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SECOND YEAR OF RENOVATIONS WILL RESULT IN LONG-TERM SAVINGS

Pledge Payments Needed throughout Summer to Fund Costly Startup Expenses

HVAC REPLACEMENT

Our second year of renovations, restricted to the new wing, will be our largest from an investment standpoint. The HVAC heat pump system, with its attendant startup expenses, will incur two-thirds of its overall cost in this first year. We will have to increase our wiring capacity in the house to accommodate the system, but the heat pump and the increased capacity will result in significant long-term savings, not only in heating and air conditioning costs, but also general electricity usage.

HAZARDOUS MATERIALS REMOVAL

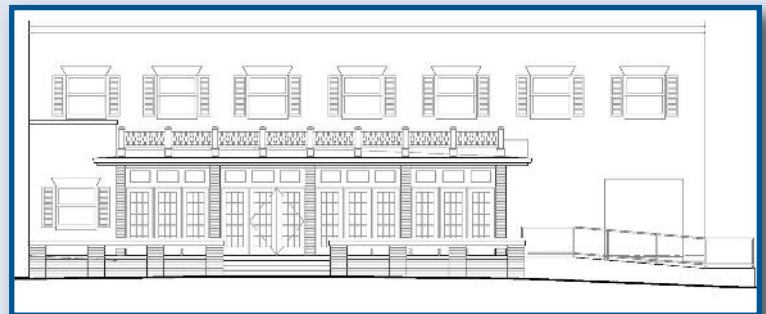
Unlike the old wing, the new wing contains asbestos in much of the ceilings and floors. We have tested for content and will remove all asbestos-containing materials. This is quite expensive, but necessary to accommodate the needs of construction. Building codes are quite explicit in this regard. At least the house will be rid of any potentially hazardous materials.

LONG-TERM INVESTMENTS

Walls throughout all of the halls, the expanded dining room, and the basement room will be replaced with heavy-duty dry wall and covered with protective surfaces. Again, this is a more costly approach, but it's a long-term investment in the durability of the house. The extension of the dining room (shown in the architect's drawing) will match the exterior décor of the old wing. The patio will be brick and pre-cast concrete with brick pavers forming the surface area.

MORE SEATING IN DINING ROOM

We will bid, as possible alternatives to the basic construction, the placement of new, longer windows



Architect's rendering showing the new south side extension of the dining room and newly formed concrete and brick deck.

on the north wall of the dining room and new windows in all sleeping rooms. The larger dining room will accommodate seating for more than 80 round tables.

CAMPAIGN STATUS AT-A-GLANCE

As of June 14, 2012

\$2.5 Million Goal

\$2,301,619 Total Commitments

197 Contributors

WE NEED YOUR PLEDGE PAYMENTS

The nature of our construction—mid-May through mid-August—demands a heavy cash flow during the summer. We ask that those who have pledges due this year get them to us in the next few months so we don't have to borrow to finance the cash flow.

In hoc,
George Gale '54
Renovation Coordinator

Past Due Pledge Payments Near \$300,000

Throughout the course of Xi Xi's capital campaign, I have been overwhelmed by the generosity of Brothers from each generation. Your commitments have allowed us to make necessary renovations throughout our Chapter House and we are certainly grateful for each dollar that has

made its way to the Chapter and for the sacrifices that many Brothers have made to ensure Sigma Chi's future.

While many of you chose to make your gift in one lump sum, others chose to extend their gifts

over two, three, four, or even five years. This long-term commitment is of great value to the fraternity, but we rely on the payment of these pledges as we progress in our renovations.

The commitment you made allowed us to strategically plan work around our anticipated cash flow. Unfortunately, many of the pledges made since the campaign began have not been paid ac-

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THANK YOU, GENEROUS ALUMNI, FOR HELPING RAISE OVER \$2.3 MILLION

We are extremely grateful to the following Xi Xi Brothers for committing \$2,301,619 toward *Restoring the White Cross: The Next Century of Xi Xi* Campaign. Your ongoing commitment makes a difference to the future of Sigma Chi at the University of Missouri, and your generosity is greatly appreciated.

All donors contributing a minimum of \$2,500, over a five-year period, will be recognized on a plaque prominently displayed in the renovated Chapter House. If an error has been made in recording your gift, or your name has been mistakenly omitted or listed improperly, we sincerely apologize. Please advise **John Walker '60**, campaign chairman, at jode12@hotmail.com or (913) 669-8254, so that we can make a correction. Thank you, loyal alumni!

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(\$250,000 and up)
Larry L. McMullen '53
In memory of
Paul Yeoman '55
Duncan L. Matteson '56

Norman Shield Society

(\$100,000 to \$249,999)
Robert G. Neel '48
William Reno '48
Kelly O'Neill '55
John E. Walker '60

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Robert M. Parks '49
F. Kent Ege '66
John M. Qualy '70
Jay O. Shields '76

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Thomas M. Scott '58
Richard Toft '58
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George W. Crowley,
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Maurice M. Crowley,
and Raul Walters '12
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(\$10,000 to \$24,999)
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Robert W. Evans '49
Ron Mills '49
Robert A. Busse '50
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Ken Bounds '51
Bill Chase '51
In memory of
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Ike Skelton '53
In honor of
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Paul D. Yeoman '55
William H. Curtis '58
William C. Bollinger '59
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David A. Anderson '69
Richard G. Roberson '72
In honor of
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Lee Huckstep, J.D. '75
Michael S. Olszewski '76
Karl R. Wolf '78
Mark S. Becker '79
In honor of
Judy and Phil Walters '59
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William D. Beil '83
Chris Depperman '83
Michael Schmittlein '83
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Chris Spencer '95

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E. Hope Brooks III '84
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Mom Greene
In honor of
Judy and Phil Walters '59
Jefferson B. Moore '84
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Robert C. Moore '86
Michael R. Rader '94
Edward D. Greim '99

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(\$2,500 to \$4,999)
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In memory of
Bill Anderson '47
Kenneth Bounds '51
Robert D. Evans '53
In memory of
Wade Spencer '55 and
Paul Yeoman '55
Herbert S. Jones '55

Tom Fenner '56
In honor of
Ike Skelton '53, for his
public service
Harry Ditty '57
Karl L. Englund '57
Wade W. LaDue '57
Roger D. Ornduff '57
Bob Philippi '57
In memory of
Chuck Mehrer '58 and
Mike Way '59
Donlad M. Hicks '58
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John Loomis '58
James A. Rice '58
In memory of
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Brock L. Hessing Sr. '59
William Comfort '60
In memory of
Joe Parent '60
Ronald McLeroy '60
Jim Shankland '60
Ralph W. Clark '62
In memory of
Bob Charow '62
Roger Wohler '62
James H. Card '63
David Bear '65
Jeffrey H. Green '66
In memory of
Ed HogueLand '63
Bart Strother '66
In memory of
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Quinn P. Damon '12
Richard M. Elias '72
In memory of
Mark Kuhlman '71
John W. Robinson '76
Jay G. Besheer '77
William Corbett '81

Brian T. O'Rourke '83
In memory of
Brian T. O'Rourke II
Randy Temple '83
James G. Cummings '84
Lee J. Hollis '84
Kevin E. Brown '86
John F. Crawford '01
In memory of
Richard J. "RJ"
Rhoades '01 and
Dominic L. Passantino '02
Clayton P. Burnett '02
Geoff Peterson '09
James C. Pullen '09
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Paul Dillon '10
Dane Gibson '10
Louis Groff '11
Larry M. Holt '11

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(\$1,000 to \$2,499)
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J. Philip Cline '55
Robert M. Lindholm '57
Donald E. Eichman '58
Paul Gessler '60
Jon D. Thompson '60
Roger M. Phillips '63
John B. Skelton '65
In honor of
Ike Skelton '53, for his
public service
William Peppes '69
Mark D. Williams '69
Carl A. Brown '75
Chris S. Mahley '75
Paul K. Sessel '77

Paul Telker '77
 Mark K. White '78
 Stephen G. Shasserre '83
 John Crowe '85
 Kevin Schiltzer '85
 Joe Schamberger '87
 Jack B. Noble '88
 Eric R. Fritsche '01
 Alan T. Simpson '09
 Andy Hunn '10
 Kevin Hamilton '11
 Travis Hunt '11
 Scott Myers '11
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 Matthew Steyer '11
 Jonathon J. White '11
 Tony Wirkus '11
 Ryan Turner '11

Xi Xi Brotherhood
(Up to \$999)

Anonymous
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 Rolland F. Oakes '48
 Charles D. Thompson '49
 Bill Gall '51
 Larry W. Goetz, M.D. '58
 George L. Boucher '59
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 Steve Woodley '62
 Andy Russell '63
 Stephen K. Lambright '65
 William Cason '69
 Roland A. Orf '69
 John S. Frerichs '71
 Richard M. Bowman '76
 Bernie J. Manard '82
 Ben Verhagen '82
 Robert A. Mitchell '92
 Michael J. Burbank '96
 Nathan E. Burnett '99
 Matt Gover '99
 Jeffrey H. Smith '01
 Mark W. Kaiser '05
 Gregory C. Clutter '10
 Ryan Miller '10
 Dominic Bergfeld '11
 Michael F. Bond '11
 Sean Burrell '11
 Matthew John Hickey '11
 Christopher P. Jones '11

Undergraduates Exhibit Hard Work and Commitment

- *Complete More Than 1,700 Community Service Hours*
- *Finish Third Overall among Fraternities Academically*
- *Become More Involved in Campus Organizations*

Community Service

The Xi Xi Chapter enjoyed a fantastic year of growth. During trying times, the men of Sigma Chi responded with hard work and commitment. This is best exhibited in the completion of more than 1,700 community service hours. These hours were completed on the Walking School Bus as Sigs walked children to and from school. Another large portion of hours came from our time spent at D&D Farms taking care of exotic animals, such as tigers and lions.

Academic Excellence

The men of Sigma Chi enjoyed another strong academic semester. We finished third in grades among all fraternities on campus and received a Gold Academic Achievement Banner (limited to the top three fraternities). Our pledge class finished first. This will be commemorated with a ceremony in the dome of Jesse Hall.

Campus Involvement

Sigs have expanded their horizons by becoming more involved in campus organizations. Whether working at the Alumni Center, playing on the club soccer team, or joining organizations like the Alumni Association Student Board, our Brothers have acted with high ambition.

Thanks for Your Support

We would like to give a special thank-you to the dedicated alumni and parents who have shown their support for Xi Xi. Without your help, we would not be able to thrive as an organization.

In hoc,
Jackson Hobbs '14, Chapter President
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Past Due Pledge Payments Near \$300,000

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According to the schedule that was originally outlined and today we are nearing the \$300,000 mark for pledge payments that have not been paid on time. This puts us in a precarious position as we attempt to follow through on the commitments of the *Restoring the White Cross* Campaign.

I understand that life circumstances change and that unforeseen hardships arise. If this is your circumstance, please take a few minutes to send me an e-mail or make a phone call that will let us know how to adjust your anticipated contribution. If you have forgotten to make your pledge payment or if you have not received the reminders that we send in advanced of your payment date, please let me know and we can reschedule your payments so that

you can be reminded and we can update our anticipated cash flow.

If you have not yet made a commitment to Sigma Chi during this campaign, time has not run out. As you read in George Gale's article, work continues on the house and we need your support to complete these project. Please take this opportunity to secure your place in Xi Xi's history.

In Hoc,
John Walker '60
 Campaign Chairman
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 jode12@hotmail.com

Sigma Chi Honors Brothers for Scholarship and Leadership

On April 21, 42 undergraduates who earned higher than a 3.2 G.P.A. were awarded \$20,000 in scholarships at a celebration luncheon in Columbia. This tradition was started several years ago under the leadership and generosity of **Bob Jackson '64** and **Barry Mansur '64** and has been continued by Xi Xi's Educational Foundation (the Sigma Chi Educational Foundation of Missouri), made possible by the contributions of Xi Xi's loyal Brothers listed on page 2.



In addition, the Foundation awarded \$1,000 for outstanding leadership to freshman **Alex Pirotte '15**, sophomore **Jackson Hobbs '14**, junior **Justin Schlitzer '13**, and senior **Harry Pettet '12**. Junior **Danny Kennedy '13** received a \$500 award in honor of **Ike Skelton Sr. 1926**, and the Mother's Club scholarship of \$500 was presented to freshman **Alex Lindley '15**. Brother **Jay Shields '76** continued the longest Xi Xi tradition by providing a Sigma Chi watch to junior **Kyle Sitomer '13** as the Harry Tid/Jay Shields Award.

Xi Xi has consistently been in the top five fraternities for scholarship among the 28 fraternities on campus. The Xi Xi Foundation recognizes this accomplishment with the largest scholarship program among all fraternities at the University.

Sigma Chi Faces Setback, Remains Determined to Rebuild Status

In January, a non-Sigma Chi resident at a dormitory, who was already inebriated, came to the Chapter House to visit his Sigma Chi friend. The friend unfortunately gave him more to drink. Later that night, the visitor was found passed out on campus and the police reported Sigma Chi to the Office of Student Conduct. The Chapter and Alumni Advisory Board cooperated fully with the Office, but after the hearing, the University decided to place Sigma Chi in a suspended status.

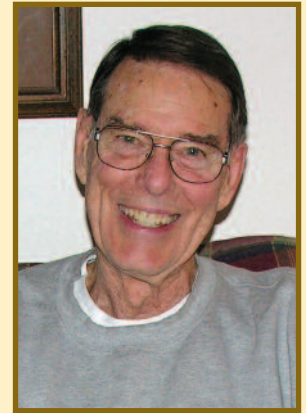
The Chapter may fully operate, but it cannot participate in Greek activities during the next academic year. In addition, the new Sigma Chi freshmen recruits must live in a University dorm for their freshman year.

Sigma Chi is determined to continue our otherwise exemplary conduct and performance to build a record that will support a request for early termination of our suspension status after the first semester of the coming school year.

In hoc,
Larry McMullen '53

Alumnus Awarded First-Ever Jay Shields Award for Outstanding Contributions to Xi Xi

George Gale '54, who has devoted more than 5,000 hours to Xi Xi over the past 20 years, was awarded the first-ever Jay Shields Award, named in honor of **Jay Shields '76** and his many years of service to the House Corporation.



George, who received the award for his outstanding contributions and leadership, has served as Chapter advisor of Xi Xi for 10 years and on the House Corporation board for the past 20 years. Most recently, George has devoted numerous hours to Xi Xi as coordinator of the Chapter House renovation formulating plans and cost estimates, and coordinating the designer, architect, building contractors, and renovation committee.

Kevin Schlitzer '85, who took over as House Corporation president after Jay retired, said the directors of the House Corporation nominated George for the award and voted on it without him knowing until the announcement was made.

"We kept it a secret from George, so he was surprised when we announced that he had won the award," Kevin said. "George took the lead on our renovation project, which is like a full-time job. He has devoted a lot of time to the success of our Chapter."

George was honored in front of the board with a plaque naming him a Life Loyal Sigma Chi. "As with anyone, it was satisfying being recognized by my fellow alumni," George said. "Obviously their genuine personal appreciation was represented in the plaque, so that was meaningful."

Jay, who wasn't aware the award would be named after him, was also surprised and honored by the gesture. The Jay Shields Award can be awarded to any member who has volunteered and demonstrated devotion to Xi Xi.

RECRUITMENT RECOMMENDATIONS

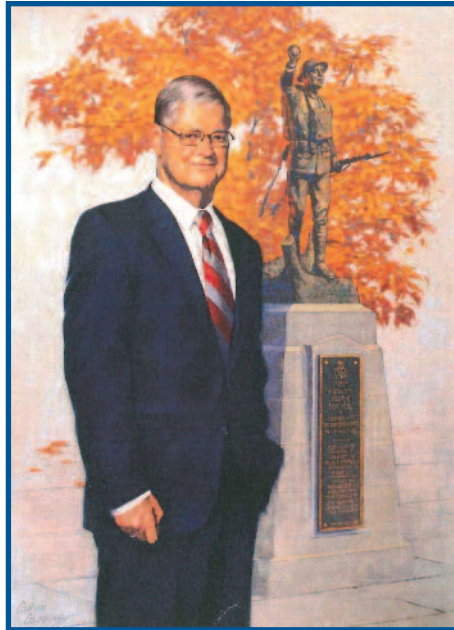
Alumni, we value your referrals. Please recommend worthy candidates for membership to Recruitment Chairman **Aaron Maassen '14** at (816) 797-9969 or ammzp9@mail.missouri.edu.

Constantine and Significant Sig Ike Skelton '53 Honored

On March 5 **Ike Skelton IV '53** was honored for his service as Chairman of the House Armed Services Committee at an official portrait unveiling at the Cannon House Office Building in Washington, D.C. More than 500 guests attended the ceremony, including Maryland Congressman Brother **Steny Hoyer, Maryland '63**.

Congressman Hoyer dedicated his speech to comparing Ike to the Jordan Standard, demonstrating how impactful Ike's Sigma Chi experience had been on his life. In his speech, he outlined each of the seven ideals that all Sigma Chis should live by and gave examples of how Ike exemplifies each one, describing him as a man of integrity, patriotism, compassion, and service.

"If we had a hall of fame for members of the House Armed Services Committee, Ike Skelton would be in it," said Jack Pollard, co-chairman of the Ike Skelton Portrait Committee. "Not only did our nation get his leadership of this important committee for four years, but we also get to have this wonderful portrait to recognize his service."



Gavin Glakas, a Sigma Chi from Washington University in St. Louis, painted a portrait of Ike Newton Skelton IV '53 to honor him for his years of service as chairman of the House Armed Services Committee.

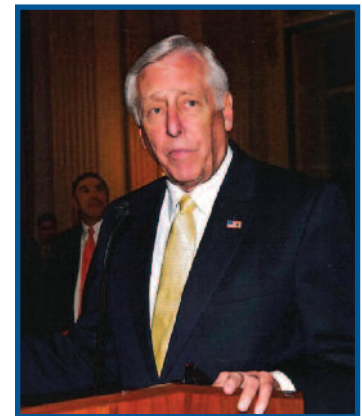
Ike, who served as congressman for Missouri's Fourth Congressional District in the U.S. House of Representatives from 1977 to 2011, was appointed to the House Armed Services Committee in 1981, where he served as chairman from 2007 to 2011.

"It is daunting to realize that my portrait will be hanging with all the outstanding chairmen of this committee who have served since its inception in 1947," Ike said during the ceremony.

Ike practices law at the Husch Blackwell law firm, where he became partner in 2011. He and his late wife, Susan Anding Skelton, have three sons and five grandchildren. Each of his sons, **Ike, George Washington University '87, Jim, North Georgia College '88, and Page, West Virginia University '90**, is a Sigma Chi. Ike's father, Ike Sr., was also a Sigma Chi who graduated from Missouri Law School in 1926. Ike's portrait was unveiled by his wife, Patricia Martin Skelton, whom he married in 2009. Ike can be reached at ike.skelton@huschblackwell.com.



Skelton Sigma Chis. Ike's son, Page, West Virginia University '90, his brother, John, Xi Xi '65, and his son, Jim, North Georgia College '88, attended the portrait unveiling ceremony.



Maryland Congressman Brother Steny Hoyer, Maryland '63, an honorary guest speaker at the event, said Ike exemplified the Jordan Standard that all Sigma Chis should live by.

Undergraduates Receive Top Academic Award

Xi Xi Chapter will receive the Chancellor's Circle Award of a Gold Academic Achievement Banner for finishing in the top three academically among fraternities on campus.

Our undergraduates finished third overall with a house G.P.A. of 3.22. Our pledges finished first in grades with a 3.052 G.P.A.



Attention: This newsletter is intended for alumni and parents. If your son has graduated, please send us his permanent address. Thank you.



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ALUMNI UPDATE

CHAPTER ETERNAL

Gene Weinischke '57 entered Chapter Eternal on November 24, 2011. He was an independent insurance agent in Maitland, Fla., and also a Rotarian. He was married for 54 years to Henrietta Kilburn, a Kappa Kappa Gamma. Gene was raised in Webster Groves, Mo., and was honored by the W. G. High School Hall of Fame for his golf record. He was an avid hunter and golfer.

Tahoe, Calif.. He and his wife, Greta, live in Palm Desert, Calif., during the winter and in Truckee, Calif., during the summer. E-mail: captskayc@aol.com

Lawrence Kice '60 and his wife, Laura, have two children, Allison and Andrew. They enjoy living at the Lake of the Ozarks. E-mail: budkice@aol.com

ALUMNI NEWS

J. Philip Cline '55 and his wife, Penny, live in Redlands, Calif. They have two sons, Jeff and Steve. Phil has been actively involved with the Boy Scouts of America for 35 years. He is a member of the California Inland Empire Council executive board and serves on several local civic commissions. Even though he remains busy, Phil always tries to make time for golfing. E-mail: p2cline@verizon.net

Roger M. Phillips '63 retired from the Roger M. Phillips Law Firm in 2011. He enjoys going to the YMCA and working out four to five times a week. He and his wife, Pat, have two daughters, Megan and Molly. The couple lives in Shawnee Mission, Kan. E-mail: rogerphillips@kc.rr.com

Joe Young '57 retired in 1998. He and his wife, Leigh Ellen, spend their winters in Prescott, Ariz., and their summers at their cottage in Michigan. E-mail: pepe0623@mac.com

Everett H. Brooks III '84 enjoyed meeting up with **John Crowe '81**, **Mike Basler '81**, **Brian O'Rourke '80**, and **Jeff Crowe '90** in Nashville, Tenn., for a great weekend. E-mail: hope_brooks@cargill.com

William H. Curtis '58 spent his 75th birthday with **Phil Walters '59** and **Jim Rice '58** in Lake

Chris Schmidt '98 is an actor for Schmidt Worldwide in Los Angeles, Calif. He was cast for the FX show *American Horror Story*, which debuted on October 5, 2011. E-mail: schmdtriley@gmail.com



The new north entrance to the Chapter House is adorned with the ΣΧ symbols.

