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Profile: Rob Hampton '73

Java Gets Doused and Hampy Learns Leadership

[Editor's Note: Read the full version of this profile on our Web site: www.kappasigpsu.com]

Tim "Java" Weis '71 appeared outside the Kappa Sigma dining room windows waving a pizza — taunting those who were suffering through some nondescript gruel.

Suddenly a torrent of water — a trashcan full to be exact — crashed down on Java, to the delight of those he had been mocking. Apparently, someone knew Java was coming.

That's a key moment which has stuck with Rob "Hampy" Hampton '73 for about 30 years. He also recalls, "the camaraderie — cutting up around the house at meal times and just sitting around playing cards or watching TV — killing time after meals."



Rob Hampton '73, then.

As an undergraduate, he was active in intramurals. "Kappa Sigma was great. We had one of the best bowling teams, and we were pretty reasonable in just about everything. We had great swimmers and divers. We did well in the Tri-Delt Anchor Splash."

Hampton now works as vice president of finance and accounting for Oil States International, a New York Stock Exchange company. He got some of his leadership training at 255 Highland Avenue.

"I was GM in 1972-73," Brother Hampton said, "and just working with the guys really does help you prepare for what you face in business. At that time — late '60s and early '70s — there

were a lot of different people with different views. I learned how to get along, work on teams and organize things. I think it helps your personal development from the standpoint of working with people and having fun and having a common objective. That happens a lot in business."



Robert W. Hampton Jr. '73 and his son, John. Young John is a junior at Texas Tech, and a Brother of the Kappa Sigma house there.

Hampy married Kappa Sig Little Sister Jenni Bryan, who was part of the first Little Sister class and one of four who ended up marrying brothers. The Hamptons have two children — John, 21, a Kappa Sig at Texas Tech; and Becky, 17, a junior in high school.

Jenni, who is also a member of Alpha Xi Delta sorority, is president of the Assistance League and past president of Clear Lake Area Panhellenic group in South Houston.

New Newsletter and Web Site

Focus on Reconnecting Old Friends

Since brotherhood lasts a lifetime, we are devoting more space in the Alpha-Delta News to helping us all get to know each other. We're introducing alumni profiles — a new feature — which start on the pages of this newsletter and continue on the Web site: www.kappasigpsu.com. Please let me know how you enjoy reading the memories and learning about your fellow Penn State Kappa Sigs. Then make sure to visit the Web site where you can reconnect with your friends 24 hours a day. (See the instructions on page 2.)

AEKDB,
Ed Gorkes '79, President
Alpha Delta Alumni Corp.

Social

Alpha-Delta Back In Spring Week

The big story in social is Kappa Sigma's return to Spring Week, which we have not participated in for at least six years. Kappa Sigma will team with the sisters of the newly formed Kappa Gamma Phi for a week of fun and games. More information is to come on this matter since it is still new to us.

Blue/White Weekend is still a couple of months away, but it's never too early to mark it on your calendar. The weekend falls a little late in the semester this year; the game is April 20. We hope the turnout is as good as last year's, or even as many as we had for Homecoming. There is currently no Blue/White chairman, so please contact Nick Mendez (e-mail nam150@psu.edu or phone 814-861-5594) if there are any questions.

Profile: Bruce "Eric" Claflin '73

In the Super Suite with Bitter, Spanky & Monge

[Editor's note: To read the full version of this Q&A, go to www.kappasigpsu.com]

Bruce Claflin '73 is president and CEO of 3Com, a multi-billion dollar networking company that does business in 65 countries. Here's a brief Q&A with our brother about his life and Kappa Sigma.

Q: Tell us about your favorite memory of the fraternity.

A: I have several...

--The night I was initiated (at least the parts I can remember).

--Hearing footsteps of my girlfriend (now wife of 28 years) coming down the hallway to my room.

--Leaving Rob Hampton '73 my leaking waterbed the day I graduated.

Q: What is your nickname, and how did you get it?

A: All of the brothers in my time had nicknames. Mine was "Eric" since my last name sounds a little like Clapton. I think "Ike" gave it to me about three minutes after pledging. Eric Clapton:

Who would have thought he'd still be around by now?

Q: Why did you join?

A: I joined mostly for the social aspects – friends, parties, girls!

Q: Did you live in the house? If so, who were your roommates? Tell us about a memorable time with them.

A: I lived in what we called "Super Suite." It was the suite to the left-hand side of the first floor. "Bitter" Brad Boyle '73, Dave "Spanky" Guerin '72 and Monge (Gary Monge) '73 were my roommates. There were too many good times to recall, and most of them can't be repeated in respectable company.

Q: What other activities or organizations were you involved with during your college days?

A: My organized activities were all with the fraternity.

Q: Tell us about your family.

A: I've been married to Karen for 28 years.

She was two years behind me at Penn State. We have three children.

Chris, 25, is a first lieutenant with the Marines training to be a pilot. He's married and they have one son – our first grandchild.

Liz, 23, our oldest daughter, is figuring out what to do with her life. Our youngest, Amy, 20, attends college part time and works full time.

Q: What hobbies do you enjoy?

A: I enjoy active hobbies – water skiing, scuba, snorkeling, sailing, hiking, etc. I like to read and enjoy travel to unusual, off-the-beaten-track places.

Q: What are your goals for the next few years?

A: I want to get our company's performance improved, make some money doing it, and retire young!



Bruce Claflin '73, President and CEO of 3Com.

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Alpha Delta Web Site Reconnects You With Old Friends and Great Memories

Now the best way to stay connected with our best friends from Penn State is on www.kappasigpsu.com. At press time about 70 brothers from all eras had registered at the site. They're posting news and photos of themselves, and updating their addresses. That old friend or roommate is now just a mouse-click away. We have just launched a bulletin board, with threaded discussions, and you can receive the postings by e-mail.

There's never been a better time for you to reconnect with that old pledge brother, roommate, or friend!

Visit www.kappasigpsu.com today and...

- Find other members and reconnect.
- Get the latest on the undergraduates and alumni members.
- Post and view news and photos. Live the memories!
- Read about upcoming events, and see photos of past ones.
- Get news and info about Penn State — and find out about upcoming events.
- Contribute online through our secure credit card service.
- See your name on the honor roll of contributors.

Go to www.kappasigpsu.com and get started in 3 easy steps:

1. Click "Register." Then enter your first name, last name, your graduation year, and the ID number (from the address label on the mailing envelope). Click "Register."
2. Create a username, type in your e-mail address, and click "Register." Then check your e-mail for your password.
3. Enter your username and password and click "Sign In." (Feel free to change your password to something easy for you to remember!)

Problems? Send e-mail to info@2stayconnected.com with your name, fraternity, school and graduation year; or call **Becky** at **800-598-4050, ext. 137.**



Profile: Lou Koehler '69

"The Old Man" Still Wonders About "Ozzie Nelson" Strachan

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Lou Koehler '69 is president of Novamet Corp. and general manager of Inco Special Products. Both are subsidiaries of Inco Ltd., the world's leading nickel company. Here's a Q&A with Brother Koehler, with some help from Tom McNulty '68.

Q: What is your nickname, and how did you get it?

A: The "Old Man" — living in the house in the late '60s aged me 20 years.

Q: Tell us about your favorite memories of the fraternity.

A: After "Ones."

—Anything involving Jughead and Spring Week

—The Kar Mel Motel

—Football weekends were big deals. Friday night was usually a mixer with a sorority.

Guys like McNulty and Bonawitz would scramble unsuccessfully for dates for the football game. Dress up in a three-piece suit

for the football game. Admission was free with student ID. Cocktail party after game

and band at night —I still attend an occasional football game, sitting with Ike, Mascaro, Royko, Bonawitz, etc., who are glad to supply me with a ticket.

Q: What kind of influence has the fraternity had on your life since graduation?

A: I'm amazed

that, for the most

part, all the guys I was at State with have done very well in life. And I've spent the last 25 years wondering what Ike "Ozzie Nelson" Strachan does/did for a living. Can anyone explain? I can call Ike any time during the day and he's always home to answer the phone.

[Editor's Note: We called George "Ike" Strachan III '70. Find out what he said at our

Web site:
www.kappasigpsu.com.]

Q: Who would you most like to find?

A: Jughead, "Bitter" Jim Clark, Nap, Abb, the "Fast Bandit."

Q: Tell us about your family.

A: Have been married for 30 years to Betsy. We have two daughters. The oldest, Karen, was recently married (It's like

paying for another year of college). The youngest, Beth, graduated two years ago from the University of New Hampshire

Q: What are your goals for the next few years?

A: Join an over-50 rugby league and break 105 in golf.



My daughter's wedding: L-R Beth (daughter), my wife Betsy, Karen (daughter), new son-in-law Jim Coyle, and me. Still smiling after paying for the wedding!

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Thank you to the brothers listed, who have already contributed to our 2001-2002 giving program. Your gifts provide the sole support that enables us to continue our alumni relations program, which includes the publication of this newsletter. If you have not yet sent a contribution for the 2001-2002 giving year, please do so today.

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Philanthropic

Kappa Sigs Seek to Double THON Money

Dance MaraTHON is just around the corner. This year's dancers are Adam Kulp '04 and Nicholas Mendez '02. Nick is dancing in THON for his third time in a row. Many of the brothers and pledges went to the Philly area to go canning to raise more money on two recent weekends. We are hoping to double the money raised from last year, and to reinstate Kappa Sigma as a significant contributor to the largest student-run philanthropy in the world. Any

donations from alumni can be made to Penn State Dance Marathon and sent to Nicholas Mendez '02, THON chairman, at the house address (255 Highland Ave. State College, PA 16801). Also, alumni who know of any corporations that might like to help us in our efforts should contact Nick to help us reach our goal. THON will be held from Friday, February 22 through Sunday, February 24 and alumni are encouraged to come and support our dancers.

Memories from Years Gone By...



1973 Pledge Formal. Is that you?



[To see a full size, color version of these photographs, or to download them for your own use, visit www.kappasigpsu.com]

Alpha-Delta
Chapter Spring
of 1971.

Memories from Homecoming 2001



Steve Heimer
"Alumnus of
the Year."



Homecoming
2001 Cocktail
Party.



Brother Wes Link at
Homecoming
Tailgate Party.



Adam Kulp
"Brother of the
Year."

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H. Paul Starr Jr. '51 (130 Old Route 8 S., Valencia, PA 16059; hpstarr@aol.com) I retired in 1999 as president of H.P. Starr and Sons Inc.

C. Ronald Goodling '59 (1 Halleck Dr., East Berlin, PA 17316; crgoodling@yahoo.com) I retired back to Pennsylvania after 40-plus years in the Washington, D.C., area. It's been good to get away from the congestion! I'm now living in quiet Adams County near East Berlin, Pa., and livin' the good life! I have fond memories of the old Alpha-Delta house and Mrs. "C".

Chester E. Zimolzak '59 (150 Pitman Ave., Pitman, NJ 08071) Author/professor at Rowan University. I am a faculty adviser to Nu Iota chapter at Rowan University.

John N. Cover II '63 (P.O. Box 333, Meyersdale, PA 15552; rainbow@shol.com) Owner/audio engineer at Log Dog Productions. I sold my insurance agency at the end of 1997 and retired. I spent the first nine months of 1998

preparing myself and my sailboat, "Rainbow," for an extensive trip to the Caribbean. I left Ocean City, N.J., in mid-October 1998, spent the winter living aboard in the British Virgin Islands, and returned to home port in Ocean City in May of 1999. In April of 2001, I opened Log Dog Productions, a state-of-the-art sound recording studio where I now make recordings for musicians.

Philip Xanthopoulos '66 (161 Sweet Bay Cir., Jupiter, FL 33458; philipx@earthlink.net) Vice president at Prudential Securities Inc. Wall Street was fun again. But, as expected, we are back in the "field." Branch management is the preference. The Palm Beach area is beautiful. The office is full of great people. We are hoping this is a more permanent move. Anybody in the area, be sure to stop in. I'd love to see you!

R. Brad Lawrence '69 (PRI Automation, 805 Middlesex Tpk., Billerica, MA 01821; blawrence@pria.com) Vice president/general manager at PRI
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Automation. I'm back on the East Coast, again (!), after 12 years in Seattle. I'm currently commuting and racking up those frequent-flyer miles.

Scott G. Ott '83 (490 Shiloh Rd., State College, PA 16801; scottott@2stayconnected.com) Stephanie and I are loving Happy Valley. I returned here in March 2001 with Stephanie and our four children — Grace (12), Haleigh (7), Zacharie (5), Jonah (3). I lived in Missouri for the past nine years, where I met Stephanie. I'm now working for the company that manages Alpha-Delta's alumni relations program. In the fall I attended some chapter meetings at the house to get to know the undergraduates. **Paul Fox '83** and **Jerry King '83** came up for the Michigan game and stayed at our home. It was great to laugh hard with them again. I saw **Dave Will '84** and **Rick Gibbons '83** briefly at the house recently. **Tom Goodman '82** and his wife, Denise, were in town for the baptism of their baby, Serene. They came over for dinner and we talked and played guitar for four hours. Great time.

Troy L. Ott '84 (2121 Vandal Dr., Moscow, ID 83843; tott@uidaho.edu) After stays in Alabama (Auburn University), Florida (University of Florida, where I met and married my wife, Colleen) and Texas (Texas A&M University), I have settled in Moscow, Idaho. I am on the faculty in the Department of Animal and Veterinary Science at the University of Idaho and do research and teach in the area of reproductive biology/molecular biology. Colleen owns and runs a small business out of our home and raises our 6-year-old son, John, and our 3-year-old daughter, Katherine. In my spare time, I hunt, fish and camp in the spectacular wilderness of northern Idaho. I also head a group that is designing and building a fun, hands-on science and technology center on the Palouse (eastern Washington and northern Idaho) called the Palouse Discovery Science Center (www.palousescience.org). I have yet to return to Happy Valley since my departure in 1985, but will visit soon now that my brother, **Scott '83**, resides there.

Jonathan W. Shaps '85 (22 N. Wyoming Ave., Ardmore, PA 19003; jshaps@

critpath.org) Field engineer switch at Verizon Wireless in Philadelphia. For the last three years, I have been working for Verizon Wireless, after completing an A.S.S. in electronics. I am very proud to have been part of the quick response team to go up to New York to set up over 30 temporary cell sites in Lower Manhattan to aid residents and emergency workers by providing emergency communications. The bravery of the people of New York is an inspiration to all of us and we should support them!

Gary E. Thompson '85 (42966 Tara Ct., Ashburn, VA 20147; g.t.k.thompson@worldnet.att.com) My second daughter was born on September 1, 2001, and my first will be 4 on November 15, 2001 — so I have little time to visit the house before or after football games. I'm looking forward to Homecoming and possibly spending the night.

David J. Masters '89 (1003 Spring Gate Rd., Unit 1B, Baltimore, MD 21228; davidpsu@erols.com) Director of research at Advantis Real Estate Services Co. I saw Yabo (**Scott Yablonsky '88**), Beav (**Chris Manion '87**) and Helf (**Jim Helferty '89**) at the Jersey Shore last summer.

Gary D. Sauers '89 (1120 Cutspring Rd., Chesapeake, VA 23322; gdsinva@aol.com) My wife and I have two great kids, Allison (5) and Kevin (2). We have been running the local PSU Alumni Association for the last three years and went on a bus trip to U.Va. to see the last football game in 2001. **Joe Coleman '88** and his wife Barb went also. They moved to Virginia yet again. I got to see **Jeff Geddes '88** and Courtney this summer at Dorene Smallwood's wedding. They both looked great! I see Pledge Brothers **Paul Roy '88** and **Chris Bostaph '89** each year and recently saw **Chuck Roth '88**, who has moved back to the East Coast. I've been trying to track down **Ray Schon '90**, who I lost contact with two years ago. (*Ed.: We also need an address for Ray. Can anyone help?*)

Donald E. Bradford '94 (1000 Scofield Dr., Cordova, TN 38018; dbradford@ensafe.com) Geologist and compliance specialist with Environmental and Safety Design Inc. I married Rhonda Phillips on May 12, 2001, in Memphis, Tenn.

Numerous Alpha-Delta alumni were in attendance. We will continue to reside in Memphis.

Michael L. Reinert '97 (157 Meadow Ct., Sinking Spring, PA 19608; nittany-1@webtv.net) I got married to Patti DiGuardi in October 1999, was separated in June 2000, and divorced by year-end 2000. I met a wonderful woman in September 2000. We hit it off from the start and discovered her father and mine were best friends in high school. The company I worked for since 1999 announced filing of Chapter 11 at our Christmas party. I proposed to Dee in June 2001. I and four others decided to purchase assets from a folding company and begin a new engineering services firm in August 2001. I moved for the sixth time since 1998 and have a new, two-bedroom apartment in Sinking Spring/Reading. I've retained ownership of a building lot in the Oley area. I'm looking forward to a great 2002 and getting married to the right person on September 21, 2002. Go, Eagles/Flyers!

Darin C. Stump '97 (5703 Kneeland, Tampa, FL 33625; KuShBuD69@aol.com) I bought a house in March 2000 — the same house **Marc Zentmeyer '97** bought a couple of years back. In October 2000, my friend got promoted into management with his company and immediately hired me on as an electrical engineer because I was the most qualified candidate for the position. If any of you are in the Tampa area, there will always be a place for you on the couch. Be kool.

Jeff G. Rebernak '99 (4367 Kountry Ln., Apt. 206C, Iowa City, IA 52240; jreber10@yahoo.com) Recently, I accepted a new job in Conroy, Iowa, as an agronomist for Heartland Co-op.

Chapter Celestial

William M. Lewis '41 (10/30/01)
John L. Caruthers Jr. '44 (8/1/00)
Richard E. Neavling '46 (7/17/01)
Jeffrey W. McIntyre '81 (8/15/01)

Kappa Sigma mourns their passing and extends condolences to their families and friends.
