**New House Feasibility Study Executive Summary**

We initially contacted 87 Brothers from all eras of our history to participate in the Feasibility Study and 53 of them actively participated in interviews or completed the mail-in survey. We thank all of you for your time and we want to provide the evidence to fully support the Campaign.

**Key Data Points from the Feasibility Study**

1. **We have done an outstanding job of gathering personal contact information.** We need more emphasis on gathering your business information for professional networking purposes. We encourage all of our Alumni to complete our Biographical Information form and include your Business name, Business address, job title, occupation, and work contact information for our records. We will not publish this information on the roster (unless you request it), but desire it for our records.

2. **We have heavy concentrations of Alumni in Illinois (27), Kansas (21), Missouri (180) and Texas (37) which will help to reduce travel expenses associated with supporting the Capital Campaign.** The potential success of the Campaign will rely in part on Alumni in these regions participating on the Campaign Committee Leadership team and supporting in person visits to local Alumni with our Campaign Lead Consultant, Chris Gomez.

3. **High percentage (89%) of Alumni involved in the Feasibility Study describe themselves as “Interested” or “Very Interested” in the chapter; and even higher percentage (98%) of them considered the new Facility Project “Important” or “Very Important”!**

4. **Astounding 80% of Alumni interviewed rank Alpha Psi as “Medium” or “High/Top Priority” of their philanthropic interests; and 70% expressed confidence that other Alumni will financially support this effort.**

5. **Alumni almost unanimously (91%) felt that we should move forward with the Capital Campaign to raise the funds necessary to support the project.**

As we mentioned in the last Newsletter, based on the results of the Feasibility Study, we agreed with the consensus of Alumni interviewed and decided to move forward with the next steps in preparation for a capital campaign. We also listened to the feedback our Alumni provided during the study and took some action to accomplish some critical tasks this past year.

At Homecoming 2016, we will provide a Chapter Update, which will include what we accomplished in 2015-2016 school year and all attendees will have the opportunity to observe for themselves the fruits of our labor with the Fall 2016 Associate Member Class; two additional annexes (at 1603 Pine Street, and 1601 Pine Street) for in-house Brothers to live; and additional resources to better equip our undergraduate Brothers to achieve scholastic success. You told us to fix some things, and we have. Come see the improvements for yourself, celebrate them with us, and help us identify areas we need to focus efforts to continue to improve as Brothers and as a Chapter!

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**MEET OUR ALUMNI**

AU103 and I769ΨΘΞ - Jack Burton
Initiated: 2/6/1955 DOB: 29 April 1936

Brother Burton felt that Theta Xi was a community of men he respected. The Chapter members were good role models in his development and transition from high school to college and on into adulthood.

BS Industrial Engineering-University Washington University, St. Louis
Masters Divinity - Episcopal Theological School, Cambridge, MA

He retired as a Probation Officer in Charge for the Edgartown District Court, part of the Trial Court Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Brother Burton still lives in Edgartown, MA and can be reached via email at jackcburton@verizon.net.

He has three grown sons (Tim, Steve, and Paul).

Jack enjoys ballroom dancing.

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**SAVE THE DATES!!**

7-8 October - Pre-Homecoming 2016 Work Weekend (Rolla, MO)
Alumni, Actives, and Associates will work together to get the Chapter properties ready for our Alumni and their guests coming to visit the following weekend of Homecoming. POC: Rich Reis (636.240.5166)

14-16 October - Homecoming 2016 Weekend (Rolla, MO)
Come celebrate our 2015-2016 accomplishments with Alumni, Active, and Associate Brothers. We anticipate 100 Alumni this year! Details are on our website (thetaxi.mst.com). If you came last year, come again, and invite your Pledge Brothers to join you. POC: Mark Schlemeyer, AU372 (636.578.6307)

4-5 November (T) - Initiation Weekend (Rolla, MO)
Come welcome our Associate Members into the Bonds of Theta Xi Brotherhood. We already have 20 in the Fall 2016 class and will likely end up with more!

30 November & 3 December - Tree Decoration & Theta Xi Christmas Party (Rolla, MO)
The tradition continues and it still isn’t your Mom’s Christmas Celebration. The Fall 2016 Associates will have selected a “beautiful” House Christmas Tree to decorate in the traditional fare. Come join in the fun with this year’s Santa and his Elves! Music and revelry for all and the Freshman skits are always a hit. POC: Max Rose (734.864.2427)

17 December - Missouri S&T Commencement (Gale Bullman Building)
Celebrate with our graduating Brothers.
### HOMECOMING 2016 - 14-16 OCTOBER

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This year we are planning for 100+ Alumni join us for our 2016 Homecoming Celebration. Many Brothers, have major anniversaries this year and we will have special recognition of those celebrating major anniversaries - including those Brothers who have en terred into the Chapter Eternal (listed on Page 3).

There are over 135 names listed above, and whether it has been 5 years or 65 years your time as a Theta Xi is significant. It is significant to you and it is significant to the Brotherhood. Do you see your name listed above? Then, please come and let the Active Chapter and the Alumni Association celebrate these milestones with you and your pledge Brothers!

There is a registration form included with the Newsletter packet (click HERE to download in the electronic version). You can also RSVP at our new website (thetaximist.com) and click on the Homecoming Link on the Home Page. Check the page often for updates to the schedule of events and those Brothers who have confirmed their attendance. If you have questions you can contact Mark Schelmeier (A¥372).

Phone: 636.578.6307; Email: baseballplus@centurytel.net
What have we accomplished since Homecoming 2015?

Our Alumni spoke and we listened.

- The original Annex at 1605 Pine Street has been outfitted with a new HVAC system (two zones for heat and air conditioning).
- We needed more Alumni Leadership and we had a modest number of volunteers step up at Homecoming. Our Alumni are more involved than they ever have.
- A majority of you agreed with the need for the project, but voiced concerns about the scope. We have made some adjustments to the new facility design.
- The financials of the New House Project is very important to all of you, and we have kept a critical eye on them as we move forward.

You voiced concerns about the low collection percentage of the Active Chapter and the high amount of outstanding money due to the chapter. The office of the Treasurer has worked with those brothers to get them on payment plans and reduced the amount owed by more than half.

Many of the rooms in the Annex couldn’t support two men last year. We reconfigured most of those rooms, and now all but one of them can support two men comfortably for a capacity in the annex of 33 members.

All of you agreed, we needed to incorporate the properties at 1601 and 1603 Pine Street into our design for the new facility given that the University's likely avenues of expansion. This also gives us additional capacity for 8-10 members for a total of 41-43 members in university houses if we fill all three properties.

Our Alumni and we hope to more than replicate this year. Come out and assist us in reaching these goals!
As I take stock of the events that have taken place since I last wrote the President’s corner, I am surprised by the volume and breadth of activities taken on by the chapter and the alumni association. The chapter closed out the school year with a respectable chapter grade point and setting a goal for further improvement in the just started Fall semester. Three of our actives closed out last semester with outstanding 4.0’s. Rich Reis (ΑΨ363) and his band of merry men along with spirited assistance from a number of actives completed additional improvements to the house over the summer and the alumni association delivered furniture to support two-man occupancy of the annex. Brother DeJohn (ΑΨ199) led a concentrated effort to bring our new annexes at 1601 and 1603 Pine up to standard following lease of those properties in anticipation that they will become a permanent part of the new house project being led by Brother Hornburg (ΑΨ200). Part of 1603 has been designated a study area and outfitted to support a quiet study environment for the chapter. We set ourselves a stretch goal this year of 20 new associates and as I write these comments we have 11 associates signed, already more than the outstanding associate class from last Fall. We sponsored three Active brothers to participate in the Theta Xi National Convention just completed in Minneapolis, MN and for the first time were a financial sponsor of the Convention.

Plans are underway for Homecoming 2016 on Oct. 14-16. We hope to see many of you there. We had 50+ alumni attend last year and this year our goal is to exceed that level by a factor of two. A key element of this year’s Homecoming activities will be a report on State of the Chapter, including the new house project. I know you will find the plans exciting and an important part of the vision we have for Alpha Psi in 2020.

YITB, Steve Jungers, ΑΨ164

Welcome Fall 2016 Associate Members!

We are on pace to have the largest Pledge Class in over five years! So far eleven young men made the decision to join Theta Xi this semester. Congratulations to the Alumni and Actives who have supported our efforts to fill the Chapter house, and the two annexes at 1601 and 1603 Pine Street! We are still short of our goal of #Get20!, but pinning isn’t until 17 September so the Actives still have time to get the rest of the Associate Member Class signed. Meet our Associate Members so far:

- Ian Coburn (KC) is studying Civil Engineering
- Sean Dahms (Salem, MO) is studying Computer Engineering
- Alex Edmonds (Raymore, MO) is studying Computer Science and Physics
- William Elliot (KC) is studying Mechanical Engineering
- Ryan Herren (Peculiar, MO) is studying Chemical Engineering
- Caleb Higgs (Searcy, AR) is studying Computer Engineering
- Colin Kelley (St. Louis) is studying Petroleum Engineering
- Stephen Payne (Higginsville, MO) is studying Mechanical Engineering with an emphasis on Bio-medical studies
- Ian Perkins (Massachusetts) is studying Geological Engineering
- James Russell (Raymore) is studying Computer Science
- Patrick Ward (KC) is the son of Matt Ward (ΑΨ408) and studying Computer Science.

We are optimistic the Actives will finish this rush season strong and meet their Rush goal for the semester of 20 Young Men.

Is your son considering Missouri S&T after high school? Do you know a worthy young man planning to attend Missouri S&T in the future? Go to thetaximst.com and submit them for recruitment under “Join Theta Xi”!
Rich Reis (Ψ363), Mark Schlemeier (Ψ372), and Alex Sclemeier (Ψ609) participated in the initiation of Rich’s son Kevin (Ψ627).

HVAC installed December 2015

New Lighting and ductwork in annex December 2015

Alumni Work Weekend January 2016

St. Louis Brothers gathered for St. Patrick’s day

Taking soil samples @ 1605 Pine Street

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Brother Rob Schmitt (AΨ329) and his son, Sean (future legacy) talk with Potential, James Russel at KC Rush event.

Gatherings of Brothers

Jeremy Hall (AΨ472), Alex Lincoln (AΨ510) and Nick Erickson (AΨ494) enjoy a meal at Erickson’s home in Colorado.

Joe White (AΨ591) and his girlfriend Holly made the trip to Pennsylvania to celebrate the nuptials of Josh and Katherine Warner (AΨ580) in July.

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Brothers Jeff Scheibe (AΨ357), Mike Schneider (AΨ344), Rich Reis (AΨ363), and Mark Schlemeier (AΨ372) gathered in STL for “a beer” when Schneider came to visit from the West Coast.

PRO Days

Brother Brad Hornburg (AΨ200) power washing the exterior of 1605 Pine Street. There is Honorary Knight of St. Pat and his Court 2016, Brother Mike Greenway (AΨ441) wing the lawn.

Tony DeJohn (AΨ199), Mark Schlemeier (AΨ372), and Matt Ward (AΨ408) working hard.

Rich Reis (AΨ363), Mark Schlemeier (AΨ372), and Jacob Zachary (AΨ616) reconfigure a room for two men.

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