



YON CLARION BELL

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Temple Completion Celebration!

Reunion this year will include the official dedication of the completed Temple move, restoration, renovation and additions. On Friday evening May 31, BYO cocktails will start at the Pierce Memorial at 6:13pm for Mu alumni and their guests.

Dinner will be served at 7:29pm, complete with linen, wine, candles and flowers on all the tables. Colgate reunion dinner tickets for Friday night or fifteen dollars per person will pay for dinner. Temple tours for Mu alumni only will be conducted on Friday evening and during the day on Saturday.

The party Friday night will knock your socks off and the Temple will take your breath away. Please return the reservation card enclosed or call John Wilson (404) 255-2862 or fax (404) 255-2864 prior to May 23 if you plan to attend. Reservations will be required.

Annual Meeting

The annual meetings of The Mu of DKE Alumni Corporation and The Mu of DKE Foundation will take place in The Pierce Memorial on Saturday, June 1, 1996 starting at 9:30am.

Undergraduate Report

The 1995-96 academic year was a prosperous and eventful one at 110 Broad St. In the fall, the House welcomed the 139th class of Mu of DKE. The 139th is a diverse group of twenty-two young men, involved in all aspects of the Colgate community. The sophomore group has members on the varsity baseball, football, hockey, swimming, and lacrosse teams. Colgate organizations such as Colgate 13, The Resolutions, CCAC, and Student Association are represented by the new delegation. The new class also carries a strong academic record, thus enhancing the presence of the fraternity on the hill.

As for the rest of the brotherhood, things continue to be successful. DKE brothers continue to play important roles in varsity sports, club sports, Colgate student organizations, and campus affairs, and the House is in very good position to retain its title of Intramural Sports Champion. DKE also remains involved in philanthropic and community affairs. The House sponsored a Red Cross blood drive in the spring, and last Halloween the brothers put together a spectacular haunted house at the Pierce Memorial for the youngsters of the town to enjoy.

The House held two Blackmore Scholarship Dinners in the past year. Brother Blackmore '41, still very involved in Colgate and DKE affairs, presented awards to brothers in the

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Tuesday lunch at the house has become a Blackmore tradition. Brothers Leo Spector, David Keyt, Justin Archer, and George Werntz '33, appear to have enjoyed the meal and the fellowship.

Undergraduate Report Continued

classes of 1996, '97 and '98 for highest GPA and most improved GPA. As for the academics of the House as a whole, DKE will be receiving an award for the most improved GPA on the row during this year's Greek Week festivities on April 15.

As you can see, the 1995-96 year has been full of exciting events for DKE brothers. As we bid adieu to our five seniors graduating this spring, Andrew C. Agor, Benjamin P. H. Dailey, Michael J. Aguilar, David S. Clements, and Mark A. Ries, we can only hope that the incoming classes can add to the richness and unity of the current undergraduate brotherhood.

Daniel R. Renaud



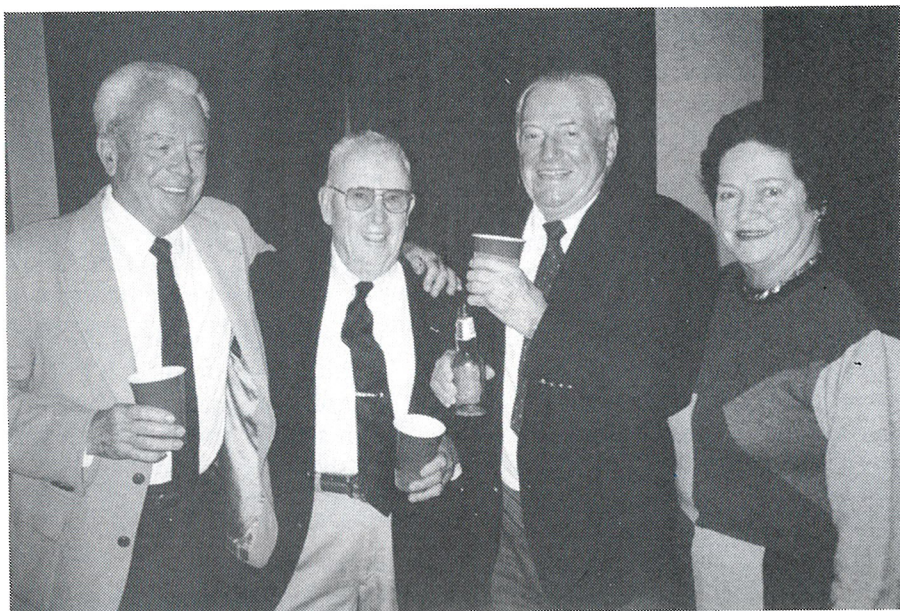
The youngsters of Hamilton enjoyed the Pierce Memorial when it became a haunted house on Halloween. As evidenced by the expressions on their faces, a good time was had by all!



FOR GALLANTRY IN ACTION

Through the efforts of Denny Babcock '44, Joe De Bragga '43, Bob Bentley '44 and other alumni we will honor our brothers who made the supreme sacrifice during World War II. We have been given the medals awarded to Paul MacDonald, Jr, 2/Lt USMCR, who was killed in action in Tinian on August 1, 1944. These include his Silver Star awarded for conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity in action against the Japanese forces on Tinian, Marianas Islands while attached to the 3d Battalion, 8th Marines, 2d Marine Division. An appropriate display honoring all brothers killed in action will become part of our archives and placed on display.

Please check your attics, your basements, your homes, your files for material which will add to the history of Mu. Brother Blackmore has been able to acquire a number of Sals, but we need to fill in the vacant years. Gris Hurlbert has sent us his father's files. Vi Cotterell (Wes '19) has given us her sterling silver party favors from '17, '18 and '19. Bill Wilson '20 has sent files as well. We have received a beautifully framed charcoal drawing of The Temple from the family of Dr. John Burt '36. DKE plaques have been received from Joe Nounnan '42 and the family of Jim DeVenne '53. Pictures are extremely important. If you have a question about the relevancy of an item, it is probably something we should save. Contact Jud Breslin '59 with questions. Home phone 201-299 0830, office 201-538 4411.



Denny Babcock '44, Bob Bentley '44, and Bill and Pat Burke '44, raise a glass to the fine memories of those who gave their all for their country.



Dean of the College Michael Cappeto, Patrick Fleming '97, and John Wilson '52 enjoy themselves at the Christmas Party held at the Pierce Memorial in December.

Report from the Alumni Corporation

1. **Financial Condition:** I am pleased to report that all taxes and government documentation are now up to date. When I took over this responsibility approximately two years ago, we were two years behind. With the able assistance of our local accounting firm in Syracuse we have been able to catch up. You will appreciate that with the smaller numbers living in the House, we have enforced to undertake certain fiscal changes. Jo Fenner has willingly assisted with the result that her costs have been reduced by about 20% and a very favorable oil arrangement has been reached with the local provider at a cost that is more favorable than the FSMA has been able to negotiate. If the undergraduates are successful again next year in securing a good-sized class, we should be in position to begin a capital saving program again. In the meantime, I am pleased to advise the Foundation that we are in a position to make our first payment since the Foundation provided us with financial assistance.

2. **The Undergraduate Brotherhood:** Despite the difficult situation of a recent return to campus and a significant decrease in interest toward fraternities last year, the undergraduates were able to pledge a very strong class of 22. I was

recently advised by Joe Caprio that, in his opinion, we presently have the strongest group of young men in the Colgate fraternity system.

Over the last two months I have seen a marked improvement in the undergraduate responses to the kinds of issues that are bound to occur on an annual basis. I want to publicly take this opportunity to thank them, and, more particularly, thank David Keyt for stick handling through some delicate communication issues. The foundation has been laid for continuing constructive communication in the future between the undergraduates and the alumni.

3. **The Pierce Memorial** - Without a doubt, the physical plant continues to be the best on campus, despite extensive expenditures by other Houses to upgrade their buildings. Despite our financial crunch we were able to find sufficient funds last summer to repaint the entire outside and inside of the building. Apart from the day-to-day items that regularly occur, there is presently only one significant project that must be completed within the next five years. I am referring to the heating system, which will cost an estimated \$25,000 to \$50,000 to upgrade.

We simply don't have the funds at this time to go forward with this project, but I am hopeful that we will be able to go forward during the summer of 1997, if we have another good class in the spring of that year.

4. **Foundation and Corporation Interaction** - I am pleased to be able to say that the level and quality of communication is as good as it has ever been between the Foundation and the Corporation. John and I have talked at least every two weeks for some time. While I would have preferred to speak more often, I was unable to get John off the golf course. With his current back problems, I should now be able to achieve my goal. But seriously, this level of communication needs to continue into the future.

In conclusion, I want to say that the ship has been steadied, it's on course. Our goals are clear and with another good class next year, we should be in good financial shape for the foreseeable future.

In the Bonds,
Philip J. Wolfenden '74
President-Mu of Delta Kappa
Epsilon Alumni Corporation

Share Your Thoughts

Over the past few months the Foundation, in consultation with the Corporation and the undergraduates, has been developing a set of Rules and Policies for the future use of the Temple. We are happy to report that a complete set of Rules and Policies has now been developed and agreed to unanimously, with the exception of the issue about who should have access to the Temple going forward. While your Board of Trustees strongly believes the Temple generally should be reserved for the use of MU DKE's only, nevertheless there remains some responsibility to our remaining Brothers in Canada and the United States to afford them access under appropriate conditions.

The Foundation, the Corporation, and the undergraduates will be revisiting this issue in the very near future. We invite written comments from any Brothers with a view on this subject. Send your comments to John Wilson, 5740 Lake Island Drive, Atlanta, GA 30327.

In the Bonds,
John Wilson '52
Phil Wolfenden '74

FOUNDATION MEETING IN NEW YORK HOSTED BY PHIL GEIER '57

Eight members of The Foundation Board and fourteen guests met in New York on January 29, 1996 and were treated to fine wine and great food by our generous host. Thank you Brother Geier. Officers of the foundation were re-elected. Peter Mauhs '54 was elevated from active to emeritus status and Joe De Bragga '43 was elected as an emeritus trustee. These brothers were so honored for their years of service to Mu and we will appreciate having their continuing wisdom available when needed. Gregory M. Harden '78 was elected to fill the vacant seat on the Board.

John Hubbard put on an excellent two-projector slide presentation set to music which covered the move, restoration and renovation of the Temple Library. We are deeply indebted to Brother Hubbard for his outstanding production. Brother Fleming reported on behalf of the active chapter, relating their involvement on campus and fine academic standing.

Below, John Cizek '52 standing, Nominations Committee Chair and Brothers Digan '87, Snell '94, Megley '83, Sotell '75, Spector '97, Fleming '97 and Keyt '97.



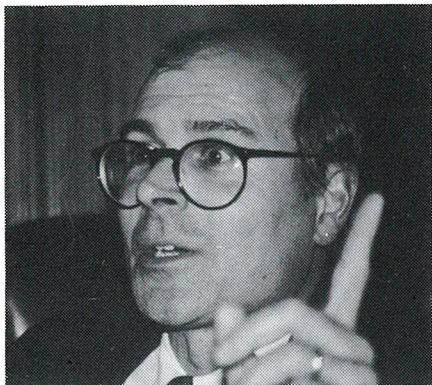
Phil Geier '57 and Jim Dougherty '61 solve the problems of the world before the meeting begins.



John Robinson '60 discusses his interest in upgrading the computer hardware and software capabilities and training for Mu undergraduates. We will have more to report in the next Yon Clarion Bell.



Rich Sotell '75 and Jim Rand '66 exchange words of wisdom.



Our host, Rich Sotell '75

Rich Sotell '75 Hosted Boston Meeting

Mu DKE's gathered at the University Club in Boston on October 4, 1995. Brother Sotell's generous hospitality provided sumptuous hors d'oeuvres and ample spirits.

DKE RETREAT

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 6 TO
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 1996
The Bethel Inn and Country Club
Bethel, Maine

Detailed reservation information
will be mailed later this spring.

SKYJACKED!

Four Mu Dekes set up a shopping trip for the girls in London. Somehow it ended up as a ten-day Golfing and Pubbing time in Ireland. Forced to stay in castles and resorts and playing golf at five of the Top Ten Golf Courses in the World, the four couples had to return to the U.S. without even getting to London's shops. As the guys said, "Is this a wonderful world, or what? ...You just never know what's going to happen anymore."

Steve Theall '66



Joe Motta '63



Ralph Casale '65



Ted Padden '68



HEY GUYS, HOW DO YOU GET SKYJACKED???
Don and Connie Rebar '55, Vivian & Tom Chalfant '53,
Valerie & Bob Busby '55, Anne & Tom Carrier '55.

LOVELL SCHOLARS NAMED

Each year The Foundation honors at least one DKE undergraduate for his service to college, community and fraternity. Based upon Brother Gordon P. Lovell's example of leadership, integrity, support and loyalty, a \$1,000 scholarship is granted in his name. This year the two winners were announced at the spring Awards Dinner by Joe Bliss '40 on behalf of The Foundation.

James Nelson '98—an outstanding swimmer with great performances in both the Patriot League Championships and the ECACs—ably represented Delta Kappa Epsilon in fund-raising events for charity; as a soloist and member of The Resolutions, he sings to great applause on regular occasions. And, while accomplishing all of the above and more, raised his grade point average from a 2.78 to a 3.44.

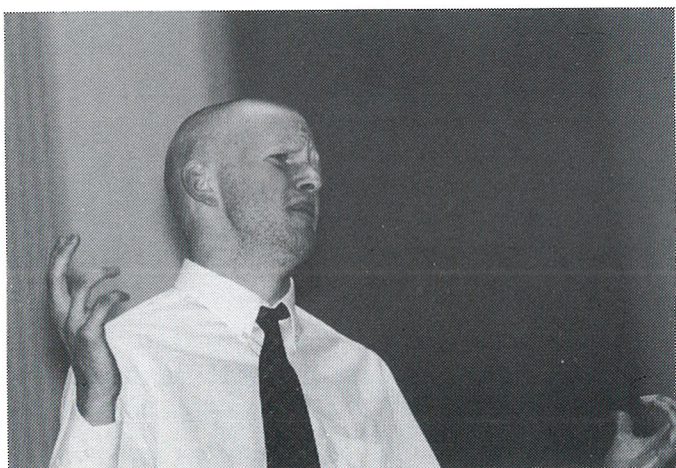
Matthew Shane Geller '97— Brother Geller has taken on the chairmanship of The House Anti Illegal Drug Committee. Illegal drugs are destroying our society and their use has become a nightmare for both individuals and families. No job is more important than this one. The Foundation congratulates and honors Brother Geller for his acceptance of this very difficult position and wishes him well in the performance of his duties.



Jim Nelson '98 receiving award from Joe Bliss '40 at Awards Dinner.



Joe Bliss '40, Matthew Geller '97, and Bill Klingensmith '97.



Jim Nelson '98, "brings down the house" singing at a Resolutions Concert in the Chapel.



Professor Jerome Balmuth and Patrick Fleming '97

BLACKMORE AWARDS HONOR SCHOLARS

Last semester the all-House average again climbed above the three point zero mark. The GPA for all forty-six Mu undergraduates was 3.01. Only two brothers' GPAs were under a 2.4. Congratulations for a great fall! But that was yesterday. Can those numbers be improved this spring? We think they can.

The Blackmore Scholarship winners for the spring semester 1995 for the highest GPA were:

'96 Andrew C. Agor, Mahopac, NY	3.67
'97 Leo R. Spector, Newton Centre, MA	3.83*
'98 Mayank Singh	3.79

and for the most improved:

'96 Mark A. Ries, Philadelphia, PA	2.10-2.67
'97 James B. Doyle, Erie, PA	2.67-3.50

For the fall semester of 1995 the highest GPAs were:

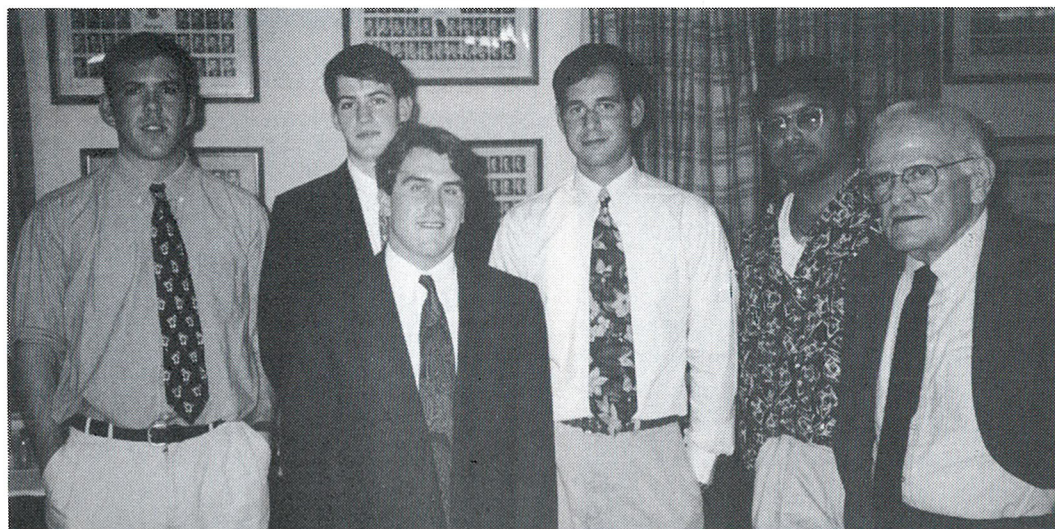
'96 Michael J. Aguilar, Suffern, NY	3.44
'97 Leo R. Spector, Newton Centre, MA	3.78*
'98 Paulo S. Figueiredo, Greenwich, CT	3.87

and for the most improved:

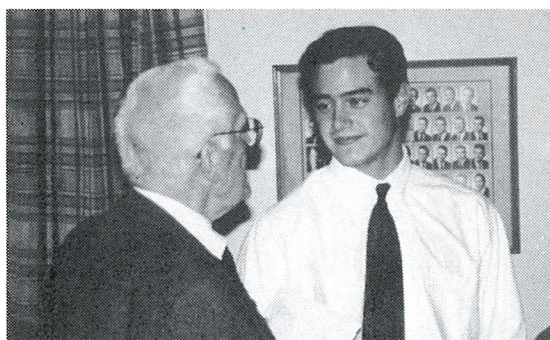
'96 David S. Clements, Pelham, NY	3.08-3.42
'97 Adam S. Goldsmith, New Rochelle, NY	2.79-3.50
'97 William C. Klingensmith, Englewood, CO	2.64-3.33
'98 James P. Nelson, Bethesda, MD	2.83-3.44

* Brother Beta

The Blackmore Scholars for Spring Semester 1995 are Brothers Reis, Agor, Doyle, Spector and Singh, shown with Brother Blackmore.



Michael Aguilar '97 appreciates Blackmore's humor.



Adam Goldsmith '97 receives his award from Blackmore.



Leo Spector '97 glances at his award envelope while Bob Blackmore '41 completes his presentation statements.



Dave Clements '96 receives his award from Bob Blackmore.

March 28, 1996

Matthew S. Geller
Colgate University, Box E888
Hamilton, New York 13346

Dear Brother Wilson:

I was sorry you were unable to attend this year's Blackmore Scholarship Dinner. Despite your absence, the event was a success. I personally would like to thank you for your part in bestowing upon me the honor of receiving the Gordon P. Lovell Scholarship. I hope that my efforts have increased the awareness of the problems that are associated with both alcohol and drug abuse.

There is an increased awareness of the problems both within the House and at Colgate. I have talked with Mark McKay '91 and am hopeful that he will be able to visit and speak with us before the end of the semester. Additionally, Joe Bliss '40 and Steve Bajus '73 have offered their support.

The most interesting news I have to relay concerns our plans to initiate a lecture series with Colgate University. The administration was very open to the idea of a seminar on alcohol and drug abuse sponsored by the DKE House. I have been referred to an organization called Freedom from Chemical Dependency. The group consists of thirty individuals who are former alcoholics or drug abusers and sends its members to schools around the country in an attempt to educate the younger generation. They do request a fee of \$500 per day plus expenses.

I understand that with the circumstances as they are that funds are scarce. I have not as yet discussed the possible means of payment with the University, but for something of this nature, they may be willing to aid in the costs and make it a joint sponsorship. I would appreciate your input so that we can hopefully hold the event in April.

In the Bonds,
Matthew S. Geller '97

If You Would Like To Help

Brother Geller is Chairman of the undergraduate Anti Illegal Drug Committee in the House. We commend the excellent work he has done. Prospects of working with the Colgate administration in a joint project to combat illegal drug use on campus is exciting. If you would like to support this effort in any way, please call John Wilson, (404) 255-2862, or place a check in the enclosed envelope made out to the Mu of DKE Foundation with instructions for its use.

IT'S GREAT TO HEAR FROM YOU

Michael Kennedy '92, along with a check

"I must admit that I was very skeptical the end result of the move would be so aesthetically appealing. It actually looks better than I dreamed possible. In my four years at Colgate as a brother, I was in the Temple less than five times. I hope no further classes are forced to endure this fate"

Ernie Bower '86 President, US-ASEAN Council

"I am headed for Vietnam and Cambodia to work on opening trade and investment relations. Sam and I have two kids now, Charlie 3 and Chloe 1. John Cutter '86 and his wife Pippa are starting an all boys choir in Bogota, Columbia.

Ken Egan '51 plans to be at reunion.

Brother Egan's son Robert is the author of *"From Here To Fraternity, A Celebration of Going Greek on the College Campus."* Included in the book, "At Colgate, set in the middle of Fraternity Row is a windowless brick structure built in 1873. Only Deke's know what's inside, but according to legend there's a swimming pool filled with sparkling burgundy."

Steve Boulay '83 Partner, Space Agency

"Business is booming. Producing upcoming tours of BB King in Tulsa, Salt Lake, Phoenix, Tuscon, Oklahoma City, Albuquerque, Omaha, Wichita, and Topeka. Also producing tours of Jesus Christ Superstar with Ted Neeley. Also Les Misérables. Have a daughter Chloe 2 and a son Ethan 1. John Roden '83 is married, got his Ph D and teaches in Buffalo."

Jim Blackmore '65 attorney, Albany, NY

"Thank you for the invitation, but Josette and I have commitments on Nantucket. I am interested and would like to continue to be involved."

Vartan Gregorian, President of Brown University to M.M. Peters.

"I want you to know how much I appreciate Stuart Miller, my wonderful colleague from my San Francisco State days. I will pass his name along to be invited to speak at Brown."

George Werntz, Jr '33

"Enclosed is a check in memory of Clayton S. Parsons '33, one of my roommates at the House and longtime friend and part of a great Mu family. I feel pretty good, but am badly handi-

capped with arthritis. We enjoy having brothers stop by when they visit Hamilton."

Austin Wood '51

The recent YCB's indicate that Mu is having a rebirth and the University has given you midwives their blessing. I hope the active chapter appreciates all that the alumni have done to make this possible and accepts the responsibility to toe the line and keep out of trouble."

Bob Stoner '57—Due to postal regulations against certain material being sent through the mail we cannot quote one word from his correspondence.

Ralph Coxhead '51 685 Harbor Island, Clearwater, Florida 34630 is a builder-developer in the area and would enjoy hearing from friends from the House.

Jim Stevenson '52 has been featured in many plays in Manhattan's theater district over the last ten years. Often mentioned in *The New York Times*, Theater Review, Jim appeared recently as one of the leads in "Seascape."

Bob Cochran '50, 285 Inverrary Road, Pinehurst, North Carolina 28374, recovering from surgery and chemo writes, "I will be anxious to be kept abreast of doings at the lower end of Broad Street and to being a more active and supportive participant as time goes by."

Charles A. Gage '57 Dallas, Texas

"It was good visiting about old days and old friends. I hope to repeat my gift for this year during future fund drives"

Howell Wood '45

"I confirmed my opinion that James C. Colgate was a Mu Deke class of 1884. It would be an oversight if we did not have a brick for him and other leading Dekes over the years" (We are trying to acquire funds to buy bricks for all brothers through the class of 1933. We will have more on this subject at reunion.)

Tom O'Rourke '60

"Getting together at the end of this month with O'H, Essley and Leech for some golf at Hilton Head." (Sounds like the locals should be warned.)

Jim Dougherty '61

"My check for this year is enclosed and I'll do the same next year. Jim Hine and I are coming to reunion so we'll see you at the House Friday night." (Brother Dougherty is a MAGIC NAME DONOR)

Weinz Weiner '89 is an attorney in north Jersey work number 201-337 5805 if you are in that area and end up in jail.

Steve Melito '91

"I joined Logic Assn. a software for the printing industry in July and will travel a great deal. Brothers, expect a call. Vermont is great, Jay Stott '91 agrees after a visit last June."

Barry Ridings '74

"Now that the Temple is in its new home—I feel good to know we have done the right thing. This is a tremendous achievement for the House; one that will last and be remembered for another 100 plus years. We have one small final project—to pay for it! To help I have donated 4,000 shares of stock to the Foundation's account." (Brother Ridings is also a MAGIC NAME DONOR.)

Fred Sharp '42

"Enclosed is my check for five bricks. I've contacted all members of my class and I'm sure you will hear from most if not all of them." (Fred, thanks for a great job as class agent.)

Tom Walbridge '51

"We're coming back for our 45th and I'd like to contact each of my DKE classmates to encourage a gift to Mu. Please send names and addresses. See you May 31st."

Whit Jaeger '38

"Enclosed are a number of corrections to the Brick List. I hope to visit soon. Say hello to the brothers." Thank you Whit, I hope other brothers will come forth with corrections.

Denny Babcock '44

"It is my understanding that a portion of the renovated Temple will be set aside for a memorial to those brothers who gave their lives for their country. I hope memorabilia, such as we now have for Paul MacDonald, will be made available representing others who have made the supreme sacrifice." (Plans are well under way.)

Pete Leyden '48

"When we visited I was concerned about the condition of The Pierce Memorial. I have read about the Temple project, impressive and very expensive. I suggest doing something for the Pierce Memorial is more important. This is not intended as a criticism of those who have done so much, but merely a suggestion by one who cares." (The Temple was not usable due to age and the fire. Money was donated to fix 'the

hut' with many unseen and expensive advantages to the Pierce Memorial. Major plans are in the works for the DKE House and undergraduates' support. Look for news in future YON CLARION BELLS.)

Keep those cards and letters coming...

We really enjoy hearing from you and sharing your news. If you have information or pictures to share with your Brothers, please send it to John Wilson, Mu of DKE Foundation, 5740 Lake Island Drive, Atlanta, Georgia 30327. Phone calls are always welcome (404) 255-2862 or fax to (404) 255-2864.

"Loved Ones Gone Before"

1927 Francis Durand Taylor
1931 Fred Godfrey Colvin
1931 Conway Munroe
1931 David Redpath Routh, Jr.
1934 Charles Alexander Kirkland, Jr.
1936 John Corwin Burt
1937 Lawrence Driscoll Toolan
1938 Warren Dunning Haggerty, Jr.
1941 Albert Warren Ackerman
1941 James Colgate Cleveland
1950 Walter Anthony Olszewski
1950 Robert Sankey
1956 James Rintoul Treese
1961 Robert Alexander Maxon



*Foundation Trustee Emeritus
Joe De Bragg '43*

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*Joe Bliss '40 and Bob Blackmore
'41 confer at Awards Dinner*