

# The Old Gal Gazette

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## NATIONAL NEWS

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### UIFI...WHERE LEADERSHIP COMES ALIVE!

The National Interfraternity Conference will be sponsoring the fourth annual UIFI (Undergraduate Interfraternity Institute) this summer, once again to be held at Butler University in Indianapolis, IN.

What is UIFI?

UIFI is designed as an intensive living-learning experience. Sessions run through the day and evening. You are investing significant time and money to participate, so come prepared to spend your time developing skills to help you and your Greek community.

UIFI is an alcohol-free educational program; thus, delegates are not to bring any alcohol to Butler University nor consume alcohol during the program regardless of age.

A successful UIFI program depends upon the full interaction of all participants. In order to maximize interaction opportunities, delegates are expected to remain on the Butler campus during recreation time and after the evening programming concludes. Social activities and sightseeing time in Indianapolis are provided as part of the program schedule.

At UIFI 1993, you will:

- Experience teambuilding at its best on a special Greek teams course.
- Revisit the mission of fraternities and the values that make Greeks unique.
- Learn how to build unity among the fraternities and sororities on your campus.
- Sharpen your communication skills by giving feedback to others.
- Develop practical strategies for improving relations with faculty and the community.
- Practice ways to empower others to take initiative and get involved.
- Experience the difference between using power and influence in exercising your leadership with others.
- And much, much, more!!

Last year, **Mike Macfarlane, Longwood '90**, and IFC President at Longwood College, attended UIFI and had the following comments: "The experience I had at UIFI was phenomenal. It empowered me to go back to Longwood and effect change within my chapter and Greek community both, in an unforceful, and non-threatening way. I wish all Alpha Sig chapter presidents could go. The people you meet are outstanding and you walk away feeling like you can now change the world."

The Alpha Sigma Phi Educational Foundation will be offering up to three scholarships this year to undergraduate leaders wishing to attend UIFI. The scholarship covers the full registration fee only. For an application and/or more information about UIFI, please contact Jeffery S. Owens at the Fraternity Headquarters or your chapter's president. Information and applications are enclosed in this week's mail packet to your chapter's president.



## DATES TO REMEMBER

### November

- 13-15 Province VII Conclave, East Carolina University
- 26 Thanksgiving Day
- 27 Fraternity Headquarters closed

### December

- 1 Winter Tomahawk Reports are due
  - 6 Alpha Sigma Phi Founders' Day
  - 14 Chapter Leadership Consultant applications due
  - 15 Submit copy for winter issue of newsletter
  - 20 First Day of Hanukkah
  - 25 Christmas Day
- (Fraternity Headquarters closed from December 24 to January 4)

- \* Reminder: If you have not submitted your October Report of Undergraduate Membership or fall edition of the Roadmap to Success, please do so today!!



## ELIMINATE OFFENSIVE SONGS

The following memo was written by the Executive Director of Theta Xi Fraternity to all Theta Xi colony and chapter presidents after ABC News aired a story about offensive songs printed in one of their chapter's membership manuals:

*Dear Brothers:*

*On Wednesday, October 14, 1992, ABC News with Peter Jennings closed the show with a three minute story about songs which were printed in an old (Spring, 1991) Theta Xi Associate Member Manual at U.C.L.A. The songs were in poor taste and the chapter is now being accused of promoting sexist, racist and homophobic attitudes. Non-Greeks are calling for the withdrawal of University recognition for Theta Xi and the University is investigating the chapter's programs to determine if there have been violations of University policy.*

*Last Friday evening, Mexican-American groups marched on the chapter house, climbed to the second floor balcony and flew flags to promote their concern and outrage over the chapter's behavior.*

*The fact is that Alpha Zeta Chapter [of Theta Xi] began removing offensive songs from its Associate Member program and from general chapter use a year ago and no longer condones, much less promotes, such songs. The chapter also schedules speakers on issues of campus concern, such as women's issues.*

*I am sending you this letter to provide you with information in the event questions are raised on your campus as a result of the ABC News television story.*

*Additionally, I hope you will use this noticed to further educate your members of the need to recognize society's intolerance of inappropriate attitudes and behavior. If you have songbooks, cheers, poems, etc. that portray any group of individuals in a derogatory manner, now is the time to eliminate such traditions from your chapter. Further, if you are not yet scheduling programs to educate members to society's concerns for issues such as diversity, sexism, racism, etc., now is a good time to get started.*

*Alpha Zeta [of Theta Xi] started this process two years ago and has done a good job. Unfortunately, very few people at UCLA or in the Los Angeles community are listening or really care to hear the truth. In fact, public reaction and the media are so negative it will now be difficult for the chapter to receive a fair hearing in the UCLA community.*

*The Grand Lodge and Fraternity Headquarters are working with the chapter and its alumni to resolve this situation and maintain Theta Xi's presence at UCLA.*



## CHAPTER NEWS

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### **MU CHAPTER, UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON:**

Things are going very well here at Mu Chapter. We did great in rush. Our Rush Chairmen **Andy Larsen**, **Troy Woodward**, and **Athan Tramountanas** pledged some quality fine, young men. Our social this fall started off with our annual Chi Omega Pirate Exchange. A good time was had by all. **Dave Gatzke**, **UCLA '89**, an Alpha Sigma Phi Chapter Leadership Consultant, visited Mu Chapter for a week. We really enjoyed having Dave around. Mu Chapter would like to extend an open invitation to all brothers to stop by and check us out.

The brotherhood and pledges here at Mu Chapter have worked extremely hard this year at keeping the house in tip-top shape. It is looking great! Under the leadership of President Rob Skarperud and House Manager Jason Sousa, many projects have been accomplished. For example the main floor has been painted and the back stairs and entrance received a new coat of paint.

### **UPSILON CHAPTER, PENNSYLVANIA STATE UNIVERSITY:**

After months of searching, we have finally found and hired a new cook. In addition to great cooking, she has suggested that the brotherhood have a sit-down dinner every Wednesday. Despite our hectic schedules, most of the brothers have been able to attend.

We were also blessed with the presence of several Alpha Sigs from the Gamma Theta Chapter (University of Miami), although we lost the game, we enjoyed your company. We hope you felt at home in the "Old Gal."

Our first "Brotherhood Retreat" took place on the seventh of November with brothers climbing Mount Nittany.

### **ALPHA THETA CHAPTER, UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI:**

**Jeff Stirnamen**, Philanthropy Chairman presented a check for \$612 to Wishing Well President-Elect **Jim Reid (Tulane '68)**, St. Charles, MO. This donation was the result of a haunted house held on campus last fall to benefit the Wishing Well Foundation.

### **ALPHA NU CHAPTER, WESTMINSTER COLLEGE:**

Greetings from Alpha Nu Chapter. The month of October was a very busy one at Alpha Nu. We have had several mixers this month. The mixers that were set for the month went over very well. On the twenty-third we played Kappa Delta Sorority in a game of backyard football. The game was then followed by a mixer.

On Halloween we were able to have some brothers from the Delta Delta Chapter (Slippery Rock) come over and celebrate this haunted holiday with us. We also invited two Westminster sororities to come and mingle with our brothers from the Rock. The ladies were members of Kappa Delta and Phi Mu.

Most importantly, we had a philanthropy project turn out better than in past years. Once again we held our annual haunted house. This year's results were almost \$125 more than last year's. We were able to raise \$650 for the New Wilmington Ambulance Service. One of the new ploys in helping us to raise money for this event was to get more community involvement. We did this by getting one of the local papers to place an ad for no cost. We worked with the Globe by placing their name on the ad. For this we were able to have an ad placed in the paper for two weeks at no charge. Early in November was the presentation of the check to the Ambulance Service. Another philanthropy project was the donation of money to Westminster's Habitat for Humanity. We donated \$50 to help rebuild homes devastated by the hurricane.

Another event of great importance was the Alpha Nu brothers' participation in the Black Lantern Processional. The ceremony took place on November 2, 1992. The brothers of Slippery Rock joined us on this solemn march across Westminster's campus. With the addition of the boys from the Rock, this



event was very noticeable across campus. For this reason we started early in October to make the campus, community, and faculty aware of the purpose of this event. We alerted all the student organizations and student flyers and releases. The community paper printed the news release that was sent to them along with the campus paper and the newspaper from a neighboring town. Our main concern was to make the community aware of the event and that it had no racial meaning.

Early this year we held two events for freshmen. The first was a freshmen tea. We decided to veer away from the traditional stuffy format that this event usually has. We turned this event from a tea to a pig roast/picnic. We gave up the suits and ties for shorts and T-shirts. The main attractions were the pig and the sand volleyball court. Our visitors felt very relaxed in this atmosphere and stayed around for some time. The other event was a tie dye party. The brothers did the tying while the freshmen did the dyeing. Once again, we gave them a relaxed atmosphere in which to get to know each brother. Both these events were very successful and headed by **Todd Whited** and **John Arnold**.

**Dan Brooks**, HJP, takes time each month to evaluate committees. Upon his evaluations, he decides which committee is doing above average work. The winner of the "Queen Mother Committee Award" for the month of October was the Alumni Committee headed by **Kevin Hair**. Because of his hard work the alumni dinner during Homecoming was a great success.

Alpha Nu has also increased its numbers by two. During the fall rush program we picked up two quality pledges. The new pledges are **Brian Andruscik** and **Todd Mustard**. We are very proud to have these men in our ranks and expect great things from them in the future. October was a good month at Alpha Nu and we hope to make future months as worthwhile. And remember...Alpha Nu, Baby!!!

### ALPHA OMICRON CHAPTER, MISSOURI VALLEY COLLEGE:

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Your brothers here at Alpha Omicron Chapter are having a busy and exciting semester. The changes made over the summer to boost our financial situation along with the very successful rush has enabled us to set higher goals for the semesters to come. As always, we strived during Homecoming to show our alumni an incredible time. Everyone who showed had a blast!

Currently we are gearing up for our annual Alpha Sigma Phi Haunted House, which serves as a great fundraiser for us every year. This year with the help of alumni member, **Dave Pever '88**, Marshall, MO, we are sure to have the biggest turnout ever. We are proud of our success here at Alpha Omicron and wish the best to our brothers wherever they may be. We also would like to wish good luck to a group of friends at Lindenwood College in St. Charles, Missouri, who are trying to expand Alpha Sigma Phi by starting a new chapter there.

Every year, Alpha Omicron prides itself in efforts to build alumni relations. In years past, the brothers have taken on the financial burden of alumni events with little or no support from alumni donations. This has always been a strain on the budget of the chapter. It is our goal to provide alumni the opportunity to attend these events without worry of cost. So we would like to remind alumni that all donations go first to the funding of alumni events, thus giving alumni the chance to help us make their events as enjoyable as possible.

The intramural football season is in full swing here at Missouri Valley and everyone around campus is talking about the unstoppable Alpha Sigma Phi team. With an unyielding defense and an explosive, opportunistic offense, we are heading into the playoffs undefeated. It has been a long time since a team has shown the ability and feistiness to finish the season not only with the trophy, but to take it with dominance that will leave an everlasting impression on those who saw Alpha Omicron's football team in action. We will not be denied.



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### **GAMMA CHI CHAPTER, INDIANA UNIVERSITY:**

Letter written to the Fraternity Headquarters by Paul Stanzione, Associate Executive Director, Monroe County YMCA:

*During the past year I have had the pleasure of working with Joe Batiller and many other Alpha Sigma Phi members at Indiana University. We have been involved with putting together the Mile of Life Mini Marathon. This event raised money for local and national AIDS research organizations. This event was very successful in its first year. I hope to be able to continue this event as long as it remains of value to the community of Bloomington.*

*I have enjoyed the relationship with the members of Alpha Sigma Phi; they are all very dedicated and mature individuals. I applaud their efforts undertaking such a tedious event. I know they have put in many countless hours in preparation for the event, and I commend them for this effort and hard work.*

### **DELTA MU CHAPTER, WILLIAM PATERSON COLLEGE:**

Letter written to Fraternity Headquarters by Don and Jayne Morgan (parents of David Morgan) applauding the Delta Mu Chapter:

*We live in an area that has thousands of acres of government land behind our property. On October 23-25, 1992, your chapter from William Paterson College, Wayne, NJ, went camping there. (The land is more magnificent than anyone could imagine). My mouth dropped as the cars kept coming! I couldn't believe how many boys showed up. However, my family, neighbors and I must take this opportunity to commend each and every one of the members and would-be-members for the orderly fashion in which they arrived; they came during the night, the next morning and into the second night. Never once did we have any problems with this stay or departure. Each and every one of them was kind, considerate and respectful. Good work, Alpha Sigma Phi Chapter of William Paterson College!! You're all a great bunch of guys!! Thank you.*

## PLEDGED TO THE SEVEN POINTS

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**ETA CHAPTER, University of Illinois:** Derrick Lee Kaiser, Mario Domke Pelini, Scott Aaron Stawarz, Martin John Mavec, Juan Jose Martinez, Michael Andrew Sutis, Daniel Anthony Klein, Michael John Walsh, Edward J. Shannon, Jr., Eric Arthur Wang, Patrick Jerome Kelley, Anthony Robert Paolletta, Robert J. McDermott, Lance Wayne McOlgan, Scott Brice Martinez, Bo Bouck, Patrick O'Shea, and Anthony Quartullo on October 2, 1992.

**ALPHA XI CHAPTER, Illinois Institute of Technology:** Jonathan Phuong Atwood, Owen F. Bassett, Ryan Patrick Curtis, Christopher Lee Davidson, Martin Donald Freeman, Michael Enriquez Galvez, Konrad Karl Fellmann, Alexander Koan-Mul Hutchison, Michael Wayne Olson, Jr., Gregory Paul Schnippel, Joseph Douglas Sowerby, Roger Edward Stanley, and Himgan Wibisono on September 2, 1992. Also, Neil Prakash Butani, Gabriel Jara, and Joseph Andrew Peto on September 9, 1992.

**ALPHA RHO CHAPTER, New Jersey Institute of Technology:** Paul Vincent Ashworth, Matthew Christopher Greimel, Kevin Joseph Heinrichs, Sanjay Kumar, Michael Guzon Landas, Geovani Morales, Bryan Patrick Mulvey, Jason Michael Roberts, Robert Joseph Schmidt, John Charles Uderman, and Thomas T. Zacios on October 2, 1992.

**BETA THETA CHAPTER, Rutgers University:** Eddie Yoo, Steven Todd Kane, Christopher John Andrew, James Joseph Ciprich, and Thomas Michael Fallas on September 26, 1992.

**GAMMA ZETA CHAPTER, Bowling Green State University:** James Vickers on September 25, 1992.

**GAMMA THETA CHAPTER, University of Miami:** Konstantin Kokorelis, Manual Vazquez, Richard Perez, Nelson Calle, Carlos Cardelle, Carlos Mas, Albert Alvarez, Nathan Lowstuter, Jon Wasserman, Roberto Ortiz, Eddie Leon, Diego Siman, Erik Wong, Rick Romagosa, Mark Dube, Chris Blanco,



## **PLEDGED TO THE SEVEN POINTS (Cont'd)**

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Michael Capiro, Ignacio Segeurola, Carlos Hirsch, Alex Estallela, Gerry Mujica, and Gabe Navarro on October 5, 1992.

**DELTA THETA CHAPTER, Radford University:** Chris Robert Padgett, James Patrick Hill, Michael Nathan Spooner, Matthew Hayes Smith, James Glen Crawford, Robert Philip Cockrell, Carroll Anthony Genovese, and James Kevin Ferguson on September 25, 1992.

**DELTA IOTA CHAPTER, Longwood College:** Michael P. Talomie, Michael D. Ray, Michael D. Martell, James H. Hall, Anthony R. Wools, Ki W. Hong, Chad M. Brant, DeWayne T. Gilbertson, Mark B. Simon, and Steven H. Wilkins on September 15, 1992.

**DELTA XI CHAPTER, SUNY-Plattsburgh:** Timothy Michael Jabaut, Jeffrey Robert Lake, and Steven Walter Smrek on October 14, 1992.

**COASTAL CAROLINA COLONY, University of South Carolina, Coastal:** Brent Alexander Davidson, Franklin Clay Thompson, Michael David Hinson, Michael Lee Chambers, Kenneth Wayne Files, Richard E. Gripp, Brian Clifton Wyatt, Bradley Duke Coletti, Jeffrey Alan Dorsey, Michael Patrick Hendrix, Michael James Wilkie, and Jason W. Beasley on November 12, 1992.

## **INITIATED INTO THE MYSTIC CIRCLE**

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**UPSILON CHAPTER, Pennsylvania State University:** Brian E. Lippert, Eric R. Rowe, Eric R. Burgess, Jonathan Wagner, Brian Keith Marsh, Michael Joseph Ullrich, Eric Throne, C. Ryan Barrett, John David Dodds, and Benjamin Louis Slater on September 20, 1992.

**ALPHA PI CHAPTER, Purdue University:** Edward Benes, William Lee Bryant, Adam DeVoe, Gregory Duff, Joseph Fedoe, Travis Kelley, Steve LaBash, Ryan Page, Joe Randolph, Anthony Richardson, Ryan Sprowl, Jeremy Chapman, Hans Eckhardt, Jeffrey Meyer, and Evan Reed on September 26, 1992.

**DELTA DELTA CHAPTER, Slippery Rock University:** David Denithorne, Stephen Kaiser, Todd Weschler, Jason Labenne, Troy Magee, John Regrut, Eric Wasinski, and Stephen Wenner on November 8, 1992.

**DELTA EPSILON CHAPTER, University of Rio Grande:** Scott Copley, Matt Hamilton, and Chris Mickley on October 27, 1992.

**DELTA PI CHAPTER, University of Delaware:** Chad E. Wilson, James H. Peel, David J. Weiss, and Jeremy J. Sprang on May 9, 1992.

### **FROM FRATERNITY HEADQUARTERS!**

**We are seeking a professional staff member in charge of expansion. Position starts July 1, 1993. Letters of application with resume will be accepted until January 15, 1993 and should be sent to John R. Chaney, Executive Vice President, Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity, P. O. Box 838, Delaware, OH 43015-0838.**

**ATTENTION!**

The *Old Gal Gazette* is published every two weeks during the academic year by the Fraternity Headquarters. It is distributed to all chapters, colonies, advisors and fraternity volunteers in an effort to keep all informed of their Fraternity's activities, plans and progress.

News items for the Gazette may be sent to: Alpha Sigma Phi National Headquarters, P. O. Box 838, Delaware, OH 43015-0838.