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It's the Final Countdown...

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Picnic at Point Gratiot

by Stacy Ravnikar and Beth Kulczyk

On Sunday April 21, the NIBS held their fellowship activity for the brotherhood. Even though it was freezing outside, we still had an amazing turnout which consisted of almost the entire fraternity. Fun was had by all while we huddled under blankets which gave us a chance to get to know each other "even better." Thank goodness Trish was there with her wilderness skills because she helped keep the fire going and as a result we got to eat delicious hotdogs.

The NIBS would like to extend their gratitude for all the brothers that attended. We really appreciate it. Without you, our picnic would not have been the success that it was.

Congratulations Chi Pi!

By Raymond Rushboldt
Faculty Advisor

As the year ends, I want to take the opportunity to say "great job" on your service and for making a difference on the campus and in the community. I am always proud!

Sectionals Workshops

By Alexis Lambert

I hope that some of you were able to attend some of the Sectionals workshops that Allison and I put together for you. I hope that there was a wide-enough mixture of topics to suit your needs - if not, please let me know so that if I do anything similar, I can know how to go about to better suit the needs of others. Thank you to Melissa S., Jenn, Jon and Tricia from Chi Pi, as well as everyone else that did workshops, for doing them for us! The response seemed fairly positive - please let me know if you have any comments, questions or concerns regarding that. I appreciate everyone's help in making Sectionals a success - the committee could not have done everything if everyone else hadn't pitched in. I had a blast seeing everyone at Sectionals, and I hope that you did too!

Summer Service

By Alexis Lambert

If you want to help out the YMCA of Lakewood host the National Gymnastics Championships in Niagara Falls, NY this July 4-7th, please let me know. It should be tons of fun. A special thanks to John Bauer, '73, for bringing this service event to our attention. I'm hoping to get Brothers from around the section to join us!

Free t-shirts to all who can participate, as well as admission tickets and the chance to be entered in a raffle for prizes. If you think you want to be involved, even if you can't say definitely yes or no, please let me know so I can keep you informed. You can e-mail me at lambert_alexis@yahoo.com.



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Now with pretty pictures!

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Goodbye, Fredonia and Chi Pi

By Alexis Lambert

Six years here has been long enough. This summer I'll be graduating from Fredonia with my Master's Degree in Reading, and I will miss the campus and the chapter. Don't worry, I'll come back to annoy all of you. I hope to find a job in teaching in the Buffalo Area, so hopefully I'll be nearby. Thank you to everyone in the chapter that has put up with me for these four years - I hope that I've made some sort of difference. Please keep in touch with all of us alumni, because many of us do want to stay involved.

Dear Seniors,

I wish you all the best in all you do! You will all be dearly missed and don't forget us when you go out into the "real world." Come back and visit often, you'll always be welcomed here at Chi Pi!

Special Thanks to:

Trisha - You are such a special person and you've definitely made this semester a memorable one!

Amanda - You had such an impact on my pledge semester, If it was anyone else I don't think I would have stuck with it. You kept us going and you kept us pushing. You were an amazing pledge mom and I'll never forget you!

Jon - our Gotham father, thanks for watching out for us!

You ALL will be missed greatly and I'll never forget you guys!

Much Love,
Meg Roberts

Alumni Relations News

By Alexis Lambert

As the alumni relations person, I tried to do a couple things different than had been done in the past... here's the final countdown - I hope that Donna gets us the quilt soon (I had hoped in time for Sectionals, then the banquet, now the end of the semester), so that we can all look if over together. :) So look for that in the mail soon - I'm assuming it won't be a tiny box. Also, I need to make an updated list of addresses for Autumn and Allison, with Sectionals and class work and work that had to get done, I never had time... I'll get them what I have and send an updated list, as well as getting them all the rest of the information that they'll need to continue this position for us. We'll still be using the same address for the alumni relations at chipi-alumni@yahoo.com. Hopefully we'll also get a little more money trickling in before next semester as well... Oh, will the Chi Pi Comes Home be held next semester during Homecoming? If so, let me know - I'd like to hold an organizational meeting that weekend for the Chi Pi Alumni Association that I will be jump-starting this summer. If anyone wants to help, be sure to let me know at lambert_alexis@yahoo.com, or the Alumni Association e-mail at chipiaa@yahoo.com.



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New look...same great taste.

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What Chi Pi Means to Me

By Meg Roberts

Where do I start, this has been such a memorable year for me. Pledging last semester could have been the best thing that's happened to me this year. I made some awesome wonderful fabulous friends, (you know who you are *wink wink*) and I got involved in so many awesome things. I have to say I am very pleased with the outcome of Alpha Phi Omega. At first when I was going to pledge I didn't even want to. I went to the rush events with Matt Hicks because he was the only person I knew, and I didn't even want to be there. Autumn kept convincing me to come, she kept telling me what a great experience it is and how awesome APO is and this and that. So I kept with it, and then I got roped into pledging. At first I was really scared about it. I didn't know what I was getting myself into, I only knew a few people. Plus the scary kid was in my pledge class and I was scared of him since the first day I saw him my freshman year. I kept thinking to myself "what the heck is wrong with that kid? I swear he's the devil himself!" But in turn he ended up being one of my closest friends here and I couldn't be happier. I mean, who else can I call names and punch randomly and he'll put up with it?

Then there were the girls in my pledge class. The first girl I met is someone I can't live without now! She was super quiet, she never talked to me and at first I didn't think she liked me at all! The other one

that I can't live without didn't even show up to any rush events, so when I saw her at our pledge ceremony I was just thinking; "hey she didn't rush how come she gets to pledge!" and then, three of the people that are closest to me ended up being from the same area! And they all knew each other previously, so here we are waiting to be initiated and they're reminiscing about Webster! Boy did I feel like the outsider!

Anyway, we all became pledge brothers, and we all became very close very fast. The pledge sleepover had to be the most memorable moment of my semester. Where else could I witness an interesting game of charades and a 4-hour long game of Uno? These people mean so much to me and I am extremely glad that I pledged with them. They helped make the pledge experience a very interesting and fun one. It was something that will stick with me for the rest of my life. I mean, who else can I rely on when I need something? Who else can I cry on when someone breaks my heart? Who can I talk to when I have problems at home? My brothers, that's who. I thank you all for the impact that you have had on my life. I especially thank the three that I previously mentioned. You guys rock and I'm so glad that we became such good friends. I don't know what this year would have been like if I didn't have you guys. Thanks so much for everything! I will miss you guys!

Much Love!

Meg Roberts



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