

# The Front Rho



## Alpha Epsilon Pi, Beta Rho

### Highlights of the semester:

- Big turnout at Body Chem VI
- Two successful cocktail parties
- Active in community service and Jewish affairs
- Weekly brothers activities
- Fall semi-formal

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## Greetings from the Master

As 2002 comes to a close, I thought it would be nice to share with you some of the progress that Beta Rho has made in the past year and what we are hoping to accomplish in the future.

This fall marked the beginning of our second year in our permanent home at Brown, Marcy House, located directly on Wriston Quad. As such, at the beginning of next semester we hope to undertake a remodeling of the lounge of the fraternity, including installing wood floors, putting up wallpaper, and hanging new curtains – crafted by the wife of Brother Godfather, David Bacharach.

This semester we have over 35 brothers living in house, in addition to six brothers living off-campus. We also have had the benefit of former brothers Ben Seigel, Pete Weistroffer, Ben Gould, Jon Grossberg, Jared Jagdeo, Matt Hicken, and Josh Mandel living in the area.

In the spring of this year, we initiated 16 new brothers, including David Cohen – the younger brother of Mike Cohen, Brother Dozer. The new pledge class fulfilled every aspect of the pledge process, managed to redesign two of our new basement rooms, and will be organizing a cocktail party with Alpha Chi Omega this semester. They all have a lot of promise to lead the fraternity in the future and hopefully when you come down to visit, you can be introduced.

So far this semester, we held another successful Body Chemistry, aptly titled “Come and Experiment” and the second annual Brother’s Beirut Tournament, again won by the team of Adam Greenwood and Jon Purov. In addition, we continued the tradition of weekly Monday Night Football and West Wing watching on the big screen TV in the lounge. Working together, the fraternity also managed to raise over \$350 for



Crowds outside of Body Chem.

Alpha Epsilon Pi’s National Philanthropy, Magen David Adom, through a charity furniture sale.

Over the last weekend in September, a number of alumni returned to Brown to celebrate Alumni Weekend. Among those watching Brown shockingly lose a football game were Noah Brown, Seth Orkand, Josh Markowitz, and Andrew Mirsky. Seth and Josh also come out to Apsara’s that night, to continue another fraternity tradition eating chive dumplings while singing karaoke in the basement.

One of my main goals, however, is to build up better communication between alumni and linking current brothers with alumni. As such, I am working to compile a list of contact information for alumni. To do so, I am asking all of you to respond to this newsletter with your contact information and any news or updates in your life that you would like to pass along to alumni or the current brotherhood. In the next newsletter, I hope to publish a list of alumni information.

Have a Happy New Year and keep safe.

Faternally submitted,

Joshua Troy '04  
Master

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## Body Chem VI a Success

On October 5, we threw our sixth annual "Body Chemistry" party. In addition to our traditional attractions, such as a live DJ, the ice luge, and orgy bowls, guests and brothers alike enjoyed such novelties as a phenomenal outdoor light display, Pete's Summer Brew, and a very popular blue punch. As always, our party was much more than a typical class F. As I remarked during multiple social committee meetings, any fraternity can buy some beer, play some music, and call it a party, but we're AEPi, and anything we do should be the best.

Despite the competition (Theta Delta Chi decided to have its '80s party that same night), our lounge, library, and entire first floor were packed. In total, we had over 380 guests. Even with a large, athletic fraternity having its

most popular party, AEPi had no trouble attracting people. That night, we established ourselves as a force to be reckoned with.

After a great party, the evening ended in traditional AEPi fashion, with the party managers and other brothers being dunked in the remaining punch. This year, for the first time, we even dunked a Theta girl.

All in all, the night was a huge success, and we look forward to our future events with great excitement.

David Snitkof '05  
Social Chair



Big turnout at Body Chem.

## Brother Activities Rundown

As brothers of Alpha Epsilon Pi we have a responsibility to uphold the virtues, traditions, and legacies of the past. One virtue in particular, is still prevalent amongst the brothers of this fraternity—ambition. This ambition is most easily recognized through the actions of our committees and their commitment to building, improving, and publicizing our brotherhood.

First, I would like to congratulate David Snitkof for his outstanding work organizing our two major social events to date: Body Chemistry and the 60's themed cocktail party. Despite Greek Council's numerous obstacles to the success of Body Chemistry, Dave and the rest of our dedicated brothers organized an impressive and successful party. Our other committees have been busy as well; we organized the blood drive, had a successful furniture sale, raised money for the Israeli Red Cross, sponsored a study break with the Brown Stand-up Comics, and are plan-

ning a fall semi-formal.

Socially, the brotherhood is as active as ever. Events are scheduled for our brothers almost everyday of the week. We watch West Wing, Monday night football, and the Sopranos courtesy of Jeff Saltman's HBO. This year, we started a new activity of going to a local bar on Thursday nights, which has been very successful. Of course, we also have weekly brother's dinners in the Ratty and the regular excursions to Hooters and Apsara's.

We are all looking forward to the spring semester with a new pledge class.

Fraternally,

Jaron Zitrin '04  
Lieutenant Master



Hanging out on the stairs.

## New Brother Perspective

The transition from pledge to brother is an enthralling one. Sit back, and I will tell you a story, a story of the lotas. One day, long ago during the spring semester, a robust group of young men was assembled in the Marcy house lounge at Brown University; these men were the lota pledge class. Now in their first real semester as committed-for-a-lifetime brothers, the lotas are having a blast. While the pledge process was intense, everyone made it through with a sense of certainty that it's better to get in a scuffle than for a girl to be raped. The lotas have made healthy contributions to life in Beta Rho, including the

repainting of our basement rooms. They've performed community service as a pledge class, and are currently in the midst of planning a cocktail party. Perhaps most importantly, the lotas have a huge impact on life in the house. We appreciate all the brothers who came before us to make this possible, and we look forward to carrying on the traditions of AEPi at Brown.

Jeb Berman '05  
lota Pledge Class President



Dance party 2002



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## Words of a Super Senior

It is hard to believe, but I am *still* at Brown. This is not because of any academic probation or disciplinary action, but rather because of my mid-year status. Unlike the unfortunate majority who leaves college in four short years, I have arranged to stay here one extra semester in order to complete my honors thesis. It feels almost like "last licks" in the game of Beirut – I get one final shot to be an active Beta Rho brother and leave my mark on a place that has already played an enormous role in my life. From the Founding Fathers to the Iota pledge class, I have been lucky enough to share time with so many great individuals. While much has changed, the core of what makes us a successful fraternity has remained the same: a commitment to each other, a commitment to the future of the fraternity, and, of course, a commitment to having an excellent time.

Recently, our tenacity for improvement has resulted in some rousing accomplishments. First, in the fall of 2001, we took over the resi-

dence of Marcy House and became a permanent fixture on Wriston Quad. Then, thanks to an invigorated brotherhood and some solid house improvements, we quickly turned Marcy House into our home. Now, well into our second year in Marcy, we have new plans for house improvements that will increase the usability of our space and give our home the aesthetic boost that it needs.

It's an exciting time to be at Beta Rho. There is a new generation of brothers here that was raised by the brothers that you all raised yourselves. These guys love the fraternity and share with all of you the same wish – to see a successful Beta Rho forty years from now. Trust me when I say that the future of Beta Rho is in good hands!

Andy Polins '03

Past Master



Setting up for the party.

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