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Dear Brothers of Alpha Mu:

To help you stay safe in this latest COVID-19 surge, we turn once again to our amazing students for reading material that I think you will find inspirational. I love their pre-pandemic photo of the Class of '22 sitting on the curb in front of 77 Mass. Ave. with their new Brass Rats. See what else in this issue reminds you of your time at MIT. Find out about our first virtual Founders' Day and how you can get a primer on using our improved web site. Check out how the students and alumni are working together, even in this time of great constraints, to improve the physical house.

**530 AM**

**Alumni President's Letter**

This issue of the 530 AM finds us still in the midst of COVID-19 lockdown and in the ever changing landscape of restrictions and operational issues. Although both undergraduate and graduate chapters have been able to remain open, the alumni chapter has seen some challenges. I am happy to report that creative thinking and adaptation have seen us through this issue, that the active chapter has managed to remain open and that the house is in a better condition throughout this difficult period.

When we are able to reopen the house, I am sure that the active chapter members will be ready to continue operations. In the meantime, the alumni chapter will be available for independent living groups, both organizationally and financially. Enjoy reading this issue and I hope you will consider attending our first ever virtual Founders' Day meeting.

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**Alpha Mu's First Virtual Founders' Day**  
**Enjoyed by Over 20 Phi Kaps**

**By Tim Heathcote '70 & Tom Miles '79**

Like MIT, we discovered that a virtual (online only) meeting has advantages, as well as disadvantages. The virtual meeting was a great success in ages and met some for the first time. The students attending got a chance to hear what life in the chapter was like up to 60 years ago, and the alumni got a chance to see and hear how the chapter has changed over the years.

We chose to meet at 4:00 p.m. on Sunday, November 15, 2020. We chose this time slot because this time slot gets good attendance results. Of course, we regret that we miss participation by those who could not attend. We will add a recording to the Zoom meeting, and we are working on making the video available on our website.

After the meeting, we asked our corporation president Keith Kallberg, we were asked to provide a list of responses, asking for observances of meetings, events, or characteristics of fraternal life at the time. The responses were great. We have been surprised to learn that the brothers long

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**Photo:** A grid of 20 small video frames showing people participating in the virtual meeting.

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So, please download your copy now, remember to send us news to share with your brothers, and enjoy happy, safe holidays.

Tim Heatwole '70, Secretary  
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