Sigma Nu News

ALUMNI CHAPTER MTG: <u>SAT., NOV. 23, '96 @ 4 P.M.</u>

There are a few very worthwhile topics that will be discussed at this meeting including: Alcohol-Free Housing, Rush, Scholarships, White Rose Formal, Investments, Number of Trustees, Alumni Chapter Membership, and Alumni Involvement in Candidate Education.

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AAC THANKSGIVING DINNER SATURDAY, NOV. 23, 1996 AT 6:30 P.M.

It's Almost Turkey Time! As always, we encourage all our "area" alumni to share this special dinner. The Alumni, Active, and Candidate Thanksgiving Dinner offers you an excellent opportunity to see some old friends and meet new ones, while enjoying a superb dinner. Turkey, stuffing, real mashed potatoes, pumpkin pie, and everything else that you would expect from a Thanksgiving Dinner will be served. Bring your appetite, and better yet, call some alumni brothers and get them to show up as well. Festivities will continue into the night and rooms are available for anyone who would like to stay at the chapter house. You will be amazed to see all of the physical improvements to the chapter house. Also, don't forget about the Alumni Chapter Meeting earlier in the day at 4:00 P.M. Finally, it would be helpful in planning the dinner to have a count before the event, so please make an effort to call ahead if you plan to attend (Dave Bastawros (216) 449-5279). Note that alumni traditionally donate \$10.00 each to help cover the cost of the dinner.

90th ANNIVERSARY WHITE ROSE FORMAL SATURDAY, MAY 10, 1996

If you can attend only one alumni event every five years, make this the one! The 90th Anniversary White Rose Formal will be held at one of Cleveland's premier hotels, The Omni International Hotel, and dinner will be catered by Cleveland's finest restaurant, Classic's. A number of VIP's will be present, including Sigma Nu Fraternity Executive Director Mo Littlefield.

An alumni chapter meeting, including elections, and an active chapter Initiation Ceremony will be held before the formal. The formal will also feature the presentation of alumni chapter awards.

The dress code will be formal, black tie optional. Dinner will be choice of prime rib, stuffed chicken breast, or stuffed shells. Music from all eras will be available. The cost is \$55.00 per person and will be worth every penny. Final details and an invitation will be mailed to you at the beginning of 1997, unless you have chosen not to receive further details about the formal.

We are expecting a tremendous showing of brothers.

THE ACTIVE CHAPTER:

The Delta Alpha Active Chapter is once again gaining recognition at Case Western Reserve University and nationally throughout Sigma Nu Fraternity. In the CWRU President's Cup Competition, the actives were presented the "Most Improved Chapter Award" for the past year. The Actives also received awards for "Rush Excellence", "Chapter Management", and "Most Improved Grade Point Average." The actives placed 2nd in overall grade point average, exceeding 3.2. For exceeding 3.0, the alumni chapter awarded the actives a \$250.00 scholarship. Also, the actives placed 5th in intramural sports and 8th in Greek Week, out of the 18 fraternities. This semester, their 12 man pledge class is among the largest on campus.

With respect to the other 200+ Sigma Nu chapters nationwide and in Canada, Delta Alpha is certainly well above average in many respects. If the actives had applied, they would have won the award for having the 3rd highest grade point average among all of the Sigma Nu chapters. Dan Sanders, DA 1070, was awarded Scholar of the Year for his four-year cumulative grade point average of 4.0. Delta Alpha has recently been recognized as the first Sigma Nu chapter with a web site on the internet. An alumni section is currently being developed by the Alumni Contact, Martin Linenweber, through which alumni information will be available and alumni brothers may be contacted. Financially, both the alumni and active chapters of Delta Alpha are secure. In terms of man-power, we have never been too concerned about numbers, but rather quality. Fortunately, it appears as if we may finally reach our goal of 40 quality members, within two years, for the first time in about a decade.

The chapter house, still located at 2235 Murray Hill Road, has recently undergone improvements estimated at \$350,000.00, paid for by CWRU. Every window in the building has been replaced with new energy efficient windows. The bedrooms were gutted, refurbished, and re-fitted with new carpeting, electrical, and free-standing furniture. Come and see these and other improvements.

As always, Alumni who may happen to be in town, or who want to come and visit, are welcome and encouraged to stay at the chapter house whenever school is in session. For instance, local alumni will note that the ANNUAL MAZE PARTY will be held on SATURDAY, NOV. 2, from 9:00P.M. to 1:00A.M. Alumni will undoubtedly gather for dinner earlier that day.

ALUMNI NEWS:

Since this issue is of limited circulation and its main purpose to be a reminder about the ACC Thanksgiving Dinner, the Alumni News submitted to this point has not yet been included. However, we have received quite a bit of news and would like to receive more. Please fill out the enclosed form and mail it back in the pre-addressed envelope so that the January newsletter can reflect as much Alumni News as possible.

ALUMNI CHAPTER MEMBERSHIP:

Special thanks to the 88 alumni who have already paid their membership dues for the 1996-97 year. The total of Alumni Dues and Donations paid as of October 17, 1996 is \$1,090.00. As many of you know, this year was a Grand Chapter year, which increased our budget substantially. Our goals for this year are 150 Alumni Chapter Members and \$2,000.00 in Dues and Donations. Please help us to fund these newsletters and other items by paying your alumni chapter dues, if you haven't already done so.

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