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REAL ESTATE REPORT

New Permanent Home for Heth Chapter May Be on the Horizon, with Your Help and Will to Succeed

Acacia Fraternity Foundation Embarking on Campaign to Raise \$5 Million Endowment for Chapter

By Michael A. Duncan '74

About 18 months ago, as the lease on our temporary house was nearing expiration, the Heth Chapter Corporation Board faced the prospect of closing Acacia at Illinois. Instead, the group decided to take a risk and enter into a four-year lease on a new house, impose a code of conduct and buy significant amounts of new furniture.

Acacia at Illinois is now nearing the end of its first year of occupancy at the SAE house at 211 East Daniel Street. Despite the

inappropriate behavior of a few undergraduates some years ago, we have survived and are coming of age once again.

I am pleased to report that our move has strengthened Acacia's good name. The undergraduate chapter recently held a very successful philanthropy event, and grade point

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averages are on the rise. The recent graduates I've met, and the current members, remind me of many of you. We share a common bond that many, like me, had almost forgotten. The energy and enthusiasm of those who attended the recent Illini basketball game in Chicago with 30 fellow Acacians all saluting the chief made me smile as I reflected on my days in Champaign.

Brothers, it is time for us to remember how our fellowship drove us to succeed and

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ALUMNI TRIBUTE

Jack Kilby, One of the Founders of the Information Age, Was Winner of Nobel Physics Prize and National Medal of Science

Acacia Fraternity Is Immensely Proud of the Achievements of One of Our Most Famous Members

One of Acacia's most distinguished alumni, **Jack St. Clair Kilby**, passed away last June 20 in Dallas after a brief battle with cancer. He graduated from the University of Illinois in 1947 with a bachelor of science degree in electrical engineering.

Others described him by saying, "There are few men whose insights and professional accomplishments have changed the world.

Jack Kilby is one of those men." His invention of the monolithic integrated circuit in 1958 — the microchip — at Texas Instruments laid the conceptual and technical foundations for the entire field of microelectronics, making possible the sophisticated high-speed computers and large-capacity semiconductors of today's information age.



Jack held more than 60 U.S. patents and was the recipient of almost innumerable awards, including the Nobel prize in physics. At a White House ceremony in 1970, he received the National Medal of Science, one of the nation's most prestigious honors. In 1982 he was inducted into the National Inventors Hall of Fame, taking his place alongside Henry Ford, Thomas Edison and the Wright brothers in the annals of American innovation.

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how it contributed so much to developing the responsible leaders many of you have become. I have been asked to raise the following question: Do we have the will to see Acacia survive another 100 years at our beloved University of Illinois?

The Acacia Fraternity Foundation is embarking upon a campaign to raise an endowment of \$5 million. The campaign may well be a significant, if not crucial, factor in our success in fulfilling the needs of Acacia at Illinois. Many of you will likely be asked to help with this effort. I

encourage you to consider how you can best aid the Heth Chapter as we approach our 100th anniversary.

Gifts to the Acacia Fraternity Foundation, which our corporation board has endorsed with restrictions for use through the Heth Chapter Fund, are tax deductible. I ask you to remember that our future depends on finding a permanent home that would otherwise require a capital campaign on our own.

As we formalize plans for a permanent residence, we will be contacting you. In the meantime, plan on attending homecoming on October 7, where homecoming founder

Elmer Ekblaw just might make a rare appearance to celebrate our 100 years at Illinois.

Please feel free to contact me regarding ways you may wish to assist in our journey to a permanent home. Contact me at 312-601-7610 or 312-953-9403 (mobile), or mduncan@patcap.com.

Editor's note: Mike Duncan is Vice President of Acacia's real estate division and a former venerable dean at Champaign, who has agreed to lead the efforts to acquire a new permanent house for Acacia at Illinois.

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The contributions his work made to the world economic community are so immense they are virtually impossible to grasp. His first simple circuit has grown a worldwide integrated-circuit market with 2004 sales alone totaling \$179 billion. Such is the power of one idea to change the world.

At his memorial service, remarks were made by R. Gerald Turner, president of Southern Methodist University, and by Tom Engibous, chairman of Texas Instruments.

Jack is survived by two daughters and their families.

Please visit the blog section of our Web site at www.acaciaheth.org to post your own memories of brother Jack Kilby.

Former Classmates Remember Jack Kilby

Dale Feldman '47: "I met Jack Kilby in August 1946 as I visited Acacia at the University of Illinois. He was venerable dean at that time. He was a very quiet and unassuming man. I followed Jack's career in the electronics magazines, as I was with a manufacturing company of copper bases for power electronics. We made some parts for Texas Instruments. Can you imagine how many jobs this man created? He was a man for the ages."

Bill Wiebmer '43: "Jack and I were in the house at the same time. After graduation, Jack and I married one day apart and we both moved to Milwaukee with our new

jobs — he with Globe Union and I with Western Electric. Housing was scarce, and getting an apartment without help from a friend was nearly impossible. Globe Union had a housing bureau and came up with two apartments for Jack. He took one and I took the other. Our wives got jobs together at the Milwaukee Vocational School, and we spent many weekends together. Jack was an engineer and I was not, so when my wife and I bought our first television set (a 10-inch Philco), Jack installed the antenna for me. As I think back now, I didn't have any idea at the time that it took a Nobel prize winner to do the installation. Jack was also a speed reader. His wife told us he would take a book with him in the bath and read it cover to cover while soaking in the tub."

Two Directors Retire from Corporation Board: Treasurer Rob Mertes and Vice President Jay North Step Down

Their Contributions in Time and Effort Far Surpassed Normal Expectations

Two long-term directors have announced their retirement from the Acacia Corporation Board. They are **Jay North '87**, a 12-year director and corporation vice president, and **Rob Mertes '93**, a

six-year director and corporation treasurer. Their resignations were accepted with considerable reluctance by board president **Art Mertes '85**. Both, however, maintain an interest in the fraternity's affairs.

The contributions in time and effort from these two individuals went far beyond normal expectations. Recent years have seen many significant challenges for Acacia at Illinois. It was in part because of the substantial guidance of these men (and others) that the house continues to move forward.

It is certainly the case that words alone cannot express our appreciation. We hope Jay and Rob take with them a feeling of great satisfaction that they were among

those who responded when the need was great. As president Mertes would say, these two are clearly "givers."

Rob Mertes is an associate in the investment banking group of Wells Fargo Securities LLC, and can be reached at 312-762-9056 or robert.mertes@wellsfargo.com. Jay North is the recruiting program manager for IBM business consulting, customer relationship management and business intelligence, and can be reached at 815-439-7734 or jay.north@comcast.net. You might want to keep their information for future reference.

Thanks to both of them for jobs very well done!

ALUMNI PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Alumni President's Report: Transforming Heth Chapter 'Takers' into 'Givers' to Ensure the Strength, Vision and Future of Acacia

**Make a Difference Now, as Our
Chapter Prepares to Celebrate Its
First 100 Years on April 28**

By Art Mertes '85

The reasons for the success or failure of many a relationship can be assessed on whether the participants were "givers" or "takers." I have asked many brothers, "What has Heth Chapter of Acacia provided to you?" But I failed to ask them, "What have you given to make Acacia better?"

In hindsight, I would characterize my undergraduate role with Acacia as a "taker." It's not that I didn't work to be a good brother, get to know our members or establish a healthy rapport with other Greeks. It's that, as I now understand the attributes required for Acacia to exist another 100 years — leadership, stewardship, support, integrity, responsibility, accountability, academics, social skills, community service and vision — I realize now I really did not give much in areas other than social. And that really amounted to taking.

I left the Acacia house with great friends, social skills, decent grades, a good job and fun, fun memories. But what did I give then to strengthen Acacia? Not a lot. I believe now

that if I had stepped up as an undergraduate or taken a role with the corporation board earlier to support leadership, maybe 501 would not have been lost.

I think this thought applies equally to many of you. I may be wrong, but my assessment is that our organization has historically, for whatever reason, been comprised of probably more than 80 percent of takers and less than 20 percent of givers. That greatly concerns and disappoints me, knowing the deep respect I have for so many of our brethren and their accomplishments.

**I ask you to really think about how
your Acacia experience made you a
better person. Then consider what
you can do to give back.**

However, there are encouraging signs. I have volunteered over the last 15 years, in my roles with Acacia Heth and working with the many undergraduate members over those years, to make up for my failure to contribute early on. We are finally seeing some of my labors bear fruit, as well as those of the fellow board members who have served along the way since losing 501 (in addition to those currently involved, there were **Mike Ford '87, Jay North '87, Rob Mertes '93, Mark Ladd '90, Brian O'Brien '87, Jeff Laurinaitis '93, Doug Saloga '87, Scott Fowler '81, Mel Rapp '49, David Thies '73, Mark Mugerditchian '76** and **Jim Dieker '75**).

We finally have a corporation board that is beginning to function on multiple fronts. We are developing undergraduate leadership with the attributes of "givers" that are required for Acacia to live vs. die. We have worked to "take" our fraternity back for the future so we

all can be proud.

Accomplishments over the last year include moving out of the dump at 907 South Third to the SAE house under lease, leveraging improved housing into stronger membership contracts, hiring property management, revising the corporation board structure with a focus including serving the alumni, and an overall focus on alumni communications, leadership and volunteers.

It is not too late to change the "taker" characteristics of our alumni. Pythagoras once said, "Concern should drive us into action and not into a depression." We can make a difference now, as Heth Chapter of Acacia reaches its 100-year anniversary on April 28, 2006. I ask you to think about — really think about — how your Acacia experience made you a better person. Finally, I would ask you to consider what you, individually, can do to move from the "taker" side of the Acacia equation to the "giver" side. If enough of us can take that step, we may be able to ensure a bright future for Acacia.

How do you want to be remembered?

How You Can Help

- Volunteer to work on a special project or to serve on our alumni board
- Return to Acacia to see old friends for our Homecoming Celebration
- Post your news and photos on www.acaciaheth.org, and check out the updates of your brothers!
- Making a donation now by visiting our secure website www.acaciaheth.org or by filling out and returning the enclosed form.

Tell Us the Number-One Thing Acacia Provided for You

Each member has had at least a quiet thought or two about the impact of his fraternity experience on his life after college.

We'd like to compile those feelings, either with the names of responding brothers or anonymously if desired. We think your words could serve as an impressive recap of what Acacia

fraternity life means over the long haul.

We're asking our alumni what they feel is the one most important thing Acacia has provided for them. Just a paragraph, or a page, summarizing your thoughts might persuade a future candidate to select Acacia.

Will you participate in this quest for insight by submitting your thoughts? Please post your observations in our blog on www.acaciaheth.org, or e-mail **Art Mertes '85** at amertes@synergylawgroup.com.

Alumni Directory Coming in Summer 2006

**Connect with Your
Brothers and Allow Them
to Connect with You**

To be listed correctly in the upcoming alumni directory, please complete and return the information sheet you received in the mail, or update your profile online at www.acaciaheth.org.

CHAPTER RELATIONS REPORT

Heth Chapter Is a Proud Candidate for Malcolm Award, the Fraternity's Highest Honor Bestowed to an Acacia Chapter

Corporation Board Achieving Excellent Results with More Alumni Involvement and Numerous New Programs

*By Drew Millard '98, Vice President,
Chapter Relations*

With the addition of more alumni on our corporation board, we now have the manpower to dedicate personnel solely to chapter operations. Due to the alumni's concentrated efforts, we are starting to see some very positive effects occur at the chapter level.

First and foremost, I am pleased to announce that the Heth Chapter is up for the Malcolm Award — the highest honor bestowed to any Acacia chapter. To further our cause for the Malcolm Award,

we reinstated the Seven Days of Service philanthropy event. This really pleased the Champaign community along with the administration at the University of Illinois. In fact, the *Daily Illini* newspaper is writing a story on Acacia's positive impact on Champaign through our public service.

To enhance the overall experience for the undergraduate members at Heth Chapter, we've instated many new rules, programs and regulations. The chapter has responded terrifically to these new programs, and positive results have already been noticed.

The corporation board enacted a strict policy against drinking in the fraternity house during the week. This will better enable the undergraduate members to utilize the house for studying. Furthermore, any undergraduate under a 2.75 GPA has mandatory study hours and, if a young man refuses to attend these study hours, he will not be able to attend social functions.

To help keep our investment secure and to see that the members are following through on their new programs, the corporation board has hired a local house manager. His responsibilities range from maintenance to ensuring that all house contracts are signed and that the house is at full capacity.

Our goal as chapter advisers is to create an environment conducive to the overall success of our undergraduate members. The new programs, combined with the additional alumni effort, will be instrumental in ensuring the current undergraduate Acacians will be successful, well-rounded young men when they graduate.

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Working with the chapter to guarantee success for the next 100 years has been a fantastic and educational experience for me. I highly encourage others to lend a hand to the organization that helped all of you become who you are today. The structure of our board has really come together over the last six months. We have a comprehensive list of all positions and duties available. Please call me on my cell phone at 847-791-8926 anytime to inquire.

CHAPTER REPORT

Spring Semester So Far Sees Improved GPA, Numerous Philanthropy Events and Plans for the Upcoming Moms Weekend

Participated in Acacia Seven Days of Service for First Time in Many Years

It is our hope that this installment of *The Hello* finds all alumni in good health, accompanied by a renewed sense of vigor and vitality for the future of our distinguished fraternity.

The spring 2006 semester is off to a great start. We are working on a number of new goals that we hope to accomplish by the end of the school year. We also have numerous events planned to complete the fraternal experience for our 2006 graduating class.

The chapter successfully participated in Acacia Seven Days of Service, a national philanthropy event. This marks the first time in many years that the Heth Chapter

participated. We are proud to say that, during those seven days, we made an impact throughout the community. We spent time at the local elementary schools, teaching the children everything from math to chess. We participated in community-service events for the local Salvation Army and a convalescent center. We finished the week with a food drive, gathering more than 500 items for the local First Lutheran Church of Christ's food bank. It was an experience the chapter found very rewarding, and we hope to participate for years to come.

We are also pleased to announce that our all-house GPA now stands at 3.05. This ranks in the top half of the 54 fraternities on campus. Much of the credit goes to the new scholarship program for which all pledges and members below 2.7 GPA must attend multiple weekly study sessions.

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Important upcoming events include welcoming our mothers on the weekend of April 7-8, in conjunction with the university-wide Moms Weekend. The event includes



Sophomore **Anthony Lovero** strikes a celebratory pose with a student at Booker T. Washington Elementary School after completing the day's math homework.

dinner on Friday night and brunch on Saturday morning. On Saturday afternoon we will have the annual Moms Weekend auction, followed by an evening party.

On Sunday, April 23, we will elect a new executive board. The current board has accomplished a tremendous amount this year and truly brought honor to the Acacia name. We will send them off with the proper accolades as they give way to an extremely talented sophomore class whose energy and exuberance should ensure another great year to come.

102 YEARS OF BROTHERHOOD

The National Fraternity Has Unique History and a Future Based on Scholarship, Brotherhood and Service

Originally, Members Were Required to Be Masons, and Today Many Brothers Maintain Close Ties with Masonic Organizations

The year was 1904. Winston Churchill was 30 years old. Anton Chekov died. The U.S. gained control of the Panama Canal for \$10 million. George M. Cohan's song, "The Yankee Doodle Boy," was published. The first Olympic Games held in America took place in St. Louis. And on May 12, 14 Master Masons attending the University of Michigan

founded Acacia Fraternity.

The fraternity was established on a unique basis. Membership was restricted to those who had already taken the Masonic obligations, and the organization was to be built on the ideals and principles of the vows taken by Master Masons. Within a year, four other Masonic clubs received Acacia charters, paving the way for rapid expansion in the following years.

Members were to be motivated by the desire for high scholarship and be of such character that the fraternity was to be free of the social vices and unbecoming activities that for years had been blots on fraternity life.

Today, members are no longer required to be Masons. However, since Acacia was founded by Master Masons, it still enjoys a spiritual tie to Masonry. Some Acacians pursue membership in Masonic Orders and Masonic Lodges, and individual Masons have been of invaluable service to Acacia chapters over the years. This relationship, though, is voluntary.

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Our second century will undoubtedly require more changes but, so long as Acacia continues to stand for high scholarship, fraternal brotherhood and human service, the intentions of our founders will be well realized.

Laying the Foundation for the Future through the Move to a New House, Improved Alumni Communications and the Search for a Long-Term Home

Several Events Planned to Celebrate Heth Chapter's First 100 Years

By Michael Conniff '93, Vice President, Alumni Relations

The 2005-06 school year has been truly historic for Acacia at the University of Illinois. The year began with the much-needed move from 907 South Third to the newly renovated and leased 211 East Daniel. I visited the new house at homecoming in October. It was truly amazing to see the effect the move has had on the undergraduate chapter. They are now not only proud of their chapter but of their physical home. This has already paid big dividends: Fall Rush was an enormous success, and the house will be full next year!

This year marks our 100th anniversary. We have several great events planned, including a baseball and golf outing this summer. The culmination of the events will be our 100-Year Anniversary Celebration at homecoming on October 7. Whether you lived in the halls of 501 or 907, you are invited to come celebrate our anniversary

in a new chapter house we can all be proud visiting. We will use the Web site to track those planning to attend, so you can see the turnout across classes and eras.

Additionally, the board is striving to improve our communications with alumni. This year we plan to have two issues of *The Hello*, the alumni Web site and monthly e-letter updates. If you do not receive our e-letters, please go to www.acaciaheth.org and update your contact information. We are also in the process of assembling a membership directory to be sent in the coming months. Please use it to contact old friends, and plan to meet them at one of our upcoming events.

As we celebrate our 100 years, we must look toward the next 100. The Greek system is in a time of transition, and only those chapters having both the strongest undergraduates *and* the strongest alumni will survive. We are facing yet a new set of crossroads. We have a new home, but it may not be permanent. We need to secure a permanent home in the next three years, whether through purchasing the current house (if it becomes for sale) or obtaining a new property.

We must have a house that we own to lay the foundation for the future. The board will do everything possible to secure a home for the next 100 years. To reach this goal, we need the support of our alumni. We thank you for your generous support in the past. I am confident we will all rise to the task for the future. Be part of it!

ALUMNI UPDATES

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William Wiebmer '43

(513 S. 11th St., St. Charles, IL 60174-3644; wrwiebmer@ameritech.net) Following graduation in 1948, I went to work for Western Electric in Milwaukee and stayed in the Bell system for 39 years. I retired in 1986. Since retirement I have done volunteer work, primarily with SCORE, the Service Corps of Retired Executives. SCORE counsels people who want to start their own businesses, or are in business and need help to grow. I am a loyal Illini fan. I have had season football tickets for over 25 years.

Dale Feldman '47

(1019 Harvard Ln., Buffalo Grove, IL 60089; jeanphiltry@msn.com) I have been going to the board meetings for two years plus. I am not a member of the board. I have been watching the board function and revitalize itself, from my "senior" perspective via monitoring board meetings and lending moral support. The board has done many positive things, including going from very bad housing to the SAE house, which revitalized the chapter. It has also made positive house rule changes in fiscal responsibility, liquor and physical damage to the house, and placed a strong emphasis on grades. They reorganized the board positions and are aggressively reaching out

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THE PARABLE OF THE FARMER AND THE WOOD STOVE

Declining Alumni Support for Our Chapter Is Nearing Crisis Levels

Alumni Contributions Have Trended Steadily Downward Over the Past Six and a Half Years

On the back of the enclosed form is a sobering recap of alumni financial support for our chapter during the last six and a half years. There are a handful of dedicated alumni who have been loyal contributors, and we thank them for that support. Such is not the case for some of the rest of us, however.

Perhaps you've heard about the farmer who sat freezing in his house, staring at his cold stove. The weather was bitter, and he blurted out: "Look stove, give me some heat, and I'll give you some wood!"

The lack of alumni financial support is nearing crisis status. We have approximately 1,324 living alumni, but over the last seven months only 53 have contributed financially. Support from alumni overall has trended steadily downward over the past six and a half years.

We know there have been mitigating circumstances, such as the unsatisfactory house for the undergraduate chapter and some years-ago student actions that did not bring honor to Acacia. But those matters are behind us. A newly occupied house, a much stronger and very competent group of members, and a resurgence of interest from alumni make optimists look to the future, not the past.

It's time for each alumnus to place a generous amount of wood into the stove that helped him get where he is today. If you don't know what that means, have another look at the comments of president **Art Mertes '85** elsewhere in this newsletter.

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ACACIAN UNDER FIRE

'During My Rotation, We Were Rocketed Six Times and Ground-Attacked Twice'

Captain Matthew Harmon '93 wrote to The Hello on March 3, 2006, after his latest tour of duty in Afghanistan. His letter to his fellow alumni represents a rare opportunity for many of us to receive an update directly from one of America's best on the front lines in the war

against terrorism. Here is an excerpt:

I returned from an eight-month deployment to Afghanistan for the fourth time in four years with the 1st Battalion, 3rd Special Forces Group (Airborne), based out of Fort Bragg, N.C. This rotation was different from my previous rotations in that I was no longer commanding a special operations detachment with the sole purpose of capturing, killing or disrupting anti-coalition militia forces such as Al-Qaeda and the former Taliban. I was instead given command of the headquarters and support company of the battalion, and the 200 soldiers who go with it. I was not

usually dodging bullets but kicking in doors and combing the mountains for bad guys in

The situation in Afghanistan has gotten worse and worse since my first arriving in 2002. They have improved weapons and tactics, and just seem to be everywhere.

the very volatile south region. It was quite an eye opener...

To read the entirety of Captain Harmon's letter, please see www.acaciaheth.org.

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for additional board members. And they have put a high priority on communicating with the alumni. I am pleased with what I see and want to thank all current board members and those who left after many years of hard work.

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Neal R. Frankel '74

(30 S. Michigan Ave., #302, Chicago, IL 60603; dnrf@aol.com) My son Scott started as a freshman at the University of Illinois this year and is living at IT towers. While moving him in, I passed by the old house that still

bears our letters on the front and reflected on the great times I'd had there throughout those years and wondered how everyone was doing. My life has taken some twists and turns, some for the better and some for the worse. For one, I just completed going through a two-year divorce and, believe it or not, became engaged just recently to a beautiful woman, and we have plans to marry this April. (All right. You would think I had learned my lesson, but I was always very impulsive.) Look for my upcoming book, *The Thinking Man's Guide to Divorce*, to learn what the lawyers won't tell you. I have a successful podiatry practice in Chicago and travel throughout the country, lecturing other doctors on insurance, ERISA and practice management. I am the

current president of a 75-doctor group in Chicago, which has been listed as one of the top 25 medical groups in Chicago by Crain's *Chicago Business* over the last five years. I am looking forward to the next 100 years of the Heth Chapter by getting involved with Acacia and the alumni association. As I am hitting the big "5-0," I look on my memories of Acacia as some of the best in my life. I would love to hear from some of you brothers about how you are doing.

Please visit our Web site at www.acaciaheth.org to read more updates and to post one of your own.