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NATIONAL NEWS



TRUSTEES ANNOUNCE KLEINOEDER BEQUEST

On November 8, 1990, Trustee **Richard R. Gibbs, Oklahoma '51**, announced at a Seattle reception the \$4 million gift which has been received from the estate of **Howard L. Kleinoeder, Washington '35**, (photo at left) who passed into Omega Chapter on June 2, 1990. Many distinguished alumni in the Seattle area, including nine former recipients of the Delta Beta Xi Award, were on hand for the non alcoholic reception.

The Grand Council and Educational Foundation Trustees have indicated that the bequest will be added to the Foundation's endowment and will be used to fund existing and new programs as endowment income becomes available.

To assist in the identification, development and guidance of educational programs, the Fraternity and Foundation announced the creation of seven committees that will address issues currently facing Alpha Sigma Phi and the fraternity world in general.

This gift is just the beginning. Hopefully Kleinoeder's gift will inspire other brothers to help expand the resources of the Educational Foundation so that it can continue with its mission "To Better The Man."

PROVINCE I LEADERSHIP WEEKEND

Province I again has proven that distance is no obstacle in sponsoring a successful Alpha Sig event. Seattle, WA was the site of the November 9-11 conclave that saw 22 UCLA members travel some 1,200 miles, six Cal-Berkeley members travel more than 800 miles and 13 Oregon State members travel 300 miles to attend, along with many host chapter members.

The weekend began with the visiting brothers checking in on Friday afternoon. The evening steak dinner prepared by Grand Councilor **Mark Still, Washington '75**, Mu Grand Chapter Advisor/Province I Co-Grand Province Chief **Bob Strecker, Washington '78** and Lock Haven Grand Chapter Advisor **Stuart Spisak, Westminster '78**, started with approximately 60 in attendance. By the time Grand Senior President **Chuck Vohs, Penn State '75**, Executive Vice President **John Chaney, Indiana '67**, Vice President for Development **Steve Zizzo, Illinois '84** and University of Washington Greek Advisor Gary Ausman finished speaking, nearly 100 brothers had gathered. Also in attendance was Grand Historian, **Bob Kutz, California '67**. The Leadership Weekend was officially adjourned until Sunday afternoon so the attendees could socialize, hold a sorority brunch, attend the Washington-UCLA football game and attend a Saturday night party at the chapter house. Brother **Glenn Gesell, Washington '89**, Province I President organized the activities.

On Sunday, after brunch, the educational portion of the weekend resumed with Brother Chaney discussing FIPG trends and chapter/individual responsibilities and duties. Brother **Norm Hamilton, Stanford '47**, had a lively session on motivation which was followed by a public relations session by Brother Zizzo. Brothers Spisak and Strecker gave an emotionally charged ceremonial *CAUSA:LATET:VIS:EST:NOTISSIMA* conclusion.

FRATERNAL LAW

Grand Chaplain **Alan Breedlove, Penn State '77** and Executive Vice President Chaney recently attended the annual Fraternal Law Conference in Cincinnati. More than 100 fraternity executives, volunteers and undergraduates met with attorneys and university officers and assembled to hear relevant contemporary topics that affect today's Greek communities. Topics included BYOB, chapters facing disciplinary charges, taxes, ethnic diversity, the first amendment and fraternities, trusteeships and problem solving.



FRATERNITY INSURANCE PURCHASING GROUP

At the base of our alcohol policy is state law. Under all states, you must be 21 to purchase and consume alcohol legally. Neither FIPG guidelines nor Alpha Sigma Phi policy on activities involving alcohol should be construed to allow the interpretation that alcohol consumption by minors in violation of state law is okay. In other words, even though you have a BYOB event, alcohol must still be legally consumed.

We all play by the same rules. One of the most common complaints heard from undergraduates is that no other fraternity has as strict a risk management policy as we do. However, almost all the other national fraternities are either on the Fraternity Insurance Purchasing Group policy (FIPG) or a similar program. Here is a list of fraternities and sororities who have an identical or similar risk management policy to ours:

Alpha Gamma Rho	Farmhouse	Psi Upsilon
Alpha Chi Omega	Kappa Alpha Order	Sigma Alpha Epsilon
Alpha Chi Rho	Kappa Alpha Theta	Sigma Nu
Alpha Epsilon Pi	Kappa Delta Rho	Sigma Pi
Alpha Gamma Sigma	Lambda Chi Alpha	Sigma Chi
Alpha Kappa Lambda	Phi Delta Theta	Tau Epsilon Phi
Alpha Phi Delta	Phi Gamma Delta	Tau Kappa Epsilon
Alpha Tau Omega	Phi Kappa Theta	Theta Xi
Alpha Xi Delta	Phi Kappa Psi	Theta Chi
Beta Theta Pi	Phi Kappa Psi	Triangle
Chi Phi	Phi Kappa Sigma	Phi Kappa Tau
Delta Chi	Phi Lambda Chi	Zeta Beta Tau
Delta Gamma	Phi Sigma Kappa	Zeta Psi
Delta Sigma Phi	Pi Kappa Phi	
Delta Tau Delta	Pi Lambda Phi	

TOP TEN LIABILITY RISKS

1. Bars
2. Liquor Stores
3. Child Care Centers
4. Asbestos Contractors
5. Hazardous Waste Disposal Companies
6. **Fraternities and Sororities**
7. Engineers
8. Doctors
9. Lawyers
10. Accountants

- (Reprinted from Delta Chi In Brief, Oct. '90)

NATIONAL NEWS (Cont'd)

DWINDLING NUMBERS OF FRESHMEN: It Will Affect Your Rush

Colleges and universities across the continent are reporting dwindling numbers in their freshmen classes--the first sign that the nation's pool of college age students is indeed decreasing. Except for the few highly-selective institutions, the number of applications submitted has dropped.

According to the Admissions Director, the University of Iowa saw a slight drop in the number of freshmen last year, but this is the first year that witnessed a significant decrease in the size of the entering class.

Obviously, this translates into a shrinking number in the pool of potential fraternity members. Chapters must continually modify their rush efforts to conform to the changes in enrollment. Only those chapters that can adapt their recruiting techniques to changing demographics will continue to prosper.

"The days of opening your front door and waiting for guests to come to you are over," says one International Fraternity Representative. "In order to grow, and even maintain membership size, our chapters must be pro-active and responsible in their rushing techniques."

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ANNUAL LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

The eleventh annual Bowling Green State University Leadership Conference, "Discover The Difference", will be held on February 15-16, 1991, on the B.G.S.U. campus. Students and advisors from Ohio, Illinois, Indiana, Maryland, West Virginia, Virginia, Michigan, Pennsylvania, Iowa, and Canada will assemble at the largest student-run Leadership Conference of its type in the nation.

Distinguished speakers and facilitators from across the country will offer their expertise and advice on matters pertaining to: creativity, motivation, time and stress management and many other topics that are affecting each of us today. This year's keynote speaker will be Maureen Syring, past National President of Delta Gamma Sorority.

All students and advisors from every area are encouraged to participate and take advantage of this opportunity to learn and grow. Conference fees are again being kept to a minimum so that it is financially feasible for all those who wish to participate. For additional information, write: **ANNUAL LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE**, 425 Student Services Bldg., Bowling Green, Ohio 43403.

NIC INTERCHANGE PROGRAM HELD

Purdue University was the host of the National Interfraternity Conference Interchange Target Campus Program on Sunday, November 4. Alpha Pi Chapter's newly elected HSP **Ben Russell** and HJP **Doug Gielow** were present and participated in Risk Management discussions concerning alcohol consumption, underage drinking, FIPG imposition on non FIPG members, IFC inter-cooperation and enforcement procedures. Executive Vice President Chaney represented the fraternity at the event attended by 75 national officers, volunteers, local alumni and undergraduate chapters on the West Lafayette campus.

COLONY UPDATE



CENTRAL MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY JOINS THE OLD GAL

On October 5 the one year old, 18 man Delta Phi Rho local fraternity at Central Michigan University, Mount Pleasant, MI officially became our newest interest group in pursuit of colonization and chartering within our Mystic Circle. This is a dynamic and diverse group that will fit well with $\Lambda\Sigma\Phi$. The group comes with a strong loyalty to its members and is currently attempting to secure housing for next fall. Grand Secretary **Robert Cabello, Eastern Michigan '70** will serve as sponsoring advisor. Brothers Cabello and Chaney have been in periodic contact with the group since last spring and made a visit to the group on October 31.

DELAWARE INTEREST GROUP

Some 15 facsimile messages were sent in the past two weeks to all Executive Directors/Vice Presidents of national fraternities with chapters at the University of Delaware urging their local chapters to support our colony efforts. Many executives replied with letters of support to their chapter and University of Delaware officials and many more called our headquarters indicating they had called their Delaware chapters and urged the Alpha Sig IFC recognition at the earliest possible moment. It is certainly gratifying to see the spirit of cooperation between national fraternities in attempting to resolve this "stale" situation in our favor.

PHI THETA COLONY, BINGHAMTON

We recently held our Alpha Sig Storytime, where brothers read aloud for 24 hours straight. A highlight of the day was our reading children's stories to children from the campus preschool. We also collected money at the event, with proceeds going to the Coalition for Literacy. Also, Gamma Epsilon (Buffalo) brothers came down to visit, and participated in " $\Lambda\Sigma\Phi$ night" at a Binghamton Rangers hockey game.

We recently participated in Sigma Delta Upsilon Sorority's "M&M"a-thon, where a team of 8 Sigs ate a total of 1,825 M&M candies, in a three minute span, with proceeds from the event going to child abuse prevention programs.

- John Tilden, HR

CHAPTER NEWS

THETA CHAPTER, UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

HSP Steve Dick called the Headquarters office recently to inform us of the passing of **Brother Benny Oosterman, Michigan '25**, into Omega Chapter. **Brother Oosterman** was the only football coach ever to lead Michigan to a national title. The Theta brothers ritualistically wore black ribbons beneath their badges and pins and attended the October 31st services and sent flowers on behalf of the chapter. Remembrances may be made in Brother Oosterman's name to Multiple Sclerosis, 2611 Evergreen Suite 1N, Southfield, MI 48706.

BETA DELTA CHAPTER, MARSHALL UNIVERSITY

Beta Delta steams along as the first semester comes closer and closer to an end. Our efforts to help the community continue to be successful. Barboursville High School's wrestling program is a big step closer to having new mats due to our endeavors. We raised \$1,300 for them by just standing in the streets of the village at intersections and tagging cars from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. Coach Ernie Sparks thanked us by extending an invitation to attend the meets free by wearing letters.

CHAPTER NEWS (Cont'd)

Homecoming '90 was a huge success. This year, more brothers attended than ever before. In all, over 150 people came to the dinner and dance. And many of the alumni made a special effort to visit. At least one brother travelled from as far away as West Palm Beach, Florida. Everyone had a great time dancing and, of course, singing, among others, the *Sweetheart Song*. We are very much looking forward to this spring's Black & White in order to see many brothers and have another great time.

Our pledge class continues to strive towards entering the Mystic Circle. Motivation and action are at high levels as Initiation on November 30 draws near. They have completed their projects which include their car wash, which raised over \$120. We are very pleased that these men are definitely excited about joining our brotherhood.

We have also been involved with Huntington's Haunted Trails. This is a project that takes place every year at Halloween so that the people of the community can be delightfully scared out of their wits. Beta Delta offered to participate in this as some of the creatures. Those who participated had a lot of laughs scaring everyone.

Finally, some of the other projects that are upcoming. On November 14th, we will participate in a Step Show with the Black Greeks here at Marshall. Carrying on our pursuit of academic excellence, we will present awards to all brothers for reaching or exceeding their individual academic goals. A dinner will be held for those who accomplished the goals they set. Hope that all Sigs prosper the remainder of Fall '90 semester and everyone has a safe and happy Thanksgiving!

- Alden K. Sansom, HR

BETA MU CHAPTER, WAKE FOREST UNIVERSITY

Current difficulties have brought the brothers at this chapter closer together. We hope to use this stronger brotherhood to increase our numbers and improve in several other areas, including community/campus service, fundraising and social events.

For recreation and rush purposes, we purchased a basketball goal and set it up on our porch. Since we are located in a dorm on campus, this was difficult, but it was well worth the effect since it attracts rushees and offers us the chance to play right at our own house.

For the first time in years, we built a float for Homecoming. We set aside a night on which we could all get together and work. The Prudential Committee was in charge of planning and buying materials. The result was an excellent brotherhood activity. The float, displayed outside of our house, did not win a prize but it did make a great decoration for the weekend!

Over the past several years, our chapter has put increasing emphasis on academic achievement. The results have been outstanding. Last semester we had the second highest cumulative fraternity GPA, which was well above the all men's average for the University. We are improving our academic records and cooperation in an effort to equal or improve on last semester. Our scholarship chairman has prepared a computerized list of each brother's major, classes, interests and strengths. We are also trying to institute an annual award for highest and most improved individual GPA in the chapter. We have proved to ourselves and others that scholarship is an area in which we can and will excel and we are working hard to continue to strengthen this area.

- Thomas E. Brondos

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BETA RHO CHAPTER, UNIVERSITY OF TOLEDO

Alumni of Beta Rho Chapter at the University of Toledo recently sponsored an open house for homecoming returning alumni at the new chapter house on the campus. Several hundred Alpha Sig alumni, family members and friends toured the facility and devoured the well provided appetizers. Executive Vice President Chaney and Vice President for Development Steve Zizzo attended the event. Brother **Greg Fretti, Toledo '81**, should be commended for ensuring the event was successful.

DELTA NU CHAPTER, LOCK HAVEN UNIVERSITY

On October 8 Lock Haven University sponsored a Hazing Workshop. Raymond Steele, Campus Fraternity Advisor, wrote to thank the Alpha Sigma Phi chapter for having all of its prospective members in attendance.

A second workshop on Date Rape was held on October 29. This program was open to all fraternity brothers.

PLEDGED TO THE SEVEN POINTS



ALPHA TAU CHAPTER, Stevens Institute of Technology: John Schmidt, Bryan Coffey, Emad Miazad, William Nisbet, Michael Wistreich, Mitchell Albala, Robert Weiss, Dominic Genzana, Michael Seelman, James Nichols, Christopher Rahman, James Muscianesi, and Thomas Harris on October 15, 1990.

GAMMA RHO CHAPTER, Lycoming College: Geoffrey Sellers, Jeffery R. Hill, Bartholomew E. DeRemer and Jason L. Pinsky on October 15, 1990.

DELTA LAMBDA CHAPTER, Stockton State College: Andrew A. Seewald, Robert J. Van Horn, Heath M. Alboher, Keith T. Shortreed, David R. Noyes, Aaron C. Madamba, Ronald P. Pagliaro, Jr., Wayne J. Verderber, Jr., David B. Goldfisher, Derek M. Van Dam, Jr., Jeffrey R. Zimmerman, Paul J. Flynn, Jr., Vincent D. Spera, Andrew J. Delaney, Michael Murdza, Bryan Griffiths, Christopher J. Liggio, Albert Denovellis, Jr. and Thomas P. Figurelli on October 2, 1990.

INITIATED INTO THE MYSTIC CIRCLE



DELTA EPSILON CHAPTER, University of Rio Grande: Frank Gearheart, Michael Fisher and Gregg Landis on October 18, 1990.

**** HAPPY THANKSGIVING !! ****

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