

The Old Gal Gazette



A SALUTE TO KATE . . . A SPECIAL ALPHA SIG LADY!

National Staff

Katherine Ditslear walked into Alpha Sigma Phi headquarters one summer day in 1955 to help out for four days. She left on February 1, 1977 . . . 22 years later!

Then an employee of Ohio Wesleyan University, Kate came to help out in an emergency at the request of a neighbor, Mrs. Ralph Burns.

It's fortunate that the work overload happened at Headquarters. Because it resulted in one of the longest and most beneficial associations for Alpha Sigma Phi. Kate's loyalty, dedication and hard work . . . her enthusiasm and interest beyond the call of duty is a special chapter in the history of the Fraternity.

Kate Ditslear attended ten Conventions; served under nine Grand Senior Presidents. To Grand Council members, brothers around the country and representatives of the interfraternity world, Mrs. Ditslear became the "voice" of Alpha Sigma Phi. And a special information bank brimming with facts. And despite a lot of rush, pressure and deadlines, Kate would always come through with a smile.

Merilyn Sipes, Alpha Sigma Phi's bookkeeper, has this to say about Kate and working with her:

"Kate's patience and willingness to teach me the ropes when I started working here meant a lot . . . as did her great encouragement when I undertook the challenge of changing from records and mailing clerk to bookkeeper."

"Her compassion and zest for involvement with others led her into many club and community activities. Her greatest being the Crippled Children's Society. She is currently the president of the Delaware Chapter."

Kate has a passion for bargain hunting and always keeps abreast of the best garage sales, rummage sales, and bargain days. She can elbow the best of them to be the first through the line.

Right on the heels of Kate's retirement came, sad to say, major surgery which she is currently recovering from. (Messages to Mrs. Ditslear may be sent via Headquarters.)

With her wealth of information and her skills, however, there's no doubt that Alpha Sigma Phi will be calling Kate Ditslear: "Kate . . . we've got an emergency. Can you help out? Just for a few days!"



Jeffers dorm triumphs at Alpha Sig Olympics



Jeffers Jock Debbie Andrea, top picture, plays catch with raw eggs and Shaw resident Beth Rand climbs the grease pole during Sig Olympic events Saturday. Jeffers Hall took top honors at the activity with Browne capturing second place. Chi Omega and Kappa Delta sororities tied for third place. A trophy was awarded to Jeffers' girls by chairman of the event Chuck Front at the celebration party held that evening.

Alpha Nu's Little Sisters, above left, are the subject of a report from Westminster in this issue. At middle and right is a sample of the publicity resulting from the Alpha Sig Olympics . . . and Alpha Nu reports on that program. Also from Alpha Nu, a report on its new approach to running a kitchen.

ALPHA NU REPORTS ON 3 SPECIAL PROGRAMS

Operations

LITTLE SISTERS — Westminster looked to headquarters and to sister Chapters for information when interest developed last year in having a Little Sisters program. After receiving literature, sample constitutions and ceremonial literature, Alpha Nu decided to follow the constitution of Alpha Omicron, Missouri Valley, Little Sisters.

Twenty women were chosen for the initial group of Sigma Sweethearts and began their pledge program.

Kevin Garvey reports:

"The girls represent just about every sorority on campus plus the independents. The Sweethearts have already been active. They were our "waitresses" at Las Vegas night; helped us pick apples and sell the cider at a football game and help a great deal with rush. Since the Sweethearts eat in the cafeteria, they are able to rush and show Alpha Sigma Phi to the whole campus. We encourage any other Chapter that doesn't have such a program to consider developing one. If you would like any information concerning Westminster's program, just write."

EATING CLUB — Alpha Nu dropped its eating club in 1974. But with Chapter growth and development, there was a desire to reinstitute meals at the house. A cook was hired and the Chapter stewards started work on plans. Right before school started, however, the cook decided she couldn't handle the job.

A replacement was found. But then, she quit due to health just two weeks after school began. Crisis! Advisor Al Sternbergh, local ministers and Chapter members scoured the area looking for a replacement to no avail.

Finally Brother Sternbergh, who directs Westminster's placement service, suggested the Chapter hire two co-eds who would share the job. It would solve Alpha Nu's problem and provide a needed part-time job for the women!

Unusual solution. But Sue Kujawski and Debbie Kunz (both Little Sisters by the way) were very interested. And very skillful cooks as well. The Chapter asked for permission from the Deans of the College and an OK was given.

The two women average about 15 - 18 hours per week, cooking both lunch and dinner, Monday through Friday. They alternate on Saturdays, preparing food for the rest of the weekend. They don't work on Sunday. They have food planned and the stewards take care of Saturday nights and Sunday meals.

Results have been so positive that the Chapter is thinking about expanding to breakfast as well.

The Chapter reports that the spirit that the Eating Club fosters is great; that it serves rush purposes beautifully and also allows more interaction with alumni, faculty and administration by inviting them to meals from time to time.

SIGOLYMPICS — Alpha Nu's Sigolympics pitted eight teams of women this year — six sorority teams and two dorm groups. The event, held on Saturday afternoon, featured nine competitions: an obstacle course, bicycle race, wheelbarrow-relay race, greased pole, pie eating, egg throwing, balloon bust, wagon race and tug of war. Alpha Sig men coached each of the teams. Other brothers served as scorekeepers. The Chapter provided a trophy to the winning team.

Points were awarded to teams taking first, second and third place in each of the competitions. First place teams were given 5 points; second, 3 and third receiving one point.

Alpha Nu reports that the annual event is successful . . . and that the co-eds like to compete. "And have the men watch for a change." The event provides an opportunity for the freshmen women to get acquainted with sorority women. The entire school is invited to watch the competition and to attend the Alpha Sig celebration during the evening when the trophy is awarded.

GRAND COUNCIL SNOWED OUT: RESET FOR MARCH

Grand Council

The Grand Council meeting scheduled for the end of January was postponed because of a near-blizzard that hit Delaware, Ohio, our headquarters city and meeting site.

Grand Senior President George Lord and Grand Junior President Al Wise — both Delaware residents — made the decision and Chapter Consultant Frank Wahman and Executive Director Gary Anderson struggled to get the word out across the country in time over overloaded and malfunctioning telephones.

Ohio has been hard hit this winter and the Alpha Sig Headquarters has taken its lumps. The building was without water for six and a half days because of a frozen water line. Four rooms have been closed and the heat turned off in them. The thermostat has been lowered as has the setting on the water heater. We're using lights as little as possible, closing curtains at night and all the other stuff they tell us will help. Let's hope it does.

The Grand Council will reschedule its meeting for early March. For those of you with items that should be brought to the attention of The Council, there's still time. Contact Headquarters.

OCTOBER REPORTS ARE STILL MISSING

National Staff

The following Chapters have still not filed their October reports as of early February:

American, Davis & Elkins, Eastern Michigan, Illinois, Loyola, Lycoming, Morris Harvey, Ohio State, Oklahoma, Presbyterian, Rensselaer, Polytechnic Institute, Stanford, Toledo, Tufts, and Widener. Findlay has sent only its officer's report. Bethany has sent only its undergraduate roster.

One vital reason you need to get your report in:

Your treasurer is bonded by the national organization. But only after notification is received of the treasurer's name via the October report. Bonding is a very important protection and businesslike step that is needed for every Chapter. It's a free service. But it can't be provided unless reports are provided.

The reports also enable the headquarters staff to monitor your growth and development and establishes a historical record of the Chapter's leaders and activities.

To those who reported on time, thanks and well done. To the others, hurry it up, guys!

A SPECIAL JOB FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION

Consider working for Alpha Sigma Phi. Serving on the Fraternity staff is an outstanding, varied experience that will demand a lot of you . . . but teach you a lot, too. No matter what your ultimate career destination, you'll find the know-how you gain with Alpha Sigma Phi will be of great benefit. For more information, drop a note today to Headquarters.

WHEN DID YOU LAST MUG SOMEONE?

Do it soon with the official Alpha Sigma Phi mug. The one, the only . . . a handsome casting in heavy-duty aluminum. Individually sandcast. The Greek letters are on one side; the coat of arms on the other. This special item (perfect as party favors) goes for \$8.50 each, including postage and handling. Send your check with your order to National Headquarters.

YOUR CHAPTER COULD BE \$250 RICHER!

Publications

The Stuart W. and Bruce R. Anderson Awards for Editorial Excellence will again be presented at the 1977 Educational Conference this coming summer. There are three awards — each with a handsome plaque and a check for \$250!

One goes to the Chapter with the most outstanding (and frequently published) newsletter. Another to the Chapter that does the most outstanding and frequent job of submitting to The Tomahawk. And the third to the Chapter that does the most outstanding and frequent job of submitting material to The Old Gal Gazette.

Make sure your HAE is working hard for these awards. Make sure your Chapter's newsletter is being sent to Headquarters for proper consideration.

START PLANNING NOW FOR SUMMER

It's not too early to be giving thought to the report your Chapter will submit for the summer issue of The Tomahawk. The summer issue concentrates on the activities of the Chapters . . . and it can be a valuable communications device to your alumni and a hard-working rush tool as well. Start getting photographs together. Photos must be black and white glossy pictures. Now that The Tomahawk is being printed on newsprint, good quality photographs are especially important.

The Chapters

INTO THE MYSTIC CIRCLE:

ATLANTIC CHRISTIAN — Richard Clayton, James Corbin, Russell Rawlings; TOLEDO — Dohn Maher, Joe Pasquinely, Tony Bishop, John Blaine, Dave Borysiak, Tim Cobb, Chip Douglas, Frank Fuller, Mark Granta, Mike Granta, Jeff Hill, Craig Iagulli, Larry Irwin, Ed Kevern, Bill King, Randy Navarro, Brent Nelson, Pat o'Connell, Tim Oswald, Gary Sharlow, Rich Smenner, Scott Stephenson, Bill Weber.

OREGON STATE — James Staigias, Patrick Weidmann, David Bone, Dennis Simmonds, Jr., Hamid Hekmat, Mark Mastrandrea, Dan Habel, Scott Fahey, Daniel Bowden, Curtis Rideout, Daniel Dieter, Brian Cox, Richard Bailey, Peter Pagter, Gerald Strahle; WAKE FOREST — John Little, III, Kai Nelson; WASHINGTON — Leslie Bechtoldt, Henry Miller, Phillip Fox, Steven Hawkins, Richard Scuderi, Michael Kennedy, Charles Bulley, James Ditty, Brian Reid, James Burk, Thomas Easton, James Byers, Chris Oppfelt, James Pearman, Michael Englund, Terry Lally, Mark Patton, Steve Jamison, Darrell Vitulli, Robert Hamilton, Kyle Kallander, Ronald Lopez, Frank Impala, Scot Cissna, Mark Funk.

LYCOMING — Blaine Russell, Mark Smith, John Scheuplein, Keith May, Jeff Miller; ILLINOIS INST. OF TECH. — Thomas Arndt, Stephen Evanoff, III, Stephen Prince, Michael Crowley, Richard Schroeder, Stephen Joyce, Robert Giometti, Brad Krygier; MARIETTA — Danny R. Williamson; ILLINOIS — Timothy A. Bonner, Thomas Ellis, Jr., Miguel Munoz, Steven Mueller; PENN STATE — Warren Keyes, Jr., Van Starner, Robert Kowalczyk, Russell Graham, James L. Norris, Thomas Pullar, Larry Yeager, Philip Brna, Michael Riedlinger.

IOWA STATE — Joseph Clow, Mark Pennington, Kevin Sandquist, John Seminerio, Michael Trainor, Todd Harris, David Mercer, Jeff Nading, David Nelson, William Slivovsky, Timothy Wirtjes; BALDWIN-WALLACE — Robert Quinn, David Thorne; WESTMINSTER — David Beaver, Andrew Briggs, Robert Morgenstern; MISSOURI VALLEY — Jerry Gilliam, Robert Guzman, Jr., Jon Heermann, Thomas Mc Nerney; STEVENS INST. — Michael Burtha, Steven Card, Joseph Dougherty, J. Randall Earl, Donald Freund, David Land, Charles Liss, Michael Reeve, Glen Restivo, Donald Truszkowski.

BETHANY — Robert Craig, Peter Masone, Perry Gaughan, Randy Perkins, Joe Vailonis, Frank Trupo, Tom Shields, Dave Trick, Scott Litchard, Dave Kidd, John Wylie, Mark Hayes; WAKE FOREST — Joseph Weinberger, Jr., HARTWICK — Richard Doescher, Russell E. Shaffer, Andy Williams, Steven T. Emory, Hans Roggensack, Bradley Margolis; TRI-STATE — David Howarth, William McCauley, II; CINCINNATI — Zachary Bingmer, Craig Powell; RENSSALAER POLY. INST. — David Henken, Michael Kennedy, Lawrence Lettera, Gary Martin, Timothy Powers, Scott Reiman, David Rice, Bob Silverman, Joseph Hoefflein, Graciliano Martinez, Kevin Morgan, Herbert Stephenson, II.

BOWLING GREEN — Edmund McCloskey, David Stork; RIO GRANDE — Douglas Borisch, James Vanco, Jimmy Holinger.

PLEDGED TO THE SEVEN POINTS:

ILLINOIS — Steven Mohr, Frank Napolitano, Vince Bolek, Kenneth Kassautski, Tom Lusk, Stephen Glas, Davie Froehling, Michael Hill; MICHIGAN — Frank Frazekas, Russell Burg; WASHINGTON — William Jones, Nicholas Barker, PENN STATE — Michael Bertonaschi, Mark Gazze, Robin Brna, Paul Kozik, Bill Manula, Warren Harris, Ray Krukiewicz, John Sabastina, Greg Smith, Robert Smith.

IOWA STATE — Kevin Shoemaker, Joel Thomas, Randy Reed; BALDWIN-WALLACE — Dennis O'Connell, Bruce Silverblatt; WESTMINSTER — Stephen Gittings, Bruce Marchionda, David Beckel, William Hellyer, MISSOURI VALLEY — Paul McCoy, Mark Mickle, James Oyler, David Smith, Jack Bosley, Norman Fell, Thomas Minor, Jr.; STEVENS INST. TECH — John Azzaro, Charles Yanulevich, Michael Sandowick, Scott Mele, Tom Novak, Victor Skienziel, Tom Kohli, Jeffrey Griffith; RUTGERS — Dudley Molina, John Newton, Kenneth O'Gorman, Richard Taylor, Richard Tonti, Kenneth Zockoll.

TOLEDO — Michael Prephan, Jr., Robert Reaume; RENSSALAER POLY. INST. — Timothy Bennett, John Corden, John Driscoll, Kenneth Fonseca, Ronald Friedman, Jeffrey Gardner, Russell George, Clifford Kaiser, John Kraeck, Kevin Lansing, Jerry Lieberman, David Lubinsky, Clark Petterson, David Price; OHIO NORTHERN — Michael Mowry, James Salerno; BOWLING GREEN — Michael Curran, Robert Thomas, Richard Mandau, David Bishop, Douglas Tidd, Gregory Group, Joseph Zimmerman, Johann Bast, Courtney Powers.

ATLANTIC CHRISTIAN — Rusty Wiggs; LYCOMING — Tim Washington; EASTERN MICHIGAN — Dave Meklir, Elliott Raimi; CONCORD — Sammy Baker, Joseph Bullington, Sammy Harry, James Jones, Jeffrey McClung, Kenneth Martinson, Franklin Quick, George Sadler, III, Paul Sharpenburg, Kenneth Terry, Thomas Wilson, Robert Wood, Randall Worthington Zouhair El-Zoughayar.

INDIANA — Jeff Ellsworth, Terry Kovach, Carlos Graff, Brian Jump, David Filbey, Jeffrey Jarecki, Kevin Heather, Daniel Hoffman, Roy Chisholm, III, Randall Engelman, John Garvey, Michael Wright, Timothy Riddell, Michael Davis, Garry Nallenweg, Craig Hunter, Timothy Walls, Scott Carmichael, Timothy Panyard; LAWRENCE INST. TECH. — Fred Westervelt, Brad Bond, Andy Keller, Mark Swidler, Jeff Iiasenko, Derrek Braun, Steve Chegash, Dave Goetz; LOYOLA — Robert Alongi, Joseph Cholewa, Steven Hillesheim, Joseph Karas, Francis Laguttuta, Joseph LaSpisa, David Levaccare, Paul Michalik, Neil Norton, Gabriel Vida.

SLIPPERY ROCK — Jeff Kramer, Paul Pasterick, Mark Neel, Thomas Friesma, Tim Siebel; UNCC — Peter Byam, Keith Drum, Daniel Grose, Robert Hardy; NORTH CAROLINA STATE — Thomas Davis, Terry Brown, Timothy Rodgers.



The pledges of Mu really collected the cans for a good cause . . . and to outdo the brothers, too. See a report on this below. At right Alpha Pi, Purdue, shares a good idea — T-shirts that also serve as billboards for their fund-raising Sight Saving Toll Road. This resulted in over \$800 for charity in one Saturday. Alpha Pi has helped an elderly man move into a new home; celebrated Halloween with the people at a home for the elderly; had a party for a group of underprivileged kids. The Chapter has plans for other service projects as well.

MU HITS THE CAN(S)

The Chapters

Washington's Junior Panhellenic recently sponsored a food drive to replenish the supply of a downtown food bank for the underprivileged.

So the brothers challenged the pledges to a contest to see who could bring in the most cans, with the winner receiving a keg from the losers.

Well, the pledges won by a canslide! At a secret pledge meeting, each pledge agreed to bring in 100 cans! The final count was something like: pledges, 2,500 cans; brothers, 50 cans. Alpha Sigma Phi contributed three times more food to the drive than the entire Greek system combined! Mu's pledge class received a special plaque and a warm thank-you from the Junior Panhellenic. (How warm, guys?)

Two members of Mu's pledge class were elected to the Junior Interfraternity Council. Jim Pearman was chosen as JIFC president and Steve Hawkins was elected JIFC VP in charge of rush.

Psi Chapter, Oregon State, traditionally identifies its members by both year and initiation number. Such as '76-755 or '57-400. Good idea.

Gamma Phi, Concord, presents several annual awards within the Chapter. These include most improved GPA, highest scholastic average, best pledge and most outstanding brother.

Beta Theta, Rutgers, has a very handsome Christmas card that features the Chapter house, and the coat of arms. An unusual Cardinal insert really makes the card spark. Contact the Chapter for source and prices.

Iota, Cornell, has been making giant steps of improvement. And Glenn Corsini reports some of the tangible results: "The progress we've made in paying past debts has raised everyone's spirits. Rather than having to worry about financial problems all the time, the brothers now have more time and spirit to participate in other activities, both together and on their own. So far this year, the house has been more than just a good place to live; it's been a real fraternity!"

Beta Mu — Wake Forest has produced a very attractive rush booklet . . . 12 pages with photos throughout and the coat of arms on the cover in color. The Chapter reports that they had 350 copies printed for \$114. And they've found that having the booklet to deliver gives them a good "reason-why" to visit with prospects . . . and the booklet is a good icebreaker as well. Write to Tyler Cox, Alpha Sigma Phi, Box 7291 Reynolda Station, Winston-Salem, N. C. 27109 if you'd like to see a copy. Might be nice if you sent along a couple of stamps for return postage.

Gamma Alpha, Ohio Northern, calls its alumni group The Triangular Alumni Association — for the local Theta Nu Epsilon that became Alpha Kappa Pi that became Alpha Sigma Phi. Good way to perpetuate the Chapter's heritage.

USE OF GAZETTE, TBTM

Every pledge in your Chapter should have his own copy of To Better the Man as his own to keep. Urge pledges to record information in the back of the manual. And to add to the manual materials relating to their work in the Fraternity throughout their Fraternity experience.

Each Chapter should be keeping a collection of Gazettes in a three-ring notebook. The Gazette is designed for quick reference by topics. Every officer and committee chairman can find value ideas by quickly skimming back issues.

Bound copies of The Tomahawk are valuable in the Chapter Library as well.

DEAR BROTHER . . . A LETTER FROM ANDY



I've been putting off answering your letter about hazing. What I want to say is quite simply, "Don't do it."

It seems to me that when you get into a tradition of hazing pledges, you're not really revering fraternalism and brotherhood, you're getting hung up in a false sense of superiority. Just because someone is willing to put up with a lot of crap to get into a chapter, doesn't mean he's high caliber. Actually, if someone allows himself to be debased and ridiculed just to join a fraternity, I'd question whether he truly is of the caliber we seek.

Think about what we strive to develop in our members and pledges. Generally, brotherhood. More specifically, human compassion, and dedication to scholarship, loyalty to the alma mater, maintenance of quality housing, development of the individual's leadership capabilities. Not one of those benefits from the practice of hazing. Not one.

When the chapter and I discussed hazing, we defined it as a type of game playing with a twinge of mischief. Games are fine and fun. Good recreation activity is important to a healthy chapter and can greatly enhance the pledging experience but there simply is no room for the mischief.

I've been asked for good substitutes to hazing. There are none. What people need to understand is that hazing is bad. What needs change is the attitude, not the activity. Games should be used that allow everybody to win, or at least give everyone an equal chance to win. The Brothers haven't earned the right to be superior human beings. They've accepted a responsibility to manage and perpetuate an organization that strives to better the man, not break him.

There's the difference. A Brother has learned the structure of the Fraternity and has accepted a role in making it work. A pledge is one who wants to learn these things. If you understand that, hazing becomes obviously counter-productive.

There are undoubtedly cynics who would scoff at my thoughts but I'm certain none of them could construct a model of fraternity, including hazing, that would achieve our ideals. And our ideals are sound.

You men need to talk about this. Those with convictions need to speak up and lead the way. Consult your advisors and the Dean. Write to members of the Grand Council for their opinion.

I hope this gives you an understanding of my position. I'd be glad to hear thoughts from you or anyone else in the chapter.

My best to all you men.

Fraternally,

Gary A. Anderson, Executive Director

EDUCATIONAL CONFERENCE '77 DATES SET

It's August 18 - 21. And it will be at Alpha Pi Chapter, Purdue University.

Purdue bid on the 1977 Educational Conference at the 1976 National Convention. And that's where Alpha Sigma Phi will be converging this coming summer.

Why not plan on being a part of it? You'll learn a lot. Meet a lot of brothers from across the country. And have more fun than you'd ever guess.

Jeff Dorton has been named co-ordinator of the event for Alpha Pi. You'll want to go just to see the big and beautiful Chapter house at Purdue.

Any brother may attend the Conference in addition to official delegates sent from each Chapter. For more details, contact Headquarters.

CHECK YOUR CHAPTER NEWSLETTER MAILING LIST . . .

Make sure Headquarters is on the list. If not, be sure and put it on so your newsletter will be eligible for the annual Anderson Publication Award and the check for \$250.00! Send your newsletter to: Alpha Sigma Phi, 24 West William St., Delaware, Ohio 43015.

Every Chapter of our Fraternity is unique. An evaluation of what each Chapter is and does should take into account all of the genuine "outside influences" facing the Chapter. On the other hand, one concern should be reflected in the evaluation of every Chapter. That concern is sharing. Sharing is the principle cause of our great Fraternity. And this sharing should show itself in all the activities of a Chapter and its individuals. How committed are the members of the Chapter to share? Those men who appreciate what they have been given by older Brothers and attempt to improve and share that gift with other young men are the backbone of our most successful Chapters. After graduation, these same men continue to share through work of national scope and through support of alumni organizations.

This challenge - the challenge of sharing - is one which we all should accept . . . whether we are pledges, undergraduate Brothers or alumni Brothers. For what we have to share, namely Alpha Sigma Phi, is great indeed.

From September 1, 1976 until February 1, 1977, I visited twenty-eight Chapters. These Chapters included: Delta at Marietta College; Eta at the University of Illinois; Theta at the University of Michigan; Iota at Cornell University; Omicron at the University of Pennsylvania; Alpha Xi at Illinois Institute of Technology; Alpha Pi at Purdue University; Alpha Sigma at Wagner College; Alpha Tau at Stevens Institute of Technology; Beta Gamma at Bethany College; Beta Epsilon at Lehigh University; Beta Theta at Rutgers University; Beta Iota at Tufts University; Beta Xi at Hartwick College; Beta Omicron at Tri-State College; Beta Sigma at the University of Cincinnati; Beta Psi at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute; Gamma Delta at Davis & Elkins College; Gamma Mu at Morris Harvey College; Gamma Xi at Widener College; Gamma Pi at Findlay College; Gamma Rho at Lycoming College; Gamma Tau at Indiana Institute of Technology; Gamma Upsilon at Eastern Michigan University; Gamma Phi at Concord College; Gamma Chi at Indiana University; Gamma Psi at Lawrence Institute of Technology; Delta Alpha at Loyola University. My overall evaluation of each of those Chapters: 3 Chapters at excellent; 12 at good; 7 at fair; and 6 at poor. Of the 6 chapters termed poor, 3 have suspended charters and/or a status of observation.

AND A WAHMAN SALUTE TO A CHAPTER ON THE MOVE!

At this time, the Brothers of Beta Gamma at Bethany College in Bethany, West Virginia continue to make the Purposes of the Fraternity their guide in living together. This will soon mark that Chapter as an outstanding one of all in the Fraternity.

The Chapter is presently increasing its manpower after a few lean years. Last fall, the rushing effort resulted in many pledges - over twice the number of undergraduate Brothers - and this, within a rushing system which involves restriction on bidding. Building the member strength of the Chapter remains a high-priority goal.

Internal organization is being increased. The Chapter maintains files for the officers. Each officer and Brother knows what his responsibilities are as discussed in the Chapter constitution and elsewhere.

Involvement by individuals in Chapter activities and involvement by the Chapter in service to its alumni Brothers, college and community are being stressed.

The Chapter is very hospitable and shows a real sense of sharing.

The men want to be noted as the best Fraternity at Bethany and are prepared to do those things necessary for that recognition.

This is only a brief sketch of Beta Gamma. Much of how their members are moving their Chapter toward excellence has not been discussed. But the spirit of the Fraternity - the spirit of sharing - is a driving force behind their activities.

To the men of Beta Gamma, therefore, we should extend our acknowledgement and support of their efforts on behalf of Alpha Sigma Phi. And of these Brothers and Brothers-to-be, we can be very, very proud.

A RESOURCE YOU'RE PROBABLY NOT USING — YOUR DEAN

Odds&Ends

There is someone, somewhere on your campus who has responsibility for or authority over the Greek System.

He or she is the Dean of Fraternities. Or Assistant Dean of Students, Fraternities. Or some other title.

An important person, that Dean. And a valuable ally to have. Too many Chapters assume that their Dean and/or campus administration is anti-fraternity. Generally that's not the case at all. That impression grows out of too little communication.

Good relations thrive on familiarity. Familiarity comes from interaction.

Most Deans would prefer to be an interested, active advisor, not just an observer and disciplinarian. Most would be delighted to explore the possibility of your campus assisting the IFC in presenting a leadership workshop. Or rush training seminars. Or management training sessions. Or to explore ways to modify rush rules that will benefit all Greeks on the campus (if the Dean understands the needs.)

Few Deans are going to invite themselves into your house or meeting. They aren't going to "fish" for an invitation to a meal or a party. But the chances are they'd welcome an invitation, an opportunity to get to know your Chapter better. (They are busy people, so give them a choice of several dates whenever you issue an invitation.)

So invite your Dean over. And then relate. Talk. Explore. You'll probably find you've got a lot in common. And some common interests you'll want to work together on!

Service: Pi Kappa Alpha Fraternity has voted at its convention to support Big Brothers as its official national service project. Sigma Chi has as its national service project the building of a gym for a children's home in Colorado.

INFLATION FIGHTERS AND ENERGY SAVERS

1. Storm windows — or cheap plastic window insulation will reduce heating bills.
2. Start a "turn off the lights" campaign.
3. Start a "turn off appliances not in use" campaign.
4. Start a "close the door" campaign.
5. Shut off heat and water heaters over vacations. Be sure to drain the pipes.
6. Close curtains at night.
7. Keep hall and stairwell doors closed to prevent drafts and heat loss.
8. Do it yourself . . . you'll save money and learn some valuable skills.

CERTIFICATES AVAILABLE FROM HEADQUARTERS

Certificate blanks—suitable for most special presentations are available from Headquarters at .05 cents each. The blanks carry the coat of arms and the words "Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity" in handsome script. Wording for the award can be typed in and the certificate framed for an inexpensive but attractive presentation piece.

NOT GETTING YOUR TOMAHAWK?

Headquarters continues to hear from undergraduate members who do not receive their Tomahawk. If you've had problems, first check at your home address. Your parents may not be forwarding the Tomahawk to you. Check with a previous address if your family has moved since you were initiated. If you still have problems, advise Headquarters. Every Chapter receives a shipment of Tomahawks in bulk as well.



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