

PHI ALPHA COLONY

CHARTERING PROSPECTUS

Authored by the

Phi Alpha Colony  
Chartering Committee

Stephen Sellers Smith, chairman  
Colony Vice President

Clarence Alexander Elmore, Jr.  
Colony President

Ronnie Fisner McBryde  
Colony Rush Chairman

Fred Heyward Hembree  
Colony Editor

William James Maxwell, Jr.  
Colony Treasurer

The  
PHI ALPHA COLONY  
of  
ALPHA SIGMA PHI FRATERNITY  
at  
Francis Marion College  
in  
Florence, S. C.

respectfully offers to  
  
THE GRAND COUNCIL OF  
ALPHA SIGMA PHI FRATERNITY  
  
this  
  
CHARTERING PROSPECTUS

in hopes that, through its endeavors  
since Colonization, it may be deemed  
worthy of the great honor and privilege  
of being granted status as a

CHAPTER  
  
of  
  
ALPHA SIGMA PHI FRATERNITY

## PHI ALPHA COLONY

### CHARTERING PROSPECTUS

#### TABLE OF CONTENTS

	Page
The History of Francis Marion College	1
The History of Phi Alpha Colony	5
Analysis of the Performance of Phi Alpha Colony Regarding Minimum Operating Standards	15
Letter to Grand Council from FMC Dean of Students Dr. Thomas M. Whiteley	26
Letter to Grand Council from FMC Inter-Fraternity Council President Frank L. Demos	27
Formal Petition to the Grand Council for Chartering as a Chapter of Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity	28

#### ADDITIONAL APPENDIX

PhiAlpha Pledge Education Program	30
Phi Alpha Rush Program	35
Phi Alpha Scholarship Program	37
Phi Alpha Little Sisters Constitution	39
Phi Alpha Committee Structure	43
Phi Alpha "Taking Flight"	44

## THE HISTORY OF FRANCIS MARION COLLEGE

Francis Marion College is a four-year liberal arts institution of higher education located in the Pee Dee area of South Carolina near the city of Florence. The school has quickly earned a reputation for the quality of its academic program and is fully accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools, the South Carolina State Board of Education, the American Council on Education, and the American Association of State Colleges and Universities. It is governed by the State College Board of Trustees. The campus enjoys ready access from U. S. Highway 301-76. It is situated on a 309 acre tract of former plantation land originally included in a grant from the King of England. The initial 100 acres were a gift to the school by the Walter G. and Jay W. Wallace families.

Francis Marion began its life as an institution of higher learning as USC-Florence, one of the many branches of the University of South Carolina which serve various areas of the state. Full approval for the school was obtained by June 25, 1969, and Francis Marion College was officially established as a fully independent college on July 1, 1970. The name for the school was taken from that of the South Carolina Revolutionary War hero, General Francis Marion. The first academic term saw the enrollment of 907 students, most of them residents of the state of South Carolina. From that initial year, the college embarked on a program of rapid expansion which included the addition of the James A. Rogers Library in 1971, the Robert E. McNair Science Building in 1972, the Walter

Douglas Smith College Center and Founders Hall in 1974, the John K. Cauthen Educational Media Center in 1977, and the Fine Arts Center and FMC Village (student housing) in 1981. By 1979, enrollment for the college had reached 2,818 and continues to fluctuate near this mark.

Francis Marion College is organized into thirteen academic departments offering a variety of majors. FMC offers majors in Biology, Business Administration, Chemistry, Economics, Education, English, French, History, Mathematics, Political Science, Psychology, Sociology, and Spanish. Programs offered in cooperation with other schools include Anthropology, Art, Computer Science, Geography, Geology, Engineering, and Forest Management. The school makes excellent provisions for all areas of pre-professional study, including special academic advisors for most subjects. The academic program is well supervised by Dr. Walter Douglas Smith, President of the College, Dr. William C. Moran, Dean of the College, and the various distinguished department chairmen. The school has a number of distinguished honor societies which are active on the campus. The Phi Alpha Colony of Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity is proud to have one member of Pi Gamma Mu, two members of Omicron Delta Kappa, and three members of the most widely recognized honorary society on the FMC campus, Phi Kappa Phi. Colony Vice President Stephen Smith serves as the Vice President (the only student officer) of Phi Kappa Phi. A major part of academic life at FMC is the Academic Awards Day in April. This ceremony recognizes such campus leaders as Francis Marion Scholars, Student Marshals, and Dean's List members. Phi Alpha has always been represented in all of these categories.

There are a number of other aspects of student life at Francis Marion College. Student life activities are supervised by Dr. Thomas M. Whiteley, Dean of Students. Dr. Whiteley's observations on Phi Alpha Colony are contained in a letter included as part of this Prospectus. There are a number of student organizations which operate on campus, all of which must be chartered by the Student Government Association. Organizations whose memberships include members of the Phi Alpha Colony include the Ars Medica medical career interest group, the Biology Club, the FMC Collegiate Republicans, the Photography Club, the Alpha Chi Rho Omega and Baptist Student Union religious interest groups, and the Philosophy Club. An important part of student life is the intramural athletics program. Phi Alpha Colony has entered and participated in every intramural sporting event held on the FMC campus. At the end of the fall semester, Phi Alpha held fourth place in cumulative intramural points among all teams competing. Phi Alpha also participates in such student life activities as athletic event attendance, social event participation, and Patriot Week and Homecoming activities.

Of special importance to student life at FMC is the Greek system. The fraternity system is under the leadership of the FMC Inter-Fraternity Council. The president of the IFC is Kappa Alpha Order brother Frank L. Demos. Phi Alpha is a full-fledged member of the IFC, with all the rights and responsibilities which accrue to that status. Other fraternities which hold membership are the Kappa Alpha Order, Alpha Tau Omega, Omega Psi Phi, Pi Kappa Alpha, and Sigma Phi Epsilon. Alpha Phi Alpha is present on campus, but is too small to qualify for IFC membership. Phi Alpha fully supports the IFC and participates in all of its activities. This

spring, emphasis will be on an IFC fundraiser for Hospice of Florence and, of course, Greek Week. Phi Alpha placed fourth in last year's Greek Week competition, and hopes to do even better this year. Greek Week is shared with the campus sororities. They are governed by the Panhellenic Council, a body similar in scope and purpose to the IFC. Member sororities include Alpha Kappa Alpha, Alpha Delta Pi, Delta Sigma Theta, Phi Mu, and Zeta Tau Alpha.

Francis Marion College is a growing, dynamic institution which well serves the needs of its students and the surrounding communities. It offers continuing education courses, various cultural and community services, and serves as a Small Business Institution for the area. The school is well respected and much appreciated throughout the Pee Dee area. The members of Phi Alpha Colony of Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity are dedicated to the task of making their school an institution of excellence in all areas. One of the greatest recognitions of success in this endeavor is the selection of a student to Who's Who Among American Colleges and Universities. This fall, 24 FMC students attained this honor. Among campus fraternity officers who were recognized were the president of Pi Kappa Alpha, the vice president and the controller of Sigma Phi Epsilon, and Alpha Sigma Phi president Clarence Alexander Elmore and vice president Stephen Sellers Smith. Certainly, as FMC continues to mature and grow to its full potential, Phi Alpha Colony will be a strong force in the future direction of the school.



## THE HISTORY OF PHI ALPHA COLONY

Although the history of the Phi Alpha Colony of Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity does not cover an extensive time period, it does cover an extensive range of events and activities which have matured the group into a cohesive force on the Francis Marion College campus. Much of the credit for the very existence of Phi Alpha belongs to Rob Sheehan. Through his dedication and persistence, a group of nine men came together in December of 1980 in order to lay the groundwork for colonization. A fellowship supper was held on December 1, 1980 to introduce the men to the ideals of Alpha Sigma Phi. At this dinner, the date of December 3 was set as the time for the first pledge ceremony. Nine men went in as the first pledge class. They were R. Dwain Bailey, Steven L. Blackwell, Malcolm A. Carmichael, C. Alexander Elmore, Thomas E. Grimes, Jeffrey K. Johnson, Darriel G. Kitchens, Wm. James Maxwell, and Wm. J. (Bill) Walton. Unfortunately, Johnson soon left because of personal reasons. However, the group remained enthusiastic as they looked forward to the 1981 Spring semester.

January was an eventful month for the Phi Alpha Colony. It saw the addition to the membership of W. David Byrd, S. Kirk Davis, David L. DuBose, Steven B. Harrelson, Kenneth W. Hatchell, Garry S. Haywood, Fred H. Hembree, James L. Lancaster, Donald R. Marlowe, Ronnie F. McBryde, Aaron B. Proctor, W. Allen Reaves, and Stephen S. Smith. The group began its social life together by having a Super Bowl Party. In February, the group was greatly honored by being accepted as a Colony of Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity. Throughout the colonization



process, the group was privileged to enjoy the assistance and fine fellowship of Consultant Jeff Schwind. We were also fortunate to begin to develop our relationship with our superb advisors. Colony advisor James L. Sain (Alpha Psi Chapter) and faculty advisor Karl V. Kropp (Beta Mu Chapter) gave us not only their time and expertise but their friendship as well. Finally, on February 14, 1981, we held our Colonization Banquet at the Western Sizzlin' Steak House on Irby Street in Florence, S. C. We were greatly honored that Robert Sandercox was able to come down for the event. Also in attendance were Jeff, Jimmy, Karl, and area alumni John Mortimer and Jerry Haas. Each member recieved a certificate recognizing him as a pledge of the new Phi Alpha Colony. Our membership at that time was 21 men, a record for a new colony of Alpha Sigma Phi.

The new Colony quickly began to integrate itself into the FMC Greek system while immersing itself in the ideals of Alpha Sigma Phi through the pledge education process. Jeff coordinated a really fine program for us, with Karl and Jimmy teaching many of the classes in Jeff's absence. We were all enthused to learn about our heritage, and we were proud to learn of the distinguished traditions of Alpha Sigma Phi. We were quickly accepted on campus, although we were looked upon as the "new" fraternity. We were chartered by the Student Government Association and were accepted as members of the FMC Inter-Fraternity Council. Since intramurals are considered to be an important part of campus life, we decided to field an intramural softball team. Although we suffered a losing record, we considered ourselves to be winners because of the fun and fellowship it brought to us.

Acknowledging the commitment of Alpha Sigma Phi to personal development through service to others, we quickly moved in to help when we learned that the athletic director needed help setting up for track meets. We felt that this was a valuable service for the school, and we have obligated ourselves to assist at all track meets in the future. We received good publicity from our sponsorship of Lisa Mayers for Homecoming Queen and Sallie Gable for Miss FMC. Although neither won, we were proud to have been so well represented. The remainder of the spring was occupied by Greek Week, beach trips, and the search for a house. Greek Week was a time of intense competition and equally intense celebration and fellowship. Although somewhat hampered by our lack of familiarity with the competition, we were able to attain fourth place in overall points. Everyone had a great time at the Greek Week Dance as the week came to a close. The members of Phi Alpha Colony also took trips to the beach together during Easter and spring break. Our experiences together not only made us closer but gave us some great stories to put in Phi Alpha's memoirs. As school drew to a close for the spring, we were able to acquire a house on 313 Cedar Street in Florence. Although somewhat smaller than some of the other fraternity houses, we found that it would serve our purposes. We thus accomplished in one semester what some fraternities had taken several years to do.

As the spring semester drew to a close, we ended the year with our emphasis on academics. As a result, we had substantial representation on the Dean's List and had our Vice President selected for membership in Phi Kappa Phi as a junior. A trip to Atlanta to see a Braves ballgame (before the strike, of course) and a trip to the beach after exams

ended the semester for Phi Alpha. We were sad to lose Bill Walton to graduation, but we were sure the lessons he had learned in his Alpha Sig experience would serve him well as he pursued a career. Although the summer was a busy time with everyone going back to his home town to work and be with his family, we were still able to keep in touch with one another and keep the spirit of brotherhood alive. We had a number of social gatherings and a few formal meetings. Certainly, everyone was sure to stop by the new fraternity house whenever he was in Florence. Although Fred Hembree and Allen Reaves were the only residents during the summer, Ronnie McBryde, Aaron Proctor, and Dwain Bailey made preparations to join them in the fall. One of the most important things to happen during the summer was the development of the Prudential Committee as a policy-making force in the group. Regular meetings were held, and the PC took the lead in organizing a Back-to-School Party in late August. This event was held at the home of Darriel Kitchens near Marion, S. C., and proved to be by far and away the most elaborate and successful social event the group had ever handled. We all had a fantastic time and resumed school with the spirit of fellowship burning brightly inside us.

The fall semester of 1981 was a very interesting time for the Phi Alpha Colony. Confronted with a formal rush system of which none of us were knowledgeable, we saw that we would have to either sink or swim in short order. The system was very different from the open spring rush with which we were familiar, but we quickly adjusted to the new situation. We were assigned a date by the IFC for a formal rush party and also held a second party and a Sunday cookout for prospective rushees. We continued throughout the month of September to utilize the personal touch to rush

that we had developed during our spring experience. Unfortunately, we found the rush environment to be rather poor during the fall. Turnout at IPC Smokers was approximately 25% of what had been expected, and few of the individuals attending ended up pledging. We were unsure why the turnout was so small, but all the fraternities felt the effects. Phi Alpha Colony pledged three men during the formal period and picked up another man a couple of weeks later during open rush. Comparing our total of four to the thirteen pledged by Pi Kappa Alpha was somewhat discouraging, but we felt that the individuals we pledged were of very high quality. By the end of the semester, we had learned that eight of the thirteen PiKA pledges had become unable to be initiated or had depledged. Considering that PiKA is the oldest and largest group on the FMC campus, we were less disconcerted about our rush performance. Thus, we were pleased to welcome into the Phi Alpha Colony Michael Hiott, Lance Howle, Trent Redder, and David Welch. Their education began in short order under Pledge Educator Ronnie McBryde.

During September, we were pleased and honored to have Tomahawk editor Evin Varner visit with us. His advice and insights were invaluable to our development, and we were proud to enjoy his fellowship. We had extensive meetings with him and tried to give him an open and honest feeling of the character of the Phi Alpha Colony. During his stay, he appointed Jim Maxwell to head up the new Little Sisters effort and appointed Stephen Smith to be chartering chairman. It was during this visit that we were first made aware of the requirements for chartering. It was also during this visit that we solved our first membership crisis. This crisis involved Thomas Edward Grimes, who had been a member of the initial pledge class.

Because of various personal and personality problems, Thomas had become very detrimental to the group as a whole. Although we had repeatedly tried to encourage his personal development through his fraternity experience, our efforts had repeatedly failed. The leadership of the Colony had recognized the problem, but were unsure of the proper solution. After getting to know Thomas, Mr. Varner became convinced that we had done all we could to help him and that he should be removed from the group before he could do further harm. Although Mr. Varner offered to perform this chore for us, the leadership of the group decided that the responsibility to remedy the situation rested at the local level. In a meeting with Advisor Kropp and Vice President Smith, Thomas had the situation explained to him and was offered an opportunity to depledge on his own initiative. He turned in his pledge pin later that day. Colony Secretary Malcolm Carmichael notified Headquarters accordingly.

Upon Mr. Varner's departure, we began the task before us. We began to develop written programs for rush, scholarship, and little sisters. These programs are enclosed in the Appendix to this Prospectus. Also enclosed is our written pledge education program. Our little sisters group was small but of high quality. They proved invaluable in assisting us in social events and housing improvements. The group consisted of Lisa Tedder, Lisa Soles, and Sallie Gable. We developed an impressive initiation ceremony for them and presented each with her little sister pin and a long-stemmed rose. As the semester progressed, people began to ask about the program, and our hopes for its future success grew.

Our social calendar remained reasonably full for the semester. The

little sisters sponsored one party for us. Also, a couple of us were able to accompany Jimmy Sain to the Presbyterian College Homecoming football game. Although a number of us were planning to go to the Province Conclave, the dates were changed on us at the last minute. As a result, many of us could not go. However, we were represented by Karl Kropp, David DuBose, and Darriel Kitchens. One of our major social functions was a mixer with the sisters of the Zeta Tau Alpha sorority. This was by far and away one of the most enjoyable events we had all semester. This event not only allowed us to get to know some fine people but also assured our social status on the FMC campus.

Many members of the Phi Alpha Colony were recognized for their various achievements during the fall semester. Aaron Proctor made us all proud by placing first in the intramural Punt, Pass, and kick competition. David Byrd and Alec Elmore joined Stephen Smith as members of Phi Kappa Phi. Elmore and Smith were also initiated into the Omicron Delta Kappa leadership honor society, and Smith was initiated into the Pi Gamma Mu Social Science honor society. Elmore and Smith brought further credit to the group through their selection for Who's Who Among Students in American Colleges and Universities. By the end of the semester, we could claim that 40% of our members had been on the Dean's List in the past year. Certainly, the members of the Phi Alpha Colony received a good deal of recognition for their leadership in the various phases of campus life. We felt that our activities which had earned these honors were a service to the school and community. However, we did not stop there. We helped to serve our community and school by assisting at a fall track meet and by visiting the children in the children's ward at the McLeod Medical Center on Halloween. Overall, we felt that our involvement with

others made us better and more mature people.

As the semester began to draw to a close, we were fortunate to receive a visit from Consultant Chuck Cole. Chuck helped us to recognize problem areas and develop and refine ourselves further into what we should be to benefit ourselves and others. Although we were in the academic "home stretch" with tests and papers, we spent a good deal of time with Chuck and thoroughly enjoyed the feeling of fellowship and optimism that he brought with him. Chuck left us with new ideas, a tentative chartering schedule, and a feeling that we could accomplish anything to which we set our minds. Our Christmas Party and New Year's Eve Party closed out the year for Phi Alpha. We were sorry to see the end of the undergraduate years for Dwain Bailey and Darriell Kitchens, but we are encouraged and optimistic about their future success.

As the Spring semester begins, the members of the Phi Alpha Colony are very encouraged by our past achievements and even more thrilled by our opportunities for future success. In the interest of continuity as we begin the chartering process, we elected unanimously to retain our old officers, adding Jim Maxwell as Colony Treasurer to replace the graduated Dwain Bailey. We are confident that we can meet the few minimum operating standards we have not already surpassed and that we will be able to adhere to the chartering schedule outlined by Chuck Cole. On the social scene, we are looking forward to another mixer with the Zetas as well as one with the ADPis. The service outlook is good. We will be assisting Palmetto General Hospital in Marion move to a new set of quarters as well as working approximately six track meets for the college. Neighbor relations at the house are excellent (greatly helped



by our visits and gifts at Christmas), and our relationship with our advisors remains exceptionally strong. We are also looking forward to our first Academic Awards Banquet to recognize our outstanding scholars. We are looking forward to seeing Chuck again during the first part of February, and we are sure that he will be proud to see the progress we have made since his last visit. Our history is chronologically short, but it is filled with a variety of achievements of which we are justifiably proud. In a year since colonization, we have made the name of Alpha Sigma Phi not only well known on the FMC campus, but also well respected. We have big plans for the future, but we are certain that we have the ability and drive to implement those plans. Alpha Sigma Phi has been the most important part of our college careers, and we are looking forward to the day when we can attain the high honor of becoming initiated members of a Chapter of Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity.

ANALYSIS OF THE PERFORMANCE OF THE  
PHI ALPHA COLONY  
REGARDING MINIMUM OPERATING STANDARDS

Phi Alpha Colony recognizes the validity of the idea that the quality of a fraternal program is often evident in certain quantitative criteria. Phi Alpha Colony was first made aware of the existence of the Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity Minimum Operating Standards during the visit during Fall 1981 of Tomahawk Editor Evin Varner. It was at this time that we were presented with the sheet entitled "Minimum Standards" which enumerated specifically all quantitative areas of performance that would be judged as we began the formal chartering process. Since that time, Phi Alpha Colony has taken steps to bring itself into compliance with all of these guidelines. Many have already been met or exceeded; others are in the process of compliance. We have enumerated below the various Standards as they have been presented to us and have indicated the steps we have taken to comply.

I. Membership

The Minimum Standards specify that total membership should be 25, with 10 men pledged each year. This is an area in which Phi Alpha is still in the process of complying. However, we have no fear that we will be unable to do so. The current status of our active membership is 20 men. We also have one member who found it necessary to remove himself from active status during the spring semester; however, he is committed to resuming active status in the fall. Phi Alpha Colony has pledged and

educated 4 men so far this year. We were disappointed that we could not pledge more, but we felt that there were valid reasons for our performance. Most of the fall period was occupied by formal rush. During the previous year's rush, Phi Alpha Colony did not even exist. As a result, we were handicapped by the fact that we had no idea how the system worked or what to expect. Having been through the system once, we are confident that we can do well within it in the future. Furthermore, the rush environment at FMC was poor this fall. No one is quite sure why this was so, but only one of the six IFC member fraternities was able to pledge and eventually initiate as many as 10 men. Finally, there were some illegal rush practices conducted which we feel may have cost us as many as three rushees. These illegal activities were carried out by Pi Kappa Alpha. PiKA was convicted in the IFC of illegal rush activities, fined \$200 and barred from participation in rush next fall. Phi Alpha Colony is not trying to excuse a poor performance, but is instead trying to provide an understanding of the environment in which our rush process occurs. Upon the graduation of Darriel Kitchens, President Elmore appointed Ronnie McBryde to be the new Rush Chairman. McBryde has already moved aggressively to improve our rush, and we already have 4 commitments who will be pledged shortly. Headquarters will, of course, be notified upon the pledging of new men. We are currently operating under the open spring rush which was so successful for us last year. We are sure we will be able to repeat last year's performance. Pledging 6 men this semester will result in a total of 26 active members and 10 men pledged over the course of the year. We are very confident now that we will have no

problems meeting this goal of 6 men, and we fully expect to exceed that number. We tender this Chartering Prospectus to the Grand Council for consideration contingent upon the fulfillment of this requirement.

(Please note that we will have 3 Phi Alpha alumni who will be returning for initiation.)

## II. Service Projects

The members of the Phi Alpha Colony recognize the benefits of campus and community service, both to those served and to ourselves as we serve. Campus service has so far taken the form of assisting the athletic director in setting up track meets. We worked one meet last spring, one this fall, and plan to work six this spring. We have thoroughly enjoyed working with Dr. Tom Whiteley, Dean of Students and track coach, in coordinating this service. In the area of community service, we visited the McLeod Regional Medical Center Children's Ward on Halloween. We gave the children fruit, candy, and comic books and provided them with some companionship. The McLeod's staff were pleased and invited us back next year. This spring, we will be assisting Palmetto General Hospital in Marion, S. C. in moving to a new building. This project will take place (tentatively) on Friday, February 5. If everything goes according to schedule, Chuck Cole will be with us again on that date and will be able to observe our service efforts. Also, Phi Alpha will actively participate in a fund-raising project sponsored by the IFC for Hospice of Florence. In all, we feel that we have a good service record. We have a campus service project for Spring '81, campus and community projects for Fall '81, and

campus and community projects for Spring '82.

### III. Financial Records

Phi Alpha Colony is well aware that irresponsible financial reporting and control can doom an organization quicker than almost any other factor. Phi Alpha Colony is financially sound. Consultant Chuck Cole, in a letter to President Elmore after his visit with us, expressed his confidence in the competence of Treasurer Dwain Bailey. Since Dwain's graduation, new Colony Treasurer Jim Maxwell has moved to further increase the degree of speed and accuracy in financial reporting. The Prudential Committee has carefully developed a budget for the Spring semester and has sent a copy of that budget to Headquarters, along with an audit statement for the close of the Fall budget period. The audit statement revealed that Treasurer Bailey had done a very competent job in his handling of the financial affairs of the fraternity.

The Minimum Standards specify that there should be no accounts payable by the Colony older than 60 days. Phi Alpha currently has an accounts payable balance of zero. The Minimum Standards further specify that no individual should be in arrears to the Colony more than 60 days without the security of a promissory note. Currently, only one individual is in this position. He is behind only 60 days and has explained to the Prudential Committee the reasons for his tardiness in payment. The PC has secured a promissory note from this person and is satisfied for him to continue as an active member in good standing. There are two other individuals in arrears, both of whom are in arrears only 30 days. The

PC expects this situation to quickly remedy itself as those members recover from the Christmas holidays. At the close of the Fall budget period, the PC found accounts receivable to be within the limits of 6% set by the Minimum Standards. Our accounts receivable as of Dec. 31, 1981 were 4% of the total Fall budget. The finances of Phi Alpha Colony are currently in no way handicapped by any payments in arrears.

The remaining Standards in the financial area are the sinking fund provision and the room contract provision. Phi Alpha Colony has established a savings account at the Guaranty Bank and Trust Company in Florence, S. C. which meets the requirements for this fund. This account is separate from both the regular checking account and the chartering account. Finally, Phi Alpha has secured signed room contracts for those individuals who have elected to reside in the fraternity house. The house is not rented in the name of the fraternity (the realtor preferred that the rent agreement be with an individual) and thus the fraternity has no liability for the house. However, Treasurer Dwain Bailey, a resident, was willing to put the house in his name. We have secured signed contracts both for the protection of Dwain and to begin a good business practice in preparation for the day when the Colony may rent or own a house itself.

#### IV. Alumni

Currently, Phi Alpha Colony has three alumni. There are also relatively few Alpha Sig alumni from other chapters who reside in the Pee Dee area. However, there are some, and a current list is maintained by

Colony Editor, Fred Hembree. The members of Phi Alpha Colony all recognize the importance of involving alumni in the activities of the Colony, as we all hope that we will likewise be involved after our graduation. Our Colony newsletter is entitled "Phi Alpha Taking Flight." It has been published twice so far since colonization, and another issue is underway. Copies have been distributed as per the guidelines in the Minimum Standards, with all alumni in the Pee Dee area receiving a copy. Copies of the newsletters are included in the Appendix to this Prospectus. Editor Fred Hembree is committed to exceeding publication standards for the newsletter, and envisions that "Taking Flight" may be published in the future at intervals of 6-8 weeks. We are hoping to use the newsletter as a vehicle for encouraging greater alumni participation. We do not envision having difficulty meeting the requirement of one alumni event per year. We intend to include all area alumni, not only those of Phi Alpha Colony. We are presently thinking that it will be some type of reception at the fraternity house on a Saturday or Sunday afternoon. Although the time has not been set, it will occur this spring on such a timetable that notification through "Taking Flight" will provide 2-3 weeks advance notice.

#### V. Current Constitution and Bylaws on file at Headquarters

The Phi Alpha Colony of Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity received considerable assistance from Headquarters in the development of our Constitution. We are relatively sure that there is a copy on file. However, since the author of the Constitution was Jeff Johnson, who later depledged for personal reasons, we are unable to be positive



that this is the case. As a result, we have sent an additional copy to Headquarters. It should currently be on file.

#### VI. Inter-Chapter Activity

Phi Alpha Colony has successfully strived to meet its responsibilities in inter-chapter activity. We hope that the Grand Council will recognize the fact that we have been unable to attend all the events enumerated in the Minimum Standards because of the fact that we were not in existence upon the last occasion on which some of the events were held. However, we have participated in those events which have taken place in the time frame of our existence. We were represented at the National Educational Conference by Darriel Kitchens and Dwain Bailey. We were also represented at the Province Conclave at North Carolina State University by Karl Kropp, David DuBose, and Darriel Kitchens. We had intended to send a delegation of approximately 12 individuals, but were notified less than 10 days in advance that the Conclave had been switched from November 7 to October 31. Work schedules and a Halloween service project prevented us from being represented by a large delegation, but we were represented nonetheless. We are all enthused by the great times had by those who have attended the Conclave and the NEC, and we will certainly have representatives at all future required events.

#### VII. Scholarship

The Phi Alpha Colony is justifiably proud of its record in scholastic achievement. Approximately 40% of our members have attained the Dean's List in the past year. Our membership includes such honors as

a Francis Marion Scholar, a Student Marshal, and members of Phi Kappa Phi, Pi Gamma Mu, and Omicron Delta Kappa honor societies. Currently, we feel that we have two members who each have an excellent chance to receive the top departmental awards in their academic disciplines as they approach graduation. This will be revealed at Academic Awards Day in April, and we look forward to notifying Headquarters of the good news.

The Scholastic Committee, under the leadership of Scholastic Chairman Allen Reaves, has developed a written program for scholarship which is included in the Appendix to this Prospectus. We have included as part of this program an Academic Awards Banquet to be held after the conclusion of each semester. The banquet for the Fall semester is to be held on Tuesday, February 9 at 7:00 p.m. We are looking forward to having Consultant Chuck Cole celebrate our academic successes with us at that time.

#### VIII. Social

We have met the requirement of one event per year closed to outsiders. Both our Back-to-School Party and our New Year's Eve Party represented such events. However, we try to make our social functions serve rush purposes as often as possible, with potential rushees being invited to attend.

#### IX. Publications

Colony Editor is currently preparing a write-up to submit for the Summer Tomahawk. However, he will wait until closer to the June 1 deadline to mail it in in hopes that he will be able to include the

full range of our activities during the spring. He will certainly want to include a report on our Greek Week performance and, of course, a report on our chartering activities should our petition prove successful. Editor Hembree has submitted and seen published a report on our Fall '81 pledge class in the "Old Gal Gazette." He is also looking forward to an additional report for publication.

#### X. Pledge Education

A written statement of our Pledge Education Program is included as part of the Appendix to this Prospectus. The program is modeled around the one used by Jeff, Jimmy, and Karl in the education of our initial group. It was prepared carefully by former Pledge Educator Ronnie McBryde. He used it for the Fall '81 pledge class with good success. Upon McBryde's appointment to the post of Rush Chairman, David Byrd assumed the post of Pledge Educator. We hope to further refine the program as we prepare to educate the Spring '82 pledge class.

#### XI. Ritual

The Phi Alpha Colony of Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity is aware of the fact that attention to ritual adds richness and character to the activities of our Colony. We strive to make proper use of all rituals and formalities in pledgings, installations, and meetings. We have been guided and advised in the pursuit of this goal by our advisors, and our performance has been approved by them.

## XII. Interfraternal Activity

The Phi Alpha Colony of Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity has been a member of the Francis Marion College Interfraternity Council since the Spring semester of 1981. Delegates to the IFC are currently Stephen Smith and Jim Maxwell. There are six member fraternities, all of which have 2 voting delegates. The President of the IFC is Frank L. Demos, a brother of the Kappa Alpha Order. The Phi Alpha Colony is readily accepted as a full-fledged member of the IFC and supports all its activities and decisions. The Prospectus includes a letter from President Demos outlining his observations upon our IFC membership as we attempt the chartering process.

## XIII. Communications with Headquarters

The Phi Alpha Colony attempts to maintain quality communications with Headquarters. Our advisors have advised us that our level of communication is indeed good, and they attempt to maintain good communication in their own right. Most of our communication with Headquarters is coordinated through Colony Secretary Malcolm Carmichael. We attempt to accurately and honestly respond to questionnaires and reports. Our most recent report to Headquarters was the result of elections. Through the course of this semester, we will be supplying May membership reports, National Convention delegate forms, additional publication materials, and the required awards applications. Our next report will most probably be the pledge report for our Spring pledge class, which will be delivered as per the timetable set forth on the report.

#### XIV. Dean or other officials

Phi Alpha currently maintains good relations with both Dean of Students Dr. Thomas Whiteley and Assistant Dean of Students Mr. Tom Davidson. Dr. Whiteley's comments on Phi Alpha are contained in a letter from him included as part of this Prospectus. We have had approximately five contacts with them since the beginning of the fall semester. All of these contacts have been in their office. We are arranging for a meeting with Dr. Whiteley for Consultant Cole on his next trip. Although we have not yet had the pleasure of their attendance at one of our meetings, Mr. Davidson has been invited to some of our parties. We will invite them to a meeting in the near future, but we currently have no problems with which we need their help. We are aware that we have their confidence, and we are pleased to be on good standing with them.

#### XV. Officer Files

The Prudential Committee is currently coordinating the development of Officer Files for the Colony. Although the continuity of our leadership from the last term has made this requirement less imperative than it might otherwise be, we are nonetheless attempting to begin a quality system of written observation by the officers. In the future, these will assist in the orientation of new officers in addition to the personal orientation they will receive from the old officers. We are hoping that the files will be sufficiently well developed that Consultant Chuck Cole will be able to examine them on his next visit to Phi Alpha.



Office of Student Affairs

# Francis Marion College

FLORENCE, SOUTH CAROLINA 29501  
(803) 669-4121

January 19, 1982

Grand Council of Alpha Sigma Phi  
West Williams Street  
Deleware, Ohio

Dear Sir:

This letter is in support of the Phi Alpha Colony of Alpha Sigma Phi on the Francis Marion College Campus. These young men under the leadership of Mr. Alex Elmore, president, and Mr. Stephen Smith, vice president, have through their work within the Francis Marion College community earned the support and respect of the college. This group of young men has been accepted by the Francis Marion College Inter-Fraternity Council and strives to further the standards of brotherhood, character and scholarship within the IFC and their own fraternity.

The Phi Alpha Colony of Alpha Sigma Phi is striving to meet their goals of fellowship, academic achievement, community and college service and social involvement.

I believe the group is worthy of being chartered on the Francis Marion College Campus.

Sincerely,

THOMAS M. WHITELEY  
Dean of Students

TMW:ss

February 1, 1982

Grand Council  
Alpha Sigma Phi

Gentlemen,

On behalf of, and as the president of the Inter-Fraternity Council at Francis Marion College I would like to take the opportunity of this letter to inform you of the performance of your colony chapter on our campus.

As far as participation is concerned, the Alpha Sigma Phi chapter has taken an active part in all IFC sponsored events and also a number of functions sponsored by the college and various interest groups as well. Also, the acquisition of a chapter house will represent a big plus for them in the future.

On behalf of the Francis Marion College Inter-Fraternity Council, I recommend a national charter for this group from your organization.

Sincerely Yours,

  
Frank Demos  
IFC President

rhm



We, the undersigned members of the Phi Alpha Colony of Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity, do hereby petition the Grand Council of Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity to grant this group the high honor and privilege of being designated a Chapter of Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity. We fully commit ourselves to abide by the Constitution, Bylaws, and Rituals of the Fraternity. If our petition to attain this great honor should be successful, we sincerely hope that the Grand Council will give consideration to the date of April 17, 1982 as the proper time to grant the Charter.

Richard Dwain Bailey  
Richard Dwain Bailey, alumnus

Steven Lawrence Blackwell  
Steven Lawrence Blackwell

Walter David Byrd  
Walter David Byrd

Malcolm Archibald Carmichael  
Malcolm Archibald Carmichael

Steven Kirk Davis  
Steven Kirk Davis

David Laurence DuBose  
David Laurence DuBose

Clarence Alexander Elmore, Jr.  
Clarence Alexander Elmore, Jr.

Steven Billy Harrelson  
Steven Billy Harrelson

Kenneth Wayne Hatchell  
Kenneth Wayne Hatchell

Garry Steven Haywood  
Garry Steven Haywood

Fred Heyward Hembree  
Fred Heyward Hembree

Michael Joel Hiott  
Michael Joel Hiott

Lance Howle  
Lance Howle

Darriel Gye Kitchens, III  
Darriel Gye Kitchens, III, alumnus

James L. Lancaster  
James Lionel Lancaster

Donald Marlowe  
Donald Ray Marlowe

William J. Maxwell, Jr.  
William James Maxwell, Jr.

Ronnie F. McBryde  
Ronnie Fisher McBryde

Aaron B. Proctor  
Aaron Benjamin Proctor

Karl V. Kropp  
Karl Vernon Kropp  
Faculty Advisor

Walker Allen Reaves  
Walker Allen Reaves

Stephen Sellers Smith  
Stephen Sellers Smith

William Jones Walton, III  
William Jones Walton, III, alumnus

David Welch  
David Welch

James L. Sain  
James L. Sain  
Colony Advisor

## PLEDGE EDUCATION, ALPHA SIGMA PHI FRATERNITY

### FRANCIS MARION COLLEGE

#### PART 1: PURPOSES AND GOALS OF PLEDGE EDUCATION

Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity can teach the individual about himself, his school, and his fraternity. The purpose of the Pledge Education Course, of six to eight weeks, is to show the young Pledge how he can better himself, better his community, and better his school. Also, the Pledge will learn that each individual of the Fraternity is a vital part and without support, the system will ultimately fail. The final goals of the Pledge Education Course is--(1)To eventually promote knowledge about the Fraternity, (2)To show how fraternity life is helpful to an individual, (3)Promote loyalties to each other as Pledges and future Brothers, as well as to their school, (4)To assist in the building of character, (5)Provide training of the Pledges so they will be competent of fraternal matters, so they can carry out the traditions of Alpha Sigma Phi, (6)To highly encourage scholarship, culture and patriotism.

#### PART 11: PLEDGE EDUCATOR RESPONSIBILITIES

The Pledge Educator should play a vital role in the molding of the new Pledge. Each Pledge should feel free to turn to him if any problems should occur during his Pledge Education Course. If the Pledge Educator feels that a Pledge is not living up to Alpha Sigma Phi standards, he may find it necessary to submit the Pledge's name to the Prudential committee and a subsequent vote of the Brothers to be terminated from the Pledge Course. However, the Pledge must face the Brotherhood before a vote is passed. In order for the Pledge Educator to make sure his course will work, he must

submit. in two weeks advance, a copy of the Pledge Education Course to the Prudential Committee for approval. This will, hopefully allow enough time for any changes that may have to be made in the course. The other important role, that the Pledge Educator, along with his committee has is the responsibility of assignment of Big Brothers. Big Brothers will be assigned to the Pledges by way of the Pledge Education Committee.

#### PART 111: BROTHERHOOD RESPONSIBILITIES

The Brotherhood also plays an important role in the advancement of the Pledge. After the Big Brother has been assigned a Little Brother, it will be up to him to help guide the Pledge into Alpha Sigma Phi traditions and standards. He is expected to help the Pledge as much as he possibly can during his Pledge Education Course. He will be his teacher and a friend, the Pledge can turn to if he has a problem. In order for the Pledge and Big Brother to learn about one another, a form will be given to each Brother in order to be filled out once a week, of activities that the Big Brother and Little Brother did together. These forms will be turned in to the Prudential Committee for reviewal, by the Big Brother.

#### PART 1V: THE PLEDGE'S RESPONSIBILITIES

Pledges must complete the following Pledge Education Program to even be considered for initiation into the Mystic Circle of Alpha Sigma Phi.

In addition-they are expected to:

- |                                    |  |
|------------------------------------|--|
| (1) Be themselves                  | (4) Better their school, self and community.             |
| (2) Learn from experience          | (5) Uphold Alpha Sigma Phi                               |
| (3) Wear their pledge pins proudly | (6) Earn the honor of being a Brother of Alpha Sigma Phi |

However, the Pledge must never:

- (1) Wear or display the Alpha Sigma Phi Crest
- (2) Wear another Brother's badge
- (3) Malign in anyway, Alpha Sigma Phi

## PART V: HAZING POLICY

Hazing is generally defined as any type of behavior toward someone that will demean them physically, mentally, socially, or all three together. Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity frowns on such behavior. This means that absolutely no hazing of a Pledge will be tolerated.

PROCEDURES OF PLEDGE PROGRAM

ALPHA SIGMA PHI

FRANCIS MARION COLLEGE

WEEK # 1

- (1) Introduction to program
  - (2) TBTM: Section 1 and Section 4 (Scholarship)
  - (3) TBTM: Section 3 (National Organization and "National" etc...)
- Introduction to duties of officers.

WEEK # 2

- (1) Election of Pledge class officers
- (2) TBTM Section 2
- (3) Committee responsibilities-Service project discussed and fundraiser
- (4) Discussion of responsibilities of officers and committees by Brothers that hold positions.

WEEK # 3

Decision of service project and fundraiser

- (2) TBTM: Section 3 and Section 4 (Publications, goodwill, and reaching out)  
(Financial management)

WEEK # 4

TBTM: Section 3 (Running your chapter and the province system)

- (2) Learn song "For He's An Alpha Sig" TEST

#### WEEK # 5

- (1) TBTM: Section 4 (You join for a life time and having fun)
- (2) Review

#### WEEK # 6

- (1) TBTM: (Rush) Workshop  
Answer session and review

#### WEEK # 7

- (1) Interviews turned in, ticket for final

#### FINAL EXAM

Pledges must be at every class meeting. If they miss a class, they must have a written valid excuse, to be turned in to the Pledge Educator. Pledges will obtain interviews from other pledges as well as advisors and Brothers. They will on approval of the Brotherhood, do at least one service project, social project and fundraiser. In addition to Faternity dues, the Pledge class may wish to have a Pledge Fund in order to fund their social events. They will elect officers and carry out duties of officers. A "Scrapbook" of some sort will be kept by each member.

\*In order for the Pledge to be initiated into Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity, he must have a 3/4 majority vote in his favor by the Brotherhood after completion of his Pledge Education Course. Pledges will have one activity a week with Big Brother.



## Phi Alpha Colony

### Rush Guidelines

Rush is regulated on the FMC campus by the FMC Inter-Fraternity Council.

Rush is "closed" or "formal" from IFC Smokers in the Fall through the time that bids are received. This period is usually about one month. Rush is "open" at all other times.

Rush is defined as the process of seeking out, evaluating, and confirming new members.

Reasons for rush are "To Better The Man" through Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity and to help sustain the fraternity and perpetuate its traditions.

Criteria for membership in Phi Alpha

- \*Interest in fraternity life
- \*Willingness to work and participate
- \*Willingness to make some personal sacrifices in order to benefit the group effort
- \*Willingness to work to improve oneself
- \*Interest in scholarship and leadership

In general, the rush relationship must be evaluated as an interactive process between the brotherhood and the rushee. There should be benefits which accrue to both by the association. In other words, 1) what can we do for the rushee and 2) what can the rushee do to help us? The true rush relationship will produce a synergy which causes the brotherhood and the rushee together to be more than the sum of the two separately.

### Rush Committee and Chairman

The chairman of the rush committee must be a dynamic, persistent, and personable individual. He should be respected by all so that potential rushees will see a good example of what the Alpha Sigma Phi experience can do for an individual. Ideally, the rush committee and chairman should be continuous from the spring to the fall. While the rush chairman should be a well known and respected upperclass brother, the remainder of the rush committee should be made up of those individuals who are underclassmen. This will help ensure good contact with freshman and sophomore rushees who are not as readily accessible to juniors and seniors.

## Fall Rush

Fall Rush is formal-- it should be begun by obtaining a list of incoming freshmen, especially those who indicated an interest in the fraternity system at the summer preregistration. If resources allow it, there should be a rush party before the start of the fall semester. Formal rush officially begins with IFC Smokers. The IFC delegates should find out the dates for IFC Smokers as well as the assigned party dates for the various fraternities and communicate these dates to the rush chairman.

IFC Smokers--Get names and addresses of all rushees, make notes on those that interest you. Have a reception at the house following Smokers. Have some type of rush event within one week of Smokers, even if it has to fall on a week night because of official party dates. Be sure rushees have at least one week notice of an event. Hand deliver invitations if possible. If mailed, invitations should be followed up by a phone call. Except in extreme cases, invite all rushees to first party. After that, begin to weed down the list. Use the same personal approach that works for spring rush. Make use of a visit or phone call to everyone who will receive a bid immediately before bids go out. Under no circumstances should IFC rush regulations be violated. After bids come back in, follow up on all those who did not pledge a fraternity.

## Spring Rush

Spring Rush is open-- make use of the personal, one-on-one approach that has worked well in the past. If there is a spring IFC Smokers, use similar techniques as those for fall. Men should be pledged as soon as possible after they decide to join the membership. Always utilize new pledges to bring in new people. Make use of the rush packets provided by the rush chairman.

Points to remember about Alpha Sigma Phi

We will not smother your individuality.

We make fewer financial demands upon our membership than any other FMC fraternity.

We have a well-rounded social program.

We will not hurt your grades--our members are widely respected for their scholarship.

We absolutely do not tolerate any hazing of our pledges.

We are the tenth oldest national fraternity in existence.

Remember to take advantage of all the rush materials and guidelines supplied by Headquarters.

Phi Alpha Colony  
Scholarship Guidelines

The Scholarship Chairman and the Scholarship Committee shall coordinate the scholastic efforts of the Colony. The purpose of the program shall be to assist each member of the Fraternity to attain the highest possible degree of benefit from his academic life at FMC. The learning process should be reflected by an acceptable Grade Point Average, which will benefit the individual both in the job market later in life and at school as he strives to be recognized as a leader in scholastic affairs.

The most important aspect to the program must be the maintenance of an environment conducive to learning. The leadership of the Fraternity should stress scholarship as one of the most important parts of the college experience. Under no circumstances should other aspects of college and Fraternity activity become so overbalanced and overemphasized. If this situation should develop, the Scholastic Chairman should press the officers of the Fraternity to remedy the situation.

The Scholarship Chairman has the responsibility of maintaining files of tests and term papers, as well as coordinating the tutoring services. The Scholarship Chairman must ensure that term papers are used only as examples and are never plagiarized. Should plagiarism occur, he should report the offense to the Prudential Committee for action.

Recognition should be one of the most important parts of the Phi Alpha Scholarship Program. An Academic Awards Banquet should be held at the conclusion of each semester. The following areas of performance will be recognized:

Membership on the Dean's List

Highest Grade Point Average for the past semester (12 hours or more)

Graduation with honors

Membership in scholastic honor societies

Most Improved GPA from last semester

Any other special recognitions deemed proper

#### TUTOR LIST

Biology  
McBryde  
Hatchell  
Maxwell

Business  
Smith  
Hembree  
Elmore

Chemistry  
Blackwell  
McBryde  
Hatchell

Economics  
Smith

Computer Sci  
Reaves  
DuBose  
Hiott

English  
Reaves  
Byrd

History  
Hembree  
Proctor

Health  
McBryde

Math  
Byrd  
DuBose  
Reaves  
Hiott

Political Sci  
Smith

Sociology  
Harrelson

Psychology  
Harrelson

Philosophy  
Reaves  
Harrelson  
Byrd

Physics  
Byrd  
Hatchell  
McBryde

## CONSTITUTION

### LITTLE SISTERS OF ALPHA SIGMA PHI

#### PHI ALPHA COLONY FRANCIS MARION COLLEGE

#### Article 1. Name and Purpose

Section 1. The name of this society shall be the Little Sisters of Alpha Sigma Phi.

Section 2. The purpose of this society shall be the following:

- (a) to assist in the building of character of fine women through association with the fraternity "To Better The Man."
- (b) to assist brothers in social activities and rush.
- (c) to act as goodwill ambassadors to the college community.

#### Article 11. Membership

Section 1. Members of the Little Sisters of Alpha Sigma Phi shall be female undergraduate students of Francis Marion College.

Section 2. Any woman desiring membership in the Little Sisters of Alpha Sigma Phi may not be a member of any other little sister organization.

Section 3. Membership requires a  $2/3$  vote by both the little sisters and the brotherhood, or a 95% vote by the Brotherhood alone.

Section 4. Honorary membership may be extended to females outside the college on the basis of outstanding contributions to the fraternity, by nomination and  $2/3$  approval by the Little Sister Organization and the Brotherhood.

Section 5. Any woman may dissolve her membership in the Little Sisters at any time by either one of two ways:

- (a) written declaration thereof, or
- (b) failure to pay dues for two consecutive months, except in extenuating circumstances brought to the attention of the Little Sister Organization.

## *Article 111. Pledgeship*

- Section 1. Before pledgeship can be confirmed, rushees must be invited to an informal information meeting concerning the purposes and activities of the Little Sister Organization and the fraternity.
- Section 2. Nominations for prospective pledges may be made by any active Little Sister or Brother.
- Section 3. Before any woman may be accepted as an active member, she must complete a successful period of pledge training.
- Section 4. The purpose of the pledgeship shall be to become familiar with the history and ideals of Alpha Sigma Phi and the Little Sister Organization, and other matters considered relevant by the pledge trainers.
- Section 5. During the pledgeship period the pledge shall not be mentally, spiritually, or physically degraded, and shall be granted such rights as determined by the Little Sisters.
- Section 6. The pledge period shall be no more than six weeks or less than four weeks.
- Section 7. The purpose of the "hell night" is to unite the pledge class in a spirit of sisterhood, providing for future cooperation, and should be viewed as such. The activities are in no way intended to physically, mentally, or spiritually degrade the pledge.
- Section 8. Active NSP Chapter involvement in pledgeship is as follows:
- (a) A member of the active chapter shall be appointed to each pledge as a special big brother to guide and support her in her relationship with the fraternity.
  - (b) Each pledge's big brother shall be present at the pledging ceremony, "hell night" activities, and the activation ceremony, with the exception of an extenuating circumstance in which case he shall arrange, prior to the activity, for an active chapter member to act as stand-in.

## *Article 112. Members' Privileges and Responsibilities*

- Section 1. It shall be the duty of all members of the Little Sister group to endorse this constitution and all other rules and orders of the Little Sister Organization.

- Section 2. Each Little Sister is expected to conduct herself in such a way as to reflect credit upon her sisters in the group, and upon Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity.
- Section 3. At no time should the number of rushees pledged exceed the number of active members of Phi Alpha Colony of Alpha Sigma Phi.
- Section 4. It shall be the duty of all active Little Sisters to attend all initiations and all regular Little Sister Organization meetings. The Little Sister Organization may make such rules as it deems necessary to enforce attendance.
- Section 5. Any member may be removed from membership by a 3/4 vote of both the Little Sisters and the brotherhood at a regular meeting of both bodies, or by unanimous vote of the Brotherhood alone.

#### Article V. Elections

- Section 1. Nominations for officers shall be announced one week prior to elections.
- Section 2. Election of officers of the Little Sisters shall be held the second week of the spring quarter/term.
- Section 3. Any office vacated before the next election shall be filled by appointment of the highest ranking official of the Little Sisters, subject to veto by a simple majority vote of members at a regular meeting.
- Section 4. Nominated candidates for office must receive an absolute majority to be elected to office (i.e. 50% + 1).

#### Article VI. Officers

- Section 1. Officers shall be President, Vice-President, Secretary/Treasurer.
- Section 2. The President shall be the executive officer. She shall preside over all meetings of the Little Sisters and appoint all committee chairpersons.
- Section 3. The Vice President shall assume the duties of the President in the President's absence.
- Section 4. The Secretary/Treasurer shall keep accurate minutes of all Little Sisters' meetings and relay such information as is pertinent to the active organization; she shall also supply the active chapter's HCS with a list of all the names and current addresses of each Little Sister. She shall be responsible for the collection and accurate accounts of any and all assessments of the Little Sisters. Her accounts must be audited by the HC of the active chapter before she leaves office.

## Article U11. Meetings

- Section 1. Regular meetings of the Little Sisters shall be held at least bi-monthly.
- Section 2. The President of the Little Sisters Organization can call special meetings if she deems necessary. The President and Little Sisters Chairman of the Brotherhood also have this power.
- Section 3. A quorum of 51% of the members eligible to vote will be necessary to conduct business.

## Article U111. Committees

- Section 1. The Little Sisters shall form such committees as are deemed necessary by either the president or the members-at-large.

## Article IX. Dues and Assessments

- Section 1. The Little Sisters shall have a rate of dues, assessments and fines, to be determined by a 3/4 majority vote of the voting members.
- Section 2. The dues will be kept in the Little Sisters treasury and shall be used for the organization's activities.

## Article X. Amendments

- Section 1. Any section of this constitution may be amended, repealed, or revised by a 3/4 vote of the Little Sisters in good standing who are eligible to vote, provided that the amendment is submitted to the members of the Little Sister chapter one week prior to the vote, and has the approval, in writing, of the Prudential Committee of the Brotherhood.



Phi Alpha Colony

COMMITTEE STRUCTURE

Finance

J. Maxwell, chr.  
A. Proctor  
S. Smith

Service

F. Hembree, chr.  
R. McBryde  
D. Welch

Fund Raising

D. DuBose, chr.  
D. Welch  
K. Davis

Social

S. Smith, chr.  
T. Tedder  
J. Lancaster  
G. Haywood

Greek Week

D. DuBose, chr.  
M. Hiott  
S. Harrelson  
G. Haywood

Rush

R. McBryde, chr.  
D. Byrd  
D. Welch  
L. Howle

Public Relations

F. Hembree, chr.  
L. Howle  
D. Marlowe

Intramurals

A. Proctor, chr.  
K. Hatchell  
L. Howle

Scholarship

A. Reaves, chr.  
D. Byrd  
S. Blackwell

Little Sisters

J. Maxwell, chr.  
D. Welch  
J. Lancaster

Pledge Education

D. Byrd, chr.  
F. Hembree  
R. McBryde

Housing

M. Carmichael, chr.  
D. Bailey  
J. Maxwell

Province Relations

L. Howle, chr.  
D. Marlowe  
K. Hatchell

Career Development

D. Byrd, chr.  
A. Reaves  
S. Blackwell

Faculty Relations

F. Hembree, chr.  
K. Davis  
T. Tedder

Alumni Relations

M. Hiott, chr.  
M. Carmichael  
G. Haywood

Chartering

S. Smith, chr.  
A. Elmore  
F. Hembree  
R. McBryde  
J. Maxwell

Prudential

S. Smith, chr.  
A. Elmore  
R. McBryde  
D. Byrd  
J. Maxwell



# PHI ALPHA TAKING FLIGHT



Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity · Francis Marion College · Florence, South Carolina · 29501

---

Volume One

Issue Two

Winter 1982

Phi Alpha Colony

---

Greetings from Phi Alpha Colony at Francis Marion College. The year of 1981 was the first for Phi Alpha. It has been very interesting. When we first came on campus, people called us "that new fraternity on campus." However, people now call us "the Alpha Sigs." I think this is a reflection on the type of brotherhood that is present in Phi Alpha. The year of 1982 is to be a major growth year. We hope to increase our membership greatly as we move toward that day when we will be welcomed into the Mystic Circle of Alpha Sigma Phi.

Alec Elmore, HSP

## RUSH

For the fall semester, Alpha Sigma Phi's Phi Alpha Colony is proud to say that Mike Hiott, Lance Howle, and David Welch have completed the nine-week pledge program. One pledge, Trent Tedder, is to finish the program in the spring. We are proud of our pledges and hope that they will carry out the traditions of Alpha Sigma Phi throughout their college careers and later life. We hope that this coming semester we will be able to gain many more members.

Ronnie McBryde, Pledge Educator

## INTRAMURALS

Phi Alpha has taken part in all intramurals. It has been a good year so far. As a team, Phi Alpha stands fourth among fraternities and seventh overall.

## HONORS

Dean's List: Dwain Bailey, David Byrd, Alec Elmore, Steve Harrelson, Ken Hatchell, Ronnie McBryde, Allen Reaves, and Steve Smith

Who's Who: Two members of Phi Alpha were named to Who's Who Among College Students. They are Clarence Alexander Elmore and Stephen Sellers Smith.

## THE HOUSE

We have been able to obtain a house that we can meet in and hold some social functions in. Because of certain zoning problems, the house is not being called a fraternity house, but rather a private residence.

## ATLANTA

A group of us were able to make a trip to Atlanta, Georgia, to see a Braves game (before the strike, of course!). We had such a great time that we hope to go again this year.

## MEMBERSHIP LIST

Members of Phi Alpha Colony are:

Richard Dwain Bailey	Hartsville, SC
Kirk Steven Davis	"
David Lawrence DuBose	"
Garry Steven Haywood	"
Walter David Byrd	Mullins, SC
Steven Billy Harrelson	"
Ronnie Fisher McBryde	"
Aaron Benjamin Proctor	"
Stephen Sellers Smith	"
Clarence Alexander Elmore, Jr.	Florence, SC
Thomas E. Grimes	"
James Lionel Lancaster	"
Donald Ray Marlowe	"
William James Maxwell	"
Malcolm Archibald Carmichael	Dillon, SC
Kenneth Wayne Hatchell, Jr.	Darlington, SC
Darriel Gye Kitchens III	Marion, SC
Fred Heyward Hembree	Simpsonville, SC
Walker Allen Reaves	Nichols, SC
William Jones Walton III	Cheraw, SC

We proudly announce that William Jones Walton III is the first alumnus of Phi Alpha Colony. We wish him great success in the future.

## ANOTHER FIRST

This is the first newsletter of Phi Alpha Colony. What do you think? We hope to keep all area alumni and all chapters and colonies of Alpha Sigma Phi on our mailing list.

We would like to hear from area Alpha Sigs--what you've been up to, and if you would be interested in having an alumni "event" in the near future. Our mailing address is: Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity, Francis Marion College, Florence, SC 29501.

Fred Hembree, Editor  
Phi Alpha Colony

P. S. If you know of any men coming to Francis Marion who might make good Alpha Sigs, please send their name, address & phone number to us so we can contact them. Thanks!



# PHI ALPHA TAKING FLIGHT



Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity · Francis Marion College · Florence, South Carolina · 29501

---

Volume One

Issue One

Summer 1981

Phi Alpha Colony

---

On February 14, 1981, a group of twenty-one young men became officially affiliated with Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity, as the Phi Alpha Colony of Francis Marion College. Jimmy Sain, an alumnus of Alpha Psi Chapter, Presbyterian College, Clinton, SC, and Karl Kropp, an alumnus of Beta Mu Chapter, Wake Forest University, Winston-Salem, NC, have played important roles in the organization of Phi Alpha Colony. Jimmy, a manager-pharmacist for Revco in Florence, and Karl, a member of the faculty at Francis Marion, are our chapter and faculty advisors, respectively.

We'd like to thank John Mortimer (Beta Omicron Chapter, Tri-State University) and Jerry Haas (Beta Mu Chapter, Wake Forest University) for celebrating with us at our Colonization Banquet on February 14, 1981.

## HOMEcoming 1981

The Phi Alpha Colony wasted no time in getting the name of Alpha Sigma Phi known around campus. Lisa Dawn Mayers became our first nominee for Homecoming Queen. Lisa, besides being beautiful, is an 18-year-old sophomore from Mullins, SC, and is majoring in Business Administration. We're sorry to say that Lisa did not win, but we thank her for being a fine representative for  $\Lambda\Sigma\Phi$  and for FMC.

## Ms. FMC 1981

Hats off to another 18-year-old sophomore in Business Administration, Sallie Lyn Gable, for representing us in this year's Ms. FMC Pageant. Sallie is from Darlington, SC.

## INTRAMURALS

Alpha Sigma Phi quickly organized a softball team to compete in the spring intramurals. Three of our members, who happen to be star softball players, had previous commitments to two other intramural teams: the Dirty White Boys and the Unknowns. They couldn't play with us this year, but will be out in full force next year. That's the good news. Our team's final record this year was 1 win and 5 defeats. That's the bad news.

## GREEK WEEK

Phi Alpha Colony took part in Greek Week activities at FMC. We competed in a variety of events, which kept us busy all week. We were able to finish fourth overall out of six teams--not bad for a group that had been together for less than three months! In 1982 we plan on being first.



Intramurals: Aaron Proctor placed first in this years Punt, Pass, and Kick event. He totaled 151.3 yards. This was a first for Phi Alpha.

#### SERVICE

Phi Alpha has to its credit two service projects for this past fall. The colony worked the track meet for the school and visited the children at McLeod Hospital on Halloween. The work with the track meet is to be an annual project.

#### GRADUATES

Richard Dwain Bailey, BS (Biology), Hartsville, S.C.  
Darriel Gye Kitchens III, BS (Biology), Marion, S.C.

#### ALUMNI EVENT

We would like to have an event with the area alumni this spring. If you would be interested, please contact us at Francis Marion.

#### WRAP-UP

This is the second newsletter of Phi Alpha Colony. It has been long in being completed. It is hoped that in the future this newsletter will appear at intervals of 6-8 weeks with news of upcoming events so that more alumni and members can attend.

Fred Hembree, Editor  
Phi Alpha Colony