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XI CHAPTER OF ST. ANTHONY HALL

Chapter reaches out to UNC community

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In the active Xi Chapter, membership contracts and expands, enthusiasm ebbs and flows, but the responsibilities are ever present.

For the upcoming fall 2009 semester and likely throughout the next school year the undergrads are committed to continuing improved relationships with our graduate membership. Recent restructuring of SAANC

has led to better lines of communication and more clearly defined points of contact. We have also begun to nurture a relationship with the UNC community that will lead to a wider audience for Hall-related events and activities. The big event for the fall is being worked on by Sis.

Amy Olsen, $\Xi'06$, and Bro. Peter Pendergrass, $\Xi'07$, and it involves writers, multiple departments on campus and...dinosaurs. (Oh, all right, we'll spill: We're bringing Hugo Award-winning *Dinotopia* author James Gurney to campus!)

This past spring semester, we instituted

a fundraising committee with a twofold mission: one, to provide monetary support for needed house repairs; and two, to provide scholarships to offset the cost of dues for Hall members in financial need.

Another big project of note is revamping and rewriting chapter bylaws—organizing ones we do have, approving new needed ones, pruning irrelevant ones, and bringing others

up for debate to the entire membership.

We always love to see alumni around the house. Please feel free to call me directly at 704-651-1106 if you are going to drop by. Also, please mark your calendars now for Swingout 2010: it's going to be held on April 9-11. And

if you know of any candidates for rush who will be at UNC in 2009, please drop a line to **courtney.d.rosenthal@gmail.com**.

> YITB, Courtney Rosenthal, Ξ'06 Bt., Fall 2009

We need your time!

Sisters or brothers with experience in the following areas would be of especial help right now:

Auditing Communications/Public Relations Corporate Governance Customer Experience Development Direct Marketing/Direct Mail Event Planning/Coordination I.T./Website Administration Legal Membership Development Project Management Real Estate Assessment Real Estate Assessment Recruiting Social Networking Fund Raising

You can also visit **www.stanthonync.org/ donate** to let us know a little about your interests and experience. Come join us!

For more information, contact Bro. Jason Z. Moore, Ξ'98, K'03, at 415-694-9867 or via e-mail at president@stanthonync.org.

Upkeep on main house continues with alumni support

Brothers and Sisters All,

This year finds the SAANC treasury holding a mixed bag. On the one hand, hard work by Bro. Glover, Ξ '97, to refinance our renovation loan has saved us thousands of dollars compared with previous years. On the other hand, an across-the-board 30 percent increase to all property values by Orange County will cause our adjusted property tax to consume all of those savings and more. While we work to make better use of the money we have, there are still pressing repairs and maintenance items we must try to accomplish. In the coming year, we need to: 1) repair damage to the kitchen floor

- 2) repair/maintain the back deck
- 3) repaint the interior of the house
- 4) repair/maintain the front fence (donated

by Hop Swift, Ξ '36, when it was built) 5) continue to improve the physical plant as much as possible

If any of these are of particular interest to you, please feel free to contact SAANC to contribute to a specific cause.

That said, there has been much good work and many successes to report: the

Annex is gone, the backyard bamboo is being removed at this time, and the land is being regraded and reseeded to restore the backyard to a state such as few of us have ever seen. Generous alumni donations have paid for this and for a new freezer for the kitchen, a new dryer for the laundry room, and many other items. More support is needed and always will be, but the support we have received thus far is greatly appreciated!

> YITB, Michael Williams, Ξ′96 treasurer@stanthonync.org



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What's next for the Hall?

It is inevitable to look back at a temporal distance and remark that "the more things change, the more they stay the same." Many generations of Xis have worked on the house that Hugh Walker Gardner built in 1854. From the ashes of its demise in 1863 came the refounding in the 1920s: a contingent of St. As from other chapters put their reputations on the line to bring back the Delta Psi presence at the University of North Carolina, and in 1926 a charter was regranted.

Since the 1930s, there has always been a dedicated cadre of Xi alumni who have spent countless hours, recognized or not, attending to the day-to-day needs of both the physical structure (be it at 111 Cameron or at 207 Pittsboro) as well as the emotional and mental well-being of the actives. These men and women have juggled careers, kids, and personal commitments for the betterment of the Order, and sufficient praise and gratitude cannot be expressed for their generosity of spirit.

Just as those before us took a risk in rechartering and then supporting the Xi Chapter, so now it is our turn to do the same. Your expertise, your experience, and your knowledge will benefit future generations of Xis to come. Too often, long-range planning and vision is relegated to a secondary role as immediate needs are tended. Recent changes to the property-most notably, the removal of the Annex-have led us to the question, "What's next for the Hall?" And here, your input is coveted.

Think back to your favorite Xi moment. Was it in the backyard, enjoying beverages with fellow St. As on a lush summer night? Or did it happen in the winter, returning from class to find the fireplace filled with warmth and hot chocolate waiting? Perhaps it was at a Swingout, meeting alumni from decades before you had even been born, telling stories that were outrageously funny; or traveling to a GC and encountering so many different people—who shared more in common with you than you initially conceived. How can we ensure that future active Xi members have the same sweet taste of mem-



ory and will return to share it with others?

Jason Moore, $\Xi'98$, K'03, president of the St. Anthony Association of North Carolina, recently sent all Xis on the rolls a letter requesting volunteer assistance in specific, targeted areas of expertise. If you have responded, we thank you and look forward to your contributions! If you have not yet replied, please consider taking the opportunity to visit www.stanthonync.org/donate or by sending an e-mail to the volunteer coordinators at coordinators@stanthonync.org. If you don't have time to spare and feel a financial contribution would be preferable, there are upcoming projects that would benefit from funding. Please use the enclosed gift card and return envelope to send in your contribution today.

A quick peek in the archives at Xi shows us that in a short time after the 1926 refounding, issues began popping up with the brotherhood: late payment of dues, leaks in the house, LDs not being submitted, fines not being paid, and so forth. Fast forward 20, 40, 80 years, and some issues remain with us still. *Plus ça change, plus c'est la même chose.* We remember, and we anticipate, but the more collective institutional memory we have, the stronger we are and the more likely it will be to have to look into the archives to even remember these problems at all.

> YITB, Edge Coble, Ξ'88



alumni send their news & notes

"Dad is doing okay," writes Whit Bodman about his father, **Herbert Bodman Jr., Ξ'46**. "He's in a healthcare center at Carolina Meadows. His mind is not as sharp and his speech is quite slurred. He would enjoy any visits. I do his finances, and my sister, Carlie, visits regularly from Winston-Salem." Herb resides at 500 Carolina Meadows, Chapel Hill, NC 27517.

"My third collection of poems, *Fathers and Teachers*, was published in April 2007 by Beech River Books," reports **Robert Demaree**, **Ξ'56** (2080 William Penn Ct., Burlington, NC 27215). "It's available through Amazon.com. I often see Bros. Alan Atwell, **Ξ'57**, and **Taylor Doggett**, **Ξ'57**, in Greensboro." Bob's e-mail address is rdemareejr@triad.rr.com.

J. Taylor Doggett, Ξ '57, writes that he retired 13 years ago, "although I never really worked anyway. I have given a few thousand CDs and LPs to the Southern folk-life collection, Wilson Library at UNC-Chapel Hill. The music consists of 1920s-'40s European Gypsy jazz, dance bands, UNC-CH alumni bands, etc. My present hobby is creating custom music CDs from master tapes of my music collection given to Wilson Library." Taylor can be reached at 3608 Starmount Dr., Greensboro, NC 27403; ardeena@bellsouth.net.

"In April 2008, I was appointed the CEO of the Pebble Limited Partnership," announces **John Shively**, **Ξ'62**, "a company looking into the (continued on page four)

Share your memories of the Annex

The Annex, long the home of rapscallions from St. Anthony Hall, was sent off with a festive celebration that saw 80-plus Xis and friends gather in the August heat in Chapel Hill.

The highlight of the event was an auction to the highest bidder of the first ceremonial sledgehammer blow to the building. Perhaps fueled by liquid encouragement, the bidding war was intense and culminated in the first sledgehammer blow selling for over \$700. This donation was split between Ex. Bro. Edge Coble, Ξ '88, and Sis. Noelle Ocon, Ξ '86. They in turn donated the swing itself to Sis. Kelly Jo Garner, Ξ '95, the Annex Demolition Party event organizer. Through the unanticipated generosity of those in attendance, the event raised approximately \$1,600 in funds toward the cost of the demolition.

You are invited to share your memories of the Annex from 207 Pittsboro Street on our blog, www.stanthonync.org/blog, or drop a line to P.O. Box 1271, Chapel Hill, NC 27514. Reflections will be collected and shared within the chapter.

Swingout 2009 is enjoyed by all!

Swingout 2009, held April 17-19 in Chapel Hill, brought over 70 Xi alumni, actives and guests together for socializing, reminiscing and general merriment. Sis. Natasha Wilson, $\Xi'05$, and Sis. Fiona Matthews, $\Xi'07$, were this year's event planners.

The St. Anthony Association of North Carolina board of directors meeting on Friday saw the approval of a new set of bylaws and a nearly complete restructuring of the organization. New directors were elected who, in turn, elected officers of the board. Ex. Bro. Brooke Gardiner, $\Xi'52$, and Ex. Bro. Grahame Wood, D'60, $\Xi'99$, were elected directors *emeritus*. Bro. Jason Moore, $\Xi'98$, K'03, retained his position as president of the association.

This Swingout was the first to be held minus the Annex, and those alumni who had not beheld the backyard without it were suitably awestruck. The question of "What's next?" was a popular conversation starter all weekend.

Opening night reception festivities included a performance by Cadence, a female a cappella group from UNC, of which Sis. Wilson

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is a member. More musical mischief was made by Bro. Owen Fitzgerald, $\Xi'05$.

The Saturday banquet was held at the Carolina Inn, alongside formals for several other sororities from UNC. Needless to say, there was some confusion at first, but the Xis forged onward and enjoyed a lovely dinner, with the announcement of Swingout awards and brief remarks from award winners. Dancing continued until midnight, and more carousing was had back at the Hall until the wee hours of the morning.

Those who made it back to the Hall for Sunday brunch were treated to some of North Carolina's finest biscuits and coffee. Afterward, a small group of alumni and actives journeyed to the home of Ex. Bro. Skip Awalt, Ξ' 41, to share some of the tales from the weekend and to hear about Swingouts past.

Next year's Swingout will be held April 9-11 and will mark 83 years of St. Anthony Hall's refounding at UNC. Brethren with pledge classes from 1950, 1960, 1970, 1980, 1990 and 2000 are especially invited back to celebrate their decade anniversaries.

A Fatback Feller in Tofu Land

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I was a fatback feller in a tofu land. I moved to California, Left my Carolina clan And wound up in a world of weird, Took up yoga and I grew my beard. I looked like Kenny Loggins.

Out here they're not so into praying. If you're not part of the solution, You're, uh, what was I saying? Took up smoking the Humboldt Thunderbolt, The Sasquatch Green, Got in touch with my chakras And Deepak Chopra, Ate some kinda mushroom for my spleen.

I guess I waxed a little too rhapsodic To my troops in old NC They called an intervention, Unsure of my intentions, They came out to de-Logginize me. Thought I had joined a cult.

I said, "I'm all right, Don't nobody worry 'bout me. Have a seat on the futon, there, While I brew some ginseng tea."

Well, Bubba, Jeff, and Donnie Opened up their burlap sack Of barbecue and collard greens And a hunk of Carolina crack -Sweet pecan pie From my sweet Aunt Mary's kitchen They sang, "Devil's in the house of the rising sun," Then they offered me a smidgen.

And I said,

"Now hold on just a second, boys, I appreciate what you done, But Aunt Mary makes her crust with lard, So I can't join you in the fun." I may as well have said, "I'm a goat-loving Pagan" When I told them how I'd seen the light And was now a Southern vegan. You should have seen their faces fall Because they knew that they'd been beat. They couldn't lure me back with vittles Because I didn't eat the meat.

So I put on "Eat a Peach" Of Allman Brothers fame. We remembered Duane and Berry And our journey to their graves. We drank ourselves some bourbon brown As we did in glory days, And sang a song about ol' Dixie, And the night they drove her down.

As they got up to go and we gathered in the yard, I hugged 'em all real good Bubba said, "No hard feelings about the lard." I told them all to hurry back My door was always open. And they left the sack, Just like that Just like I'd been a'hopin'. I sent 'em off with some Lagunitas beer... With that pecan pie just calling me, I said, "Y'all come back now, you hear?"

—Todd Plummer, Ξ'86

alumni send their news

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possibility of developing a large copper, gold, molybdenum prospect in Alaska." Find out how John is doing at 2301 Loren Circle, Anchorage, AK 99516; jtshively@att.net.

"John Isenburg, Ξ '64, and I are planning to meet for dinner," writes John McCullough, Ξ '65. When he wrote back in September, John was also planning to visit **Bruce Wylie**, Ξ '66, in Seattle in October." Drop him a line at 32 Marshall St., Brookline, MA 02446.

"I frequently see and sail with **Rich Brayton**, **E'68**, out here in the San Francisco Bay," writes **Richard Robinson**, **E'68**. "In the last six months, I have talked with or seen **Lloyd Miller**, **E'68**, **Pierre Irving**, **E'69**, **Fred Stimson**, **E'68**, **Tony Dwight**, **E'68**, **Chris Born**, **E'68**, **Stu McLean**, **E'66**, and others from that good era of the late '60s." Dick receives postal mail at 2033 Jefferson St., San Francisco, CA 94123; e-mail at robinson27@aol.com.

"My novel, *A Matter of Honor*, was published in hardcover in October 2007 and will be published in paperback in October 2008," announces **William Hammond**, **Ξ'70**. "Book II in the Cutler Family Chronicles, entitled *For Love of Country*, will be published on April 1, 2009. A total of six historical novels are planned in the series." Bill's mailing address is 245 Meadow Lane N, Golden Valley, MN 55422. Drop him an e-mail at pubstrat1@aol.com.

Vera H. Sprunt, **Ξ'77**, is married to Michael David Cook. They own and operate Sprunt Cook Studio in New Mexico. Check in with Vera at 44 Camino Real, Sandia Park, NM 87047; www.verasprunt.com; vsprunt@ earthlink.net.

"I am a value investor seeking to fund investors who want to start a hedge fund," writes **John Chew, Ξ'79**. Get in touch with him at 4 Bolling Pl., Greenwich, CT 06830; aldridge56@aol.com.

"I adopted Leonidas, now two, from Guatemala last year," announces **Joanne Filley, Ξ'80**. "He had adapted well to life in the city and has earned the nickname 'Hugosaurus' at his daycare by greeting all of the parents with a daily hug." Joanne, who works at Citi Smith Barney, lives at 106 Bond St., #6, Brooklyn, NY 11217. Laura Murray, E'86, recently moved to 3362 William Newlin Dr., Graham, NC 27253. E-mail her at Imurraydoc@triad.rr.com.

"I started a new job in September 2008 at the Buck Institute for Research on Aging," reports Todd Plummer, **E'86**, "as an administrative assistant for a bunch of cool-ass geneticists. They take ultimate Frisbee breaks in between gene sequencing and neonatude 'treatments,' whatever the hell that means. It's a major break from my last job as program manager, development manager, and web content manager for an underfunded non-profit helping people with disabilities find technology tools. Whew-with all this spare mental space, I plan to continue writing kids' science books. I've covered force, energy, and the carbon cycle, and got screwed out of space travel. So far this year, I write after my kids go to bed (10 p.m.-midnight). There are so many St. As in the Bay area that I never see. Crazy. Joe Smallwood, E'89, Scott Henley, E'90, I'm coming to gitcha." Send fan mail to Todd at P.O. Box 381, Inverness, CA 94937; e-mail at todd_plummer@sbcglobal.net.

Carolyn Krchnak Leubsdorf was born to **Karin Krchnak, Ξ'89**, and Carl Leubsdorf Jr. on September 14, 2008, in Washington, D.C. Send congratulations to Karin and family at 9912 Fernwood Rd., Bethesda, MD 20817; karin. krchnak@gmail.com.

Donald Ball, **Ξ'94**, and his wife, Terri, welcomed their son, Sebastian Alton, into the world on May 16, 2009. Send congratulations to them via e-mail at donald.ball@gmail.com, or at 5006 Inglewood Ct., Nashville, TN 37216.

Michael Williams, **Ξ'96**, reports that he has left the private sector and returned to UNC as a staff member on the information technology services department's information security team. He can be reached by e-mail at michaelgwilliams@gmail.com.

"I'm living in Oakland," reports **Casey Campfield**, **Ξ'99**, "keeping an eye on **Jason Moore**, **Ξ'98**, making sure he doesn't get stuck in vents." Casey receives e-mail at barnaby arquebus@gmail.com.

D'Arcy Izard, Ξ'99, writes, "I'm currently living in Austin, Texas, where I teach private lessons in bassoon, saxophone, and oboe in the public school systems. Half of my time is spent in

West Virginia, where I recently won the position of second bassoon in the West Virginia Symphony." Send congratulations to D'Arcy at ligeia81@aol.com.

Jorge Valdes, Ξ '99, writes that he's going to the Netherlands this summer to present at a conference on bilingualism, then teaching an introduction to linguistics course in Spanish, then turning 30! "I also start my National Science Foundation fellowship in the fall. It is unheard of for somebody in a modern languages department to be awarded this fellowship! I also earned a nice surprise a short time ago. My department gives out one graduate student award called the Jesus M. Diaz Award [sip.la.psu.edu], and I got it!" Send congratulations to Jorge at forufe@gmail.com.

Emily Purdie, **Ξ'01**, has completed her studies at Emerson College in the global marketing communication and advertising program and will remain in the Boston area for the time being. She can be reached at 336-307-9560 or eapurdie@gmail.com.

"I changed jobs from working at the Henry Art Gallery to being a specimen processor for PABLAB Network Laboratories," reports **Karyn Gregory**, **Z'02**. "Fun with biohazards!" Send e-mail to Karyn at kmgregory@gmail.com.

Keith Hodson, Ξ'05, is currently in Thibodaux, Louisiana working for Habitat for Humanity as an AmeriCorps member. He's waiting impatiently for an opportunity to go back to North Carolina or just to run away to the bay. Drop Keith at note at hkhodson@gmail.com.

"I'm graduating in May," announces **Susannah Kirby**, **Ξ'05**, "having finished my PhD in linguistics, with a focus in first language acquisition." Catch up with her at suki@ibiblio.org.

NECROLOGY

We regret to report the deaths of the following alumni:

Harold L. Amoss, Jr., E'38 M. Ernest Jenkins, Jr., E'39 Robert T. MacMillan, E'43 Jesse Nalle, E'40 Grant D.I. Small, Jr., E'42 Spencer Smith, E'79 William O. Thweatt, E'45