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The Zeta Zephyr

ZETA ZETA OF LAMBDA CHI ALPHA AT PENN STATE

Alumni Tribute

In Memory of "Satch"

By Thomas Gasbarre '82

It took me a long period of reflection to get my thoughts together and write this. As many of you already know, **G. William "Satch" Rae '53**, our brother, friend, mentor and alumni controller, passed away this May.

Satch always wore many hats. He was a star athlete, an accomplished musician, a top-gun pilot and a successful businessman. And he still devoted himself to raising a wonderful family, serving with the Masons and guiding the direction of his church.

I met him in the summer of 2001. You would think any ordinary man would say it's time to throttle back a little. But not Satch. As soon as he got wind of the dire straits Zeta Zeta was in, he was suited up and on the flight deck.

Not only did he apply his business expertise to the financial aspects of the corporation, preparing budgets and business plans, he also became the undergraduate chapter's fiscal mentor. He taught, guided and made his plans into reality.

Satch was also the rallying point for the generous support the '50s alumni group bestowed upon us. Through his and this group's efforts, the majority of our financial issues were

resolved, and the chapter survived.

And Satch didn't stop there (which should be no surprise). He immersed himself in the daily operations, and there is not a single initiative we've put forth in the last four years that does not have his mark on it.

We grew quite close in a short time, working on every aspect of the corporation together (usually on a daily basis). It was a rare day that we did not speak on the phone and trade e-mails. When I would arrive home at night, I'd have a fax from Satch waiting for me.

That's made the void even bigger for me. I miss his friendship and guidance. I'm certain he's smiling right now, looking down at me with his pipe stuck in the corner of his mouth and remarking, "Gasbarre, cut out the sentimental horse crap, and go get the job done!"

Ok, Satch, I'm on it. ■

Mark Your Calendars!

See You at Homecoming 2005

Please join us for a celebration of friends and a reunion of brothers on October 29, 2005.

As the timing of the football game has not been resolved as of this issue, please check the Web site at www.lxa-zetazeta.org/alumni/alumni.html shortly for the actual time of events.

Directly after the conclusion of the Penn State vs. Purdue football game, there will be a cocktail hour at the chapter house, followed by a buffet dinner.

All are invited, but we ask that you please return the reply card by the date indicated, to let us know how many to plan for.

As in previous years, there is no cost to attend, although all donations to help us offset some of the expense are greatly appreciated. ■

Bill Rae Inducted into Order of the Eternal Flame

On September 10, 2005, **G. William "Satch" Rae '53** became the sixth alumnus of Lambda Chi Alpha's Zeta Zeta to be inducted into the Order of the Eternal Flame.

This recognition is unique to The Pennsylvania State University's chapter of the fraternity and recognizes outstanding service to the chapter by an alumnus.

A memorial and induction ceremony was held at the chapter house at 5:30 p.m., and the G. William Rae Memorial Flagpole was dedicated.

This new flagpole was purchased through the generous contributions of 1950s-era Zeta Zeta alumni, as it was the family's wish that all donations made in his name be earmarked for the one project that Satch really wanted completed. ■



High Pi Report

A Work In Progress

Well, a full school year has passed since I stepped into the high pi slot. And, I gather most of you know that when you have “stepped into” something it is not always a good thing. In this case it hasn’t been a bad thing or a good thing but rather somewhere in between. I would say that a frustrating thing describes it best. With today’s college generation, “frustrating” is a word I hear a lot when speaking with my counterparts at other houses.

Our current undergraduates are, by and large, a really good group of young men. They are smart, as evidenced by their 3.19 GPA; and they can do really great things, as evidenced by the roughly \$180,000 they raised for the annual Penn State Dance Marathon (Thon) that benefits pediatric cancer patients. As our alpha’s article outlines, they are active in campus affairs at high levels, and they really do seem to get along very well with one another.

The flip side of the good stuff is still the cultural deficit that leads to a lack of real respect for the old lady that 351 E. Fairmount is, a failure to keep the house and themselves clean, overindulgence in adult beverages and a lack of general self discipline. I would report that things are getting better, but it is a two-steps-forward-and-one-step-backward kind of a deal. It’s not just our guys: It’s guys that age all over. If we are honest with ourselves, we will acknowledge that we were guilty of many of the same sins at that age, although I believe most of us, but not all, were less destructive and more respectful of authority and rules. We’ll keep working at it. Enough of that.

The chapter could use an angel or two to donate the \$1,000 to \$1,500 necessary to replace the ritual regalia. What is now in use is way past its useful life. Perhaps one or two of you, or maybe several in a class, could be generous enough to come up with that relatively small sum. Our ritual deserves it.

Yours in ZAX,

Riggs Griffith '58 ■

High Rho Report

Thon: One of the Most Arduous, and Rewarding, Experiences

On February 19-21, brothers **Mike Funk**, **Chris Goosen**, **Adam Johnston**, **Scott Palagyi**, **Kyle Simon** and I had the opportunity and privilege to dance in this year’s record-breaking IFC/Panhellenic Dance Marathon. Together with Alpha Sigma Alpha, our fraternity raised \$180,100.41 and was fourth place overall in the top money raisers.

This was personally one of the most arduous and tiring experiences I have ever endured and, at the same time, one of the most emotional and rewarding experiences as well. Lambda Chi and Alpha Sigma Alpha sponsored two Thon children this year: Zach Kendig, who has been our Thon child for three years now, and Trent Golden, whose family joined our organization just this year.

Trent, who turned 6 years old on the Friday of Thon, is an energetic, playful child with an undying love for waterguns. I had the chance to meet and spend time with Trent and his family a couple of weeks before Thon this year, when a few of us visited them at their home in York, Pa. Getting to know the Golden family more personally made this experience for me all the more meaningful.

I feel grateful and blessed that I had the opportunity to dance this year, and to really make a difference in the lives of Zach and Trent, as well as all the other Four Diamonds Fund children. All together, Penn State raised over \$4.1 million for the Four Diamonds Fund, a new record surpassing the old highest total of \$3.6 million.

This is one experience I will never forget and will cherish forever.

Yours in ZAX,

Glen Roberts ■

High Alpha Report

A Look Back at Spring Semester

Every spring, as the weather gets warmer, it is harder and harder to focus on finishing out the school year. At least that’s the way it goes for most students at PSU. However, the 89 men of Zeta Zeta not only remained focused on school work but stepped up to be the most involved fraternity on campus.

The IFC currently has two members of Lambda Chi on its executive board. Our former alpha, **Dan Sheakley**, holds the position of vice president of finance. Our former theta and house manager, **Mike Funk**, holds the position of associate vice president. Both these men have been extremely busy with their obligations to the IFC.

The second week in April marked Greek Week, which we celebrated with the lovely sisters of Delta Delta Delta. The overall committee for Greek Week was also populated by two of our very own. The overall chairperson was our former beta, **Brad Moehler**,

and the special events overall chairperson was our phi, **Jason Hart**. These men completely turned Greek Week around with their innovative ideas.

As for myself, I am the Homecoming 2005 finance overall chairperson. On top of my duties as alpha, I have been working very diligently on preparing the enormous budget for the fall.

Our younger brothers have done an amazing job of taking on various captain and committee positions for everything from Thon to the Appreciate Inquiry, which works closely with the university to improve Greek life. Almost all our younger brothers are enthusiastically holding positions for at least one committee. Some are even balancing the work of two or three committees.

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Alumni Updates

Ernest P. Black '31

(406 Water St., Warren, PA 16365) From Ernest's daughter: All is okay. He's 96 and still ticking!

William P. Hindman '42

(400 Seabury Dr., Apt. 5183, Bloomfield, CT 06002) Recently I moved to an independent living apartment in a retirement community even though I remain in generally good health for a man soon to be 85 years old.

H. Allan Moore '42

(663 Heatherton Ln., West Chester, PA 19380-5705) I am living in Hershey's Mill, Chester County, a gated community. Was playing golf regularly until I had to have back surgery, which I am recovering from.

George T. Eden '53

(2114 Masonic Dr., Sewickley, PA 15143) My wife died in November 2001. I sold my house in York, Pa. (where we lived 1977-2004) and moved into a retirement village — Masonic Village in Sewickley. It is very comfortable but somewhat sterile. The residents are my age and older. My travel is restricted because of spinal stenosis. I enjoy old friends and family more all the time.

John H. Body '55

(P.O. Box 148, 1170 Mosser Rd., Trexlertown, PA 18087-0148; jbody@nni.com) After 40 years with Air Products and Chemicals, I accepted a three-year term as chairperson of the board of Phoebe Ministries, a 1,000-bed nursing home in the Allentown/Reading area.

William Achenbach '56

(65 Covered Bridge Rd., New Hope, PA 18938-5305; Biachn@aol.com) Please join us at our tailgates. We are at spot 113 in the west lot, the second row opposite the huge new weather vane, in a white custom van. Frequent visitors are **Ned Book '54**, **Dick Parsons '54**, **Jerry Hall**, **Chuck Wolf '56**, **Roger Thompson**, **Ken Haas '53**, **Marty Kumer '56** and Joan Haag. See you during the 2005 season.

C. Edward Springman '58

(12501 Bell-Red Rd., Ste. 106, Bellevue, WA 98005-2509; ces@sherronassoc.com)

Jane and I enjoy traveling. This past year we spent three weeks trekking in Bhutan. It's a small kingdom located between Tibet and India. I took two of my sons, Kurt and Glenn, to Alaska in April. We hired a bush pilot who flew us into a national park where we skied several glaciers and ice climbed. In the summer Jane and I participated in half a dozen bicycle events and finished off the season with a one-week bike trip through Yellowstone National Park. In the coming year, we're planning a trip to Vietnam, skiing in France and exploring Yellowstone this winter on snowmobiles. We're always looking for company, and if anyone is interested please drop us an e-mail or give us a call.

Stephen B. VanCampen '63

(37 Petersburg Rd., Hackettstown, NJ 07840-4903; stevevancampen@goes.com) I just finished an interesting recruitment project for a company that is building cell towers in Iraq. I have five children (four daughters and one son) and two grandchildren. I am involved in numerous businesses and would like to hear from old brothers or brothers with recruitment projects.

David P. Raezer '64

(215 Leroy Cr., McCormick, SC 29835; daveandbetty@wctel.net) Moved to Savannah Lakes Village on Lake Strom Thurmond, S.C., in June 2004.

George E. Miller '66

(690 Forest Ln., Deland, FL 32724-4829; geo396@earthlink.net) Currently I am living in Deland, Fla., 35 miles east of Orlando near Daytona Beach.

Robert H. Nelson '69

(25007 Sunset Dr., Bay Village, OH 44140; robert.nelson@dana.com) Sue and I have traveled to Europe extensively. We now have over 11,000 miles on our K1200 BMW motorcycle. Enjoying Beanie and Cindy as they await their first grandchild.

George S. Webb '72

(P.O. Box 905, Madison, VA 22727-0905; madpiper@hotmail.com) I have four children, two still at home. Our oldest daughter, Rachel, graduated from James Madison in 2002, our oldest son is in his last year at West Point, James is a senior in high school, and Charlie is in the seventh grade. My son James and the son of **Frank Casagrande '74**, Luke, attended Boy Scout Camp Shenandoah together. Frank keeps in touch regularly, and so does **Tom Lally '73**. Tom owns a bakery and has two children. **Dave Jedrziwski '72** moved to Austin, Texas, and tragically lost his daughter in a car accident. I heard from **Keith Hannaman '73**, and he's doing fine as a high school football coach. I have lost touch with **Terry O'Toole '73** and **Doug Arnett '73**

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Why Should You Support the Annual Fund?

Your support for our alumni chapter's annual fund, which runs from September through August each year, keeps our organization going from year to year and proves your commitment to the future of Zeta Zeta. Your annual gift is an investment in the fraternity's potential to make a positive impact in the lives of young men, as the fraternity did for you, me and so many of our graduates.

Your annual contribution affirms your belief that:

- Lambda Chi Alpha still provides the best leadership development and character-building opportunities on campus;
- It is important to support the spirit of volunteerism that drives our alumni board and other volunteers;
- The value of friendships forged at Penn State grows as time passes and should be celebrated with reunions, annual gatherings and other events that bring alumni back to the place they can always call home.

Alumni contributions to the annual fund make possible *The Zeta Zephyr* newsletter, event invitations and other forms of alumni communication.

Your annual support is crucial to the success of our chapter and our graduate relations program. ■

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in the past five years. My hobbies are raising cattle and playing the Scottish bagpipes.

Keith A. Hannaman '73

(1704 S. 24th St., Blue Springs, MO 64015-5255; khannaman2@comcast.net) After 27 years I retired from the Kansas City School District and now teach in my home town. I spend my free time riding my Harley, and archery hunting for deer and bear in Missouri and Canada. My 23-year-old son just got his MBA, and my 13-year-old daughter scares the daylight out of me. I'm wondering how Frank, George, Pig and Denny are doing. When is Penn State going to another bowl game?

Brian R. Helgesen '83

(621 Valley Stream Cir., Langhorne, PA 19053-1939; brh1@comcast.net) Had fun at the alumni barbecue this summer at the house of **Tom Gasbarre '82**. I look forward to a bigger turnout next year.

Douglas E. Morrison '84

(333 Market St., Newport, PA 17074-1519; dougmorrison459@hotmail.com) I have begun working in and studying culinary arts in hopes of opening a restaurant in a few years, once I learn the business.

Kevin S. Quinlan '90

(200 Center St., Tuckerton, NJ 08087; ksq@mnsn.com) I was recently engaged to Rosemary O'Rourke of Askeaton, County Limerick, Ireland. The wedding is to be in 2005 in Ireland. I would like to hear from **Mike Carachilo '90**. I am just finishing my second year as mayor of Tuckerton Borough, Ocean County, N.J.

William J. Anderson '91

(195 Zinnia Ct., Sykesville, MD 21784; andy@columbiagymnastics.com) Last July, Kristin and I added another little boy to our family. Nicklas was born July 20, 2004, and joins his brother, Derian (3).

Matthew E. Owens '93

(11109 Suffolk Dr., Hagerstown, MD 21742) Candy and I had our second child, Jack Ryan Owens, born November 1, 2004. Our daughter, Casey (3) just loves her little brother. I stopped at the house during Purdue weekend and thought it looked great. It was also great to see all the new brothers.

Jeffrey J. Cucchi '94

(81 Autumn Ridge Dr., Glassboro, NJ 08028-3107; cooch70@comcast.net) The family is doing great. My son, Jeffrey Vincent, just turned 2 years old.

Eric C. Bruno '95

(202 Gracie Ln., Niceville, FL 32578-

1360; ericbruno@yahoo.com) Renee and I recently celebrated the first birthday of our son, Alexander Frederick. In attendance were **Marshall Barclay '95**, **Chris Berret '95**, **Jerry Tammario '96**, **Pat Scanlan '96**, **Bill Virbitsky '92**, **Jack Hoffman '96**, **Geoff Hoffman '98** and **Mark McKee '96**, in addition to family and other friends.

John S. Hutcheson '95

(46 Lawhorn Rd., Stafford, VA 22554; jjhutcheson@msn.com) My wife, Jacklene, gave birth to our first child (and future Lambda Chi), Tyler Henry Hutcheson, on September 2, 2004. He was 8 pounds, 11 ounces.

Charles B. Furbish '01

(1036 Oakcrest Dr., Charleston, SC 29412-9311; chuckfurbish@hotmail.com) Most recently I have seen brother **Paul Taiclet '01**, who works for American Cruise Lines. His boats float into Charleston Marina and, when they do, we catch up on old times. I hope to make it back to Penn State soon.

Morgan D. Grindley '03

(101 Chadham Ct., Bellefonte, PA 16823) Amanda and I have bought a house in Bellefonte; we are thoroughly enjoying it. I hope all is well with everyone. If you come back to town, let us know and hopefully we can catch up. ■

High Alpha

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Our spring grade report for Lambda Chi showed a semester GPA of 3.19 and a cumulative GPA of 3.21. The academic efforts by the men of Zeta Zeta are always solid.

Eclipsing all our accomplishments for the year was our Thon total. We were able to raise 180,100, which was good enough for fourth place. We dropped down a spot from the previous year but raised more money, helping obtain a record-breaking overall Thon total of \$4.1 million.

In closing, I'd like to say thanks to all of you alumni who have contributed to the house. I hope we made you all proud during the 2004-05 school year. I hope to see all of you here at Penn State for Homecoming 2005.

Yours in ZAX,

Ryan O'Hagan ■

Are You Ready for Some Football?

As the 2005-06 school year gets going, it's time to gear up for another season of college football. What better way to watch the game than with your Zeta brothers? If you're in town this season for a game, make plans to stop by the house to meet the undergraduate chapter.

2005 Penn State Football

Sat., Sept. 3	South Florida	3:30 p.m.
Sat., Sept. 10	Cincinnati	12:00 p.m.
Sat., Sept. 17	Central Michigan	3:30 p.m.
Sat., Sept. 24	at Northwestern	TBA
Sat., Oct. 1	Minnesota	TBA
Sat., Oct. 8	Ohio State	7:00 p.m.
Sat., Oct. 15	at Michigan	TBA
Sat., Oct. 22	at Illinois	7:00 p.m., ESPN2
Sat., Oct. 29	Purdue (Homecoming)	TBA
Sat., Nov. 5	Wisconsin	TBA
Sat., Nov. 19	at Michigan State	TBA

Hope to see you this season! ■