



The BACK BAY BETA

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Beta Upsilon Chapter of Beta Theta Pi at MIT

President's Report

Although Institute academics are not any easier these days, spirit is still high at the Beta house. Many of the brothers have worked hard on improving the structure of the house, as was noted by the house manager. Participation in and support of our many intramural sports squads have resulted in several inspired performances. Probably the most notable was a narrowly won semifinal ice hockey playoff game, which many of the brothers refer to as "The Miracle on Ice." The squad, led by captain David Lineman '85 and stupendous goaltender Matthew Denesuk '87, went on to win the championship. Many of the brothers were also on hand to watch the great performances by the soccer team on their way to the championship and by our wrestlers, who won the IM tournament for the second year in a row. The basketball team made it all the way to the semi-finals in a surprise showing. The recent initiation of the pledge class of '87 was also a memorable evening for the brothers, as actives and alumni enthusiastically sang all the songs they could recall in spirited, postceremony festivities.

The importance of these and other nonacademic pursuits to a complete education cannot be understated. Many students at MIT do not realize this fact, but I am proud to say that the Betas strive for excellence in all of their diverse pursuits, not just academics.

Dimitri N. Kazarinoff '85
President

Association President Robert F. Danner announces that the ANNUAL MEETING of the BETA UPSILON ASSOCIATION will be held in the lobby of the Kresge Auditorium on the MIT campus, at 12:30 p.m., on JUNE 8, 1984. The officers of the Association encourage you to attend this important meeting. If however, circumstances prohibit you from attending, we ask that you sign and return the enclosed proxy as soon as possible.

Betas Look To Their Past

The 1984 spring semester started off with a highly productive January work week, and has continued on a high note through our initiation of twelve new young men into the Beta Upsilon chapter. Since the last newsletter, our intramural sports teams have fared well, with victories in soccer, wrestling, and ice hockey, and an excellent showing in basketball. As always, Beta involvement in varsity sports remains high.

Several scrapbooks and other past records have recently been "rediscovered" by active members of the chapter, and a keen interest in our history has been rekindled. We would greatly appreciate hearing directly from any alumni regarding history, anecdotes, or general information on the chapter. If you feel that you might have anything to offer, please write me, or drop by the house at 119 Bay State Rd., Boston (02215). You're always welcome!

John K. Bartholomew '86
Alumni Secretary



Practicing "The Loving Cup" for the 1953 All-Tech Sing.

The Back Bay Beta is published regularly by the Beta Upsilon Chapter of Beta Theta Pi at MIT. News contributions, address changes, and photos (black-and-white preferred) are always welcome and should be sent to Beta Theta Pi at MIT, Alumni Records Office, P.O. Box 575, Cambridge, MA 02139. Photos will be returned, upon request, after use in the newsletter.

Beta Financially Strong

Generous alumni support and timely payment of house bills by most brothers continue to benefit the Beta Upsilon chapter. The prompt house bill payment by most of the brothers reflects our chapter's high spirits and house pride. Halfway through the spring term, our financial standing is enviable. Consistently high cash flow lets us immediately pay all bills we receive.

Part of the credit for our financial strength goes to our new heating system, installed last fall. Although exact figures are not yet in, the new and efficient system seems to be greatly reducing our fuel costs.

Within the next year, we hope to computerize practically all of our financial records and bookkeeping. Chores such as end-of-month accounting and writing our house bills, now done laboriously with pencil and paper, will then be done more accurately and far more quickly.

Last term our chapter created the office of assistant treasurer. This office provides a training ground for the freshmen or sophomores aspiring to become treasurer. Hardworking Mike Espisito '87 has done a great job so far this year.

It is no secret that a chapter, like any company or organization, rises or slips depending on its financial health. The Beta Upsilon chapter's continued and improving financial strength promises us a bright future.

Michael A. Straub '86
Chapter Treasurer

Improvements Enhance Both Houses

The heating system that was installed last semester has been working well, with only a few minor problems. The general temperature of the house is greatly improved and, although exact results have not been tabulated, a decrease in the oil bill is anticipated. The removal of the old heating system blower and old water tank gave us back the use of two more rooms. The demolition of the old heating system also included the removal of duct work throughout the house. As a result, many of the ceilings in the basement need to be redone.

Another project that was completed last work week was the repainting of the Annex. The first, second, and third floors were repainted, along with the front and back staircases. The ceilings throughout the house also received a coat of paint. This project greatly enhanced the appearance of the interior of the Annex.

A major project currently under way is the remodeling of the kitchen. The ceiling has been ripped down and replaced. Electrical wiring was all redone, including the installation of new lights and fixtures. Some hot water plumbing was also redone in order to save on the water heating bill. We plan to replace the exhaust fan and, if funds allow, the windows. The final touches will include new shelving and painting.

In the future we are looking forward to having the Annex rewired. We feel this is a greatly needed project, due to the disorganized and potentially dangerous electrical work done throughout the building. All in all, I feel both houses are in very presentable, and improving, condition.

James Brennan III '87
House Manager

Beta Upsilon Initiates 12 New Members

The following men were initiated on March 18, 1984 (the class of '87):

797	Christopher J. Morgen	Indian Harbor Beach, FL
798	John R. Apgar	Ithaca, NY
799	William H. Santos	Mendham, NJ
800	Ronald J. Abarquez	Montclair, NJ
801	Michael C. Esposito	Setauket, NY
802	Jason D. Kipnis	Riverwoods, IL
803	Richard K. Lattanzio	Harrisburg, PA
804	Gregory R. Hara	Forest Hills, NY
805	James F. Brennan III	Bellingham, MA
806	Matthew Denesuk	Palisades Park, NJ
807	Edward H. Schreyer	Newfane, VT
808	Terrance J. McNatt	Middleton, WI

1924 House Rules

- 1) Every member is expected to behave as a gentleman.
- 2) No liquors allowed in the house except for medicinal purposes.
- 3) No women, except immediate family and servants, allowed in the house, unless properly chaperoned.
- 4) All piano playing prohibited after 8:00 p.m., except Sunday.
- 5) Gambling in the house is prohibited.
- 6) Everyone shall wear a white, stiff collar at dinner.
- 7) The hours for meals are:
Breakfast -- 8-9 a.m., weekdays, 9-10 a.m., Sunday.
Lunch -- 1:15-2:00 p.m., weekdays, 1:30 p.m., Sunday.
Dinner -- 6:15 p.m., weekdays, 6:00 p.m., Sunday.
(Monday dinner at 6:00 p.m.)
- 8) Only guests of the chapter, members of Beta Theta Pi, or pledges shall be allowed to live in the house during the summer.
- 9) No social functions, except those held by the chapter as a whole, shall be held in the house without the consent of the executive committee.
- 10) The executive committee shall have general supervision over the conduct of the members of the fraternity, and shall be empowered to take such measures to enforce these rules as it deems fit.
- 11) The chapter as a whole may be appealed to revise any action of the executive committee.

Remember When . . .



A picture from the "archives," including the charter members of Beta Upsilon, Waldo F. Pike '15, Bradford Stetson '16, Frank P. Scully '15, John N. McDevitt '15, Richard C. Jacobs Jr. '10, Thomas C. Jewett Jr. '16, and Chester A. Vose '07. Can you identify any others?

News From Alumni

Last December, ALFRED A. MULLIKEN '32 wrote us that he was setting up an MIT Southwest Florida Alumni Luncheon. Hope it went well, Al! He is in touch with JOHN CROWTHER '32 and JOHN NORTHUP '32.

GREGG E. HEACOCK '67 is president of his own firm and may be contacted at P.O. Box 258, Wellesley Hills, MA 02181.

STANLEY B. STOLTZ '36 is retired from the N.Y. State Department of Health and from the U.S. Army. He now enjoys traveling and water sports. He lives at 6815 Oakmont Dr., Beaufort, SC 29902. He would be happy to hear from any brothers living nearby.

B. ALDEN CUSHMAN '24 has remarried to a widow, adding his 17 grandchildren to her 17. Not bad! His new address is 33 Long Close Rd., Stamford, CT 06902.

CROCKETT A. HARRISON '26 is the president of a tricentennial celebration, honoring Bartholomew Stovall, who arrived in Virginia in 1684. It is scheduled for August 17-19, 1984. "Dave" can be reached at RD 2, Box 2029, Grove City, PA 16127.

Congratulations to WILLIAM CHESTERSON '82, who married last November! An engineer with IBM, Chesty lives at 737 SE 1st Way, No. 209, Deerfield Beach, FL 33441.

JERRY COLE '78 is an accountant, and lives at 13 Bruce Rd., Plymouth, MA 02360.

HAROLD D. HAWES '40 writes that he would enjoy hearing from any of the brothers he knew at school. You can contact Harry at 32105 Beachview Ln., Westlake Village, CA 91361.

ELLIS J. BRAMAN '58 is a program manager with Pan Am. "Goose" makes his home at 1635 Candle Ct., Titusville, FL 32796.

Hope you caught WALTER MASSEY '51 on the CBS-TV special, "Cooke and Perry - A Race to the Pole." He did a cameo portrayal of Teddy Roosevelt for the production. "You'll see quite a change from the skinny 165 lb., 6 ft. 1 in. freshman who entered the Beta ranks in the fall of 1947!" he adds. Walt wears the hats of actor, director, and lecturer, and lives at 1951 Tupper St., Montreal, Canada H3H 1NG.

"Had the opportunity to testify as an expert witness in a bankruptcy case and two international trade cases," writes MATT BREITENBERG '76. He and BOB KNECHT '78 both work at Marshall Bartlett. Matt is also in touch with JEFF (JUTMAN) MANNI '76. Matt lives at 11 Suzanne Rd., Lexington, MA 02173.

A senior engineer with Boeing Vertal, ROGER LACY '79 has been in touch with a few of the brothers, namely MIKE PIERCE '78, DAVE MOHR '79, and JEFF SNYDER '79. Roger lives at 307 Highland Ave., Wallingford, PA 19086.

DENNY ALBRIGHT '69 works for a small market research and consulting company, specializing in the information processing industry. He, wife Sibyl, and their two sons may be found at home at 24 Apple Hill Ln., Duxbury, MA 02332.

RICHARD H. SANDER '34 is retired and living at 3554 Ocean Dr., Apt. 601N, Vero Beach, FL 32960.

JOHN B. BREYMAN III '44 is a vice president and portfolio manager for the Bank of Boston. In his spare time he is treasurer of the Theosophical Society of Boston and studies theosophy. You may write to him at 66 Devir St., No. 306, Malden, MA 02148.

EVAN EVANS '51 is a consultant. He lives at 53 Fairway Ln., Littleton, CO 80123.

"Except for some more international travel, my job is about the same, and thoughts of very early retirement keep occurring," writes R. GORDON BLACK '56. He is an application engineer for Ohio Brass Co., and lives at Bowers Rd., Rt. 6, Box 425, Mansfield, OH 44903.

JOHN B. JACOB '26 took a month's cruise to the Falkland Islands, New Georgia, and the Antarctic Continent. "Top area for beauty and interest." He makes his home at 3216 Gleneagles Dr., Silver Spring, MD 20906.

"Am on sabbatical leave and enjoying it immensely. . . Have almost finished writing another book," HARRY F. DAVIS '48 informs us. He is a professor at the University of Waterloo, and may be found at 355 Pommel Gate Cres., Waterloo, Ontario, Canada N2L 5X7. He keeps in touch with "fellow Canadian," WALTER MASSEY '51.

DANIEL NADLER '72 is an ophthalmologist, living at 126 Merriman Rd., Sewickley, PA 15143 "The eye business is booming and I've recently been traveling, presenting data on a glare tester."

"Life is good in Lotus Land," says MARK SWENSON '78, only a year away from completing his PhD in the field of oceanography. He adds that he was married last May and that he plays Torrey Pines twice a month, managing to keep a 6 handicap with no practice!

DONN W. BARBER '42 is retired from DuPont and now active in selling real estate (when he isn't visiting family and friends, or sitting on a Florida beach!), Donn's home address is 229N Garfield St., Kennett Sq., PA 19348.

KENNETH J. LAUNIE '76 figures that he just "likes looking like a coal miner on weekends," since he undertook the renovation of a house that was built in 1805. During the week, he is a product design engineer for Polaroid. Kenneth's home address is 15 Salem St., Cambridge, MA 02139. He has been in touch with BOB MAUNUS '74, and saw SIMEON CHOW '77, LAMPROS FATSIS '77, and BOB KNECHT '78 at ROY ZITO'S '76 wedding last summer.

KENNETH D. CAMERON '78 is now a major and a test pilot for the government (USMC). He recently celebrated the birth of his first child - Congratulations Ken! You can write to him at Marine Air Det., Naval Air Test Center, NAS, Paxtuxent River, MD 20670.

ROBERT S. COOK '30 is an architect, specializing in library design. He lives at 191 Barbour St., Orange, VA 22960.

HENRY C. STEPHENS '18 is now seeing his radio health program into its 12th year, and his exercise class on the beach into its 14th! He makes his home at 435 Seaside Apt. 1406, Honolulu, HI 96815.

GEORGE F. NESBITT '23 enjoys travel to Europe and the mountains in the western U.S. and Canada. He lives at Friends House, Apt. D6, 17300 Quaker Ln., Sandy Spring, MD 20860.

EDWARD T. HILL '48 writes us, "Am in my 40th year in the maritime industry . . . would rather wear out than rust out." Ed and family may be found at 188 Chittenden Ave., Tuckahoe, NY 10707.

Congratulations to JIM REID '68 on the birth of his first child. A business consultant, "Lefty" can be found at home at 336 Annursnac Hill Rd., Concord, MA 01742.

JEFFREY A. BABB '77 now has his MBA and is a consultant with Arthur Andersen. He lives at 760 W. High St., Jackson, MI 49203.

ARTHUR A. WASSERMAN '51 is very enthusiastic about his computer, and about learning the different facets of computer programming. He is vice president of operations for an energy and minerals systems company, and lives at 422 E. Ravine Baye Rd., Bayside, WI 53217.

STEVE SCHROEDER '67 is an attorney. He reflects, "I enjoy looking at the world through the eyes of our 2½ year old." He makes his home at 1 Emerson Dr., Acton, MA 01720.