



2013 REVIEW

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The Sigma Chi Canadian Foundation Newsletter



The PUCK STOPS HERE

The 4th annual Sigma Chi Hockey Tournament raised over \$3,000 for the Sigma Chi Canadian Foundation and other undergraduate causes. With over 150 Sigs out to play or watch, it was perhaps the best yet - though we intend to outdo ourselves with an expanded, eight team tournament next year. The 5th Annual Tournament is Saturday, January 25th, 2014 at the PowerAde Centre in Brampton.



CONGRATULATIONS TO THE WINNING TEAM - CONSULS / SPONSORED BY ASSANTE (LIONEL COLMAN)
LIGHT BLUE/WHITE CREST: TODD FOLEY, ALEXANDRE MALBOEUF, MARTYN DAHAL, BRIAN DOHERTY, TIM FELONG, NICKOLAS LUDIN, MATTHEW KEARNS, TIM MCLEAN, JEFF WAGNER, DON GILLIS, SAID KHAYAT, PAUL MUEGGE, BARRY HEATH

THE CONSULS WERE JOINED BY THE 60TH GRAND CONSUL – DOUGLAS MCWHIRTER AND THE 32ND INTERNATIONAL SWEETHEART, SYDNEY BINNINGTON.

SEE YOU SATURDAY, JANUARY 25TH, 2014 AT THE POWERAIDE CENTRE



chairman's
LETTER
TIM SANDERSON
Past SCCF Chairman

My Brothers;

The only constant is change for Sigma Chi in Canada – positive change!

At Grand Chapter this past June, we saw the two year reign of Canada's first truly International Sweetheart, Sydney Madison Binnington, come to a very successful end but I am happy to report that Sydney will continue her involvement with the Sigma Chi US Foundation (with some transition help from the Canadian Foundation).

In this newsletter we celebrate two Significant Sigs, Andrew Stuart and Jim Lawley, we highlight the positive changes taking place across the country and recognize the ongoing growth of Sigma Chi in Canada. **We have a lot to celebrate.**

Here at the Canadian Foundation, we are enhancing the technical and fiscal resources available to the chapters by expanding and further improving the joint capability and responsibility for fundraising. We are redesigning our website and will include a new Customer Relationship Management ("CRM") component; we are developing an e-newsletter and improved online giving capabilities (including multi-year pledges). Thank you to T.J. Stevens (University of Windsor, '99) for his guidance, support and expertise in helping streamline CRM operations at the SCCF.

The Canadian Foundation continues its work to solicit financial resources, provide faithful stewardship, and engage in exemplary practices in support of Sigma Chi and leadership development in Canada. Our leadership programs, awards and scholarships are making a difference in the lives of undergrad brothers across the country and I would like to personally thank each and every one of our donors listed within who have made this possible the last two fiscal years!

In order to address a critical sustainability issue of our own financial reserves, to continue the great work that we do, the SCCF is planning the 'Making A Difference' fundraising campaign. The Campaign will ask Sigma Chi Brothers to pledge and to donate to the SCCF during the next five years - a total goal amount of \$750,000. For those who wish to donate to their own Chapters and Housing Corporations, during this period, 50% of their donation will go to the SCCF Campaign until the SCCF Campaign Objectives are met. Stayed tuned!

Finally a quick note on other changes happening at the Canadian Foundation: after more than 10 years as Chair, I am stepping down to pursue other Sigma Chi interests and assume the role as Past Chair. In my place, David Garland has agreed to step up from his Treasurer's role and David Lucescu has once again returned to re-assume the Treasurer duties. David MacNicol has agreed to become Vice-Chair. I want welcome all the Davids to their new roles and also thank Doug Towers for his extended service as Past Chair. Lastly, Edward Rogers, Mark McKay and Joseph Soz have all stepped down from the Board and I would like to extend my thanks and gratitude for their past service.

We are always looking for talented volunteers for the various committees of the Board and the Board itself.

Let's keep our mission statement alive by continuing to strengthen Sigma Chi in Canada!

In Hoc,
Tim Sanderson (Western '85)

PLEASE
welcome
DAVID GARLAND
New SCCF Chairman



ACQUIRING THETA PSI'S FIRST ChapterHouse

After 25 years of hard work, the alumni and undergraduate brothers of theta Psi purchased the chapter's first house. They crossed this milestone in February of 2012, one month prior to the chapter's 25th anniversary of receiving its charter. After hundreds of hours of work to acquire the ideal property for the Theta Psi, the real work began for the housing corporation.

Prior to 2012, the chapter rented a variety of houses which served the chapter well, but forced the chapter to move every few years through 13 different addresses. A fundraising campaign initiated for our 20th anniversary raised approximately \$280,000 in donations.

In 2010, the housing corporation transformed its executive make-up to include mainly local alumni members who could better utilize local contacts and history within the city. Through a network of Waterloo connections, a local real estate broker specializing in student housing was recruited. Due diligence was conducted on many properties, including those not listed for sale. In the end, decision was taken to purchase a house with five bedrooms, a large kitchen and plenty of common space, as well as a detached garage that, once finished, could serve as a private chapter room.

Using a low interest loan from the Canadian Sigma Chi Foundation as the down payment and leveraging the personal guarantees of several of the chapter's prominent alumni to secure a first mortgage, the new chapter house was financed at a low 'residential' interest rate rather than the significantly higher rates typical of private or corporate financing.

After closing February 2012, there was a seven month delay prior to the chapter moving in while non-Sig tenants completed their lease commitments. The Housing Corporation then negotiated lease and chapter agreements with the brothers, choosing not to offer discounted rental rates, but to focus on making the house better than other housing options available to the brothers. Rather than competing on price, quality was the main objective. Additionally, the chapter pays rent for use of the house's common space, which means every brother contributes to the house.

The first major renovation undertaken was to completely gut the common room, followed by new custom oak panelling and furniture to give our 'Charter Lounge' common room that classic fraternal feeling which now serves as the showpiece for the house. Additionally much of the flooring and ceilings have been replaced and several new appliances purchased.

A few months after the purchase of the house, tough new rental housing bylaws came into effect in Waterloo and the housing corporation is now in the process of completing the application for a lodging house licence in order to be compliant with the new city by-laws. Also over the summer, a government study of the neighbourhood recommended rezoning the areas closest to the universities to allow higher density living, which is expected to positively affect the value of the chapter house.

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what's happening IN HALIFX

The Halifax Alumni Chapter has been adding some new blood to the ranks to freshen things up for the 2013 year. Mark Hobbs has taken over as President of the Chapter. Mark has a successful marketing company, Denote Communications and is rebuilding the www.halifaxsigs.ca website. Chris Kolmatycki is on the executive while Past President Robert Hingley has channeled his involvement to the Sweetheart Ball.

Alex Leggatt has been helping with various Alumni Outreach programs and is a catalyst for the type of change we hope to see in the chapter over the coming year. We have been working to add new alumni to the chapter as quickly as possible to bring new energy into the organization. This year has also seen much more work with the active chapter. Brother Tony Sanderson has been spearheading our mentoring initiative, ensuring that any interested active has a chance to sit down with alumni in their field and find out more about different jobs that they may have some interest in.

Our House Corporation has been reformed adding a whole new slate of Alumni to our ranks. Brothers Scott Christie, Chris Chisholm, Andy Williams, Dave Finlayson, Allan Ferguson have gotten involved with overseeing some of the work being done to the house. Big thanks to Chris Chisholm at Tartan Interiors for driving the renovation planning. Our 80th anniversary will be taking place at the end of March and we are excited to have past Grand Consul Doug McWhirter and Canadian Foundation President Tim Sanderson joining us for the celebration.



Andrew Stuart

A super sigma chi, and a well deserved award. Andrew Stuart is the President & CEO of Volkswagen Credit, Inc. Over the past 20 years Mr. Stuart has held various positions of increased responsibility in the automotive field. He started his career at Volkswagen Group Canada in December 1991, as a District Manager in the Atlantic Provinces. Since then, he has held various management positions with Volkswagen in Sales, Marketing, Product Planning and Financial Services. Andrew left the company for approximately two years from 2007-2008 when he became the Chief Operating Officer at Ron Tonkin Dealerships in Portland, OR. Prior to this, Mr. Stuart served as the Chief Executive Officer of Bentley Motors, Inc. where he led the company through their...most successful period in history.

Mr. Stuart serves on the Board of Directors of the American Financial Services Association and Junior Achievement.

A native of Nova Scotia, Canada, Mr. Stuart attended Saint Mary's University where he received a Bachelor of Commerce majoring in Marketing. He received his Master of Business Administration from the University of Oregon in 1998. He also completed the Volkswagen Group Executive Program in June 2000.

TWO NEW GAMMA RHO SIGNIFICANT SIGS

Mr. Lawley can only easily be described as a titan in the Halifax, Nova Scotia business and property development scene. Since his graduation from Dalhousie in 1982, he has transformed the city's skyline one development at a time. As President for Scotia Fuels Ltd, one of the province's largest independent fuel suppliers, he has gained a reputation as a visionary. He is involved in the commercial and residential real estate industry as the President and co-owner of Halkirk Properties Inc., owning and operating a 152,000 square foot mixed-use (office and retail) historic property in Halifax. Upon completion and regulatory approval, this will be the single biggest mixed used development in the history of the city.

Mr. Lawley is President and co-owner of Saltergate Developments Inc., owning and operating a mixed-use (hotel, residential and retail) property in Halifax. This \$40 million development was close to Jim as it's a branded Marriot.

He is one of the primary developers in Prince Edward Island's marquee developments, and also serves as one of their principals.

Mr. Lawley is also an owner and operator of numerous national fast food franchises throughout the Maritimes and Quebec (Tim Hortons and Dairy Queen) and is the owner of Patagonia Halifax.

Mr. Lawley was the Chair of the Audit Committee for previously TSX-listed InStorage REIT from 2006 to 2009. He is a director in Killam Properties, TSX:KMP, the second biggest property company in Canada.



Jim Lawley

In addition, he is a director of GOGold director in RESL, a renewable energy company and numerous other publicly traded entities.

Mr. Lawley owns several world renowned Salmon fishing lodges throughout Canada, including Camp Bonaventure, and a principal in cloudsalmonlodge, considered the finest Salmon hole in the world.

Mr. Lawley's business acumen is studied in area Universities, and he a ready and key-note speaker in these academic settings upon request. A brilliant mentor, his endeavours employ numerous co-op university students and his tutelage has led them to successful and fulfilling careers.

THE **super SIGS** 2011 / 2012

NORMAN SHIELD SOCIETY (CONTRIBUTIONS GREATER THAN \$10,000)

Lawley, James Dalhousie/SM '82 Rogers, Edward Western '92 Thomson, Eric Dalhousie/SM '72 Zufferli, John Waterloo '93

WHITE CROSS TRUST (CONTRIBUTIONS GREATER THAN \$1,000)

WHITE CROSS TRUST BROTHERHOOD/JUSTICE (\$5,000 – \$9,999 ANNUALLY)

Balloutine, Charbel Waterloo '06 Fierheller, George Toronto '55 Fraser, Philip Western '84 Sanderson, D. Timothy Western '85

WHITE CROSS TRUST FRIENDSHIP (\$1,000 – \$4,999 ANNUALLY)

Alkier, Chris Western '00	Crocker, David Dalhousie/SM '02	McEwan, Robert Western '73	Schmidt, J. Frederick Dalhousie/SM '77
Anderson, Glenn Dalhousie/SM '91	Eastwood, Alex Western '60	Mosher, Mark Dalhousie/SM '72	Smith, Shawn C. Dalhousie/SM '03
Baker, Michael Bishop's '93	Finlayson, David Dalhousie/SM '98	O'Grady, Kevin Waterloo '93	Spidle, Geoffrey Western '91
Barnicke, Paul Western '74	Fung, Nigel McGill '01	O'Toole, Terrence Dalhousie/SM '96	Tilden, Peter Bishop's '89
Barr, Mark Western '86	Harwood, Robert McGill '43	Rennie, Thomas McGill '48	SCTA Hockey Tournament
Brooks, James Western '02	Kellett, John McGill '68	Ricketts, John Western '60	Udle, Peter Dalhousie/SM '72
Chisholm, Chris Dalhousie/SM '89	Lawley, Ross Dalhousie/SM '83	Sanderson, Anthony Dalhousie/SM '97	Upitis, Uldis Western '64
Christie, Scott Dalhousie/SM '90	Lloyd, Arthur Dalhousie/SM '76	Schaffer, Marc Western '00	Ward, James Western '03
Connolly, Chris Dalhousie/SM '86	Lucescu, David UBC/SF '88	Scheibelhut, Edward Dalhousie/SM '81	Watson, Donald Dalhousie/SM '75

CREST CLUB (CONTRIBUTIONS OF \$500 TO \$999)

Allan, JB Western '79	Greenberg, Shael Western '98	Lydon, Chris Dalhousie/SM '97	Riistakoski, Simon Dalhousie/SM '09
Aucoin, Serge Dalhousie/SM '00	Hayward, Charles Dalhousie/SM '58	MacDonald, Jon Western '92	Shoom Kirsch, Andrew Brown '02
Boyd, Shawn Toronto '94	Kempton, Phil Dalhousie/SM '92	Martin, J. Campbell UofT/Ryerson '54	Towers, Doug Toronto '61
Collins, Mark Dalhousie/SM '00	Konyu, Brett Waterloo '95	Mauro, Anthony Western '93	Trudeau, Martin L. Bishop's '95
D'Sourza, Tyrone Waterloo '96	Kurtz, Craig Waterloo '93	McClatchie, Ron Western '60	White, Jerry Dalhousie/SM '90
Garland, David Waterloo '89	Lee, Jeffrey WLU '03	McKay, Mark Waterloo '87	
Gowdy, Peter Western '83	Lewington, Robert Dalhousie/SM '71	Queija, Barak McGill '99	

FOUNDERS SOCIETY (CONTRIBUTIONS OF \$250 TO \$499)

Barichello, Michael Windsor '95	Glowinsky, Jesse Western '06	Manzerolle, Kenn Windsor '92	Ross, Steven Western '93
Browning, Alexander Windsor '07	Grant, Ted Bishop's '93	McCarthy, Patrick Western '91	Roussel, Sebastien Dalhousie/SM '97
Burnside, Andy Western '95	Hobin, Donald Dalhousie/SM '95	McCarthy, Peter Western '92	Ryan, Jeffrey Dalhousie/SM '04
Chiasson, Robert Dalhousie/SM '05	Hunter, Bryce Western '67	McCloskey, Ronald McGill '56	Siddiqui, Siddique UofT/Ryerson '02
Cifani, Vince Western '09	Lesperance, Robert McGill '78	McConnell, Gordon Dalhousie/SM '54	Sos, Jozsef Houston '94
Clermont, Ryan Western '01	Longpre, Phil Windsor '05	McEwen, Fraser Western '96	Wagner, Jeff McGill '08
Coolen, Rob Dalhousie/SM '05	Lubotta, David Western '93	Mugford, James Western '91	Watson, John F. UBC/SF '63
Cummings, Michael Dalhousie/SM '94	MacPhie, Hugh WLU '95	Rennie, Robert M McGill '48	Wood, James W. UofT/Ryerson '54
Frost, Chris Western '00	Manara, Alan Dalhousie/SM '88	Richards, Ryan Western '06	Yip, Byron UBC/SF '79

CIRCLE OF HONOUR (CONTRIBUTIONS OF \$100 TO \$249)

Andrews, William Western '57	Doman, Patrick Dalhousie/SM '11	MacNabb, Ernest CB McGill '37	Rae, David McGill '57
Baker, John McGill '47	Elliot, Arthur "Bud" McGill '48	Middleton, Matt Waterloo '99	Ross, Charles Western '51
Blair, Troy Dalhousie/SM '99	Estill, Don Oklahoma State '50	Mihalcea, Ciprian Waterloo '08	Sax, Alessandro Western '04
Boyd, Todd Windsor '93	Ferris, Tom Dalhousie/SM '66	Miller, G Denton Western '64	Schaal, Bear Bishop's '04
Brookes, Gord Toronto '88	Finlay, Terence Western '59	Moore, Glen Western '79	Simmonds, Taayo Dalhousie/SM '10
Carefoot, George UBC/SF '82	Fleck, Carl Western '62	Moro, Steve Windsor '96	Simpson, William J UofT/Ryerson '10
Clarke, Jason Dalhousie/SM '08	Fraser, Adam McGill '04	Morrison, Russel UBC/SF '60	Stoolmiller, Allen C. Western '59
Cobbett, William Western '00	Gibson, Chris UBC/SF '03	Mosher, Hugh Dalhousie/SM '08	Thompson, Jeff McGill '00
Cox, Don Western '62	Gillis, Donald Windsor '01	Murray, Darrel McGill '52	Treehuba, Gregory Waterloo '74
Craig, Art Western '60	Harrop, Daniel Brown '76	Newall, David Western '91	Turner, David Western '91
Curran, Allan UofT/Ryerson '63	Kimball, Rob Western '89	Phipps, Geoff Western '02	Whiteside, William G. Western '63
Deitcher, James Western '03	Kirsch, Brandon Western '01	Pugsley, Thomas Dalhousie/SM '68	Williams, Alan Western '77
Donato, Simon Western '00	MacLellan, Andy Dalhousie/SM '01	Quenneville, Jeff Windsor '99	

SUSTAINING MEMBERS (CONTRIBUTIONS UP TO \$99)

Ashfield, James C McGill '58	Foster, Gerald Dalhousie/SM '52	Peebles, Andrew Western '07	Solnick, Ian Western '11
Bowden, James Dalhousie/SM '97	Fraser, Frederick Dalhousie/SM '69	Reeve Newson, Tim UofT/Ryerson '03	Teryazos, Chris Western '99
Brown, Andrew Western '11	Haroon, Oqab Western '10	Sadler, James BC/SF '59	Villemure, Gaetan McGill '68
Forster, Alexander Dalhousie/SM '11	Milner, James B. UofT/Ryerson '51	Secord, David Windsor '95	

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Hawkins, Kevin Dalhousie/SM '97

Pellizari, Justyn UofOttawa '13

Solnick, Richard SCCF

Connolly, Chris Dalhousie/SM '86

Hershberg, Evan Western '02

Perrault, Marc McGill '87

Spidle, Geoffrey Western '91

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Buckley, Sean Western '90

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Martin, J. Campbell UofT/Ryerson '54

Siddiqui, Siddique UofT/Ryerson '02

Caza, Michel McGill '01

Guy-Haddock, Michael McGill '01

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Treehuba, Gregory Waterloo '74

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Milner, James B. UofT/Ryerson '51

Wagner, Jeffrey McGill '03

Burns, Michael Western '94

Estill, Don Oklahoma State '50

Murray, Darrel McGill '52

Watson, John BC/SFU '63

Canadian Forces SCCF

Finlay, Terence Western '59

Rae, David McGill '57

Chiasson, Robert Dalhousie/SM '05

Jones, Tim, Dalhousie/SM '94

Ryan Jeffrey Dalhousie/SM '04

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Houston, Michael Waterloo '94

Nguyen, Lisa SCCF

Barichello, Michael Windsor '95

Doman, Patrick Dalhousie/SM '11

Jurjevich, Frank Western '82

Paloschi, Vico Western '88

Broad, Robert UofT/Ryerson '64

Elliott, Craig Waterloo '89

Kalaci, Gary Windsor '06

Poyser, John Waterloo '93

Chen, Jiahua SCCF

Foster, Gerald Dalhousie/SM '52

Kvistbo, Douglas UofT/Ryerson '83

Sadler, James McGill '77

Cobbett, William Western '00

Freeborough, Jeff Western '91

McCulloch, Gavin Western '89

Wyer, Ronald McGill '51

Colman, Lionel UofT/Ryerson '60

Heath, Barry McGill '93

Mirkalami, Alexander Western '15

STAY INFORMED

As we transition to a digital format for all our communications, we encourage you to keep your information current.

Email us at sccf@sigmachi.ca

All honour to his name

Frank D. Crane DELTA OMICRON '64

FRANK CRANE MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

To honour the memory of Brother Frank D. Crane, a scholarship has been set up in his name through the Sigma Chi Canadian Foundation.

This scholarship is funded and will continue to be funded through donations to the Sigma Chi Canadian Foundation in the name of Brother Crane.

Brother Crane contributed to the on-going success of the Delta Omicron Chapter at the University of British Columbia continuously from his initiation in 1957 until his passing in 2013. He was an active force in keeping the Chapter alive during a number of critical periods of low enrolment, and for the construction of two chapter houses. He served in recruitment and as a two term Consul in his undergraduate days, in almost every alumni role thereafter. He ran a successful law practice, and helped countless brothers to achieve successful careers. His positive nature and his enthusiasm for life were contagious. In 2000, he was elected to the Order of Constantine, and in 2004 received a Grand Consul's Citation for his role in the construction of the current chapter house.

WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO BE A SIGMA CHI IN CANADA

It means a belief in and an adherence to the tenets of the White Cross. It means embracing the principles set forth by the founding fathers of Sigma Chi. And most importantly it means a dedication to the brothers of Sigma Chi and to helping each other.

Somehow a view has been growing that the Sigma Chi Canada Foundation is an entity unto itself separate from you the brothers of Sigma Chi. Well that view is just completely wrong. The SCCF is YOUR foundation and it exists to serve you the alumni, actives, and chapters of Sigma Chi in Canada. The Board of Directors is composed of volunteers who donate their time and talents to serve YOU the members of Sigma Chi. These people do not receive any salary, honorarium, stipend or remuneration of any kind, but they do work to help you and to forward the mission of the SCCF, which is to strengthen Sigma Chi in Canada.

The SCCF is a non-profit organization governed by the rules and regulations of Revenue Canada and all legislation applying to a charity. It is this status that makes it possible for you to receive a charitable tax receipt when you make a gift to Sigma Chi in Canada. When SCCF appeals for funds it is not to amass some war chest or some other such frivolous purpose, those funds are used to help active brothers through programs,

scholarships, and leadership training as well as helping the Housing Corporations provide Chapter Houses. So when you donate to SCCF you are helping other Sigma Chi brothers and helping to strengthen the fraternity in Canada.

Currently rumours abound that SCCF is gearing up for a capital campaign and those rumours are true. At this time SCCF is in the quiet phase of a capital campaign soliciting lead gifts and preparing to launch a campaign to ensure the very future existence of the Foundation. In order to be successful we need your help whether that is as a donor, a volunteer worker, or just a cheerleader. More information about the campaign will be announced in the near future. The capital campaign will be raising funds so that SCCF can continue to help you - the Sigma Chi brothers in Canada.

The Sigma Chi Canada Foundation is only as strong as it is today and able to support Sigma Chi in Canada due to the generosity of all the brothers who have donated over the years. For that support, we are truly grateful as those donors have made it possible for the SCCF to provide services and programs to active brothers.

THANK YOU!

Greg Treehuba, Chair, Fundraising Committee

Sigma Chi Foundation Charity

GIFTS BY WILL

BY IAN HULL

While it may be an uncomfortable topic for many to talk about, planning for your Will gives someone an excellent opportunity to think about whether or not they would like to leave any money to charity. In Monica Patten's article "Touchy Topics" written for Chartered Accountants Magazine it is revealed that left to their own devices only 7% of Canadians would leave any money to charity in their Wills. This number is raised to 27% however when the topic is raised while a person is drawing up their Will or financial plan. These stats clearly reveal that central to a charity's ability to succeed in bringing in donations is for them to raise awareness in the community of the need for people to leave charitable legacies in their Wills.

The desire for charities to raise awareness about charitable legacies has led to campaigns such as "Free Wills Month" being run in the community. Free Wills Month is a campaign supported by charities such as the Red Cross and the Canadian Cancer Society where during a particular month the charity will pay the legal fees of a person aged 55 and older to create or update their Will. In return for paying the legal fees the charities hope that the individual will leave a donation to the charity in their Will. While the donation to the charity is not mandatory, as Ms. Patten's stats suggest, simply having the topic of charity raised while a person is drafting their Will makes them 20% more likely to leave money to charity. As Free Wills Month's website hopes to point out, "by leaving a charitable gift in your Will you can help generations to come".

While cash legacies are most common, donations may also take the form of specific items such as jewellery, shares, or even real estate. Reasons why a person may begin to think about philanthropy and whether or not they want to leave a charitable legacy include when they start to plan for their estate, retirement, or even their own financial planning. It may be when a person receives a financial windfall such as an inheritance or bonus that allows them to leave a legacy that they might not otherwise feel comfortable doing. It may also be at the death of a loved one, and the desire to create a lasting memorial to a charity or organization that their loved one believed in. When you are planning your own estate, make sure to consider whether or not you would like to leave a charitable legacy of your own to the Sigma Chi Foundation.

CHAPTER UPDATES

THETA PSI

The Theta Psi Chapter of Sigma Chi has continued to grow and flourish. With the purchase of a permanent chapter house last year, many renovations and improvements have been made, and having a house to call our own – and to host our brotherhood events in, has definitely added to our sense of brotherhood, and pride. The efforts of our Philanthropy Chair in organizing both campus, and community events, in tandem with our Fundraising Chair and our annual Oktoberfest event, have made these past terms successful for our Chapter, with a variety of unique ideas for terms to come. With our past Initiation Formals, we were proud to initiate our Beta Chi, and Beta Phi classes.

LAMBDA THETA

Sigma Chi - Lambda Theta Chapter at University of Ottawa had a extremely successful Fall Rush, initiating 13 new and outstanding Gentleman into Sigma Chi. We'd like to thank our Consul Kyle Dicker for leading such a strong Executive Committee into the upcoming New Year of 2014. Congratulations and a job well done to the Brothers of Lambda Theta as we achieved 1st place at University of Ottawa in the Greek Olympics Weekend Tournament, strong arms and stronger efforts succeed only with the support of our brothers and beloved chapter.

GAMMA RHO

The first phase of the capital campaign is coming to a close. At the time of writing, we will have close to \$280,000 in the bank and big thanks have to go to our key contributors Eric Thomson '68, Jim Lawley '78 and Colin MacDonald '68. We are working on a new wave of donors over the coming months and have started Phase 1 work to start on the outside of 6093 South St this past summer. It is a very exciting time. We would love to raise another \$100,000 - \$200,000 that would allow us to complete all of the work we had planned for the house, pay off the mortgage and start our revamped scholarship program. If you are a Gamma Rho or Sigma Chi alumni that would be interested in helping us attain our fundraising goals, please contact Dave Finlayson (dfinlayson@bellaliant.net). We look forward to seeing our greatly improved House in a few months and adding donors to our ongoing fundraising efforts.

Scholarships+Awards

FIERHELLER AWARD

The Fierheller Award challenges each Chapter to commit to Fraternities core value of Learning

Epsilon Omicron Western Ontario
 \$1000 (\$750 for Highest Chapter GPA in Canada and \$250 for most improved.)

HORIZONS

Horizons is a six-day, highly interactive leadership experience that is focused on the development of the Fraternity's undergraduate brothers at a \$2,500 sponsored attendance cost.

2012	Kevin Nguyen	Beta Omega
	Taylor Sabbag	Iota Mu
	Jonathan Boron	Theta Psi
	Kyle Dicker	Lambda Theta
2011	Jordan Curteanu	Delta Omicron
	William Chen	Lambda Theta
	Ronald Leung	Beta Omega

GRAHAM SCHOLAR

Each Graham Scholar will receive \$2,500 to recognize their achievements.

Chad Lefebvre	Saint Mary's /Gamma Rho
Ryan Neufeld	Wilfrid Laurier / Iota Mu
William Chen	Ottawa / Lambda Theta

GENERAL LEADERSHIP GRANTS

Recipients are recognized with \$1,000 grant to further their education.

Dustin Zonnenberg	Ottawa / Lambda Theta
Richard Clark	Dalhousie / Gamma Rho
Matthew DeRusha	Laurier / Iota Mu
Robby Ramsarran	Waterloo / Theta Psi
Orhan Eldarov	UBC / Delta Omicron
Christopher Stearry	Windsor / Kappa Mu

JIM GRIMES AWARD

This is inaugural year for this program in honour of Jim Grimes outstanding service to Sigma Chi and his very generous gift to the SCCF. There is one award available per chapter for a total of ten awards; seven brothers applied in the inaugural year and are being honoured.

John Joseph O'Connor	Gamma Lambda / McGill University
Justyn Pellizzari	Lambda Theta / University of Ottawa
Mark John Hanson	Iota Mu / Wilfrid Laurier University
Jonathan Boron	Theta Psi / University of Waterloo
Christian B. Saab	Beta Omega / University of Toronto
Adam Bannon	Kappa Mu / University of Windsor
Mark Staniusz	Epsilon Omicron / University of Western Ontario

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