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Winter Regional Conclave Planned to Focus on Brotherhood

A new, exciting, and unique regional conclave has been planned for January 21-23, 1994 in Southeast Ohio! You and all of your brothers are invited and encouraged to attend the conclave at beautiful Lake Hope State Park in Zaleski, OH. In fact, there is no limit to the number of brothers who can attend from one chapter.

Your chapter is not in Ohio, you say? So what. Make a road trip out of it and join all of the brothers who will be driving from other locations in surrounding states.

Your chapter president should have just received an entire packet of materials outlining details concerning this conclave, including the agenda, registration information, opportunities available to only those who attend, etc.. (Ironically, the chapter president will not be able to attend since this is the same weekend as the Presidents Academy of Leadership, PAL, so make sure you grab the materials from him soon!)

If you have any questions after reading the registration packet, feel free to call Mark Williams, Winter Regional Conclave Chairman, at 614-875-1512.

Risk Management Corner

Q: I have heard that chapters who now have certain FIPG/risk management violations receive higher liability insurance premiums than before. Is this true?

A: Yes, the system for calculating insurance allocations has been altered to more fairly assess chapters premiums than has been done in the past.

One factor taken into consideration for the new calculations is a chapter's ability to abide by the guidelines as outlined in Alpha Sigma Phi's Risk Management Policies. For example, a chapter having a

reputation for holding safe and lawful social events, rush events, pledging events, etc.. will likely be granted a less expensive premium than a chapter who has failed to abide by the fraternity's risk management guidelines. In fact, a chapter violating any part of the policy can expect at least a 15% increase in their premium this year.

This concept is very similar to automobile insurance. If you get into an accident and are cited for reckless driving, for instance, your auto insurance premium increases. Likewise, if you have a history of a consistently good driving record,

some insurance companies may reward you by reducing your premiums.

So, what does all of this really mean? Simply, it means that your chapter can prevent losing money unnecessarily by following Alpha Sigma Phi's Risk Management Policies for your chapter's activities. And besides, these guidelines were adopted to reduce needless risks and increase safety for all brothers and their guests anyway.

As a side note, the final invoice for your chapter's insurance premiums will be mailed to your chapter within the next few weeks.

DATES TO REMEMBER

December

- 1 Submit Winter Tomahawk report
- 6 Founders' Day
- 9 Happy Hanukkah
- 15 Submit copy for winter issue of newsletter
- 25 Merry Christmas

January

- 21-23 Presidents' Academy of Leadership (PAL) Pittsburgh, PA
- 21-23 Winter Regional Conclave, Lake Hope State Park, Zaleski, Ohio
- 31 Chapter Leadership Consultant Applications due*

February

- 15 Final date to submit copy for winter issue of newsletter
- 17-19 SEIFC (Southeast Interfraternity Conference), Atlanta, GA
- 24-27 NEIFC (Northeast Interfraternity Conference), Boston, MA
- 24-27 MIFCA (Mid-American Interfraternity Council Association, Cincinnati, OH)

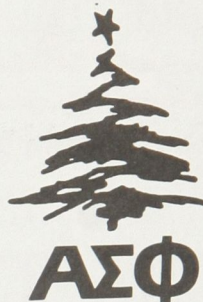
April

- 7-10 WRGC (Western Regional Greek Conference), Burlingame, CA

August

- 18-21 National Leadership Conference & Convention, Chicago, IL

- * Chapter Leadership Consultant applications were sent out to each chapter before Thanksgiving. If you wish to receive an application or more information regarding this position, please speak with your chapter president or call the Fraternity Headquarters.



Development Chairman. Mike has been doing an excellent job at his newly-appointed position. He has put together activities such as going to movies and hockey games and he is planning a "brothers only" retreat for sometime in the future. Thanks Mike and keep up the good work!

We are proud to announce that on November 12 the brothers of Beta Delta initiated seventeen men into the Mystic Circle. All of these men are a great addition to the Fraternity and are looking forward to the adventure that lies ahead.

Last month we had an article written on us about our service project with Habitat for Humanity. This article was published in the school newspaper, The Parthenon. Brothers **Mike Nitarty**, **Lile Cremeans** and **Steve Facemyer** were all quoted on what they thought about doing service projects.

After Thanksgiving break we will be busy once again with our favorite intramural sport, BASKETBALL!! Right now we have two starters that are not at the top of their game. **HSP Danny Lewis** severely sprained his ankle early in the semester playing football and **Rob Salvino** tore ligaments in his knee when trying to open the door. Hopefully they will be off the D-L in a week or two.

Now that it seems like everything has calmed down around here, we still have some upcoming events that we thought you might want to know about. On December 4 we are going to have our **FOUNDERS' DAY DINNER** at Ponderosa Steakhouse and next semester sometime we will hold our **BLACK AND WHITE** at the Holiday Inn Gateway in Barboursville. Recently, our president Danny Lewis and vice president John Swanson visited the Zeta Chapter at The Ohio State University. They said they had a blast meeting all the guys

Chapter News

Upsilon Chapter, Pennsylvania State University: Quoting from letter received from William W. Asbury, Vice President for Student Affairs at Penn State:

"Congratulations on the improvement in your chapter's overall grade point average during the 1992-1993 academic year. We, in Student Affairs, are pleased to see the academic effort put forth by members of the Greek community at Penn State. Keep up the good work."

Beta Delta Chapter, Marshall University: On the 22nd and 23rd of October, members of Beta Delta came from everywhere to make this year's Homecoming one of the

best ever! It all started on Friday the 22nd with a dance and dinner at the Y.M.C.A. Glennbrier. This provided an opportunity for many of the undergrads to meet some of our alumni. Then the following day we had our usual tailgate at the fraternity house. The turnout for tailgate was remarkable. During the tailgate **John Swanson (HJP)** presented a plaque to brother **Geoff Hall** for contributing his time and effort towards the rebirth of our chapter. Everyone, both alumni and undergrads, enjoyed Homecoming to the fullest and are looking forward to another get-together.

Since the mission of Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity is "To Create and Perpetuate Brotherhood," we here at Beta Delta would like to take this opportunity to thank brother **Mike Nitardy**, our Brotherhood

PLEDGED TO THE SEVEN POINTS (CONTINUED)

DELTA SIGMA CHAPTER, COASTAL CAROLINA UNIVERSITY: Brad Battista, Trent Bowles, Ryan Brown, Bryan Fenters, Dan Hamrick, Clement Haynsworth, Edward Heenan, Rob Lacky, Bobby Malone, Chris Speakman and Paul Goncalves on September 12, 1993.

LINDENWOOD INTEREST GROUP, LINDENWOOD COLLEGE: David E. Lorimer, Engelbert R. Azucena, Ron D. Marriott, William B. Edwards, Aaron J. Sieracki, Chad J. Matlick, Peter J. Steinbeck, Joshua K. Gardner, Randy L. Koehler, Angel L. Vazquez, William B. Galegor, James M. Lange, Elliot J. Ball, Shanon D. Qualls, Chad D. Evans, Eric J. Piper, Gerald F. Donnelly III, Shannon E. Stowers, Gary M. Jennings, Gary D. Newman, Jr., Adam T. Morse, Paul M. Orlando, Jr., Corey W. Nessler and Jeffrey M. DelliCompagni on September 15, 1993.

Initiated Into the Mystic Circle

IOTA CHAPTER, CORNELL UNIVERSITY: Derrick Prella on November 20, 1993.



PHI CHAPTER, IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY: Jason Lee Hurst, Jeremy Allen Schrooten, Weha Seniwongse Na Ayuthaya and William J. Tutt on November 12, 1993.

ALPHA TAU CHAPTER, STEVENS INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY: Eduardo Jose' Delgado on November 20, 1993.

GAMMA LAMBDA CHAPTER, BARTON COLLEGE: Todd Mitchell Bancroft, Todd Parrish Bunch, Konstantinos Charlie Gilantzis and Ernest Franklin Owens on October 3, 1993.

DELTA DELTA CHAPTER, SLIPPERY ROCK UNIVERSITY: Steven McConahy, Mark Tobichuk, Shawn Cunningham and Chris Walter on October 31, 1993.

DELTA THETA CHAPTER, RADFORD UNIVERSITY: Michael Duggan Davis, Christopher William Moyers, Brian Christopher Tarkington, Joel Steven Doubet, Arthur Patrick Schulz, Michael Evan Horowitz, William Lee McInnis, Jr., Phillip Wade Blake, Mark Powell Conrad, Kevin Edward Dillon, Michael Craig Powell, Bryon Scott Marshall, James Morris O'Connor, Claude Wallace Barfield and James Patrick Hill on September 11, 1993.

DELTA RHO CHAPTER, CENTRAL MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY: Steve Crowley, David Haughey, Jeffrey Ellerholz, Rob Dolton, Zia Mojtahedi, Paul Nash, Brad Niester, Scott Davis, Casey Merrild and Tom Maliszewski on November 21, 1993.

GAMMA ZETA CHAPTER, BOWLING GREEN STATE UNIVERSITY: Brian Perry, James Martz, Michael Duvall, David Hampton, John Holzhauser, Greg Lesinski, Aaron McGreevy, Scott Hartwell, Steve Curry, Christ Strain, Josh Shindler, David Kreienkamp and Blake Parkes on November 20, 1993.

GAMMA PI CHAPTER, UNIVERSITY OF FINDLAY: John Elijah Mashier, Richard Brian Mueller, Larry Allen McKeever and Mark Dillon Santoro on December 5, 1993.

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and getting to know them. As a matter of fact they had such a great time we are planning to get a group of people together for another visit. See you soon fellas!

"*The Brotherhood Bulletin* is great, we all loved it. Keep up the good job and thanks for printing what we gave you."

Delta Rho Chapter, Central Michigan University: The brothers here at Central Michigan, Delta Rho Chapter got hit with bad news last summer. The chapter got word that our new house burned down. The brothers were put in limbo whether or not we were going to have a house for the school year. After a month the landlord started a complete rebuilding on the Alpha Sig house. The first and second floors were completely rebuilt from the studs down to brand new appliances. The house wasn't done until two weeks into the school year. The brothers living in the house had to stay in the Reins Motel for the two weeks. They nicknamed the motel the "Bates."

We moved into the nicest fraternity house on campus. We have had many good comments on

the house. The comments are coming from both sororities and fraternities. Since the house is brand new, there is a strict policy on cleaning. Everyone is responsible for keeping it the best house. The brothers here at Delta Rho take great pride in our house. The brothers who live inside the house enjoy the quality of living, and the brotherhood that surrounds it.

This year for an outing we went to Wilderness State Park located by Cheboygan. The park is located less than a half mile from the shores of Lake Michigan. Three days of sunshine, bonding and, of course, **Outing Bowl '93**, our traditional football game. To say the least, this has been by far the best outing we have had.

Recently, we used Brotherhood Groups to avoid cliques. The brothers are placed into groups of four. They have two weeks to do something together. At the appropriate meeting the groups report on what they did. This is done to keep our brotherhood strong and to provide opportunities for people to get to know each other better. So far this has brought us great success.

Virginia Tech Colony, Virginia Polytechnic Institute: This past Halloween Virginia Tech's Alpha Sigma Phi Interest Group got a special and highly anticipated treat of their own. They had their official pledging ceremony banquet as they have reached colony status this year, becoming a colony in half a year's time. The ceremony being a big step on the way to chartering was a very special occasion for the Virginia Tech Alpha Sigs and will be remembered as such. Special thanks go to: **John Chaney** and **Edward Lenane**, representatives of the Fraternity Headquarters, honored guests **Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Walker** for their generous donation, and setting up the **Jeffrey Lyle Walker Scholarship Fund** for an Alpha Sig who most exemplifies the late Jeffrey Walker; the Grand Chapter Advisor **Tom Wilson** for his words of wisdom; and the colony's president **Chris Vogelsang** and vice president **Shawn Barry** for bringing the ceremony together. Also, thanks to all the new pledges at Virginia Tech of Alpha Sigma Phi for their hard work and dedication.



Pledged to the Seven Points

ALPHA NU CHAPTER, WESTMINSTER COLLEGE: Shayne Roos, Donald Genkinger, Scott Penters, Michael McQuaid, Chis Elliott, Justin Porter and Paul Fedorchak, Jr. on October 24, 1993.

ALPHA TAU CHAPTER, STEVENS INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY: Michael A. Bellomo, Reza Amidi, Pericles A. Mandarakas, James Breslin and Joseph A. Fisher on November 5, 1993.

BETA OMICRON CHAPTER, TRI-STATE UNIVERSITY: Chad Smathers and Rick Heitkamp on November 8, 1993.

DELTA DELTA CHAPTER, SLIPPERY ROCK UNIVERSITY: John Moritz, Kevin McKernan and Chad J. Snyder on October 25, 1993.

BETA RHO CHAPTER, UNIVERSITY OF TOLEDO: John C. Davis, Brad V. Jawkowski, Dave R. Kroeger, Timothy A. Davis, Craig M. Hernon, John E. Gray, Aaron J. Monaghan, Jason K. Leach, Corey C. Harris, Michael D. Aubry, Robert F. Lang, Matt L. Myers, Clifford H. Merritt, Erik A. Fritz, Todd J. Shaker, Christopher A. Cassano, Justin J. Bonannni, Brett C. Kuron, Patrick J. Baker, Paul K. Wolfert and Bryan W. Koehler on October 10, 1993.

IDEAS FROM THE ROAD

The Chapter Leadership Consultants of Alpha Sigma Phi travel the country-side assisting chapters and learning new ideas from each chapter they visit. "IDEAS FROM THE ROAD" is a special feature of *The Brotherhood Bulletin* in which the Chapter Leadership Consultants will share some of the different ideas they feel are note worthy and explain how they can be implemented at your chapter. If you have a question about one of the "IDEAS FROM THE ROAD" ask the Chapter Leadership Consultant visiting your chapter or contact Jeffery Owens, Director of Chapter Services/Expansion at the headquarters, (614) 363-1911.

Idea: Adopt-An-Alum Program

Idea seen in action at: Lambda Chi Alpha Fraternity

Officer/Committee Chairman/Brother responsible for implementing idea: This idea can be the responsibility of the Pledge Educator, and the Alumni Director.

How to implement the idea at your chapter: One of the most common reasons for poor alumni attendance at chapter events is the alumni lose any and all connection with the undergraduate chapter. One way to keep the Brother connected with the chapter after he has graduated is the Adopt-An-Alum program.

The program consists of each pledge being assigned an Alumnus of the chapter to keep in contact with. This can be done through letters, phone calls, and personal visits. The undergraduate brother then continues to be the connection between the chapter and his assigned alum until he himself reaches graduation. The idea is based on a pen pal system that does not end with pledging or even graduation.

Benefits to your chapter: The desired results of this program is to create relationships within the chapter that are not limited to only those brothers that were undergraduates at the same time. The Adopt-An-Alum program will also keep your alumni interested and involved years after they have graduated.

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NOTE: If your chapter has an idea they would like to see included in the "IDEAS FROM THE ROAD" section of *The Brotherhood Bulletin*, talk to the Chapter Leadership Consultant visiting your chapter or contact the Fraternity Headquarters at 12 Lexington Blvd., P. O. Box 838, Delaware, OH 43015-0838, (614) 363-1911.



*The Staff of
Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity
Wishes You All
A Happy Holiday
Season!!*