



News

The Newsletter of Delta Alpha and Delta Zeta Chapters of Sigma Nu International Fraternity

Nov. 1994

TURKEY TIME!

It is once again time for Delta Alpha's annual C.I.A. (Candidate, Initiate, Alumni) **Thanksgiving dinner**. Formerly known as the A.A.P. dinner this year's event will be held on November 19 at the chapter house with dinner at 7:00 P.M. and an alumni meeting at 4:00 P.M. The dinner will feature turkey and dressing of course as well as a modest amount of reminiscing. Please plan to attend so you can meet the new candidates, find out about Fall Rush and the coming Spring Rush and lend your support to the growing active chapter. As usual there is a small cost per-person.

Alumni Officers

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William A. Eisenhower

Trustees:

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Michael Jaszczak

Jim Gero

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Ken Miller

W. Recorder (SNews Editor)

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Jim Gero – Treasurer

Jim Reiman

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Ken Miller

Dave Bastarwos

LEGION OF HONOR INVADES OUR NATION'S CAPITAL

A larger group of honorable men has rarely been seen in Washington D.C. as Sigma Nu's Grand Chapter overshadowed the health care debate this past August. True to the spirit of the location, legislative sessions lasted far longer than expected and ranged a bit from the original topic. The end result however, was typically Sigma Nu. The Collegiate Brothers and Alumni leaders agreed on the course of action for the next two years and all left Grand Chapter with a great sense of accomplishment.

High council supplied a happy surprise as the whole of Grand Chapter was transported via chartered busses to Lexington Virginia, the very cradle of the Legion of Honor. All Grand Chapter attendees were led on a tour of V.M.I. which included a description of many actual sites important to the three founders. Some of these sites are marked with plaques and signs so

everyone can know their importance to the fraternity world. Even the cadets presently at V.M.I. know the story of Sigma Nu and are pleased to share in conversation with current initiates. From the tour of V.M.I. we were all taken to international headquarters and given a complete tour of the facilities. The headquarters building is undergoing an extensive remodeling and we were shown the expected final result, which is something I am sure we will be able to take pride in. The L.E.A.D. Program center, which is very well respected in the fraternity world, was also opened to us as it is to any alumnus who would like to stop to study or reflect on a program of ethical leadership.

The real treat came after a barbecue dinner when, after the speeches, each person symbolically placed a brick in the Pathway of
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Next Alumni Meeting

November 19, at 4:00pm
At the Chapterhouse

The Annual Thanksgiving Dinner follows the meeting at 7:00 pm.

HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!

INVASION (continued from page 1)

Honor representing the pathway to the future we can pave as we work together in honor. And finally as we filed out to return to our busses, each member received a small box which contained a fragment of the original "Rock Of Sigma Nu." Let me tell you, that beside the inspirational tours and discussions with Brothers In Honor, being able to take home an actual memento like the Rock made a profound impression we attendees are not likely to forget.

The bus ride back to Washington D.C. was also something to remember. First you must realize that the trip takes about four hours each way. So as we were wondering what to do on the way back a wild tale began to be passed around. Those that did not immediately fall asleep on the trip back began to hear the rumors of a young German tourist who was staying in the Grand Hyatt at the

same time as the Grand Chapter. It seems, so the story goes, that this young German wanted to go on a tour of the capital of the United States of America. So he walked out of the hotel and saw a bus waiting at the curb. "Is this the bus for the tour?" was his natural question. When the reply was in the affirmative this young man boarded the bus. A few minutes later the bus with a large group of young men left the hotel and headed straight for the Capitol Building. The bus however seemed to go very quickly past the Capitol - past the White House - past the monuments and across the Potomac River. An hour later the young German tourist had still said nothing. Two hours later when his bus stopped (along with about eleven others) to get box lunches and be told the trip would be less than two hours more, he mentioned something. This tourist was not sent back, but instead was included in the

tours and the barbecue and even the forced labor of laying a brick in the Pathway of Honor. As it turned out he had a great time and is quite impressed so if Sigma Nu ever considers forming a Chapter in Heidelberg (Germany) there is one fellow who is sure to join.

All in all, Grand Chapter was a great success and Delta Alpha was well represented. Active members Joe Dea and Chris Kiehl were joined by alumni representative Michael Jaszczak. Also attending were Jim Gero and Dan Drager with special guest appearances by Charlie Linville and Hugh Phelps.

I would like to suggest attending Grand Chapter - it can be more than you think. The next one is set for the summer of 1996 in San Antonio Texas. I myself have every intention of saddling-up and hitting the trail when the time comes. Hope to see you there!

JASZCZAK IS NEW GREAT LAKES DIVISION COMMANDER

Michael Jaszczak, one of the most active members of the Delta Alpha alumni and our voting representative at the most recent Grand Chapter in Washington D.C., has been named to the position of Division Commander for the Great Lakes Region. The new High Council unanimously approved the recommendation made by Brother Mo Littlefield, the Executive Director of Sigma Nu International. Brother Jaszczak

recently served as the District Commander of the local district, and will continue to serve Delta Alpha as House Corporation President and Chapter Trustee. At the 1986 Grand Chapter he was named the Official Artist of Sigma Nu. At the most recent Grand Chapter his painting "The Quest" was included in the new pledge manual as one of the "Official Paintings" of Sigma Nu Fraternity. The painting will hang in the head-

quarters' museum in Lexington after renovations are finished. Brother Jaszczak has served the alumni chapter consistently since his graduation in 1984 and while a collegiate won the Talent of the Year an unprecedented two years in a row and became Alpha Affiliate 317. In my personal opinion few brothers are as qualified and dedicated. Michael deserves our congratulations and support.

Alumni News

Chuck Hanley, Delta Alpha 963, was married on October 15 to his long-time love Julie in a ceremony near Cincinnati. The event was well attended by members of Delta Alpha including the best man Jim Harris who had just celebrated his second anniversary on October 3rd. Best of luck to the happy couple.

Brother Hanley will not be alone in wedded bliss as Dan Drager, Delta Alpha 952, will be marrying his true love Dee Weyer this coming Spring. Rumor has it she saw fireworks when he popped the question and was delighted with the ring even though it had to be sized to fit on the correct finger. The date for the

blessed event has been tentatively set for May 20, 1995 in the Wooster, Ohio area. If you are reading this you are invited.

Even more recently Jim Gero, Delta Alpha 930, christened his fourth child, Jonathan Phillip Gero, Delta Alpha to be. Keep up the good work Jim, we can use more legacies.

Thank You to Those Who Paid 1993-94 Alumni Dues

The Alumni Chapter officers wish to thank the brothers who have paid the 1993-94 chapter dues. **Dues for the 94-95 school year are now being collected.** Dues keep the Alumni Chapter running and allow us to print newsletters like this one. In the future we hope to have two newsletters a year. This can only be possible with your support. *We especially thank those brothers who contributed more than the \$10 dues.*

Please send us news of what you are doing for our spring newsletter (published in early March!) We are proud of what we do and we want everyone to know it! You can send information on the form below or send a letter anytime to the address on the form.



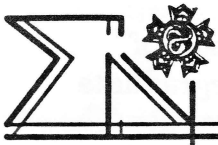
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Enclosed is a contribution to the Alumni Chapter (dues are \$10) for the **1994/1995** school year. Please make checks payable to "ΔΑ of ΣΝ Alumni Chapter"

Other Comments/News: _____

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November 9, 1994

Dear Delta Alpha Brothers,

Last school year we started upon an ambitious project. To raise \$75,000.00 to endow our scholarship trust fund. I would like to thank each of you who have participated in the fundraiser. Many of you have been very generous – we have approximately \$15,000.00 in cash and pledges! However, we still have a long way to go to reach our goal.

The needs are simple – our scholarship endowment is currently underfunded for the scholarships we give each year. (These are scholarships that we have given for years.) This is mainly due to current low interest rates. We do not touch the principle in this account, we are funded entirely by the interest earned each year. Without an increase in capital we will be forced to cut-back on scholarships presented each year. Additionally, the alumni chapter will not be able to sponsor educational activities for the actives (such as the L.E.A.D. program).

These programs are vital to the survival of our chapter. Our numbers are not as high as they should be. We are continuing to grow, but at a slow pace. I believe that with additional scholarship money available – we will have another tool in rush. We have such a wonderful chapter with a rich and proud history. We need to do all we can to insure that we continue to be on the campus of Case Western Reserve University. Just one or two bad years of rush could mean an end to our chapter.

For most of us, fraternity is a long ago thing. Many of our alumni brothers do participate by paying dues and/or attending meetings and “White Rose” events. But most of our alumni participate by keeping in touch with each other. Our fraternity was/is an important part of our lives. Won't you consider giving to our fundraiser. ANY contribution would be greatly accepted, and since it is a contribution to the Sigma Nu Educational Foundation it is tax deductible.

I hope all is well with you and yours. If you have any questions, please call. My number is listed above.

Fraternally,

Michael Jaszczak
ΔA 980

Mission:

During the 1992-1993 academic year, the Delta Alpha/Delta Zeta Alumni Chapter of Sigma Nu Fraternity is initiating a fund-raising campaign to benefit the undergraduate members of the Delta Alpha Sigma Nu Chapter at Case Western Reserve University. The alumni desire to continue their strong history of philanthropic generosity to the local active chapter, while ensuring that the scholarship benefits continue to meet the needs of our undergraduates, and follow the expectations set forth by the International Fraternity. The alumni chapter believes that the increased scholarships/awards will help make the chapter more competitive during rush.

Goal:

Our campaign strives to substantially increase the current endowment used exclusively for scholastic financial awards. Our goal is to raise a minimum of \$75,000 during the next five years from financial pledges made by alumni and friends of the Delta Alpha chapter. While the cost of both higher education and fees required by the International Fraternity have risen dramatically over the past 10 years, the scholarship award amounts from the Alumni Chapter to the Active Chapter have remained static.

Please note: a full listing of brothers who have donated to this fundraiser will be published in the Spring newsletter (published in early March). Please consider a gift in any amount – no matter what you give will help. If you have already given at a specific level and wish to increase your giving please indicate that on the form below. If you have pledged in installments you will be receiving a separate letter in the next few weeks.

Thank you for your support!



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Scholarship Campaign

Please make checks payable to "Sigma Nu Educational Foundation" and designate "ΔA of ΣN Educational Fund" on the memo line. You need not send a check at this time – please let us know what level you can donate to help our student brothers. *Contributions made to the Sigma Nu Educational Foundation are fully tax deductible.*

Suggested Giving Levels:

- \$100 total OR \$20/year for 5 years
- \$250 total OR \$50/year for 5 years
- \$500 total OR \$100/year for 5 years
- \$5,000 total OR \$1,000/year for 5 years
- \$ _____ total OR \$ _____/year for 5 years
- I'm sorry, but I can not make a donation at this time.

ANY contribution or pledge to this fund would be greatly appreciated. Contributions appear in the Annual Report (in the DELTA) as contributions to the Foundation.