

The Constantine Sig

Psi Chapter of Sigma Chi at the University of Virginia • Spring 2014



HOUSE CORPORATION PREPARES FOR THE FUTURE OF PSI CHAPTER

This is a busy time for the House Corporation and the active Brotherhood at 608 Preston Place. In previous newsletters, we have discussed our goal to provide the best learning, living, and leadership environment that we can for members of Psi Chapter. Safety is our number one priority and is at the top of our list when allocating funds and planning projects each year. Developing a strategy to help ensure the long-term presence of Sigma Chi at the University of Virginia is also something that the House Corporation considers part of its mission.

Former Consul **Brian Ohlhausen '14**, Consul **Michael Kreamer '15**, Pro Consul **David O'Hara '15**, and House Manager **Peter Wright '15**, have taken an active role in this work. The group coordinates meetings with the entire Brotherhood and House Corporation members and leads the effort to re-establish good neighbor policies among the residents of Preston Place. Most fraternities at the University are also housed in older facilities and many are searching for ways to upgrade, modernize, and adapt to the needs of a changing environment for fraternity life in Charlottesville. The cost of maintenance and upkeep is rising while the ability to remain competitive with University housing, off-campus apartments, and other

fraternities is an ongoing challenge. The House Corporation has reviewed the progress of other fraternities and has watched as our neighboring fraternity, Theta Chi, has completed a major facility modernization and expansion that should serve them well for the foreseeable future. We will continue to plan and prepare our own future and will share details with you in later editions of *The Constantine Sig*.

We encourage all members of Psi to get involved with Sigma Chi. There are many opportunities to volunteer with the Chapter and its members and we welcome your involvement. We would like to hear from you and can be reached through the Chapter website at www.psiofsigmachi.com.

Without the support of alumni like you, the House Corporation would not be able to complete necessary maintenance projects to 608 Preston Place. Enclosed you will find a donation envelope. Please consider making a gift today in support of Psi of Sigma Chi.

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Alumnus to Be Inducted in Order of Constantine Bob Fair '50 Recognized for Years of Service

Bob Fair '50 will be inducted into the Order of Constantine in recognition of his many years of service to the Fraternity. The Order of Constantine is considered to be the highest honor that Sigma Chi bestows upon one of its members. Since 1948, just 670 brothers have had the honor of being named an "Order of Constantine Sig." Fourteen members are inducted each year, recognizing their commitment, dedication, and service to the Fraternity.



Bob was the Psi Chapter Consul in 1950 and was instrumental that year in the purchase of 608 Preston Place. While an undergraduate, he was a class officer and University leader. He subsequently was named the Balfour Award winner for the Eastern Virginia Province. After graduation, Bob has remained active with Psi Chapter, serving as Chapter advisor, House Corporation President, and Grand Praetor for the Eastern Virginia Province.

Before beginning at U.Va., Bob served as a combat infantryman in WWII, receiving two Bronze Stars, the Purple Heart, and the European Theater Medal with three battle stars. After a lengthy hospitalization to recover from serious injuries sustained in the war, Bob was finally released from his U.S. hospital in 1946 and enrolled in the University's School of Engineering. In 1950, he received his Bachelor's Degree in Mechanical Engineering from the University of Virginia, and in 1952 his Master's in Business Administration degree from Harvard University.

Bob's career in business began in 1952 when he was hired by the Westinghouse Corporation. There, he rose to the executive position of Manager before joining the faculty of the University's Darden School of Business in 1964. Like his success in business, Bob's academic career also blossomed as he was later appointed Associate Dean for Darden's MBA program. In 2000, Bob retired from Darden holding the title of Professor Emeritus.

Today, Bob lives in Charlottesville with his wife, Camilla. The couple has two grown children and two grandchildren.

Congratulations to Bob Fair for receipt of this honor. The Brotherhood of Psi of Sigma Chi will forever be grateful for your untiring support of and loyalty to our beloved Fraternity.



Mike (on left) with Doug Borel '72, Jerry Beninate '74, and Joe Davison '73 at the 150th anniversary party at the Chapter House.



PSI FOR LIFE Michael Kutzleb '71 Shares His Sigma Chi Experience

When **Michael Kutzleb '71** decided to pledge Sigma Chi at the University of Virginia, he knew it was one of the best decisions he had ever made. “Pledging gave me the opportunity to get to know a lot of classmates. Sigma Chi stood out from the other fraternities I visited, mainly because of the friendliness and open nature of the Brothers,” he said. “After becoming a Brother, it was the friendships among my pledge class, as well as the friendships with the older Brothers at first and the younger Brothers as time went by that made it easy to stay.”

Michael had a different college experience than most, because he left U.Va. during his fourth year. He returned five years later to earn a degree in economics with a new outlook on his academic goals. “During my first two years, I was not very diligent in attending class or studying, and my grades suffered accordingly. When I returned, after being in the working world for five years, I treated college the same way I treat my work—get up and go to class, and do whatever study or class work is necessary until it is done. It was a pretty simple lesson that I wish I had learned early on!”

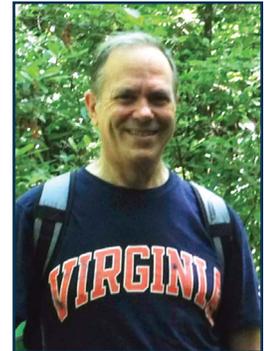
Today, Michael is president of Phoenix International Holdings Inc. (Phoenix). His company is involved in all aspects of underwater engineering and operations worldwide, including ship and structure inspection and repairs using divers, underwater search and recovery operations for lost aircraft and shipwrecks, and underwater construction work for oil and gas installations. Phoenix is currently providing sophisticated underwater acoustic technology to support the search for the lost Malaysia Airlines Flight 370 that went missing presumably in the south Indian Ocean on March 8, 2014.

Psi Chapter has stayed an integral part of Michael’s life throughout his post-graduate years. “I try to go down for a football game every fall. The University overall has changed a lot, but the core parts are still very similar to when I was there. I usually stop by the Chapter House, especially if it is a big weekend, such as Homecoming, when they have the annual Pig Roast. It’s always fun seeing all the returning alumni, as well as talking to the undergraduate Brothers.” He also, along with **Steve Walther '71**, arranges an annual trip with a number of Psi Brothers. “Each and every time I have had the opportunity to get together with members of my class and other Brothers who were at U.Va. at the time, it has been a whole lot of fun. The conversations always bring back lots of good stories about our time at Psi, although my memories are sometimes slightly different than the stories that are told.”

Michael and his wife, Debbie, have been married for almost 26 years and reside in Fort Washington, Maryland. He has his private pilot’s license and enjoys flying his Mooney Ovation general aviation aircraft that he uses for both business and pleasure trips. He is also a member of a local golf club and tries to play as much golf as possible. You can contact Michael at mkutzleb@phnx-international.com.

Making Dreams Reality Sigma Chi Taught Michael Cesarano '67 to Set Goals and Persevere

When **Michael Cesarano '67** (aka Chappie) accepted a bid to pledge Sigma Chi, he was carrying on a family tradition by following in the footsteps of his father, **Patrick J. Cesarano, University of Miami '35**. “I don’t like the term ‘pride,’ and don’t consider myself a prideful person, but Sigma Chi gave me a good and complete feeling of well-being. Since I graduated, I have met members of other Sigma Chi chapters and the feeling is mutual that we are all members of an elite fraternity,” Michael said.



Michael earned a Bachelor’s Degree in Electrical Engineering from U.Va. and was a member of the Naval ROTC during his undergraduate years. After graduation, he achieved a lifelong dream by becoming a fighter pilot with the U.S. Marine Corps and served in Vietnam. In 1972, he attended law school at the Seattle University School of Law, graduating with cum laude honors. In 1976, he earned a Master’s in Law (LLM) from the London School of Economics and Political Science. For the past 30 years, he has specialized in patent law and other forms of intellectual property.

According to Michael, being a Brother in Psi Chapter aided him on his career path by providing him with opportunities to show his own strength among leaders. “I had confidence that my ideas and opinions were listened to and that my goals could be accomplished,” he said.

Michael remembers his time in the Chapter was influenced by his relationship with **Randolph G. “Randy” Peyton '67**, whose dynamic character is remembered by many to this day, and the close friendship of **Lawrence D. “Larry” Martin '66**, who recently retired as a circuit court judge in Naples, Florida. They have remained good friends over the years.

Michael also believes being a Sigma Chi provided him with opportunities for character building and important life lessons. “I learned that if you set your goals properly and persevere you will succeed beyond your expectations,” he said.

Michael lives in Coral Gables, Florida, and still enjoys playing piano and guitar, as he did when he was at U.Va. He has plans to retire soon and hopes to devote more time to his music. He has three children, two of whom also attended the University of Virginia and graduated with degrees in engineering. You can contact Michael at mccesarano@yahoo.com.

Psi Chapter Thrives at the University of Virginia

17 New Men Initiated This Spring

The news from 608 Preston Place is that the Psi Chapter of Sigma Chi continues to uphold its reputation as one of the most sought-out and respected fraternities at U.Va.

At the beginning of the 2013-14 academic year Brothers volunteered their time to a myriad of organizations around the Grounds. **Ryan Murphy '16** and **Kyle Souders '16** became a part of the esteemed Jefferson Literary and Debating Society. **Owen Sperling '16** joined **Michael Bugas '14**, **Alex Sneider '15**, and **Alex Perrin '15** by becoming a member of the University Guides Service. Many other Brothers volunteered their time to Madison House, the University's student volunteer organization, participating in activities like tutoring at local schools and participating in the Big Sibling programs.



The Brotherhood completed a successful fall semester by achieving a cumulative GPA of 3.306, well above the U.Va. male average of 3.152.

The spring semester holds many of the Chapter's favorite social events, with Derby Days being one of our most anticipated. Last year alone, we

helped raise and donate more than \$15,000 for the University of Virginia's Children's Hospital and Children's Miracle Network, and this year we are hopeful we can surpass our previous donations. Brothers also look forward to Parents' Weekend, a wonderful time to meet our Brothers' parents and celebrate with our own.

The Brotherhood of Psi Chapter of Sigma Chi would like to extend a warm welcome to our new pledge class, comprised of seventeen very exceptional young men. We also want to thank our previous Rush Chairman **Michael Bugas '14** for his hard work and dedication during the 2014 spring semester rush period, an effort that was instrumental to our success in finding our outstanding new pledges.

In Hoc, **Neil Ohlhausen '16**, Tribune
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Welcome, New Pledges

Blake Anderson '17*
Roanoke, Va.
Systems Engineering

Murat Bilginsoy '17
Istanbul, Turkey
Undeclared

David Confino '17
Charlottesville, Va.
Pre-Commerce

Tyler Grills '16
Clifton, Va.
Commerce

Conor Kelly '17
Chatham, N.J.
Undeclared

Luke Walsh '17*
Franklin Lakes, N.J.
Undeclared

Tyler Anderson '17
Midlothian, Va.
Computer Science

Logan Bunte-Mein '17
Old Greenwich, Conn.
Undeclared

Michael Curtin '17
Fairfax, Va.
Pre-Commerce

William Head '17
Richmond, Va.
Biology

John Mulholland II '17
Sewickley, Pa.
Undeclared

Henry Wynne '17
Westport, Conn.
Undeclared

Ryan Aubrey '17
Radford, Va.
Undeclared

Hugh Campbell III '17
Manassas, Va.
Pre-Commerce

Joshua Glazier '17
Herndon, Va.
Undeclared

Charles Hillock '17
Glen Rock, N.J.
Undeclared

Matthew Ruiters '17
Gaithersburg, Md.
Undeclared

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Thank You, Alumni and Friends, for Contributing over \$7,000 to the Fall Appeal

Thank you to the sixty Psi alumni and friends for contributing \$7,007.62 to the fall 2013 Annual Campaign. Your generosity and commitment to the future of the Psi Chapter of Sigma Chi is very much appreciated by all active and alumni Brothers.

Robert W. Banta '43

Edwin F. LeGard Jr. '62
J. F. Sudderth '62

Robert D. Blackburn '71
Andrew W. Miller '71
Steven G. Walther Sr. '71

W. Todd West '84
Vincent T. Pangalos MD '86
Robert W. Weiler '86

Adam S. Abramson '04
Robert T. Carmichael '04
Justin C. Dothard '04

Clyde S. Gould '48

Glenn H. Gettier Jr. '64

James C. Schroeder '73
Judson T. Williams III '73

Christopher W. Pile, M.D. '88

Shawn M. Menz '05
Tyler D. Semmelman '05

W. Irvin Cousins '49

C. Jay Donlan, M.D. '66

Martin L. Brill '74
Russell L. Brock, M.D. '74

Douglas R. Corrigan '89

Robert L. Foran '10

John M. Sadler '54

A. Bruce Duerson '68

Edward H. Tiley III, M.D. '75

Robert L. Beauregard Jr. '93

Corbin W. Bagenstose '14
Brian A. Ohlhausen '14

Daniel F. O'Keefe Jr. '57

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James A. Moore '68
Raphael M. O'Malley '68

Michael K. Kutzleb '77

Ryan P. Quarles '96

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William R. Nixon Ph.D. '70
Timothy R. Smith '70

Col. James C. Mallon '81
Tedd J. Winter '81

Matthew H. Drake '03

Jared J. Gould '03

Justin B. Nixon '03

Ashby C. Moncure, M.D. '60

Wiley F. Russell '61

Robert G. Brown '62

David L. Prochnow '83

Alumni Update

CHAPTER ETERNAL

Francis K. Williams '50 entered Chapter Eternal on July 17, 2013. Smokey was always proud to be a University of Virginia graduate and a member of Sigma Chi. He was 90 years old and is survived by his wife, Elizabeth, and his three children.

John L. Melnick '58 entered Chapter Eternal on August 21, 2013. He was a leader in his community, president of the Arlington County Bar Association, and served on the Virginia State Crime Commission and the Drug Task Force of Arlington.

Bryan W. Heath '94 entered Chapter Eternal on August 4, 2013, at his home in Birmingham, Alabama. Bryan was a graduate of East Forsyth High School and the University of Virginia where he was a four-year letterman for the Virginia Cavaliers football team. Bryan was devoted to his family and friends, especially his two children, whom he loved dearly.

ALUMNI NEWS

James C. Mackay '54 has four children who are U.Va. graduates and one who is a graduate of Colby-Sawyer College in New London, New Hampshire. He has five grandchildren and the oldest has also been accepted at U.Va. Jim is semi-retired as the president/co-founder of Nortnmac-Comfort Inn/Super 8. He and his wife, Cynthia Sue, live in Newburyport, Massachusetts. E-mail: wetbrick@aol.com

F. Patrick Dillon '59 was recently told by his doctor to "go out and make good memories!" That is just what he and his wife, Vicki, are doing, both within the U.S. and overseas. The couple also enjoys spending time with their children and grandchildren. E-mail: patdill2@cox.net

Richard L. Davis '69 retired from his position as National Finance Manager after 37 years working at the Sears Holding Corporation. He and his wife, Dru, moved to Spring, Texas, after spending 24 years in Chicago. His son, Andrew, is an Assistant dean and Director of Graduate Studies at the University of Houston. His son, Patrick, is an accountant living in Lexington, Kentucky. Rick currently serves as treasurer of the Psi of Sigma Chi House Corporation. E-mail: rldavis0310@sbcglobal.net

Douglas P. Borel '72 sends greetings to all of his Sigma Chi Brothers. Doug adds that he appreciated the friendship they offered during a tumultuous time in his life. E-mail: borel3_4jc@verizon.net

Michael R. Guthrie '75 was inducted into the Charlottesville Area Association of Realtors Professional Honor Society in recognition of his service to the community and to the Association. Michael is a member of the Psi of Sigma Chi House Corporation and President of Roy Wheeler Realty. E-mail: michael@mrg7175.com



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Remembering Brother Albaugh

Abdiel Ridgely Albaugh III '72 of Owings, Maryland, died tragically in a house fire on December 25, 2013. Ridge was born in Washington, D.C., on December 31, 1949, and grew up in Warrenton, Virginia, where he attended Fauquier High School.

He graduated from the University of Virginia in 1971 with a Bachelor of Arts degree. After college, he worked for Pool Service Company in Arlington, Virginia.

In 1980, he and Pattie Sue Reidelbach were married in Franconia, Virginia, and had one son, Hunter.

Ridge's career advanced to underwater search and recovery with several companies,

including Steadfast Marine, Oceanering International, Inc. and Phoenix International.

Recently, he was an independent contractor specializing in geological and pipeline surveys.



Ridge was a member of the Westbrook Hunt Club in Virginia. He was a history buff, especially of the American Civil War, and a big fan of Robert E. Lee.

He enjoyed researching genealogy, hunting, fishing, and the Washington Redskins.

Ridge is survived by his son, Hunter R. Albaugh, and former wife, Pattie Sue Albaugh, both of Chesapeake Beach, Maryland, and his brother, Lance Albaugh, and sister, Shari Albaugh, both of Warrenton, Virginia.

Brett T. Abner '05 graduated from Chicago Booth School of Business in June 2012 and soon after began his employment at Groupon. He and his wife, Krysten, welcomed their first child, Charlotte Marie, on June 16, 2013. E-mail: brett.abner@gmail.com

Charles R. Morris '05 writes that it has been a very crazy year. He and his wife, Lindsay, welcomed their first child Tatum Charley, in November 2012. They moved into a new house in May 2013 and Charles started a new job in July 2013 for a brokerage firm in Dallas. E-mail: dallasuva@gmail.com