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# Eta Mu Alumnews

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## Formal 2001

Formal 2001 will be held March 17, St. Patrick's Day, at Camden Falls in Tiffin. Camden Falls is located at the corner of SR224 and SR231. Invitations will be sent out soon. A block of reservations at the Hampton Inn has been made under "Theta Chi". The rooms are available for \$60 a night. There is also a Quality Inn located a mile west on SR224. The Hampton Inn's phone number is (419) 443-5300 and the Quality Inn's is (419) 447-6313. If you have any questions please call the house.

## Brothers,

As one of ÈX's newest members I am overjoyed to be part of this fraternity. In the fall of 2000 I was initiated into ÈX Fraternity along with 5 others: Corey Woodcock, Aaron Ross, Jeff Kleinert, Josh Fate, and Kurt McKibbon. This is one of the best decisions I've ever made. I learned so much from my brothers this past semester and I look forward to teaching the new recruits what I have learned.

ÈX for life  
Mack Messenger

## Constitutional Amendment

This change on page 2 is being proposed to align the corporation fiscal year, which is homecoming to homecoming, with elections. In the past, Formal was used to conduct elections since it has provided the highest turnout of members. Over the past few years, homecoming has become the event that has been frequented more often. Also, since the fiscal year currently runs in this manner, it makes sense to make such a change. Also, this change will make homecoming the focal event each year, which many people have discussed in the past. It forces us put more time and effort into homecoming to make it a better event.

## New URL

The alumni corporation's web site has changed its URL to [thetachihm.org](http://thetachihm.org). An added feature accompanying this change will be that dues paying members will enjoy the benefit of having an alias e-mail address of [brothersname@thetachihm.org](mailto:brothersname@thetachihm.org) that will auto forward to their current e-mail address.

## Proposed Constitutional Amendment

### Current Reading:

#### **Section 2.02 Terms of Office**

The term of office shall begin at the presentation of officers at the spring formal and shall end at this presentation one year following. If no such event is scheduled, the presentation will be held at the spring meeting as specified in Article III.

### Proposed Change:

#### **Section 2.02 Terms of Office**

The term of office shall begin at the **end of the Homecoming presentation** and end one year following **the next homecoming presentation**. If no such event is scheduled, the presentation of officers will be held at the fall meeting specified in Article III.

### Current Reading

#### **Section 4.02 Election Procedures**

- a) The Secretary and Treasurer shall administer the election of officers to insure that those elections are carried out according to this Constitution.
- b) Election of officers will be initiated at the spring meeting of the Association.
- c) Candidates will be nominated and seconded in person or by proxies, as defined in Section 4.03.
- d) Candidates must accept nomination in person or by proxy as defined in Section 4.03 or the nomination will be considered refused.
- e) The election of officers will be by secret ballot distributed at the beginning of Spring Formal to eligible voters.
- f) There will be no formal discussion of the election at the Association meeting.
- g) A nominee must receive a majority of the vote's cast to be elected. If a nominee does not attain a majority of the votes cast, the nominees with the greatest and second greatest vote count, including ties, will immediately be re-voted, until one nominee attains a majority of the votes cast.

### Proposed Change

#### **Section 4.02 Election Procedures**

- h) The Secretary and Treasurer shall administer the election of officers to insure that those elections are carried out according to this Constitution.
- i) Election of officers will be initiated at the **fall** meeting of the Association.
- j) Candidates will be nominated and seconded in person or by proxies, as defined in Section 4.03.
- k) Candidates must accept nomination in person or by proxy as defined in Section 4.03 or the nomination will be considered refused.
- l) The election of officers will be by secret ballot distributed at the **end of the homecoming meeting** to eligible voters.
- m) There will be no formal discussion of the election at the Association meeting.
- n) A nominee must receive a majority of the vote's cast to be elected. If a nominee does not attain a majority of the votes cast, the nominees with the greatest and second greatest vote count, including ties, will immediately be re-voted, until one nominee attains a majority of the votes cast.

The updated fund balance is \$1455 raised through donations, sponsors and the entire golf tournament consisting of 45 players in the 1st annual event. Thank you to those, whose hard work and dedication pulled off a successful outing. I would like to especially thank Mike Soldwish, Art Balderas and Kevin Sweeney for helping me organize the event.

Another thanks goes out to all the hole sponsors and contributors: Lou Kuhnle, Mark Kuhnle, Rob Solomon, Tony Strahm, Mark Robinson, Mark Jamison, Lee Booze, Mike Soldwish, Greg Belden, Stu Hall, Art Balderas, Kevin Sweeney, Ed Diebold, Scott Siebert, Chris Peterson, Jed Thorp, Aleks Meyer, Tom Schaefer, Dave Cantu, Mike Stack, Dave Hinds & Mike Schubert.

Our corporate sponsors for the event were the Days Inn, Amerihost, Holiday Inn Express, The Lakes Golf Course, & O'Connors Lockerroom.

**CONGRATULATIONS TO THE FOLLOWING PRIZE WINNERS:**

1<sup>st</sup> place – 6 under = Lou Kuhnle, Matt Kuhnle, Debbie Soldwish, Katie Yetter

2<sup>nd</sup> place – 5 under = Scott Francis, Jamie Francis, Steve Francis, Jamie Fout

3<sup>rd</sup> place – 4 under = Mike Mallet, Travis Grohoske, Mike Stack and Chris Spielman

**OTHER PRIZE WINNERS INCLUDED:**

Pete Watterson(closest to pin - merchandise), Ken Whalen(closest 2<sup>nd</sup> shot – Indians tickets), Mike Shubert(longest drive - free hotel stay & Indians tickets),

Matt Kuhnle(closest to pin \$50), Jamie Fout(closest to pin – merchandise), Jamie Francis(closest to pin – free hotel), Casey Hemsley(longest putt – free hotel stay)

**SPRING '01 SCHOLARSHIP AWARD WINNER:**

Mark Kuhnle – Junior - \$250 check for campus bookstore. Congratulations Mark!

Please check out this year's 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Golf Scramble. The main goal of this FUNdraiser is to have FUN! We have changed the format to 4somes, and we will have many more prizes to win through raffles at the banquet following the outing. There will be some major prizes that you don't want to miss out on, and we will have a skins game for those teams who want a little competition to spice up the day! Please think about bringing "quality people" as opposed to just "quality golfers", because this is a fun event no matter who wins! Let's build upon last year's success and make this an even more enjoyable time. Please send in your money ASAP because we can only have 25 TEAMS.

Also, BRING SOME EXTRA \$\$\$ FOR RAFFLES AND SPECIAL EVENTS. There will be a 50/50 putting contest on the practice green. You can buy 1 putt for \$10 or 3 putts for \$20 at a chance to win half of the day's extra-putt-purse by making a 40 foot putt on the practice green once you've completed your round. If more than one person makes it, there will be a putt-off until only one person is left.

Fraternally,  
Lou Kuhnle

**THETA CHI GOLF SCRAMBLE SCHOLARSHIP FUNDRAISER**

- **WHAT:** Second Annual Theta Chi Golf Scramble (Limit 100 people or 25 teams)
- **WHY:** Scholarship Fundraiser for Undergraduate Brothers
- **WHY SHOULD I PLAY OR BRING A FOURSOME:** Just ask anyone who was a part of last year's tournament? Simply put, an awesome time!
- **WHEN:** August 18, 2001 at 11:00 am (shotgun start)
- **WHERE:** Sycamore Springs Golf Course located South of Findlay on RT 68 past Brinkmans Turkey Farm on the right.
- **HOW:** Format will be a 4 man scramble (bring your own foursome)
- **HOW MUCH:** \$70 ENTRY FEE per person (\$280/foursome) includes greens fees, pop, beer, snacks, catered dinner, door prizes, brotherhood, & FUN
- **HOW MUCH CAN I WIN:** There will be prizes(NOT \$\$\$) awarded to 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, & 3<sup>rd</sup> place teams as well as long drive, longest putt, best 2<sup>nd</sup> shot, closest to the pin, and a chance to win 50/50 purse for additional puts on the practice green. Also, there will be many door prizes including at least one major prize to be raffled off (you don't want to miss out on this prize!)
  - The skins game will pay out cash money to the teams who win skins. Each team will be eligible for the skins game for an additional \$10/man or \$40/team. Those teams who don't want to play for the money, and just want to play for fun do not have to get in on the skins game. Skins purse will depend on teams entered and will be 100% paid back.
- **DO I HAVE TO PLAY GOLF:** No, you can come out and join us, give us a hand with the activities, socialize, and sponsor a hole if you like. To sponsor a hole please send the bottom portion to Lou Kuhnle, a check for \$50 and the hole you would like to sponsor. Each hole will have a sign made in the name of the sponsor similar to last year.
- **WHERE WILL THE PROCEEDS GO:** Each semester there will be at least one undergraduate brother who receives a one-time \$250 scholarship to be used towards the semester in an appropriate manner(i.e. bookstore certificate of \$250)
- **CRITERIA:** There will be an application that the brother must fill out to earn the scholarship, a committee will review the applications and select a winner for the Spring 2001 semester. There will not be any repeat scholarship winners.
- **FUTURE:** We hope to have an annual outing with proceeds going towards scholarships. Also, we would like to increase the number of scholarships each semester in the future.
- **GOAL:** We want everyone to come together for a great time with the brothers from 4 decades, raise money for scholarships, and have one last meeting before the new school year begins, and bring back some brothers who haven't been around for awhile
- **DEADLINE:** All entry fee and skins pot money must be turned in by July 31<sup>st</sup>. If you need to cancel for any reason, this must be done by August 4<sup>th</sup> or you will lose your entry fee if you don't find a replacement(s).

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_ If you don't have a full team we will help find you one Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

Others in Foursome: \_\_\_\_\_

SKINS GAME ENTRY? YES OR NO (Add \$10/man or \$40/team if yes)

Return bottom portion with a \$70 check or \$280 check (whole foursome)(\$80/person & \$320/team if yes to the skins game) by July 31, 2001 to Lou Kuhnle for Theta Chi Golf to the following address. (Lou Kuhnle, 205 West 7<sup>th</sup> St. Marysville, OH 43040)

Home Phone# 937-644- 9023 Work # 937-593-6010 email Louis.Kuhnle@sea.siemens.com

\*\*Please send the money to me ahead of time, because I pay your greens fees the day of the tournament and order all the food and beverages(First come first serve – LIMIT 25 TEAMS)

\*\*\*\*\*If you can't attend but would like to make a donation or sponsor a hole please send it to Lou Kuhnle for Scholarship Award. This money will be credited to your Century Club Donations. We are always looking for corporate sponsors & prizes as well.

**Thank You for your Participation!**

I would just like to take a little of your time to update everyone on where we're currently at with some of the goals that your officers have set. One of our main goals as officers for this year was to better communicate with members of the alumni association. As many of you know, we currently have a web site for the alumni association. The web site serves as an excellent way to post information on the fraternity. When this site was developed 4 years ago, it was on the cutting edge in terms of use by other Greek organizations. Now that technologies have advanced, we want to remain on the cutting edge. Aleks Meyer 97', who serves as our webmaster, will be undertaking a major project to reinvent our website. The domain name will be changing and we will be able to offer a lot of new services on our web site. We will be establishing e-mail addresses for all of the officers so that any concerns, comments, etc can be voiced easily and efficiently. The website will also allow each of you to obtain your own free e-mail address. We all will be able to show our pride for Eta Mu. There will also be various chat rooms, message boards, and links to other pertinent sites that will benefit all of our members. We also want to get to the point where we can conduct Corporation meetings online. This will allow everyone to be involved, although they may not be physically present at a given meeting. These changes are exciting, and allow us to remain on the cutting edge.

Another goal that the officers set was to plan better events that include all of our alumni brothers, wives, and children. Planning Spring Formals' can often be a difficult task. It takes quite a bit of the Seniors' of the chapters time an effort to plan and run a successful event. I was approached by a group of our sweethearts asking if they could be involved in the planning of Formal in the future. To me, this shows how much of an impact that Theta Chi has had on everyone's lives that have been involved over time. What we will be doing is setting up a committee made up of sweethearts, alumni, and chapter seniors to plan future formals. This step allows for more time and dedication to be placed on planning an event that everyone will enjoy. Homecoming is becoming the PREMIER event for a lot of our alumni to attend. Taking this into consideration, John Birmingham will be chairing a committee to plan the homecoming weekend for the year 2002. More details will be forthcoming on both of these important changes.

The road that we are traveling is an exciting one. We have accomplished many great things in years past. But there is still much more work to do. I encourage everyone to stay involved. Your advice and input is very valuable. Please never take that for granted.

Fraternally;  
Kevin Sweeney 97'

### **House Access Foundation**

The House Access Foundation was established to raise funds to build a wheelchair access ramp to the Theta Chi House. A board of directors leads the foundation. Anyone who gives money to the fund is a member of the Board. Votes are based on shares owned and a share is given per \$10 contribution to the fund. Unlike other foundations or funds, the House Access Foundation will automatically be terminated upon raising the necessary funds to build the access ramp. Currently, we are estimating this amount to be \$3,500 to \$4,000. All donations to this foundation should be forwarded to Mike Stack, who is the acting fund manager. If you have any questions contact Jonathan Zimmerman or Mike Stack. Theta Chi for Life!!!

### **Brick and Picture**

The active chapter is selling framed pictures of the old house and bricks from the old fireplace mounted on a plaque. You can purchase a brick and picture set for \$40. Bricks are available for \$30. Pictures are available for \$15. Checks payable to the Eta Mu Chapter should be mailed to Attn. Matt Hinch, 1125 N. Main St., Findlay, Ohio 45840 on or before February 26<sup>th</sup>. You must be present to receive items at formal.