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Alumni Notes

Brother **Dave Fink** Commander of Alumni Chapter has a new member in his family now, a son, **Jayson**. He has a daughter and two sons now. Congratulations, **Dave**.

Brother **Ron Cotman DA 623** has a new job. He is **Manager** of Fluorescent Systems Dept. of General Electric, Nela Park, Cleveland, Ohio.

It was nice to hear from brother **Bob Peacock DA 520**. Brother **Bob** is Vice President Marketing of Cast Malleable Iron Company, Cadillac, Michigan. Most of his travels are to Chicago, Detroit, Atlanta and he is hardly in the Cleveland area but he will try to make it to the 75th Anniversary.

Brother **Charles Smith** has retired as Director material Research Center and reverted to permanent rank as a University distinguished professor. In July 1981 "Emeritus" will be added to the title.

Brother **Frank Guenzel DA 546** has been promoted to Manager, Division Engineering in the Process Chemicals Division of Diamond Shamrock Corp. at Mt. Kemble Ave., Morristown, NJ 07960. Brother **Frank** is definitely going to attend the 75th Anniversary. He wants names of other Brothers of 50's and 60's who will attend. So if you are going to attend write to us or let brother **Frank** know about it.

Brother **Ken Marbaugh DA 757** is now Quality Assurance Administrator for Consumer Power Company, Big Rock Pt. Nuclear Power Plant in Charlevoix, Michigan. His only child **Heather** is now five years old and together with his wife live in Petoskey, Michigan.

75th Anniversary Planning Started

Another milestone in Delta Alpha's history is fast approaching, and we hope all of our Alumni Brothers will plan to attend the celebration and join in on the festivities.

As you know, the White Rose Formal which will be held in conjunction with Delta Alpha's 75th anniversary is less than a year away.

The joint Alumni-Active Anniversary Committee is pleased to announce the date for this grand occasion to be **Saturday, March 6, 1982**. Further details are in the process of being finalized, and will be passed on to you when they become available.

The national Fraternity Headquarters will be represented at the dinner dance by its Executive Director **Maurice Littlefield**. And, should his schedule permit a trip to Cleveland, the newly elected Grand Regent, **Randall Capps**, will also join us to mark this special achievement.

The active chapter wishes to extend a

cordial invitation to all Alumni, to attend the 75th Anniversary White Rose Formal. This will be an ideal opportunity to see all of your fellow graduates and Brothers who you have lost touch with. So mark your calendars now and we'll see you next March.

John Howald DA 907
75th Anniversary Chairman

CHAPTER ETERNAL

The following Brothers have entered Chapter Eternal during the past year. We extend our deepest regrets and sympathy to their families and friends.

Fred A. Webber DA 198
Joh W. Cunningham DA 333
Lloyd C. Root DA 191

NEWS WANTED

What is the Alumni Newsletter without news of the Alumni? So that we can put out a good interesting newsletter I would appreciate lots of cooperation from the Alumni by sending me any kind of news. It's just sending a letter or maybe making a phone call.

The Alumni Directory must have made it easier for you to look up some old classmate or any other Alumni. They are listed in alphabetical order with their year of initiation. If the address in the Directory is incorrect feel free to call or write to us and we should have the right address for you.

Finally I would like to thank **Lel Somogyi DA 802** who has been helping us put out the newsletter by preparing it for printing.

Nadeem Husain DA 912
Alumni Contact

Alumni Meeting May 2, 1981

Brother **Dave Fink** Commander Alumni Chapter invites you to the Spring 1981 Alumni Chapter Meeting on **May 2nd, 1981** at Delta Alpha, 2235 Murray Hill Road. Plan to be there.

LEXINGTON TRIP TRADITION REPEATED

On Friday evening, March 6, 45 Brothers and Pledges of Delta Alpha started their spring break with an all night bus trip to Lexington, Virginia. The pilgrimage to Sigma Nu's birthplace and National Headquarters has become a once-every-three-years tradition for the Chapter, and this year's trip had some particular significance. A house is fast approaching its 75th anniversary, a milestone which National will help Delta Alpha celebrate next spring (see article elsewhere in this newsletter). Also, as nearly half of those making the trip were Pledges, the event served as an indication of the continued strength and vitality of the Chapter.

Greek Wins

This year Delta Alpha has its best chance ever to win Greek Week. The chapter hopes to continue dominating the beer chug event, an event that we've won four of the last five years. This victory combined with hopeful wins in pie snarf, wheel barrow race, five legged race and egg toss, and a good showing in the other event should be enough to give us first place. This year the Chapter is really excited about the banner contest. This event requires that each house make a banner (no size limit) showing of the Fraternity or Sorority. **Joe Wood**, our security guard and CIA grad is giving the chapter a lot of help in this area. We took a composite of the banner down to Lexington with us this year and **Mo Littlefield** is trying to put it in the Delta.

Paul Claiss DA 870
Greek Week chairman

Rush Success

Rush went well this year. The house psych was probably the most important reason for Delta Alpha's success. In fact, the good old **Mark Juba Rubber Hose Award** was dedicated to the house since everyone did a fantastic job.

Even though we did receive the 27 pledges, I think it should be stated this class shows much potential out of all of its members.

Next year Delta Alpha will face the challenge of a new Fall Rush system.

Respectfully,
Mike Stone DA 904
Rush Chairman

Saturday was a day full of activities. During the afternoon, Sigma Nu Executive Director **Mo Littlefield** conducted tours of Headquarters, the Virginia Military Institute, and historic sites in Lexington. In the early evening, the Novices on the trip were brothered at a formal Chapter meeting held in Alpha Room at Headquarters. Following dinner it was time to make some night life in Lexington. Visits to the Cock Pit (the bar at Washington and Lee University), W. and L. Greek parties and other attractions

What a Rush!

The Interfraternity and Sorority Council's Executive Committee which was heavily represented by Sigma Nus, began early this year to assemble a successful Greek Rush Program. The summer rush was revived and conducted differently than from the past. All early information sent to freshmen stressed the Greek System as a whole. The job of identifying the strengths and personalities of individual houses was thus given back to each house where it can be done properly.

As the year wore on, the IFSC worked to improve relations with the school newspaper and a reporter began to cover each IFSC meeting. The hardworking executive council made sure that no weekly issue of the paper was without some news on Greeks. Between news on Alpha Phi (the campus's new Sorority), battling the administration for a fall bid date, and the IFSC Charity Drive, a reader of the newspaper would see the Greek System as an active growing organization.

These painstaking efforts of the IFSC did not go unrewarded. Of the 19 houses on campus, 12 houses saw an increase over last year and 7 remained the same. Overall pledging increased 41% from 184 to 260, which included a 28% increase in pledging fraternities and a 270% increase in pledging sororities. Two fraternities that were in danger of extinction, both did well with pledge classes of 13 and 14 men. The largest pledge class was taken by SAE with 29 men. It was a common consent among the Greek Community, (especially the sororities). However, that the 29 men taken by SAE were not nearly as many as the 27 that pledged Sigma Nu, thus giving Sigma Nu the largest pledge class honors.

Michael Chmura DA 893
IFSC Rush Chairman

such as beer chug practice in the third floor hallway of the Robert E. Lee Hotel finished off the day in true Delta Alpha form. Somehow, everyone was rounded up and/or dragged out of bed and back into the bus at 7:30 a.m. Sunday to begin the trek back to Cleveland.

This spring's pledge class of 27 members is one of the largest in the recent history of the Chapter. From indications at this point, they are also among the most dedicated and enthused, with active-pledge interviews already completed and party and project plans (not to mention raid plans) progressing smoothly. If you live in the area, stop by sometime to see the Brothers and meet the future strength of Delta Alpha.

Doug Gordon DA 890
Pledge Marshal

CHARITY DRIVE

This year after working extensively with the Leukemia Society but deciding as a house to forego a money raising Charity Drive in favor of the weekend at Highbrook. I brought up the idea of sponsoring a Charity Drive to the IFSC. It was agreed to plan it in a competitive spirit with John Carroll University. Working around their already planned dance Marathon we incorporated a beer chug contest which took place Thursday, Feb. 19 at the Agora.

Under the guidance of **Paul Claus** a chug team was created that exhibited a lot of talent and class along with the most important component, speed. Amid uncooperative Agora personnel and very sloppy JCU teams we made the finals, leading the Case teams. Our team consisting of **Paul Claus, Pete Vandersteur, Bob Wenz**, and **Ralph Lustri** refused to get discouraged and returned in high spirits (figuratively) and formed to chug a relay time of 12.5 back at the house.

Unfortunately, the timing was bad; the drive happening too soon after Rush for all the houses to become fully involved. A total of 8 case and 8 JCU chug teams plus a few Dance Marathon teams made up the participants. The money is still being collected and though it didn't come off as well as we'd hoped it was the first time two universities got together for a charity function. We learned what to expect if this is tried in the future.

Dave Lidrbauch
Charity Drive Chairman

ALUMNI CHAPTER MEETING MINUTES

FALL 1980

The fall meeting of the Delta Alpha Alumni Chapter of Sigma Nu Fraternity was called to order by Eminent Commander **Dave Fink** on November 21, 1980 with 21 members present (list attached). The minutes were approved as read.

Members present:

Bruce DiPietro	Steve Bauman
Bill Langenhop	Brett Bailey
Kirk Tunder	Bob Hazy
Craig Miller	John Silvestro
Tim Pistner	Frank Brichacek
Frank Frastaci	Don Stoltz
Tom Eldridge	Ed Haddad
Bob Akers	Mark Roman
Dave Fink	Vince Genova
Gary Steinbach	Tony Woinich
	Bob DiSalvo

BASKETBALL

The Active-Alumni-Pledge Basketball Tournament was a big success again this year. The Alumni, led by the tough playing of **Bob Akers**, were the tournament champs. They beat the Pledge "B" team 25-12 in the preliminaries and the Junior-Senior team 31-23 in the final. Other players on the winning team included **Bill Langenhop**, **Bob Desberg**, **Craig Miller**, **Tim Pistner**, **Frank Brichacek**, **Joe Logan**, **Don Stoltz**, **Steve Brown**, and coaches **Tom Eldridge** and **Bruce Di Pietro**.

In the consolation bracket, the Sophomores edged out the combined forces of the Pledge "A" and "B" teams 39-36. By the end of the night, the standings were as follows: the Alumni came in first, with the Junior-Senior team, led by **Mike Stone**, coming in second. The Sophomores, under **Bob Wenz**, finished at third, and the Pledges, led by **Scott Colbert**, came in fourth.

UNLOCATED

Richard August DA 774
Ralph W. Bigler DA 104
Donald L. Bishop DA 261
James D. Brown DA 465
Jerome M. Eldridge DA 467
Robert E. Halloran DA 280
Harold C. Hopkins DA 56
Warren M. Iwamoto DA 804
Walter E. Jones DA 207
Stanley N. Kaminski DA 534
Robert F. Knowlton DA 70
Robert K. Lattie DA 710
Alfred R. Webber DA 257

COMMANDER'S CORNER

A feeling of brotherhood is very strong at Delta Alpha Chapter. Manpower is at a 3 year high with 31 actives and 27 pledges. During rush the chapter worked very hard and this along with a few new ideas really paid off.

Delta Alpha has been busy picking out new furniture to replace the furniture that has been with the home since 1964. With funding from housing we will also get new drapes, tables, and lamps. We expect the furniture to be delivered this summer.

On the campus level the IFSC (Inter Fraternity and Sorority Council) and the university has approved a fall bid date to start this fall. Also the IFSC has a relatively new judicial council. The council is made up of 6 house presidents picked from a rotating schedule. The council handles all inter fraternity problems with the power to fine or recommend probation for any fraternity. A recent decision by the council in the case of SAE vs. Phi Delta Theta should help Delta Alpha Chapter. The council (while I was one of the 6 presidents) fined the Phi Delta \$500 to be held for one year. If the Phi Deltas remain "good boys" for that year the money will be returned — if not the money goes into the IFSC treasury. This decision let the Phi Deltas and other fraternities know that the IFSC intends to clean up the Greek System. Since the decision we have had no problem with any of the fraternities.

We now have a working (although not always positive) relationship with Phi Delta Theta. The council's decision was the final step in a long process in our attempts to solve the Phi Delt problem. I would personally like to thank **Tim Pistner**, **John Silvestro** and **John Wilson** along with many others who helped to improve the relationship between the two houses.

In closing I also want to thank **Bob Akers**, **Lel Somogyi** and **Bill Langenhop** for their continued devotion to our chapter. I hope to see you all at the 75th Anniversary on March 6, 1982.

David Fantuzzo DA 862
 Commander

Rush Has New Look

Starting this fall, the Greek Rush System at CWRU will have a new look. There will be two bid dates each year from now on — the first about six weeks into the fall semester and the other on the traditional third Monday of spring semester. Obviously major changes are in store for our Rush Program at Sigma Nu.

From conversations and meetings with other Sigma Nus with experience at fall bid dates, we have found that the best way to get fall pledges is via summer rush, and the best method for this is an intense, one-on-one rush by each brother and/or alumna with an incoming freshman. Ideally, each rusher will find a pre-freshman living nearby who might make a good Sigma Nu. (The Rush Chairman's job will be to get lists of nearby pre-freshmen to each rusher.) The rusher then contacts each of his rushees several times and evaluates them. If he finds they are good prospects, he keeps in touch with them frequently; gradually, he makes friends with them over the summer, slowly introducing them to Sigma Nu. The Rush Chairman will hopefully organize several regional parties for rushers and their rushees, but each rusher should spend some of his own time "socializing" with his prospects. (Take him along when you go drinking or to an indians game or...)

All of this is intended to create a

"pre-pledge class" of 30-40 freshmen who have a good friend in Sigma Nu and who are VERY interested in Sigma Nu when they arrive in the fall. Then it is just a matter of letting our house sell itself and keeping their interest through the usual events like dinners and parties. We'll undoubtedly pick up a few more prospects in the first few weeks of school, but if the summer rush is done well, there will be no need for a massive door-to-door campaign.

Alumni can help immensely in the summer rush program. If any of you alums know of a pre-fresh who would make a good Sigma Nu, or if you have the inclination to do a little rushing yourself, let us know. Maybe you — as an established businessman or professional — would be willing to take a prospect out to dinner or talk to his parents. Nothing would impress parents more about Sigma Nu than a visit from a Sigma Nu who is now a fine upstanding member of society!

Delta Alpha is quite close to being the #1 fraternity on campus, both in the eyes of CWRU's greeks and the general university. We're close...but we're not there yet. With a strong summer rush and a strong fall pledge class, we can easily outdistance our rivals and become THE #1 fraternity at CWRU.

Bob Wenz
 DA 921



The Chapter Visiting in Lexington

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FIRST CLASS