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NATIONAL NEWS



1991 NATIONAL LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

The theme and logo for the 1991 National Leadership Conference has not yet been announced. Executive Vice President John R. Chaney, Indiana '67 reports that there is still time for individual brothers or chapters to get a theme or logo into Headquarters, if they hurry. The winning theme or logo design will receive a free T-shirt with the theme/logo displayed thereon.

All undergraduates and alumni should plan now to attend the 1991 National Leadership Conference at Penn State University in State College, PA. The conference is planned for August 7-11, 1991 on the campus. It promises to be an outstanding affair.

We are very pleased to announced that John F. Zamparelli, Tufts '47, has agreed to be the featured speaker at our annual final awards banquet. Brother Zamparelli, recently retired, was an attorney for the largest law firm in Middlesex County, Massachusetts. In May of last year, he was accorded the Boston College Law School's most prestigious award for an alumnus, the Founder's Medal, "For Achievement and Service int the Legal Profession." Other speakers and plans for the premier event will be announced in future Old Gal Gazette issues.

Applications for Conference Coordinators are again included in this week's mail packet. The deadline for applying was originally January 21, but that has been extended until February 15 because of the late return of many schools from the Christmas holiday break. Conference coordinators arrive one day early to set up for the conference, work behind the scenes, and work with the staff to make the conference run smoothly. It is a very demanding job, sometimes tiring, but always rewarding and well worth the effort. Brothers selected have their conference fees paid by Headquarters. Many former conference coordinators have gone on to serve the national fraternity in various capacities, including Chapter Leadership Consultant.

A SHORT HUMAN RELATIONS COURSE

The six most important words: "I admit I made a mistake."
The five most important words: "You did a good job."
The four most important words: "What is your opinion."
The three most important words: "If you please."
The two most important words: "Thank you."
The most important word: "We."
The least important word: "I."

ONE IN FIVE COLLEGE MALES USES SMOKELESS TOBACCO

One in five male college students uses snuff or chewing tobacco--half again as many as smoke cigarettes, according to a Pennsylvania State University study.

Elbert D. Glover, a professor of health education who conducted the study, said the nation "could see an oral-cancer epidemic" unless steps are taken to educate people about the dangers of smokeless tobacco.

Mr. Glover surveyed 5,900 students at 72 colleges and universities across the country. Twelve percent-22 percent of the men and two percent of the women-said they used snuff or chewing tobacco. Mr. Glover said only 14 percent of college students smoke-13 percent of the men and 16 percent of the women.

Most of the students perceived smokeless tobacco as a safer alternative to cigarettes, Mr. Glover said. In fact, smokeless tobacco is highly addictive, he said.

- The Chronicle of Higher Education January 17, 1990



SIGNS OF A SUCCESSFUL CHAPTER

Successful chapters of the various national college fraternities seem to have a few common features. The first impression of how visitors are greeted and suitably treated goes along way in identifying a successful chapter. The next common thread is the interaction of the members. How do they treat and respect each other and chapter property? The final marks of a successful chapter are those that routinely dine together and sing together.

One executive of another national fraternity was overheard to say that he exclusively uses the last item, a singing chapter, as his primary identifying sign of a successful chapter. He stated that he had never been to a chapter that sings that wasn't successful in most other areas of operation. You certainly don't need a chapter house to fulfill these marks of a successful chapter.

TEN WAYS TO BUILD A GREAT CHAPTER!

- 1. Go to chapter! It's the best way to keep in touch--you have to be informed to get involved!
- 2. When you come, please be on time! The time committed to chapter meetings should be time well spent--not wasted.
- 3. The chapter depends on your dedication, rain or shine!
- 4. Recognize the fact that the officers are human--prone to mistakes as everyone else, and with feelings too! They cannot do their jobs without your support.
- 5. Take on the responsibility of an office yourself! You'll appreciate the work of others more, not to mention the contribution you'll be making.



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TEN WAYS TO BUILD YOUR CHAPTER (Cont'd)

- 6. Support interest groups! It's the teamwork of many that really builds a great chapter.
- 7. Offer your opinion--it's important--but also respect other members' rights to their own opinions. Most of all, listen to each other.
- 8. Give to your chapter as much as you can....Sing....you can only get from your chapter as much as you give to it.
- 9. Pay your bills on time... but also donate your time and energy! It's a good investment!
- 10. The key to any organization is growth...and since Alpha Sig is the greatest, we have every reason to share it and be proud!!!

TEN WAYS TO WRECK YOUR CHAPTER

- 1. Don't go to meetings.
- 2. If you go, be sure and go late.
- 3. If the weather is bad, then don't even think about going.
- 4. When you do go out to the meeting, be sure and try to find fault with the president and each of the other officers.
- 5. Never accept an office, that way you can be sure to be able to criticize those who do hold an office.
- 6. When you are appointed to a committee, do not go to the meetings.
- 7. When asked what your opinion is, reply that you have nothing to say. After the meeting, you will be able to tell everyone how things should be.
- 8. Do nothing more than absolutely is necessary, but when someone else comments about the lion's share that some have done, tell everyone that the organization is run by a clique.
- 9. Don't worry about paying your dues, wait until you have received two or three late notices.
- 10. Don't bother about getting any new members, let the other members worry about those problems, too.

NATIONAL VISITORS

The following is the tenative schedule of visitors from Headquarters.

Jan 27 - 30	SUNY - Buffalo	Owen McCulloch visit.
	Michigan	Jeff Owens visit.
Jan 30 - Feb 1	Findlay	Jeff Owens visit.
Jan 30 - Feb 2	Cornell	Owen McCulloch visit.
Feb 1 - 3	Tulane	Owen McCulloch visit
Feb 3 - 6	Hartwick	Owen McCulloch visit.
Feb 4 - 6	Missouri	Jeff Owens visit.
Feb 6 - 8	Tufts	Owen McCulloch visit.
Feb 6 - 9	Iowa State	Jeff Owens visit.
Feb 8 - 9	Westminster	John Chaney visit.
Feb 9 - 11	Lehigh	Owen McCulloch visit.
Feb 10 - 12	Loyola	Jeff Owens visit.
Feb 11 - 14	Westminster	Owen McCulloch visit.
Feb 12	Davis & Elkins	John Chaney visit.
Feb 12 - 14	Tri-State	Jeff Owens visit.
Feb 14 - 17	Westminster	Owen McCulloch visit.

THE SPIRIT OF BROTHERHOOD. . .

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December 20, 1990

Mr. Owen G. McCulloch c/o Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity 24 West William Street Delaware, Ohio 43015

Dear Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity:

I am a graduate student at the College of Marine Studies, University of Delaware and I am writing to tell you how much my colleagues and I appreciated Alpha Sigma Phi, University of Delaware Chapter's effort to help me.

Upon hearing the news that I needed large sums of money for a kidney transplant, brothers of Alpha Sigma Phi, led by Ralph Spagnolo and Mark Robinson, sponsored a raffle, through which hundreds of dollars had been raised and contributed towards my kidney treatment. The spirit and brotherhood of Alpha Sigma Phi, as displayed by your brothers, have greatly inspired and encouraged all my fellow students and me.

I am grateful to Alpha Sigma Phi and would appreciate it very much if you could credit the brothers of your University of Delaware Chapter.

Sincerely,
/s/ Ping Xu

Join the crowd that's 'Got it Together!"

WHICH ROAD? (From *The Talisman Times*, Delta Nu Chapter, Lock Haven) This letter is targeted mostly to Alumni Brothers and transfers who have questions as to the state of the Brotherhood and the future of Delta Nu.

A lot has changed in this chapter since I pledged to her in the fall of '88. I remember a group of guys who I respected to the fullest. Names such as Bill Kane, Adam Cole, Jim Milham, Angelo Pertillo, Brett Cooper - the leaders of our chapter at that time. This group of Brothers was my role model of what I could become. These guys were responsible, yet loved to party and have fun. They were tough and strict with the rules, but loved you no matter what.

As time passed, these men along with older Brothers, had spent a large part of their undergraduate time establishing a "new wave" fraternity--a fraternity where truth, wisdom and brotherly love was more important than a "keg and some chicks" every Friday and Saturday night. It was not easy to teach these high ideals and the almighty morals to pledges who wanted to party. And so it happened--just as the overworked defense after a tough game, they started to tire in the fourth quarter. Who would step in as second string, as a backup role model to new Brothers and ever more important, who will teach the new leaders?

Fall '89 I began my term as Recording Secretary. A usually rather unimportant position which I used to get into the workings and leadership of our chapter. The old leaders tired from trying to show young Brothers the right path. Younger Brothers with a rebellious streak from Hell wore out the old Brothers who never gave up, but had lives to get on with. And so it turned out that 1989-90 leaders often confused on how to deal with issues allowed this rebellion to surge.

Internal strife flourished. Battles on one side vs. another caused "split Brotherhood," arguments, and more not getting done. No respected role models who people would listen to. The path became unclear.

Fall '90 began with a new "confident" leadership. Now we have a group of seniors the Brothers can look up to. This confident group of seniors have unified the chapter a great deal. Some internal problems still exist, but not as great. Is it because one side won over another? Did one side give up? Was there a major compromise?

Whatever the cause, the chapter now has a path to follow, a direction. Is this path continuous of where the Founding Fathers began the trailblazing?

There is no blame to be cast anywhere. All who have worked in the name of Delta Nu have put in incredulous hours and a lot of blood and tears. It's time to pay attention to the road we are traveling. Are we on the Pinnacle of Fame, on the Highway to Hell? ONLY our most respected leaders can influence this path. This direction cannot be determined only on the undergraduate level. Alumni, HSP, Prudential Committee, and seniors should have similar goals and aspirations. We do not have that, nor will it be easy to achieve.

I reach to the leaders to get together and challenge us to attempt to find a common goal and similar paths to get there. We are all one Brotherhood. We should start acting it and LIVING IT!

- CHRIS BAILEY, HJP

INITIATED INTO THE MYSTIC CIRCLE



ZETA CHAPTER, The Ohio State University: Timothy J. Devore, William J. Hanby, Jr., and Matthew S. Kim on January 25, 1991.

BETA CHI CHAPTER, American University: David Samuels, Eric Perrelli, Craig Stein, David McKeon, Alexander Wells, Chris Lombardy, John Day, G. Chad Snyder, Larry Meltzer, Joshua King, Michael Fleming, James Rosinsky, and Josh Roberts on January 25, 1990.

GAMMA RHO CHAPTER, Lycoming College: Jef Hill, Jeff Sellers, Jason Pinsky, and Bart DeReimer on January 24, 1991.

GAMMA CHI CHAPTER, Indiana University: William Bradley Abrams, Raveen Indru Advani, Scott Andrew Berkey, Jason Matthew Blockson, Norman Dexter Briones, James Joseph Corns, A. Steven Esmaili, Tony Alan Floyd, David Russell Goodes, Daniel Wayne Handschu, Mark David Herscovitz, William Joseph Hollingsworth, Todd Alan Kleinke, chad Gregory Kuhlman, Paul John Lampi, Dan William Leslie, Jr., Adam Christopher Miller, Jason Ryan Mordler, Kevin David Pace, Greg Stephen Raisman, Thomas Keith Riggs, Edward Theodore Rosenwinkel, Andrew Michael Singer, Gavin Nathaniel Taylor, and Kirk Michael Wroblewski on January 11, 1991.

OUR JOB GETTING OUT A PAPER IS NO PICNIC!

If we print jokes, people say we are silly,

If we don't, they say we are too serious.

If we clip things from other papers, we are too lazy to write them ourselves.

If we don't print every word of all contributions we don't appreciate genius.

If we do print them, they say the columns are filled with junk.

If we make a change in the other fellow's write-up, we are too critical.

If we don't, we are blamed for poor editing.

Now, like as not, someone will say "He swiped this from some other sheet."

. AND WE DID!

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