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## Betas, Chi-O's Win Sooner Scandals

This spring, the Betas and the Chi-O's teamed up for a *Sooner Scandals* act which swept nearly all of the awards. Their act was based on Disney's animated feature film, *Hercules*.

*Sooner Scandals* is the annual Broadway-style song and dance production which occurs each Mom's Day weekend. Most of OU's fraternities and sororities participate each year.

When the awards were handed out, the Betas and Chi-O's walked away with the prize for Best-in-Show, Audience Favorite, Best Male Chorus and Best Female Chorus. Stacy McCarty (Durant '00) also won the Best Male Lead award.

Beta directors were Todd Gladfelter, Aaron Hutton and Richard Stafford. Other Betas in the *Hercules* act were Joe Caswell, Tommy Gannem, David Harris, Don Kirkpatrick, Chan Klingensmith, Stacy McCarty, Paul Pierce, Michael Pruitt and Matt Sherman.

Gladfelter, Hutton, Stafford, McCarty and Sherman are also in the Beta Five Act, which won Best of Show in *University Sing* in the fall and has performed at several University events.

The chapter plans to enter *University Sing* with the Tri Deltas and Homecoming with the Kappa Kappa Gammas next fall.

*Bob Klabzuba reminiscing with Nick and Linda Anderson on the basketball court at the Beta Beer and BBQ Alumni Reunion last fall.*



## Alumni Reunion a Huge Success

On September 27 last fall, Gamma Phi hosted the first annual Beta Beer and BBQ Alumni Reunion. This event was a reunion for all Gamma Phi alumni.

It was a tremendous success with over 500 alumni, actives and family members attending. Many of the good brothers were, once again, able to relax in the old porch chairs and discuss such matters as "Back when we lived in the House, we used to . . ." or "That's nothing, when I was a pledge, we had to . . ." Alumni who had not seen each other in years had the opportunity to get caught up on things and reminisce about days of yore.

Much credit for the success goes to Brett Chandler '82, whose Rib

Crib Restaurant generously provided outstanding BBQ for all to enjoy. House Mother Sue Overton and Beta Moms President, Anne Harris, also provided invaluable assistance in making arrangements for the reunion.

We're planning another reunion this fall. If you missed it last year, you owe it to yourself to attend the next one this fall. This will be an annual event, which the Chapter intends to hold before the first night football game. Look for more information in the mail in August.

The chapter especially wants to see our legacies of all ages at the BBQ so they will start thinking of the Beta house as home!

## SUMMER RUSH APPROACHES

The Chapter's Rush Team for 1998 is comprised of Rush Chairman, Joe Ford (Shawnee '00) and Assistant Rush Chairmen, Matt Blue (Midwest City '99), Fenton Sanger (Lawton '99) and Richard Stafford (Lawton '00).

As an incoming freshman two years ago, Joe Ford was one of OU's most highly recruited rushees. During his first year at OU, Ford was a member of the President's Leadership Class, president of his pledge class, received the outstanding pledge award and achieved a 3.60 GPA. Last year, Ford served as secretary for the Chapter and has been a stalwart source of positive influence and leadership. This summer, no fraternity will have a finer rush chairman than Joe Ford.

Blue, Sanger and Stafford will be a solid supporting cast on the rush team. Each is highly admired for his charisma and enthusiasm.

The rush team is looking forward to waging a relentless rush campaign throughout the summer. They have also resolved to renew and intensify the Chapter's emphasis on academic qualifications and character.

As always, the rush team will rely heavily upon Gamma Phi alumni for rush referrals and financial support. The Chapter requests your support. If you know of a high school senior whom you believe to be a quality rush prospect, please let the Chapter know now! Rush referrals should be sent to:

### Beta Theta Pi

c/o Zach Allen, Rush Advisor  
4316 Oxford Way

Norman, OK 73072

Telephone: 405/235-5500

Fax: 405/329-5083

E-mail: [zallen@gablelaw.com](mailto:zallen@gablelaw.com)

All rush contributions should also be sent to the same address



**Rush Team Members Joe Ford-Shawnee, Matt Blue-Midwest City, Fenton Sanger-Lawton and Richard Stafford-Lawton.**

## A NOTE ABOUT FUND RAISING

In recent months, most Gamma Phi alumni have received certain fund raising solicitations on behalf of the Beta Theta Pi General Fraternity. Please do not confuse these solicitations with fund-raising drives on behalf of the Gamma Phi Chapter.

Financial support from alumni has always been very important to Gamma Phi. The House Corporation and Chapter solicit alumni contributions **twice** each year - for the Beta Donors Program in the fall and for rush in the spring.

Money contributed by our loyal alumni to the Beta Donors Program and to rush is used solely for the benefit of Gamma Phi. On the other hand, funds raised by the General Fraternity are used for various Beta Theta Pi causes such as the Beta Foundation. The Chapter is not involved in the General Fraternity's fund-raising activities.

A letter requesting your financial assistance for rush, as well as your recommendations of rushees, will be mailed soon. Gamma Phi alumni have always been generous in their support of the Chapter and that support is greatly appreciated.

## SPRING RUSH

Gamma Phi completed spring rush with the signing of four pledges. Each pledge is a freshman who earned above a 3.00 GPA during the fall semester. Alumni should know that the Chapter had the opportunity to sign as many as five other rushees, but elected not to do so because the rushees did not satisfy the Chapter's academic requirements.

Among other things, the spring pledges reestablish the Chapter's presence in the key cities of Bartlesville and Ponca City. They also include Brian Tate, who is a scholarship member of the OU wrestling team.

### Spring Pledges

John Weaver  
Midwest City

Chad Click  
Bartlesville

Michael Grubb  
Ponca City

Brian Tate  
San Diego, CA

## Basketball, Softball Teams Lead Tournaments

### GAMMA PHI WINS NATIONAL BETA BASKETBALL CHAMPIONSHIP

This March, Gamma Phi's basketball team emerged as champions of the National Beta Theta Pi Basketball Tournament at Eastern Kentucky University. Sixteen Beta teams participated in the tournament.

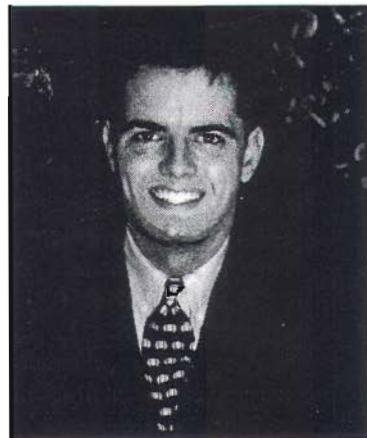
Gamma Phi is in the process of creating something of a dynasty among Beta chapters, having won the championship in 1998, second place in 1997 and the championship in 1996.

### INTRAMURALS REPORT

The Chapter finished in fourth place for the '97-'98 year in the overall IFC Intramurals standings. Last fall, the Chapter's hard luck in football in recent years (sound familiar?) continued when the team was eliminated in the quarter-finals of the IFC Tournament.

Beta's strongest sports are basketball and softball, which are held in the spring. The Chapter continued its dominance in basketball by winning the Intramural Championship with a finals victory over Alpha Phi Alpha. The Beta pledge class basketball team also placed second (first among Greek houses) in a campus-wide, all-freshman basketball tournament.

The softball season began with the Kappa Alpha Diamond Classic, which is a charity tournament. Gamma Phi, just as it did last year, walked away as tournament champions. Unfortunately, the Beta A-Team suffered an upset defeat in the quarter-finals of the IFC tournament. But the Beta B-Team finished impressively when it too advanced to the quarter-finals (after defeating 2 rival A-Teams in the previous 2 rounds). In any event, the season finished on a high note when Gamma Phi emerged as champions of OU's all-campus softball tournament.



**Ryan Harris**  
**'98 - '99 President**

### Chapter Officers 1998-99

#### President -

Ryan Harris, Edmond '99

#### Vice President -

Fenton Sanger, Lawton '99

#### Secretary -

Trey Dzialo, Lawton '00

#### Treasurer -

Josh Henley, Springdale, AR '00

#### Social -

Richard Stafford, Lawton '99

#### Intramurals -

Matt Stubblefield, Jenks '99

#### Rush Chairman -

Joe Ford, Shawnee '00

#### Assistant Rush Chairmen -

Fenton Sanger, Lawton '99

Richard Stafford, Lawton '00

Matt Blue, Midwest City, '99

#### Risk Manager -

Everett Lees, Edmond '99

#### Pledge Trainer -

Wade Christian, Marlow '00

#### Scholarship -

Matt Clouse, Grove '01

#### House Manager -

Brad Clark, Hurst, TX '99

#### IFC Reps. -

Barry Clark, Hurst, TX '01

Rob Lowry, Plano, TX '01



*Intramural Basketball team members Matt Stubblefield, Chris Villani, Joe Donnelley, Mike Dobbs, Sam Eiser and Scott Brockman after winning the Basketball Intramural Trophy.*

## Gamma Phi Wins at Greek Awards Banquet

Recognition in eleven of twelve areas of chapter programming made Beta Theta Pi a big winner at the Greek Awards Banquet in March. The chapter also won "Greek Week," paired with the Gamma Phi Betas for philanthropic and campus activities.

The Chapter received first place awards for New Member Recruitment and Scholarship Programming, and won recognition in nine more of the twelve areas, the most by far, of any fraternity. Awards for distinction were for Philanthropy and Community Service, Campus Involvement, Community Relations, Chapter Programming, New Member Education, Greek Involvement, Alumni Relations, Cultural Programming and Interfraternalism.

Housemother Sue Overton was recognized as "Housemother of the Year" and the end of her first year with the Betas. She was also elected President of the Housemother's Association for next year.



**Gamma Phi President Carrick Carpenter and Beta Housemother Sue Overton.**

### BETA QUINTET WINS U- SING

Last fall, the "Beta Five," comprised of Aaron Hutton, Todd Gladfelter, Stacy McCarty, Matt Sherman and Richard Stafford, took top honors, including Best-in-Show and Audience Favorite for a small act in OU's *University Sing*.

The Beta Five performed a rendition of Billy Joel's *For the Longest Time*. The Beta Five have become a popular act on campus. They have sung the national anthem at a few of OU's basketball games this year and most recently at the OU - Texas baseball game.

*University Sing* is a fall musical revue scheduled each year as a part of the Dad's Day festivities. The Beta/Kappa Kappa Gamma act, composed of pledges from both groups, took third place in the Large Acts category.

Hutton and Gladfelter have graduated and will be sorely missed in the Beta Five and in the Chapter next year.

### DONOR PROGRAM SETS RECORD

The 1997-1998 Donors Program achieved a record year with a total of \$30,241.00 in contributions from 223 alumni from 53 classes. Funds raised from the Donors Program are used for much needed capital improvements and repairs to the Beta House. This generous alumni support is *critical* to keeping the Beta House in good condition and keeping the Chapter competitive in rush.

This year our major Donors were Guy Bacon '63, Dan Moody '69, Tom McCasland, Jr. '56, Fallis Beall '55, and Bill Reed '55. The Class of '85 achieved the distinction of having 21 Donors, the most of any class. This class alone produced nearly 10% of total Donor contributions.

The Chapter extends its deepest thanks to the many generous Donors who made this year's Donors Program a resounding success! A copy of our Donor list is included in this issue on page 5.

### FRATERNAL FIFTIES

Congratulations to these Gamma Phi alumni who are celebrating the 50th anniversary of their initiation.

**Sidney Frederickson**  
**Morgan Eddleman**  
**Paul Allen**  
**Denzil Garrison**  
**Godwin Broaddus**  
**John Croom**  
**Warner Lewis**  
**Merle Smith**  
**Loren Baker**  
**William Blanchard**  
**John Nielsen**  
**Lloyd Lynd**  
**William Glass**  
**Joe Fields**  
**James Meek**  
**James Bone**  
**Harold Mathias**  
**John Harlan**  
**David Fields**  
**William Shirley**  
**William Finney**  
**Frank Paget**  
**Max Kemp**  
**Lawrence McAlister**  
**Charles Durie**  
**Edgar Boatman**

**1933**  
William R. Clark  
**1934**  
Fred E. Brown  
John W. Kniseley  
William P. Longmire, Jr.  
John K. Orr  
**1937**  
Horace Calvert  
Louis V. Stuart  
**1938**  
Walter D. Hart  
**1940**  
Charles P. Gotwals, Jr.  
**1941**  
Elmer Hale, Jr.  
**1942**  
Robert S. Frantz  
Harry H. Diamond  
**1943**  
John N. Dew  
**1944**  
Sam Shackleford  
**1947**  
William J. Hemphill  
Lon T. Jackson, Jr.  
Strat Tolson  
**1948**  
*Robert W. Allen*  
**1949**  
Goodwin Broaddus  
Max Kemp  
Robert C. Millspaugh, Jr.  
W.S. Warner, Jr.  
**1950**  
H. Dale Cook  
M.W. Eddleman  
John P. Harlan  
Robert L. Myers  
Lindbergh J. Rahhal  
John A. Reid  
Richard L. Walton  
**1951**  
C. Warren Fatheree  
Jack T. Massey  
William R. Shirley  
**1952**  
Richard R. Hefton  
W.M. McGee  
Burke Mordy  
William J. Ross  
**1953**  
Dwayne E. Godsey  
Warren K. Jordan  
J. Hugh Roff, Jr.  
James R. Snider  
Albert L. Welsh  
**1954**  
Langford Keith, Jr.  
George S. Mason  
Lee B. Thompson, Jr.

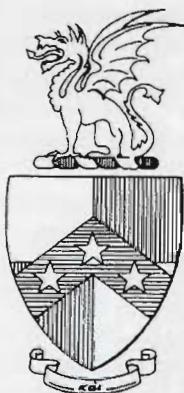
## 1997-1998 Beta Donors

<b>1955</b>	<b>1967</b>	<b>1985</b>
Fallis Beall	J. Michael Badgwell	Tyson V. Akin
Bradley Million	J. William Conger	Zachary W. Allen
Bill K. Reed	Jerry C. Hassebrock	Jon D. Baccus
<b>1956</b>	Scott D. Lawrence	Robert L. Barr IV
T.H. McCasland, Jr.	John Lynn	Carter Baumert
Mark H. McKinsey	Michael H. Strong	Paul A. Bevilacqua
Frank G. Mitchell	<b>1969</b>	Charles L. Dobbs
Tom Norris	Len B. Cason	Robert R. Felton
<b>1957</b>	Mike Cawley	Todd Huckabee
Dick Hefton	James C. Elder	Dow R. Hughes
<b>1958</b>	W.B. Johnston	Kenneth V. Hughes, III
Davis Coppedge	Wm. O. Johnstone	Charles Franklin Knapp
John H. Dykes	Dan A. Moody	Brad H. Liebmann
Philip D. Hart	Richard D. Padberg	Jeff Norman
William H. McCoy, Jr.	G. Blaine Schwabe, III	Jay W. Pettit
T.J. Semrod	<b>1970</b>	Raymond A. Thatch
Sam L. Wilhite, Jr.	Kurt S. Frantz	Charles E. Towe, Jr.
<b>1959</b>	John T. Lockard	Jay Wade
George W. Athey	James W. Sharrock	Randall S. Wells
Robert Osborne	<b>1971</b>	C. Robert Wright
Bryan Medlock	Warren E. Askew	Stan Vlasimsky
<b>1960</b>	Guy L. Berry, III	<b>1986</b>
Gary D. Baer	G. Elden Hoffman	Brent L. Mills
Roger Bowman	Robert R. Klabzuba	Cooper B. Robinson
Charles F. Long	R. Marc Nuttle	<b>1987</b>
Gordon Pugh	John Ritz	Dave R. Hughes
Richard H. Reid	Dennis B. Schwabe	William J. Settle
<b>1961</b>	<b>1972</b>	<b>1988</b>
Robert L. Barr	Rufus Y. Bandy III	Michael R. Hall
Stanley M. Ward	Charles P. Buland	Bo Harrison
<b>1962</b>	Paul V. Carlisle, Jr.	Kelly A. Muldrow
Mike C. Howard	Kim Cook	<b>1989</b>
Alvan (Mont) Muldrow	Richard Dimick	Jim Wetwiska
John M. Yeager	Robert W. Dow	<b>1990</b>
<b>1963</b>	Levoy C. Ellsworth, Jr.	Todd K. Booze
Guy Bacon	James R. Gotwals	Michael J. LaBrie
John M. Coffey	J. Steve Miller	Randy McDaniel
Don Copeland	John G. Moore	Brook M. Muldrow
Clark Ellison	Hank Ryan	Scott P. Sullivan
Richard W. Moore, Jr.	Fred O. Turner	<b>1991</b>
W.T. Richardson, Jr.	Wayne L. Wasemiller	Phillip W. Farmer
Tom Swineford	<b>1973</b>	Jerry M. Taylor
<b>1965</b>	William L. Berry	<b>1992</b>
Donald R. Crews	John H. Coker, Jr.	James T. Johnson III
Charles D. Watson, Jr.	Daniel F. Gayle	<b>FRIENDS</b>
<b>1966</b>	Mark L. Harris	Mr/Mrs. William L. Ford
J. Philip Adamson	Harbour Whitaker	<b>IN MEMORIAM</b>
Charles M. Cole, III	E. Bob Yeatts	Michael R. Hall '77
Wayne E. Copeland, Jr.	<b>1974</b>	Alvan M. Muldrow '31
Charles S. Coward	Steven L. Barghols	Robert Myers '36
J. Douglas Frantz	Ronald E. Bowden	Robert D. Reid '52
Dean Hart, Jr.	Patrick E. Campbell	David Schrouf '87
W. Carlisle Mabrey, III	Jerry Kelley	John C. Van Aken '61
Ron Moore	John A. Klabzuba	
Joe B. McMillin	Joseph P. Klabzuba	
Carl M. Smith	Michael Nair	
Arthur Thompson	Christopher H. Pierce	



### GENERAL SECRETARY VISITS GAMMA PHI

Last fall, Beta Theta Pi General Secretary, Jerry Blesch and Vice General Secretary, John Alt, III, visited Gamma Phi Chapter. No one seems to recall exactly when Gamma Phi was last visited by a General Secretary, but it was evidently at least thirty years ago.



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