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Response Overwhelmingly Favorable For Kappa Anniversary Celebration

The initial response to an alumni questionnaire concerning the interest in a reunion event to commemorate the 70th anniversary of the founding of Kappa chapter has brought a favorable response. Forty-one alumni indicated an interest in such events, with many expressing strong positive sentiments about such an event.

Based upon this response, plans are underway for a meeting of alumni to be held in New York City within the next few months to develop a committee of alumni to help with the planning and promotion of the event. The exact date and location of this meeting will be sent to all alumni living in the New York City area and those alumni who live out of the area but expressed a positive interest in the celebration.

A large turnout of Kappa alumni will be important to the success of the event. We are most encouraged by this initial response and believe such an event can be of great enjoyment to those who participate and a fitting tribute to our chapter's proud history at Cornell.

We will provide all Kappa brothers with more information on the event as plans are developed. We also hope that those alumni who expressed a positive interest in the event will join us in helping with the planning of activities so we may come up with a schedule that will be of maximum enjoyment to all.

Among those alumni who have responded positively to the proposed celebration are the following:

Abraham S. Bordon '14
Harold Riegelman '14
Bruno V. Bitker '21
Richard C. Flesch '29
Frank L. Newburger, Jr. '29
John H. Strasbourger '33
Richard S. Helstein '34
Ernst M. Sinauer '36
Richard Steele '37
Joseph A. Alexander '42
Justin Brandt '42
David G. Hast '42
Dexter M. Kohn '43
Morris Gordon, II '49
Richard H. Lustberg '49
Simon L. Dingfelder '51
Richard J. Helfman '52
Jay E. Brett '53
Richard E. Diamond '53

Ronald N. Rosenbach '53
A. David Rossin '53
Lee G. Seidman '54
Frank E. Sommerfield '54
Gerald P. Braverman '55
Kelly Marx '55
Jeremy A. Rosenau '55
Edwin H. Wolf '56
James H. Lindy '59
Kenneth Jay Riskind '59
Richard S.D. Cassell '60
Richard B. Talkin '60
David Wechsler '60
Lawrence B. Aaron '61
Dennis B. Black '65
Harvey P. Mays '66
Bob Gordon '70
Steven Lisberger '71
Todd Rotwein '73

Two Attend ZBT Convention

ZBT's annual convention for 1976 was held from August 19 - 22 in New York City's Biltmore Hotel. Ken Siegel and I represented Kappa Chapter as full-time delegates.

The program included business sessions, four classes in leadership school, bonus sessions, exhibits, chapter conferences and three banquets. At the business sessions, a resolution was passed describing ZBT's beliefs about the American College Fraternity movement. Bills passed included an act to insure proper

Dick Graham's Efforts For Kappa An Inspiration For The Future

The death of Richard S. Graham '37 on October 29, 1976, may have signified the conclusion of the first chapter in Kappa's history, but we would be greatly underestimating the greatness of the Graham family if we were to say that they are gone forever from our lives. Richard Graham, throughout the past 40 years, personified and perpetuated Kappa through his hard work, prudent guidance and unflinching humor.

Virtually alone, Mr. Graham saw ZBT at Cornell through the lean years of the sixties and presided over its resurgence just two years ago. His efforts and influence constitute the roots of our new order and will continue to grow and flourish so long as there is a Zeta Beta Tau Fraternity. Though we deeply mourn Richard Graham's passing, and extend our belated thanks for all that he has done, we can find solace in his continued presence in the hearts and minds of the men at Edgecliff.

We should also like to thank the first lady of Kappa Chapter, Marion Graham, for unselfishly sharing her husband with us and for graciously welcoming us into her home and heart.

As you might suspect, Kappa Foundation is still in a state of turmoil since Mr. Graham's death. Also missed will be Theodore W. Adler, who is retiring from his position as Secretary/Treasurer. The undergraduate chapter and the directors of Kappa Foundation extend to him our sincerest thanks for his service to the chapter.

Four men have stepped forward in an attempt to fill this great void. Still Howard Cogan '50, James E. Greer, Jr., Mitchell Gershonowitz and I have found such a task quite difficult and invite all of you to join us in this effort.

Let us unite to ensure that our thriving chapter continues the course so ably charted by Brother Graham.

Kenneth Siegel, President

maintenance of the fraternity's history, and an act to establish a uniform procedure for designation of chapter Greek letter names. The four classes of leadership school were Rush, Programming, Management and Pledging. The bonus sessions were short 15 minute classes dealing with such topics as Little Sisters, Parents Club and public relations.

ZBT National classifies chapters into four groups, Group I being chapters which do well and need little help, Group IV being chapters on the verge of failure. In 1975, Kappa was in Group IV. This year we jumped to Group II! I guess National likes us!

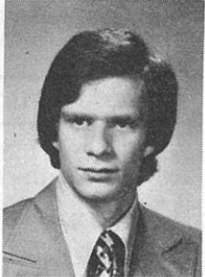
The highlight of the convention was the awards banquet. Joel Sacco, Robert Breitman, Stephen Kesselman and Edward Kardys joined us for the festivities. For the first time since 1970, Kappa Chapter won a National trophy, the Omega Cup, for excellent publications (*The Edgecliff News*). The trophy is now proudly displayed on our fireplace mantle.

This year the 1977 convention will be held in Missouri. Let's hope we can bring back a few more trophies this year.

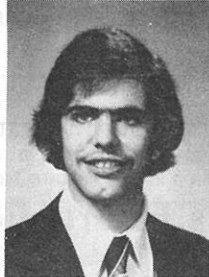
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Kenneth Siegel
President



David Gottlieb
Editor



Gordon Tucker
Naturalist

Dick Graham Laid Foundation For An Improved Kappa Chapter

With this issue of *The Edgecliff News* we have some unfortunate news to relate. Richard S. Graham '37, passed away on October 29, 1976, of a heart attack. The loss of Richard as a friend and advisor to both Kappa and ZBT National has been dearly felt. Efforts are now underway to find a number of interested alumni to fulfill the many positions which Dick Graham held. Without Dick the chapter would never have been revived, and everyone connected with Kappa chapter owes him a tremendous debt for all the work he single-handedly performed.

Aside from Dick's untimely death, the second year of operation for the revived chapter has been smooth and efficient, unlike last year. Many mistakes were made last year due to our inexperience. These have all been corrected, and what mistakes we do make are now few and far between.

This year we hope to see an increase in alumni interest and support. *The Edgecliff News*, which won the National award as best publication in ZBT, is the instrument via which the undergraduates of Kappa keep in touch with the alumni. It takes time and effort to publish the newsletter, and each and every alumnus has to write his own letter to keep in contact with us. Believe it or not, all correspondence is greatly appreciated, whether you inform us of a new child, a job change, a promotion or other personal information, or tell us of someone who will be attending Cornell next year. Any little word will be welcome, just so we know that someone reads *The Edgecliff News*.

H. David Gottlieb

Who Owns The Last Bond?

Back in the early 1950's, when the addition to the house was being built, bonds were sold to alumni to help finance the construction. All of the bonds have been returned and paid off, except for one remaining bond. This bond currently has a value exceeding \$500. Every year more money is being set aside as interest on the bond, money that could be spent on the house. It would be appreciated if the owner of the bond would let us know what he wishes to have done with the money.

Kappa Brother Inherits Library

Of Popular Naturalist Euell Gibbons

Kappa brother Gordon C. Tucker '79 recently inherited the 250-volume library of Euell Gibbons, the popular naturalist who died in December, 1975, at age 64.

Gordon says he hopes to use the library — which contains many rare, autographed nature books and is conservatively valued at \$1,500 — to carry on the work of the late naturalist. At the request of Gibbon's widow, Gordon is currently completing the naturalist's half-finished encyclopedic manual on edible plants of North America.

Gibbons introduced the general public to foraging — discovering and preparing edible plants — with television appearances and books such as *Stalking the Wild Asparagus*. He later appeared in television commercials when "natural" breakfast cereals became popular.

The story of Gordon's inheritance was widely publicized by the media, including *The New York Times*, *The Daily News*, the Associated Press, *The Providence Journal*, and *The Cornell Daily Sun*.

A biology major in the College of Arts and Sciences, Gordon became fascinated with foraging in 1973 and wrote Gibbons a letter describing the 200 species of plants he had sampled near his home in Wakefield, Rhode Island. Gibbons used the letter in a magazine column he wrote, and a steady correspondence between the two began. In September, 1974, they met at a foragers' convention in West Virginia, where Gibbons was the keynote speaker, and Gordon demonstrated how to make a jelly from mountain ash.

When Gibbons was stricken with a fatal aneurysm, "I sent condolences to his wife and I said I hoped Euell would be remembered as a great writer and naturalist and someone who helped make wild foods respectable and popular," Gordon says. "I hoped he wouldn't be remembered for being on the Johnny Carson show and doing Grape Nuts commercials and that sort of thing. And then I said that if, in my career as a botanist, I discovered a new plant, I'd name it after him."

Freda Gibbons wrote back and told Gordon that she wanted him to have her husband's library because her children and grandchildren showed little interest in the content of the books, and she felt they would be more valuable in the hands of someone with a deep appreciation of the subject matter. Gordon picked up the books at the Gibbons' home in Beavertown, Pa., during spring break last year.

The library includes the 1874 edition of *Gray's Manual of Botany*, the standard text in the field, and a 1936 edition of *Flora of Hawaii*, one of about 100 copies in existence.

Brothers Take Pride In The House

Since the chapter's revival, the house has undergone some major interior improvements.

Plush red carpets were purchased for the living room and the Dick Graham library, with the assistance of the father of Brother Stan Gittlen.

The next big step in Kappa's renovation was the acquisition of two couches and a lounge chair last spring.

During the past summer, the house received a major face-lift. All public rooms and hallways were painted, and local contractors installed new linoleum on the floors.

Because of these efforts, the house has maintained a handsome and comfortable appearance. The brothers take pride in the physical condition of the house and are guided in its maintenance by House Manager Ron Frier.

Finances: A Time For Black Ink

In February of 1975, a student at Pittsburgh University named Alan Moidel was sent to Kappa Chapter of Zeta Beta Tau to revive a defunct fraternity house. The revived chapter would now pay rent to its landlord, Kappa Foundation, Inc. (K.F.I.), the alumni corporation which amassed a debt of over \$72,000 in the last decade trying to keep ZBT's second oldest chapter from dying. This enormous sum was borrowed from the National Permanent Endowment Fund (N.P.E.F.), a national ZBT corporation.

After a year of operation, the reborn chapter ran in the red, owing five thousand dollars rent to KFI. As a result, KFI borrowed some from NPEF, by now a second mortgager, but the tap was soon to be turned off. NPEF was running out of money and the possibility of repayment seemed remote. During the summer of 1976, James E. Greer, Jr., the Executive Director of ZBT representing NPEF, laid down the law to the directors of KFI. The financial policy for the upcoming year would be as follows:

- 1) Kappa Chapter would not run in the red.
- 2) Kappa Foundation would not run in the red.
- 3) The NPEF transfusions would cease and furthermore, would be paid back \$2400 a year.

As far as the chapter was concerned, a profit was already proposed in its budget. The outlook for KFI, however, was extremely bleak. It would barely squeak through with its regular expenses, but an additional expense of \$2400 put hopes of profit completely out of the picture. As the 1976-77 year began, KFI appeared to be doomed, but the end did not come. Expenses had to be lowered. First, maintenance was cut to bare bone necessities. New furniture was out of the question. House repairs were done by brothers where possible. The only other expense possible to cut was the insurance premiums. And it was done. As of January 1, 1977, Ken and I arranged to have Edgecliff covered by a new insurance agency in Ithaca. The saving was over two thousand dollars.

Thus, after a year of shakey operation, the outlook for the future is certainly not grim. Kappa chapter will profit this year and in the future. Also, KFI's financial condition is rapidly improving. But most of all, the threat of default which hung over our heads for so long, has gone. From now on, we only use black ink.

Mitchell Gershonowitz

Cornell News Briefs

University President Dale R. Corson has submitted his resignation, effective July 1, 1977. A trustee presidential search committee expects to make a final recommendation for the new president in March.

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Tuition is expected to go up another 7 per cent for 1977-78, but the University's overall financial picture is brighter than it has been in some time.

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Football coach George Seifert was fired after compiling a 3-15 record during his two-year tenure. He was replaced by former Dartmouth and Illinois coach Bob Blackman.

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The six-year-old University Senate will likely be replaced by a University Assembly without legislative power, following a referendum this spring.

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Ithaca appears headed for its coldest winter on record. The average temperatures in November and December were six degrees below normal, and January was seven-to-eight degrees colder than usual.

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University Treasurer Arthur H. Peterson retired at the beginning of the year after 37 years at the position.

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Cornell is embarking on a \$1 million crusade to improve the writing ability of its students.

ZBT Competes In Most Sports

A vital force in every fraternity is a strong athletic program. College life consists of more than academics and parties. Without a sound body, a strong mind is virtually useless. The brothers of Kappa chapter realize this and take part in a full athletic program.

ZBT competes in virtually every intramural sport at Cornell. These teams include football, soccer, basketball, volleyball, bowling, swimming, softball and many more. Although football and soccer suffered losing seasons, our swim team did quite well. Though still early in the season, a winning basketball team is forecast.

Under the chairmanship of Jerry Ippolito, the Athletic Committee sponsors bowling and swimming nights on alternate Wednesdays and Thursdays. Except during heavy exam periods, these events are well attended. Featured in the fall semester was the renting of a Cornell pool. Along with guests, the brothers enjoyed an interesting water-polo match.

Several added activities are included in the spring calendar. Rounding out a full intramural schedule will be possibilities such as renting an ice rink for hockey. A group outing, such as a ski, camping, or canoe trip, is also a possibility. On Sunday afternoons an Advanced Lifesaving course will be offered to brothers by one of Cornell's instructors. Passing this course enables one to become a lifeguard.

Whether playing in a ping-pong tournament or watching "Monday Night Football" the brothers of Kappa are full of team spirit. A "all for one and one for all" spirit is what makes winning teams and winning fraternities.

Gerard V. Ippolito '79
Athletic Chairman

Social Program Helps Unify ZBT

During the fall semester, the social committee of Zeta Beta Tau sponsored many diverse and interesting activities. The semester's highlight was a rock party on September 17. This was the first party of its size since Kappa's re-opening and it proved to be a great success. As the sisters of Delta Phi Epsilon sorority pumped beer, the crowd danced to the sounds of the Dean Brothers, a leading Ithaca group quickly making its way up the charts. Besides entertaining well over 3,000 students from several area colleges as well as Cornell, the party announced that ZBT will once again be "on top of the hill." All attending had a wonderful time, keeping ZBT on the lips of students for weeks following.

A Casino Night and a Wine and Cheese Party rounded out the social calendar, but by far the most lavish events were the Homecoming and Fall Weekend celebrations. The Homecoming celebration consisted of a Midnight Disco where the music of a local disc jockey rocked dancing brothers and dates into the morning hours. This was followed by a champagne breakfast at 4 a.m. Diverging from rock-parties and the hectic Cornell life was the Fall Weekend celebration. After cocktails and a delicious roast beef dinner at Edgecliff, many brothers escorted their dates to the luxurious Gazebo Room at Ithaca's Ramada Inn. Candlelight and a smooth dance band added to the enjoyable evening.

Because success can't be achieved without proper planning, the social committee, under the co-chairmanship of Gary Smotrich and Neal Saslow, has plans for a full spring schedule. Included are possibilities such as another rock party, a square dance, a Casino Night and exchange dinners with sororities. Highlighting the spring calendar will be a formal dinner dance at one of Ithaca's leading night-spots. Although academics come before leisure activities, a well rounded social program truly shows the unity in the brotherhood of Kappa.

Gerard V. Ippolito '79

Kappa Helps Ithaca Children Celebrate at Holiday Gathering

On Saturday afternoon, December 4, the brothers of ZBT held a Christmas party for a group of 40 underprivileged and handicapped Ithaca children.

The party was organized by Vice President Stephen Kesselman who worked with the Ithaca Youth Bureau in preparation for the event.

An eight foot Christmas tree, donated to the house by the Youth Bureau, was set up in the living room. Lights and Christmas ornaments were purchased to decorate the tree.

The day before the party, brothers helped in baking cookies, brownies and caramel covered popcorn balls for the children to eat.

As they arrived, the children went sledding down the hill in front of the chapter house. After their toes and fingers grew cold they came inside with their chaperones and warmed up in front of a roaring fire.

The next event was trimming the tree, with the children stringing popcorn, throwing tinsel on the tree, and cutting out paper snowflakes. Then it was downstairs to the basement for various relay races.

Soon the piano was heard, and the children and their sponsors gathered around for a set of Christmas carols. The children knew most of the words and clapped in time to the music.

After the singing it was back upstairs for a reading of Christmas stories. Although the children were at times impatient, they enjoyed the dramatic reading of some of the Christmas tales.

The highlight of the afternoon finally arrived as Santa Claus and his elf entered the room with Ho-Ho-Ho's and cheery spirit to distribute gifts to all the children. Then it was time to look for coats and gloves, and the afternoon was over.

Expressing her thanks to the fraternity on behalf of the Youth Bureau and the children, the Youth Director explained that the holiday spirit generated by the party lingered for many days.

Through this project of social responsibility, the fraternity successfully extended itself to the community. President Kenneth Siegel has indicated the chapter's intention to make the party an annual event at Kappa.



Al Bednarick gives dramatic reading of favorite Christmas stories to an enthralled audience.



Before Santa arrived, the children went sledding on the hill in front of the house. Santa, Gerry Ippolito (left), provided highlight of the afternoon. His helper elf Ruth Bogitsch is on the right.



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Speaker's Program —

Prof. Polenberg Discusses Election

On November 11th, the fraternity was privileged to have Professor Richard Polenberg, Chairman of Cornell's Department of History, as an after dinner speaker. Professor Polenberg inaugurated our Speaker's Program with a discussion of the results of the presidential election and the prospects of a Carter Presidency.

After dinner, the brothers, the rushees and the professor retired to the living room where a roaring fire was projecting a warm atmosphere over the room. After Prof. Polenberg spoke, there was a question and answer session, and the evening ended with a return to the dining room for dessert and coffee.

The program received favorable reviews in the house, and plans are now underway to schedule additional speakers during the spring term. Among the professors to be contacted are Carl E. Sagan, the noted astronomer who worked on the recent Mars expedition, and Professor William T. Keeton, a leader in the field of neurobiology.



Prof. Polenberg speaks at ZBT.

Kappa brothers look forward to additional programs that will help meet one of the goals set forth in our fraternity's credo: intellectual awareness.

Kesselman

HONOR ROLL

The thanks and appreciation of the chapter and the alumni board go to these active Zeta Beta Tau brothers for supporting the 1976 alumni dues program. This support helped maintain the strength of the chapter at Cornell and programs for alumni including *The Edgecliff News* and other communications.

Theodore W. Adler '28	Jay Goldenberg '57	Lawrence S. Pollock, Jr. '48
Joseph A. Alexander '42	Stephan H. Goldstein '65	Thomas J. Reis '32
E. Lysle Aschaffenberg '13	Walter Gompertz '29	A. Gerald Reiss '64
James D. Baer '64	Robert S. Gordon '43	Harold Riegelman '14
Howard I. Baker '21	Richard S. Graham '37 (<i>In Memoriam</i>)	Samuel E. Rogers '51
Terry R. Baker '62	Marvin Handler '30	Jeremy A. Rosenau '55
Stephen Beckerman '63	Robert H. Hartman '32 (<i>In Memoriam</i>)	Joel H. Rosenberg '60
Bruce C. Bigelow '68	David G. Hast '42	Elliot D. Rosenstock '53
Bruno V. Bitker '21	Roger S. Hayes '65	Don Rosenthal '72
Dennis B. Black '65	Richard J. Helfman '52	George Roshkind '48
Morton K. Blaustein '48	Eric D. Hirsch '21	A. David Rossin '53
A. S. Bordon '14	Stephen Jacobs '73	Joel Sacco '78
Robert Breitman '77	Irving R. Kahn '28	Harry Salinger '67
Jay E. Brett '53	Richard L. Kaplin '50	Alfred M. Saperston '19
Irving S. Caplan '58	Warren L. Kern '36	Howard T. Saperston '21
Howard S. Cogan '50	A. Jerry Keyser '58	Lee R. Saperston '53
Jacques Coleman '26	Joshua P. Kiem '78	Peter D. Saunders '71
Henry P. Cowen '30	Richard M. Kochenthal '28	Robert M. Segaul '61
Barry R. Cramer '73	Dexter M. Kohn '43	Eric D. Siegal '72
Richard E. Diamond '53	William S. Kurland '77	Richard Siegelman '78
John S. Efroymsen '49	Leo L. Landauer '27	Michael Simon '63
Gary Emerson '72	Thomas C. Lehman '48	Ernest M. Sinauer '39
Yale L. Fisher '64	Barry Levane '73	Richard Sklar '56
Richard C. Flesch '29	Aaron L. Levitt '36	Richard Steele '37
James A. Frank '40	Matthew T. Marcelllo, III '68	Samuel Strasbourger '33
Louis Freidenberg '28	Kalman K. Marx '55	Jack B. Tamarkin '53
Eli Friedman '17	Stanley J. Mayer '32	Joseph Thanhauser, III '71
Paul Friedman '65	Mitchell S. Meyers '56	Robert V. Tishman '37
G. Ury Gants '35	Alvin R. Mintz '35	Mark R. Windt '72
Michael Ganz '55	Charles R. Nørberg '33	Burton Winer '50
Reuben Garner '42	James W. Oppenheimer '32	Wayne D. Wisbaum '56
Mitchell Gershonowitz '79	Fred Peckham '76	Barry B. Zacks '58
	Edward A. Perelis '61	

News From Alumni

E. LYSLE "BABE" ASCHAFFENBURG '13 owns the Pontchartrain Hotel in New Orleans, Louisiana. (2031 St. Charles St., 70140)

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JOSEPH THANHAUSER '71 is in real estate with Peter E. Pattison Associates in N.Y.C. He began working with Peter Pattison as a consultant and developer after leaving Uris Buildings Corp., and Tishman Realty. He notes that Demian, his St. Bernard, was sold late in 1971 at approximately \$1 per lb., at 210 lbs. He asks for the address of KEN MARASH '72: 21 Salem Place, White Plains, NY 10605. Joe saw PETER SAUNDERS '71 last year while at Tishman, and reports that Peter was building bridges in the Pacific. (230 E. 79th St., Apt. 8C, N.Y.C., NY 10021)

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ALFRED M. SAPERSTON '19 reports that he is still active in his law firm and visits Ithaca frequently for meetings of the Trustees and the University Council, Homecoming, and the Law School Council. His oldest grandson, Alan Klingenstein, took a year off from Princeton to act as a ski instructor at Vail, Colorado, while his other grandson, Paul Klingenstein, is back at Harvard following a Dupont Scholarship in Kenya, East Africa, where he worked with a world famous zoologist and biologist. Al's granddaughter, Joanne Klingenstein, is at the Taft School in Connecticut. (85 Nottingham Terrace, Buffalo, NY 14216)

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HOWARD SAPERSTON, SR. '21 has a son attending graduate business school at Cornell, while his other son is in the real estate business, is married and has two fine boys. Howie is still active as a senior partner in the Saperston, Wiltse, Day and Wilson law firm, and recently completed a term as President of the Buffalo General Hospital and as President of the Buffalo Foundation. He is a member of the Canisius College Board of Trustees and the recipient of an honorary LL.D from Syracuse University. (226 Depew Avenue, Buffalo, NY 14216)

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BRUNO V. BITKER '21, a Milwaukee attorney, retired last June as Chairman of the Governor's Commission on the United Nations, where he had served (as chairman) since the commission was formed by then Gov. Gaylord Nelson in 1958. In his resignation speech, Bitker noted that the UN's standing was at a low point, its support weakened by irresponsible resolutions by the General Assembly. "But the UN must survive," he asserted, "or none of us will survive . . . Despite its poor record on preventing wars, its achievements in the economic, social and cultural fields are remarkable." The following excerpt is from the Milwaukee Journal of June 17, 1976. "If there is a person in this state who has personified the ideals of the UN, it is Bruno Bitker. And he translated that idealism into action through the Governor's Commission, making it an active panel that continually tried to educate the state on the workings of the world organization and the principles it stood for . . . Bitker has been steadfast in his belief that the UN is needed, that world organization and adherence to law are required if there is to be peace. . . Now at 78, he is stepping down, leaving behind a record of influence that reached beyond the state to the halls of the federal government and to the UN itself. He is an example of what vision can accomplish." His home is at 2330 E. Back Bay, Milwaukee, WI 53202.

JOSEPH L. BARACH '39 died in Paris on June 22, 1976. "We had been traveling on the Continent for several months," writes Mrs. Barach, "and he was taken ill suddenly." There are five children and three grandchildren. (2108 Beverly Dr., Charlotte, NC 28207)

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"I moved to Chicago four years ago," writes GERALD BRAVERMAN '55. Jerry is regional manager with Applied Data Research in Des Plaines, Illinois. He has seen DAVE ROSSIN '53 who lives in Naperville, Illinois, and on a trip to New Jersey he had dinner with TOM LITWIN'S ('55) family and stayed with the KELLY MARX's. Tom is in South Orange and Kelly is in Short Hills. (3001 Manor Dr., Northbrook, IL 60062)

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A. GERALD REISS '64 became director of the State of Missouri Department of Revenue on July 1, 1976. He became a CPA in 1967, worked for Peat, Marwick, Mitchell & Co. in St. Louis, and joined the Dept. of Revenue in 1973. Jerry, his wife and two children live on Rt. 1, Rio Vista Heights, Jefferson City, Missouri 65101.

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MARK WINDT '72 writes that ALBY KATZ '72 is attending Downstate Medical School. Last Summer Alby visited Greece and Israel, planning to spend most of his time in Greece. (213 Ferncliff Rd., Fairfield, CT 06430)

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IRVING R. KAHN '28 writes that he is still active and working daily as sales engineer with Irvington Sales, Inc. in Buffalo, New York. (18 Arlington Park, Buffalo, NY 14201)

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"Leah and I celebrated our 50th wedding anniversary at the end of April," writes ERIC D. HIRSCH '21. ERIC D., Jr., Kappa '50, teaches at the University of Virginia in the English Department and has made a good record, along with a listing in *Who's Who*. Eric recalls that back in 1918-19 he was "calling on alumni and peddling bonds" for the new house. In 1921 he signed the notes for the purchase of "Dead Head Hill," the site of the present ZBT house. This was with the assistance of Dad Bernstein and Ned Feinberg — "then our elder statesmen." Eric reports the death of BENJAMIN WALTER HIRSH '20 in July of 1976. "He was no relation, but my very good friend." (232 South Highland St., Apt. 1203, Memphis, TN 38111)

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MORTON K. BLAUSTEIN '48 is Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer of the American Trading and Production Corporation in Baltimore, Maryland. (3606 Anton Farms Rd., Pikesville, MD 21208)

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"I've just returned from a one year stint out in St. Louis," writes ERIC D. SIEGEL '72, "and now I'm lobbying for an assignment in Washington, DC. Meanwhile I'm back in Massachusetts for at least six months, and plan to visit the new Zeeb sometime soon. I'm working on computer performance evaluation for government agencies — finding ways for them to get more work through existing systems. The work is interesting and quite useful. Other members will be interested to learn that I've become a bit of a 'jock' — what with ski trips and a 2½ mile run every morning." Eric reports that BOB FISHER '72 is still at Cornell working on his Ph.D. in Computer Science, which he expects to get in a year. "By the way, his name is now 'Justin Fisher.' There were just too many Bob Fishers wandering around. MARK SCHWARTZ '74 has left Union Carbide and is now the Asst. Dir. for Engineering Admissions at Cornell. He enjoys it quite a bit." Eric's company is the MITRE Corp. in Bedford, Mass. (4 Baron Park La., Apt. 30, Burlington, MA 01803)