



ETA IOTA HOUSE CORPORATION NEWSLETTER

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GUESS WHAT...IT'S ALREADY BEEN FIVE YEARS!!!

30th Birthday Weekend - After months of planning and preparation, the invitations are almost ready for mailing for what's sure to be a memorable event in Eta Iota's history. See the enclosed brochure for more information on 30th Birthday weekend and the details of what's to come but be sure to mark your calendars and plan on attending **April 26-29, 2001**. We will also be updating information about the event online at <http://www.etaiota.org/birthday.htm>

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-CURRENT PROJECTS UPDATE-

Well, after 15 years of fraternity life, the chapter room furniture has decided it's had enough. Signs of wear and tear have made this once palatial showcase little more than firewood. We have started looking at several options for replacements and this stuff is expensive! The ERAU Housing department has a deal with one supplier that makes extremely tough couches and tables that are still in use after nearly 20 years in the dorms. We're considering this supplier (we can get the ERAU discount) and others for possible replacements hopefully by the beginning of the spring semester.

House Corp is also looking into tackling the carpeting on the stairway and in the upstairs hallway and rooms, sliding glass doors and various plumbing problems in the coming months. These projects and any emergency items will be made possible for the most part by the recent increase in the active chapter's rent and partly through alumni donations.

The actives will be taking on a project of their own as the barbecue grill has finally collapsed. They're looking at possibly mounting a gas grill inside a brick enclosure similar to what was there. Look for more info from the actives in the coming months.

-MONTHLY EMAIL UPDATES-

So far, I've gotten pretty positive reviews of my monthly House Corp email updates. In addition to a write up of what's happening in the chapter, we've added a section recognizing those brothers celebrating a birthday each month and plan to include lost brothers in future editions. If we don't have your email address in the database you are not on the distribution list. You can check your address or add one at etaiota.org

-GREEK ROW UPDATE-

During the recent alumni weekend, Brian Lojko and I attended an update meeting on the future of a Greek Row at Embry-Riddle. Mike Lee of Delta Chi called this meeting after working with the university with mixed results.

Mike shared some interesting information regarding the university's stance on the issue, but his primary objective was to take the first step of what is sure to be a tremendous undertaking. Alumni representatives from each of the organizations attending, Delta Chi, Alpha Eta Rho, Lambda Chi, and Sigma Alpha Epsilon, agreed that we need to form a consolidated effort and create a proposal as requested by the university Chancellor to outline our intentions and the need for serious consideration on behalf of.

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-NEWS & EVENTS-

Eta Iota 30th Birthday Weekend
April 26-29, 2001 in Daytona Beach

Fall Commencement

December 16, 2000

Spring Semester Begins

January 8, 2001

-NEED A FAMILY VACATION?-

Brother Greg Dudzinski has asked that anyone who may be interested in bringing their families to Orlando for the weekend prior to 30th Birthday contact him about possible group discounts. There's usually a minimum of 10 rooms required so if anyone would like more information about a few days in Orlando before joining the chapter in Daytona Beach, contact Greg at Dudzsig@aol.com.

-SWEETHEART'S CORNER-

By Daphne Winegardner

Being the Sweetheart this past year has been a fun and memorable experience. I have had the opportunity to learn more about Sigma Chi and make lifelong friends. Last spring I accompanied the Eta Iota Chapter to Province. I went to special meetings outlined just for the Sweethearts and then partied it up with the guys in the evening.

This fall I had the opportunity to show the guys my great cooking skills and made Spaghetti (with the help of another Sweetheart, Liz Brix and some of the girlfriends) for the Brothers and Rushees.

My most recent project is working with Brian Lojko and John Banta on 30th Birthday. I am in charge of pampering the wives and girlfriends of the Sigma Chi Alumni. On April 27th, (golf day for the brothers) I have organized a day for the girls at the Ocean Waters Spa at the Plaza Resort. All the women will receive a 15% discount on all services ranging from pedicures to mud wraps and massages. More information will be included in the invitations.

Lastly, I would like to thank all the Sigma Chi brothers for the honor of being the Sweetheart; it was an experience I will never forget. Hope to see you all at Birthday!

Love,
Daphne Winegardner

-ERAU ALUMNI CHAPTERS-

Looking for a new job or wanting to do some networking - Did you know Riddle has Alumni Chapters in Atlanta, Dallas, Houston, D.C., New York City, Upstate NY, Wichita, Washington State & Phoenix? Check out the university's Alumni section of the web page for more details including contact info.
<http://www.db.erau.edu/campus/alumni/chapters/index.html>

"This badge requires more of me than the world requires of other men"

-HAVE YOU SEEN THESE BROTHERS?-

The following Brothers are lost! We've either had the Post Office return mail from their last known address or they haven't filled out their online profile. If you've seen any of these Brothers or know their whereabouts, please have them contact our database administrator, Dave Spaller at dspaller@bigfoot.com.

Jere Anderson 1973
 Brian Austin
 Chris Beale 1975
 Mark Becker 1980
 Bill Berg 1974
 Stephen A. Blake 1974
 J. Scott Bond 1972
 Zachariah Bowers 1993
 Ted Branscomb 1979
 Dennis Caldwell 1972
 Guy Cannady 1974
 Glen Catania 1982
 Mike Clohisy 1982
 Ron Delle Donne 1980

Mike Donahue 1999
 John Ferguson 1975
 Tim Forman 1974
 Mitch Friedman 1991
 Col. Jerry Fry 1973
 Richard Gadd 1972
 Rodney George 1972
 Steve Goldman 1983
 Juan Gonzalez 1977
 Jim Hamblin 1972
 Hubert Harrison 1974
 Earl Hines 1985
 Ron Hoye 1994
 Phil Humbert 1980

Bill Jakeman 1971
 Ted Janiec 1985
 Craig Jenkins 1999
 Todd Kaylor 1983
 Dan Kelley 1972
 Keith Kelly 1999
 Rich Kiever 1977
 Larry Kolar 1973
 Larry Maddox 1977
 Gaspare Martino 1980
 Bob Matthews 1990
 John McDaniel 1973
 Dave McGloon 1973
 Steve Meade 1975

Mark Milham 1979
 Dave Ming 1999
 Ron Moore 1973
 Nick Nesta 1985
 Jerry Nichols 1972
 Harry Nostrant 1987
 Pete Perkins 1984
 Michael S. Plantz 1972
 Terry Roberts 1971
 Ted Sandoval 1986
 Chris Sanscrainte 1995
 Mario Scalzo 1987
 Ryan Schubert 1999
 James Scotto 1980

Mike Sleeper 1992
 Dave Stuart 1979
 Gerry Taggart 1982
 Chris Tomlinson
 Ron Toy 1992
 Howard Trimble 1973
 Tony Vaz 1987
 Harry Wilkes 1971
 Phil Williams 1991
 Gary Wolf 1979
 Danny Wright 1983

-GREEK ROW UPDATE-

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the university. We'll know more in the coming months after this process gets underway but basically we are making a commitment to participate in this "alumni housing council" and contribute to this initial analysis over the next year or so. The details of what this proposal will contain are yet to be determined but will likely outline each group's current financial position, future housing needs, and the benefits to the university in moving forward with such a plan. For example, Mike dug up the fact that Greeks at ERAU comprise only 6% of the alumni population but contribute somewhere in the neighborhood of 40% of annual donations...pretty amazing. We've got some major influence within our organizations and we desperately need this consolidated effort if we are to get the ultimate vision underway anytime soon.

The meeting also updated the groups on the options of where a future Greek Row may be planned. While this is obviously not a complete analysis, here is the latest of the pre-preliminary info:

Option 1 – Behind the Field House. This has long been a top contender because of its location and close proximity to the university. The land is currently undeveloped and serves as a buffer between the field house and the residents living behind it. The main opposition to this option has been a group of elderly residents who made their intentions clear that they would prevent this from becoming university property at all costs. These residents have since moved across Bellevue Ave and checked into a much quieter neighborhood.

Option 2 – South Clyde Morris. A recent survey done on this property currently owned by the university shows that it is contaminated much more than anyone ever expected. While nobody is saying exactly what was found, this plot was previously owned by a waste management organization that allegedly did plenty of dumping in the area. Besides the

obvious drawbacks, this land would be prohibitively expensive to develop and is not located contiguous to campus.

Option 3 – Chanute Complex. It was originally thought that this land would be available sometime soon and be available for use. The university has recently decided to keep this as apartment housing for at least 10 years. Even if this land were to be available within our timeframe, it would require razing the current buildings and would probably not provide enough space for all of the organizations. This property is also the furthest from campus of the three.

We'll look into each of these options in the coming years and have more information on the proposal at 30th.

-FIFTH DENTIST AGREES TO START CHEWING TRIDENT-

After decades of having the recommendation of only four out of five dentists, Trident gum can now claim 100 percent approval. Ted Hunsaker, often known simply as "the fifth dentist," caved in Thursday afternoon. "I had just eaten a chili dog with a colleague, & afterwards we were talking, & he said, 'Whoa, dude,' & passed me a stick of gum. Before I knew what was happening, I was chewing Trident."

Experts believe this incident, already known among dentists as T-Day, will change the face of modern dentistry forever. "Much like the Kennedy assassination, every dentist knows where he was when he heard about Hunsaker chewing Trident," said American Dental Association historian Raymond Daniels. "The world wasn't the same the next morning."

The ADA expects Trident sales to skyrocket. "Oh yeah, are you kidding?" said Daniels. "Americans will buy anything we tell them to. Look at flossing. We've had you idiots chewing on string for years. Doesn't do anything. Wanna know something else? No such thing as tartar! Buddy of mine made it up."

-1855 CLUB UPDATE-

The House Corporation started a new fundraiser earlier this year for both short-term and long-term needs we plan to have to deal with. In it's first 6 months, we've managed to raise over \$2,200 through small monthly donations from our members. While this is just a start, we are well on our way to making this a substantial source of income for a future house at Embry-Riddle while maintaining our current residence on South Ridgewood. I'd like to personally thank those of you who have signed up so far and have proven this to be an effective project in it's first months.

For those of you who do not know, the 1855 Club provides a way to automatically contribute a fixed amount of your choice from your checking account on the same day of every month. No need to write checks or worry about when or how much will be drawn. You decide on the amount, authorize a draft and we take care of the rest. It's completely safe and secure and you can stop the drafts at any time. Of course one-time payments are also welcome if you prefer to write a check. If you are not yet a member, take a look at the details online and consider becoming one to support the future of your chapter. You can find out more and sign up online at <http://www.etaiota.org/1855club.htm> or call John Banta at (214) 979-0850.



