



Outgoing President's Message

By Justin E. Mack, outgoing chapter president

Brothers & Friends,

I was once told that the last, and arguably most important obligation of the fraternity President is to assure that you not only leave the chapter better than you received it, but you leave behind capable leaders to shape it in for the years coming. And it is with confidence that I can say that this year, that obligation has been set to rest.

Elections for 2010 were held on November 21st. It is my pleasure to be the first to introduce these capable brothers to our alumni, family, and General Fraternity:

Accepting the honorable office of President is my pledge brother and friend, **Thomas R. Ahearn**, CMU '11. Brother Ahearn spent the last year serving as the Epsilon Gamma's Executive Secretary and excelled so that the chapter felt him worthy of our highest position. He has proven to excel in both professional and social settings and there remains no doubt that he will live out the Great Principals of this fraternity so that Beta's name may shine ever gloriously.

Serving along side brother Ahearn will be our newly-elected Executive Vice-President **Matthew J. Petrusha**, CMU '11. A former Pledge Educator, Brother Petrusha has served as a worthy guide for the past two successful Pledge classes and hopes to shape the chapter at a different level now. A successful scholar, executive board member, and manager at his part-time job, Petrusha certainly exudes organization and order. We all look forward to seeing what he can do as the Vice-President of the chapter.

In the hopes of maintaining the Epsilon Gamma's strong financial structure is Brother **Marcus B. Luke**, CMU '11. A pre-law major and treasurer of a number of organizations outside of Beta, Brother Luke comes with a wealth of experience and a passion for the financial health of the chapter. The chapter is lucky to have capable and willing brothers like he.

Our new Executive Secretary will be **Robert W. Lane**, CMU '12. As the former Philanthropy Chairman, Brother Lane is responsible for last spring's very successful King of the Wing chicken wing eating philanthropy and last semester's Betas in Bowties pasta dinner philanthropy. With this experience, we look forward to Brother Lane expanding the impact of his new Executive Board position.

Given the honorable charge of shaping and maturing our young brothers-to-be will be Brother **Benjamin J. Love**, CMU '12, our newly-elected Pledge Educator. Looking to maintain the Epsilon Gamma's reputation for outstanding Pledge Education, Brother Love will take charge of the spring and fall 2010 pledges in hopes to mold strong brothers by the end of his 8-week program. The chapter unanimously found him worthy of that charge.

In the coming semesters, Brother **Kevin N. White**, CMU '12, will lead Beta in their efforts to find the fine men on Central Michigan University's campus that are worthy to wear the badge and bear the name of Beta Theta Pi. Always a stressful and exhausting search, Brother White has shown through his character and work ethic that he is more than prepared and capable of handling the task.

Accepting the post of Risk Manager is **Brother Spencer B. Matthews**, CMU '11. Brother Matthews and his impeccable reputation among the brothers as a responsible young adult will be charged with the duty of assuring that the chapter remains in line as far as responsibility and safety go. We have no doubt that his foresight and critical thinking will always steer the chapter in the right direction.

And finally, assigned as the new year's new Ritual Chairman is Brother **Tylere R. Presley**, CMU '12. Brother Presley will look to preserve the meaning and purpose of the ritual for not only the young and newly initiated brothers, but for brothers of all ages. He possesses an exceptional knowledge and understanding of the ritual and as such he seemed an excellent choice for the position.

As a whole, the chapter remains anxious and excited to see what our newly elected leadership is capable of. Shortly following our addition of 8 new brothers (last roll is number 405!), the Epsilon Gamma seems as alive as ever and readily awaiting our next challenge.

I would like to wish you all a Happy New Year from the bottom of my heart and thanks for your past and continued support of this chapter and this fraternity. God bless!

New President's Message

By Thomas R. Ahearn '11, chapter president

Dear Brother,

I hope this letter finds you and your loved ones well after a sacred holiday season. I am honored to have been elected as the new president of our beloved fraternity. I have high hopes for our fraternity and I hope you will become active in helping us achieve our goal of becoming one of the top chapters in the nation. I would not have accepted this position without believing I am worthy of carrying on the great excellence of Epsilon Gamma. Personally I am aware of the qualities it will take to successfully lead this fraternity. I believe it is said best through a quote stated by Bill Horn, *Denison* '10:

"I will continue to cultivate myself in all aspects of life. Cultivating your intellect is far more than receiving a perfect grade point average or enrolling in the most difficult classes. There is a basic principle that goes along with this idea and that is to challenge ourselves in everything we do."

I agree with this whole heartedly. I will pledge to you that while I am president of Epsilon Gamma we will continue to challenge ourselves in everything we attempt, never settling for second best. It is time to prove to ourselves and the fraternity world that we are the definition of *Men of Principle*.

I am very eager for the upcoming year here at Epsilon Gamma, we have a rich tradition that I intend to uphold. I hope you become enthusiastic with the start of a new year; I know I am. I hope to meet many of you at the pig roast upcoming this spring and for those who I don't get the chance to meet, I hope I can make you proud with the way I will represent the fraternity we all hold dear to our hearts.

Silver Anniversary Banquet

SAVE THE DATE!

Save the date! The 25th anniversary banquet for the Epsilon Gamma Chapter will be held on November 13th, 2010 at the Comfort Inn in Mt. Pleasant, Michigan.

Event Chairman Tom Bussineau '86 will be providing further details next month.

Housing Corporation Update

By Scott Nadeau '89, housing corporation president

The next meeting for the EGHC will be held on Saturday, January 30th, 2010 at the Law Offices of Jonathan B. Eadie.

28592 Orchard Lake Rd
Farmington Hills, MI 48334

The meeting will begin at 1:00 and should be over by 2:30. Everyone is welcome to attend.

If you are not on the board but would like to attend or have any matters you would like presented to the Housing Corporation for consideration, please send them to me prior to January 30th.

Upcoming Events

Chapter Kick-off Retreat
January 10, 2010
1:00 PM

Bovee University Center - Mt. Pleasant, Michigan

Midwest Keystone Leadership Conference
February 5-7, 2010
Lisle, Illinois
[MORE INFORMATION](#)

22nd Annual
Robert A. Seeber/Lenny Varner
International Pig Roast
April, 2010
Mt. Pleasant, Michigan
DETAILS SOON!

Silver Anniversary Banquet
November 13, 2010
Comfort Inn - Mt. Pleasant, Michigan

EG's full event calendar is [here](#).

The Beta Network

- Nothing new to report this month.

Send in your Beta Network News to communications@epsilongamma.org or fill out the form at:
<http://www.epsilongamma.org/alumni/betabase.htm>.

This Month's Birthdays

By Greg Compton '86

Wish your brother a very happy birthday.

January Birthdays:

Jeff Miller	Jan. 03	40
Neil Clark	Jan. 08	39
Roman Burchart	Jan. 13	36
Ben Reedy	Jan. 14	25
Paul DeRoche	Jan. 16	41
Daniel McLean	Jan. 16	28
Alan Parsons	Jan. 17	45
Ray Furness	Jan. 17	45
Scott Bondy	Jan. 18	35
Andrew Amstutz	Jan. 19	40
Alex Pfeiffle	Jan. 19	29
Kenneth Septer	Jan. 20	39
Jeremiah Sherman	Jan. 20	31
Dave Jablonski	Jan. 20	22
Jeffrie Jinian	Jan. 23	43
Darrell Jackson	Jan. 23	42
Matthew Yandura	Jan. 23	36
Kevin Hileman	Jan. 24	45
Joel Hoppa	Jan. 26	39
Robert L. Bartz	Jan. 28	47
Vance Sasinowski	Jan. 28	43
Stephen Siler	Jan. 29	44
Jay Richardson	Jan. 29	40
Mike Stanziola	Jan. 29	38
Will Fathree	Jan. 29	30
Aaron McConnell	Jan. 30	36
Chad Saha	Jan. 31	40

Oldest: Robert L. Bartz 47. Youngest: Dave Jablonski 22.

Ave. age is 37.7 years.

These are the birthdays I have for January. If any of you are not listed or are listed incorrectly, please contact me at compton@aaps.k12.mi.us and I will change it or add it to my major list.

Have a great birthday brothers!

If you have any questions or comments please send them to communications@epsilongamma.org.

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