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National News

GRAND COUNCIL MEETS IN COLUMBUS, OHIO

The Alpha Sigma Phi Grand Council held its bi-annual meeting January 7-9, 1983 in Columbus, Ohio. In the weekend meeting, they reviewed the status of the Fraternity, Fraternity Headquarters and all its programs and operations.

Of special interest to chapters is the Council's approval of the new ritual project. This major undertaking will be completed in time for distribution of the new ritual editions at the 1983 National Educational Conference, to be held August 18-21, 1983 at The Ohio State University.

In other business, the Grand Council approved the hiring of Christopher Koch (Indiana '79) as Director of Alumni Development. It was also announced that Jeff Schwind (Toledo '75) is promoted to the position of Assistant Executive Director.

Koch, a recent graduate of Indiana University, joins the staff after serving his chapter in various capacities including that of HSP, HJP and Pledge Educator. His responsibilities will include developing a comprehensive alumni program for the Fraternity and serving as the Assistant Director of the Fraternity's Third Founding Campaign.

Schwind, in his third year on the Headquarters staff, continues to hold responsibility for developing and overseeing all chapter-related operations and services. In addition, he has administrative and office management responsibilities for the smooth operation of the entire Headquarters.

Joining the Grand Council for portions of the meeting were Grand Province Chief Chuck Vohs (Penn State '75), Director of Scholarship Dennis "Skip" Parks (Baldwin-Wallace '72), and Director of Provinces Richard R. Gibbs (Oklahoma '51).

REGIONAL CONFERENCES TO BE HELD

A number of regional interfraternity conferences for undergraduate fraternity men will be held in the coming months. Fraternity men from hundreds of different schools will attend these conferences to participate in various workshops on rush, pledge education, chapter management, etc. Your school's IFC officers are encouraged to attend. Any undergraduate fraternity man may register and attend. The dates and locations of these conferences are:

SOUTHEASTERN INTERFRATERNITY CONFERENCE, February 18-20, 1983

Omni International Hotel, Atlanta, Georgia

NORTHEAST INTERFRATERNITY CONFERENCE, March 3-6, 1983

Caesar's Boardwalk Regency, Atlantic City, New Jersey

MID-AMERICAN INTERFRATERNITY COUNCIL ASSOCIATION, March 17-20, 1983

St. Louis Sheraton, St. Louis, Missouri

WESTERN REGIONAL INTERFRATERNITY CONFERENCE, April 8-9, 1983

Nugget Hotel, Reno, Nevada

For information on attending any of these conferences, please contact your campus Greek advisor or the Fraternity Headquarters.

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AWARD-WINNING TOMAHAWK

The Tomahawk, Alpha Sigma Phi's national publication, received recognition at the 1982 meeting of the National Interfraternity Conference in New Orleans this past December. Editor Evin Varner (Presbyterian '58) accepted the first runner-up award for the article, "A Sigma Nu who helped build Alpha Sigma Phi," which appeared in the Spring, 1982 issue. The National Interfraternity Foundation sponsors the awards; articles submitted deal with the organized student role in advancing the quality of higher education. The award included cash which has been given to the Memorial Fund for scholarships.

The Chapters

UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN, Theta Chapter

Theta Chapter has written some new serenade songs. Familiar tunes (including a couple of Beatles songs) have been given new words -- Alpha Sig words, of course!

- Reported by Stuart McCubbrey

WAGNER COLLEGE, Alpha Sigma Chapter

Wagner reports its largest pledge class in recent years. Some 25 men pledged Alpha Sigma Phi. This may seem just about average, but Alpha Sigma Chapter returned this past fall with just 8 brothers. Twenty-five pledges is a welcome and commendable effort.

- Reported by Anthony Pearl

In The News

YOU'RE INVITED TO PARTICIPATE

Chapter members in Ohio, Michigan and Indiana are invited to participate in the Annual Leadership Conference at Bowling Green State University, February 18-19, 1983. The two-day conference is attended by Greek men and women from Ohio, Michigan and Indiana. Attendance is anticipated at 400 student participants.

The conference is sponsored by the IFC and Panhellenic Council, and is considered one of the best of its kind in the Midwest. Registration will begin Friday, February 18, at 2:00 p.m. The fee for conference attendance is \$22.00.

Information on registration or questions about the conference may be obtained from Conference Coordinators, 425 Student Services Building, Bowling Green State University, Bowling Green, OH 43403.

LAWSUIT SETTLED FOR \$700,000

A 20-year-old woman received brain damage in a car accident three years ago after leaving a fraternity party with her date. In a pre-trial settlement of lawsuits brought by her parents, the former Downtown Sheraton Hotel in Columbus, Ohio (accused of serving alcohol to minors) agreed to pay \$550,000; Beta Theta Pi Fraternity said it will pay \$137,000; and the driver's insurance company settled for \$12,500.

The young woman, then a high-school senior, was injured when a car driven by a fraternity pledge went out of control and struck a utility pole. The two had just attended an Ohio State University homecoming party sponsored by the fraternity at the Sheraton.

The woman's attorney said the fraternity social chairman who signed the contract for the party was only 19, and that the Sheraton did not check the ages of those who were served alcohol. The young woman is paralyzed on her right side and has only partial mobility on her left side, her attorney said.

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BEWARE OF C.O.D.s

There have been reports of fraternity and sorority houses receiving C.O.D. packages they never ordered. The chapter has paid the C.O.D. fee (why, we don't know) and wound up with merchandise they never ordered and don't want or need.

One such firm is "Collepak Enterprises" in California. Their C.O.D. fee has been \$35.00, and fraternity and sorority chapters have accepted delivery on the unordered packages. Please watch out for this rip-off! If you encounter this experience, please report it to your Student Affairs office without delay.

ANTI-HAZING LAW PASSES

The Governor of Ohio has signed a bill that outlaws fraternity hazings in the state after March 3. The legislation makes it a misdemeanor to participate in, or make others participate in, "any act of initiation into any student or other organization that causes mental or physical harm to any person."

State courts could impose fines of up to \$250 and prison terms of up to 30 days for conviction. The new law also provides that civil suits may be brought by anyone injured during initiation rites (including students who participated willingly) against fraternity officers and college officials who knew or should have known that hazings were taking place.

Alpha Sigma Phi has supported the passing of this and other state laws making "hazing" a criminal offense punishable by law.

ALPHA SIG HAZING POLICY

Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity forbids its chapters and colonies to sponsor any pre-initiation activity that may be "dangerous" or "potentially dangerous" to the physical and mental health of any person, to the level of brotherhood within each of its chapters and colonies, and to the level of respect on campus and in the community of which all Alpha Sigma Phi brothers and pledges are worthy. "Sponsorship" is defined as "peer-group supported," as well as a sanctioned activity.

Pledges



PSI CHAPTER, Oregon State University: James Terranova on November 1, 1982.

ALPHA RHO CHAPTER, New Jersey Institute of Technology: Jerome Coveillo, Paul Axelson, John Chayko, Martin Lyons, Daniel Hufnagel, Walter Beese, Thomas de Poortere, Paul DeFazio and Darwin Phillips, on October 15, 1982.

GAMMA DELTA CHAPTER, Davis & Elkins College: Jim Brown, Mike Gombert, John Kemple III, Steven Meizell, David Miller, Alan Murray, Michael Quadracci and Paul Shanahan, on December 6, 1982.

GAMMA LAMBDA CHAPTER, Atlantic Christian College: Al Eatmon, Rabbie Garganus, Mike Nixon, Paul Sharpe and Mike Sledge, on October 3, 1982.

Initiates



ZETA CHAPTER, Ohio State University: Armin Michel, Brian Jaryga, Steven Jefferis and Jon Hlusak, on January 15, 1983.

THETA CHAPTER, University of Michigan: Myles Markey, Darin Wilson, William Ingle, Rob Block and Geoffrey Connell, on December 3, 1982.

DELTA ETA CHAPTER, East Carolina University: Marvin Armstrong, Joseph Campbell, Danny Clanton, Kevin Greaney, David McKeever, Brent Robbins, George Satterfield, David Sharer and Dean Townsend, on December 2, 1982.

DELTA THETA CHAPTER, Radford University: Mark Chambers, Daniel Fitman, Mike Lupien, Kent Wilbourne and Kelly Myers, on December 13, 1982.

GAMMA THETA CHAPTER, University of Miami: Colin Gabay, Rodolfo De La Guardia, Nicolas Quinones, Matthew Kamula, Jan Sorensen, Marc Simkin, Cesar Lopez, Mitchell Goldstein, Luis Fuentes, Manuel Revuelta, Everisto Moseley and Joseph Vigna, on December 3, 1982.

GAMMA OMICRON CHAPTER, Tulane University: Michael Caruso, Marc Greenberg, Gary Helfman, Howard Herman, Jason Johnston, Stephen Jones, Keith Lubert, Sean McDonald, Kenneth Price and Jeffrey Williams, on December 4, 1982.

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Helpful Hints

RUSH - THE LIFEblood OF THE FRATERNITY

Chapters have been working hard over the past semester, contacting men who may be potential members of the Fraternity. On many campuses, January 1 signals the beginning of a time when freshmen are allowed to formally pledge a fraternity.

For chapters who are continuing their recruitment efforts this term, please be aware of the brochures and supplies available at Fraternity Headquarters for your recruitment program. Flyers, brochures, name tags, frisbees, etc., are all in stock.

What follows on the next pages are some points to remember when conducting your rush program. We hope you find them helpful. Please share these with all members of the chapter.

THE ANATOMY OF A MURDER or How to kill rush...by trying:

1. Rush functions should never be planned in advance.... spontaneous activity is always best.
2. If a rushee stops by the house during the day and no one is there, don't worry about it -- he'll be back.
3. The brothers should sing lots of fraternity songs at rush functions. The fact that no one else will know the words will create more interest in pledging.
4. The trophy case is a must on the chapter house tour. Only one intramural trophy was presented in 1943 and we've got it!
5. Learning names overnight is impossible...so don't worry about it. Very large name tags will help.

How to kill rush...by trying:

6. If you see a rushee on campus the next day and can't remember his name, don't sweat it...he won't remember yours either.
7. If it's a date function, make sure the rushees get fixed up with the dogs (fraternity men are supposed to date sharper girls than independent men).
8. If a rushee is obviously the athletic type, introduce him as soon as possible to your chapter four-point...after all, he should be in school for an education.
9. Make absolutely sure you talk about finances with a rushee...and if he says he can't afford membership, tell him how many members owe the chapter for their back bills.
10. Always talk about yourself extensively during rush. The rushee is interested in your high school activities.

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Helpful Hints

How to kill rush...by trying:

11. Never acknowledge alumni recommendations...most of their prospects wouldn't fit in anyhow.
12. A good idea for a first smoker is a stag film. If a guy is offended, he probably wouldn't have been a good brother anyway.
13. Always have dates at rush functions. After all, the girls will rush for you...and the SAE's and the ATO's and the Sig Eps.
14. Always identify the various items in the chapter house for the rushee. For instance, when you pass by the trophy case, say, "This is the trophy case." He'll be glad you did.
15. What better way to encourage lasting friendships and good fellowship than with booze? The way to a man's heart is through his liver.

How to kill rush...by trying:

16. Parental objections to pledging can be overcome. Tell the rushee your parents don't know you belong to a fraternity, either.
17. Set some standards for pledging...make certain the rushee is as sharp and polished as you think you are.
18. Don't invite any alumni to attend your rush functions. But do tell rushees that fraternity membership is for life and that your alumni are really interested in the chapter.
19. Rushees will be glad to know your chapter stresses academic achievement, rewards high scholarship, and emphasizes that a man is first a student. The fact that the chapter is on academic probation is only due to last year's pledge class...which flunked out, to the man.
20. Rushees will want to know that the fraternity experience is a living-learning process, democratically oriented, and that the environment encourages communication and mutual respect. Quiet hours will be enforced...when you find a scholarship chairman big enough.

How to kill rush...by trying:

21. If the rushee is nervous, introduce him to a large group of the brothers ...he'll feel more at home that way.
22. The rush chairman may want to take polaroid shots of each rushee at the front door and this is a good idea (it lets the rushee know you won't forget his face in the crowd!).
23. Stress the fact that your chapter feels strongly about total membership participation in everything it does, from community service projects to Homecoming decorations. Then explain that you usually have more members than this at rush functions, but tonight is a bad night...lots of mid-terms tomorrow.

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