

Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity



ALPHA RHO COLONY'S

PETITION

to the GRAND COUNCIL of
ALPHA SIGMA PHI FRATERNITY

for

CHAPTER STATUS

November 20, 1981

THE HISTORY OF NJIT

The New Jersey Institute of Technology dates back to 1881 when the Newark Technical School was founded to provide academic background for the apprentices of a growing industrial center. Keeping pace with a developing urban region, the School began to offer bachelors degrees in engineering in 1919. Subsequently, it adopted the name, Newark College of Engineering.

After the Second World War, the college expanded rapidly to meet the needs of the increasingly sophisticated industry of the State and nation. Graduate programs in engineering were introduced and the college began a program of physical expansion. Doctoral study was initiated in 1960.

In 1968, the institution began to diversify its academic programs into field other than engineering in order to better serve the needs of the State and beyond. New programs were developed in science, management, and technology. In 1974, the college opened the New Jersey School of Architecture. In 1975, in recognition of its broadening mission, Newark College of Engineering became New Jersey Institute of Technology.

Today, NJIT has emerged as the public technological university of New Jersey. 1981 marks 100 years of continuous history and a renewed dedication on the part of the Institute to provide services required in our new technological age.

THE HISTORY OF ALPHA RHO CHAPTER

On March 23, 1926, Phi Delta Zeta, at the Newark Technical School (now the New Jersey Institute of Technology) and Alpha Kappa Pi, at Wagner College, two local organizations on these campuses, completed plans for the formation of a new national fraternity. It was decided to make the name Alpha Kappa Pi and to place the Alpha Chapter at Newark and the Beta Chapter at Wagner.

In September of 1946, Alpha Kappa Pi merged with Alpha Sigma Phi. It seemed that the move would provide for better services to the undergraduates and chapters of both fraternities. The consolidation brought changes in the constitution, bylaws, and rituals of Alpha Sigma Phi.

On March 21, 1981 Alpha Rho was reborn at a formal colonization at the El Pescador Restaurant. Hopefully January 29, 1982 will be a prouder day as Alpha Rho once again enters the Mystic Circle.

Alpha Rho Colony of Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity is rich in history and tradition. Its members strive to continue the traditions of brotherhood, scholarship, and service. In December of 1980 a group formed at WJTB, the NJIT radio station, and decided that their friendship could foster a fraternity. The leader of the group and future president Neale Bedrock called the National Headquarters of the fraternity and asked what it would require to become a new chapter of Alpha Sigma Phi. After much organizing, electing of officers, and general legwork, the group was initiated as pledges on March 20th, 1981. Following the ceremony the now brothers went on their first "road trip", over to Beta Theta Chapter (Rutgers) for an impromptu party. The spirit of brotherhood followed to the next day at the Colonization luncheon, held at El Pescador restaurant in Roselle Park. The luncheon was well attended by representatives from National Headquarters such as Evan Varner, grand senior secretary, Richard Gibbs, Grand Senior President who inducted the pledges, making Alpha Rho the first to have this honor. Also attending were brothers from Wagner, Stevens Tech, and Rutgers. The next goal for the group of pledges was to become brothers, to get a house, and to become recognized as a Chapter of Alpha Sigma Phi.

What followed was weeks of pledge education and visits from then expansion consultant Rob Sheehar, Kevin Garvey, Larry Phillippi, and Richard Dexter. The sense of brotherhood and involvement stressed by these Alpha Sigs encouraged the colony even more. The province conclave, held in the first week of April, was attended best by Alpha Rho, which sent nine eager men. These men were eager to learn all there is to know

about fraternity life and Lehigh was the ideal place to find out. The representatives came back with many new ideas for making Alpha Phi even better.

In April, Alpha Phi Colony found a house at 273 High St., about two blocks from the school. At the time the semester ended a work schedule for the house was made up for the summer. The house needed a lot of work, and certain goals had to be set. On the second weekend in June, the colony had a brotherhood weekend at Joe Plescia's house in the country. A lot was accomplished during the weekend, such as financial policies and fees decisions, social plans, service project ideas, and most importantly at the time, house work plans. A phone list was set up so that brothers could keep in touch with one another during the summer months. Other events that were well attended were concerts and shows, all serving to bring the group together. Each weekend during the summer was a work day for the house. The members even found time to help an elderly citizen move in to a house down the street. When it came time for school to begin, the house was completely inhabitable. The colony was well prepared for the upcoming rush season. The first party, a New Year's eve party, was a huge success. During this time the colony also became involved in Inter Fraternity Football. The team surprised a lot of people by beating a lot of formidable teams, despite being the newest team in the league. Another successful party was a Fourth of July party, held in the middle of September. The house was now getting a reputation for throwing terrific parties and for being friendly and courteous to the people who attended them. The final party, a Christmas party, was the most successful of all. Alpha Phi had shown people that it means business. With definite plans to charter in January, it seems that it does.

ALPHA RHO COLONY MEMBERSHIP LIST

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| 1) Ronald Barbagallo | 25) Glenn Trimboli |
| 2) Mike Bartone | 26) Robert Visich |
| 3) Gary Bauers | 27) Glenn Wrigley |
| 4) Neale Bedrock | 28) Frank Zalewski |
| 5) Jonathan Betz | |
| 6) Scott Bijlani | PLEDGES |
| 7) Jon Branker | 1) Stuart Altman |
| 8) Ignatius Caramia | 2) Kevin Delen |
| 9) Bruce DiBisceglie | 3) Doug Fulcher |
| 10) Mauro Del Pan | 4) Don Green |
| 11) Scott Dunne | 5) Sami Ismaili |
| 12) Marvin Forney | 6) Shpend Ismaili |
| 13) Mike Fontanarosa | 7) Carl Koberle |
| 14) Mike Friedman | 8) Stephen Penik |
| 15) Andrew Henderson | 9) Steven Riley |
| 16) Andrew Janiw | 10) Thomas Thoman |
| 17) Glenn Johanson | |
| 18) John McGee | |
| 19) Brain McKenna | |
| 20) Joe Plescia | |
| 21) Mike Popper | |
| 22) Gene Santana | |
| 23) Lance Schnurr | |
| 24) George Snow | |

LIST OF COMMITTEES

PRUDENTIAL

CH- SCOTT DUNNE
NEALE BEDROCK
MIKE POPPER
JOHN MCGEE
JON BETZ

RUSH

CH- BRUCE D. BISCEGLIE
ANDY JANIW
GLENN TRIMBOLI
GARY BAUERS

SERVICE

CH- MIKE FRIEDMAN
GENE SANTANA
LANCE SCHANR
MIKE BARTONE

PUBLIC RELATIONS

CH- JOE PLESCHIA
BRUCE DIBISCEGLIE
GLENN WRIGLEY
JON BETZ
FRANK ZALEWSKI
MIKE FRIEDMAN

INTRAMURALS

CH- BRIAN McKENNA
JOHN MCGEE
GLENN TRIMBOLI
GARY BAUERS
MARVIN FORNEY

HOUSE

CH- JOHN MCGEE
RESIDENTS

SCHOLARSHIP

CH- GENE SANTANA
MIKE FONTANAROSA
MAURO DELPAN
GEORGE SNOW
BOB VISICH

PLEDGE EDUCATION

CH- JON BETZ
GLENN TRIMBOLI
MAURO DELPAN
ANDY JANIW
JOE PLESCIA

ALUMNI

CH- GLENN WRIGLEY
MIKE FRIEDMAN
MIKE POPPER
ANDY JANIW
FRANK ZALEWSKI

SOCIAL

CH- GARY BAUERS
ANDY JANIW
BRUCE DIBISCEGLIE
GLENN TRIMBOLI
JON BETZ
JOE PLESCIA

CHARTERING

CH- ANDY JANIW
JOHN MCGEE
MARY LU DIBISCEGLIE
DIANE LEWICKI
MIKE POPPER
MIKE FRIEDMAN

SERVICE PROJECTS

Alpha Rho Colony has been actively participating in service projects, both community and college orientated. These include the moving of an elderly professor, Dr. Cheng to a new home on High St. Members painted the apartment and prepared the space to make it livable.

Alpha Rho Colony also participated in a High St. clean-up. All Greeks on campus got together to generally improve the neighborhood. The city of Newark supplied the equipment and the Greeks the manpower.

At the college, Alpha Phi Omega congratulated Alpha Rho Colony for its help and participation at a fundraiser for the Deborah Hospital Fund. A letter is enclosed regarding the act.

Future Projects include a park clean-up. Painting benches, cutting grass, and general clean-up is on the agenda. Again, Newark supplies the equipment and Alpha Rho Colony the manpower. We also plan participation in a marathon volley-ball game in order to raise money for the United Way. This will take place at the NJIT gym.

On the school side, Alpha Rho Colony will be active in a High St. block-watch which guards commuters traveling on and about the campus. All fraternities are sending representatives, and Alpha Rho Colony is eager to make the area safe again.

On a final note, a Christmas Party for the children at Saint Michaels Hospital is set to bring some cheer to the less fortunate.



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ALPHA PHI OMEGA

A STUDENT ACTIVITY

October 23, 1981

Mr. Neale Bedrock
Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity
273 High Street
Newark, N.J. 07102

Dear Mr. Bedrock,

On behalf of the executive staff and membership of Alpha Phi Omega, the national service fraternity, I would like to thank you and the membership of Alpha Sigma Phi for their invaluable help in our recent fund drive for the Deborah Heart Fund.

Never have I worked with such a fine group of people. Our drive would never have been the success it was without the help of your fraternity. Again, Thank You for all your help.

Fraternally yours,

Ronnie J LaSala
President
Lambda Delta Chapter
Alpha Phi Omega Fraternity

FINANCIAL RECORDS

The fees for Alpha Rho Colony are as follows;

- 1) General Dues- \$25 per man per semester
- 2) Social Fee- \$65 per man per semester
- 3) Rent and Utilities is set at \$35 per month
- 4) Parlour fee is set at \$8 per month
- 5) 10 % of the general fee goes to a sinking fund

Each committee is required to submit a written budget by December 1, 1981, for appropriate distribution of monies. A written budget and audit statement will then be sent to headquarters for review. Currently the Alpha Rho Colony has no outstanding debts.

CONTRACT FOR ROOM AND BOARD

This Contract is made by and between _____ Chapter of Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity, hereinafter designated "Chapter," and

_____, hereinafter designated "Student."

WITNESSETH: In consideration of the covenants hereto it is agreed as follows:

1. Chapter agrees for the term of the Contract, unless sooner terminated, to maintain a Chapter House, owned by it and located at _____, and consisting of sleeping rooms, eating rooms and other facilities, and to assign to the Student space in a room and to provide such eating facilities and board, subject to the rules regulations, requirements, and customs of said Chapter and

(Name of institution)

2. The Student agrees to accept and properly use such room space assigned to him, to eat at such eating facilities, and to abide by all the rules, regulations, customs and requirements of the Chapter and

(Name of institution)

3. The term of this agreement shall be for the period beginning the _____ day of _____, 198_, and ending the _____ day of _____ 198_.

4. In consideration of the foregoing, the Student agrees to pay the Chapter the sum of \$ _____ per month for the room space assigned to the Student, and for board and dues for the term of this agreement. The Student will also pay any additional assessments voted by the Chapter, not to exceed \$ _____ per month. The Student agrees to pay promptly all miscellaneous personal charges incurred by him such as, but not limited to, laundry, cleaning, ironing, fines, telephone bills, etc. All such amounts will be payable on or before the _____ day of each current month.

5. In the event the Student leaves the Chapter House at any time during the term of this contract, he agrees to pay all items provided in paragraph 4 hereof for the full term of this Contract, unless his withdrawal is caused by illness, death in the immediate family, service to his country, or some other reason accepted and found satisfactory by the Chapter upon vote of a majority of members present at any meeting. Controversies concerning the last-mentioned item shall be settled by the Dean of Men at _____.

(Name of institution)

6. The Chapter reserves the right to terminate this Contract, in the event the Student shall at any time fail to observe any rules, regulations, customs, or requirements of the Chapter or _____.

(Name of institution)

(OVER)

7. In the event of such termination by Chapter, it will refund to Student a pro rata share of any amount theretofore paid and not earned at time of termination. Waiver of any default of Student by Chapter shall not affect Chapter's right to enforce this contract upon subsequent default by Student.
8. Chapter reserves right to fix, modify or change such regulations **applicable** to use by Student of such room space and dining facilities and to **determine times**, methods and kinds of food to be served, and other administrative **matters**.
9. Student agrees to obtain signatures of Guarantor hereto (indicated below) guaranteeing Student's obligations herein, and when Contract is signed by Student and Guarantor it shall be submitted to the President of the Chapter, and shall not be binding upon Chapter unless accepted and signed by its President.
10. All notices provided for above may be made in writing and **mailed to respective parties** at addresses indicated below, with postage prepaid.
11. This Contract shall be signed by all parties in triplicate: one signed copy to be retained by the Chapter, one signed copy to be mailed or delivered to the Student, and one signed copy to be mailed to the Guarantor.

Dated this _____ Day of _____, 198__.

Chapter of Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity

By: _____, President

GUARANTY

In consideration of entering into the above Contract by Chapter with Student, the undersigned Guarantor of the above-named Student hereby approves and agrees to the above Contract and hereby guarantees the due, proper and full performance by the Student of the above Contract, and agrees that in the event of failure and default of said Student at any time or times to promptly carry out and perform any obligations on the part of the Student undertaken in the above Contract, the undersigned, upon notice of such default, will promptly and in all respects perform such obligations and pay amounts owing thereon by the Student.

GUARANTOR

Street Address

City

State

Zip

ALUMNI

A proof copy of our newsletter, "The Beacon", is enclosed. The printers will have the newsletter ready in two to three weeks of receipt of this petition. 100 copies will be immediately mailed to national headquarters for proper distribution.

The last weekend prior to the beginning of the fall semester, will be designated as alumnus weekend. This is because NJIT has no standard homecoming day. 1981's alumni weekend went well, with alumni meeting the new members of Alpha Rho Colony. For the spring semester of 1982, we are planning a 60th anniversary dinner for the alumni.

INTER-CHAPTER ACTIVITY

Alpha Rho's attendance at our Province Conclave was overwhelming. Nine representatives were sent to Lehigh to eagerly absorb new information in the Spring of 1981. The Fall of 1981 saw four delegates at the entire Conclave and another ten to twelve men dropping in at other times during the weekend.

Due to extenuating circumstances we were unable to attend the National Educational Conference. However, the Colony is eager to be represented at the National Convention, hopefully as a chapter.

SCHOLARSHIP

In striving to improve the academic standing of members of the Colony, the following program has been set up:

Gene Santana will teach a workshop on improving study habits. The method was taught to him by a professor who is an authority on the subject.

Group studies are being set up according to majors. People with similar courses are setting up sessions to work on assignments.

Tutoring services are in session by upper-classmen who have mastered the subject matter of various courses.

This has been very effective and is continuing to build.

More workshops dealing with speed-reading and increasing comprehension are in the process of being set up. A scholarship award will be given to the member with the highest G.P.A.. This year's award will be presented at the Chartering Banquet.

SOCIAL

This year's closed event for members was a week-end spent near High Point, New Jersey at the home of Joseph Plescia. It was during the first week-end of June. The event included organization and business of the Fraternity, and workshops for improving Brotherhood. Everyone grew much closer, and the mountain atmosphere set a very relaxing mood.

A retreat to Hunter Mountain, New York is being set for February, 1982. It will also be members only, and will include skiing and Brotherhood motivation programs.

**Alpha Rho Colony
New Jersey Institute of Technology**
After 28 years of absence, Alpha Sigma Phi is back at NJIT, (formerly Newark College of Engineering). That came true when Alpha

Rho became a colony in January.

The group of 26 men have been playing intramural sports, attending the Province VIII Conclave, and locating a chapter house on High St. in Newark. The men are now gathering tools, furniture and funds needed for restoring the house.

Some funds were raised during cake sales and car washes. Now, plans call for a fund-raising bike rally and barbecue.

Undergraduate **Scott Dunne** serves as general manager at the college radio station and **Neale Bedrock** was recently elected financial vice president of the NJIT Student Senate.

PLEDGE EDUCATION PROGRAM

SEVEN WEEK PROGRAM

- I. PLEDGE PINS- Pledges will wear the pledge pin over the heart during all waking hours, except when it might be hazardous. When not wearing the pin, pledges must be certain of its safety. Any pledge losing his pin will pay for its replacement.
- II. MEETINGS - The pledge class will attend the weekly educational sessions. Also the pledges will attend all social functions, intramural games and other events, of which they will be notified in advance. Any excuse must be granted by the Pledge Educator or the President.
- III. PROJECTS - The pledge class will conduct projects to benefit:
- A. The Fraternity Chapter.(house improvement; semiformal;dinner;social event)
 - B. The local community or the school community (yard clean ups;donate hours to hospital)
- IV. BLACKBOOK- Each pledge will carry a notebook(preferably small) to collect the signature of undergraduates(brothers). Signatures will be given out only after a period of conversation. The brothers may ask the pledge questions regarding the material covered in the educational sessions, giving his signature as a reward for their proficiency. The brother should record his address with his signature. Signatures of alumni brothers will count as extra credit on the final examination.
- V. WORK SESSIONS- Pledges are expected to attend all chapter work sessions. Shared achievement with the brothers draws us closer to understanding the true value of brotherhood and fraternities.

- VI. BIG BROTHERS - Each pledge will be assigned a Big Brother. Pledges will be expected to spend at least one hour a week with their Big Brother. The Big Brother will record the amount of time spent and the nature of the activity in his Little Brothers notebook.
- VII. DUES - Five dollars is due by the first pledge class meeting. A breakdown of the rest of the dues will be handed out on a separate sheet.
- VIII. Problems - Any questions or problems that may arise should be directed to your Pledge Educator or The Chapter President.

PLEDGE CLASS OUTLINE

WEEK #1

1. From To Better The Man(hereafter referred to as T.B.T.M)- section 1 - What are you getting into?
2. Presentations - Service Chairman
3. Plan community project(due before the 5th meeting) elect project chairman.
4. Review chapter constitution and by-laws.
5. Begin filling out personal record in back of T.B.T.M.
6. Assignment - section 2 of T.B.T.M.

WEEK #2

1. From T.B.T.M. - section 2 - What has gone on before?
2. Presentations - Marshal, Intramurals
3. Pledge project progress report by project chairman
4. Assignment - section 4 - Good scholarship, goodwill, Join for a lifetime, Having fun doesn't just happen, Reaching out.

WEEK #3

1. From T.B.T.M. - section 4 - How do you fit into the picture? - (except the part on rush)
2. Presentations - Public relations, Scholarship chairman, social chairman
3. Pledge progress report by project chairman
4. Make plans to visit sister chapter or headquarters
5. Begin collecting Initiation fees
6. Assignment - section 4 - Rush

WEEK #4

1. From T.B.T.M. - section 4 - Rush
2. Presentations - Rush Chairman, Pledge Educator, I.F.C. Chairman
3. Pledge project progress report
4. Assignment - section 3 - Gov't by undergraduates, "National", the province system, publications

WEEK#5

1. From T.B.T.M. - section 3 - Gov't by undergraduates, "National", the province system, publications
2. Presentations - Corresponding Secretary, Recording Secretary, Editor
3. Pledge progress report on projects (community project due)
4. Assignment - section 3 - Running your chapter, Financial management, Parliamentary procedure

WEEK#6

1. From T.B.T.M. - section 3 - Running Your Chapter, Financial Management, Parliamentary procedure
2. Presentations - President, vice president, treasurer
3. Ask any questions

WEEK#7

1. Review of Initiation Ceremony and oaths taken
2. Evaluation of Pledge Education Program
3. Fill in personal record, appendix of the T.B.T.M. booklet

RITUAL

Pledging Rituals have been strictly observed by Alpha Rho Colony. Pledges have been inducted by proper methods utilizing members of the Beta Theta Chapter officiating the ceremony. Alpha Rho Colony observed the induction and participated by reading The Seven Points of the Pledge Pin. Beta Theta HSP, Brad Ogalvie officiated the ceremony.

Chapter officers are installed on a majority vote basis. Elections are held in December with offices changing hands in January.

The first and last meetings of semesters are opened and closed formally.

INTERFRATERNAL ACTIVITY

As of October 12, 1981, Alpha Rho Colony, Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity, is a full member of the New Jersey Institute of Technology's Interfraternal Council. We actively supported the IFC Octoberfest and blockparty by donating work to both events. We also participated in IFC football and softball leagues.

COMMUNICATION WITH HEADQUARTERS

All pledge reports, October reports, carry-over pledge reports and follow-ups have been completed and sent to the proper personal. Publication materials have been or will be met within the next few weeks as explained previously.

DEAN OR OTHER UNIVERSITY OFFICIALS

Monthly meetings are held with the head of the IFC, Dean Hedesh, and our advisor, Bruce Solomon. Dean Hedesh is currently scheduled to hold fraternal workshops for all new pledges of Alpha Rho Colony. He is also taking an active part in our pledge education program.

OFFICER FILES

Officer files are presently being compiled by present officers. Upon the first terms end in February, 1982, completed files will be open to all members with emphasis on readings by new officers to learn which systems and methods work and do not work for out-going H-officers.

ORDER AND NAMES TO APPEAR ON CHARTER FOR ALPHA RHO COLONY

1. Neale Ronald Bedrock
2. Scott Kevin Dunne
3. Michael George Popper
4. Andrew Walter Janiw
5. George Henry Snow
6. Frank A. Zalewski, Jr.
7. Glenn Alvin Wrigley
8. John Walter McGee
9. Brian Patrick McKenna
10. Jonathan Betz
11. Bruce Daniel DiBisceglie
12. Joseph Peter Plescia
13. Gene Santana
14. Michael William Friedman
15. Gary Allen Bauers
16. Glenn Patrick Trimboli
17. Michael Angelo Bartone
18. Mauro Dal Pan
19. Marvin M. Forney
20. Michael Domenick Fontanarosa
21. Lance Adam Schnurr
22. Robert Andrew Visich
23. Andrew Duncan Henderson
24. Jonathan Branker
25. Stuart Jeffrey Altman
26. Kevin Scott Delen
27. Douglas P. Fulcher
28. Don Green
29. Sami Ismaili
30. Shpend Ismaili
31. Carl William Koberle
32. Stephen E. Penik
33. Steven F. Riley
34. Thomas Steven Thoman

We, the undersigned members of Alpha Rho Colony, do hereby petition the Grand Council of Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity to grant this organization the honor of being designated a Chapter of Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity. We agree, if Chapter status is granted, to abide by the constitution, bylaws, and rituals of the Fraternity. We hereby request January 30, 1988 for the conferring.

- 1) Neale Ronald Beduch
- 2) Frank Altman
- 3) Manis Terry
- 4) Long Bauer
- 5) Gene Santana
- 6) Brian McHenry
- 7) Andrew W. Janin
- 8) Bruce V. Bareylin
- 9) Jonathan Bitt
- 10) Maurice Altman
- 11) Michael A. Barone
- 12) Robert A. Nisich
- 13) Glenn Tremboli
- 14) Michael Friedman
- 15) John W. McTeer
- 16) Darin Ismaili
- 17) George Jure
- 18) Michael E. Santamaro
- 19) Douglas P. Fulcher
- 20) Michael Poppek
- 21) Amy Anderson
- 22) Don Licon
- 23) Carl W. Korbale
- 24) Shpend Ismaili
- 25) Kevin L. Delias
- 26) Scott L. Dume
- 27) James Chess
- 28) Jonathan M. Bauer
- 29) Ben Wiggley
- 30) Joseph Florica