I ever retire. That's known as closing the loop.

Dick sent your editor a rather nice brotherly, if undeserved, compliment saying "As for Bob Bartley, the other illustrious graduate of the ISU School of Journalism, I am extremely impressed how someone that grew up in Ames and delivered the Register and Tribune door to door as a boy, rose to such heights in his profession." Of course, there have been many other small town and farm boys that graduated from Iowa State that have been immense successes in their fields. To me, Bartley ranks along with Bill Buckley in articulating a positive conservative view. I can't go to sleep without finishing the day's "Wall Street Journal."



Double Brothers – Dick Winchester (left) is shown with his brother, Ken. "I'm the one with the broad shoulders and the narrow waist," he said. "But not so narrow anymore." Dick joined Sigma Nu in 1940; Ken came along in 1942, and both are Gamma Sigma Alumni. Dick comments that he still has that uniform, but the only parts that still fit are the cap and necktie.

