

Aggregate Updates

SPRING 2004

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President's Article – Spring 2004

For the past several years, much of the KSR's time has been spent focused in a few key areas. These projects included the Dr. Moeller scholarship, recruitment, the rent situation, reducing Alumni debt, restructuring the board, and implementation of the Strategic Plan initiatives. During this time however, we have not focused a tremendous amount of time or resources towards the physical house. This has recently changed with purchasing new study room furniture, and improvements to the basement and the bar room.

Since the house is nearly 10 years old, it has seemed to rack up a few needed items due for repair or replacement beyond the normal wear and tear items. For instance, we need to purchase new couches for the chapter room as the old ones are starting to deteriorate. Likewise, there have been a lot of ideas for improvements which have been largely passed over since they were not a top priority. Now that we seem to have most everything else under control, we are about to begin a series of small projects to repair, replace, or improve small areas of the house.

I would like to invite you all to participate in your own way in this process. If you have ideas for improvements or changes, please let us know. After being able to walk through the Sigma Phi house and seeing the new Delta Chi house completed, I noticed that we really need to turn the "house" into a "home". With small improvements, we are looking to change the current "dorm" feel of the house to more like the stately grace of the old house at 2929.

A huge first step was the construction of the new bar. More woodwork and décor improvements will be added in the near future, but the reason I am asking for your support is that we cannot do it alone. If you would like to contribute in some way; physically, mentally, or monetarily, it would be greatly welcome.

This quest will not be accomplished overnight, but with the help and contributions of our fellow Brothers, I know we will truly make the House remind us all of 2929 and the pride we all felt in that house. It really is nice to finally focus our efforts in a more "fun" direction than the business of the past few years. We had to get our affairs in order; and now I think that we can finally breathe a little easier! Now, we have the opportunity to take something that is special and make it even that more special for all Marquette Triangles in the future. With that being said, I would like to announce a new program for house improvement – "**Plan 2004**". This plan seeks to make marked improvement in three key areas within the house, namely; increased scholastic facilities, improved "home" feel, and repair/replacement of worn items. As part of Plan 2004, you have an opportunity to contribute to the bar reconstruction. On page 3 of the Aggie you will find a form which we are calling 'Voluntary Alumni Dues'. Please take the time to fill it out and help us any way you can. If you would like to contribute in any other way please let us know. My email address is krobertson3@wi.rr.com. Together, we can accomplish a lot in 2004!

In F, S, & C,

Kevin P. Robertson
KSR President

Active President

Hello from the Actives!

We are in the beginning of a new semester here at Marquette and the Triangle brothers are again starting out strong. RUSH is currently taking place and our spring semester pledge class is beginning to take shape. Our realistic prediction is 12 pledges right now, but we are looking to exceed that even dozen.

The chapter has many upcoming events filling our calendars. We of course are celebrating the Super Bowl with our annual Chili Cook Off (thanks to some of the alumni for making a chili or two). We are also looking forward to Marquette's Greek Retreat in early February as well as our own executive board retreat the following weekend. Tip-off will have already taken place by the mailing date of this Aggie, but Bermuda Triangle will be coming up in March shortly after spring break.

In addition, we always have the basketball games – men's and women's. A number of brothers/pledges are on the cheerleading squads or in Marquette's new Super Fan Club. Incidentally, one of the brothers is president of the Super Fan and has done a wonderful job of recruiting the rest of the chapter to his cause.

One of the chapter's main focuses this semester (besides recruitment) is on our academics. As everyone remembers, the classes involved in our common majors are usually more rigorous than a few other majors on campus. This has led to a few years of having a lower than desired chapter GPA.

We are going to be taking a very active role to start a turn-around this semester. We realize that if we are going to pride ourselves on our common studies, then we must be academic leaders as well. Our newly formed Scholarship Committee (t-shirts, anyone?) is meeting on Saturday the 31st to lay out our semester plan for improvement. By the end of the semester, we expect to have the most-improved GPA among the fraternities at Marquette. Hopefully, we can win our second consecutive chapter of the year award as well.

Lastly, the active brothers would like to say thank you to all the alumni for their continued support. The time we get to spend with alumni around the house is invaluable, and the support from the Moeller Scholarship is more than generous. We want you to know that your efforts

are not wasted on us. Thank you.

-The Actives of the Marquette Chapter of Triangle Fraternity

Scott Town
Active President

KSR Secretary Report

Hi. I am James (Jay) Braun and I am the KSR Secretary. I am eager to work in this position and increase its contribution to the Chapter beyond taking meeting minutes once a month.

I am looking forward to increasing the communication between the leadership of the Fraternity, namely the KSR Board and Active Chapter E-board, and the Alumni base. I hope that the increased communication can lead toward greater participation by the Alumni in helping further the Fraternity's goals and achievements. Of course there are still the fun times that you all remember from your college days and hopefully one or more of our social events will fit into your busy schedules this coming year.

The vehicles to accomplish these goals will be many and varied. An increased usefulness of our websites and email lists will be a primary way, but also newer ideas such "special projects" positions that an Alumnus can fill. These positions would be for someone who has the desire to participate, but not necessarily the time to hold down a full-time KSR Board position.

All-in all, there is a lot of room for improvement and innovation and hopefully you will start seeing these changes.

In F., S., & C.
Jay Braun

Treasurer Report

The collection of promissory notes has been moving along. In the 2003 fiscal year (October – September), \$10,474 was collected from promissory note payments. The first of two yearly mailings to remind people to pay their promissory notes went out in January with the typical interest charges being assessed. Interest charges can be avoided by simply setting up a payment plan and making regular payments. If you did not receive this mailing and have not paid your promissory note, please contact me so that we can work to take care of this responsibility.

In an effort to establish fundraising income, K.S.R. Ltd. became a Pick ‘N Save We Care charity. With this program, alumni shopping at Pick ‘N Save grocery stores in Wisconsin can have a percentage (about 1%) of their total bill be donated to the organization of their choice. The sign-up process is simple. Visit the customer service counter at your local Pick ‘N Save and sign up for an Advantage Plus card, or ask for a change form if you already have an Advantage Plus card. On the form, there is a spot to put the number of your charity; the number for K.S.R. Ltd. is 400100. You can put up to three charities on your Advantage Plus card and the money will be split evenly between those charities. The new fundraiser for this year will probably be working concession stands at Milwaukee area sporting events, so do not be surprised to get a phone call requesting some help working the stand.

With the above projects underway, a few new things will be receiving my attention in the coming year. The first is establishing a yearly local alumni dues program similar to program recently started by the national organization. The main difference between the programs will be that the great majority of the local alumni dues will not go into our general account, but instead be used for a specific purpose to be determined each year. You will find the first of such local alumni dues payment forms in this Aggregate. In the spirit of our newly announced Plan 2004 (see Kevin Robertson’s article), this year’s special project for alumni dues will be the bar and permanent audio system in the basement of the chapter house. A number of alumni and actives have already started work on rebuilding the bar in the basement and adding a beautiful back bar area including a sink, custom stained glass, and shelves to hold house mugs. As for the audio system portion, Jason

Moulden marq95 has graciously offered his services and contacts in the professional automation services business to create a professional audio solution with the ability to play different audio in the various rooms (game room, dining area, chapter room, etc.).

Another one of my intentions this year is improving communication with the entire alumni base about K.S.R. Ltd.’s financial activities. To this end, I have recently posted K.S.R. Ltd.’s expenditures for the last few years on our website, <http://marq.triangle.org/KSR>. Any comments about these expenditures are welcome including suggestions on how to reduce expenditures in certain areas. Related to this, I am also interested in suggestions on where to direct future funds. As we approach the establishment of stable financial reserves, K.S.R. Ltd. has started to look for ways to use and invest our income from promissory notes. House improvements and establishment of a house building/improvement fund is one popular idea among board members, but I am always looking for new ideas. My contact information is in this Aggregate in case you want to respond to any of my above requests for comments or suggestions.

Finally, I wanted to list the alumni who have paid off their promissory notes since the last Aggregate (May 2003) and who are currently on payment plans. On behalf of KSR and the rest of the alumni, we thank you for supporting the chapter.

Paid in Full

Andrew H Aiken	Laurance B Bangs
Eric W Fauth	Randy Gorospe
Jason P Kelley	William A Linck
Timothy C Lynch	Brian E. Northup
Aaron E Roden	John T Ruprecht
Ricardo Santiago	Jason T Sawyer
Barry P Woods	Jon P Yakish

Payment Plan

George E Cook	John E. Detrixhe
Luis A Garcia	Paul R. Keck
Scott A Odyia	Nick J. Sayotovich

Balances as of 1/10/04

Checking: \$11,824.01
Savings: \$9,450.79
Annuity: \$100,045.91
Uncollected Notes: \$11,010.50

Local Voluntary Alumni Dues Form

To benefit a portion of “Plan 2004” – Refurbishment of basement bar and audio system

Payments can also be made electronically at

<http://www.e-greek.net/>

Name: _____	Amount: <input type="checkbox"/> \$25
Address: _____	<input type="checkbox"/> \$50
City/State/Zip: _____	<input type="checkbox"/> \$100
Phone: _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Other: \$ _____

Mail to: **Patrick Clemins, KSR Treasurer, 806 N. 15th Street, Milwaukee, WI 53233**

Mark your calendars for:

**Founder's Day
2004**

Come eat, drink, dance, and have a good time with all of your
Brothers; new and old.

Date: April 17, 2004

Place: The Quilted Bear in Germantown

Cost: \$85 / couple, \$55 / single

R.S.V.P:

Chris Patovisti

414.344.2929

chris@patovisti.com

Lodging available right next door

@

Country Inn & Suites

Plan on Meeting at the House @ 4:00 PM

Busing available

This is a once in a lifetime Party you won't want to miss.

The Ultimate Reunion

Marquette Triangle Classes 1959 – 66

Naturally, any brother regardless of graduation year is welcome to attend.

July 31, 2004 (At MU during Reunion weekend)

Recollections party at MU Union (4:30 – 7 pm)

Dinner at the MU Union (7 – 9 pm)

“60’s House Party” at new Triangle House (9 - ?)

The global “chatter” among the 150 brothers is on the rise. Here are some of those planning to attend: Brian Fagan, Tom Piper, Ed Jacobs, Joe Zabkar, Steve Volm, Kevin Carrol, Jim McShane, Don Kinney, Tom Schoenauer, Ted Hodan, Nick Baldwin, Dick Schermerhorn, John Heidbreder, Rich Andrews, Dan Krebsbach, Jim Burkemper, Dennis McNally, Mike Scully, Ron Erdmann, Tom Scully, Mike Graham, and George Lubeley. The “Blueprint editor” has prepared a memorable edition of socially unacceptable humor. Laughter will be provided throughout these events by those who lived it!

If you are even thinking of attending, please respond with the following information ASAP:

1. Name: _____ Email: _____
Phone #: _____ Fax #: _____

2. Sat. golf tournament (8:30 am) - # players _____ (Tom Shoenuer and gang)

3. Sat. evening program (4:30 pm) - # attendees _____

4. Please send us one or two of your favorite recollections that would be worth sharing: (even if you won't be able to attend)

5. Mail, FAX or Email this preliminary reservation and information to:

Don Kinney
999 Carolina St, San Francisco, CA 94107
FAX: (415) 648-6285
Email: dkinney7@pacbell.net

Lodging:

Hotels offering MU discount (10%) include Marriott Courtyard, Holiday Inn, Howard Johnson, Hyatt, Pfister, and Park East.

MU Dorm: Mashuda Residence Hall with pvt. Bath, twin beds and A/C. \$51 per double – call 414-288-7208 for reservations.

Member At Large Report

Welcome fellow Alumni. I hope everyone had a great Holiday season. Here we are in a new year and another winter season. For those of us in the north, it has been a cold one so far. Since I like my winters, I wish there was a bit more snow. Wherever you are, I hope everything is going well for you and your thoughts are warm. I want to give you an update on the awards made from the Dr. Arthur C. Moeller/Triangle Fraternity Endowed Scholarship Fund. Thanks to you and a better investment economy, we were able to increase our awards this year, without getting into any of our principle. For this school year, to date, we have awarded \$19,600 to eligible Active Chapter members living in the Fraternity House. These Brothers are:

Mike Meyer	Ben Nave
Scott Town	Gerald Bagnowski
Ross Guerin	Matt Burrows
Kevin Zubarik	Noah Klosinski
Nick Wojnar	Antone Long
Bernard Edwards	Anthony Farris
John Onopa	Wesley Pederson
Matthew Kennedy	John Zeirke

As always, we are grateful for all past and future donations made to the Scholarship fund. This scholarship was setup on your behalf for the present and future generations of Marquette Triangle Brothers. Based on our success to date, and the number of Brothers present to honor Dr. Moeller as he received the National Service Key last year, this support crosses the generations of Marquette Triangles. We thank you and encourage future donations to this scholarship fund. You are helping to continue Triangle as a successful and viable fraternity at Marquette University.

Yours in F, S & C,

Bob Boehler
KSR, Ltd.

House Manager Report

As you can all remember a few months ago Kevin Robertson and Rob Szafraniec started improving the bar at the house. This project is now well on its way to be completed. We thank Kevin for the amount of effort and time he has committed to this project. There are many other tasks that we are looking to accomplish in the near future. For example, we are currently working with Marquette to replace the carpets in all the bedrooms at the house and the couches in the chapter room.

We are also working closely with brother Jason Moulden to come up with a long-term solution to replace our basement audio system. Our goal is to be able to set up the system in a way in which it will not be damaged during the parties. We also want to avoid the continuous replacement of equipment year after year. If you have any ideas or solutions to improve the conditions of our house, feel free to contact me and share those ideas with me.

Ricardo Santiago
Marq 02

Golf Outing Results

The active - alumni golf outing once again descended on South Hills CC this past September and although the weather threatened, all rounds were completed without injury, loss of limb, or cart. Refreshments were plentiful (maybe that's why I thought I saw Batman and Robin) and ably transported throughout the course by Jay (Thanks Jay for at least helping my game). Some of the more exceptional accomplishments included:

Closest to the hole (2 Holes) - G. Bagnowski / B. Boehler
 Longest Drive (3 Holes) - Sawyer / Zastawny / Onopa
 Longest Putt - E. Zastawny
 Lowest Goss Score - J. Onopa
 Shortest Drive - M. Weber
 Longest 'DRY' Jump Over a Creek - G. Bagnowski

A great time was had by all. While we haven't definitely decided on next years location the date is fixed for September 25th. So mark your calendars and stay tuned. Till then ...same Bat Time same Bat Channel Sorry Mike and Scott

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Aerial photo of the Chapter House and the Alumni Memorial Union taken by Jim O'Rourke, son of Brother Jerry O'Rourke

