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Notes and Announcements:

Green Key Weekend is May 14-16, 2010.

Please join us for our Alumni Reception on the Saturday of Green Key Weekend on May 15. If you expect to visit, RSVP to **trikap@ dartmouth.edu** to inform us of your plans!

Any questions about the campaign for renovations, offers to assist on the campaign committee, or inquiries about making a gift or pledge can be directed to Sunil Bhagavath, at sunilsbhag@gmail.com or +34 605 285 033. The design for the renovations are available online: ftp://www.tri-kap.com/public_html/alumni/Tri-Kap_Drawings.zip

Please visit our frequently-updated blog at **trikap.blogspot.com**. Add comments, see pictures, check in on the house, and feel free to make donations! Of course, you can always start out with our website at **tri-kap.com**, which includes our look-up page for all Tri-Kap alumni.

Marcel Wolff '12 and Zachary Gottlieb '10 have created a website featuring scanned items of the Tri-Kap historical archives. Check out our society's priceless memorabilia, and enjoy images of past classes and our 1842 Constitution and By-Laws at

http://trikaphistory.shutterfly.com/

And finally, join our group on Linked In (**Linkedin.com**) to join the Kappa Kappa Kappa message board and connect to current undergrads and fellow alumni.

We'd like to thank John Cavanagh '55 for sending us a bevy of historical items from his time at Dartmouth. If you ever want to send historical documents or memorabilia to the house, we'll happily accept and display them. If you want to mail us something, contact our apprentice house historian, John Burden '11, at John.Burden@dartmouth.edu.

CAMPAIGN PLANNING MOVES FORWARD

The efforts of the alumni board continue as Kappa Kappa Kappa prepares for a comprehensive capital campaign for the renovation and expansion of the house at 1 Webster Avenue. The past few months' activities have positioned the house to begin soliciting leadership gifts, securing a loan from Dartmouth College, and requesting construction bids.

The plan to restore 1 Webster Ave includes expanding the house to the west to add additional bedrooms and completely renovating the current physical space to meet safety and ADA guidelines. We plan to add modern weatherization to the house to increase heating and cooling efficiencies and reduce utility costs. In addition, numerous chronic problems that have plagued the house will finally be addressed, including removing the leaking patio and the kitchen space beneath, fixing the cracked western foundation, and replacing aged and worn electrical wires, plumbing, and underground oil tank.

To ensure the fraternity will have the resources available to carry out proper maintenance of the new facility, this campaign will seek to establish a permanent maintenance endowment. The goal is to have annual interest from this endowment fund in perpetuity ongoing maintenance and repair of the house. We endeavor to ensure that this will be the final campaign of its kind.

While the final dollar goal has yet to be set, the campaign will seek the broad support among the alumni who will be asked to make multi-year pledges to ensure the timely completion of the capital plan. Dartmouth officials have been supportive of our intentions and the College is anxious to see the campaign begin and succeed.

We have retained a campaign consultant familiar with fraternity campaigns who is providing valuable expertise to the volunteer leadership as needed. The undergraduates are on board and will continue to play a critical role in sustaining the reputation of the house and assisting with the campaign as appropriate.

In the coming month, the campaign committee will continue to expand as we begin solicitations of board members and those who have already indicated their willingness to step up.

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The Tri-Kap Alumni Board

President's Message

Dear Brothers.

I hope this Spring 2010 edition of the Kappa Pillar finds you and your family doing well.

I am happy to report that our brotherhood remains strong. Our 70 undergraduates represent diverse interests, activities, hometowns, and experiences that all contribute to the richness of the Tri-Kap experience. We bring together men from all over campus who have two things in common: a love of Tri-Kap and a commitment to brotherhood.

In the six months since our last newsletter, the brotherhood has experienced busy fall and spring terms. In the fall, we welcomed 16 new members into the brotherhood and three more in the winter. Both groups excelled through the struggles of pledge term and treated the brotherhood to a traditional spaghetti dinner at the end of their pledge terms. We are confident that the '12s will continue to uphold the strong traditions of our fraternity and represent us well.

During both Homecoming and Winter Carnival, the undergraduates welcomed Tri-Kap alumni back to the house. It is always a pleasure to meet alumni who bring their families back and share stories of their time at Tri-Kap. If you are in town, we encourage you to drop by.

I am also proud to report that Tri-Kap continues to lead the Greek community's efforts in service. Tri-Kap organized and hosted the annual "Webster Avenue Halloween" event, welcoming local families and young children into the fraternities for a haunted house, scary stories, pumpkin carving and trick-or-treating. In the winter, Tri-Kap raised the most of any Greek organization as part of Dartmouth's comprehensive response to the earthquake in Haiti. The College continues to view Tri-Kap as an exemplary model of community service and philanthropic commitment.

This year, Dartmouth welcomed President Jim Kim to the community. I have met with him on a number of occasions and I am happy to report that he understands the importance of the Greek system at Dartmouth and is dedicated to supporting and strengthening our organizations. While his administration has been busy reconciling Dartmouth's budget, I am confident in his commitment to embrace Dartmouth's Greek life as one of the school's unique strengths. We also look forward to long-promised reforms of the College's social event policy.

Yet, we are not without our challenges. In the winter, as many of you read, the Hanover Police made a surprise announcement that they would begin using undercover sting operations at Greek houses. The maturity and unity with which the Greek community responded is a testament to our strength. We successfully overturned the policy by highlighting our responsible event management and our focus on harm reduction.

Finally, it has been a pleasure to aid the Tri-Kap Alumni Board in advancing our modernization plans. Our physical plant is in great need of comprehensive work. The work must be done to meet new College safety regulations and remain competitive in the Rush process for years to come. I hope that you will consider how you can help in the near future so that we can maintain and improve the Tri-Kap experience we have so enjoyed for future generations of brothers.

It has been an honor to serve as Tri-Kap's president, to meet many of you, and to share my time at Dartmouth with such an incredible group of brothers. I am proud of the legacy the class of 2010 will leave, and I have great confidence in our incoming executive board, which begins its tenure this spring. As always, stay in touch and up to date via email, snail mail, phone, the Tri-Kap website, and our blog.

Yours in Kappa, Michael Brasher '10, President

Tri-Kap Elects New Executive Board for Spring 2010 – Winter 2011

We are excited to announce the next slate of executives for Tri-Kap:

Cameron Sharman '11, President
Michael Abendroth '11, Vice President
Sonny Kung '11, Treasurer
Marcel Wolff '12 and Jinwoo Baik '11, Housemen
Max Yoeli '12 and Michael Joseph '12, Social Chairs
Kenneth Wang '12 and Eddie Vaisberg '12, Programming
Chairs

Maxwell David and Saagar Kaul '12, Rush Chairs Wei Zhou '12, Philanthropy Chair Alec Brodsky '11, Academic Chair Travis Whitfield '12, Jock Chair

We also elected Allen Zhang '10 and Ben Burke '12 as our interim housemen, Juan-Carlos Freile Franco '12 as our interim philanthropy chair, and Robbie Moss '12 as our interim Jock Chair for Spring 2010.



The new regime.

Tri-Kap Demonstrates Superlative Financial Responsibility

The undergraduates reached several financial milestones through the Winter term, including a \$5,000 contribution to the house's Third Century Fund for house renovations. I began the term by presenting the brotherhood with a simplified and improved house budget, which seniors Connor Heinrich and Zach Gottlieb and juniors Cameron Sharman and Sonny Kung helped me prepare over winter break. The budget spreadsheet will be updated and presented to the brotherhood at the beginning of each term. The house managers and I worked together this term to expand the range of duties that brothers in need can perform to earn dues reductions from the house. Finally, I completed a brief treasurer's manual, which I will leave to my successor, Sonny Kung, I am sure that he will do a great job.



The Class of 2010 at Fall Formal

Keeping House: New Initiatives for Better Living

These past two terms resulted in many improvements to the hallowed halls of Tri-Kap. The establishment of a new, more effective reduced dues policy helped to keep the house looking neat and tidy on a daily basis. Additionally, Nick, a local custodian, was hired this term for bi-weekly cleanings.

Brothers living in the house had the pleasure of enjoying newly-installed showerheads and curtains at the start of the Winter term. Our three new members took it upon themselves to renovate the laundry room and library as well. We decided to purchase a new XBOX during winter term, allowing brothers and guests to take advantage of the 60-inch TV while reestablishing the library as a lively social space. Several doors in the basement were also repaired and reinforced by Dave, the local carpenter.

Brothers were also enthusiastic to show their commitment to the house through their Lock-In house projects. Several brothers repainted the 2nd floor hallway a beautiful Icelander blue, providing a great backdrop for the composites. Several coat racks were also installed throughout the house for the many guests who pass through our hallowed halls. The wooden surfaces in the basement were also scrubbed and cleaned while the moveable bar was reinforced and repainted for use in the term to come. Alumni should also know that the house phone was reinstalled this term. Anyone who wishes to reach us can call the house at (603) 643-2457.

With temperatures rising and Spring right around the corner, the executive board has also invested in picnic tables and a new grill, which should make Tri-Kap even more of a home for our members and friends.

Jacob Kim '11, Valentino Wong '10, Islam Fayed '10, *Housemanagers*



Joe Pena '10 and girlfriend Thandar Aung '12 having a blast at The Hartness House in Springfield, VT, during Tri-Kap's Fall Formal

Brothers Hold Campus-Wide Events, Enjoy House Programming

The Fall and Winter of 2010 was an exciting new chapter for the brotherhood, as new Seniors, Juniors, and Sophomores engaged in myriad in-house and open programming events.

In the fall, programming started off with our annual Halloween on Webster Avenue, bringing a group of houses together to provide entertainment and community service to the Upper Valley. During the event, brothers came together to transform the house, creating a haunted house in the basement, setting up a variety of booths in the living room, and facilitating the use of a dunking tank on the front lawn. Even President

Kim made it to the event with his family, which was a fantastic addition. During the fall, we also made good use of the living room and library, hosting screenings of movies and the Super Bowl.



President Jim Kim poses with brothers and friends at our annual Halloween event.

Winter term also began strongly,

as Tri-Kap took part in debuting the dance performance group "Xs," led by none other than Tri-Kap's Hector Lopez '12. For the first time, Tri-Kap also took part in Heart Awareness Week, helping raise awareness for heart disease and working together to plan and host an eating contest in our living room. The event was an absolute success, with a dozen teams from houses on campus participating. Tri-kap brothers Joseph Pena '10, Leonard Lewis '10, and Zachary Gottlieb '10 showed their eating prowess by coming in second among the contestants, losing by 8 seconds to the hefty favorites, GDX. The solidarity among brothers was especially evident during the Ledyard Canoe Club's environmental project "Conservation on Tap," where a huge portion of the brotherhood attended to support Eric Larson '10, who had organized the event.

These terms' Lock-Ins were also a big success for programming, as we continued our household tradition of coming together and bonding over food, discussion, and pong. Lock-in discussions provided especially useful, helping brothers engage in pithy conversation on important issues such as rush, renovations, and the training of our dog, Parker. Brothers especially had fun during winter lock-in, enjoying games of volleyball and squash at the gym.

As the winter term comes to a close, it is undeniable that Tri-Kap remains one of the strongest brotherhoods on campus, with a multitude of events, general enthusiasm among the brotherhood, and a strong and cohesive new class of '12s. As our term as programming chairs come to an end, we have no doubt that our newly elected chairs—Edward Vaisberg '12 and Kenny Wang '12—will continue to honor and expand the programming efforts of Kappa Kappa Kappa.

Jinwoo Baik '11 and Blair Randall '11, Programming Chairs

Tri-Kap A Player In Campus Social Scene



Wiz Khalifa performs in Tri-Kap's living room. Inset: Blair Randall '11 (DJ Kemmik) opens the performance

While the leaves darkened and the autumn days slowly shortened, Tri-Kap's social scene remained as vibrant as ever this fall. The brotherhood opened the term in classic fashion with cK Pure, a dance party featuring our very own Blair Randall '11 as DJ Kemmik. Hundreds of students packed the living room until early morning. Encouraged by this triumphant start, the brotherhood endeavored to seek entertainment outside the borders of Hanover for our annual Homecoming Party. Headed by the efforts of Blair Randall and Cameron Sharman '11, we had the pleasure of hosting a concert featuring Wiz Khalifa, a hip-hop artist from Pittsburgh, with a #1 album on iTunes. DJ Kemmik made his debut as a live performer by opening for Wiz with an original three-song set that had the crowd begging for an encore. Khalifa followed with an entertaining hour-long set that evolved into another successful dance party. A canned food drive was stationed at the entrance of the house throughout the night to collect hundreds of cans for the Upper Valley Haven. Our fall formal at the Hartness House, as usual, was a smashing success.

The brothers of Kappa continued this social spirit throughout winter term, including several mixers with sororities and culminating in a formal at the elegant Hotel Coolidge in White River Junction, VT. Guests enjoyed fine food, dancing, and company throughout the evening. We know that the next term will bring a new set of successful events for brothers to enjoy during our tenure as president and vice president of Tri-Kap.

Yours in Kappa, Cameron Sharman '11 and Mike Abendroth '11. Social Chairs



Tri-Kap's senior team of Leonard Lewis '10, Joe Pena '10, Zach Gottlieb '10 placed second in a Greek pie-eating contest, while the pledges also participated.

Brothers Keep Up Tradition of Dedicated Philanthropy

These past two terms have seen a tremendous amount of participation in philanthropic events. In the fall, many of our brothers volunteered to help with the Red Cross Blood Drive held each term in Alumni Hall. Our most successful event was the annual "Halloween at Webster" event, in which we organized numerous fraternities in providing a fun and safe way for children of the Hanover community to enjoy the holiday. The total hours contributed by the house for fall term was 245, with a total of \$1,000 raised.

In the winter, we kicked off the term with numerous fundraisers held to support Students at Dartmouth for Haiti Relief, which helped raise money for Partners in Health's efforts on the ground in Haiti. Through pizza, grilled cheese sales, and extensive brother donation drives, we raised \$6,931 for Haiti, blowing away other Greek houses' efforts.

On Feb. 7th, Tri-Kap participated in the Greek Bowling event for Haiti Relief, in which houses contributed \$100 per team in order to participate. On Feb. 17th, Tri-Kap hosted a well-known national philanthropic group known as MyTurn, which raises awareness for orphaned AIDS children in Kenya. Our final major philanthropy event for the term was a joint Bingo Night co-hosted with AZD sorority on Feb. 25th. As a coda for the term, we also helped with setting up and taking down of the Red Cross Blood Drive. Over the term, Tri-Kap contributed 291 hours of service while at the same time raising \$1,321.37 in addition to our Haiti Relief contributions. Overall, this was a wonderful two terms of service, and we hope to do even more events this spring.

Henry Yan '11, Philanthropy Chair

Do You Have Any Favorite Tri-Kap Stories?

Our House Historian loves to share tales of past Tri-Kap deeds (or, preferably, misdeeds) for the brotherhood's enjoyment. If you have any stories of Tri-Kap adventures and legends, we encourage you to e-mail them to TriKap@Dartmouth. edu and address them to the "House Historian." The stories will only be used for the private enjoyment of the brothers.

Tri-Kap Welcomes the Class of 2012

Our newest class hails from eight different states, continuing to represent a wide range of backgrounds and experiences. Both Fall and Winter rush welcomed prospective members with a roaring fire and Frank Sinatra on the speakers. This fall, 16 members joined our brotherhood. In the winter, our house welcomed an additional 3 members, rounding out our newest class at 19 new brothers. The Class of 2012:

Wei Zhou hails from Ohio Deep Shah hails from New York Geroge Bahena hails from California Robbie Moss hails from Ecuador Max Yoeli hails from New York Juan Carlos Freile Franco hails from Ecuador

Ben Burke hails from Alaska Sagaar Kaul hauls from New York Kenneth Wang hails from California Michael Joseph hails from New York Marcel Wolff hails from Florida Hector Lopez hails from New York Max David hails from New York Charles "Trey" Hunt hails from West Virginia

Luke Fowlie Hails from New Jersey Eddie Vaisberg hails from California Aki Onda hails from Maryland Dan Whalen hails from West Virginia

With winter pledge term almost over, the house started looking towards next year's class. Our first rush event for the Class of 2013 was a huge success, with over 60 freshmen coming to the house to enjoy a barbeque and watch the Olympics with the brotherhood. We're looking forward to the spring and fall and getting to know the next group of gentlemen that will be joining our brotherhood.

Travis Whitfield '11 and Andrew Oppo '11, Rush Chairs



The Tri-Kap Class of 2012 poses before Winter Formal

Tri-Kap Maintains Standard of Athletic Excellence

Although winter weather pushed our activities inside, Tri-Kap kept very active as a house. Our hockey team went 1-3 in the most competitive intramural league, but we had a great time showing our stuff on the varsity hockey rink in Thompson arena. Our IM basketball team fared much better, staying undefeated all the way to the championship game, where we lost to a physical Tuck team. Finishing #2 in the 16 team league was, however, a great accomplishment. Tri-Kap did manage to take home a Championship with our swim relay team. In addition to the team sports, Tri-Kaps competed on a weekly basis against each other to win "jock hours." The brother with the most hours of exercise throughout the week, in activities ranging from skiing to weight lifting to badminton, won the coveted Power-ade Award at meetings.

Connor Heinrich '10, Jock Chair

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Tri-Kaps Slake Thirst For Knowledge

During the last two terms, Tri-Kaps have not forgotten why they are at Dartmouth College. As a group, we have attended several academic affairs with gusto.

Academic talks, including a recent one by Professor Jere Daniell '55 on the history of the Greek system, have been well attended. We also hosted study breaks with sororities during finals. In addition to events, I made sure to blitz out various articles on house history for the education of the brotherhood. While Tri-Kap is in no danger of once again becoming a literary society, our academic activities continue apace.

Marcel Wolff'12, Academic Chair



Retired Dartmouth Professor Jere Daniell '55 discussing the history of Greek Life to brothers and guests

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Yours in Kappa, Alumnus, Harry M. Lowd '66, Treasurer









The Class of 2012 and a handful of older brothers woke up for a 5 A.M. breakfast at Fort Lou's and a hike up the 3,121 ft. Cardigan Mountain this fall.



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