

PI LAMBDA PHI FRATERNITY

Dear Brother:

April 13, 1988

I am writing to you today to seek assistance for our beloved purple and gold. Do not be alarmed - Pi Lam is alive and well on Temple's campus. The fraternity house is still standing - a feat that mystifies city housing representatives. The brotherhood is flourishing with over 50 active members, who continue the fine Pi Lam tradition of general debauchery. No, the assistance I seek is far more crucial.

Pi Lam desperately needs a power hitter, preferably a lefty. Also a catcher who is not visually-impaired, and a center-fielder who throws the ball to the cut-off man and not over the back stop.

You see, our ambitious undergrads have for four years now surrendered all sense of sanity by playing in a summer softball league called the "Northeast Industrial League." Mind you, the league is not called the "Recreational Softball League," or the "Northeast Florists League," but Northeast Industrial. The boys who play in this league have names like Bud, Hank, Beef, and Spanky. They drink only domestic beer. They frequently taunt the Pi Lams, saying, "Use your own bats, you liberal-pansy ass-college ejumacated floofties." They take their softball very seriously.

It's safe to say that Spanky and company have been fairly effective. Not including our forfeit wins, Pi Lambda Phi has a cumulative 4-year record of 4 wins and 70 losses. I'm not kidding.

But 1988 is going to be the year that Pi Lam rises to the top, because this year we are fielding and **ALL-ALUMNI TEAM.** Here is the scouting report as of April:

- Spencer "The Sieve" Glass- about as effective at the plate as he was as Rex.
- Pat "Shell-Shock" McGurk- pitcher gets pounded regularly with hits back to the mound, providing hours of entertainment.
- Fred "@*&!" Brehm- plays the infield like Jerry Garcia plays the guitar.
- Rob "Bubbles" Kwortnik- never a hair out of place, even after running out another home run.
- Bob "Sporty" Hoch- plays a strong outfield, but is about as pleasant as a burr in your shorts.
- Tim "Muscles" Bryan- off-season reconditioning program has him in peak condition. A good bet to hit 800 homers.
- Jeff "Hip Boy" Frake- plays in plaid bermuda shorts & Wayfarer sun glasses. The team's "style" trainer.
- Chris "Fred Dog" Isaacson-likes to run, good instincts, has all required shots.

Yes fratres, an **ALL-ALUMNI TEAM**, a veritable softball dynasty is being put together this Spring. It's time to put the pride back in Pi Lam athletics, and we need you!

Remember, "It's not four wins, but a lifetime."

The league season runs from mid-May to mid-July with an all-star game and championship. The first place team wins \$750.00, and with the team of goofballs I am sure we can field, I'd say we're a lock. Games are played at various locations in Northeast Philadelphia, with our home field at the intersection of Torresdale and Tolbut Avenues - just off the Academy road exit on 95. There are two games per week, Monday through Thursday, at 6:30 p.m. Beer is required.

If you are interested in playing for the team, or maybe just standing in the outfield, give me a call or drop a note in the mail. League registration is approaching soon, so act now!

The Alumni Association is sponsoring a learning workshop on "The Fine Art of Imbibing," on April 22 from 5:00 p.m. until we get thrown out. The workshop will be held at Waldo's Bar & Grill, on Sansom Walk between Front and 2nd streets in Center City, and will continue at any fine establishments that will have us. All alums are encouraged to attend.

*****We are looking for these alums. Help us update our address records so that the following gentlemen will not miss out on future informative alumni correspondence.

Victor Abraham
Robert Chipetz
Eric Feldman '66
Henry Goldberg '71
Don Jacobs '68
Arthur Krosnick '44
Robert Maloney '78
Kenneth Palmer '78
Dr. Major Roth '44
Eugene Silverman '63
Richard Trencher '61

Terry Bitman
Herman Davis
Leonard Galane '59
Charles Greitzer '64
Timothy Kichline '73
Milton Lewis '44
Marc Miller '63
Bob Rice
Charles Schlakman '53
John Stainkamp '73
Melvin Weiss '61

Some Pi Lam alumni are doing impressive things, others....

John McKeon ('86) Finally gave birth to twins last month after a six-year pregnancy. "Goober" is now a svelte 233 pounds - or so he says. He is presently employed by Eagleville Drug & Alcohol Rehab in Eagleville, Pa., and he ays working there reminds him of the good-old-days in the fraternity.

Spencer Glass ('84) Tearfully passed on the Alpha Delta Chapter Advisor duties in order to perfect the art of spawning children. One-year-old Tyler Glass, who by the grace of God looks like his mother, has already memorized the Kovner Plaque.

Pat McGurk ('87) Recently completed a tour of duty as National's traveling representative. From Pi Lam to Pi Lam, Connecticut to Florida, he drank beer, slept on couches, and preached Pi Lam gospel. National is sad to see him go, and we're sad to see him back, because he's going to want to pitch again this summer.

Trey Reynolds ('86) Hates to be called Francis, and better be playing center field in May.

Dear Brother, now that postage has risen to \$.25 per letter, the cost of our alumni mailing has risen to approximately \$3 million per mailing. Your contributions in support of the Pi Lambda Phi Alumni Association would help defray our correspondence costs, and would be greatly appreciated.

Any news, comments, happenings, or messages to your fellow alums, please do not hesitate to call or write. Come out and play softball this summer, join us on the 22nd for a good time with the old crowd. I look forward to hearing from you soon.

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