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May 19, 2000

Dear Grand Council,

It is our distinct pleasure to present you with the Chartering Petition of Yale University's Alpha Sigma Phi Colony. The Alpha Chapter has twice failed to perpetuate itself. Our new group of Founding Fathers are convinced that this third founding will spark the eternal brotherhood that Louis Manigault, Stephen Ormsby Rhea, and Horace Spangler Weiser intended when they founded Alpha Sigma Phi here at Yale one-hundred and fifty-five years ago. A new era of Alpha Sigma Phi at Yale has already begun.

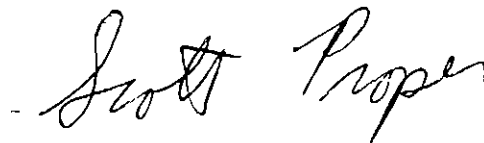
Countless hours of organization and recruitment have produced a tightly-knit group of thirty-three enthusiastic young men. Our experiences with Alpha Sigma Phi have already left an indelible mark on each of us, and we look forward to the opportunities of a chartered chapter with great expectation. Brotherhood has truly been created under the Alpha Sigma Phi name here at Yale, and it is our intention to perpetuate it as the Alpha Chapter of this great fraternity. It is our hope that the following pages will illustrate this creation and that we shall be deemed worthy of receiving our charter.

We thank you wholeheartedly for this unique opportunity, and we pledge to make the most of it.

Most sincerely,



Björn S. Herman



Scott B. Proper

Constitution of the Alpha Chapter of Alpha Sigma Phi

Preamble:

In order to recapture the history, spirit and brotherhood of the Alpha Chapter of Alpha Sigma Phi, we the third group of Founding Fathers hereby adopt this Constitution. By rekindling the grand traditions of Alpha Sigma Phi, we aspire to exemplify and promote the ideals of community, fraternal love, service, and individual betterment. We endeavor to bring back the honor and respect of the Alpha Chapter to Alpha Sigma Phi and Yale University.

Article I: Membership:

Section 1:

Members of the fraternity shall be properly initiated males and enrolled in Yale University's undergraduate or graduate schools. All members initiated between December 6, 1999 and the date when the charter is approved shall be known as the Founding Fathers of the Alpha Chapter of Alpha Sigma Phi at Yale University.

Section 2:

Membership to the fraternity can only be obtained through direct invitation from the fraternity in accordance with the By-Laws.

Section 3:

There shall be absolutely no discrimination on any basis, including but not limited to, race, creed, religion (or lack thereof), or sexual orientation. Any member found in violation of said statement shall be subject to substantial judicial action.

Section 4:

Membership shall only be suspended through judicial processes in accordance with the By-Laws.

Section 5:

In order to suspend a member from the fraternity, a unanimous vote of the Prudential Committee is necessary.

Article II: Officers and Elections and Committees:

Section 1:

The elected officers of the fraternity shall be the President, Vice-President, Treasurer, Secretary, Rush Chairman, Social Chairman, Service Chairman, Sergeant-at-Arms, Marshal, New Member Educator, Editor, Historian, and Alumni Coordinator.

Section 2:

The Prudential Committee is a standing committee of the fraternity, consisting of the President, Vice-President, Treasurer, Secretary, and two members chosen at large at the start of each semester. The Prudential Committee shall serve as the judicial council of the fraternity.

Section 3:

Other standing committees shall include the Revenues Committee and the Rush Committee. The Committee on Officer Conduct shall include five elected upperclassmen in full standing.

Section 4:

To be eligible for election to one of the said positions of the fraternity, the brother must be in full standing as defined by the By-Laws and policies of the fraternity.

Section 5:

The privilege of voting in the fraternity shall only apply to duly initiated brothers in full standing.

Section 6:

Yearly elections shall be held on the 6th of December. Candidates for all positions must be nominated by open ballot at the meeting prior to the election.

Section 7:

Meetings of the Prudential Committee are open to all members of the fraternity who wish to attend on the condition of silence on the part of the visiting member.

Section 8:

Special Committees can and shall be created by the Prudential Committee to perform specific tasks. If the duration of said special committees are to be longer than one month, their creation shall be affirmed or rejected at the next regularly scheduled meeting of the general assembly.

Section 9:

The Vice President shall serve as chairman of the Prudential Committee, the Rush Chairman shall be the chairman of the Rush Committee, and the Treasurer shall be the chairman of the Revenues Committee.

Article III: Meetings:

Section 1:

Meetings shall occur once per week at a time designated by the Prudential Committee. The Prudential Committee has a right to cancel or reschedule regularly held meetings. The Prudential Committee will have its own meetings when it is deemed appropriate.

Section 2:

All members must attend meetings in accordance with the By-Laws.

Section 3:

Members who fail to attend meetings in accordance with the By-Laws are subject to judicial processes in accordance with the By-Laws.

Article IV: Finances:

Section 1:

The Treasurer shall oversee all finances of the fraternity under supervision of the Prudential Committee.

Section 2:

Semester dues shall be proposed by the Treasurer, approved by the Prudential Committee and voted on by the general assembly of the fraternity, by which a 2/3 majority is necessary.

Article V: Rushing and Pledging:

Section 1:

All prospective and current members of the fraternity must abide by all rush rules as provided in the By-Laws.

Section 2:

No rush activities shall conflict with the morals of the fraternity and of the prospective brothers.

Article VI: Amendments of the Constitution:

Section 1:

The Prudential Committee can present an amendment to the Constitution to be voted on by the general assembly. The amendment can be sponsored by any member of the fraternity, but must first be approved by the Prudential Committee.

Section 2:

An amendment must be approved by a 2/3 majority of the general assembly. The amendment will be immediately adopted.

Article VII: Ratification of Constitution:

Section 1:

Ratification of this Constitution requires a unanimous vote by the Founding Fathers.

By-Laws of the Alpha Chapter of Alpha Sigma Phi

Preamble:

We, the Founding Fathers of the Alpha Chapter of Alpha Sigma Phi, offer these By-Laws as a continuation of the Constitution ratified by our fraternity. They aspire to the same goals as outlined in the Constitution.

Article I: Continuance of By-Laws:

These By-Laws shall automatically continue unaltered to govern the fraternity unless altered in accordance with procedures as outlined below.

Article II: Supremacy of Constitution:

If these By-Laws conflict with the Constitution of the Alpha Chapter of Alpha Sigma Phi, the Constitution will be supreme.

Article III: Membership:

Section 1:

To petition for membership, new members must be:

- a) a male student enrolled at Yale University (undergraduate or graduate)
- b) a member of no other Greek organization, secret or non-secret society

Section 2:

Invitations for membership will be offered by the general assembly of the fraternity.

Section 3:

Invitations will be extended under the following conditions:

- a) unanimous agreement of the general assembly
- b) no prospective members present at voting
- c) one brother speaking on behalf of the prospective member
- d) voting will be conducted by the Marshal

Section 4:

Prospective members will have one week to accept or decline an invitation to pledge. They may decline without explanation.

Section 5:

After accepting the invitation, the member will undergo a pledge period the length and conditions of which will be determined by the Prudential Committee and the Rush Committee.

Article IV: Full Standing Members:

Section 1:

Members in full standing will have the following rights and privileges:

- a) the right to participate in all fraternity social activities
- b) the right to serve on any standing, elected or appointed committees
- c) the right to be nominated and serve as any officer

d) the right to vote in elections and decisions for which the vote of the general assembly is required

Section 2:

Full standing members will be held responsible for the following conditions and duties:

- a) maintain any and all standards set by Yale University
- b) maintain the standards, ideals, and morals of the fraternity
- c) adhere to the attendance policy set by the By-Laws
- d) pay all personal financial obligations to the fraternity as well as to the national organization.

Section 3:

Any member who is found to violate or fail any of the conditions of full standing will be placed on a probationary period of length determined by the Prudential Committee.

Section 4:

Probationary members will have their privileges suspended and will have rights and duties determined by the Prudential Committee.

Article V: Probationary Membership:

Any member of the fraternity may be placed on probationary membership if all of members of the Prudential Committee vote to place said member on probation. The probationary membership will be reevaluated at the end of the current semester. The rights and duties of a probationary member shall be the following:

- a) adherence to the same attendance policy as all other members
- b) payment of all financial obligations to the fraternity
- c) all voting privileges may be suspended
- d) all social privileges may be suspended

Article VI: Elections:

Section 1:

Elections for all officers of the Alpha Chapter of Alpha Sigma Phi shall occur during the first meeting of December. Newly elected officers shall take office the first day of the spring semester, and retain their office until the following spring semester.

Section 2:

Candidates for all offices must be nominated by a member of the fraternity with a second from another member of the fraternity. The Marshal shall conduct all elections and the President shall recount the votes.

Section 3:

The displaced officer shall assist the newly elected officer in understanding and correctly performing his duties.

Article VII: Officers

Section 1:

The officers shall be those listed in the Constitution of the Alpha Chapter of Alpha Sigma Phi. Additional offices may be created by a unanimous vote of the Prudential Committee and offered as an amendment to the Constitution of the fraternity.

Section 2:

Duties of officers shall be based on those outlined in *To Better the Man*

Section 3:

Officers may be removed from office by the following procedure:

a 50% vote by the Prudential Committee is required to bring the issue of removal to the general assembly a 2/3 vote of the general assembly is required to remove the officer.

Section 4:

Vacant positions will be filled immediately by appointment by the President, unless the vacancy is the President, in which case the Vice-President becomes the President, and a new Vice-President shall be appointed by the new President. The general assembly must approve any appointment by a 2/3 vote.

Section 5:

Officers may resign without any explanation.

Article VIII: Committees

Section 1:

Each individual committee chairman will be responsible for the agenda and duties of the committee.

Section 2:

There will be four standing committees:

the Prudential Committee

the Revenues Committee

the Rush Committee

the Committee on Officer Conduct

Section 3:

Members of the Revenues and Rush Committees will be elected by the general assembly. The Committee on Officer Conduct shall be composed of five elected upperclassmen in full standing. The meetings of all committees, except the Committee on Officer Conduct, are open to all members, but members who do not sit on the committees may not vote.

Section 4:

Special Committees can and shall be created by the Prudential Committee to perform specific tasks. If the duration of said special committees are to be longer than one month, their creation shall be affirmed or rejected by the general assembly at the next regularly scheduled meeting of the general assembly by majority vote.

Section 5:

Actions and decisions of each committee may require approval and may be declined or cancelled by the Prudential Committee of the fraternity.

Section 6:

Actions and decisions of the Prudential Committee, including judicial decisions, may be overruled or amended by a 2/3 vote of the general assembly.

Section 7:

The President, with the approval of the Prudential Committee, may appoint members to special committees to further the best interests of the fraternity.

Article IX: Meetings:

Section 1:

Meetings of the general assembly shall occur once per week at times designated by the Prudential Committee. The Prudential Committee has the right to cancel or reschedule regularly held meetings.

Section 2:

The time for the meetings will be determined at the end of each semester for the following semester.

Section 3:

Members must attend all meetings, or provide a written excuse to the Marshall to explain delinquency.

Section 4:

If a member misses or is delinquent from more than three meetings in one semester, the Prudential Committee will discuss said member's possible placement on probation and suspension.

Article X: Dues:

Section 1:

The Revenues Committee shall propose dues at the end of each semester for the following semester (the colony will propose dues for the Fall 2000 semester).

Section 2:

The amount of dues shall be voted upon and approved by the general assembly. Ratification of dues shall occur through a 2/3 vote.

Section 3:

Members will pay national dues through the Treasurer, and are responsible for all dues at the appropriate time in accordance with national regulations.

Section 4:

All members who do not have the ability to pay their dues or any part thereof must present a written alternative payment plan to the Prudential Committee.

Article XI: Amendments:

Section 1:

These By-Laws may be altered by a 2/3 vote of the general assembly.

Section 2:

Amendments may be offered by any member of the general assembly through a member of the Prudential Committee who will in turn introduce the amendment to the general assembly at a chapter meeting.

Article XII: Record-Keeping:

The secretary shall maintain the Constitution and By-Laws.

Article XIII: Ratification:

This document shall be considered ratified upon receiving the unanimous approval of all Founding Fathers of the Alpha Chapter of Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity at a special meeting convened for said purpose.

Financial Articles of the Bylaws

Article I: Dues:

Section 1:

The treasurer (HE), along with advisement from the Prudential Board, will determine the appropriate amount of chapter dues to be paid each term.

Section 2:

Local dues are currently unnecessary, and the amount will be determined in the fall of 2000.

Section 3:

Local dues are to be paid in full no later than the second meeting of each term.

Section 4:

Special Dispensations: Should a member be financially unable to pay the full amount of dues at the second meeting of each term, he will accept an alternative payment plan to be determined by the treasurer and the executive board. This payment plan will extend no longer than the length of the term.

Section 5:

Should a member be unable to pay the full amount of dues, even with respect to Section 4, he will be suspended from all chapter activities for the entirety of the subsequent term. If he does not become in good financial standing prior to the inception of the subsequent term, the chapter will petition the Ground Council for suspension from Alpha Sigma Phi National Fraternity. All paperwork must be filed appropriately with the National Headquarters.

Section 6:

Should a member who has been suspended due to financial troubles wish to rejoin the chapter, he must satisfy his outstanding financial obligation in full, be approved for re-

admittance by a 2/3 vote of all eligible voting members of the chapter, and publicly apologize to the members of the brotherhood.

Section 7:

A member who has been re-admitted under Section 6 no longer remains eligible for financial Special Dispensation. Should said member commit a second financial violation, he will be suspended from the membership indefinitely.

Article II: Budget:

Section 1:

The treasurer (HE), advised by the Prudential Board, will create a budget.

Section 2:

The budget shall consist of, but not be limited to, the following: local dues, chapter dues, rush expenses, housing expenses, Special Dispensations, scholarships, community service, presidential discretionary fund.

Section 3:

The budget will be ratified by a 2/3 vote of all eligible voting members of the chapter no later than September 30 and January 31 of each term, respectively.




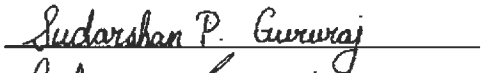

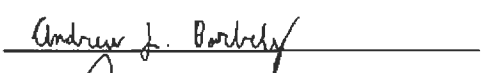

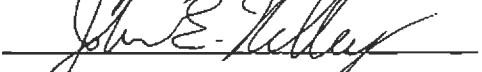
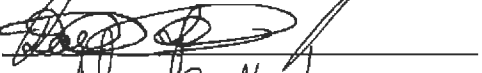
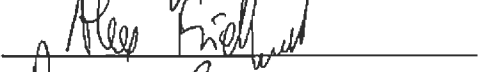
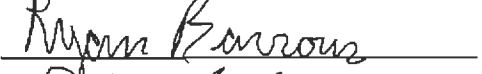
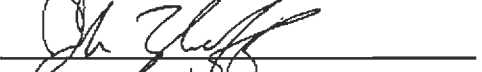
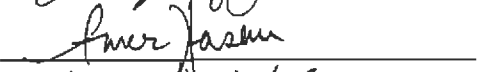
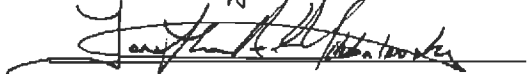



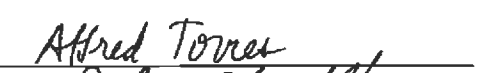

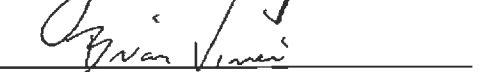
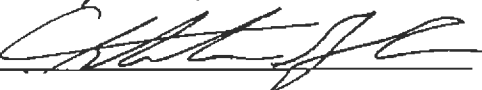
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The budget shall be posted at the chapter's meeting place following ratification.

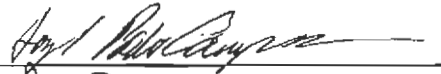
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Amendments to the budget will be considered jointly by the treasurer (HE) and the Prudential Board. Subject to the appropriateness of said amendment, it may be adopted with a 2/3 vote of all eligible voting members of the chapter.

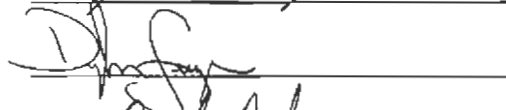
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- 9) Mr. Daniel Isquith 
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- 13) Mr. Amer Hasan 
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- 16) Mr. David Babbitt 
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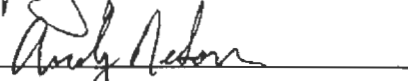
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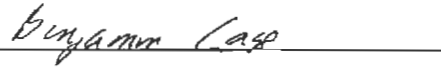
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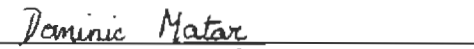
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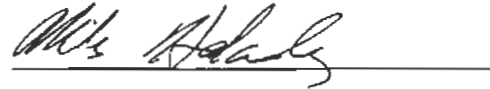
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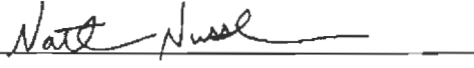
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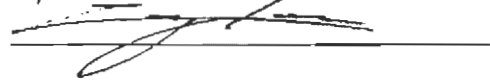
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History of Yale

In 1701, 10 Connecticut Congregational clergymen met in the town of Branford, Conn., each with a gift of books for the “founding of a College in this colony.” The original seat of the college was at Killingworth, Conn., now Clinton, in the residence of the Reverend Abraham Pierson, the first rector. In 1716, after several moves, the college came to New Haven, whose citizens had contributed sums toward a suitable building. In 1718 funds from Elihu Yale allowed completion of that first college building and the name was changed from Collegiate School to Yale College.

The Yale curriculum originally consisted of logic, rhetoric, grammar (Greek, Latin, and Hebrew), arithmetic, astronomy, and geometry—six of the seven liberal arts inherited from ancient European tradition. The program placed strong emphasis on oratory and disputation, skills that would prepare a young colonist for a life of public service. But social and intellectual forces soon brought growth and change. Students began studying music—the seventh liberal art—as early as the 1720s. In the years leading up to the American Revolution, the Yale faculty added the study of English grammar and composition to the standard classical course of study; the study of literature was added soon after. In the decade following the Revolutionary War, some modern history and political philosophy was introduced, and through the first part of the nineteenth century modern languages entered the formal curriculum. As early as 1804, a series of lectures on chemistry at Yale College established the teaching of chemistry, natural history, geology, and mineralogy as an integral part of the Yale curriculum. The College’s curriculum and the attitude of its community have continued to evolve in response to changing definitions of leadership.

In the nineteenth and twentieth centuries Yale established, one by one, the graduate and professional schools that would make it a true university: the Yale School of Medicine (1810), the Divinity School (1822), the Law School (1824), the Graduate School of Arts and Sciences (1847)—which in 1861 awarded the first Ph.D. earned in the United States—and the schools of Art (1866), Music (1894), and Forestry and Environmental Studies (1900). More recently, Yale has added the schools of Nursing (1923), Drama (1955), Architecture (1972), and Management (1974). Engineering has been part of Yale since 1852, first as a separate professional school and today as a division of Yale College that offers ten different majors.

From an original graduating class of one student, a faculty consisting of the rector and one tutor, and a single wooden building, Yale has matured into one of the world's greatest universities. A combined total of more than ten thousand students in the undergraduate college and the eleven graduate and professional schools study for thirty different degrees. A faculty of more than 2,400 men and women teach and administer programs across a range of disciplines in the sciences and engineering, social sciences, and humanities. Yet for all its size and scope, Yale retains a deep respect for its early history and for the continuity that its history provides—a continuity based on the striving for excellence that is Yale's proudest tradition.

All undergraduates at Yale are affiliated with one of 12 residential colleges, which, in alphabetical order, are: Berkeley College, Branford College, Calhoun College, Davenport College, Ezra Stiles College, Jonathan Edwards College, Morse College, Pierson College, Saybrook College, Silliman College, Timothy Dwight College, and Trumbull College. Here Yalies have the stability of a community they know well for all four years. In assigning students to residential colleges, Yale seeks to create a microcosm of the larger community within each college and to reflect the diversity of the larger student population. Unlike a system where students choose a “jock,” “artsy,” or “intellectual” residential unit, which can divide students, Yale's system promotes integration and inclusiveness.

The population at Yale includes a great diversity of interests and backgrounds: there are more than five thousand undergraduates, from all fifty states and more than fifty countries. There are public school graduates and prep school graduates, children of alumni and children who are the first in their family to go to college. Yale is sufficiently large so that each class, activity, and meal can mean a new friend to be made and a new discussion to be had. This is why freshmen and sophomores are required to live on campus.

Each residential college is a community where students live, eat, socialize, and pursue academic and extracurricular activities. Each college has its own dean and master who live in the college, and a dining hall, library, and a variety of other facilities. The deans are attentive to the academic interests of their students and consult with them about scheduling and course selection or any other questions that might arise. Masters oversee the cultural and social life of the college and host lectures, parties, and Master's Teas, gatherings where students talk with renowned and sometimes controversial guests. In almost every instance, students' academic and administrative needs can be met within their residential college.

All 12 colleges have their own dining halls, which range in architecture from medieval halls with vaulted ceilings to wood-paneled colonial rooms to dramatic modern spaces. Students usually eat in their college, although they can eat meals at any of the other colleges if they wish. Foreign language tables bring together students and faculty who want to talk in French, Portuguese, Russian, Vietnamese, Japanese, or Swahili—to name just a few. Some colleges sponsor regular discussion tables on such topics as film, architecture, scientific issues, and the classics.

Libraries in each college provide students with a place to study at any time of the day or night. Seminar rooms, lounges, music practice rooms, laundry facilities, and computer rooms are standard features in all of the colleges, as are recreation rooms with pool, Ping-Pong, and foosball tables, TV rooms, darkrooms, and kitchens. Small theaters in some of the colleges provide alternative performance spaces. Some colleges have letterpress printshops; others offer squash/racquetball courts, basketball courts, weight rooms, pottery studios, and wood- or metal-working shops. In some colleges student-run snack bars are open late at night for study breaks and socializing.

The residential colleges also play an important role in academic life. The Residential College Seminar Program sponsors full-credit courses that allow for innovation and experimentation within the framework of the College curriculum. Courses are taught by scholars from Yale and from other academic institutions, as well as by poets, playwrights, and other writers, and by individuals who work in government, business, journalism, or film.

The residential colleges provide a structure that makes Yale unique among major research universities. By offering a community of students and faculty as well as extracurricular and academic opportunities, the colleges create the intimacy of a small school without diminishing the benefits of the surrounding University.

State of Greek Conditions

Greek Councils at Yale

Sorority Panhellenic Council

Greek Organizations at Yale

Alpha Delta Phi

Alpha Epsilon Phi

Alpha Epsilon Pi

Alpha Kappa Epsilon

Alpha Phi Omega

Alpha Phi Alpha

Alpha Rho Lambda

Alpha Theta Omega

Beta Theta Pi

Delta Kappa Epsilon

Delta Sigma Theta

Kappa Alpha Psi

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Alumni Director- Jack Kelley

Community Service Chair- Matthew Chang

Social Chair- Ryan Barrows

Historian- David Plattner

Web Page Chairman- Miles Haladay

Housing Director- Dylan Fuge

Pledge Educator- Bastian Rose

Rush Chair- David Babbitt

Committees

Prudential Committee:	Rob Berschinski Alex Fridlyand Björn Herman Scott Proper Rob Jahn Sudarshan Gururaj
Revenues Committee:	Rob Jahn Scott Proper Björn Herman Sudarshan Gururaj Samir Kaushik Dylan Fuge
Rush Committee:	David Babbitt Bastian Rose “Steady” Garber Scott Proper Brian Vinci
Social Committee:	Ryan Barrows Matt Chang Miles Haladay Amer Hasan Paolo Campos
Committee on Officer Conduct:	Paolo Campos Miles Haladay Joey Ax Amer Hasan Jack Kelley Ryan Barrows

Brother Biographies

Name: Nathan Coleman Nussbaum (Nate)
Date of Birth: April 26, 1980
Place of Birth: Durham, North Carolina
High school: Porter-Gaud School, Charleston, South Carolina
Major(s): Anthropology
Hobbies: Sailing
Position(s) in Alpha Sigma Phi: None
Reason(s) for joining Alpha Sigma Phi: To meet more people.

Name: Casey Kyung-Sae Lee
Date of Birth: August 8, 1981
Place of Birth: Los Angeles, CA
High school attended: Scarsdale High School, Scarsdale, NY
Major(s): undeclared
Hobbies: Video games, music, reading
Position(s) in Alpha Sigma Phi: None
Reason(s) for joining Alpha Sigma Phi: David Babbitt introduced me to the fraternity; I saw that it was a bunch of cool guys to be with.

Name: Amer Hasan
Date of Birth: July 7, 1979
Place of Birth: Warsaw, Poland
High school attended: Aitchison College, Lahore, Pakistan
Major(s): History
Hobbies: Cricket, Squash
Position(s) in Alpha Sigma Phi: None
Reason(s) for joining Alpha Sigma Phi: To be part of a group that wanted to form more than just one of the many superficial fraternities littering campus.

Name: Joseph Akira Ax (Joey)
Date of Birth: November 27, 1978
Place of Birth: New York, NY
High school attended: Collegiate School, NYC
Major(s): English
Hobbies: Ultimate frisbee, tennis, basketball
Position(s) in Alpha Sigma Phi: Editor
Reason(s) for joining Alpha Sigma Phi: I wanted to join a fraternity at Yale, but the ones that already existed did not appeal to me. After a few meetings, I decided that the Yalies interested in refounding ASP were a great bunch of guys, and that I wanted to be a part of it.

Name: Charles Stedman Garber III (Stedy)

Date of Birth: October 26, 1980

Place of Birth: Glendale, CA

High school attended: Highland Park High School, Highland Park, TX

Major(s): Mechanical Engineering and Economics

Hobbies: I am involved in Y.S.C., a Christian student organization, participate heavily in intramural sports, and I am a huge Dallas Stars fan

Position(s) in Alpha Sigma Phi: None

Reason(s) for joining Alpha Sigma Phi: I joined Alpha Sigma Phi because I knew a lot of guys involved in it and it sparked my interest as a chance to create a frat that will not be another drink-hard-and-abuse-your-pledges frat, but a frat more involved in service and brotherhood.

Name: Aleksandr Fridlyand (Alex)

Date of Birth: May 20, 1980

Place of Birth: Minsk, Belarus

High school attended: Bayshore High, Bradenton, FL

Major(s): Ethics, Politics, and Economics

Hobbies: Ultimate Frisbee

Position(s) in Alpha Sigma Phi: Marshall

Reason(s) for joining Alpha Sigma Phi: To experience and promote the ideas of brotherhood, honor, and community; to have a chance to shape a group of friends into a fraternity with unique history and ideals.

Name: Andrew James Borbely (Andy)

Date of Birth: July 25, 1978

Place of Birth: Catlin, Illinois

High school attended: Catlin High School, Catlin, Illinois

Major(s): Studies in the Environment/Psychology

Hobbies: Intramural sports

Positions in Alpha Sigma Phi: Scholarship Director

Reason(s) for joining Alpha Sigma Phi: I joined Alpha Sigma Phi to associate with a higher class of Yale men.

Name: Ryan Barrows

Date of Birth: May 5, 1979

Place of Birth: York, NE

High school attended: York High School, York, NE

Major(s): Economics

Hobbies: Track

Positions in Alpha Sigma Phi: Social chair

Reason(s) for joining Alpha Sigma Phi: I liked the concept of a gentleman's fraternity, instead of the usual frat whose only goal is to drink beer.

Name: Scott Bradley Proper
Date of Birth: August 8, 1997
Place of Birth: Niskayuna, NY
High school attended: Niskayuna High School of Niskayuna, NY
Major(s): German Studies, Philosophy
Hobbies: Rowing
Position(s) in Alpha Sigma Phi: President
Reason(s) for joining Alpha Sigma Phi: To establish better and more solid relationships with Yalies.

Name: Joshua Whitehill Zaharoff (Josh)
Date of Birth: February 29, 1980
Place of Birth: Boston, MA
High school attended: Newton South High School; Newton, MA
Major(s): Molecular Biophysics and Biochemistry
Hobbies: Every intramural sport, traveling, tutoring/working with kids, FOOT leader
Position(s) in Alpha Sigma Phi: None
Reason(s) for joining Alpha Sigma Phi: Great bunch of guys, looked to meet new people and have a new crowd to hang out with, hope to leave a different sort of legacy for frats at Yale.

Full name: Bastian Rose
Date of Birth: 12/08/79
Place of Birth: Hofheim/Germany
High school attended: Bischof-Neumann-Schule, Königstein
Major(s): Molecular Biophysics & Biochemistry, International Studies
Hobbies: Basketball, Traveling
Position(s) in Alpha Sigma Phi: Pledge Educator
Reason(s) for joining Alpha Sigma Phi: I felt the desire to explore the richest resource Yale has to offer: its people. ASP offers me the opportunity to meet some of them and to enrich my and hopefully their experience of our "shortest, gladest years of life".

Name: John Eaton Kelley (Jack)
Date of Birth: February 2, 1980
Place of Birth: Rochester, NY
High school attended: Honeoye Falls - Lima High School, Honeoye Falls NY
Major(s): Architecture (intended)
Hobbies: Martial Arts, drawing, writing, weight lifting, reading, swing dance
Position(s) in Alpha Sigma Phi: Alumni Director, Constitution committee
Reason(s) for joining Alpha Sigma Phi: I felt like the idea of a fraternity had basically deteriorated into just a bunch of guys who get drunk together. I wanted to prove to people that a fraternity could be a lot more - that it could be a good time and be responsible simultaneously.

Name: Andrew George Philip Kitcher
Date of Birth: April 23, 1979
Place of Birth: Ann Arbor, Michigan
High school attended: Torrey Pines HS, San Diego
Major(s): Molecular Biophysics & Biochemistry, English
Hobbies: Soccer, Tae Kwon Do, ultimate, pool, bridge, rollerblading, hiking, squash.
Position(s) in Alpha Sigma Phi: None
Reason(s) for joining Alpha Sigma Phi: Good people who I'd be seeing anyway, and like to see more.

Name: Jonathan Schoenfeld (Jon)
Date of Birth: June 18, 1980
Place of Birth: Brooklyn, New York
High school attended: Pleasantville High School, Pleasantville NY
Major(s): Molecular, Cellular & Developmental Biology
Hobbies: Tennis, Fishing, Yoga
Position(s) in Alpha Sigma Phi: None
Reason(s) for joining Alpha Sigma Phi: I felt Alpha Sigma Phi presented me with an exciting challenge to resurrect a historic fraternity and gave me a unique opportunity to make a lasting contribution to Yale University.

Name: Angel Paolo Campos
Date of Birth: May 17, 1979
Place of Birth: New York, NY
High school attended: Saint Anthony's High School, South Huntington, NY
Major(s): Architecture (Design)
Hobbies: Music, Sports, Movies
Position(s) in Alpha Sigma Phi: None
Reason(s) for joining Alpha Sigma Phi: To bring home one of Yale's finest and oldest traditions. And to join a select group of dedicated, honorable men.

Name: Jonathan A. Mikhalevsky
Date of Birth: December 28, 1980
Place of Birth: Atlanta, Georgia
High school attended: Ridgefield High school in Ridgefield, CT, and West Chester East High school in West Chester, PA (9th and 10th)
Major(s): Psychology
Hobbies: Crew, Rumpus (Campus newspaper)
Position(s) in Alpha Sigma Phi: None
Reason(s) for joining Alpha Sigma Phi: Conspiracy theory in the new world order -- mostly for the social aspects but also for the historical tradition -- it's an opportunity to create a new and better society of individuals with common goals, interests, and ethics; an organization more mature than the average Yale fraternity.

Name: Samir Kaushik
Date of Birth: September 24, 1980
Place of Birth: Calgary, Alberta, Canada
High school attended: Dr. E.P. Scarlett High School, Calgary, Alberta, Canada
Major(s): Political Science International Relations
Hobbies: Hockey, Partying, Politics
Position(s) in Alpha Sigma Phi: None
Reason(s) for joining Alpha Sigma Phi: I feel that being part of the Alpha Sigma Phi brotherhood will positively augment my undergraduate years as the lessons I learn and experiences I have will serve me for the rest of my life. I also look forward to redefine the role of fraternities at Yale.

Name: Brian Vinci
Date of Birth: June 7, 1980
Place of Birth: Stamford, CT
High school attended: Branford High; Branford, CT
Major(s): Molecular Biophysics & Biochemistry
Hobbies: Many Intramural Sports, hanging out, running, drinking heavily
Position(s) in Alpha Sigma Phi: None
Reason(s) for joining Alpha Sigma Phi: I liked the idea of founding something and watching it become a reality. Also, the guys seemed really great.

Name: Sudarshan P. Gururaj
Date of Birth: January 21, 1979
Place of birth: Los Gatos, California
High school attended: Parsippany High School, Parsippany, NJ
Major(s): Electrical engineering/computer science and economics
Hobbies: Playing the piano, complaining
Position(s) in Alpha Sigma Phi: HS, HCS (Secretary, Correspondence Secretary(?))
Reason(s) for joining Alpha Sigma Phi: I wanted to be part of an organization steeped in Yale history, but offered me a chance to mold the organization according to my ideas. The third founding of Alpha Sigma Phi here at Yale offered me just such an opportunity.

Name: Björn Schmidt Herman
Date of Birth: July 7, 1979
Place of Birth: Oxford, OH
High school attended: Talawanda High School
Major(s): History
Hobbies: Rowing
Position(s) in Alpha Sigma Phi: Vice President
Reason(s) for joining Alpha Sigma Phi: To create a fraternity at Yale with higher standards for membership and conduct than those pre-existing, and to rekindle the traditions begun here in 1845.

Name: Miles Jeffrey Haladay
Date of Birth: January 26, 1980
Place of Birth: Whitter, CA
High school attended: Lakeridge H.S., Lake Oswego
Major(s): Computer Science
Hobbies: Rock climbing, shuffle board and skeet shooting
Position(s) in Alpha Sigma Phi: Web Page Chairman
Reason(s) for joining Alpha Sigma Phi: I felt as though I was missing out on the social aspects of college due to the time I was spending programming computers.

Name: Gautam Bahl
Date of Birth: January. 11, 1979
Place of Birth: Columbus, OH
High school attended: Pleasant Valley Senior High School Chico, CA
Major(s): Biomedical Engineering/ Electrical Engineering
Hobbies: Bull riding and writing limericks
Position(s) in Alpha Sigma Phi: Sergeant-At-Arms
Reason(s) for joining Alpha Sigma Phi: I wanted to join a fraternity that was comprised of a good group of guys who share my interests.

Name: David Clifford Babbitt
Date of Birth: March 1, 1980
Place of Birth: Seattle, WA
High school attended: Seattle Prep, Seattle, WA
Major(s): History
Hobbies: Rowing, reading and watching movies
Position(s) in Alpha Sigma Phi: Rush Chair
Reason(s) for joining Alpha Sigma Phi: I joined ASP because I wasn't satisfied with the existing fraternities at Yale, and because I wanted to start something new.

Name: David Marshall Plattner
Date of Birth: May 30, 1979
Place of Birth: New York, NY
High school attended: Richard Montgomery High School, Rockville, MD
Major(s): History
Hobbies: Sports
Position(s) in Alpha Sigma Phi: Historian
Reason(s) for joining Alpha Sigma Phi: To hang out and get to know a good group of guys.

Full name: Alfred C. Torres (Chris)
Date of Birth: April 10, 1981
Place of Birth: Honolulu, HI
High school attended: St. Louis High School, Honolulu, HI
Major(s): Undeclared
Hobbies: Intramurals, Singing
Position(s) in Alpha Sigma Phi: None
Reason(s) for joining Alpha Sigma Phi: To become part of a respectable institution that will provide service to the local community and also to build friendships with fellow members.

Name: Matthew Stewart Chang (Fang)
Date of Birth: July 29, 1976
Place of Birth: Aiea, HI
High school attended: Aiea High School
Major(s): Political Science
Hobbies: Tennis
Position(s) in Alpha Sigma Phi: Community Service Chair
Reason(s) for joining Alpha Sigma Phi: I wanted to join a fraternity at Yale, but hadn't because I didn't like the atmospheres of the other groups. With a new fraternity, we have the unique opportunity to set and define the atmosphere ourselves.

Name: Benjamin Case
Date of Birth: 5/20/79
Place of Birth: Bethesda, MD
High school attended: Bethesda High School, Bethesda, MD
Major(s): East Asian Studies
Hobbies: Squash
Position(s) in Alpha Sigma Phi: None
Reason(s) for joining Alpha Sigma Phi: My friends in Morse College were joining and I followed them.

Name: Dylan Fuge
Date of Birth: 5/7/79
Place of Birth: Santa Fe, NM
High school attended: Philips Andover Academy, MA
Major(s): Computer Science
Hobbies: Computing, intramural sports
Position(s) in Alpha Sigma Phi: Housing Director
Reason(s) for joining Alpha Sigma Phi: I like the guys.

Name: Andrew Nelson

Date of Birth: 12/12/79

Place of Birth: Albany, OR

High school attended: Bettendorf High School, Bettendorf, IA

Major(s): Mechanical Engineering

Hobbies: Art, water polo, crew.

Position(s) in Alpha Sigma Phi: None

Reason(s) for joining Alpha Sigma Phi: I have a lot of friends on the crew team who seemed as if they really like being in Alpha Sigma Phi and convinced me that it would be something I would enjoy.

Description of Weekly Meeting Place

Our colony holds its weekly meetings on Tuesday evenings in William L. Harkness Hall (WLH), room 114. The room is approximately 250 square feet and has high arched ceilings. There are six long windows located on the left side of the room. These windows are covered by blinds during the meetings. The room has a door on each end and wooden floors.

During the weekly meetings, members sit in old-fashioned wooden desks arranged in a semi-circular pattern around the front of the room. The meetings are run by our president and vice-president, who sit behind a table at the head of the room. A wooden podium sits atop this table. When necessary, the president and vice president utilize the three long chalkboards located at the head of the room. Our meetings take place in the evening, when WLH is more or less empty and quiet, so that we can conduct our discussions without distraction. The room serves our needs quite well, and we plan to continue to meet there until such time as a change is warranted or necessary.

Now that our membership is growing quite dramatically, we are considering moving our meeting to the small auditorium that WLH is connected to. The auditorium has an elevated podium in the front with cushioned chairs arranged in front of it. The room is decorated with old-fashioned carved oak that is characteristic of Yale's buildings.

Sample of Minutes from Alpha Colony Spring 2000 Meetings

Alpha Sigma Phi Minutes of Meeting – January 31, 2000

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 by President Scott Proper. Roll call was taken and a quorum was established. Scott began the meeting with a description of the charter and the procedure necessary to become a chapter. In addition, Treasurer Rob Jahn informed the members that dues may be paid to him directly rather than mailed to National Headquarters. In addition, the fraternity received the official fraternity flag from Mr. Drew Thawley, representative from National Headquarters. The membership also received copies of the Tomahawk, detailing the pledge initiation ceremony in December. Scott and Bjorn presented their experiences at the leadership conference in Indianapolis on January 22 and 23.

In committee reports, Dylan Fuge and Jack Kelley reported on some possible neighborhoods for purchasing the fraternity house. Real estate agents will be contacted shortly regarding the possibilities of such a purchase. The rush committee, headed by Bastian Rose and David Babbitt, reported on the miscommunication between the Morse Master's office and fraternity members regarding the Super Bowl recruiting event. Despite the confusion, the event was deemed a success and other such events will be planned in the future.

In new business, Scott addressed schedule conflicts arising from the usual meeting time. A motion was made to move the meetings to Tuesdays at 10:00 PM. The motion passed by a majority. A motion was then made to move the meeting place to William L. Harkness Hall (WLH), rather than a seminar room in one of the residential colleges. This motion was also passed by a majority. The possibility of a chapter web page was discussed and the task was assigned to member Miles Haladay.

In old business, Editor Joey Ax requested articles to be written by the membership for an upcoming issue of the Black Lantern. Several members volunteered, including Scott, Bjorn, and Alumni Director Jack Kelley. Member Alexander Fridlyand presented the idea of hosting an alumni dinner for Yale Alpha Sigma Phi alumni, as well as for

National members and ranking members from other college chapters. A tentative date of April 4 was set for the dinner event with invitations to be sent with issues of the Black Lantern. The issues of visiting other Alpha Sigma Phi chapters was also discussed in the closing remarks.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:35 PM by President Scott Proper.

Alpha Sigma Phi Meeting – February 7, 2000

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 PM by President Scott Proper. Roll call was taken and a quorum was established. The membership was reminded that all future meetings would occur Tuesdays at 10:00 PM in WLH. Scott also reminded members to complete and send membership forms to national headquarters, if they had not done so already. Treasurer Rob Jahn reminded the membership about paying dues.

Housing Coordinator Dylan Fuge reported on his talk with several local real estate agents about selecting a house to purchase. Although several neighborhoods look promising, Dylan also warned the membership about zoning restrictions and limitations in choosing a location for the fraternity house.

In new business, Bastian Rose and David Babbit of the rush committee discussed the possibility of renting out Bentara on Orange St. for a pre-Winter Ball recruiting event. The members discussed several possibilities, including difficulties arising from rumors over a change in the date of the Winter Ball.

In old business, Editor Joey Ax requested more articles to be written for the upcoming issue of the Black Lantern. Member Alex Fridlyand proposed Saturday, April 8 as a tentative date for the alumni dinner event. Invitations should be printed and mailed within two weeks, with a RSVP date of March 3. Scott discussed more specific details about the chartering process, as well as Mr. Drew Thawley's attendance at next week's meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:32 PM by the president.

Alpha Sigma Phi Meeting – February 15, 2000

The meeting was called to order at 10:10 PM by President Scott Proper. Roll call was taken and a quorum was established. Scott introduced Mr. Drew Thawley, Head of Expansion from Alpha Sigma Phi National Headquarters. In the Prudential Committee reports, Treasurer Rob Jahn urged members to submit pledge dues to him and said he would e-mail all members who had not paid within the week.

In Committee reports, Housing Coordinator Dylan Fuge discussed the specifics about finding a house in the area. Dylan found a general area, near Lynwood St. pending zoning limitations. A 2-3 family house in the area would cost approximately \$130,000. A residential/commercial general purpose building will cost about \$250,000. Another possible location exists on Chapel St., pending zoning issues and neighborhood approval for renovations. The total budget for a house and renovations will be around \$300,000. Dylan is currently looking for a 5-10 bedroom house with 10-15 rooms in total. Rob requested a comparison with other fraternity houses on campus. Dylan reported that the average fraternity house has a size of approximately 3000-4000 square feet.

In old business, Vice-President Bjorn Herman spoke for Editor Joey Ax, setting a deadline of Friday, February 18 for all articles. Joey will publish the newsletter by Wednesday, February 23. The Black Lantern will be sent to former Alpha Chapter members, as well as the presidents of other chapters. Member Alex Fridlyand and Alumni Director Jack Kelley have set April 7 as the date for the alumni dinner at Mory's with April 8 as the date for an alumni day. The RSVP date was set for March 3. The Mory's dinner menu will include: baker's soup as an appetizer, chicken cordon bleu or broiled filet of salmon almondine, and sherbet for dessert. Four rooms, the bar, and appetizers have been reserved for approximately seventy five people. A motion was passed to request a suggested donation of \$50 on the invitations. Only Yale alumni shall be invited to the Friday dinner. Alex then discussed a possible event at the Omni hotel on Saturday for the invited four hundred Alpha Sigma Phi "official family members," as well as Yale alums. Over 400 invitations will be mailed to alums and close "official family members." Scott then mentioned determining a possible due date for petition materials to be sent to the national chapter.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:23 by the president.

Alpha Sigma Phi Meeting – February 22, 2000

The meeting was called to order at 10:10 PM by Treasurer Rob Jahn. Roll call was taken and a quorum was established. Rob informed the membership that all dues have been collected or sent to national headquarters.

In new business, rush coordinator David Babbit motioned for a rush party event in the coming week before spring vacation. The party will be hosted by members Joshua Zaharoff and Daniel Isquith. The membership was requested to provide the names of two possible recruits to be invited to the event. The party will be held on March 2.

In old business, Alumni Director Jack Kelley and member Alex Fridlyand finalized the Alumni Weekend event and wrote invitations. The Omni will provide discounts for Yale functions, as well as reserve room blocks. A restaurant or a place for a Saturday dinner culminating the Alumni Weekend has not been decided. Member John Mikhalevsky suggested that we order the fraternity flower as a centerpiece for the Alumni Weekend event. Editor Joey Ax will publish the Black Lantern by Feb. 29 to be mailed on March 3. The dinner and weekend invitations will have an RSVP date of March 17. Black Lanterns will be labeled and stamped before rush party event on March 2.

In closing remarks, Vice-President Bjorn Herman suggested the possibility of a potluck dinner or some other formal event with Kappa Kappa Gamma sorority some time in the near future. In addition, John mentioned that several Alpha Sigma Phi songs have now become Whiffenpoof songs.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:45 PM by the treasurer.

Alumni Relations

With the chapter having been inactive for so many years, the Alpha Colony felt that it would be especially important to get in contact with as many alumni as possible in order to recapture the spirit of the fraternity as it previously existed at Yale. Accordingly, members attempted to contact several alumni in their home areas over winter recess. Since an unfortunate number of these men have passed away to the Omega Chapter, we were only able to discuss the fraternity with a few gentlemen. Our President, Scott Proper, has had the most contact with our alumni, because letters of inquiry and the like which we have sent out have all provided his contact information.

In addition to these contacts, we felt that the best way to recreate the spirit of the fraternity would be to meet Alpha Chapter alumni and have the opportunity to talk with them about their experiences at Yale as well as show them the progress we have been making. To achieve this end, we planned to stage an alumni reunion banquet with both Alpha Chapter alumni and with a large group of brothers active in Alpha Sigma Phi from other chapters. Included in the weekend's festivities would have been a dinner at Mory's for the Alpha alums, tours of Yale, and a large banquet held in a convention hall at the Omni hotel. Disappointingly, the event had to be cancelled, as many alumni could not make it to the reunion. However, we remain optimistic regarding alumni involvement thanks to the many letters and emails of support we have received from former Alpha Chapter members.

Colony History

The Alpha Colony at Yale began its return in September of 1999. Drew Thawley, Alpha Sigma Phi National Headquarters' Director of Expansion, put two advertisements in Yale's daily newspaper, the Yale Daily News, introducing ΑΣΦ to the Yale campus. The first few meetings were introductory; our last introductory meeting took place on October 13, 1999. At that point there were 12 men who had expressed a 'firm' interest in the fraternity.

At that last introductory meeting, we set our first goals. We saw that we needed to learn to function more on our own, so we planned an event at Yorkside Pizzeria for October 25, 1999. Drew had attended all of our meetings prior to that point, so our October 25 meeting was our first venture alone. We also set our goal to colonize on December 6, 1999, as ΑΣΦ was originally established on December 6, 1845.

The October 25 meeting went well, and the colony expanded through late November, when things truly began to solidify. We printed up T-shirts for the Yale-Harvard football game and sold them at cost. Our primary objectives with the T-shirts were to get our name out, celebrate the football game, and undertake a project together. The consolidation which resulted from the effort was critical in achieving our goal of a December 6th colonization date.

Following our colonization we laid out our plan of objectives for the spring 2000 semester. In a Tuesday, December 7, 1999 correspondence via e-mail to all of the pledges, Vice President Björn outlined what we needed to do in order to be initiated into chapterhood. Our first undertaking was our first meeting, which took place on December 8, 1999. We held our elections at that meeting, which occurred just before finals and just after our colonization.

We began the Spring 2000 semester with motivation and excitement. In January, we held rush events, had a Super Bowl party, and initiated contact with other Greek organizations at Yale. We also laid out plans for an ΑΣΦ weekend at Yale, which was to be held in April for Yale alumni Alpha Sigs as well as all Alpha Sigs from other universities. We set further itineraries for arranging our weekly meetings, writing our Constitution, publicizing our colony through the Black Lantern, making a web page, printing up Yale ΑΣΦ baseball caps and initiating community service. We also began our search for a home for ΑΣΦ on Yale's campus.

During January, Björn and Scott went to the Academy of Leadership in Indianapolis. Their trip proved very helpful for our colony, as beforehand our sole link to the national nature of ΑΣΦ lay in Drew Thawley and minimal contact with the Uconn colony. The lessons in leadership helped Björn and Scott run meetings more efficiently and deal with general col-

ony matters more effectively. They also learned AΣΦ songs and about other traditions through exposure to other chapters' brothers.

We wrote a Black Lantern edition of our own, in which we also introduced our plans for our alumni weekend. The alumni weekend was not received all too well by those individuals we contacted. We ultimately had to cancel it. This was very frustrating and disappointing for us, but it ultimately helped us gain strength. We hope that if we are granted a charter we will be able to organize a successful reunion for Alpha Sigs at their most traditional home, Yale, for our Ritual and initiation.

For community service, we delved into New Haven's public school system to search for opportunities. We are currently establishing direct ties with 3 of New Haven's public schools. Through contact with school principals we are developing a direct volunteer network between our Colony and these schools, and hopefully a partnership in educating New Haven children.

Brotherhood Development Activities

The number of pledges for the reestablishment of Alpha Sigma Phi has swelled from the original number of twenty-five in the fall to forty in the spring. This increase can be attributed to both personal recruiting and fraternity sponsored activities.

The colony has sponsored four social activities with the intention of familiarizing our name and recruiting new members. In both respects our frat has been successful. In addition to our Super Bowl bash (which will hopefully become an annual activity) and our recent Alpha Sigma Phi party, we have had several pizza get-together at a local popular hangout, Naples Pizza, and organized a basketball game at the gym. As a result of our social activities we have gained new members and most people on campus have heard of our attempt to reestablish Alpha Sigma Phi at Yale. Not only have people heard of us, but they have developed a positive image of the organization and the members who comprise it.

Personal recruiting has been our most successful method of gaining new members. The majority of new members have joined as a result of friendships they have with members of the colony. Personal recruiting has been responsible for creating a tightly knit group. Our group is made up of close friends as opposed to complete strangers. Our group's recruitment strategies have succeeded in laying the foundations for a promising future of Alpha Sigma Phi at Yale.

Objectives for the Forthcoming Academic Year

As Alpha chapter of Alpha Sigma Phi, our main objective for the following year is to become a fully operational, vibrant, and integral part of the Yale community. In order to achieve this goal, we feel that it is extremely important for us to purchase a house. We also hope to start up a mentorship program with a local New Haven high school. Furthermore, we plan to engage in a variety of community outreach projects on campus. By achieving these goals, we believe that we can form a beneficial, lasting connection on our collegiate environment.

Even though the spirit of the fraternity is maintained by its members, obtaining a house should be a primary priority. A fraternity house provides a center of operations for the chapter. Projects can be coordinated from the house, and brothers can interact in a less formal setting, thereby promoting permanent friendships. The house would also serve to promote awareness about our presence on campus. New pledges can be more easily recruited by providing a tangible view of Alpha Sigma Phi at Yale. For all these reasons, we feel that it is extremely important for us to have a house as soon as possible.

Community service is a vital aspect of Alpha Sigma Phi. As a chapter, we can give back to New Haven through the city's youth. We have already contacted area high schools about starting a mentorship program. Although Yale has a variety of activities directed toward nearby elementary schools, more needs to be done for the teenagers. In addition to scholastic tutoring, we intend to provide both college guidance and social support.

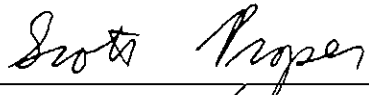
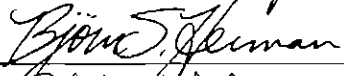
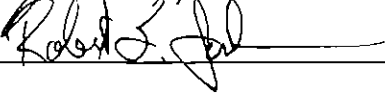
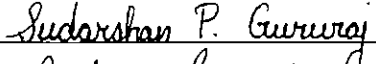

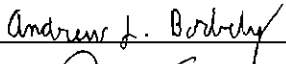
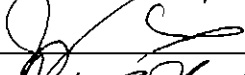
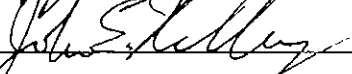

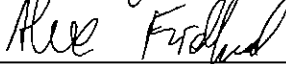

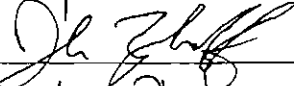
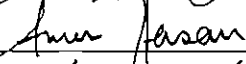
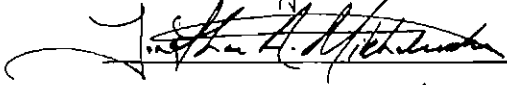
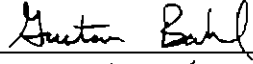
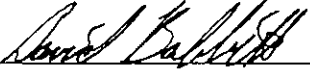
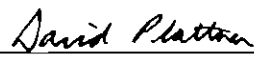

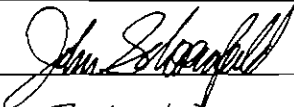
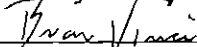
The Alpha chapter plans to become involved in on-campus service as well. Through community drives, awareness, and Communiversy Day (a campus wide program aimed at community outreach by Yale students), we hope to help benefit the community at large.

In order to become an active facet of the Yale campus, we intend to organize a variety of activities throughout the year. We intend to purchase a house from which to organize these events. In addition, a high school mentorship program will be initiated. We will also take part in various other community-based services. Through this initiative, we seek to achieve our objective of becoming an integral part of Yale University.

Pictures



We, the undersigned members of Alpha Sigma Phi Yale University Colony, hereby petition Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity to grant this organization the honor of being designated as 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.

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- 9) Mr. Daniel Isquith 
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- 13) Mr. Amer Hasan 
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