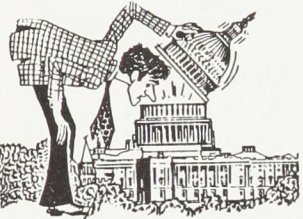


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NATIONAL NEWS



LICASTRO ATTENDS WHITE HOUSE BRIEFING

Brian T. ("Ted") Licastro, Penn State '88, was chosen to represent Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity at a White House Briefing on April 5th, which highlighted interfraternity efforts toward philanthropy, underage drinking control and drug abuse elimination. Organized by the Fraternity Executives Association, students from college fraternities and sororities were represented. Featured at the briefing were prominent speakers including Governor Bob Martinez, Director of the Office of National Drug Control Policy; C. Gregg Petersmeyer, Deputy Assistant to the President and Director of the Office of National Service; Dr. Antonia C. Novello, U. S. Surgeon General; and Charles E. Kolb, Deputy Assistant to the President for Domestic Policy.

Brother Licastro, a senior accounting major who will graduate in May, and attend law school at George Washington University in the fall, was nominated for this honor by the Penn State Chapter alumni because of his involvement with his college fraternity, student government, and his academic success. Along with their many philanthropic efforts, Upsilon has won their annual Dance Marathon seven consecutive years and in 1991 raised \$148,000 for the Four Diamonds Fund of the Hershey Medical Center.

While an undergraduate, Ted was Chairman of the Interfraternity Board of Control responsible for implementation and enforcement of all IFC policies. He was also a committee member of the governing body of the Penn State Student Government and a member of the Order of Omega National Honor Society.

BOWLING GREEN HSP ATTENDS MIFCA/MAPCA

Scott Plickert, Bowling Green '89, represented the Old Gal at the 25th annual MIFCA/MAPCA conference in St. Louis, Missouri. Scott reported, "this conference was an incredible source of information for fraternity men and women across the country and offered solutions to many of the problems that Greeks face today."

He also stated that the most beneficial session for him as an administrator for the Gamma Zeta Chapter was titled "Managing for Excellence." The lecture topic focused on internal and external issues that individual chapters must face and that, as a leader, the chapter president must utilize all available resources to the chapter. These include alumni, Greek Life administrators, National Headquarters and the individuals within the chapter. Chapter retreats turned out to be the solution to many internal and external problems to allow all members to provide their input on the goals and objectives of the chapter.

Scott concluded, "the MIFCA Conference was an extremely valuable learning experience for all those in attendance."

A FIRM FOUNDATION...

Although it's very difficult to recapitulate the three years in which I've been associated with Alpha Sigma Phi in a one page essay, there are some obvious advantages and experiences that I have enjoyed as a result of being a brother. I will try to outline a few here.

My primary rationale for joining a fraternity was to try to "reduce" the size of as large a school as Rutgers University. What I mean is that it's very easy to become intimidated by college to begin with, but when you're one of 20,000 people, it's that much easier. A fraternity seemed a proper response to such a problem - a place where there would always be 50 people who were your friends and where you could be comfortable. That's very appealing to a freshman.

Since becoming a brother, this has remained my basic love for Alpha Sigma Phi - it's familiarity and friendship. What I have come to realize, though, is that in addition to this, my chapter has afforded me the chances to assume positions of leadership and show my willingness and ability to serve something which I have great admiration for. The fraternity has always remained my "home" while at school, but almost anyone who attends Rutgers could deduce that. What is not so easily seen is the responsibility to performance that is borne to each officer of Alpha Sigma Phi, and more significantly, how this responsibility enables its members to step away from their school and succeed and prove themselves amongst friends.

- Chris Ippolito
Rutgers '88

IS YOUR HOME SECURE

Chapters with houses should make certain their home is very secure when leaving for the summer. Make sure all valuable chapter property is securely stored away. If the house will be vacant all summer, check with local officials for information on preparing the house to prevent possible fire, etc. Make certain a member of the college or university staff knows the HSP's summer phone number in case there is an emergency. The following is a check list to ensure that your chapter house will be standing when you return to school in the fall:

- * Check all doors and locking devices before leaving for the summer. All windows should be secured and valuables stored in a safe place.
- * Maintain furnace/air conditioning units 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.
- * Empty all garbage and ensure no combustible items such as trash and paper are left in any public areas.
- * Make sure no electrical outlets are overloaded or potential fire hazards are left unattended.

**DO NOT LEAVE THE SAFETY OF YOUR CHAPTER HOUSE TO BLIND LUCK!
HAVE A SAFE AND FUN SUMMER!!**



NATIONAL NEWS (Cont'd)

DELTA BETA XI AWARD WINNERS

During the past year, six Delta Beta Xi award winners have received their honors. The class of 1990 Delta Beta Xi includes: **Mark English, Indiana '71, William Cameron, Bowling Green, '50, Mark Williams, Rio Grande '79, Frank Proto, Cornell 64, and Stuart Spisak, Westminster '78.**

OFFICER SHINGLES

Thanks to the suggestion of the Delta Delta brothers at Slippery Rock, we are now pleased to offer officer shingles for chapter Rush Chair and Pledge Educator. Contact the National Headquarters if you desire to back order shingles for your most recent school year officers holding these most important, vital positions.

NATIONAL VISITORS

In the past two week, Executive Vice President John R. Chaney has made stops at Bowling Green, Widener, Delaware, Stockton State and Davis & Elkins. These were not included in previously published schedules. The upcoming schedule of visits until fall include:

May 3 or 4	Lock Haven	John Chaney visit.
May 4	Cornell	John Chaney presents Delta Beta Xi
11 - 19	Missouri	Owen McCulloch assists with summer rush.
29 - 30	Penn State	John Chaney, Steve Zizzo and Jeff Owens NLC final site visit.
June 20 - 23	Windsor, Ont.	Chapter Services Retreat for Professional Staff.
July 5 - 8	West Palm Beach	College Fraternity Editor's Association. Bev Moody and Jeff Schwind attend.
7 - 10	West Palm Beach	Fraternity Executives Association. John Chaney, Steve Zizzo and Jeff Owens attend.
July 14 - 19	Indianapolis	Interfraternity Institute. Jeff Owens attends.
July 19 - 20	Oxford OH	ICE. Chapter Leadership Consultants attend.
July 21 - 23	Indianapolis	New Man's Field Staff. Chapter Leadership Consultants attend.
Aug. 7 - 11	Penn State	<u>National Leadership Conference.</u> We all attend.

COLONY AND INTEREST GROUP CORNER

The Findlay University Interest Group reports that they have 25 fine members and will have a house in the fall. President **Ted Kocher** visited the National Headquarters recently.

A group of more than 15 men headed by **Anatoly Litvak, Stevens '89** is forming at the University of Arizona in an endeavor to re-open our Gamma Iota Chapter. At present, this group is meeting recognition resistance from the administration.

OLDEST LIVING ALUMNI

In researching our records, we have come across some interesting information. It appears that our oldest living initiate is from Delta Chapter and was initiated in 1908, some 83 years ago. Chapters having other alumni from the 1909-1910 era include Alpha, Delta, Zeta and Eta. At present, we send out 75 year membership certificates to men attaining that status. Perhaps we will have to increase that by another 10 years.



NEED A COMPUTER NETWORK?

Because of an upgrade to our computer system, Headquarters has available a **Novell 68B Network Server with 100M Hard Drive**. Novell experience is required to use it.

We would like to make this available to a person or chapter that has a bonafide application for the equipment. If you are interested, please send a letter documenting your needs to Beverly Moody, Director of Administrative Services.

SPORTIN' LIFE

We have had a number of incidents involving sporting events such as flag football, basketball and hockey games. With a number of these incidents, the Fraternity members thought their medical bills would be paid under the Fraternity's general liability policy.

There appears to be a general misconception among the members about the general liability policy. Liability for an injury occurs when a party is negligent and that negligence results in the injury. The policy, at this time, will respond to liability suits involving sports activities. But if the insurance carrier feels the Fraternity is not negligent involving sports events, the carrier will reject the claim. In the vast majority of cases, the carrier has denied making any payment.

This general liability policy is not a health insurance or accident policy for the members. If any fraternity member should get hurt in a sporting event, he should notify his medical carrier and seek reimbursement of his medical bills.

- The Sentry of Phi Kappa Psi

GREEKESE

Interpretations of common phrases:

"But it's a tradition." (We've done it that way at least once before, and we really don't want to make the effort to try it any other way).

"No one in my Chapter wants to do anything." (We haven't set any Chapter goals, so none of us really knows what we are doing). **"Our Greek advisor is not good."** (We were recently disciplined by our Greek advisor). **"We don't want to get any bigger."** (We really lack the initiative and motivation to draw any more members.)

"That sounds pretty boring." (There's not going to be any alcohol there).

- The Fraternity Newsletter (Sept./Oct. 1990)

CHAPTER NEWS

NEWS!

THE PHOENIX FLYS AT BETA DELTA

Beta Delta initiated twenty-one pledges into the Mystic Circle on April 12, 1991. In addition to the undergraduate Brothers, several alumni, **Executive Vice President, John Chaney**, and **Chapter Leadership Consultant, Owen McCulloch** attended. Hats off to Brother **Harold Dorton, HM**, for organizing the most impressive ritual ever in Beta Delta history.

The next evening, the Brotherhood continued when we all gathered to enjoy "BLACK AND WHITE" We also enjoyed good food and dancing. Later in the evening, year-end awards were presented. Highlights included: **Andrew Hermansdorfer** for most active active, **Jeff Halstead** for most active pledge (although he had become a Brother the previous night), and **Shaun Sizemore** garnered three awards including the **CARDINAL AND STONE AWARD**. We also honored many of our alumni for their continued efforts in securing for us a new house.

Officer elections were held on April 14, 1991. The new president of our chapter is **P. Andrew Hermansdorfer**. The vice presidency went to **Arden Sansom**, and **Ivan Dixon** is our new treasurer. This administration will face tough challenges in leading Beta Delta, as well as the outgoing officers.

During our recent Greek Week, we took second place in Greek Sing. Awards were also won by **Ivan Dixon - 2nd in Chess**, **Danny Lewis - 1st in Darts**, and **Neil Morgan and Kevin Grose - 3rd in Fooseball**. Other events included two service projects and the IFC Awards for academic year 1990-91. We wish all of our Brothers good luck in wrapping up another successful and rewarding year in Sigdom!

- Arden K. Sansom, HR

PLEDGED TO THE SEVEN POINTS



DELTA CHAPTER, Marietta College: Brian Balash, Andrew Boyd, Chris Byers, Pete Dukovic, Chad Esposito, Jonathan Fentress, Criag Kachline, Kevin Karazsia, Ryan Repp, Mike Steffaro, and Tony Taylor. Brian Burkholder, William Carrera II, William "Brett" Draper, Robert Maxwell II, and Ian "Ben" Redshaw on March 4, 1991.

ETA CHAPTER, University of Illinois: Ian Jason Mehr, Brian Robert Crowhurst, Mark William Grier, Peter Anthony Paolilli, Jorge Luis Chavez, John Christopher Kefer, Lane Edward Drager, Douglas John Hatlested, Firas S. Hasan, Joseph T. Belleau, Michael Scott Taylor, Scott Walter Wisniewski, Todd Elliott Druley, Sachin Ashok Lele, Joseph Walter Cwynar, Gary Edwin Opp, Jason Dean Johnson, Aaron Lee Morris, Michael York Bryant, Keith Eric Hougas, James Michael Singer, Kai Eric Johnstad, Jason Douglas Boter, Kevin Michael Kraiss, Andrew Thomas Leech, and James Edward Howard on February 6, 1991.

ALPHA ZETA CHAPTER, University of California at Los Angeles: Michael Shawn Donohugh, Christopher Garcia, Alexander Hall, David Kalt, Rick Kulkarni, Blue Rangsuebsin, Adam Ross, and David Sudeck on April 7, 1991.

GAMMA CHI CHAPTER, Indiana University: Joseph Vincent Basile, Scott Christian Berg, Gregory Michael Calig, Michael Scott Ingalls, Fredereic Lawrence, Bradly David Lentz, Brian Eugene Lyday, Marc Jay Smith, and Michael Lee Spohn on February 16, 1991.

INITIATED INTO THE MYSTIC CIRCLE



MU CHAPTER, University of Washington: Andy Larson, Brent Baumann, Todd Remmers, Bob Brown, and Scott Price on April 5, 1991.

THETA CHAPTER, University of Michigan: Sam Karim Ajluni, and Keith Patrick Ward on April 11, 1991.

ALPHA RHO CHAPTER, New Jersey Institute of Technology: Timothy O'Connell, Timothy James Holcomb, Greg LaSala, Adriano Duarte, Ashley Jose Almazan, Michael Richard Feier, Frank Robert Schvamberg, Jack Tamir, and Humberto Baquerizo on April 20, 1991.

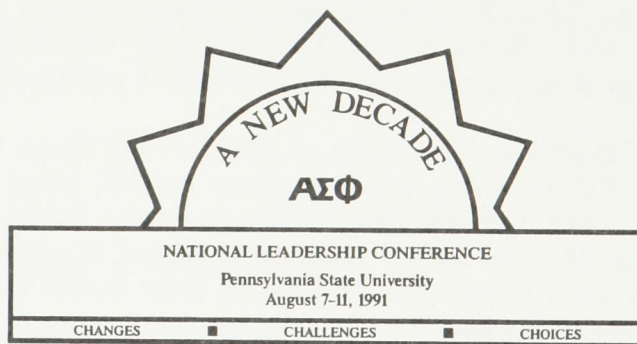
BETA DELTA CHAPTER, Marshall University: William Todd Hippert on April 12, 1991.

BETA THETA CHAPTER, Rutgers University: Donald H. Anderson, John William Hohmeier, Kevin McFeeley, Brian Jason Dold, Jeffrey Allan Tagliareni, Peter Mitchell Hodes, Jonathan Scott Jaffe, David S. Kamenir, Edward J. Zubrzycki, Jack Alan Rosenbloom, Steven Lewis Kahn, Timothy John McCoy, Allan C. Ho, Patrick Jay Harrington, William Andrew Scarpinato, and Scott Bryan Laurence on April 20, 1991.

DELTA DELTA CHAPTER, Slippery Rock University: Evan Adam Weiss on May 5, 1991.

DELTA THETA CHAPTER, Radford University: Michael Galloway, Michael Napolitano, Lee Piascik, David Neudorfer, Donald Schopp, Gus Obleada, and Robert Small on April 26, 1991.

DELTA XI CHAPTER, State University of New York - Plattsburgh: Kevin K. Marin, Scott E. Rubin, and Salvatore B. Sorrentino on April 20, 1991.



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