

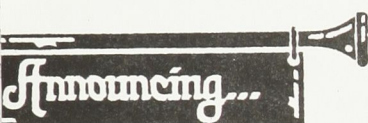
# The Old Gal Gazette

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## *National News*

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### **1987 NATIONAL LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE - THE COLLEGE OF CHARACTER**

Grand Senior President **Robert A. Sandercox, Bethany '51** has announced that the 1987 National Leadership Conference will be themed "The College of Character." "The theme promotes," says Sandercox "Alpha Sigma Phi as an institution in the building of character, and a national meeting is the perfect place to focus on developing values that last a lifetime." The 1987 National Leadership Conference is being held at Bethany College in Bethany, West Virginia (about 45 minutes from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania) from August 12-16, 1987. The five day conference will cover a wide spectrum of topics from leadership, chapter management, rush, finances to alcohol awareness and legal liability. The programs are designed to help every chapter deal with the challenges that will face fraternities into the 21st century.

To get the most benefit from your chapter from what is sure to be the best meeting in the history of the Fraternity, it is a good idea to send anywhere from 4-10 representatives, one of whom serves as the official delegate and another who serves as the official alternate. Costs for the meeting are held down through grants from Alpha Sigma Phi Educational Foundation alumni donations. The per person cost will be announced in February when registration material is distributed.

Don't let your chapter down--start making plans for "The College of Character" August 12-16, 1987.

### **ALPHA SIGS NEEDED AS CONFERENCE COORDINATORS; APPLY NOW!!**

Applications for the five Conference Coordinator positions at the National Leadership Conference are enclosed with this week's Old Gal Gazette. Applicants must be returning to school in the fall of 1987 (i.e., no graduating seniors). Conference Coordinators have their travel costs and conference fee paid by the Fraternity. Their responsibilities include helping the Headquarters staff administer and direct the conference. Chapter delegates are not eligible. This is a great opportunity to attend the Leadership Conference free of charge! Applications must be received by February 20. An announcement of the candidates selected as Conference Coordinators will appear in the March 13 issue of the Old Gal Gazette.

**ATTENTION!**





## REGIONAL INTERFRATERNITY MEETINGS PLANNED

All Alpha Sigs are encouraged to attend the regional Interfraternity Conference Meeting in your area--and get involved with it. Every spring term representatives from college and university IFC's meet to discuss methods of improving chapter and IFC operations and relations. Excellent speakers attend these meetings and head workshops that will benefit your chapter and your IFC.

## COMING EVENTS

Southeastern Interfraternity Conference

February 19-22, 1987

Hyatt Regency, Atlanta Georgia

Northeast Interfraternity Conference

Northeast Panhellenic Conference

February 26-May 1, 1987

Adams Mark Hotel, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Mid-American Interfraternity Council Association

Mid-American Panhellenic Council Association

March 5-8, 1987

Sheraton St. Louis, St. Louis, Missouri

Western Regional Greek Conference

April 9-12, 1987

The Nuggett, Reno, Nevada

## FRATERNITY SUSPENDED AFTER STUDENT'S DEATH

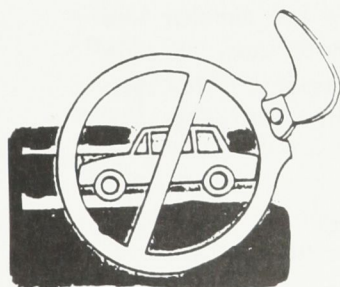
A fraternity at Ferris State College in Big Rapids, Michigan has been suspended after one student died and two others were injured in auto accidents as they were returning home from one of the organization's parties.

The students, all freshmen, had attended a gathering at the Tau Kappa Epsilon fraternity's "lodge," a former township hall about a half mile from the Big Rapids, Michigan campus. The trio was walking on a dark, icy road at about 2:00 a.m. when they were struck from behind by a car driven by another party goer, also a student. One of the students, Keith Coangelo, died after he was struck by another car moments later. It was also driven by a student returning from the party.

The Mecosta County prosecutor, James R. Samuels, has asked the college and the fraternity's national office to disband the chapter permanently on grounds that its members had repeatedly violated state liquor laws and ignored the warnings of police and college officials.

Last May undercover police officers raided one of the fraternity's parties and confiscated 21 half-barrels of beer. Seven fraternity members were arrested for purveying liquor without a license and selling it to minors.

- The Chronicle of Higher Education



## ISSUES AND CONCERNS AMONG UNDERGRADUATES

A recent survey conducted for The Record of Sigma Alpha Epsilon asked undergraduate fraternity men what issues and concerns are frequently discussed among brothers in a chapter. Do the answers sound familiar?

What's For Dinner?

Their Next Date

Studying

Seniors: Career, Jobs

How Much Did I Bet on the Last Game

Girlfriends

Girls We Met Last Night

When Is Our Next Party?

Tuition Increases

Campus Parking

What Are the Other Fraternities on Campus Doing?

Money, Financial Concerns

My Future

## NIC ASSISTANT EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR NAMED

The growth in popularity of college fraternities requires a concerted effort by volunteer and professional, interfraternity leadership. The coordination role of the National Interfraternity Conference (NIC) receives a big boost this year as an experienced professional accepts the NIC position of assistant executive director.

NIC Executive Director Jonathan J. Brant has announced that Todd C. Stufflebeam, Kappa Sigma, will serve as assistant executive director. His primary responsibilities are focused on relations with the many colleges and universities which have, or are interested in establishing, men's college fraternities on their campuses. He will administer the NIC Fraternity System Evaluation Program, become the Conference's liaison to the four regional interfraternity council meetings which offer educational programming for undergraduates, and service those advising IFC leadership everywhere.



## WHAT THEY'RE READING ON COLLEGE CAMPUSES

1. Bloom County Babylon, by Berke Breathed
2. It Came From the Far Side, by Gary Larson
3. It, by Stephen King
4. Far Side Gallery 2, by Gary Larson
5. The Hunt for Red October, by Tom Clancy
6. The Accidental Tourist, by Anne Tyler
7. Galapagos, by Kurt Vonnegut
8. Red Storm Rising, by Tom Clancy
9. West With the Night, by Beryl Markham
10. Fatherhood, by Bill Cosby







## 'TIS THE SEASON

Many chapters will be initiating their fall pledge classes soon, and here's a helpful reminder. If you want to present your new brothers with their badges on initiation night, make sure to send the Initiation Authorization Request Form and the Initiation Fees to the National Headquarters **four weeks** prior to initiation. Send along a special note that you plan to present the badge at initiation. This is the amount of time that Balfour needs for engraving. Alpha Sigma Phi is one of only a handful of the 62 fraternities in America that provides engraved badges to every member. Most fraternities' initiation fee does not even pay for the badge, and those that do, don't usually provide engraving.



## ALL EDITORS TAKE NOTE

Here are three easy public relations tips that will help your chapter:

1. **Photos** - The Winter Tomahawk is going to press very soon and needs photographs of chapter activities. Send yours today. Black and white are preferred, but clear color photos may be acceptable. Let your alumni and other chapters readabout you and see you in action!
2. **Old Gal Gazette Report** - Enclosed is a report form you can fill out and send in! Tell all the other chapters what you are doing! Your report may appear in the next issue of the Gazette!
3. **Chapter Newsletter** - Fraternity law requires each chapter to produce 3 newsletters annually. Make sure your winter issue is ready for publication. If you chapter uses the National Headquarters Newsletter Service, copy needs to be received by February 15, 1987. Chapters that have contracted for the service will find additional information in this week's mail packet.



## SCHOLARSHIP DIRECTORS GET TO WORK!!

Recognize the academic success of the brothers in your chapter and the achievement of the chapter with the fraternities Scholarship Recognition Certificates. The awards are based on a term by term or semester by semester basis.

### For Chapters:

1. **Summa Cum Laude Award** to any chapter whose GPA ranks in the top ten percent of the fraternities on campus.
2. **Scholarship Improvement Award** to any chapter whose GPA improves by 12.5% (.5 on a 4.0 scale) or more from one academic term to another.
3. **Academic Achievement Award** to any chapter whose GPA is higher than the campus All Men's GPA.

## News You Can Use

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### For Individuals:

1. **Academic Excellence Award** to any brother who achieves a perfect grade point average during any academic term.
2. **Scholarship Improvement Award** to any brother who improves his GPA by 25% (1.0 on a 4.0 scale) or more from one academic term to another.

Once again, every chapter and every brother who qualifies for one of these certificates receives them. All you need to do is apply!

Application and verification forms are available in this weekly mail packet.

## Initiated Into The Mystic Circle

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**ZETA CHAPTER, Ohio State University:** David Hugh Dotson, Richard Fielding Bayless and Michael David Stoner on January 16, 1987.

**THETA CHAPTER, The University of Michigan:** Andrew W. Gellatly and Kerry R. Pozniak on January 17, 1987.

**ALPHA ALPHA, University of Oklahoma:** Arif Jamal Chaudhary, Sean Bryan Doerr, Jeffery Herman McCloughan and Sean Thomas Hopkins on November 14, 1986.

**BETA EPSILON, Lehigh University:** Sean Challis, Gary Alan Chase, Keith John Gally, Peter Dietz Ingraham, Thomas John Kelleher, Christopher Washburn Kelsey, Arthur Stephen Pearce, Matthew Scott Riddel, Bryant Richard Riley, Darsit Kanaiyalal Shah, John Darrah Stauss and John George Vlamis on October 23, 1986.







## DEADLINES! DEADLINES! DEADLINES!

Here is this week's checklist:



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| Due Now     | - Payment of National Insurance Premium<br>(Your Alumni Corporation Board may pay for you). |
| February 15 | - Second installment Annual Chapter Dues  |
| February 15 | - Winter Newsletter   |
| February 20 | - Conference Coordinator applications   |
| ASAP        | - Report on Election forms<br>(Due directly following elections).                           |

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# Alpha Sig Scholartips

## Suggestions from Alpha Sigma Phi to help better the studying man

### ALPHA SIGMA PHI SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM SCHOLARTIPS #2

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#### LEARNING FROM TEXTBOOKS

In virtually every course you take, a textbook or other type of publication will be used as the primary method for you to acquire knowledge. Learning from a textbook does not have to be an exercise in boredom. Following a few simple steps can make the job easier.

1. SURVEY - Look over the material to be read. If you are looking at the textbook for the first time, note major divisions and chapter titles. If you are looking at a specific chapter, note divisions within the chapter, the titles of the divisions and if there is a review section at the end.

2. QUESTION - To learn efficiently, you must be proactive, not reactive. Ask yourself what should be learned from reading the chapter and how the chapter relates to the material that will be covered in class.

3. READ - Now go ahead and read the chapter. Read at a speed that is comfortable, but don't be afraid to push your reading speed. If you finish a section or paragraph and don't remember what you have read or don't understand, go back and read it again slowly. Don't just move on to the next section.

4. REVIEW - Don't close the textbook as soon as you finish the chapter. Go back and review the chapter as soon as you have finished reading. Ask yourself these questions: What were the main points in the chapter? Do I agree with these points? How do they differ from what I expected to read or what I believed in the past? What questions are likely to be asked on an examination from this chapter?

#### WHAT TO AVOID

1. Don't use a highlighter, if you highlight every other sentence. Highlighters are to be used only to mark the MAJOR points.

2. Regardless of what you may believe, you do not learn best listening to the TV or radio. These are stimuli which can only distract your attention. Quiet is always best.

3. Avoid the last minute crunch. Students do no work better under pressure. They may get things done faster under pressure, but the quality suffers. When the pressure builds, many students tend to only skim through a textbook with the result being wasted time and effort.



