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To Our Alumni Brothers:

The first issue of the <u>Hanover Zete</u> for the 1977-78 school year finds the house in sound shape financially, socially and physically. Much has occurred since the last issue as you will soon learn. One of the most notable coups in recent months was the capture of the second place award for Best Chapter during the National Convention held in Seattle. Although we deserved the Top Honor according to several of the officers, they were reluctant to give Psi Epsilon the award for two consecutive years as such a move was unprecedented in Zeta Psi history. Brothers accepting the award were Evan Haley '77, Douglas Mavor '77, Mark Germano '78 and William Blatt '78.

Strong house cohesiveness during the fall generated what will hopefully become a time-honored tradition: the institution of so-called "mobile units." Consisting of from five to seven brothers, various beverages and usually a weather-beaten station wagon, these units traveled the breadth of the region stopping only when necessary at football games, other Chapters, girls' schools and at gas stations.

House Manager's Report:

Several major projects were undertaken this fall and have been completed. The front (north side) of the house was completely painted at a cost of \$780. In order to enhance the appearance of the interior of the house, the brothers painted the walls from the basement to the third floor. The purchase of new Altec Lansing speakers for the living room has given us increased output and finer sound from our audio system. A new amplifier has been ordered to complete the renovations on the system.

Other projects are in the planning stages, and will be started as soon as we can raise enough capital. These include: 1) replacing all the hollow plywood doors with solid-core manogany ones, 2) purchasing a new self-cleaning oven to replace the aging, defective stove presently in the kitchen, and 3) the rejuvenation of some of the weather-beaten shutters.

All in all, the physical plant of the house is in excellent condition. If we can finish insulating the windows, control the inevitable snowball damage, and learn to cope with a stubborn and capricious boiler unit, no immediate crises are foreseen.

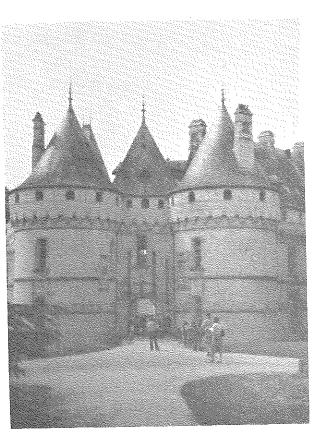
T. Clark Weymouth '79 House Manager - Fall Term

Social Report:

Fall term featured an active, diverse social calendar structured loosely around the football season. Activities including two band parties, a three-floor, three-drink party on House Parties Weekend, Speakeasy (a Roaring 'Twenties affair) and traditional pre-game punches. These weekends were well attended by off-campus brothers and returning alumni, notably the '77s who were seen sporting three-piece suits.

Many brothers roadtripped to crucial away-games with important stopovers at Smith, Holyoke and Wheaton along the way. Less crucial games found most brothers in Hanover enjoying such functions as Oktoberfest, a House dinner and the old staples: pong and Friends and Enemies in the basement. Looking forward to winter term and what promises to be an excellent hockey season, we would like to encourage all Zetes to stop in and sip or chug with the bro.

Rick Sunshine '78
Social Chairman



We have made several improvements on the physical plant recently.

Treasurer's Report

Financially, the new school year finds the house not only solvent, but capable of making major improvements as well. The unexpectedly pleasant response to the Alumni Fund initiated last year raised over \$1200 in additional assets. Special thanks are due those Elders who made lifetime contributions. The Fund's pledge stipulated that all monies would be used solely for House improvements, the House Manager's report indicates exactly how this was done.

The house is currently in a transitional period. Because of the unique nature of the Dartmouth Plan of Year-Round-Operation, the Psi Epsilon Chapter has reached an agreement with the National whereby a brother's National dues are paid in one lump sum along with the initiation fee. This has caused a situation of

deficit spending in certain terms, which is balanced out over the year. The new system is more complex, yet more economical in the long run. Brothers have the satisfaction of knowing that their dues go directly towards house maintenance and improvement.

Brothers at Dartmouth were awarded several scholarships by the National at both the undergraduate and graduate levels. This underscores the high regard Zetes have traditionally held for academics. Zeta Psi in recent years has led the fraternities in scholastic excellence as measured by cumulative averages. The most recent winners of scholarships were James Hayssen '76, William Mead '75, Gary Zebrowski '77, Mark Germano '78, Mark Sullivan '79 and Michael Barrett '80.

As treasurer, I would like to personally invite any Zete alums in the area to drop by, visit the house and see just how their contributions are being used to maintain the pride of Webster Avenue.

J. Hunter Melville '78
Treasurer

From the Phi:

The fall term has been a good one for the Psi Epsilon Chapter. The key to our success has been the enthusiastic participation of all the brothers in our parties, our workcrews and in intramural sports. The new brothers have played an especially important role; they have brought girls to the house in unprecedented numbers. Rick Sunshine '78 did his best as social chairman to provide a varied social program with events ranging from traditional pre-game Bloody Marys - to punches for the road - to a party-on-every-floor. Indeed, sometimes we think he did too good of a job as evidenced by the aftermath of his liberal bartending.

The Zete athletic machine 'rolled again'. We made the finals in intramural soccer but lost it in a tough match against Psi U. The golf tourney was wrapped up by the hard driving team of Mike Urban '78 and Tony Luppino '79. We took second place in the Great Frat Race excelling in such events as the bicycle race, the egg carry and, of course, the chugging contest; this interfraternity competition netted thirteen hundred dollars for charity.

As always brothers are involved in a myriad of extracurricular activities: varsity soccer, tennis, squash and track; teacher's assistants in economics, astronomy and French; many members of the various class councils; Big Brother-Little Brother Program; WDCR; The Dartmouth: and the list goes on. We are especially proud of William Blatt '78 who was named Phi Beta Kappa.

We also enjoyed ample alumni support, particularly from those who returned for football games, and more particularly from the class of '77. Thanks also go to the Muck and Riles (James McCullough'74 and Thomas Reilly '74) who dropped in following some poor guy's wedding, and to all the rest of you who stopped by and donated football tickets, kegs and their time. We hope you enjoyed the visit as much as we did. Always feel welcome to come by, it's your house, too, and we appreciate the chance to share it with you. Special thanks go to Mr. John Cogswell, his continuous support means so much. We consider ourselves lucky to have him nearby. Thank you Mr. Cogswell.

In addition to visiting alumni, we also played host to Zetes from other Chapters, and they in turn hosted us. Good times were had by all. We were also fortunate to have Edison Dick, President of the National organization pay us a visit several weeks ago. And we enjoyed greeting Donald Brown '50, who visited us over Thanksgiving.

Thanks again to everyone for your letters and your visits. It's great to know that you are still interested. We hope that interest never dies.

Best wishes for the holiday season -

Yours in TKØ,

Thomas Swartwood '78
Phi

December 12, 1977

Dear Brother -

Last year at this time, we initiated the drive for the House maintenance Fund by asking our alumni brothers to pledge five dollars per year for life. It was our most successful alumni fund project ever; generous elders contributed over 1200 dollars, which we earmarked exclusively for house improvements. This enabled us to finance projects which we otherwise would be unable to undertake. Once again, we would like to extend our thanks to all contributors, with special appreciation to those who pledged lifetime donations. Your support has demonstrated a strong sense of pride in Zeta Psi, and we would like to uphold this tradition when we join the ranks of Zete alums.

As successful as the Alumni Fund Drive has been, its impact in the long run will be minimal if the drive stops with only the contributions and pledges made last year. We ask those of you who have not yet had the opportunity to make a pledge to do so now, and thereby help to continue the tradition of Alumni support for Zeta Psi. Psi Epsilon is as strong as ever, and the pride that our Elder brothers have for fraternity is truly one of our most valuable assets in maintaining our preeminence at Dartmouth College.

To those of you who have already made the annual pledge, we would like to remind you to forward your contributions to:

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Thank you very much for your support. We would like to extend our best wishes for the holidays to all of our alumni brothers and their families.

Yours in TKØ,

Mark Germano '78 Alpha Phi