

The Front Rho



Alpha Epsilon Pi, Beta Rho



Greetings from the Master

I am very fortunate to begin serving as Master at such a dynamic time in the history of Beta Rho. Our chapter is as strong as ever, and is visible in several ways. The Beta Rho graduating class of 2003 set a precedent for future years, with every graduating brother making a generous gift to the fraternity. Collectively, the donations will be used to install a new floor in one of the basement rooms, which will nicely complement the professional-quality bar built by the Kappa pledge-class.

The quality and success of the pledge project, and the brother and alumni support behind the idea to install a new basement room floor indicate the potential to embark on a much more significant endeavor. We feel that there is room to improve our already great fraternity by continuing to improve our house. Beta Rho will take a major step in this process by undertaking the lounge renovation project.

Brothers and alumni have been researching and planning this project for months, and in fact, a Lounge Renovation Project Chair position along with an associated minor board committee has been created to oversee the completion of the project. The major points of the proposal includes:

- Simulated hardwood flooring in the lounge and library
- Paint for walls and ceiling, including molding in both rooms

- Curtains, sofa covers, and minor pieces of furniture

Brothers have made a commitment to perform the labor and will do so under the supervision of experienced professionals. A project of this scale requires significant support, and brothers will be contacting alumni in the coming months in an effort to raise funds for the project. Based on our research, we are looking to raise \$7000 for the entire lounge renovation. We take a great deal of pride in the Beta Rho chapter of AEPI, and I speak on behalf of everyone involved when I say that we are committed to the success of this project.

Fraternally,

Ryan Levesque '04
Master



Brothers at the spring semi-formal.

Alumni weekend will be 10/17-19

Highlights of the semester:

- Initiations held May 3rd
- New bar for the basement built for the pledge project
- Successful spring class F party
- Spring weekend activities
- Pledge trip to MIT
- Secret service day
- Spring semi-formal at CAV

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Alumni Event in NYC

I would like to thank all of the alumni and active brothers who came out to Amsterdam Billiards in New York City on Saturday night for the second successful Beta Rho alumni/brother event. I am proud to say that a total of 23 alumni, spanning the Founding Father class to the most recent Zeta and Theta graduates, made their way to the Upper East Side to hang out with old friends and to meet the younger brothers. In my opinion, the good turnout shows the great experience that these alumni had during their time at Beta Rho. In all, 37 Beta Rho brothers had an enjoyable time chilling while playing pool.

We also had the chance to celebrate the June birthdays of Russell Weiss, Andy Golodny, Dave Snitkof, and Ben Mantell. The chocolate birthday cake received rave reviews from all who indulged in it...Costco makes a mean birthday cake.

Some random stuff from the evening: Snaps to Adam Schupack for driving out from New Haven; next time you can carpool with David Schuster and Jared Weiss...After coming to the first alumni/brother event straight from work in a suit and tie, Matt Fine successfully redeemed himself on Saturday night by donning his workout apparel. Well done...Max Garfield, an Amsterdam Billiards regular, was on fire, bringing his A-game on Saturday. We know he's not that good though; he just had home-table advantage... Gary Fishman: several guys have inquired as to if your girlfriend has some similarly attractive friends who are available. If so, email me and I'll take care of the rest...For those who inquired about Andy Polins's whereabouts, he did, in fact, finally graduate in May and no, he has not yet moved to China...Lastly, I hope that the manager of Amsterdam Billiards visits our website and looks at all of those spectacular flash photos; even Max Gar-

field says that flash photography does not distract billiards players.

If you couldn't make it to Saturday's event, don't worry because there will be more to come in the future. We plan to have at least two similar alumni/brother events each year from now on. Have a great summer and I hope to see you at homecoming/Beta Rho alumni weekend which will be October 17-19.

Thanks again to the following alumni who took part on Saturday night: Gary Fishman, Judah Skoff, Sam Ginsberg, Jay Plansky, Adam Schupack, Noah Arnow, Rick Bettan, Matt Fine, Adam Fox, Max Garfield, Matt Goldich, Dan Ko, Josh Levine, Jeff Mizrahi, John Rosenblatt, Erez Biala, Evan Parness, Dan Weisholtz, Adi Ganz, Russell Weiss, Dan Pastula, and Andy Golodny.

Fraternally,

Mike Rozensher '05
Alumni Relations Chair

Coming soon to the website:

- Comprehensive alumni database.
- "Alumni Happenings" area where you can post information about get-togethers, new contact info, career updates, etc.





Immediate Past Master Bids Farewell

Despite the roller coaster ride that comes along with being master of the fraternity, the decision to serve for two terms was one of the best of my life. As we all sat at Sicillia's on Federal Hill celebrating the initiation of 12 new brothers, I could not have been happier (especially, when a few brothers saw fit to buy me a Shirley Temple). It brought closure to another successful year and semester for Beta Rho, cementing our position as one of Brown's best fraternities.

While the beginning of the semester included another massive Super Bowl party and rush, the end of the semester featured a reinvigorated pledge process, our first-annual Spring Break party, an assortment of Spring Weekend festivities, and our annual charity furniture sale. In between all of this, we fielded intramural basketball and softball teams and we received a gubernatorial proclamation recognizing our work with four blood drives over the course of the year. Also, twelve brothers managed to head up to Boston for David Bacharach's Order of the Lion Dinner in April where we ran into several alumni, including Master of Ceremonies Pete Cohen, Seth Orkand, Noah Brown, Andrew Mirsky, Josh Mandel, Adam Schupack, Josh Markowitz, and Mike Rubin. David recognized the chartering of our chapter as being one of the best things he did during his tenure as Supreme Master and his involvement in Alpha Epsilon Pi. He also recognized our blood donation efforts prior to his surgery as a moment that truly touched him. All of the brothers who attended the event left with a renewed appreciation for Beta Rho.

One of my favorite events this semester was the return of Secret Service Day. Although the pledges were not completely successful in fulfilling their duty, failing to guard against a strike by a MOAB (Mother of All Balloons), the full-blown water fight on Wriston Quad was a nice way to close out the day.

After enjoying the events of Senior Week and running into several current brothers and alumni over Commencement Weekend, I am truly ready to sit back and enjoy senior year. I can't wait to see the lounge renovation project get underway, to enjoy Alumni Weekend, and to help out with the successful rush that we are bound to have.

Enjoy the fun and (hopefully) sun over the course of the summer!!

Faternally,

Joshua Troy '04
Immediate Past Master



Brothers on the train to a Red Sox game.

New Brother Perspective

On behalf of the Kappa Pledge Class, I would like to thank all the brothers that have come before us for creating the fraternity that the twelve of us can now call home. It is our sincere hope that we can continue the fine tradition started in 1996 by Beta Rho's founding fathers.

During our time as pledges we have accomplished all of the goals and objectives necessary in order to become brothers. First, and the most impressive, was the new high quality bar now residing in one of the basement rooms. The room will be further renovated during the fall so that we finally have a usable bar room. Second was our pledge class party, which everyone agreed was a raging success. In between studying up for our weekly pledge education meetings, we also made NCAA Basketball brackets as a fundraiser, did community service at Brown Community Outreach Day and went to the MIT chapter for our pledge trip.

Most importantly was the countless hours of quality time we spent with our new brothers. Whether it was hanging around the house late at night, protecting Josh Troy during secret service day, setting up for a party, or playing capture the flag on the Main Green, we realized that a key part of the pledge process is getting to know all of the brothers.

When we were finally initiated and given the title of brother, we all looked back at the previous semester and realized how much fun we had. Special thanks goes out to James Katz, our pledgemaster, and his assistant pledgemasters for teaching us what it truly means to be a brother. It isn't the beer-guzzling, immature Greek as depicted on MTV's "Fraternity Life," but a man who shares a common bond with his fellow brothers.

I hope to meet many of you at alumni weekend in the fall.

Faternally,

Tal Itzkovich '06



Dressed to kill for the pledge cocktail, "Espionage."



Brothers and Pledges put the finishing touches on the new bar.

The brothers of Beta Rho sincerely thank the members of the class of 2003 for their generous donations

On behalf of the active brotherhood, I would like to express my utmost gratitude to the brothers from the class of '03 for their generous donations to Beta Rho. This is the first time in our chapter's history that the entire graduating class has joined together to donate to the fraternity. I believe that this is a testament to the extremely positive impact that AEPi has had on the Brown experiences of these brothers. Hopefully, these senior donations are the start of a new tradition that encourages brothers to give back to Beta Rho. The contributions from the class of '03 have been earmarked to tile our basement "bar room," a project which I think will nicely complement our attractive new bar (courtesy of the Kappa pledge class project; pictures available online). Ultimately, I believe that these house improvements will help to increase the vibrancy of our basement social life.

-Mike Rozensher '05

Andy Polins, Epsilon
Jon Purow, Zeta
Danny Wasserman, Zeta
James Katz, Zeta
Duncan Friedman, Zeta
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Matt Dykhuizen, Iota

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