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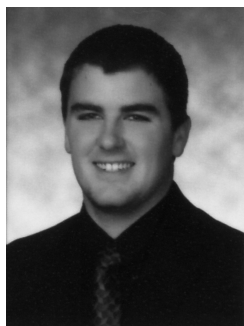
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## NOBLE RULER REPORT



Brian Hart

Greetings brothers from the Beta Rho Chapter at Northwest Missouri State University. It has been a very eventful and productive semester at the old motel on Third Street. To start the semester off we initiated three excellent new members that are showing a ton of potential.

We also had our annual Pink Rose Formal at Ramada Inn in St.

Joseph, Mo. which was a great success.

The Beta Rho Chapter sponsored the Green and Gold Classic in Chillicothe, Mo. This year we had the largest show since moving to Missouri with just under 150 exhibitors.

More recently we have begun a campaign to make improvements to the house. Some updates include new paint in the main room and an improved study and computer lab. The largest project we have done to the house by far is the addition of a new 1,000 square foot deck wrapping the back of the house. Through the remarkable support of the alumni, a

great adviser and the hard work of the undergraduate members, we have made this improvement possible.

The accomplishments don't stop there! We achieved the highest Fraternity new member GPA and overall Greek GPA improvement.

This semester has gone by very quickly, but I could not have asked for a better experience as Noble Ruler with this awesome group of gentlemen. In May some great brothers and friends will be graduating and going on to careers, family farms and further education. They will truly be missed, and the memories and contributions they have made to the Chapter will continue on.

In closing, I would like to say good luck to my graduating brothers, and thank you to all undergraduates and alumni for making this semester a great success. I am looking forward to coming back next fall and picking up right where we started: on the track to leadership and success.

Fraternally,  
Brian Hart  
Noble Ruler

## VNR ALUMNI RELATIONS REPORT

Hey brothers,

I hope the summer is going well and everyone is doing well. This is my first year in this office, and I still have some things to learn. There are some changes that I have in mind, and I hope that they all come together.

My first change will be the location of Pink Rose this coming year. I am not sure where it will be yet, but it might be Omaha, Neb. I think this will give us a change in the environment and maybe some of you that live closer to there will be able to make it.

We will also be having our golf tournament the same as last year on Aug. 27. If you want to join, you must

RSVP to me by email or phone, at which point I'll also give you more information. Thank you, and if you have any questions, feel free to contact me.

I would like to thank all of you for the support of the new deck that we added on to the house and welcome you all to stop by any time and take a look at all the improvements we have made to the house.

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## ADVISER REPORT

Greetings All,

We've come again to the end of yet another semester in the life of the Beta Rho Chapter. It's been a great year for the Chapter on a number of levels. As alumni, you should congratulate the undergraduates on a job very well done. From a large recruitment class that set the bar for both retention and academics to increased involvement, our undergraduate brothers are really coming into their own.

From a financial standpoint, the Alumni Association now has some breathing room to make improvements, which stands in stark contrast to this time last year. By doing a great job recruiting and retaining new members, the Chapter holds the keys to ensuring our future success.

I would like to thank the alumni who continue to contribute with their time and checkbooks. Without this core group, I'm not sure if our chapter would be where it is today.

The Chapter continues to exceed my expectations, and I'd like to personally thank them for making my job easier. I'll keep this short, as the undergraduates have a lot of accomplishments to share with you. Should you have any questions or concerns, feel free to contact me.

Fraternally,  
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## GREEK WEEK

Greek Week 2011 for the Beta Rho Chapter was a great success. This makes two consecutive years Alpha Gamma Rho has won supremacy.

We started the week off on Sunday by winning the "Amazing Race," which is a race around campus pulling the chariot. The pullers in that event were sophomore Trevor Stephens, junior Kyle Strohbehn, senior Colten Catterton and junior Dan Temeyer. Sophomore Nathan Swisher, AGR's "Zeus," rode in the chariot.

Monday night was the Zeus and Hera competition. Our own Nathan Swisher won by serenading the ladies with the song "She Don't Know She's Beautiful."

On Tuesday we participated in rec night. We won one event out of four and placed second in the rest.

When Wednesday came around, we were outstanding in the event known as the Watermelon Bash. We won three of the five events and placed second in the other two events. The events we took first place in were: the

greasy watermelon toss, which entails a team of 10 tossing a greasy watermelon back and forth without dropping it; the watermelon relay, in which a team of 10 has to pass a watermelon from the front of the line to the back of the line the quickest way possible; and letter find, which is a team of four finding letters and numbers to spell "GREEK WEEK 2011." We took second place in the following contests: the watermelon eating contest, in which Dan Temeyer had to eat a half a watermelon as fast as he could; and the watermelon shot put, a contest in which Jackson Yingling had to throw a watermelon as far as he could.

In conclusion at the awards ceremony we received Greek Week 2011 Supremacy and also walked away with Overall Improved GPA out of all the fraternities on campus. All in all, it was a successful Greek Week. We bonded as a brotherhood and came together to make a statement in the Greek community.

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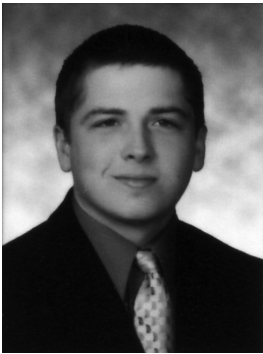
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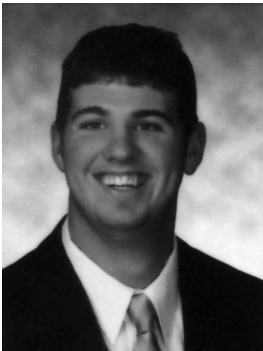
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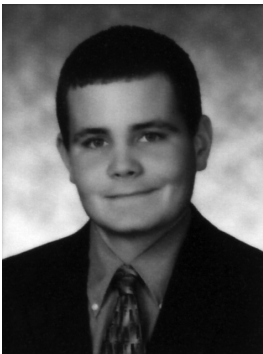
### COLTEN CATTERTON

Colten is one of the hardest working men at the Beta Rho Chapter. This past semester he received a 4.0 GPA while still participating in almost every AGR event. This goes to show that he is not only dedicated to his schoolwork but the people around him as well. He is a great person to have for a big brother as well as a role model. This man is never shy to voice his opinion about a subject in a meeting or in a casual conversation. He will be missed next school year after he has graduated and moved back to Annapolis, Md. Being Colten's little brother has been a great pleasure, and I've come to consider him as a good friend.



### LANCE SHEPHERD *(Written by little brother Colten Catterton)*

Lance Shepherd graduated this spring with a degree in Agricultural Science. He will be continuing his education by pursuing his master's degree in plant and soil sciences at Oklahoma State University. From the beginning Lance and I have had a special relationship because he is from Indiana and I'm from Maryland. We have spent a lot of weekends at the house together when everyone else goes home. We've had a lot of good times fishing and hunting, and I only hope we will be able to have some more stories in the future. I couldn't have asked for a better big brother in the fraternity. I wish you the best at OSU, and I know I'll be seeing you in the future, old friend!



### BILL GORRELL

There are so many things to say about "Wild Bill" Gorrell. Bill has always been a great guy to look up to even before I joined AGR. We both hail from the town of Marshall, Mo., where I met Bill in high school. He was one of the main reasons I attended Northwest and also why I joined this great fraternity. Bill has been an irreplaceable member throughout his years in the Chapter, serving as VNR Alumni Relations and also as a member of the Judicial Board. On campus he was also active on the Interfraternity Council. Bill will be greatly missed because he has always been around to help someone in need, to lift your spirits when you're down and to put your life in perspective when you've done something wrong. I hope the best for you and your future plans at Gorrell Farms.

## VNR RECRUITMENT REPORT

Greetings Brothers,

Once again, the school year is quickly coming to a close. I would like to take this time to share how well our school year went from a recruitment standpoint.

In the fall semester, we recruited 13 new brothers into our chapter. They quickly became very involved when homecoming projects got underway.

In the spring semester, we welcomed three more brothers into the Beta Rho Chapter. All of the new brothers have grown to love and enjoy their time here at Beta Rho just as much as I have.

I would like to thank all of our new brothers for their involvement and commitment to the Chapter. Our new brothers include: Jeff Bowman, Nick Comer, Dennis

Gower, Brandon Hinck, Will Keech, Bryant Kurtz, Kory Lauridsen, Keaton Lundquist, Luke Nissen, Austin Rash, Bryce Sieren, Daniel Smith, Cory Uhlenkamp, Lee Volkens, Wes Wilson and Matt Woodburn.

We are already preparing for next fall's recruitment to start. If you have any prospective new member you believe Beta Rho needs to recruit, please feel free to contact me or return the recruitment recommendation form on the back of this Crescent.

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### ALUMNI NEWS WANTED

The next issue of the Beta Rho Chapter Crescent should be full of news about alumni brothers. Please send us your updated contact information and the latest on your accomplishments (marriage, family, jobs, etc.) to: Beta Rho Chapter Alpha Gamma Rho, Attn: Alumni Relations, 1417 E. Third St., Maryville, MO 64468.

### RECRUITMENT RECOMMENDATION

Please help us recruit the best of men. If you know someone who would make a good addition to our Fraternity, please let us know so we can contact him and enhance our brotherhood.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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