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NATIONAL NEWS

GRAND CHAPTER ADVISORS PROVE EFFECTIVE

Consider these statistics:

- At the 1991 National Leadership Conference, 51 awards were granted to chapters and colonies of the fraternity; 48 of those 51 (94%) awards were received by chapters or colonies who have a Grand Chapter Advisor, only three (6%) were granted to chapters who do not have a Grand Chapter Advisor.
- Of the current 57 chapters, colonies, and interest groups of Alpha Sigma Phi, 45 have Grand Chapter Advisors and 12 do not. Twenty-two of the 45 with advisors (49%) were granted at least one award at the conference, while only two out of the 12 without chapter advisors (17%) took home any kind of award.
- Therefore, 39% (22 out of 57) of our chapters, all with Grand Chapter Advisors, were responsible for claiming 94% of the awards that were given out at the 1991 National Leadership Conference.

So, does this mean if you recruit or have a Grand Chapter Advisor, you will receive an award at the 1992 National Leadership Conference & Convention? No, not necessarily. But, it seems evident that Grand Chapter Advisors do have a positive effect on those groups they advise. In fact, Al Wise, Baldwin-Wallace '43, a past Grand Council member, believes "the strength of any chapter of Alpha Sigma Phi lies in the strength of its alumni involvement."

If you are fortunate enough to have a Grand Chapter Advisor, who, by the way, *volunteers* his time to serve in that role, please give him a pat on the back and thank him for his support and dedication to your chapter.

If you are interested in recruiting a Grand Chapter Advisor for your chapter or want to find out more about this position, please feel free to contact the National Headquarters for assistance. The Headquarters staff will be glad to help you locate alumni in your area.

A NEAT IDEA . . . COMMUNICATING THROUGH COMPUTERS



A.J. Griglak, N.J.I.T. '89, would like to bring communication among chapters to a new level. He is working on a new network of communication via the computer. If any brother has access to a Vax system or has an E-mail address, he asks that you please send a message to him to expand the network. This would mean that chapters across the country with this capability could leave messages for each other for the same cost as a local phone call. Anyone interested in joining the Alpha Sigma Phi Vax Club, please leave A.J. a message at: AJG4065@TESLA.NJIT.EDU

Check with your system to see how to send messages to other computers. On A.J.'s system, at the TO: prompt, he would enter MX%"AJG4065@TESLA.NJIT.EDU"

A.J. says, "Let's bring America's Premier Fraternity together in another network!"

NATIONAL NEWS (Cont'd)

ANOTHER NEAT IDEA

Another idea dreamed up by the brothers at Alpha Nu Chapter is that of a "T-shirt design pool" service. After attending the 1991 National Leadership Conference, they felt there should be a way for each chapter to share their T-shirt designs and to see those of other chapters.

WHAT? A "catalog" of T-shirt designs available upon request from the National Headquarters filled with t-shirt designs, ideas, and logos of Alpha Sigma Phi from around the country. The designs would be from all areas: Rush, Social Events, Homecoming, Greek Week, Sig Bust, etc.. Please note that this service would be for design ideas only! You will have to get them made locally!

WHY? After seeing so many other brothers proudly wear their chapter's t-shirts from various functions, a service like this would provide a method for the creative genius of the fraternity to be shared. Besides, one can never have enough Alpha Sig apparel.

HOW? Simply send in <u>photocopies</u> of design ideas that you have used or are planning on using for any Alpha Sig function to the National Headquarters at 24 W. William St., PO Box 838, Delaware, OH 43015, as soon as possible. After sufficient response, the first "catalog" will be sent in a mail packet to each group of the fraternity. Keep sending in ideas as you develop them (or borrow them) and the "catalog" will continue to grow!

Thank you in advance for your participation and hopefully the use of this service will continue to grow in the years to come!

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

WILL YOUR HOUSE SURVIVE THE HOLIDAYS?

To ensure that your chapter house will be standing when you return to school in January, fulfill all the points on the following list:

- ✓ Check all doors and locking devices before leaving for break. All windows should be secured and valuables stored in a safe place.
- Maintain heat and have your property checked periodically during vacation by campus police, a local alumnus or a trustworthy neighbor.
- ✓ Turn off the water and natural gas supply if the house will be left unoccupied.
- ✓ Have a certified professional inspect your furnace. He should check for proper operation, automatic shut-offs, and proper venting.
- ✓ Remove all combustibles such as paint and spray cans from furnace areas, and store in a cool, dry place.
- ✓ Empty all garbage and ensure no combustible items such as trash and paper are left in any public areas.
- ✓ Use wood burning fireplaces with extreme care.
- ✓ Use extreme caution with portable heaters.
- ✓ Make sure no electrical outlets are overloaded or potential fire hazards are left unattended.
- ✓ Dispose of Christmas trees, lights, and other decorations before you leave. Perhaps a local charity or needy family would appreciate your tree.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION (Cont'd)



AND WHAT ABOUT YOUR WATER PIPES?

- 1. Turn the water supply to the building off at the main valve.
- 2. Drain the pipes by opening a faucet at the lower end of the system (basement or first floor) and a faucet at the upper end of the system (uppermost floor).
- 3. Maintain the heat in the building at a minimum of 50 degrees Fahrenheit.
- 4. Leave doors to rooms containing plumbing appliances open so that warm air can circulate through these rooms.
- 5. If piping is run through enclosed cabinets, such as lavatories in bathrooms or enclosed kitchen sink cabinets, leave the cabinet doors open to allow warm air to circulate in these spaces.

Do not leave the safety of your chapter house to blind luck! Have a safe and happy holiday season.

DATES TO REMEMBER

December 13 14 16 25	Chapter Leadership Consultant Applications due Delta Pi, University of Delaware Chartering Banquet * Submit copy for winter issue of chapter newsletter MERRY CHRISTMAS
January 1 17-19 20	HAPPY NEW YEAR PROVINCE VI CONCLAVE, University of Rio Grande ** National Leadership Conference Coordinator Applications due.
February 3 3 13-15 14-15 17 27/Mar. 1	Liability Insurance Premium due Apply for Chapter and Individual Scholarship recognition Certificates Southeastern Interfraternity Conference Leadership Academy (SEIFC) Atlanta, GA *** Bowling Green State University Leadership Conference, Bowling Green, OH **** Final date to submit copy for winter issue of chapter newsletter Northeastern Interfraternity Conference Leadership Academy (NEIFC), Pittsburgh, PA ***
27/Mar. 1	Mid-American Interfraternity Council Association Conference (MIFCA), Columbus, OH ***
<u>April</u> 9-12	Western Regional Greek Conference Leadership Academy (WRGC), San Francisco, CA ***

August 1992

- NATIONAL LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE & CONVENTION, Charlotte, NC 5-9
- VOLUNTEER ALUMNI CONFERENCE, Charlotte, NC 7-9
- All brothers are invited. If you are interested in attending this banquet, please contact Ken Lyons at (302) 731-7685.
- For more information, please contact Eric Autenrieth at (614) 245-9345 or Andy Hermansdorfer at (304) 523-5939.
- Scholarships will be available for all of these fabulous regional conferences. See next mail packet for scholarship application forms.
- For more information, write: ANNUAL LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE, 425 Student Services Bldg., Bowling Green, OH 43403.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION (Cont'd)

ALPHA SIGS IN THE SPOTLIGHT

Howard Joyce, (Purdue) was elected to serve as the next Purdue Student Government Vice-President.

J. Warren Smith (Barton) was named to be on the 1991 Carolinas Conference all-conference soccer team as goalkeeper.

Todd Parrish (Marshall) was recently elected IFC Vice President for Programming, and Kevin Grose (Marshall) has been reelected as IFC Vice President for Finance.

Jim Signoriello (Slippery Rock) was recently elected as IFC Treasurer.

CHAPTER NEWS

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ALPHA RHO CHAPTER, NEW JERSEY INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY

On November 6, 1991, the Alpha Rho Chapter held a Date/Rape Seminar, in conjunction with Sigma Delta Epsilon, a local sorority. The seminar focused on the causes and steps to stop date and acquaintance rape. The idea was inspired from an idea formulated at the 1991 ΑΣΦ National Leadership Conference at Penn State, and blossomed into something too big to hold in our house. The facilitator was Associate Dean Helen Matusow-Ayers. Others who were group leaders included: Dean Constance Murray, Dean of Students; Scott Nathanson, Director of Greek Life; Maria Fater, Residence Hall Supervisor; Jay Hodshon, Residence Hall Supervisor; Reverend John Dennehy, Catholic Chaplain; and C. Ryan Dunham, Chapter Leadership Consultant from National Headquarters. The seminar was extremely successful and it put Alpha Sigma Phi in a positive limelight in the eyes of the University.

The Alpha Rho Chapter, together with Alpha Sigma Tau Sorority had the sixth annual "SEE-SAW MARATHON" on October 14-15. Nearly \$1,600 was raised by the two groups (\$1,243.69 by $A\Sigma\Phi$) and donated to a local charity *Babyland*, which gives support and help to babies born with AIDS. The event was the strongest in our history, and had the most brotherhood support. This year, we more than doubled the amount raised last year. The brotherhood showed up in full strength to meet the challenge of raising money in the dark hours of Newark nights.

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BETA DELTA CHAPTER, MARSHALL UNIVERSITY

Business at Beta Delta continues to be intense. A rush workshop has been scheduled by the Vice President for Rush, Brother **Doug Harlow.** Good things are expected to come out of this event. Beta Delta was proud to accept the first place award in the inaugural IFC Tower of Cans competition. First place is also where the intramural program is, as we lead the President's Cup Race. Brotherhood development is also very important at Beta Delta. Several non-alcoholic activities have been planned by brother **Marc Jones**. A very inspirational visit was recently made by Chapter Leadership Consultant **Tom Stroffolino**. Everyone was very impressed with Brother Stoffolino's energy and personality. His advice was well received and his suggestions were extremely helpful. We have set out to prioritize our goals and not rely on past accomplishments. The brothers of Beta Delta would like to thank Brother Stroffolino for his stimulating message.

On November 15, 1991 twenty young men entered the Mystic Circle. These new brothers are fantastic, and we are proud to welcome them. Congratulations go out to both Brothers Todd Parrish, who was recently elected IFC Vice President for Programming, and Kevin Grose, who has been re-elected IFC Vice President of Finance. WSAZ-TV, the local NBC affiliate recently honored Beta Delta by naming the brothers "Hometown Heroes." HSP, P. Andrew Hermansdorfer was very proud to accept the award for Alpha Sigma Phi, Beta Delta Chapter. The service program is continuing its strong relationships with the American Red Cross and Huntington Habitat for Humanity. Late rush was also held recently. Plans are currently underway for a Founders' Day dinner and dance.

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BETA EPSILON CHAPTER, LEHIGH UNIVERSITY

We recently helped TEP raise \$6,274 for the American Cancer Society during the "Good Scholar Election" in which each house nominates a member with at least a 3.25 GPA at a cost of \$100 per nominee. Votes were cast at a cost of \$1.00 per vote. We raised \$300 (over 34 houses participated).

In intramurals Beta Epsilon is, once again, one of the top teams on the Hill holding strongly in third place with our eyes on first. Upcoming events include swimming, powerlifting, and wrestling, in each of which Alpha Sig is always a strong contender and feared opponent.

Once again this rush season, skirmish (a paint ball simulated war game) was great success. The brothers and rushees really get to know each other during the day and there is a great time had by all.

At Lehigh many changes have come about in recent years. One of these such changes is the shortening of the pledge program to eight weeks. To accommodate these changes, Beta Epsilon has completely rewritten its pledge program into a condensed version which will still teach the same purposes of pledging in the time allotted.

BETA IOTA CHAPTER, TUFTS UNIVERSITY

Our trip to Montreal and homecoming have been the highlights of the fall semester. Our annual road trip gives us a chance to spend time with potential pledges, to get to know them and just to have a good time. Invariably, those interested students who go on the road trip end up pledging. This year, nine brothers and four prospectives went.

We received an outstanding turnout of recent alumni, but very few more distant alumni for homecoming. Included in the weekend were a party, a pledge initiation, a Sig Bust, a tailgate party, and the football game which Tufts won. Everyone had a good time and all who attended should be back for many years to come.

We're going to host a campus-wide pool tournament for charity this semester. A lot of work has been involved so far, in reserving the billiards hall, hiring a bus and a driver, and other general planning. We also have a lot of work to come, such as putting up posters, inviting other fraternities and organizations, putting ads in the newspaper, organizing the format of the tournament, and other tasks too numerous to mention or even to remember. Getting a turnout that covers our own costs and leaves a substantial amount of money to give to charity appears to be difficult at this point. However, we still have high hopes to succeed. Even if we don't do so well, we'll gain the experience to plan a better tournament next year, and hopefully, it will become an annual event.

At sixteen brothers and one pledge, our chapter is on the brink of doubling on one hand or becoming dangerously small on the other. Therefore, it is important to have an outstanding rush next semester. Indirectly, we can assist next semester's rush by increasing our recognition among students now; we are hosting more social events than last semester, we are advertising them better, and we are planning larger-scale activities such as our pool tournament and wilderness survival game. All of these events increase the recognition and reputation of our name around campus.

As for rush itself, we can run it as we have before, with whatever improvement we can make. We must advertise it well. Our events in the past have included frisbee golf, walleyball (volleyball with walls), pool, and the brotherhood dinner. With these events and whatever else we can come up with, our next pledge class should be very successful.

DELTA ZETA CHAPTER, UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA-CHARLOTTE

The brothers of Delta Zeta Chapter at UNCC are getting ready to close what has been a fabulous semester. Under the advice of Senior Chapter Leadership Consultant Owen McCulloch, we have held elections earlier this year. The action is proving to be a good way for new officers to familiarize themselves dwith their duties before their actual aterm begins. We congratulate our new officers: HSP, Rick Buss, HSP Steve Walker, HE Mike O'Shaughnessy, HS Kendall Painter, HCS Todd Auton, HM

Robert Burke, HC Billy Gold, HR David Zak, and HP Todd Porter. In addition to these offices, we have added an assistant treasurer position to assist with the finances of the brotherhood. Congratulations to Alex George for being elected our first vice-treasurer. The brotherhood and the new officers are looking forward to leading the chapter to another successful year.

This past semester we held our fifth annual Alumni Pig Pickin' and welcomed back about seventy alumni. We, the undergrads, shamefully admit that, once again, the alumni came up victorious in the annual football game (the old men insist on playing touch). On Halloween we raised over a thousand pounds of canned food for the Charlotte Metrolina Food Bank during our first annual Boo-Bash. Using headquarters' F.I.P.G. guidelines, we were able to have a wild and safe party while helping one of our favorite philanthropies. We would also like to thank Brothers Chuck Holliday, Larry Sharpe, Stacy Smith, and Scott Bennet for their live musical performances.

Presently our intramural soccer team is ranked number one all-campus, and we are looking forward to taking the trophy home.

We at Delta Zeta are gearing up for Pinnacle Week when we plan on initiating a solid seven-man pledge class into the Mystic Circle.

DELTA IOTA CHAPTER, LONGWOOD COLLEGE

The following letter was received at the Headquarters recently. It was addressed to Sam Kinsley, President of Delta Iota Chapter at Longwood College:

Dear Sam,

I am writing to congratulate your chapter for its participation in the Alcohol Awareness Week Alternative Mixer Contest with Alpha Gamma Delta and Zeta Tau Alpha. And, congratulations for winning first place!!

I was pleased to see so many of your members participating in the mixer. It was obvious that everyone was having a good time. Enclosed is a check for one third of \$100.00 prize money.

Again, congratulations!

Interfraternally, Steven B. Dealph, Greek Affairs Coordinator

LETTER FROM A DELTA MU/WILLIAM PATERSON BROTHER

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I was explaining the chapter system to a friend and he asked me, "Why aren't there any chapters named Omega?" I told him that the Omega Chapter is reserved for the brothers who have passed on, but then I realized that there is something more to it.

Omega signifies an ending and Alpha Sig is ever enduring. As long as there are colleges and universities, Alpha Sig will be there. As long as there are students, Alpha Sig will be there. As long as people believe in honor, charity, purity and patriotism, Alpha Sig will be there. And as long as a brother lives, Alpha Sig will always have a place in his heart, and Alpha sig will always have a place for him.

We pass on this love for Alpha Sig from generation to generation. Wars have come and gone, but Alpha Sig remains, communism rose and fell, but Alpha Sig remains. Almost a century and a half has passed, yet Alpha Sig remains ever present in a world of constant change. We do not forget those who have passed through the Mystic Circle and we look to the future and invite others to share in what we have found.

The ideals found in the letters $A\Sigma\Phi$ should forever echo in the minds and hearts of all brothers everywhere whether active, inactive, recent graduate or longtime alumni. For me, I want those truths to follow me all my days until I take my last breath.

I hope to do all I can to help others feel the way I do towards this wonderful fraternity of ours. I've found something almost magical and it's my hope that all brothers everywhere can share this feeling with me.

Jason Alvarez, Brother of Alpha Sigma Phi

PLEDGED TO THE SEVEN POINTS



PHI CHAPTER, Iowa State University:

Brian Thomas Burgess, Timothy Edward Calahan, Joseph Casson, Jon Edward Dunham, Terry Louis Folken, Nick Halfhill, Robert Harris McElwain, Peter Park, Vincent Michael Raso, Aaron Joseph Reed, and Jason Southward on August 24, 1991.

ALPHA NU CHAPTER, Westminster College:

Michael Yelich, Christopher Smith, and Brian Neale on November 3, 1991.

BETA RHO CHAPTER, University of Toledo:

Ryan Baker, Larry Baldwin, Darren Bergquist, B. J. Bernard, Pat Dalessandra, Brad Drury, Kevin Grobinski, Todd Korczynski, Eric Lewis, Doug McNaughton, Ed Myers, Eric J. Neiman, Matt Newhouse, Ray Noscal, Todd Pack, Chad Phillips, Steve Russell, Brian Saunders, Ben Scharte, Chris Schaffer, Burl Steele, and Matt Wilson on October 20, 1991.

GAMMA ZETA CHAPTER, Bowling Green State University:

Allan M. Moss, James H. Bremner, Michael A. Segna, H. Michael Gerboth II, Darren L. Dunn, Glen D. Olson, John A. Hornsby, Kurt M. Louagie, Scott A. Striffow, and Walker A. Kwiatkowski on September 20, 1991.

GAMMA XI CHAPTER, Widener University:

Peter Godinez, Kevin Gantz, Nicholas Bosshardt, Alvin Alamo, Scott Lipka, Evan Bismanoff, and Martin Breslin on October 9, 1991.

DELTA ALPHA CHAPTER, Loyola University:

Joaquin M. Parga, Christopher J. Brink, William P. Sanatas, Jr., Charles L. Schuster, John D. Kayser, Antoine Lona, and Richard Carbray, Jr. on September 8, 1991.

DELTA DELTA CHAPTER, Slippery Rock University:

David William Denithorne, Stephen Foster Kaiser, Kevin Scott Lees, Keith Edward McCracken, Brian Keith Mortimer, and Todd Michael Weschler on November 7, 1991.

DELTA ZETA CHAPTER, University of North Carolina-Charlotte:

Chris Angel, Brian Cesca, Scott Hall, Gravis Icard, Dan Roca, and Michael Sullivan on September 13, 1991.

PHI KAPPA COLONY, Central Michigan University:

Dave Smith, Brent Boers, Matt Roberts, Jason Hart, Tom Swanson, Chris Ramsey, and Eric Mousseau on September 26, 1991.

PHI IOTA COLONY, University of Delaware:

Matthew Swiklinski, Edward Stewart, and Michael Stack on April 11, 1991.

Michael Brenner, Jeffrey Cook, Christopher Kimmey, David Lee, Wade Longenbach, Joshua Mansbach, Robert Moore, Sanjay Patel, Thomas Scott, and Robert Smernoff on October 7, 1991.

INITIATED INTO THE MYSTIC CIRCLE



ETA CHAPTER, University of Illinois:

Jim Singer, Kevin Kraiss, Jason Boyer, Dave Konsoer, Joe Cwynar, Brian Crowhurst, Ian Mehr, Gary Opp, Aaron Morris, Scott Wisniewski, Mark Grier, Jason Johnson, Firas Hasan, Jorge Chavez, Todd Druley, Joe Belleau, Kai Johnstad, Doug Hatlestad, Andy Leech, and Jim Howard on August 30, 1991.

PHI CHAPTER, Iowa State University:

Rees J. Hinton, Nathan R. Isaac, and Christopher M. Roberts on September 28, 1991.

ALPHA THETA CHAPTER, University of Missouri:

Gregory A. Tustison, Thomas W. Rogge, Jeff Stirnaman, and Patrick E. Cuttle on August 28, 1991.

BETA DELTA CHAPTER, Marshall University:

Richard Lee Bartholomew, Christopher Bernard Belville, Hulse Lewis Budd, William T. Carroll, Michael R. Curry, Matthew Glen Day, Scott Edwin Dixon, Bradley Glenn Heck, Bruce Alan Hereford, James Paul Herrell, Gregory Knight Jones, Glenn Eric Martin, Scott Tyler Mayo, Kevin Russell Nott, Larry O'Bryan, Jr., Dennis Preston Partain III, Matthew Leo Pfaffenberger, Donald William Plumley, Grant John Rice, and Tony Frederick Vincenti on November 15, 1991.

ANNOUNCING!!!

ALPHA SIGMA PHI EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION SEEKS DIRECTOR OF ALUMNI SERVICES

The Alpha Sigma Phi Educational Foundation is accepting applications for the position of Director of Alumni Services. This person will be editor of alumni publications, plan new alumni programs, recruit volunteers, manage regional alumni events, develop alumni recognition programs, and expand the annual loyalty finad with alumni and parents.

The Alpha Sigms Phi Educational Foundation is a partner with higher education in providing funding for educational programs for 2,500 undergraduates at 57 colleges and universities across America and nearly 35,000 alumni around the world. The Educational Foundation is located in Deisware, Ohio, just north of Columbus, and employs both full time and part time employees.

Salary is commensurate with experience. Excellent working atmosphere, some travel and nights required. Recommendations of potential candidates and letters of inquiry should be sent to: John R. Chaney, President, Alpha Sigma Phi Educational Foundation, 24 West William Street, P. O. Box 838, Delaware, OH 43015.

The deadline is March 1 with a start date of July 1, 1992.

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plans and progress.

Holidays