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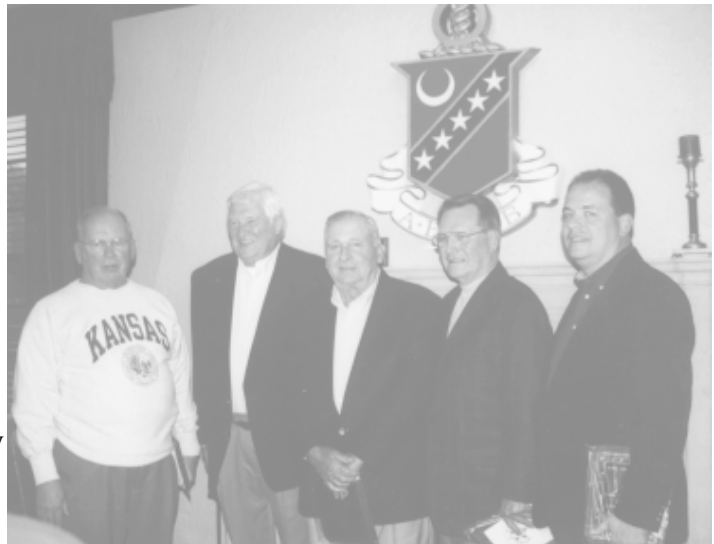
Corporation Board Chairman's Report

The Board of Gamma Omicron, Inc. met on October 12th and received encouraging reports from the active chapter and our treasurers. The chapter is exceptionally strong, with the second-largest roster of actives and pledges on campus. The Chapter House is filled to capacity, and several brothers are on meal contracts and paying social dues for full participation. With more than 100 men currently involved, Kappa Sigma is maintaining a high profile on Mount Oread.

Some ground was lost in academic performance, as the Chapter slid into the lower quarter of fraternity rankings in the spring semester. A shift of less than 0.1% in the overall house GPA substantially altered the rankings. This is the primary challenge facing the active chapter, since they are clearly at the top of the heap in all other areas of community service. The financial reports were strong and the leadership team has done a superb job of focusing attention on housebill collections, resulting in no significant delinquencies among current residents.

In other Board business, reports were received, installation of a flagpole on the property was approved, resignations of two members accepted, and new directors and officers elected and committees appointed. Resignations were received from **Darcy Domoney '72** and **Miller Leonard '94**, and the term of **Dave Steen '68** expired. All three earn well- deserved thanks for their service to the Order.

Frank Godding '42, whose final term as an elected director expired, was named Director Emeritus in recognition of his long and devoted service to the Corporation and his dedication to maintaining the physical plant during the years of decline before the reconstruction. *(continued on page 2)*.



2002 Hall of Fame inductees (right to left): William McEachen '52, Walter Cole '50, Richard Mai '50, Cecil Witt '52, Ed Grass '77.
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Andy Klein '95

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Frank Godding '42

HOUSE CORPORATION REPORT

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Dr. Bill Buck '53 was reelected, **James C. Wright '57** rejoined the Board after a sabbatical of several years, and **Jerald Pullins '61** and **Dr. Bill McEachen '52** were elected to three-year terms as directors.

Two primary items of business were concluded. First, the Board unanimously approved a revision and reinstatement of the Charter and By-laws of the Corporation. The revision eliminated the class B membership category and established a clear division between the House Corporation and the active chapter. This move clarifies the landlord-tenant relationship between the separate legal entities, with the intention of insulating the corporate assets (the house and furnishings) from potential liabilities incurred by the active chapter. The revised Articles and By-laws will be posted on the Alumni Website at www.gamma-o.org and any member without access to the web may request a copy through the Alumni Office.

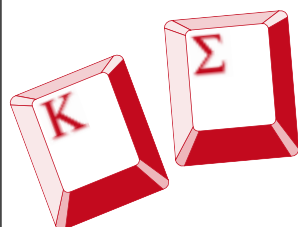
Second, the Board has been aggressively paying down the mortgage debt and approved a resolution confirming a recent refinancing arrangement started by the Executive Committee that took advantage of an attractive low fixed rate. The new arrangement protects the corporation from rate fluctuation, and virtually guarantees our ability to manage debt through current operations without any penalties. Asst. Treasurer **Ed Grass '77** deserves all the credit for the changes.

The next regular Board meeting is scheduled for April 19, 2003, at which time we will consider candidates for the '03 Hall of Fame Induction and fill two vacancies on the Board of Directors. Nominations for both the Hall of Fame and the corporation board are welcomed and encouraged.

Fred K. Green '61

Chairman

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UNDERGRADUATE REPORT

When I first signed my bid card into Kappa Sigma on March 1, 1998, I never thought that I would gain the experiences that I have. I look back with amazement on how quickly life has gone by these last few years and how much fun I've had being a part of something this great. Time has flown by, but the friendships that I made will last a lifetime. I have even experienced the marriage of my first pledge brother last month, a sure sign that I have grown up, and that it is time to graduate.

As I reflect on my time here in the house I smile at all the things that we have accomplished as brothers. One of our biggest accomplishments this past semester was becoming the second-largest house on campus, with 105 members. Being such a large chapter, and being known as one of the premier fraternities, on campus has come with many expectations, which I feel we have met and even exceeded. Our recruitment efforts continue to be strong, as we have already signed six men for the spring semester. We also have several great leads on members for the fall. The brothers have been extremely busy, participating in several community service activities, like collecting canned food for the homeless, tutoring elementary school children, and working with the disabled in our community. We have also made education of our brothers a priority, inviting several guest speakers to make presentations on subjects ranging from alcohol management, time management, and tips on building a solid résumé from one of our alumni. Our chapter is very proud of all our accomplishments, and look forward to seeing how we stack up on Greek Recognition Night in January.

As I conclude this letter and my term as Grand Master, there are a few people that I would like to thank who have helped me become a better brother and man. I would like to thank **Lloyd Hanahan '56, Fred Green '61, Ed Grass '76, and Andy Klein '95** for their encouragement when times were tough, their praise when times were good, and their dedication to making sure that Gamma Omicron is one of the best fraternities on the KU campus. I know that our chapter would not be where it is today without the countless hours these men have put into our lives. As pledges, we are told that Kappa Sigma is not for a day, an hour, or a college term only, but for life. These four men have proven the saying is more than just words.

Fraternally,

Chris Hartley '00
Grand Master



Ed Grass acknowledging Helen Lierz for over 11 years of service as House Mother & a life time of having two sons who are Gamma-O brothers.

Campaign Gamma-O Update

Dear Brothers,

Since 1989, our chapter has ascended from near extinction to becoming a vibrant member of the Greek community at the University of Kansas. Last semester, Vice Chancellor Dr. David Ambler wrote to the chapter, identifying them as “one of the premier Greek chapters at the University.”

It has taken a lot of work from alumni board members, the active chapter and financial support from nearly 500 brothers over these 13 years. When the chapter occupied the beautifully reconstructed/newly furnished chapter house in August 1998, the results of the nearly \$3 million expenditure were dramatic. Also dramatic was the \$1,449,101 debt against the chapter house — more than we could debt service! As of October 31, 2002, that mortgage debt had been reduced by \$611,297.49, down to \$837,803.51, essentially through alumni donations. Now these events:

1. During the 10/13/02 Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony at the chapter house, **Rich Mai '50** and the **Ochs Brothers '42-'47-'49-'50** made a donation of \$9,000 in memory of **Robert A. Hanson '49** and **Robert E. Drumm '48**. Their \$9,000 was the balance needed to trigger the \$100,000 challenge gift to pay off the second mortgage. On 11/14/02, with their donation and several others recently received, we paid down the second mortgage by \$24,803.51 and met the challenge. See the enclosed schedule of responding alumni so far this year. **Brothers Andreas '49, Bertelsen '59** and **Hanahan '56** made the challenge offer a few years ago to pay the final \$100,000 on the second mortgage once others had paid it down to that level. With the challenge now met and other donations sure to come in, our debt could be below the \$700,000 level by January 2003.
2. In October, your board leadership renegotiated our debt financing to take advantage of historically low interest rates, yet still provide flexibility for continued debt reduction. A \$500,000 5.83% fixed interest rate note with a ten year amortization was signed, along with a floating Prime Rate (now 4.25%) note for the balance. The fixed rate note locks in a favorable longer term rate. The floating rate note permits prepayments without penalty and has an attractive interest rate.

Our task is not over, however. It's still important to reduce the debt even further, and we are asking the brotherhood to continue with their generous donations as we strive to endow the chapter with a premier financial underpinning and support scholastic, leadership and brotherhood development in the Chapter. Through our alumni and the debt service from the active chapter, nearly \$2.3 million in capital has been paid-in! Impressive progress! Impressive statements about the love for our Order!

Fraternally and Appreciatively,



Lloyd Hanahan '56
General Chairman, Campaign Gamma-O

Gamma-Omicron Campaign News

Thank you to the following brothers for their support over the past year.

Reed C. Hoffman '41	Thomas L. Woods '62
Richard F. Nelson '44	Danforth W. Austin '65
Harry P. Hutchens Jr. '45	John C. Summers III '65
John E. Crump '46	William H. Coughlin '66
Robert E. Mc Curdy '46	John B. Schwartz '70
Robert L. Mc Kim '47	Lloyd D. Boone '71
Oren W. Wright Jr. '47	Marvin M. Cox Jr. '72
Richard C. Harris '48	D. Craig Haberly '72
Donald L. Ochs '49	Kent Sundgren '72
Anthony H. Witt Jr. '50	James R. Winfield '72
Jack M. Abercrombie '53	Jay T. Ladenburger '77
James R. Toft '53	Andrew F. Sleypen '77
John B. Pace '54	Cecil E. Witt Jr. '77
William D. Tiedtke '54	Matthew D. Boxberger '78
Paul W. Bartsch Jr. '55	Stephen P. Witt '79
James F. Coleman '55	Kurt R. Mai '80
Bill N. Drummond '55	Eric A. Van Beber '80
Joseph G. Glatz '55	Bruce A. Witt '81
James C. Wright '57	Terry A. Green Jr. '82
H. Ronald Miller '58	John F. Edgar '88
Robert C. Gibson '59	David A. Van Eekeren '88
Richard L. Kline '59	Brian M. McDaniel '89
Wayne E. Schoepke '59	Kurt M. Richards '90
Lawrence A. Sluss '60	Matt Textor III '90
Col Fred K. Green '61	Andy Klein '95
Jerald Pullins '61	Scott Waddell '96

\$100,000 CHALLENGE GIFT TRIGGERED!

Campaign Gamma-O received a major shot in the arm during Homecoming 2002 with announcement that a \$100,000 challenge gift has been triggered. Brothers **Warren Andreas '49, Lloyd Hanahan '56 and Tom Bertelsen '59** issued the challenge, pledging to match the next \$100,000 in gifts to the capital campaign. Thanks to several sizeable gifts made earlier in the year, and an anticipated stock transfer pledged for the final quarter, we were in reach of the challenge gift at Homecoming. Before the formal plea could be issued, Campaign Gamma-O Chairman Hanahan rose to interrupt the proceedings with the announcement of success and was rewarded with cheers and a standing ovation. Acknowledgement of the brothers who participated in meeting the challenge will be noted in the next Campaign Gamma-O Report. Heartfelt thanks go to the three challengers and to all those who stepped up to meet the challenge.

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Walter Cole '50

Brother Cole kept the Gamma-Omicron Chapter close to his heart since coming to the chapter as a wide-eyed freshman. Following his father and uncle's leads, he was initiated into the Kappa Sigma Fraternity and established both life-long relationships as well as a model for a healthy professional and family life. Walter says that Gamma-Omicron was instrumental in helping him adjust to life as a college student. During his undergraduate career at KU, Brother Cole was a member of the Kansas Relays committee as well as a member of the Phi Kappa Phi and Phi Beta Kappa honorary fraternities. His main non-academic interests, however, were rooted in the Gamma-Omicron Chapter. Walter held the position of Grand Treasurer during his undergraduate days.

His years at Kansas University went quickly though as Brother Cole graduated with a Bachelor of Arts degree in 1953. After graduation, Walter entered the U.S. Navy and served his country with honor. Following his service, he started his own company, Beecroft, Cole and Company. He is currently involved with the Southwestern Group of Investment Bankers Association of America where he serves as chairman and is on the board of directors and trustees of Securities Industry Association.

A prominent figure in the Topeka community, Walter is also a board member on a number of various civic groups and organizations. In addition, Brother Cole has given his time and efforts to various KU alumni volunteer efforts along with giving to Gamma-Omicron. Throughout the years, Walter hasn't forgotten his roots at Kappa Sigma. He recently got together with some brothers and often invites others to visit himself and his family.

Brother Cole has two children, David (40) and Elizabeth (37) and is married to Nancy.



Richard Mai '50

Brother Mai has dedicated his life to his country, family, fraternity and profession. A semi-retired oilman, Richard has made a name for himself by producing oil wells in central and southern Kansas for Mai Oil Operations. Though most people associate Oklahoma, Alaska and Texas as states that produce oil, Brother Mai's family oil company has approximately 175 wells producing oil in Kansas. The Mai family success has evolved past the oil business as it built and maintains the Thorntree Country Club in Desoto Duncanville, Texas. The Club has an 18-hole golf course, six tennis courts, an Olympic sized swimming pool, single family townhouses and a 24,000 square foot clubhouse.

With Brother Mai's many business accomplishments have come numerous honors and awards. He was named the Russell, Kansas Man of the Year Award in 1971 and served as the President of the Russell Chamber of Commerce.

Richard's success started early on while in high school where he excelled in athletics earning eight varsity letters. After high school he enrolled at KU and found immediate comfort and brotherhood in Gamma-Omicron. Richards says he particularly enjoyed the duties and fellowship that came with being a member of the Fraternity. "The direction it gave me to succeed in life and the lasting relationships that I still treasures are privileges I have forever enjoyed from my time at Gamma-Omicron," Mai says. His love for the Fraternity remains today as he been a key contributor to both Gamma-Omicron and the National Fraternity. Brother Mai has two sons, Kurt '80 and Mark '77 who became members of the Fraternity.

Brother Mai has also been a strong supporter of Kansas University. A 1953 graduate, Richard is a lifetime member of the KU Alumni Association and has contributed to several endowment funds and to the KU Business School.

Along with his many career accomplishments, Brother Mai also diligently served his country as a First Lieutenant of Artillery for the U.S. Army.

Richard is married to Ellen and have four children, Rick, Lauri, Mark and Kurt.

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Cecil Edward Witt '52

To say that the Kappa Sigma fraternity has always been a family affair for Brother Witt would be an understatement. Including his brother Anthony and sons Cecil and Bruce, Brother Witt has eight family members who have shared in the same fraternal experience. As a member of Gamma-Omicron, Brother Witt felt welcomed into an extended family in which he was able to learn about, among others things, brotherhood, communication and teamwork. While living with 70 other Brothers at the Gamma-Omicron Chapter House, he felt encouraged to explore his individuality as a man while never straying far from the support of the Chapter.

As an undergraduate, Brother Witt was not only a good student, but an active one as well. Before graduating with a business degree in 1955, he held the rank of Major in the Air Force ROTC. In 1952 he was elected Vice President of the Young Democrats. One year later, Brother Witt began his leadership career at Gamma-Omicron, first serving as social chairman in 1953 and then Grand Master in 1954. Even after graduation, Brother Witt has helped guide the chapter as a member of the Gamma-Omicron Alumni Board.

The experiences that he learned as an undergraduate have influenced both his professional and community life. After graduating, Brother Witt served his country as an adjutant and personnel Air Force officer stationed in Japan until 1957. For the next ten years he was a member of the Air Force Reserve, eventually earning the rank of Captain. When Brother Witt returned from Japan, he embarked on a professional career that has seen its fair share of ups and downs. As a self-employed farm and oil operator in Russell Kansas, he has worked hard to keep his family and his farm stable in a marketplace that is often labeled temperamental. As an important member of the Russell community, Brother Witt has also provided leadership to others while serving as an example for the town. From 1964 until 1968, he served on the Russell City Council, holding the title of president during the final two years of the term. In 1968 Brother

Witt served as County Commissioner, a position he held until 1972. Shortly after his term ended, he served as a trustee on the Russell City Hospital Board.

Brother Witt continues to play an important role in Russell. Despite running his own farm, he is a member of the Board of Zoning Appeals, a member of Public Wholesale Water Supply District #15, and member of Finance Council at St. Mary's Catholic Church. He and wife Barbara have four children, daughters Stephanie and Amy, and sons Cecil Jr. and Bruce.



Bill McEachen '52

Brother McEachen has throughout the years consistently given of himself for the betterment of the Gamma-Omicron Chapter. Starting as an undergraduate in 1952, Brother McEachen quickly established himself as a leader among the Kappa Sigma undergraduates. Bill served the Greek community as a whole at Kansas University by holding various positions on the Interfraternity Council including President, Rush Chairman and President of the Pledge Council. His service to the Kappa Sigma didn't stop with the Interfraternity Council either as Brother McEachen attended multiple Kappa Sigma National Meetings as a representative of Gamma-Omicron.

Bill's leadership skills and generosity, while cultivated at Gamma-Omicron, have continued to pay dividends throughout his career. Numerous committees, associations and boards throughout the greater Kansas City metropolitan area have honored Brother McEachen for his work as a humanitarian and pediatrician. He was been honored with the Symbols of Caregiving Award and Award of Merit by Metropolitan Medical Society. Bill has also served on multiple groups including the Greater Kansas City Pediatric Society as President, Greater Kansas City Medical Council, Pediatric Department of St. Luke's and St. Joseph Hospitals and Boards of Kansas Action for Children just to name a few.

Brother McEachen graduated from KU in 1954 with a BA in chemistry. He immediately began to pursue his medical degree, which he would earn 1959. After graduation, Bill worked at Baltimore City

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Hospital, before returning to Lawrence to finish out his residency at KU. Upon finishing his medical training, Bill served two years in the Air Force. He was stationed at an Air Force base in England, where he served as the consultant to the Surgeon General of the Third Air Force. After his commitment serving the United States ended, Brother McEachern went into private practice until he retired.

Brother McEachern grew up in Shawnee Mission, Kansas where he continues to reside. He is married to Judy and they have three children, Robert, Margaret and Molly. He is still present at many Gamma-Omicron functions and continues to stay in touch with many Kappa Sigma brothers.

Edgar B. Grass III '77

To say that Brother Grass has been involved in the Gamma-Omicron Chapter would be a gross understatement. In the late 80's, serving as board chairman of Gamma-Omicron Inc., Brother Grass helped spearhead the 'Campaign Gamma-O' project which led to the \$2.8 million renovation of the current chapter house and a restructuring of the membership.

As a professional, he began his career in 1981 with Arthur Young & Company (now Ernst & Young) in Tulsa, Oklahoma after graduating with distinction from Kansas University with a degree in business administration, accounting and computer science. He moved quickly up the professional ranks, being promoted to Manager at Arthur Young in just four years. In 1986, he returned to the Kansas City area and joined a small company named Marion Laboratories. Through the next 15 years and four mergers later, Brother Grass advanced his career to where he now serves as the Assistant Treasurer for North American operations at Aventis Pharmaceuticals in Bridgewater, NJ. Brother Grass holds the professional designations of CPA and Certified Cash Manager. During his undergraduate



years, he was also a member of the honor societies of Phi Kappa Phi and Beta Gamma Sigma. Brother Grass has also been active in his community. He served as the Treasurer of his local homeowner's association and became involved in the various activities of his children throughout the years. This included Y-Indian guides, cub scouts, and coaching basketball and baseball. He was also very involved in Boy Scouts, serving as a Troop Leader and Committee Member for several years.

However, his most defining qualities shine through when reviewing his life long service to the Gamma-Omicron Chapter. Brother Grass came to the fraternity in the Fall of 1976 as a member of the 1976-77 Pledge Class. He began his service as the Treasurer of that pledge class and was later initiated in February of 1977. After his initiation, he served two terms as Grand Treasurer and one term as Grand Master. In 1979, he was recognized by the fraternity and awarded the National Certificate of Merit. During the same year he earned the Certificate of Ritual Proficiency for both Grand Master and Grand Master of Ceremonies. As an alumnus, Brother Grass began his service in 1989 as a member of the Board of Directors for the Chapter's House Corporation. The following year, he was elected the President of the Board and held that position for the next 12 years. Even today, after moving half way across the country, Brother Grass now serves as a member of the Board of Directors for the Chapter's Educational Foundation and remains heavily involved in the financial operations of the House Corporation and the Chapter as an assistant alumni advisor, a position he has held since 1992.

Brother Grass has been married to the same wonderful wife, Terri, since 1981 and has three terrific children, Angela, 20, Ryan 19, and Kevin, 17.

Gamma Briefs

The Edgar B. Grass III Leadership Library

As part of the 2002 Homecoming Weekend, the Corporation formally dedicated and designated The Edgar B. Grass III Leadership Library. The space formerly known as the sun porch, or the ping pong room, now bears the name of our long-serving Chairman and President as a tribute to his outstanding leadership and service to the Order. Brother Grass was also honored as the youngest inductee into the Chapter Hall of Fame. The Hall of Fame is displayed in the newly dedicated library. The library provides a space for study, chapter executive committee meetings and corporation board meetings. Congratulations to brother Grass!



Brother Grass '77 stands in front of the Edgar B. Grass III Leadership Library



Brother Chris Hartley '00 accepts the Undergraduate Man of the Year Award

2002 Undergraduate Awards

Undergraduate Man of the Year Award. Chris Hartley '00 was serving as the Grand Master at that time. His accomplishments are extensive, including his leading the KU club soccer team to Nationals in California in November. Chris has been a hands-on leader since he pledged, guiding the chapter to numerous Greek and all-campus honors, and organizing a recruitment program that earned top honors at Conclave, resulting in a House overflowing with high-quality young men.

The spring semester **Academic Achievement Awards**, with the winners earning checks for \$150, were presented by Alumni Advisor **Andy Klein '95** to **Steve Miller'02, Bo McCall'00, Jason Plagman '01, Andy Wurst'02.** Each of these active members resided in the chapter house and earned perfect 4.0 GPA for the semester. Recognition for the **Most Improved GPA** for the spring semester went to **Jeffrey Mulholland '01.**

Flagpole on Order

At the request of the Active Chapter, the corporation board approved the acquisition and installation of a construction-quality flagpole for the Chapter House. The pole is to be installed in December, and will be erected on the lawn by the Southwest corner of the House adjacent to the formal entrance. It will accommodate both Old Glory and the fraternity flag on a fully rotational truck and a secure internal halyard system to discourage tampering. As a by-product of this installation, the chapter has created an additional, non-degrading opportunity for pledge education — daily flag detail.

The proposal, under consideration for several years, was given new life after the events of September 11, 2001, but remained in limbo until the neighboring DU alumni installed a 30-foot pole this past spring. The delay in our execution has allowed us to “top” the DUs once again. We have ordered a 35-foot pole, thus reaffirming the notion that size does matter. God Bless the USA!



Alumni Updates

*News From Your
Brothers Around the Nation*

John Yarnell '41 spent the better part of his life researching and designing nuclear power plants. Ironically, after his retirement he now consults on the deconstruction of many plants he helped build. Brother Yarnell graduated with a Bachelors in Physics in 1947 and stayed at Kansas University for a masters in the same field. After receiving his masters he transferred to the University of Minnesota and earned a Ph.D. in Physics. He moved to Los Alamos, New Mexico where he pioneered nuclear energy. Besides consulting he now enjoys traveling with his children. John and his wife Hazel just celebrated their 50th anniversary with their four children and three grandchildren. (205 El Conejo, Los Alamos, NM, 87544, H: (505) 662-7450).

Robert Wuerth '47 is retired, but that doesn't mean he's just sitting around the house. Bob is very active volunteering with his church and can often be found spending time with their seniors club. Brother Wuerth served during World War II in the U.S. Navy with the Landing Craft Infantry and for the last decade has been spending time catching up with other men he served with. After his graduation with a Bachelor's in Business Administration Bob was hired at Cluett Peabody and Co. in their sales department. He spent thirty years with the company in sales and merchandising living every where from Atlanta, to New York, and San Francisco where he met and wed his wife Shirley in 1951. They had three daughters in California, none of whom still live there. Brother Wuerth last visited the house in the late nineties to see the most recent remodel. (1917 Spruce Terrace, Arlington Heights, IL, 60004, H: (847) 394-8581).

Duane Unruh '49 is the busiest retiree in Kansas City. After retiring as a senior designer for Hallmark, Duane began work on eighty acres of woodland he considers his family's legacy. This massive lot, complete with a creek running through the middle, is located about an hour south of Kansas City and holds a three thousand square foot cabin for numerous family gatherings and reunions. The size may seem like overkill but not to Brother Unruh, his five kids, and 24 grandchildren who love the golf cart and four-wheelers on site. He and his wife are also looking forward to celebrating 49 years this December, who remembers their first married days while he was a U.S. Air Force officer. While stationed as personal Services Officer in Geneva, N.Y. he also had a chance to play for the base basketball team and go head to head with KU legends Bob Kenny and Dean Kelly. (10907 Harrison, Kansas City, MO, 64131, H: 816-942-4037).

John Wurst '50 joined the Gamma-Omicron Chapter during his junior year after transferring into the university and graduated in 1951. After graduation Brother Wurst was drafted into the Army and fought in the Korean War. John is now the Acting Chairman of his own company Henry Wurst, Inc. He enjoys babysitting his grandchildren, tennis and traveling. He recently traveled to New York with his children to take in the sights and catch a few shows. He continues to stay in contact with other alumni in the Kansas City Area and his cousin who is also a Kappa Sigma in California. He and his wife Peggy just celebrated 47 years together and look forward to their golden anniversary. They have four children and just added their sixth grandchild to the Christmas list. (435 Westover Rd., Kansas City, MO, 64113, H: (816) 361-5186, E: jwurst@henrywurst.com).

R. Ernest Dade '52, better known as Ernie, is loving life in sunny California. Brother Dade graduated in 1955 and helped to start Kansas' first television station. He eventually moved to California and became an industry agent, opening Dade and Schultz, where he worked until his retirement. His two children, Eric and Alex, are grown now and living their own lives, which leaves Ernie more time to spend with his wife Paula. He talks to and thinks often of other alumni, striving always to be involved. Brother Dade loves his chapter, his fraternity, and the positive affect it has had on his life. (12302 Sarah St., Studio City, CA, 91604, H: (818) 766-9138).

William Woods '54 is a former Naval Supply Officer and KU graduate of 1956. He graduated with a degree in Marketing and, after spending time in the military, returned to Kansas where he still bumps into old fraternity brothers on the street. Bill and his wife Sara were married in 1956 and have two children and three grandchildren. He works for H&R Block now and his free time is spent reading and spending time in his yard. (2803 Tomahawk Dr., Lawrence, KS, 66049, H: (785) 843-9214, W: (319) 263-7771).

Stephen Haggart '62 graduated in 1967 with degrees in Journalism and Advertising. He began work in advertising in Kansas City and moved to Colorado Springs in 1973. Steve is a bit of an outdoorsman and loves mountain biking in the summer and skiing in the cold winter months. He is now the

owner of Steve Haggart Creative Services and looks forward to celebrating fifteen years with his wife Betty. Brother Haggart recently finished writing a crime suspense novel in his free time and looks forward to its publication. (3840 Camels Ridge Ln., Colorado Springs, CO, 80904, H: (719) 634-3006).

Ernest "Ernie" Yarnevich Jr. '63 graduated in 1966 and stayed at KU to earn his Jurist Doctorate. After finishing law school Brother Yarnevich went to work for a local firm Slagle, Bernard, and Gorman, and not including six months he spent active duty, has been there since. Ernie and his wife Anne have been married for 34 years now and have two children in their twenties. In his free time he enjoys traveling and has been to many places in Europe, the last being a trip around the Alps. He maintains contact with other alumni in the Kansas City area. (5346 Belinder Rd., Fairway, KS, 66205, H: (913) 831-0925, W: (816) 561-4600).

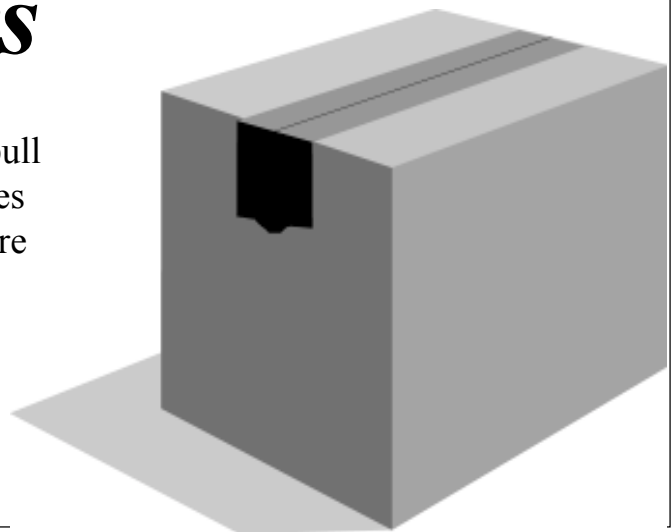
Richard Summers '76 has gone fishin'. Brother Summers graduated in 1979, married his wife of 23 years Jacqueline, and went to work in sales in Kansas City. He now owns R.B. Summers and Associates, Inc. He can be found fly-fishing and trout fishing in his free time, along with playing with his dogs. Rick has two daughters who attend Kansas State University, much to their dad's amusement. (2954 River Rd., New Hope, PA, 18938, H: 215-862-5952, W: 973-316-1120, E: jayhawk67@msn.com).

Call for Pictures

Are you hiding pictures of your time with Gamma-Omicron in some old box? If so, pull them out! The chapter is looking for pictures from the past and present to include in future newsletters. We will return all originals.

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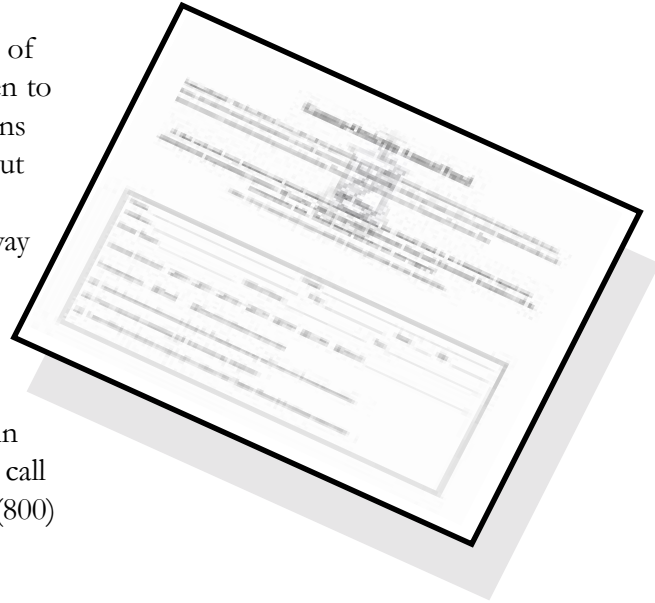
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