



BETA PSI HOUSING ASSOCIATION

SIGMA PI BETA PSI ALUMNI

EAST STROUDSBURG UNIVERSITY

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Newsletter

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Greetings Sigma Pi Brothers

The House weathered the Pandemic. The pandemic has affected everyone. Fortunately, the house residents have made it through the school year without illness. It has been a very strange year. The young men seem to have had a quite school year. The biggest challenges this year were to find ways to get some the ongoing Maintenance completed and alumni involvement with the work on the house upkeep. The Chapter has stepped-up and helped on all the work parties and have been a great help this year.

The Safety measures we adopted have limited the exposure to the brothers, Alumni, Friends, and family. This was an interesting year with limited activity and minimal outside visitation at the House. This was a big challenge since this is a social fraternity and contact with our brothers is the part of our daily life. The virtual meetings and electronic communication media have been a huge part of the brother's interaction.

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Please go to the BPHA website to donate and pay your dues with our secure PayPal site. You will get a receipt directly from the site. You can also Snail mail your Donations/Dues. Send them directly to Jeff Bruno at 922 Bentley Ct. Chalfont PA 18914. Do not send dues to The White House address. If you are mailing them, please remember to make your checks out to **Beta Psi Housing Association**

Works Party Reunion June 11, 2021

Thank You Ron Steckel for organizing this event. There was a great Turnout. We will add some photos to the website.

House Visitation

If you intend to visit the House, as a courtesy, please notify the Chapter's Health and Safety Committee or the Housing Association at bpha@betapsihousing.com .

Remember that all official notices will come from the website. All Alumni should utilize the previously stated email address for any communication with the Board. bpha@betapsihousing.com

Keep Healthy- Follow all the guidelines from the CDC, State, County and United Health Organizations

Here is a great Photo of our resident Raptor.



Treasurer's Report:

COVID 19 had limited us to 8 residents last year in the house to promote social distancing. We have been able to lower some of the expenditures this past year due to the lower utility expenses, Repairs and help from some alumni as well as the residents for supplies and the undergraduates helped keep the maintenance costs at a lower level. **This still gives us a short fall of \$6000**

Repairs and Maintenance

Join some of us at our Monthly work Parties on the 3rd Saturday of each month. We always have a punch list of Maintenance items

Here is the list of items that were done this year. We have been busy and without the chapter's help we would not have been able to accomplish a lot of the items below. They have really stepped up this year. Thank You Brothers.

We hired a new landscaper

Rehired the Snow removal company

We applied for and received a 6-month IRS taxes extension to November 2021-

Cleaned up and trashed all debris behind the house by the fire escape (Insurance requirement)

Hazard insurance was reinstated by our agent with a new Insurance company

2020 RE Taxes were paid

Replaced the second floor small Bathroom floor

Replace second floor large Bath sink top

Terminix does quarterly treatment and in between as needed

Internet-Router crashed - replaced router and EERO extension Pods on 1st floor and 3rd floor
Chapter replaced batteries on the Back door
Chapter cleaned up basement, replaced Batteries in smoke alarms and some light bulbs
Replaced several steps on the front porch and painted
Sent out 2021 Donation notice to the email list from the website
Repair on the Boiler. RJ Groner Heating replaced a part
Replacement of the old Railroad ties in the front of the house
Added more support to Fire Escape
Trim bushes along driveway and in the front of the house
Disassemble COVID barriers in the Meeting room

To Be done

Add more support and repair to the fire escape
Replace kitchen electrical outlet
Address second floor hall way flooring
Use barriers Materials to repair the latus around porch
Fire extinguishers to be tested and certified

We need to hire an accountant. If anyone knows of someone in the area, please let the Board know.
We were approved for the IRS extension and the taxes will need to be file in November 2021
Jim D'Angelo will not be doing the taxes this year. He is semi-retired.

We would like to Thank Brother Jim for all the help filing taxes over the years. It is greatly appreciated.

HOMEcomings 2021

October 8-10 the way it looks now will be in person this year. Baring any new restrictions due to new numbers
If all goes as planned we will have our Alumni meeting on Saturday. Time 11:30 -12:30, at 12 Smith Street.
Check the website
We will have refreshments.

An agenda and previous Homecomingmeeting Minutes will be provided on the website before Homecoming.
Please Notify the Board of any requests to add items to the agenda for Board Approval 30 days before homecoming.
Please use the Contact the Board page on the website

John Gudikunst Sigma Pi Beta Psi Scholarship

The scholarship was offered, and the Scholarship committee approved the 1 recipient and that will be announce at Homecoming 2021. Thank You Rick Vroman-Chairman, Dave Reciniello, Max Yeager, Larry Moyer There were over \$8000 in the fund. Thank you again for your donations. Our goal is still \$25,000 to achieve enough funds to convert to an endowment.

Updated Chapter News

Chapter Director: A new Chapter Director was appointed by National Sigma Pi - Charles Ehnot- Welcome to the Chapter.
Details to follow.

Chapter Housing Advisor: A undergraduate House Manager was appointed- Frank Rosario. He will work with the Housing Board on punch lists with the help of Alumnus Mike Perruso who will be the Chapter's Housing Advisor. New undergraduate Sage: Cruz Manatt

Communicate with the Board

Any communication you would like to have with the Board can be through the official website site on the CONTACT THE BOARD PAGE. The Board will receive this communication within 24-48 Hours.

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Work Parties: These will be monitored closely and must follow all CDC and state rules.

Alumni Volunteers-to help monitor the Chapter Undergraduates. Alumni volunteers will be tasked with giving the undergraduates proper guidance, training, mentoring, and providing the tools to these young men to become successful and productive.

There are several other Advisory Positions. Here is a list of advisory positions put forth by National Sigma Pi

Housing Advisor-Filled	Academic Advisor
Alumni Advisor	Financial Advisor
Membership Education Advisor	Recruitment Advisor

The descriptions will be posted on the National Sigma Pi website, or you can go to [Click Here](#)

<https://sigmapi.org/fraternity/volunteer/>

Email Hacking

We have published this type of warning in past Newsletters.

Several alumni have been hacked and this may be attributed to emails sent out to a group that have links taking you out to an unknown website. It is recommended never open or click on a web link you do not know. Anyone distributing emails that have these types of links, please refrain from doing so immediately. You are putting people at risk from hackers.

CALL TO ARMS: Please Donate.

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Last years Alumni donations were extremely down. It has been the lowest donations received in years.

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Mike Perruso -Housing Advisor	

Thank You,
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Jeff Bruno
BPHA -Alumni President

Message from the Undergraduate Sage- Cruz Manatt

With the upcoming semester starting in 2 weeks the active brothers have been hard at working preparing events and activities to grow the chapter. Due to Covid-19 it has been over a year since the undergraduate students have been in any campus facility. However, this inconvenience did not hinder the active brothers from excelling academically, socially, or physically.

Former Sage, and current Vice President Jared Munoz has received the Tony Messenlehner two semesters in a row. Cementing his role as being one of the best leaders the Beta-Psi Chapter has seen in years. His tireless work and tremendous leadership skills has helped keep this chapter thriving since his initiation in the Spring Semester of 2019. Serving on the Executive Board the following semester he has maintained his role as being one of the most involved brothers the chapter has seen in years.



However, this chapter is filled with outstanding men who continue to impress their peers showing their dedication to the Beta-Psi Chapter such as past Secretary Frank Sain. Being initiated his freshman year in the Spring of 2018 he has been a huge part in the survival of our beloved house on Smith Street. Through his past actions and positive moral, he was awarded the John Gudikunst award this year. Formally accepting the scholarship during the June 11th Picnic at 12 Smith Street. This picnic gave him the opportunity to meet alumni who had not been able to make an appearance since homecoming a few years back. His presence helped to show some weary alumni that the Beta-Psi chapter is improving tremendously.

While last week Pierre Liciaga, traveled to Florida and had the honor of representing Puerto Rico in the North American Powerlifting Federation (NAPF) Pan Am powerlifting competition coming back with not one but two silver medals. One in the university division and the second medal in the open division.



During the summer Mike Perusso has spent countless days renovating both of the bathrooms on the second floor. Tearing up the old laminate that had been damaged by water. He installed a new floor and beautiful floor tiles to the entire bathroom. While adding a new countertop to the larger bathroom and giving them both a new coat of paint. He alongside Jeff Bruno and Howard Evans have continued to help improve the living quarters at the house.

