The dramatic architecture of the Central Michigan University Student Center is vividly illustrated in this night photograph. The University is the home of Delta Alpha Chapter.
Two new Sigma Pi campuses are shown on the front cover of THE EMERALD. Shown above are the contemporary designs of the Wayne State University campus in Detroit, Mich., where Gamma-Omega is located. Below the 110-year-old Chapel of the Immaculate Conception at Seton Hall University, home of Delta-Epsilon, contrasts with the University's modern Bishop Dougherty Student Center.
Gamma-Psi Becomes Missouri’s 5th Chapter

On Feb. 1, 1969, the goal of many years of hard work was realized. Sigma Pi Colony at St. Louis University was chartered as Gamma-Psi Chapter, the 96th chapter of Sigma Pi and the fifth in Missouri.

The 2 p.m. initiation ceremony was held in the Masonic Temple with Grand Second Counselor Dr. Darryl L. Spriggs presiding over the special Convocation. Also on the installation team were Grand First Counselor Robert R. Wieland, Past Grand Sage J. Robert Odaniell, Executive Secretary James L. Hills, Foundation Secretary and Treasurer D. Dean Crook, Province Archon Franklin B. W. Woodbury, and Province Archon Walter B. Young, Jr. Men from Alpha-Iota Chapter, University of Missouri at Rolla, also assisted in the ceremony.


Following the initiation, the first officers of Gamma-Psi were installed. They were Sage Kevin D. Rossiter, First Counselor Lance R. Szyhowski, Second Counselor James K. Schroedter, Third Counselor Thomas S. Sims, Fourth Counselor Patrick W. Maloney, and Herald Michael J. Boyle.

Later in the evening a banquet and dance was held in Stan Musial and Biggie’s Restaurant. Fred Bonderant of Alpha-Iota served as master of ceremonies. The Rev. Jerome J. Marchetti, executive vice-president of St. Louis University, gave the welcoming speech. After the dinner Grand Second Counselor Spriggs spoke for the Grand Chapter. He congratulated the Brothers of Gamma-Psi upon achieving chapter status and told of the remarkable growth of Sigma Pi in recent years. He also described the services that fraternities provide today for their members and the academic communities to which they belong. New Sage Rossiter then presented to Dr. Spriggs a plaque bearing crossed gavels and the pins of the two fraternities that combined to form Gamma-Psi Chapter of Sigma Pi Fraternity.

Colony History

The Sigma Pi Colony on the St. Louis University campus began with Kappa Mu Sigma Fraternity. Kappa Mu Sigma originated on the campus of Quincy College in Quincy, Ill. It came to St. Louis University in 1956 and had as its faculty moderator Dean Richard M. Keefe. Originally founded as a fraternity for varsity athletes, Kappa Mu Sigma won the All-Sports Championship trophy in the intramural sports program for the years 1960-61 and 1961-62. In June, 1966, Kappa Mu Sigma became a colony of Sigma Pi.

Since the summer of 1966, Sigma Pi has been active on the campus of St. Louis University. It has participated in all intramural sports (ranking third last year among the fraternities even though it was the smallest fraternity entered in the program), Homecoming (both basketball and football—it sponsored buses for the first club football Homecoming game), Kampus King, open parties (it sponsored the orientation week open party which attracted 1,500 students.)
during the fall of '68), Greek Week, the Student Congress, and all other university programs.

In keeping with the progressive spirit of Sigma Pi, in October, 1968, the brothers of Alpha Phi Chi merged with the Colony of Sigma Pi. Alpha Phi Chi, since its founding in 1966, had shown strong spirit and had done much to advance the Greek system on the campus.

Climaxing the many years of effort by the Sigma Pi Colony at St. Louis University was the initiation and presentation of a charter by Sigma Pi Fraternity on Feb. 1, which marked the creation of Gamma-Psi Chapter.

University History

St. Louis University traces its history back to the foundation of the St. Louis Academy in 1818, three years before Missouri gained statehood. It was founded by the Right Reverend Louis DuBourg, Bishop of Louisiana, then residing in St. Louis. The school was renamed St. Louis College in 1820 and in December of 1832 received its charter as St. Louis University. This was the first university charter granted west of the Mississippi River.

St. Louis University is a private university under Roman Catholic auspices. The university currently consists of 13 schools with an enrollment of over 11,000 students and a faculty of more than 1,100.

Grand Second Counselor Spriggs, standing center, and Province Archon Woodbury, standing far right, pose with the men of Alpha-Iota who assisted with the initiation.
From Dream to Reality
—Gamma-Omega Is Born

Often the old saying about taking the first step of a 1,000-mile journey rings hollowly, especially if you are the one who must take that first step. Four men at Wayne State University in Detroit, Mich., took such a step in the fall of 1967, when they saw their dream of a fraternity begin its trip to reality with the founding of a Sigma Pi Colony on their campus.

Their journey reached its final conclusion and last step on the evening of Friday, Feb. 14, 1969, with the installation of the 97th chapter of Sigma Pi, Gamma-Omega at Wayne State University.

Traveling to Detroit to perform the ceremonies were Past Grand Sage Lyle H. Smith, Grand First Counselor Robert R. Wieland, Executive Secretary James L. Hills, Senior Field Representative John W. Standridge, Kappa Province Archon Dr. Richard W. Pippen, and Xi Province Archon Richard R. Barnard.

These Brothers were in charge of the initiation ceremony at 5:30 p.m. on Friday evening on the second floor of the McGregor Memorial Building on the Wayne State campus.

Sage Terence M. Burt, Past Sage David W. Schervish, and three other Deltas from Gamma-Alpha, University of Detroit, assisted in the Second Degree of the Golden Quest.

Chapter Officers installed were: Sage Walter A. Jordan; Second Counselor Frederick J. Martus; Third Counselor Glenn R. Shapiro; Fourth Counselor Robert J. Nicosia; First Counselor John R. Molitor; and Herald William M. Bean.


Following the formal ceremonies, an installation banquet was held at 9 p.m. in the McGregor Memorial Building. Grand First Counselor Wieland delivered the keynote address. His emphasis was more than appropriate for the occasion—"Happy Birthday, Gamma-Omega, but don't stop now."

Colony History

En route to that monumental moment the Wayne State founders were joined by others who shared their fraternal dream. All the odds had said it couldn't be done. A national fraternity hadn't been allowed to join Wayne State's IFC since 1952. Nevertheless, the Wayne State founders set out to do the impossible.

In the first fall (1967), before the men of the Colony realized what had happened, they had nailed down every campus award and were to hear such comments as the one from a "Wayne fraternity man, a he left the awards ceremony for Homecoming—"Where in the heck did you guys come from? I've never been so embarrassed of myself in my whole life!" And so it went!

In the spring, the Fraternity grew even more. Bolstered by double-figure pledge classes in two successive quarters, they could see no reason to stop. The Colony was unanimously accepted by the IFC and granted all the privileges of a national.

Summer brought extended work on the Convocation by the then Past-president Douglas E. Curry. After the Convocation, the members had a chance to buy what they
still believe to be a truly remarkable piece of real estate, the three-story house that is our chapter house.

Fall, 1968, provided a chance to duplicate the previous year’s efforts. Capturing the best awards for Homecoming and the largest pledge class on campus, Sigma Pi remained the campus innovator. All the work, hope, and out-and-out sweat came to its hoped-for conclusion on Feb. 14 at the ceremony creating Gamma-Omega.

University History

The beginning of Wayne State University may be traced to a time before the Civil War when, in 1859, Wallace Harper, an ailing recluse, and his housekeeper, Mrs. Nancy Martin, donated their properties for the construction of a protestant hospital to the Rev. George Duffield, pastor of First Presbyterian Church. The Federal Government constructed a hospital on this land in 1864 to care for Michigan’s sick and wounded. The Reverend Duffield formed the Harper Hospital Board of Trustees who received the hospital from the government in 1866 to care for the poor.

The hospital’s constitution provided for “the elevation and advancement of medical science and practice . . . by means of clinical lectures and instruction,” which led to the founding of Detroit Medical College in 1868. In 1885, the Detroit Medical College merged with Michigan College of Medicine to become Detroit College of Medicine. A privately-operated institution for 50 years, the college provided the State of Michigan with a large percentage of its doctors. In 1918 it came under public control with Detroit’s Board of Education as its governors.

Another parent institution of the present university was Detroit Normal Training School, founded in 1881 to forward the profession of teaching. In 1920, the then four-year school became Detroit Teachers’ College, which was followed in 1933, after the university organization, by the name College of Education.

Wayne’s Liberal Arts College dates back to 1917 and the initiation of Detroit Junior College, which became Detroit City College and graduated its first four-year class in 1925.

In 1933, Detroit combined these separate elements to acquire a “new” university that had been 65 years in the making, known as Wayne University. In 1956 on April 22 former Governor G. Mennen Williams signed the bill that created Wayne State University.

Elected to lead Gamma-Omega through its first year as a chapter were: (left to right) First Counselor John R. Mollitor, Second Counselor Frederick J. Martus, Fourth Counselor Robert J. Nicosia, Sage Walter A. Jordan, Herald William M. Bean, and Third Counselor Glenn R. Shapiro.

Past Grand Sage Lyle H. Smith led the team that installed Gamma-Omega chapter at Wayne State University: (left to right) Grand First Counselor Robert R. Wieland, Executive Secretary James L. Hills, Past Grand Sage Smith, Province Archon Dr. Richard W. Pippen, Province Archon Richard R. Barnard, and Senior Field Representative John W. Standridge.
Central Michigan Joins
The Roll of Chapters

The 98th chapter of Sigma Pi was created on Feb. 16, 1969, when the Colony at Central Michigan University in Mt. Pleasant, Mich., was formally installed as Delta-Alpha Chapter. The event followed the installation of the Wayne State University Chapter, Gamma-Omega, in Detroit two days earlier in a week-end that saw the double creation of two new Michigan Chapters of Sigma Pi.

This ceremony was the culmination of over two years of effort by many past and present Brothers of Delta-Alpha Chapter. Many long nights were spent by John S. Coyle and his chartering committee in the spring of 1968 in compiling the Petition for Chartering. This work finally began to show results at the 1968 Convocation on Mackinac Island, Mich., when the petition was submitted. Then, in the fall, after the submission of the final requirements for chartering, the petition was ratified by the other chapters and given final approval. All that remained to be done was to set the definite date.

Presiding over the installation team was Grand First Counselor Robert Wieland, representing Grand Sage Kenneth C. Hughes. Assisting Brother Wieland were Past Grand Sage Lyle H. Smith, acting as Grand Second Counselor; Xi Province Archon Richard R. Barnard, acting as Grand Third Counselor; Advisor to Gamma-Rho, Dr. Richard W. Pippen, acting as Grand Fourth Counselor; Senior Field Representative John W. Standridge, acting as Grand First Counselor; and Executive Secretary James L. Hills, acting as Grand Herald.

Assisting in the Second Degree of the Golden Quest from Gamma-Rho Chapter were Robert J. Chapraka, Lowry A. Anderson, Howard S. Gunther, Past Sage Larry E. Nelson, Sage Curtis G. Bunte, and Past Third Counselor Thomas A. Moore, Jr.

Outgoing Colony officers pose proudly with the new Delta-Alpha Charter. They are (left to right) Herald William E. Nagengast, Jr., James W. Pashak, Second Counselor James D. Smith, Sage Pierre Satkowski, Treasurer Scott E. Krikke, and Secretary Thomas P. Lynch.
Ceremonies which created the new chapter at Central Michigan University were conducted by (left to right) Senior Field Representative John W. Standridge, Past Grand Sage Lyle H. Smith, Province Archon Dr. Richard R. Barnard, Executive Secretary James L. Hills, Grand First Counselor Robert R. Wieland, and Dr. Richard W. Pippen.


Thomas P. Lynch was installed as the chapter’s first Sage. Other officers are Second Counselor Lawrence A. Crandall, Third Counselor Donald R. Eikhoff, Fourth Counselor Jeffrey E. DeNeen, First Counselor Stephen G. Cady, and Herald William E. Nagengast, Jr.

The Sunday installation ceremony began at twelve noon. By 2:30 p.m., it had ended and a new chapter was in existence. After a coffee-hour the whole “congregation” moved to the Holiday Inn for the formal installation banquet. A buffet preceded presentations by several speakers. Representing the school administration was Dean Hummel, who graciously spoke on behalf of the president of Central Michigan University, Dr. William Boyd. Also addressing the company was Past Grand Sage Smith, who expressed the sentiments of the Grand Chapter.

The highlight of the evening was an unusual but appropriate presentation to most-worthy Executive Secretary Hills, who was made a member of an elite and honored group here at Central. The Beef Trust, whose members must weight at least 220 pounds to maintain their status. There was initially some doubt as to his adequacy as a prospective member, but during the banquet it was stated that if it hadn’t been for Mr. Hills at the VIP headtable, the Beef Trust at the rear would have tilted the whole room.

Another presentation at the banquet was that of especially-inscribed gavels to the Past Sages of Delta-Alpha Chapter, William C. Schuler, Andrew L. Gustafson, and Bernard J. Pelc.

At the close of the day Secretary Hills left Central with a Beef Trust Emergency Kit—an Alka-Seltzer tin—and the worthy title of Honorable Grand Sage of the Beef Trust. He and the other members of the national installation team departed to continue their work with the next chapter of Sigma Pi, leaving behind a new and active chapter.

At Central Michigan University Brothers began to reassign their goals and to aim for new objectives, so that they would not assume that they had arrived at the end of a road. Their new charter is not an end, but a beginning—the means through which the Colony can really become a Fraternity.

Assisting in the Second Degree of the Golden Quest from Gamma-Rho Chapter were: (left to right) Robert J. Chaprnka, Lowry A. Anderson, Howard S. Gunther, Larry E. Nelson, Curtis G. Bunte, and Thomas A. Moore, Jr.
Colony History

Central Michigan Colony resulted from a colonization visit by former Field Representative J. Dan Lilley in April of 1967. Assisted on campus by IFC member Glenn Bachman, Brother Lilley succeeded in forming the nucleus of four men, Andrew Gustafson, Craig Mestemaker, Dennis Valdes, and Neil Stark, who respected the ideals of Sigma Pi and set about to expand the tiny group. Five more men were added to the ranks and an adviser, Captain Max Rosenberg, was chosen.

Soon four additional pledges were gained; a community service project was begun; and open rush was undertaken, resulting in eight new men. On May 17, 1967, Sigma Pi was recognized by the IFC and the university administration as the 10th social fraternity on the CMU campus. There were many social events before the semester ended, but the most important achievement was the winning of the Interfraternity Grade-Point Trophy by the Colony with a cumulative average of 2.501. Other academic honors were bestowed on Patrick Mantei, Dennis Valdes, and Pierre Satkowiak.

Homecoming participation with a queen candidate and a float kept the Colony busy in the fall of 1967. The membership continued to expand. Members left for Christmas vacation with real holiday spirit gained from sponsoring a Christmas celebration for a needy Mt. Pleasant family.

Intramural participation and continued individual academic honors were part of the next year’s events. In spring, 1968, the colony began working toward the prerequisites for a charter.

February rush, which featured a toboggan party, netted 11 pledges. Co-sweethearts Brenda Conely and Dee Duyser were chosen at the Colony’s first Orchid Ball. The Colony finished sixth in its first Greek Week competition and captured second place in intramural bowling. Benjamin Taggie of the CMU history department became adviser in fall of 1968 with Captain Rosenberg as comptroller. The colony was ready to await its installation as a chapter.

University History

In 1892, at the urging of the Mt. Pleasant Board of Education, the city’s improvement company established a school for the training of teachers that became known as the Central Michigan Normal School and Business Institute. The school’s five departments were designed to provide a balance between theoretical and practical education. In 1897 the school received its first support from the Michigan Legislature.

Development of plant and curriculum continued steadily until 1927, when the Institute became Central State Teachers College. In early 1939, Dr. Charles L. Anspach became president and began a new era of growth and expansion. The name was again changed to Central Michigan Teachers College and then later to Central Michigan College of Education. During this time the school was accredited by the North Central Association of American Colleges and Universities and the “of Education” was dropped from the title.

Just before the retirement of Dr. Anspach in 1959, the school was granted university status by the governor and became Central Michigan University. New president, Judson W. Foust, strove to make the university title meaningful. In 1967, CMU had reached a student enrollment of 9,500 with 72 buildings and 450 acres of property valued at $50 million.
Delta-Beta Chartered
At Monmouth College

"... I will strive to make real the Fraternity's ideals in my own daily life"—with these, the last words in the Creed of Sigma Pi, final ceremonies were closed for the induction of Delta-Beta Chapter at Monmouth College in West Long Branch, N.J., on March 22, 1969.

The events that led to this day were initiated as far back as 1956, when a group of 12 men who had much the same interests joined together for meals and social activities. This group, in 1958, after much organizing and planning, became Alpha Theta Chi Fraternity of Monmouth College.

On April 6, 1959, Alpha Theta Chi was formally accepted by the Board of Trustees, making it the second oldest fraternity on campus.

Through the years Alpha Theta Chi grew into a strong, closely-knit group, but with growth must come expansion and higher levels of achievement. In order to achieve the most and the best fraternally, the brotherhood elected in 1966 to affiliate with Sigma Pi as a colony.

The Colony prospered and left the Sigma Pi mark on every facet of campus life—sports, student government, academics, and community service. We knew that as a Colony we had to excel in our achievements as a local. We had one goal, to become a fraternity ready and able to receive and keep a charter from the national. This we did with our school and community activities through fine leadership from within the Colony and from national headquarters. All this led to our becoming Delta-Beta Chapter, 99th chapter of Sigma Pi.

Grand Sage Kenneth C. Hughes led the induction of the members at installation ceremonies. He was assisted by Grand First Counselor Robert R. Wieland, acting as Second Counselor; Grand Herald Howard H. Beyer, acting as Third Counselor; Province Archon Joseph P. Strano, acting as Fourth Counselor; Province Archon Dr. Charles A. McComb, acting as First Counselor; and Executive Secretary James L. Hills, acting as...

Participating in the induction ceremonies for Delta-Beta at Monmouth College were: (left to right) Province Archon Dr. Charles A. McComb, Chapter Advisor Ray McCullam, Executive Secretary James L. Hills, Grand First Counselor Robert R. Wieland, Monmouth College Dean of Men Dean Smith, Grand Sage Kenneth C. Hughes, Grand Herald Howard H. Beyer, Province Archon Joseph P. Strano, and Past Grand Sage Frank C. Fryburg.

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Herald. Assisting all officers was Senior Field Representative John W. Standridge. Past Grand Sage Frank C. Fryburg represented the Grand Sage in the presentation of the formal instructions.

Officers and members of Gamma-Eta Chapter, Rutgers University, participated in the Second Degree of the Golden Quest.

Chapter officers installed were Sage Terry L. Baughan, Second Counselor James Wells, Third Counselor David Eilenberg, Fourth Counselor Thomas Wujciski, First Counselor John W. Chandler, and Herald Kevin J. O’Donnell.


The installation banquet was held in the West End Manor with Sage Baughan presiding. Sage Baughan spoke for the chapter and Dean Smith, Monmouth College dean of men, spoke for the school. Grand Sage Hughes expressed the thoughts of the Grand Chapter, reminding the newly-installed group that their real responsibilities had just begun.

**Colony History**

After its recognition in 1959, Alpha Theta Chi Fraternity progressed rapidly and was recognized in 1962 by the State of New Jersey as an incorporated, non-profit corporation and became Alpha Theta Chi Fraternity, Inc.

After colonization with Sigma Pi in 1966, the group continued to be Monmouth’s most well-rounded organization. In 1967, Stanley A. Sharaga was Student Government Association president, and Robert Goldstein was senior class (1968) president.

The 9th annual Monmouth Homecoming was dominated by colony members, with Robert Goldstein as homecoming chairman. The colony won 6 of 14 awards. Rush produced 17 pledges, all of whom were inducted.

Spring, 1968, was also a productive time. A Sigma Pi Little Sister program was initiated, and rush gained seven more pledges.

In intramural sports, a swimming championship was followed by a fourth-place finish in basketball. Social events included spring weekend and induction dinner. Stanley A. Sharaga and Joel Bendar were named to Who’s Who.

Members returned in fall, 1968, to a luxurious new house, which provides 14 members with private rooms and offers a meal plan. A policy of inviting faculty and administrators to dinner was begun successfully.
The colony was again active in intramurals. A pledge class of three was taken. An alumni coordinator planned a program and a newsletter. Individual members have represented the colony in all phases of campus activity.

College History

Monmouth College originated as Monmouth Junior College, one of six junior colleges established with federal assistance through a 1933 experimental program in New Jersey. Through the vigorous efforts of many leading school authorities in Monmouth County, a Board of Trustees was organized, and full use of the Long Branch Senior High School building during evenings was obtained. In its second year the institution became a two-year junior college. That same year the State Department of Education accepted the responsibility of supervising the new junior colleges.

Beginning with the academic year 1936-37, the decision was made to charge tuition and, thereby, make Monmouth Junior College independent of direct federal assistance. The Long Branch Board of Education supported the junior college in this step and assumed sponsorship of the institution.

In October, 1940, Monmouth Junior College was awarded full academic accreditation by the New Jersey State Board of Education. In 1947 the State Board of Education granted permission for Monmouth College to award an associate in arts degree. Monmouth Junior College was incorporated in 1948 under the state laws as an independent, non-profit institution of higher education, and in 1952 the college was accredited by the Middle States Association of College and Secondary Schools.

By 1956 the needs of the College had so taxed the facilities of the Long Branch High School that it moved to Shadow Lawn campus.

The college received authorization from the New Jersey Department of Education in 1956 to initiate four-year baccalaureate curricula and to confer the degrees of bachelor of arts and bachelor of science.

The Monmouth campus covers some 125 acres. There are 20 buildings on the campus and a capacity of approximately 6,000 students.
During the administration of President Woodrow Wilson the estate was loaned to the United States Government to be used as a summer White House for the President during the summer and autumn of 1916 when he lived there.

For rental payment President Wilson insisted on donating $2,500 to Monmouth County charities. It was here on Sept. 2, 1916, that President Wilson received notification from his party of his candidacy for a second term. He remained at Shadow Lawn from September to November. It was also here that he learned of his apparent defeat by his opponent, Charles Evans Hughes, and then, the morning after the election, of California's belated return and his surprising victory.

Two years later, during the spring of 1918, the property was sold by Mr. Greenhut for $800,000, and it became the home of Mr. and Mrs. Hubert T. Parson, the president of F. W. Woolworth. Additions were made to the landed estate, bringing the total number of acres to 108.

On Jan. 7, 1927, after the mansion had been entirely redecorated and refurbished, it was totally destroyed by fire. Plans for a new, fireproof French mansion on the same site were drawn by Horace Trumbauer of Philadelphia as directed by the Parsons. Finally, in April, 1928, a contract was given to the Thompson Starrett Company of New York to build the present structure which was completed in late 1930 at a cost of $10.5 million.

Decorated by The William Baumgarten Company of New York, the main mansion contains 96 rooms and 19 baths. There are 48 varieties of marble and 1500 mirrors in the building. Originally 90 tons of coal were burned monthly to heat the house, which took 25 household and 40 grounds servants to maintain.

Mr. Parsons retired from Woolworth in 1932, and in 1939 West Long Branch bought the estate for nonpayment of taxes on a bid of $100 and opened it to the public to obtain heating costs.

An auction of the furnishings in 1940 lasted 19 days and netted a quarter of a million dollars. This same year the estate became a military academy. The purchase contract was bought by Eugene H. Lehman in 1942 and it became Highland Manor Girls School.

It was from Mr. Lehman that Monmouth College purchased the estate in 1956, renaming the main house Woodrow Wilson Hall. The luxurious replica of Versailles Palace now contains large classrooms, administrative offices, and other campus accommodations. Made of Indiana limestone, marble, steel, and concrete, with decorations of petrified wood and wrought copper, it is estimated to be worth over $40 million.

"Buck" Marable Resigns His Editorial Post

"Buck's Chatter," a familiar and well-loved part of THE EMERALD for many years, will no longer appear on its pages.

The creator, William I. Marable, has resigned his position as associate editor after 32 years of contributing his informative and personable comments.

"Buck," who is with Chowan College in Murfreesboro, N.C., enlivened the Sigma Pi quarterly with his copy from 1936 to 1968. His interesting feature will be missed by the Brothers of Sigma Pi and other EMERALD readers.

The Fraternity would like to acknowledge with gratitude his years of vital interest in the Brotherhood and all aspects of its history, growth, and image. His service has been outstanding, and his devotion has been genuinely unique since his initiation into Alpha-Eta's Class of '23.

Thank you, Buck, for your enduring demonstration of the ideals of Sigma Pi.

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Another milestone has been reached by Sigma Pi—its 100th chapter was chartered on Sunday, March 23, when the Colony at Seton Hall University in South Orange, N.J., became Delta-Epsilon Chapter. This new chapter is the fourth in the State of New Jersey with Alpha-Mu, Gamma-Eta, and the newly-installed Delta-Beta at Monmouth.

Initiation and installation ceremonies, held in the Robin Hood Inn of Clifton, N.J., were led by Grand Sage Kenneth C. Hughes. Assisting Brother Hughes were Grand First Counselor Robert R. Wieland, Grand Herald Howard H. Beyer, Past Grand Sage Frank C. Fryburg, Executive Secretary James L. Hills, Senior Field Representative John W. Standridge, Province Archon Joseph J. Strano, and Province Archon Dr. Charles W. McComb.

Undergraduate members of Alpha-Mu at nearby Newark College of Engineering, including Sage Charles C. Marzullo and Past Sage Eugene K. Flaherty, participated in the Second Degree of the Golden Quest.


Delta-Epsilon's first installed officers were Sage Michael P. DiComo, Second Counselor Victor M. Pedalino, Third Counselor Thomas J. Foley, Fourth Counselor Michael A. D'Anton, First Counselor Edward M. Hearne, and Herald Clement V. Falzarano.

A reception and banquet in the Robin Hood Inn followed the ceremonies. University dignitaries who attended, including Father O'Leary of the English department who is Chapter Moderator, were Edward Mannigan, assistant director of student affairs, and Alfred D. Donovan, vice-president of student affairs, who spoke. Grand Sage Hughes also addressed the assembled Brothers and guests.
Colonies History

The Sigma Pi Colony at Seton Hall was formed from two local fraternities, Tau Sigma Phi and Kappa Sigma Pi, whose two presidents, Steven Novak and Joseph O'Connor, chaired the committees for the merger and the induction.

Election and a new constitution were the first order of business. Rush followed, and 20 were pledged, the best on campus. The Colony's social calendar was filled with parties, hayrides, picnics, and an annual dinner dance.

Scholastically, the Colony ranks in the top five out of 17 fraternities. Their average is above the All-Men's. Many members made Dean's List. Michael Derczo was ranked first in his junior class.

A strong intramural program brought teams to the basketball, baseball, and football semi-final playoffs. Continuing a Tau Sigma Phi tradition, the Colony presented two trophies at the annual Seton Hall football banquet to the most valuable players.

Colony service committee has worked closely with University alumni office, development office, and office of student affairs. The service committee has promoted projects with local hospitals, therapy work for home patients, Biafran food drive, orphanage toy drive, and work with Newark's underprivileged.

At the time of its installation the Seton Hall Colony was the largest fraternity on campus. It publishes a monthly newsletter to keep alumni informed on fraternity activities.

University History

Seton Hall University is located in South Orange, N.J., about 20 miles from New York. It is chartered by the State of New Jersey, accredited by the Middle States Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools, and maintained by the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Newark. Students may attend the College of Arts and Sciences, School of Education, School of Business Administration, School of Nursing, and School of Law in Newark. At present there are 9,000 students and 600 faculty members.

Seton Hall was founded as a liberal arts college in 1856 in Madison, N.J., and moved to South Orange in 1861, when it was incorporated and chartered by the state.

For almost 90 years the school remained small with expansion gradually beginning in the Thirties. In 1960 the state authorized university status for Seton Hall. The physical plant expanded rapidly. Schools of dentistry and medicine in the Jersey City Medical Center were placed under the direction of the state in 1965. In 1961 all graduate studies were concentrated on the South Orange campus. In 1967 all Newark classes were transferred to the campus. Now underway is a $15 million development program.

Only Presidents' Hall and Immaculate Conception Chapel remain of original buildings, both extensively restored. Seton Hall sponsors three internationally recognized programs: Judaeo-Christian Institute, Department of Far Eastern Studies, and Center of Italian Culture. The school has sponsored programs to aid Newark's underprivileged.

Seton Hall seeks to provide an academic environment in which the student can grow into abiding appreciation of learning and a feeling for Judaeo-Christian traditions in contemporary settings. The school offers the opportunity for competence in several professions and preparation for purposeful and responsible living in a free society.
Founders' Day Commitment

by Robert W. McCurdy
Ohio Province Archon

Founders' Day, 1969—a day not even acknowledged by some in our Fraternity and celebrated unmeaningfully as just another social event by others. I suppose this is a criticism of many of our chapters, but their response to this historic day is understandable. I believe that learning the names of our Founders has become a chore that is similar to memorizing the signers of the Declaration of Independence—a task that we are required to complete but which holds little meaning for us. I remember learning their names in alphabetical order, in reverse alphabetical order, and accurately enough to repeat 10 times on a match as a pledge. Misspelling of a first, middle, or last name was not tolerated on a pledge examination.

We did not learn about the real men and their persistence in keeping alive a once-floundering Fraternity that is now one of the strongest.

I am certain that the same thing happened to us that happens today: we toiled through the history of Sigma Pi. We learned dates—1897, 1907, and Feb. 26. We learned about Tau Phi Delta and Old Vincennes. We learned the names of Kennedy, Kingsbury, Patterson, James, Lewis, Shake, and Lisman. In all this mechanical learning none of us realized the commitment on the part of the Founders and early members.

I am not here to give a history lecture, but I do feel that two areas need to be discussed in relation to this failure.

First, what are pledges learning about our Fraternity? I think it is time that each chapter reevaluate its pledge program to determine whether or not it is relevant for today's freshmen. If we look hard enough, with a great deal of objective honesty, I think we will find that our pledge programs were developed when the role of a college student was quite different. I think that we will discover that today's freshman does not seek the same social identity of the fifties and even early sixties. I know that where our chapters have been unwilling to change, our rush programs have not been successful. I know that where our chapters have relied on time-honored traditions during pledge training, the attrition rate has been high. But most of all, I know that there is no good reason for many qualified students not becoming members of a college fraternity.

We need to ask ourselves, "How important are all the dates and names?" Our answer must be that this is important learning but not at the expense of ideas or philosophy. How many times has each of us complained about a professor who expects from us what we seem to expect from our pledges? We must make pledges question the role of the Fraternity and their role in relation to the Fraternity. The pledge needs to examine the role of the university and his responsibility in this community. Whatever we ask of our pledges, we had better have good reasons for doing so.

The second area I would like to discuss is that of what I think Founders' Day should mean to each of us. Founders' Day should be Sigma Pi's day of commitment, as individuals, as a chapter, and as a national Brotherhood of men. When I think of it, this is what our Founders did. They committed themselves to forming a "fellowship of kindred minds." Founders' Day should be a time of rewarding fulfillment and new commitment for the coming year.

We need to ask ourselves how we can improve as Brothers in scholastics, financial responsibility, rushing, assisting Brothers or pledges in studies, campus activities, and involvement in community action. We need to ask how we can improve as a chapter in scholastics, service to the community, increased membership, strengthened IFC, and support of university programs. This kind of unselfish service and interest by the Fraternity will be repaid many times with the intangible benefits of any commitment successfully fulfilled. Remember that unselfish commitments are what our National was founded on. They are that which has made us grow, and they will maintain the strength

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Success in the precision world of computers is a tough assignment for anyone, and, for a blind man, it would seem to be impossible.

However, defying the enormous barriers that faced him, Bill Adler, totally blind since 1965, has met the exacting demands of computer programming with ingenuity and courage and come away the victor.

A computer programmer for Bendix Corporation in Kansas City, Mo., Bill designed a coding system that translates a computer's usual print-out material into braille. This special system, called a utility program, adds another step to the computer's information flow, commanding the machine electronically to make its final response in the raised dots of braille.

This added step, according to Brother Adler, takes a little longer and requires three times the ordinary amount of paper. Most importantly, however, it makes Bill the equal of any sighted programmer.

Bill Adler's struggle to overcome the odds was a determined one that met each dead-end and discouragement with a resolution to begin again.

Born William L. Adler in Kansas City in 1942, Bill grew up in his native home and in high school was manager for the football,
basketball, and track teams. A love of art and drafting brought the young man in the fall of 1960 to Central Missouri State College in Warrensburg with the intention to become an architectural engineer.

CMSC did not have a Sigma Pi Chapter when Bill arrived, but in the spring of '61 representatives from the other Missouri colleges arrived to start one. Bill was a part of the first nucleus of interested prospects who formed what was to become Gamma-Gamma Chapter. He is listed among the chapter's go charter members and served Gamma-Gamma as Historian for two years.

It was in the fall of 1962, while he was still an undergraduate, that he began having retinal hemorrhages, but this early warning did not frighten him. A diabetic since the age of seven, Bill simply began to watch his diabetes more strictly. At this time he switched his major from pre-engineering to art and began to pick up mathematics for a minor.

Then, in January of 1964, serious problems started when he was struck in the right temple by a snowball. By the following afternoon he could not see out of his right eye, and his difficulties as an artist began to grow. In 1965, after being what he describes as "a one-eyed artist" for 12 months, he drove his car off the road on a snowy evening in an accident that touched off the rest of his trouble.

Two weeks after the mishap, on Valentine's Day, 1965, he came home with a severe case of glaucoma, a disease which blocks the eye pores and produces tremendous pressure on the eyeball. After a few days, surgery was performed which left Bill with vision in only his left eye. He wrote to CMSC and received his quarter grades on the basis of the work he had completed. It was three weeks later that he suffered a detached retina in his remaining left eye.

The struggle that followed is best outlined by Brother Adler in his own words.

"I went back to CMSC without having any formal mobility training and worked on a weaving project and visited with my professors. When the year ended, I returned for graduation exercises with the rest of the class and received my bachelor of science degree. "I visited the Bureau for the Blind and secured help from a counselor. It was at that time that I was informed about formal computer training for the blind. My goal at that time was to prepare myself to qualify for this training.

"During the summer I taught myself to type by listening to records; learned how to read and write braille, by hand and by a braille writer (a machine which punches braille characters in paper); and also went through a crash training program in mobility.

"It was in September of the same year that I lost my sight that I went to Cincinnati's Medical Computing Center at the University of Cincinnati, College of Medicine. It was through a government grant and a lot of time and effort on the part of others—through their development and application of special devices—that I was able to receive the training that I did. It is to these people that I am forever indebted. After several interviews in Christmas vacation, I accepted a position with the Kansas City division of The Bendix Corporation. I have been with Bendix since May of 1966."

Brother Adler's heroic determination has been described in stories by an Associated Press writer and by Phillip S. Brimble, Science-Medical Writer for The Kansas City Star.

In his talk with Reporter Brimble, he described the disheartening set-backs he met when, after mastering the difficult braille and programming skills, he began job interviews.

"A lot of firms were impressed that I had learned the program," he said, "but they didn't hire me." A two-and-one-half-hour interview with the representative of a national department and catalog store chain ended with the man saying, "All this is very nice, but how would you find the men's restroom?"

Surprised and hurt, Bill answered that he would expect the courtesy of a tour of the office, just as any sighted employee would.

In his present position with Bendix his fellow programmers have accepted him completely after an initial amazement that he could master such complex work. Bill himself feels that his blindness actually gives him an advantage since only he can proofread his work and is the first one to catch his own mistakes.
Today he is an active member of the local chapter of the Association for Computing Machinery and is a part of a group which is organizing a Sigma Pi Alumni Chapter in the Kansas City Area.

In his communication with The Emerald, Brother Bill Adler has stated that he hopes his story will be a stimulus to Brothers of Sigma Pi around the world. That goal is assured, for his story is an inspirational example of one man's triumph through indomitable bravery and greatness of spirit.

Rho Province Convenes

Rho Province hosted its first province convention and leadership school in Rolla, Mo., on March 7, 8, and 9. Delegates were present from Alpha-Rho (Southwest Missouri State), Alpha-Iota (University of Missouri, Rolla), Gamma-Sigma (University of Missouri, Columbia), Gamma-Psi (St. Louis University), and the University of Missouri, St. Louis, Colony.

The leadership school was keynoted by prominent UMR speakers and was coordinated by Province Archon Franklin B. W. Woodbury. A highly successful series of province committee meetings were featured concerning alumni relations, athletics, chapter relations, expansion, public relations, and scholarship. A general session was held on pledge training.

A model initiation of neophytes from Alpha-Iota preceded the convention awards banquet on Saturday evening. Guest speaker at the banquet was Executive Secretary James L. Hills.

Alpha-Iota was named outstanding province chapter and received the province efficiency award. Gamma-Psi Chapter received the scholarship trophy. Frank Razzano of Gamma-Psi was chosen outstanding Rho Province Sigma Pi. Brother Razzano, former president and founder of Alpha Phi Chi local, was instrumental in the merger with the Colony and in the subsequent success in obtaining a charter.

He is a member of Phi Beta Kappa and compiled a 4.0 average for fall semester. Among his other accomplishments are three years on the dorm council; director of Big Brother Program at St. Alphonsus Rock as a sophomore and began another program in St. Louis ghetto parish; chairman of SLU religious and scholastic committees; member of university steering and social committees; member of Eta Sigma Phi, classical languages honorary; IFC member for three and one half years; member of Oriflamme, service honorary; Woodrow Wilson Fellowship nominee; offered a government grant for study of Asian History; began SLU Careers Week; worked on St. Louis' National Education and Science Foundation; and acted as Sigma Pi pledge trainer. Brother Razzano has applications pending at Georgetown, Yale, Cornell, and Columbia law schools.

Robert Niehaus from Alpha-Iota was runner-up in the balloting.

Among business items discussed were a one-dollar-per-man per-semester province dues which was approved for the purpose of province expansion. Also, a province committee was planned to aid this expansion.
Gamma-Delta Brothers Dominate Varsity Teams
by Mark Linton

This year at Slippery Rock Gamma-Deltas have been dominant factors in varsity athletics. In football, 12 Brothers and six pledges make up much of the Rock's team. The soccer team reached the NAIA play-offs and lost to the eventual champs, Davis-Elkins, 2-1. Next year's squad, under the direction of Brother and Captain Don Fairhead, looks even more powerful.

The basketball team with seven Sigma Pi's out of nine players played one of the toughest schedules. Captains Robert Barlett, Gary L. Neuschwander, and Joseph T. Bailie held the team's highest statistics. Pledges Thomas Fast, Frank Lazzeri, and Michael Hackett led the Rock freshman team to a 14-6 season.

On the indoor track team, Captain Bob Robbins and Pennsylvania State College Conference high-jump champion Mark Linton were prominent in a nucleus of eight Brothers who should continue the winning track tradition at the Rock.

The Rock swim team, captained by Brother Mike Crosby, finished second in the RSCC championship with Brother Jerry Hughes breaking two state records. Jerry seems to be a shoo-in for All-American honors, following in the footsteps of Gamma-Delta's All-American Tom Erdos. Four other Pi's are also members of the team which finished 10-4 in dual competition.

In wrestling Past Sage John C. Wimer finished fifth in tough PSCC wrestling.

Last year in baseball the Rock won 16 straight games for a 16-1 record. This year four Sigma Pi's will try to uphold that winning tradition.

This year the Brothers at Slippery Rock will be sponsoring the Gamma-Delta Invitational Basketball Tourney with chapters from Fairmont, Youngstown, and West Virginia also competing. As defending champion, Gamma-Delta expects stiff competition.

Medallion Recipient

Randall S. Swisher, (Xi, U.Ia. '69) was honored for outstanding leadership and service to the University of Iowa by receiving the Hanchen-Finkbine Medallion. The award came to Brother Swisher as an outstanding student on the basis of "learning, leadership, loyalty," as inscribed on the Medallion.

Arts Institute President

William Maxwell (Phi, Ill.), an editor of THE NEW YORKER MAGAZINE, has been elected president of the National Institute of Arts and Letters. Brother Maxwell succeeds Poet Allen Tate as head of the nation's highest honor society of the arts, established by Congress and limited in membership to 250. The Illinois-born writer is the author of seven novels, including They Came Like Swallows and The Chateau.

All-American Center

All-American honors have been bestowed on Robert J. Franzinger, center for the University of Detroit football Titans and a Brother of Gamma-Alpha Chapter. The UD varsity athlete was the first player to be named to the center position by the National Club Football Services of New York. He was chosen by a vote of all 42 club members. According to the UD VARSITY NEWS, Franzinger helped his team to a national rank of seventh. As a chemical engineer, the 6'1", 195-lb. Franzinger is now on co-op work near his home in Cleveland.

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which will keep him from football in the 1969 season. He will return, however, to eligibility in fall, 1970.

Varsity Athletes Bring Honors to Three Chapters

Beta-Upsilon Chapter at Shippensburg State College received recognition through the varsity accomplishments of its members. Especially honored were Michael Wildasin, who was given honorable mention on the Pennsylvania football All-State Team, and G. Craig Snyder, who was elected co-captain of the Raiders 1969-70 basketball team.

Brothers from Theta and Beta-Lambda have achieved varsity honors for their schools.

Joseph V. Comforto of Theta was selected Junior College All-American in soccer and given honorable mention in baseball. Also from Theta, Jeffrey S. Reynolds and John Bilicki are pitchers for the Penn State baseball team.

Past Sage William S. Jula of Beta-Lambda recently completed his last year of varsity basketball at Lycoming as captain of the team and leading scorer, with a 25-point average. He was twice named ECAC player-of-the-week. Another Beta-Lambda Brother, Charles A. Kaufmann, is tri-captain of the Lycoming football team.

Second State Championship

Henry "Hank" Spangler of Beta-Psi Chapter at East Stroudsburg State College has captured the Pennsylvania State Diving Championship in the one-meter diving event. This gives Brother Spangler his second consecutive state championship in this competition.

Three in Phi Beta Kappa

Three members of Gamma-Eta Chapter at Rutgers have been elected to membership in Phi Beta Kappa, scholastic honorary. They are Past Sage David Gutin, Jerrold R. McDowell, and James N. Karas.

A-X Sage in Honorary

William M. Hunt, Sage of Alpha-Chi, was recently tapped for membership in Omicron Delta Kappa, the national leadership honorary fraternity. This semester is Bill's second as Sage. He served as president of the campus Young Democrats' Club and demonstrated leadership ability while still a pledge, as president of his pledge class. Subsequently, he served Alpha-Chi as assistant pledgemaster. Brother Hunt is a government and politics major in the College of Arts and Sciences and has a cumulative average above 3.0.

IFC President

James J. Ranieri of Alpha-Iota Chapter was elected president of the Interfraternity Council at the University of Missouri, Rolla, for the spring semester. Jim is a senior from Chicago Heights, Ill. The senior representative for his chapter, Brother Ranieri has held the offices of pledge trainer, social chairman, and rush chairman. He is a student member of the Building Association. He recently revised and rewrote the "new" Alpha-Iota pledge program, now in effect.

On the field, Jim is at present out for the UMR Rugby Team. He is a past member of the social and special events Student Union committees, and a member of the American Society of Civil Engineers and the National Society of Professional Engineers.

After graduation Jim plans to return to UMR to work towards a master's degree in environmental control.
Eisenhower Funeral Participant

Giving the closing prayer for the funeral of former President Dwight David Eisenhower was the Right Reverend William F. Creighton (Delta, Penn.), bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of Washington, D.C. The services were held in the National Cathedral in the nation's capital on Monday, March 31.

Chemist Retires

Dr. Thomas L. Gresham (Psi, Emory '28) has retired as director of the Houdry Laboratories and vice-president of research and development for Houdry Process and Chemical Company, division of Air Products and Chemicals, Inc. Dr. Gresham has accepted an appointment as associate director of development at PMC Colleges, Chester, Pa. He will continue to serve Air Products and Chemicals, Inc., as consultant. He is the holder or co-holder of 32 patents, covering chemical processes and organic chemicals useful for plastics, plasticizers, monomers, polymers, and rubber chemicals, and in the food, textile, and paper industries.

Joins DMI Department

Dolly Madison Industries of Philadelphia has announced the appointment of R. William Ames (Alpha-Phi, Ga. '64) to the position of assistant advertising manager, public relations, of its corporate advertising and public relations department. Before joining DMI, Brother Ames directed press relations for General Electric Company's advertising and sales promotion department in Louisville, Ky. While an undergraduate at the University of Georgia, he was active in student government and on the campus newspaper. A member of Alpha Delta Sigma, a professional advertising fraternity, Brother Ames now lives in Cherry Hill, N.J., with his wife, Barbara, and son.

Information Service Director

Julius W. Marut (Beta-Sigma, N. Ill. '59), a teacher in the Aurora, Ill., School District 129 for 10 years, has been appointed director of information services for the Aurora West Side Schools.

Brother Marut began his teaching career as a math instructor in Franklin Junior High in 1959. For the past five years he has served as math department chairman. He holds a bachelor's and a master's degree from Northern Illinois University and in 1964 was awarded a summer grant from the National Science Foundation to study at the University of Idaho.

He is a life member of the National Education Association; is a member of the Illinois Education Association and served as president of the Northeastern Division, IEA during 1966-67; and is a member of the Aurora Education Association (West Side) and the Illinois and National Councils for Teachers of Mathematics.

For two years Marut has been a member of the West Side Citizens' School Forum and the Citizens' Advisory Committee.

He and his wife, Barbara, live at 558 Rockwell Road in Aurora with their two children.

New Province Archon

Grand Sage Kenneth C. Hughes has appointed William A. Moody (Beta-Eta, San Jose '64) to the position of Province Archon of Alpha-Alpha Province. Brother Moody was recommended for the office by out-going Province Archon Robert L. Farnquist, who
was forced to resign by unalterable circumstances. Duties for the Province were assumed by Brother Moody on March 17.

Kenyon Alumni Officer

Harold T. M. Millikin (Lambda, Kenyon '44) was one of four Chicago-area men elected by the Kenyon College Alumni Association of Chicago. Brother Millikin is now treasurer of the organization which he formerly served as secretary. He is associated with Needham, Harper, and Steers, Incorporated.

Think Young!
Join Alumni of Beach Cities

Beach Cities Alumni Association of California State College, Long Beach, would like to urge any Brothers now living in Southern California to join its group.

The club is one of Sigma Pi's finest alumni groups with over 225 members. The past year's activities included an outstanding Christmas party for over 130 Brothers and a February Founders' Day celebration. An Orchid Ball was held on the week-end of May 3 in the Indian Wells Country Club, Palm Desert.

Planned by the Association for the months ahead is a wine-tasting party with wines supplied by three of California's leading vintners and foreign cheeses served by ladies from the Norwegian Embassy.

The Association is also organizing a Las Vegas Holiday package which will include airfare and room for three days and two nights in a large hotel for a nominal fee.

Brothers interested in rekindling the fraternal spirit that is a part of all Sigma Pi's should contact President Nelson Farris, 234 Bennett Ave., Long Beach, Calif. 90803 (Ph. 433-7822) or Vice-president Richard M. Bemis, 271 Kennebec Ave., Apt. #1, Long Beach, Calif. 90803 (Ph. 433-8493).

Medical Society Head

W. R. A. Boden, M.D. (Theta, Penn St. '27), of Wilkes-Barre, Penn., has been named president of the Luzerne County Penn. Medical Society.

Schirra to Leave NASA

Walter M. Schirra, Jr. (Alpha-Mu, Newark '41), colorful dean of United States' Astronauts, has announced that he is leaving the National Aeronautics and Space Administration to become the president of Regency Corporation of Denver, Colo. After 27 years of government service, including nearly a decade in the space effort, the U.S. Navy captain said the decision was very traumatic for him and his wife.

In his new job he hopes to help develop a space station to be parked in orbit in about 1975. Regency Corporation is a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Colorado Corporation, which leases such things as aircraft, ships, oil-well-drilling rigs, plant machinery, and other industrial equipment.

In his news conference Brother Schirra revealed that he had originally been far from eager to join the space agency and described himself as "a reluctant astronaut." But, he added, "I wish I were 10 years younger, and I could do it all over again."

Executive Director

Recently named director of the Robert R. McCormick Charitable Trust and the Cantigny Trust, of the Chicago Tribune organization, was Stanley H. Armstrong (Alpha-Beta, Mich. '26). Brother Armstrong joined the Tribune in 1928 as a reporter and staff member. Appointed assistant day city editor in 1937 he became day city editor in 1942, and assistant to the editor in 1958. Most recently he has served as assistant to the publisher.
US Air Force Major Allen G. Myers III (Alpha-Delta, Auburn '55) has been decorated with the Distinguished Flying Cross for heroic aerial achievement in Southeast Asia. Brother Myers received the award for extraordinary achievement as a helicopter pilot near Dau Tieng, Viet Nam. The medal was presented to the Major in ceremonies at the Air Force Academy where he is now stationed as plans officer.

Sergeant Dennis A. McLaughlin (Beta-Upsilon, Shippensburg '68) has received the Air Force Commendation Medal at Keesler AFB, Miss. Brother McLaughlin, a radar operator, was decorated for meritorious service at Campion Air Force Station, Alaska. He is now assigned to Keesler with the 3395th Instructor Squadron.

Dr. Charles W. Chalfin, DDS, (Gamma, O.St. '60) is now stationed in Bentwaters, England, in the 81st Tactical Hospital with the Air Force. Brother Chalfin and his wife, the former Miss Tashiko Kawada of Kyoto, Japan, became the parents of a daughter, Lisa, on Jan. 17.

Following his graduation from the Ohio State School of Dentistry, Dr. Chalfin was commissioned by the Air Force as a first lieutenant and then quickly promoted to his present rank. He was assigned for three years to Japan with temporary assignments in other Asian stations, especially the Philippines.

Before going to England, Brother Chalfin spent a one-year tour of duty at Perrin AFB, Tex., followed by a one-year tour in Thailand.

First Lieutenant Charles M. Leigh (Gamma-Eta, Rutgers '66) has been recognized for helping his unit, the 437th Military Airlift Wing, earn the Air Force Outstanding Unit Award for its resupply airlift and combat operations around the world from July, 1967, to July, 1968. Brother Leigh is stationed with the 437th at Charleston AFB, S.C.

Another Sigma Pi who wears the distinctive service ribbon for contributing to his unit's attainment of an Air Force Outstanding Unit Award is Second Lieutenant James P. McMurray (Beta, Ind. '67), a vehicle maintenance officer in the 351st Strategic Missile Wing at Whiteman AFB, Mo. The Wing was cited for exceptional performance in establishing new records and mission effectiveness from July, 1967, to July, 1968.

Lieutenant Colonel Kenneth C. Stiles (Alpha-Sigma, Ark. '50) has assumed command of the 827th Radar Squadron at Kingsley Field, Ore. His unit is part of the Back-up Interceptor Control III site that became operational on March 3. It is one of the first 15 Aerospace Defense Command high-speed, computerized command and control centers to be located throughout the country as a part of standby-weapons-control network. Colonel Stiles served in Europe during World War II. Before coming to Kingsley he commanded the 676th Radar Squadron at Antigo AF Station, Wis.

Now serving in the Mekong Delta of Viet Nam is Dennis R. Salvatore (Alpha-Nu, Wake Forest '67). Brother Salvatore is assigned to the US Army's 9th Infantry Division near Dong Tam.

Two Brothers of Sigma Pi have recently received Air Force silver pilot's wings upon graduation at Webb AFB, Tex. They are Second Lieutenant Robert M. Gehbauer (Gamma-Sigma, Mo. Col. '67), who is now assigned to Forbes AFB, Kan., and Second Lieutenant Lawrence A. Barber, Jr., (Alpha-Phi, Ga.), who is now on flying duty with a unit of the Pacific Air Forces at Korat Royal Thai AFB, Thailand.

First Lieutenant Woodrow J. Bergeron (Alpha-Kappa, La.St. '65) has been awarded
silver wings upon graduation with honors from Air Force navigator training at Mather AFB, Calif. Following specialized training at other bases, he will be assigned to Davis-Monthan AFB, Ariz.

THOMAS R. BONNETT (Gamma, O.St. '68) has been commissioned second lieutenant after completion of Air Force ROTC program at Ohio State University. Recently commissioned by the Army as a second lieutenant is GEORGE K. SHAFFER, JR. (Beta, Ind. '66), who graduated in January from officer candidate school at the Army Artillery and Missile Center in Ft. Sill, Okla.

Seven new Sigma Pi second lieutenants were recently commissioned upon graduation from Officer Training School at Lackland AFB, Tex. Included are: JAMES F. BROWN (Alpha-Pi, Ark. '68), now at Craig AFB, Ala.; DAVID C. DILL (Alpha-Nu, Wake Forest '68), now at Webb AFB, Tex.; CHARLES R. HADEN (Upsilon, UCLA '68), now at Williams AFB, Ariz.; BYRON N. KIMBALL (Rho, N.C.ST. '67), now at Mather AFB, Calif.; LARRY D. POGUE (Alpha-Phi, Ga. '68), now at Moody AFB, Ga.; LINDSEY M. ROBINSON (Alpha-Rho, SW Mo. St. '68), now at Williams AFB, Ariz.; and DAVID W. SHELTON (Beta-Theta, Drexel '67), now at Williams AFB, Ariz.

Chaplain enlisted assistant technician course has been completed by PRIVATE THOMAS T. SHEA (Alpha-Upsilon, R.I. '68) at the Army Chaplain School in Ft. Hamilton, N.Y. SECOND LIEUTENANT GARY C. GIBBS (Gamma-Theta, Tex. '66) has graduated from Air Force communications officer training and been stationed at Clark AB in the Philippines. AIRMAN ROBERT W. SMITH (Kappa, Temple '70) has finished training as an aircraft equipment repairman and has been assigned to Dover AFB, Del.

The officer course at defense information school, Ft. Benjamin Harrison, Ind., has been completed by Air Force SECOND LIEUTENANT DALE A. WILSON (Gamma, O.St. '67). AIRMAN FIRST CLASS PAUL J. OLINSKI (Alpha-Zeta, St. Lawrence '67) has arrived for duty at Lajes Field in the Azores. Appointed club officer of the Officers' Club at the Yuma Proving Ground, Ariz., is Army LIEUTENANT RICHARD J. SCHMITZ (Gamma-Nu, Akron '68).

On Sept. 12, 1968, Ray D. Free (Pi, Utah) of Salt Lake City was promoted to the rank of major general in the United States Army Reserve by the Department of the Army.

In December, 1968, Major General Free accepted an assignment as Deputy Chief, Office of Reserve Components, Chief of Reserve Components, and relinquished his command of the 96th United States Army Reserve Command, Ft. Douglas, Utah.

Brother Free received his second lieutenant commission upon graduation from the University of Utah. He received the Bronze Star and Purple Heart for his duties in the Pacific during World War II.

He has been active in Salt Lake City and Utah community activities. He was chairman of a committee that investigated the Utah State Prison riot in 1953 and authored the Free Report which has been used as a model for prison reform. He is past chairman of the Utah State Indian Affairs Commission.

In civilian life, Major General Free is executive vice-president of Hygeia Ice Company, president of Carbo Chemical Company, and chairman of the board of the Granite National Bank in the Sugarhouse section of Salt Lake City. Born in Weston, Idaho, in 1919, Brother Free is married to Louise Wilcken Free, and they have six children. They live at 4545 South 1300 East, Salt Lake City.
National Fraternities Offer More Advantages

by James L. Hills
Executive Secretary

During the past 15 years, while serving our Fraternity in one capacity or another, I have been asked more than once, "What are the advantages of membership in a national fraternity compared to those of a local campus organization?"

My answer has varied from time to time, but in general, I have stated that national fraternities offer advantages to both educational institutions and individual members that are far superior to those offered by locals. There are many reasons for this, including the building of friendships during college days and in later life.

It has been said that one of life's greatest dangers is that of becoming so absorbed in local concerns—fraternal or business—that you become provincial. Association with men from other colleges and chapters may, and usually does, bring the discovery that others often do things in a superior way. This, to me, is an education in itself. It is an experience that is difficult to obtain through a local which limits contacts to alumni from one institution. Membership in a national organization helps to eliminate or, at least, relieve this limitation.

Today most locals are organized to secure chapter status in a national organization. Of course, there are exceptions to this, but 90% of today's locals were formed for the sole purpose of going national. Hundreds of locals have passed from the picture because they had access to no national backing or lacked continuity within their own framework.

Many of today's national fraternities have not lost a single chapter in recent years. Why? Normally, when a chapter is in trouble the national or grand chapter comes to its rescue. A chapter has the force not only of its own organization and alumni but that of a nation-wide organization. Alumni from other chapters will be keenly interested in its success—interested enough to supply, in some cases, the means to end a chapter's troubles. No one wants to see a chapter of his fraternity die.

The national fraternity gives its chapters and colonies supervision which is not available to a local. It gives guidance, encouragement, and the benefit of experience gained by a great many chapters. Many chapters have been saved by a new point of view brought to it from the national organization. Benefits of belonging to a national fraternity, such as Sigma Pi, are not limited to the men of any particular chapter or even to members of Sigma Pi. I have been interested in fraternity work for 20 years, and I have had the privilege of meeting hundreds of men in other fraternities with whom I have formed friendships that have been invaluable to me in my career and life.

It has been said that once a Brother graduates he will ask each college man he meets, "what fraternity did you belong to?" Being a part of Sigma Pi Fraternity makes you a member of the great fraternity system of our country and gives you an easier contact with millions of men throughout the world. The national fraternity system in the United States is one of the finest experiments in friendship known to mankind.
Expansion

The Grand Chapter salutes Sigma Pi's 100th chapter, Delta-Epsilon at Seton Hall, South Orange, N.J., installed on March 23, and its 101st chapter at the University of Missouri, St. Louis, installed as Delta-Zeta on April 12. In addition to these, four chapters were installed during the 1968-69 academic year: Gamma-Psi (96th), St. Louis University, St. Louis, Mo.; Gamma-Omega (97th), Wayne State University, Detroit, Mich.; Delta-Alpha (98th), Central Michigan University, Mt. Pleasant, Mich.; and Delta-Beta, (99th), Monmouth College, Long Branch, N.J.

With the addition of our newest colony at Salem College, Salem, W.Va., on April 15 with 33 pledges, Sigma Pi Fraternity has a total of 83 active chapters and nine active colonies.

Shadowwood Benches

The following chapters and alumni clubs have now purchased benches which have been placed on Memorial Headquarters grounds:

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ALUMNI CLUBS
North Jersey

A total of 42 benches are now on the Shadowwood grounds, 41 from chapters and one from an alumni club. The opportunity for active chapters and alumni clubs to participate in the beautification of the National Memorial Headquarters in Vincennes was conceived at a biregional convention several years ago.

If your chapter does not have a bench at Shadowwood and wishes to be represented in this Fraternity-wide program, it may do so by sending $42.00 to the Executive Office. This price includes installation and a bronze tablet identifying the sponsoring chapter or club.

RAMBLING

Promoting Good Alumni Relations

by Michael P. Donohue

Through my experiences with our chapters, I have found that in a majority of them the First Counselor does little or nothing to carry out his function as alumni secretary and promoter of alumni relations. What astounds me even more is that many chapters are uninterested, indifferent, or antagonistic.
toward promoting and maintaining active alumni relations and alumni involvement. I think perhaps we should analyze the basic premises for an alumni relations program and develop a program based on such premises.

The first premise is that few alumni are dependent upon the chapter for anything. Upon leaving school, the alumnus takes on new responsibilities and new privileges. He no longer needs the Fraternity. The Fraternity must offer him something as an alumnus; otherwise, he can fare quite well on his own.

The second premise is that, while most of the time the chapter has no direct need for alumni aid (except for advisers and controllers), occasionally a situation will arise in which alumni support is needed. Whether it be advice on legal matters, money for new housing, or simply moral support in time of crisis, the situation does occur at one time or another in every chapter.

Therefore, the flow of communication must go from the chapter to the alumni, if any support is to be expected in the future. The First Counselor must develop and implement a program that will become traditional in the chapter. Newsletters, Christmas and birthday cards, invitations, and thank-you notes should be sent to all alumni periodically. THE EMERALD is an inexpensive but powerful alumni tool. Special events should also be planned, such as athletic contests, banquets, and homecoming programs. But most important, the chapter must remember that building and maintaining good alumni relations takes time. An alumnus is not going to support a chapter he hears from only once every three years. Look to the future. Although no problem may exist now, it may in five or 10 years. Develop an active alumni program, one which will keep the alumni exposed to Sigma Pi in every manner. In this way you will receive the support you need.

The top chapters of all national fraternities are chapters with a strong alumni body. Therefore, review your alumni program, and strengthen it where it needs strengthening. Make your First Counselor a functional and important officer.

SPRING 1969

The Many Reasons
For Being a Field Rep
by John W. Hyson, Jr.

Why does a man become a Field Representative? How does a man become a Field Representative? What does a Field Representative do? Why not get a steady job?

These are typical questions I have been asked time and time again during the past few months. They are questions which I asked myself before I became a Sigma Pi Field Representative.

I became a Field Rep for many reasons: A.) I hadn’t decided on a definite career goal. B.) I had become acquainted with Sigma Pi and fraternity life through my chapter, and I enjoyed working with the facets that make a good chapter and fraternity system. C.) I like to travel and see the different parts and peoples of our country. D.) I wanted to learn more about my Fraternity and fraternity systems in general, so that I could use this knowledge to help my own chapter. E.) I wanted experience in meeting and dealing with new people and ideas, which I knew would be very beneficial in later years. F.) I wanted to make some money. G.) And, I just plain wanted to do something for the Fraternity.

How did I become a Field Rep? Just like any other job, I decided this was what I wanted to do; I filed an application; I was flown to the Memorial Headquarters in Vincennes for an interview; and I was accepted.

What qualifications are sought? Some experience in the operation of a chapter is necessary, of course; but I feel that the primary qualification is having interest in the work and in Sigma Pi and the ability to put this interest into working form. Of course, you need to be available for a year or so, too.

Why not get a steady job? This is a full-
time job, with a salary, expenses, mileage, paid vacations, Blue Cross/Blue Shield, etc. Naturally, it isn’t designed for a career, but it gives you time to make a final decision. It also gives you the opportunity to see new areas of the country and to meet alumni in various fields and with many connections. It also gives you much experience in handling new people and ideas which, other than the direct Fraternity experience, is the single most important experience gained from my time on the road and one of the most beneficial qualifications you can present to a prospective employer.

What are the duties and responsibilities of a Sigma Pi Field Representative? A Field Rep is an employee of the Grand Chapter, working directly out of the Executive Office. The responsibility of this personal link with the Chapters, Colonies, and Alumni Clubs is to represent the Grand Chapter to these branches of our organization. A Field Rep is trained in the areas of finance, expansion, and the Constitution and By-Laws before he goes on the road. It is his duty to use this knowledge to see that the Chapters are utilizing their programs to the utmost. He counsels, suggests, designs. He aids the Chapters in the development of sound financial, rush, pledging, scholarship, public relations, alumni relations, and chapter efficiency programs through his personal knowledge, his training in Vincennes, and his experiences on the road. When he is visiting, he is “National.”

So, if you have a year or so after graduation, are interested in traveling, are interested in the Fraternity, are interested in putting some money in the bank, are interested in making some good personal contacts, and want some more time after college to make a career decision and want a most beneficial and educational experience for your future, take a year on the road for Sigma Pi. Write Executive Secretary James L. Hills for an application.

I have greatly enjoyed the months I have spent on the road, and I hope that I did as much for Sigma Pi as it did for me.

Time to Evaluate, Establish New Goals

by John W. Standridge

The end of the school year is almost here, and it is time for each chapter of Sigma Pi to determine if the year has been a success or failure. Where does your chapter rate, and why is it in that category?

I am willing to bet that the chapters with well-established programs and definite goals finished ahead more often than the chapters with the haphazard “come-what-may” organization. The successful chapters also had officers who accepted the responsibility of their offices and performed the duties of their offices with determination. Another factor in success is the conscientious adviser who performs his duties almost unnoticed by most members. All of these put a chapter in the success category.

The chapters which have been failures should take this time for self-examination. What can be done to prevent the recurrence of this next year? What can be done to make Sigma Pi the best fraternity on campus? The answer to the second question also answers the first. A chapter must establish goals. The achievement of goals comes only through programs which are imaginative and conscientiously applied.

Let’s start with an examination of your present programs. Is your rush program properly planned and executed, or does it “just happen”? How many pledges were taken this year, and what was the cause of the success or failure? Was the program effective all year or just during the rush periods established by the IFC? Evaluate your rush program and make the necessary changes for next year.

Next comes the pledge program, which should be constantly reviewed for improvement. Does your pledge program have as its goal the maximum development of the
pledge toward full Sigma Pi membership, or does your program still take the archaic approach of physical tests and mental harassment? Is there anything in your program which could cause a man outside the Greek system to turn away from fraternities? If your program does not have the proper goal, now is the time for a change.

There are many other programs which can be evaluated, but I think the two I have listed are the most important.

Why doesn’t your chapter establish goals and create programs to insure that it will be listed in the success category this time next year?

ATTENTION!

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George H. Dunlap (Rho, NCSt. '47), retired placement director at North Carolina State University's School of Textiles, died on Jan. 9 in Duke Hospital. Brother Dunlap came to the faculty of North Carolina in 1943, after teaching at Clemson University, where he received his bachelor's degree in textiles in 1928. He had worked as a consultant for the Southern Textile Association and the Cotton Textile Institute and had done graduate work at Massachusetts Institute of Technology and Pennsylvania State University.

Brother Dunlap retired from NC State in 1965. He held memberships in American Society of Textiles and Phi Psi and Sigma Tau Sigma, honorary societies. In 1960 he received the Phi Psi Society "Man of the Year Award."

A former mayor of West Union, S.C., he had once played professional baseball for Greenville, S.C. Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Franky Wickliffe Dunlap; two sons; a daughter; and a brother.

Clarence E. Fifield (Phi, Ill. '16) died on March 13. He was the former manager of the Certain-Teed Product Company of Marseilles, Ill., where he had served as city commissioner for four years and mayor for four years. He had also been on the school board and the library board.

Brother Fifield is survived by his wife, Bess Farrell Fifield, who lives at 388 Schumacher Avenue in Marseilles. In a letter to National Headquarters, describing her late husband, she wrote, "He was a very loyal member of the Fraternity while his health was good. He had been an invalid for two and one half years. He was a varsity swimmer [at University of Illinois]. He had always enjoyed THE EMERALD so much." In addition to Mrs. Fifield, Brother Fifield left two daughters and two sons.

Marion B. Plant (Iota, Berkeley) died on Nov. 8, 1968. A native of Davis, Calif., Brother Plant was a member of American Bar Association, California Bar Association, Pacific Union Club, Bohemian Club, Commonwealth Club, and California Alumni Association.

Charles W. Roberson (Alpha-Omicron, Calif. St. Barbara '49) died on Jan. 12 of lymphosarcoma. His widow, Mrs. Jessica Roberson, wrote of him, "... he was active in the colonization and chartering of the Alpha-Omicron Chapter at the University of California, Santa Barbara; he devoted his life to his family and teaching. He was highly respected and admired by students, faculty, and parents for his endeavors."

Montana George Bockman (Omega, Ore. St.) was killed in October, 1968.
Clyde F. Boyer (Theta, Penn. St.)
Frank G. Bradley (Delta, Penn.)
Clarence F. Brunson (Alpha-Gamma, Wash.) died in August, 1968.
Claude S. Clarkson (Theta, Penn. St.) died in August, 1968.
James R. Coyne (Kappa, Temple '43) died on Oct. 16, 1968.
W. Hasting Derbyshire (Theta, Penn. St.)
Emile B. deSauzé (Kappa, Temple)
John M. Droge (Beta-Iota, N. Ariz. '51)
Guy O. Fraser (Iota, Calif. Berkeley)
Oscar E. Gerney, Jr., (Kappa, Temple '34) died on Sept. 26, 1968.
Frederick R. Hodgson (Phi, Ill. '28)
Donald Everett Hollway (Delta, Penn.)
David W. Hopkins (Xi, St. U. Ia.) died on Oct. 24, 1968.

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Chester Donald Howard (Epsilon, Ohio) died on Jan. 25.
Ambrose E. Hyer (Beta-Iota, N. Ariz. ’60)
Wesley F. Jerauld (Delta, Penn.) died on Dec. 10, 1968.
William L. Laughlin (Beta-Kappa, Ariz. St. ’52)
Robert C. Lindblade (Eta, Purdue ’42) died on July 5, 1968. He is survived by his wife, Mildred, and three sons.
J. Robert Lockett (Gamma, Ohio St.)
Harrison B. McKinney, Jr., (Chi, Pitt.) died on May 16, 1968, of a sudden heart attack.
George D. Martin (Rho, N.C. St. ’43) died on Aug. 21, 1968.
Otis B. Ratekin (Phi, Ill.) died on Jan. 14.
Charles A. Rathburn (Epsilon, Ohio)
Frank K. Saunders (Alpha-Eta, William & Mary ’52)
Raymond J. Schultz (Eta, Purdue ’45) died on May 6, 1965.
George B. Setzler (Omicron, Tulane)
Ernest H. Smith (Pi, Utah)
John J. Smythe, Sr., (Gamma, Ohio St. ’12)
Francis J. Taras (Beta, Ind.) died on Dec. 20, 1968.
Richard E. Thomas (Kappa, Temple) died on Nov. 5, 1968.
Harold Manville West (Epsilon, Ohio)
Dr. Charles T. Wilkinson (Alpha-Nu, Wake Forest ’20)
Sidney R. Wirth (Phi, Ill.) died on Sept. 12, 1968.

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of Sigma Pi and the entire fraternity movement.
I propose, therefore, that your executive council appoint a Founders’ Task Force for Commitment, to take a hard look at the chapter and the rôle of fraternities at your University. This Task Force should propose one or two projects to be initiated by the Brotherhood. These need not be year-long projects nor need they be limited to one year. They should be projects of action with opportunity for participation on all levels of Fraternity membership. Each year at Founders’ Day, the chapter should recommit itself and its members to new or continuing efforts.
And so, Founders’ Day becomes a time of commitment, a day on which we recognize the commitment of those who have gone before us, a day on which we honor their commitment by striving to make real our Fraternity’s ideals in our own lives.

This address was given by Province Archon Robert W. McCurdy at the University of Akron, Gamma-Nu Chapter, Founders’ Day Banquet on Feb. 23.

FROM PLEDGESHIP TO ACTIVATION
Dedicated to Beta Pledge Class, Gamma-Upsilon

With serious forethought and all of our heart,
We come to the Brothers for secrets impart,
A series of service we all must partake
To prove to the Brothers a Brother we’ll make.

When right the time comes that we all shall make
A solemn request for the Golden Quest,
With secrets we take and vows which we make
We then seal our lives as a Brother that date

So look thou upon it, and let it be known
That we are all Brothers from now till now on;
For mysteries and secrets divulged to us
Shall turn with our bones to grave-yard dust.

by CHARLES L. MUSSLER, GAMMA-UPSILON

SPRING 1969
VINCENNES UNIVERSITY

Alpha

Rewarding Semester

We have done well in the past, but this semester has to have been our best! We were down a little in sports but came out on top in every campus social function. Many of our Brothers hold high elective offices in a variety of campus organizations. We won a trophy for the most beautiful float in the Homecoming parade, we sponsored the Christmas Queen, and both the Senior and Freshman Class presidents are Brothers.

During this semester Alpha Chapter bought a second house to accommodate our expanding chapter. The annex, located at 515 N. 6th St., next to Bayard Place, is an average, two-storied, wood-structured house that will accommodate comfortably 20 Brothers and our wonderful housemother. The annex differs from Bayard Place, since its sleeping quarters are in different rooms and no meals are served. We have been busy renovating it, and things are taking shape. Our Brothers are ready to settle down in this new extension of Alpha. Our last accomplishment was the activation of 23 fine men.

Officers: S, Ned M. Skinner; SC, David C. Couch; TC, Brad S. Grass; FoC, Jack D. Moorhead; FC, Ross R. Paul; H, David A. Wehr.

KENNETH A. KING II, Correspondent

INDIANA UNIVERSITY

Beta

Momentous New Era

With the new semester, Beta began a momentous new era. The construction on our new $400,000 home was finished on Jan. 27, and the Brothers moved from their old location to Indiana's new fraternity row. The move came not a moment too soon, for the Brothers were not out of the old house a month when a fire started, burning some of the first floor.

On Feb. 15 the Brothers held a house-warming party, quickly dispersing neighbors' doubts about any lack of spirit or hospitality.

The improved study conditions will help Beta in her quest for the all-campus scholarship trophy. The house's rising grades look promising. As further proof of Beta's rise, we initiated 23
Penn State Power-House

Sigma Pi at Penn State is a power-house! As individuals and as a group, the men of Theta have proved that college is a living experience as well as an academic one. The Brothers were at their best during the seven weeks of rush, and, as a result of careful planning by Rush Chairman Edward R. Auchenbach, we now have 20 new pledges. They will be matched by our charter group of Little Sisters, soon to begin pledging. Under the chairmanship of Roger T. Gresh, a house committee founded the Little Sisters of Athena-Nike.

We joined with TKE and Phi Kappa Tau for a Tri-Atomic Tribalistic Triad. This super grubby jammy was such a success that another is planned for spring. Everyone had a chance to dig out his white socks and high-school-letter sweaters for the Teeny Bopper Hop. Pledge Formal week-end began with a “Night of the Living Dead.” The house was decorated with caskets, graveyards, and ghouls. The formal dinner and dance followed Saturday night.

Preparation and planning for Penn State Spring Week has begun. This year we are working with Alpha Gamma Delta Sorority for the carnival contests.

Mention must be made of Theta’s scholastic ranking. Out of the 55 fraternities at Penn State, Theta moved from 35 to 21 in one term. Continuing a Sigma Pi tradition, Theta has begun its 27th year of service as ushers for the University Chapel Sunday services. As much of a tradition as anything, Housemother Mrs. Gertrude C. Lander has seen us through 11 years of ups and downs, and we want everyone to know how much we think of her.

Pi guys have also made names for themselves individually. We’re especially proud of Terry E. Wahl, who has been accepted for Temple University Medical School next fall. Thomas Fosnight will be traveling in Europe this spring and summer as part of the University’s Study-Abroad Program. Tom has also been tapped for Phi Alpha Theta, the history honorary. John Bronson was one of three Pennsylvania students chosen by the Newspaper Fund to receive a scholarship after a summer as a beginning newspaper intern. He was promoted recently to copy editor for the Daily Collegian, the student newspaper. The IFC-Panel weekly radio program is headed by Donald Stewart, who is also a member of the Business Student Council, along with John G. Estock. Two Past Sages have been chosen by two sororities to be big brothers. Thomas Bellone is a Brother of Hermes for Alpha Chi Omega, and Kenneth A. Yealy is a Brother of Cyrus for Alpha Xi Delta. Special acknowledgement must be given to Chapter Archon, Michael T. Strailey, who has worked untiringly to keep the house running smoothly.

Officers: S, Jeffrey G. Dowdell; SC, Thomas Dufner; TC, Donald E. Stewart; FoC, Patrick Petrosky; FC, Roger T. Gresh; and H, John Bronson. —JOHN BRONSON, Correspondent

Several Brothers of Theta proudly display the skin sent to the Penn State Chapter by Upsilon Chapter at UCLA. The hide was the prize of a wager between the two groups over the outcome of the Penn State-UCLA football game. As you can see, the Nittany Lions defeated the Bruins 21-6 and went on to defeat Kansas in the Orange Bowl. Tough break, Upsilon!
STATE UNIVERSITY OF IOWA

Xi

Initiates Add Potential

The men of Xi Chapter started the second semester at the University of Iowa with the activation of an excellent fall pledge class. This addition of new initiates has provided potential leadership and picked up the membership. In addition, we have already established the nucleus of a fine spring pledge class. Rush is going well.

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UNIVERSITY OF UTAH

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UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA

LOS ANGELES

Upsilon

Mud-Slide Fighters

Winter quarter has been an exciting one at UCLA. There have been many parties in the house to celebrate the team's many victories in nearby Pauley Pavilion. This reporter predicts that, when you read this, UCLA will for the third straight time be national basketball champion.

Upsilon has again been active in affairs in the community and on campus. When the biggest rainstorm of the century hit the Los Angeles area, the men of Sigma Pi went to work to save houses that were about to be carried away in mud slides. Several Brothers received a bad case of poison oak in the process.

Founders' Day was perhaps the highlight of the quarter. Approximately 80 West Coast Sigma Pi's attended. From the smiles on alumni faces the Brothers could see that the alums had had a good time.

We are looking forward to next quarter and Mardi Gras at UCLA, but now it's time for finals.—Robert Moore, Fourth Counselor

UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS

Phi

Spring Excitement

The men of Phi Chapter at the University of Illinois successfully instituted a Little Sisters organization this semester. After the 15 girls were formally pledged, the Brothers celebrated at a discotheque. The girls have already enlivened the atmosphere. For our Founders' Day celebration they had dinner at the house. The most exciting part of the celebration was the presence of Honorary Grand Sage Byron R. Lewis. After dinner Brother Lewis gave a short speech about the founding of our chapter and the Fraternity.

Two service projects were planned. One on behalf of the Shriners was undertaken by the chapter with a sorority. The project consisted of a caravan to Chicago with stops along the way to raise money. New initiates and the girls of Kappa Delta also planned an Easter-egg hunt.

THE EMERALD
for mentally retarded children. Keeping the Brothers busy were preparations for formal rush with week-end trips to inform prospective rushees about Sigma Pi. This program has been very successful, with rushee guests in the house every week-end. An antique car meet was sponsored this semester. Brother Michael Vitucci got participants for the April event, proceeds went to charity.

Officers: S, Kurt K. Koentopp; FC, Barry E. Petrigala; SC, James C. Hoffman; TC, Robert C. Anderson; FoC, F. Ellet Hoke; and H, Everett B. Miller.—Joseph F. Incaprero, Correspondent

OREGORN STATE UNIVERSITY

Omega

Off to a Good Start

The end of winter term at Omega brought the installation of new officers.

This year has also brought increasing activity with the Sigma Pi Colony in Eugene (Univ. of Ore.) and the start of a perpetual trophy for the over-all winners in football, basketball, and softball.

As this is being written, Field Representative Michael P. Donohue is visiting. He will help the new officers get off to a good start and give the chapter a hand in organizing our expansion program.

Omega Chapter’s only other claim to fame this term is a record number of pinnings and engagements with 19 men lost since fall-term rush week and everything continuing at a record pace.

Officers: S, David H. Elliott; SC, Bruce C. Stoltenberg; TC, Michael W. Stephens; FoC, Donald L. Evans; H, Christopher D. Hill; Mgr., Joseph R. Zaworski; and Steward, Richard L. Propst.—Leland D. Tracy, Correspondent

UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI, ROLLA

Alpha-Iota

22 On Dean’s List

The Brothers of Alpha-Iota are working hard to duplicate last semester’s accomplishments in scholarship, athletics, and leadership. The house compiled one of its highest grade-points last semester, finishing fifth in 29 fraternities with 22 Brothers on the Dean’s list.

In athletics Alpha-Iota has advanced to 12 in the over-all intramural standings out of 90 organizations with outstanding wrestling and volleyball teams.

Leadership is always a prominent part of Alpha-Iota campus life. James J. Ranieri is serving as IFC president and Robert Niehaus is secretary of Chi Epsilon, an honorary civil engineering fraternity. Many other Brothers hold positions in their curriculum organizations.

Alpha-Iota was also proud to receive the trophies for efficiency and the most outstanding chapter at the recent Rho Province convention.

Float Chairman Greg Julian bested last year’s second-place finish with a first in float competition. Social Chairman Baltasar Weiss planned the biggest and best St. Pat’s. This year the honor of being knighted at St. Pat’s goes to David A. Lucio. Dave has been rush chairman for the last two semesters and has done an admirable job, pledging over a dozen high-quality men.

At the province convention 15 neophytes were initiated into Sigma Pi: Steven A. Szygenda, Richard Astolli, William Luth, Robert Zagar, Gary Acton, Keith Davidson, Paul Kossmann, Steven Limmer, Peter Merten, William Oberbeck, Douglas Ross, Michael St. Peters, Richard Taylor, Kent Vance, and Gregory Zweig.

Officers: S, Kerry J. Kreikemeier; SC, Alan C. Van DeBoc; TC, Gary L. Steckel; FoC, Glenn J. Conger; FC, Charles A. Lajunnesse; and H, Glenn A. Jensen.—Glenn A. Jensen, Correspondent

NEWARK COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING

Alpha-Mu

Diligent New Men

The close of winter ended another pledge period. From the very beginning, 1968 pledges realized the meaning of Sigma Pi Brotherhood and worked diligently together to develop their abilities. Through a series of traditional steps, they have fulfilled their requirements for initiation. Now members of Alpha-Mu are Harold G. Abel, George M. Baskinger, Richard R. Bernardi, J. Richard Devlin, Steve F. Ferazza, Joseph M. Freda, Jr., Michael Kennedy, George Marmo, Richard F. Minich, Thomas G. Morley, Paul J. Mormann, David Steward, William Terresavage, and David L. Weber.

Striving to maintain our high standards of leadership, many of our Sigma Pi’s are now conducting vigorous student government campaigns. As a result, we are well informed on student movements, are able to make known our opinions, and are acknowledged on campus as a powerful house by the administration, faculty, and students.

Congratulations to five men who were placed on the Dean’s list for earning a grade-point average of 3.0 (B) or better: Raymond H. Sherzer, Ants Uiga, David K. Perthold, Thomas G. Mol...
LOY, and Thomas J. Krakowiecki.

Athletic Committee Chairman Lino DeAlmeida has fared well with the 1969 Intra-Fraternity basketball team. A completely new and remarkable squad outpaced every foe and won division title to enter contention for the first-place trophy.

Our Founders' Day celebration was attended by Grand Herald Howard Beyer, who presented a plague to Arthur Lewis for his outstanding achievements and work with Alpha-Mu Chapter and the Northern New Jersey Alumni Club.—THOMAS J. KRACKOWIECKI, Correspondent

WAKE FOREST COLLEGE
Alpha-Nu Chapter

Final-Minute Victory

In the area of athletics Alpha-Nu defeated Rho Chapter in the annual football game between the two "powers" by a score of 26-24. It was a hard-fought game, and the final outcome was determined only in the final minutes of play when Pledge Raymond Rummage caught a long pass downfield and went in for the score. Afterward, the two chapters got together for a party.

Plans are now being made for our annual softball game with Rho. In fall intramural golf, Alpha-Nu had three Brothers who advanced to the semi-finals or higher. David L. Burton was defeated in the semi-final round, while Thomas Aquino captured second place in the tournament and Chuck Wall, third.

Alpha-Nu would like to extend a special note of thanks to Dr. James Cleary, Alpha-Nu alumnus of the class of 1956, for helping us to get a new $700 stereo console. It is a welcomed addition to our newly redecorated house.

Officers: S, Jimmy D. Reeves; SC, Kenneth O. Bush; TC, John C. Ellis, Jr.; FoC, James C. O'Brien; FC, Will Spaul; H, Dave Coward; and Pledge Trainer, John F. Barden.—DAVID MEELCH, Correspondent

SAN JOSE STATE COLLEGE
Beta-Eta Chapter

Scholarship Emphasis

The Pi's at Beta-Eta began the spring semester with a new program emphasizing scholarship. We owe the inspiration for this program to our faculty advisor, Ronald Stecker, who was recently seen on national TV pursuing his study of entomology in the top of the California redwoods. The US Department of the Interior is financing his study while the National Geographic Society financed the television special. Mr. Stecker has done a great deal to make scholarship an important part of life at Beta-Eta.

In school activities, three positions were vacated on the student judiciary board at San Jose State, and two thirds of the applicants are Pi's.

The big event on our up-coming social calendar is the Orchid Ball Program. A series of social events is planned with guests from the various sororities on our campus competing for the title of Orchid Ball Queen. The competition will reach its exciting climax on May 17 in Rancho Del Monte Hotel in Carmel Valley.

After a day of golf, tennis, and swimming, we will dine and enjoy an evening of dancing, which will be highlighted by the crowning of the 1969 Orchid Ball Queen.

Officers: S, Owen R. Snyder; SC, Robert R. Mooney; TC, Edward P. Soldani; FoC, Berl A. Beverage; H, Russell K. Leong; and FC, Terrence E. Johnson.

NORTHERN ARIZONA UNIVERSITY
Beta-Iota

Pi Power Superiority

Beta-Iota, continuing its drive for superiority, has accomplished much in the new year. Our goal has been to excel in all areas of fraternal life. Our philosophy of "Pi Power" has brought success.

Guided by Don C. Hensley, we are in an excellent position to capture the coveted Dean Munn's Award for scholarship and service. Brother Hensley lined up 15 community service projects during the first semester.

Intramurals are an important aspect of college life at NAU. Beta-Iota is currently leading in total intramural points. After capturing the football championship we were runners-up in basketball.

Beta-Iota has come a long way under the leadership of Adviser Virgil Strimple. "Brother Virg" is leaving NAU to work on his doctorate. Dr. Donald Pehlke has accepted our invitation to become adviser. Dr. Pehlke is an educational psychologist here at NAU and has been psychologist for San Quentin. We feel he is well qualified as an adviser for Beta-Iota.

Founders' Day was highlighted by the celebration of our 20th year at NAU. A banquet and guest speakers gave us the charge for 1969.

We began informal rush with an outstanding social affair directed by Rush Chairman Russell P. Chick and newly-elected Social Chairman Charles Wrona.

With the addition of 15 pledges, Beta-Iota anticipates the Orchid Ball, Greek Week, our annual Havasupai trip to the bottom of the Grand Canyon, and the quartet's singing contest.

THE EMERALD
Canyon, and the final fling of spring, the Verde River party.

Officers: S, Richard J. Cox; SC, Mark E. Aspey; TC, Arthur C. Atonna; FoC, Michael K. Yuen; FG, Terence A. Cash; and H, Donald C. Griffitts.

—DONALD C. GRIFFITTS, Correspondent

LYCOMING COLLEGE
Beta-Lambda

Athletes and Politicians

Beta-Lambda is proud to announce the acquisition of an outstanding 17-man pledge class at Lycoming College, which includes 11 football players and three basketball players. They have challenged other campus pledges to athletic contests and are anxiously waiting to compete.

Brother James W. Smith was elected president of the Inter-Fraternity Council. He was faced with the problem of eligibility rules in IFC sports, which involved a showdown with the coaching staff and athletic department. He also conducted an open forum with the president of the college and all the fraternity men.

In IFC athletics Sigma Pi is faring well in the 68-69 sports season. We have captured the crown in soccer and volleyball and had an undefeated football campaign.

Politicians can easily be found in Sigma Pi at Lycoming. Pledge Michael Schweder is class president and is running for Student Government president. Brother Daniel A. Miller is now VP of his class and hopes to become the new president.

Running to fill Miller’s spot is Brother Charles A. Kauffman. IFC is not enough for James W. Smith, who is running for Student Government as well. Reigning as skilled-activities champions in Student Union Board Contests are Brothers P. David Twitchell, ping pong, and Lawrence J. Zimmerman, pocket billiards.

Last but not least, the Beta-Lambda Chapter of Sigma Pi is proud to announce the birth of a Sigma Pi Founders’ Day baby. Born on Feb. 26 was Jonathan Nowlin Kitchen, son of Brother Timothy G. Kitchen.

Officers: S, Warren L. Johnson; SC, Daniel A. Miller; FC, David J. Hooper; TC, Herbert D. Landon; FoC, Dwight D. Gehman; and H, Lawrence J. Zimmerman.

UNIVERSITY OF MISSISSIPPI
Beta-Mu

Profitable Revival

Beta-Mu Chapter is undergoing improvements and important changes. The road is rough and will continue to be, but we know what must be done.

With the arrival of spring, Beta-Mu has become very active once again. Activities have included the acquisition of a spring pledge class, initiation, Founders’ Day, and Greek Week. For the first three weeks of the second semester we have had informal rush. Everyone is looking forward to the Orchid Ball when many old friends will be returning to Beta-Mu Chapter. Also this semester is the one and only Sigma Pi hayride.

The Brothers of Beta-Mu are actively embarking on a program to strengthen our chapter. Our men have developed new confidence and spirit for improvement. The executive council has rewritten our house rules, abolishing laws no longer effective and adding others. Housing repairs have been completed. Our shotgun raffle was a big success with the help of Miss Ole Miss, Carolyn Bruno, Delta Delta Delta, who chose the winning ticket under the supervision of our faculty adviser, Dr. George Vaughan.

In sports Sigma Pi is always a worthy and respected intramural threat. Again we must defend our league championship, and the future has many bright aspects.

Beta-Mu Chapter looks forward to a profitable spring—academically, athletically, and socially.—DONALD A. WEAVER, Correspondent

Jonathan Nowlin Kitchen, born on Feb. 26, is a special Sigma Pi Founders’ Day baby. He is shown here with his parents, Brother Tim Kitchen of Beta-Lambda Chapter and wife, Ruthanne.

SPRING 1969
SOUTHERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY  
Beta-Nu

Well-Rounded Chapter

Fall found the men of Beta-Nu going after their 11th All-Greek-Sports Trophy in a row, by tying for third place in football. Led by newly-elected President David L. Fabian, Beta-Nu also excelled in other areas to become a well-rounded fraternity. These activities were initiated by the production of the Sigma Pi Fraternity Calendar, which provided enough money for paneling and a colored TV set. Fall quarter ended with Beta-Nu second in scholarship among SIU fraternities.

Beta-Nu's scholarship award was won by L. Ray Irwin for having the highest fall grade-point average. Frank Porcaro was elected outstanding pledge for fall, and David L. Fabian was elected outstanding active.

Beta-Nu continued its sports drive with a third-place finish in basketball. Our house placed second in the all-school swimming meet.

Brother David L. Fabian was given the Service to Southern Award, an award given annually to the outstanding male student at Southern Illinois University.

Orchid Ball was celebrated in February with Paul A. Schilpp, professor of philosophy, as the guest speaker.

Beta-Nu conducted a drive for the Heart Fund which netted $2,291.13.

Officers: S, Gregory G. Bach; SC, L. Ray Irwin; TC, Zane J. Lemon; FoC, James T. Geocaris; FC, Lyle G. Selk; and H, John E. Zilen.—JAMES T. GEOCARIS, Correspondent

WESTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY  
Beta-Rho

Blood Drive Champs

Beta-Rho won the Wilson County blood drive, "Operation Big Drop," for the fourth straight year.

On Founders' Day Beta-Rho was honored by having the Phi Mus serenade the Brothers. Afterward they presented a birthday cake to us. On the campus political scene, Past Sage Joe B. Wilkins, Jr., just won the race for SGA President with a record turn-out at the polls. We're proud of his achievement.

Now, here's the social side of BP. We had a theme party entitled "Round-Up Party." The Brother wearing the best costume was presented the "Joe Cowboy Award." We have also started Monday night suppers at a local restaurant with a guest speaker.

Last, but not least, Greek Week and the Orchid Ball are soon approaching. Everybody is looking forward to these events.

Beta-Rho is wrapping up another successful year with an eye to continued growth and progress through the strengthening of its Province programs and the many other areas which gave this Chapter the Grand Sage's Award.—THOMAS J. HERRING, Correspondent

SHIPPENSBURG STATE COLLEGE  
Beta-Upsilon

Successful Year

Beta-Upsilon Chapter has risen to unprecedented heights in both sports and campus influence during the 1968-1969 school-year.

Beta-Upsilon has two Brothers, Harold L. Snyder and James D. Valantine, Jr., serving our country in Viet Nam. Rumor has it that these two are trying to form a branch chapter. Also helping this cause are Brothers Harold L. Pomeraning and Kenneth J. Sell in Scotland and Germany respectively. The social committee, chaired by "Daddy Wags" Wagner and Robert "Bat" Weir, had its most successful year. Besides the weekly socials, the Brothers were treated to a fine Founders' Day and outstanding Orchid Ball. Founders' Day set a new chapter record for attendance of both alumni and actives. At the Orchid Ball Beta-Upsilon crowned its sweetheart, Miss Sherry Swider, pin-mate of Brother Michael C. Wildasin.

THE EMERALD
Academically and athletically, we remain in the running for both the coveted President's Cup Trophy and All-College Intramural Trophy. Our efforts for the President's Cup, given to the fraternity with the highest scholastic average, is being helped along by "Daddy Wags," who made the dean's list, and "Roach," who turned down student teaching for two consecutive terms in order to help us in our effort. We have an excellent chance to gain the intramural Little with our strongest sports, softball, track, volleyball, and wrestling, yet to come.

The Brotherhood would like to thank and congratulate Past Sage William Cowden and his executive council for a job well-done. They contributed much to keep Sigma Pi on top on the Shippensburg campus.

Officers: S, Barry E. Kauffman; SC, Robert L. Treon; TC, Richard E. Reisinger; FC, Michael N. Crozier; and H, Rodney E. Huff.

ROCHESTER INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY

Beta-Phi

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LOYOLA UNIVERSITY

Beta-Chi

More Campus Honors

Once again Brothers of Beta-Chi Chapter have received many honors. Brothers Frank T. Hoban and Thomas E. Drennan were elected to both Blue Key and ΒΙΓΣ (national honorary business fraternity). Frank, Tom, and Joseph C. Ptasinski were elected to ΑΞΝ (a national honorary Jesuit fraternity).

Loyola’s IFC recently held elections, and Charles W. Saletta was elected vice-president; Joseph M. Claps was elected athletic chairman; and Richard A. Picha was once again elected to the Judiciary Board.

Athletically, Beta-Chi placed third in the IFC Basketball League, losing only two close games by a combined total of only 7 points.

Our pledge period has just begun, and we have inducted 25 fine men.

Beta-Chi is holding its Orchid Ball on Sunday, June 1. Any Brothers in the Chicago area at that time are cordially invited to attend. For further information, please contact Gary F. Dindia, 2653 N. 73 Ct., Elmwood Pk., Illinois, GI 3-9228.


EAST STROUDSBURG STATE COLLEGE

Beta-Psi

Carpenters at Work

The Beta-Psi house has taken on new airs in the past two months with the paneling of the meeting and reading rooms. Brothers Ronald Guse and Ronald D. Steckel were the co-carpenters for the project. The rest of the Brotherhood contributed the manual labor.

In the IFC all-sports-trophy race this year Sigma Pi is running first. The capture of the bowling trophy and the retirement of the basketball trophy brought our number of trophies to 11. In the community service department the Beta-Psi Brothers hosted Monroe County underprivileged children to the best Christmas party ever. We scored another success by helping the
East Stroudsburg mothers by marching for the Mothers' March of Dimes.

Beta-Psi would like to congratulate its newly initiated Brothers: Joseph W. Ahouse, Gary E. Cohen, Lee G. Donlon, Jr., James D. DeAngelo, Jerry A. Gruber, Stevens A. Hess, Joseph P. Kelly, Ronald G. Pandolfo, and Karl S. Rice. Big events ahead are Parents' Day and Orchid Ball.—JOSEPH T. BALUM, JR., Correspondent

EASTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY
Gamma-Beta

Tournament Triumph

Brothers of Gamma-Beta are now very much involved in spring rush. We expect to take a large, excellent pledge class. The nine pledges from last semester were recently initiated.

Our basketball team won in the Annual Founders' Day Tournament held at Wayne State. We also plan to win the EMU fraternity basketball championship. We now occupy first place.

Greek Week is fast approaching. We will be the defending champion in the Greek Games. The date of this year's Orchid Ball is May 17. It will be held in Lofy's in Plymouth, Mich.

Officers: S, Michael A. Vance; SC, James D. Lucas; FoC, William M. Kouvolo; TC, Henry Jacobieck; H, Michael D. Robertson; and FC, Homer C. Hinchliff.—MICHAEL D. ROBERTSON, Correspondent

PARSONS COLLEGE
Gamma-Zeta

Successful Help Week

Spring term at Gamma-Zeta has been a busy one. Brothers Anton Till and Chauncey Sage organized and instrumented a successful help week for the fall pledges. Congratulations are extended to Gamma-Zeta's new Brothers; Stephen Balzano, Jeff Chern, Mark McGraw, and Jack Turbitt.

Socially, Gamma-Zeta started the term with its annual Pledge Princess Ball. The Pledge Princess for this year is Miss Vicki Kowal, Delta Zeta.

Spring rush brought an all-out effort from the Brothers. Rush Chairmen Richard C. Paden, Joseph M. Davidson, and David P. Reed did an outstanding job in coordinating the Brotherhood's activities. Their hard work gained for Sigma Pi the largest pledge class on campus.

Scholastically, Gamma-Zeta has not been idle. The Parsons College Inter-Fraternity Council recently awarded the men of Gamma-Zeta the fall IFC Scholastic Trophy for the highest campus grade-point average.

RUTGERS, THE STATE UNIVERSITY
Gamma-Eta

Success In New Game

With the coming of spring Gamma-Eta looks toward another successful semester as it concludes the first year in its new "Fraternity Row" home. The recent Founders' Day Dinner proved memorable for alumni, Brothers, and guests from the Monmouth Colony.

Academically, the chapter has continued to climb up the academic ladder of Rutgers' 27 fraternities.

Brother Robert P. Buckles has been appointed IFC Greek Week chairman for May 11 to 17. Brother Gerald K. Gerard is working on Orchid Ball plans for May 10.

A new program has been instituted at Gamma-Zeta through which the girls who help us will be honored as "Little Sisters of Sigma Pi," with their own organization.

Brother Buckles has recently been appointed to a position on the Student Court, and Brothers George B. Popkin and David C. Howard have been selected to work on the school yearbook. In this way the Sig Pi's are making their voices heard on campus.—GEORGE B. POPKIN, Correspondent

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Miss Karen Sumner
Gamma-Eta Sweetheart

THE EMERALD
A successful rush was held this year which added 12 new pledges to Gamma-Eta. Especially noteworthy were the speeches given by Dr. Susman and Dr. Bateman in our house. Social life at Gamma-Eta has been particularly active recently. A theater trip to New York was held to see "You're a Good Man Charlie Brown." Although it is still early in the semester, a social triumph has been achieved by our Junior Prom party. The party's theme, "Hell's Angels," proved to be quite appropriate.

Officers: S, Richard C. Leib; SC, Harry J. Williams; TC, James J. Donohue; FoC, Jerry Fischer; FC, Gerald A. Gamlin; H, Robert M. DeMartino; and Steward, Charles A. Costanzo.—ROBERT M. DEMARTINO, Herald

Worcester Polytechnic Institute Gamma-Iota

Gamma-Iota

Top Scholastic Greeks

Continued scholastic improvement has resulted in Gamma-Iota's rank as number one among 12 fraternities in scholarship for the fall semester. Special recognition goes to Daniel Lewis, inducted into the chemical honor society, and Daniel Lipcan, initiated into Scabbard and Blade.

Brothers donated time and effort to help on Heart Fund Sunday by soliciting contributions. The tutoring program in two local high schools is continuing as a huge success.

With the construction of weight and dark rooms and the addition of a pool table donated by our cellar resident, Alumnus Edward C. McNamara, the chapter house's city-side cellar has been completely remodeled. Painted and with new lighting fixtures installed, the area is now a beehive of activity.

Gamma-Iota continued to expand with the pledging of six men and the initiation of nine new Brothers in February. Thanks go to outgoing Rush Chairman Joseph E. Doran, Jr.

Officers: S, Bernard J. Dodge; SC, Wayne E. Eastman; TC, Robert M. Byrne; FoC, John C. Sexton; and H, Michael Weill.—Peter J. Billington, First Counselor

Wisconsin State University, Stevens Point

Gamma-Lambda

Top Carnival Honors

Every year in the middle of February WSU-Stevens Point puts on its Winter Carnival, a week-long event full of fun and games for all participants. This year Gamma-Lambda Chapter

Wisconsin State University, Oshkosh

Gamma-Mu

Negotiations for House

Brothers of Gamma-Mu have begun another semester with an active membership of 83 and a very promising pledge class of 21. Although fraternity and sorority grade-points for the previous semester are not yet out, our spring pledge class was highest on campus with an over-all grade-point of better than 2.5.
Fall semester saw Gamma-Mu participating in all areas of campus activity. We now hold first-place positions in both intramural bowling and basketball. At Christmas time Sigma Pi held its annual Christmas party for underprivileged children. Santa Claus came with a sack of toys, and about 60 boys and girls, aging from five to eight, had a little happier Christmas this year. The Little Sisters held an Easter-egg-hunt for the same children in April.

The housing committee is negotiating for a new 36-man house, which we hope to have ready for occupancy next year. Orchard Ball, a chapter newsletter, Greek Week, and Little Sister, date, and sorority parties are all in the planning stages for spring semester.—THOMAS SABOWSKI, Correspondent

UNIVERSITY OF AKRON
Gamma-Nu

Fund-Raising Pledges

Winter quarter has been very successful for the Pi’s of Gamma-Nu. Our rush chairman, Gary D. Lichten, did a remarkable job, and his efforts were rewarded by the pledging of an outstanding group of 25. The pledge class, under the direction of Trainer Kevin B. Krill, has been very active. On Founders’ Day they dressed up and marched through the campus student center with a birthday cake. Then the entire chapter joined with them to sing Happy Founders’ Day to Sigma Pi. Public service seems to be their strong point. They kidnapped all of the sorority presidents and held them for ransom for the United Fund. Then, in competition with two other fraternity pledge classes, they raised enough money in a Boy Scout drive to win a trophy for the chapter by more than doubling the sums obtained by the other two groups. Founders’ Day this year was a big occasion. We were proud to have Province Archon Robert McCurdy to speak at our annual banquet. Also, Leonard Price (Lambda, Kenyon ’25) attended and received our Outstanding Alumnus Award.

Many Brothers have worked hard to improve the house. Brother Samuel P. Landers made a painting of the Sigma Pi Coat of Arms which will hang in our remodeled living-room. Brother Richard W. Knapp has been very busy trying to satisfy the chapter and the Third Counselor with a plan to remodel our recreation room.

With all of this behind us, the future looks brighter than ever. Several of the Brothers are designing our May float, and just by looking at some of the rough sketches and ideas, we seem to have a very good chance to take first place for the second year. Plans for the annual Orchid Ball are almost complete and May 3 is eagerly awaited by all. These events and an open house planned for April go make next quarter look as exciting and rewarding as last.

Officers: S, Dennis R. Lammlein; SC, James R. Hofbauer; TC, George E. Hohas, Jr.; FoC, Robert G. Mishler; FC, Benjamin A. Lanzilotta; and H, Edward A. Ruttencutter.

FINDLAY COLLEGE
Gamma-Omicron

Romantic Rash

Brothers of Gamma-Omicron Chapter have not had a moment’s rest since the beginning of second semester. Our schedule has been crowded with events adding to the growing importance of Sigma Pi on the Findlay College campus.

Brothers won the Best Fraternity Float trophy for the third consecutive year during the homecoming festivities with the theme of “Pi in the Sky.” Gamma-Omicron’s intramural football team captured the campus title by being undefeated and unscored upon in eight games. Our team and supporters journeyed to Ohio State University and handily outscored Gamma 26-8.

The basketball season opened with a holiday tournament before semester break. The Pi’s once again walked away with a trophy by defeating the TKE’s in the championship game. The GO team beat Zeta’s roundballers and were rewarded with refreshments. On Founders’ Day, with Wayne State University in Detroit, Gamma-Omicron took a back seat to Eastern Michigan in the basketball tourney.

As spring approaches Brothers’ interests at Findlay College have a somewhat romantic tinge. A rash of pins and lavaliere seems to be turning up on many coeds’ sweaters.

It looks like another great finish for the GO Chapter with 20 seniors graduating in June and outstanding pledges to replace them. By the way, be on the lookout for the GAMMA-OMICRON.

INDIANA STATE UNIVERSITY
Gamma-Pi

Pi Pub Progress

The past few months have been filled with activity for the men at Gamma-Pi. Renovation and remodeling of the “Pi’s Pub,” a combination meeting and recreation room, is now under way through the help of the housing corporation. The newly formed Gamma-Pi Mothers’ Club raffled off a colored television to aid with house improvements and interior decorations.

We are proud to announce that Sigma Pi has the best-looking housemother on the ISU cam-
The campus, Mrs. Marcella Berlin, of Bridgeport, Ill. We welcome her into our family.

We would like to thank Brothers at the University of Wisconsin at Platteville, Southern Illinois University, Vincennes University, Southwest Missouri, and Purdue University for stopping by for various week-ends. Our doors are always open.

The Outstanding Fall Pledge Award went to Stephen E. Broidy. He and his fellow pledges send the Ohio State Brothers a great "thank you" for the overwhelming generosity shown to them on their walk-out.

Spring rush couldn’t have gone any better for Sigma Pi. Among the more outstanding rush functions were a Bonnie and Clyde Party. A total of 25 men were pledged.

We are currently running a close third in the intramural fraternity division. Sigma Pi ran well ahead of all-men’s average at Indiana State University. In the Campus Revue our skit, done with Delta Gamma and based on a Gay ’gos fair, took the Outstanding Actor Award.

Brother Charles S. Grelecki was elected president of ISU’s student body, with Brothers Eric M. Abel, Alan W. Abel, and M. Michael Morales student senators. Brothers Henry W. Strong and James R. Connerly were elected as president and vice-president of the Frosh-Soph Council. President of Sandison Hall is David R. Wood, and president of Hendricks Hall is John W. Nelson.

Officers: S, Michael E. Schecter; SC, William V. Bruckert; TC, Richard Hustid; FC, Malcolm F. Randolph; FC, Joseph D. Frey; and H, Eric M. Abel.—ERIC M. ABEL, Correspondent

**WESTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY Gamma-Rho**

**Festival Popularity Growing**

The Brothers of Gamma-Rho, well represented at Kappa’s Founders’ Day in Detroit, failed to bring home any hardware, but what’s a trophy between Brothers? There’s always next year. Remember, alumni representation in 1970.

The second annual all-campus Talent Festival, sponsored by Sigma Pi on Western Michigan’s campus, was held on March 14. Seven acts of top entertainment were on the program. Already an institution on our campus, the Talent Festival is growing in popularity each year.

Orchid Ball was on March 29. A dinner was followed by a dance. The pledges were initiated the next day. Many Brothers graduated in April. Special congratulations are in order for Steven Larson, married on March 1, who graduated *magna cum laude*. Brothers will be getting together often this summer as eight are becoming *permanently pinned.* Congratulations!—GERALD D. WEDELL, Correspondent

**GEORGIA SOUTHERN COLLEGE Gamma-Tau**

**Prosperity and Participation**

Sigma Pi prospered in the winter quarter by participating in more events than ever before. Gamma-Tau helped in school functions, as well as various fraternity events.

Sigma Pi paved the way for the success of Homecoming. We were proud to help in most of the events, which included Homecoming dance, picnic, parade, and, especially, the Sigma Pi float. Gamma-Tau also helped with the school tournament debates; the Miss GSC Pageant, a yearly event; and sponsored a dance.

At the Sweetheart Ball on Jan. 18, Miss Sherryl Wilson was chosen new sweetheart.

On the sports scene Gamma-Tau was busy at intramural soccer and finished in first place with an 8-2 record.

Sigma Pi speculated about its future at the Founders’ Day Banquet, and speculation showed plans for an ever brighter future at Georgia Southern College.

Officers: S, Harold F. Hadden; FC, George R. Remetta; SC, Alvin D. Dutton; TC, Edward M. Cameron, Jr.; and FC, Edward G. Gibson.—ALLEN M. GLASER, JR., Correspondent
MURRAY STATE UNIVERSITY
Gamma-Upsilon

Gamma-Upsilon’s spring included a new spring pledge class with pledges from every part of the country—as far north as New York and as far south as Kentucky. Gamma-Upsilon had 14 pledges in an intensely competitive spring rush which was quite a triumph as Sigma Pi is young on the Murray State campus.

During fall sports, Sigma Pi football team chalked up a number of victories in only our second year of intramural activities. Also, we captured second place in a close bowling league. And with intramural basketball about to wrap up, Gamma-Upsilon seems to have a shot at that title. So, at Murray State University, we’re building and growing toward the top of the fraternity heap.

WISCONSIN STATE UNIVERSITY,
WHITEWATER
Gamma-Phi

Wisconsin Celebration

Gamma-Phi’s spring semester began with a great Founders’ Day celebration. Four Sigma Pi Wisconsin Chapters (Milton, Stout, Beloit, and Whitewater) and the Platteville Colony paid respect to Founders’ Day with a combined weekend basketball tournament and party. On Friday night, with the help of several Whitewater sororities, we had a dance in the Milton Chapter House. On Saturday we held a five-way basketball tourney in the afternoon and a formal dinner in the evening. The weekend was a great success, and we plan to have more chapter-combination parties in the future.

Gamma-Phi Chapter started its own “Little Sisters” organization this past semester. So far we have about 25 girls who are really “fired up” about the Little Sisters and Sigma Pi. The group was organized with the help of the Gamma-Rho Chapter and the Little Sisters group there. Gamma-Phi would like to thank Western Michigan for its help.

Gamma-Phi this past semester took one of the best and largest pledge classes in the fraternity’s history. It was the second largest on campus with 24 pledges.

Each winter Whitewater University has an “Ice-O-Rama” celebration. Gamma-Phi received second place in competitive events.

For the first time Gamma-Phi will publish the Gamma-Phi News Letter, which will be sent this spring to all chapters, colonies, and alumni.

Last but not least, Gamma-Phi is finally gaining a long-time goal; we are now in the process of obtaining a new house. For the past four years we have lived in rented housing where we felt nothing could be accomplished. With luck and a lot of hard work, we may have our new house by fall semester—Greg Kraemer, Correspondent

ST. LOUIS UNIVERSITY
Gamma-Psi

Thanks for Help

As one of the newest chapters of Sigma Pi, Gamma-Psi at St. Louis University would like to thank the Brothers who helped bring the initiation to its culmination on Feb. 1. We are especially indebted to Province Archon Frank Woodbury and Fred Bonderant of Alpha-Iota, University of Missouri-Rolla, our sponsoring chapter. Without their assistance and that of everyone else, the event could never have been accomplished. Immediately after initiation weekend, Gamma-Psi finished construction of its Homecoming Float. The intramural teams of Gamma-Psi have given good account of themselves. The basketball team has a 4-3 record, and two of our bowling teams placed third and fourth in their leagues. Rush began in February for a two-week period. We have rushed 20 pledges, a substantial number for this campus. Upcoming events include the Orchid Ball, tentatively scheduled for May 2.—David M. Gallop, Correspondent

UNIVERSITY OF OREGON
Colony

Academic Excellence

The University of Oregon Colony is excelling both academically and socially.

The house fall grade-point average was 2.68, which topped GPA for all men’s organizations on campus. This puts the colony in very good standing to win the scholarship trophy, presented annually to the fraternity with the top grades. The Brothers had a 3.08 grade-point in 1968 spring quarter.

Socially the house has been very active. A “Friday at 4” with Sigma Kappa and a ski function at Hoodoo Bowl highlighted winter term activities.

During winter quarter we beat Omega Chapter at Oregon State in the first annual football game by a 6-0 score. The contest was played in four inches of snow at Corvallis.

Intramurals helped Sigma Pi become established on the Oregon campus. Active participation in basketball and bowling kept everyone
NEW MEXICO STATE UNIVERSITY

Beta-Xi Colony

Tempo Picks Up

Beta-Xi's progress at New Mexico State U has been steady. Recently the tempo was picked up by the acquisition of a new house. The house, at 3101 Oak Ave., Mesilla Park, is small with only four bedrooms, but it has a large living room, complete with fireplace. Other extras include a barbeque pit, a rose garden, and a small vineyard. Founders' Day was celebrated as a house-warming and picnic.

Beta-Xi finished strong in basketball in a tie for 4th place. However, we are looking forward to our sport—softball.

The men of Beta-Xi would like to express our gratitude to Field Representative Michael P. Donohue for his time, patience, and hard work while visiting our Colony.—PHILIP G. LEYENDECKER, Herald

COLLEGE OF SOUTHERN UTAH

Colony

Strides Toward Charter

College of Southern Utah Colony, despite its somewhat dubious probation for the past year, has taken many positive steps toward becoming a chartered chapter of Sigma Pi. With the recent lifting of the probation the colony is moving swiftly in this direction.

Although we were unable to hold a formal rush this fall, we did pledge 12 men, 10 of whom successfully completed their pledgeship. During winter term we pledged six additional men, and we are looking forward to successful spring rush. During the year many honors have been earned by Sigma Pi members at CSU. We are fighting for the intramural crown, encouraged by our first-place finish in swimming. Also, Sigma Pi won first place in the snow sculpture, after hauling seven truckloads of snow to campus from the mountains.

Individual honors have been plenteous, too. Dennis Treadway was elected president of the sophomore class, with Gordon W. Topham as vice-president; and Dennis Treadway, Harold Hendrickson, Rodney E. Swenson, and James L. Maxwell are all student senators. In athletics, Lenny Olefson and Edwin N. Jenkins have been instrumental in the starting of a CSU golf team.

Sigma Pi at CSU has made great strides, and with probation lifted, we are looking forward to receiving our charter in the near future.

Officers: P, Edward Callantine; VP, Harold Hendrickson; T, Lenny Olefson; S, Edwin N. Jenkins; and W, Dennis Treadway.—DENNIS TREADWAY, Correspondent

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Introducing Corpus Christi

Sigma Pi Colony at the University of Corpus Christi began in January, 1966, under the name of The Anchormen, a service organization. In September, 1966, our group changed its name to Phi Upsilon Pi and became a local Greek fraternity. The organization progressed through the efforts of the entire brotherhood until there were 25 active members at the end of the fall semester, 1968.

It was on Dec. 14, 1968, during our annual banquet, that we were formally initiated as a Sigma Pi Colony. We became the first national fraternal organization on any Baptist campus in Texas.

The campus is situated on an island in the Bay of Corpus Christi. It was begun in 1947, and it is a coed school with an enrollment of about 800 students, most of whom are from the Eastern United States.

At the University there are now three other national colonies. During our Homecoming Week-end we were fortunate enough to sponsor the Homecoming Queen and Homecoming Duchess. In addition to this, we received three of the five awards that were given for athletic achievement. The highlight was the presentation to Steven Flaherty of the Best-Athlete Award for the Homecoming competitions.

Future colony plans look very bright. We have already undertaken the task of formulating our petition. At this time our colony has 24 active members. Richard Tracy was voted the best active. Of the newly-initiated members, John Haley received Best-Pledge-of-the-Semester honors. We are now pledging 7 men.

In closing, we would like to thank Gamma-Theta Chapter at the University of Texas for the help and guidance that it has given to us during our colonization period.
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THE EMERALD
CHAPTER CALENDAR

8TH OF EACH MONTH

Treasurer mail Financial Report, Form 59, to E. O. and Province Archon.

Sage mail to the E. O. comprehensive Monthly Report, Form 32, covering previous month.

Secretary send minutes of chapter meetings for previous month: buff copy to E. O. and third copy to Province Archon. Don't let minutes accumulate!

VARIABLE DATES

Send Pledge Form 11 and deposit on Membership Fee to the Executive Office within one week after formal pledging.

Mail Initiate-Registration, Form 10, with balance of Membership Fee to Executive Office not later than day of actual initiation.

File membership reports promptly whenever Form 33 is distributed by the Executive Office.

Report on Proclamation, Form 30, the installation of every new chapter officer.

EMERALD copy deadlines are: Spring, March 15; Summer, May 15; Fall, Sept. 15; and Winter, Dec. 15. (Regular Chapter Newsletters are not published in fall issues.)

SPECIAL DATES

February 26—Founders' Day.
April (1st meeting)—Annual election of chapter officers.
May (1st Sunday)—Sigma Pi Memorial Day.
May (2nd Sunday)—Mother's Day.
June (3rd Sunday)—Father's Day.
June 15—Furnish the Executive Office with the summer addresses of the chapter officers, names and addresses of Rush Committee members, and addresses of graduating members.

WHAT AND WHERE

FORMS, REPORTS, AND FEES

Mail Grand Chapter forms, reports, and fees referred to in adjacent column to the Executive Office at the Memorial Headquarters:

- Sigma Pi Fraternity
  P.O. Box 1897
  Vincennes, Indiana 47591

FOUNDATION

Send Foundation loan payments and also correspondence relative to the endowment fund to:

- The Sigma Pi Foundation, Inc.
  P.O. Box 1897
  Vincennes, Indiana 47591

ADDRESS CHANGES

Send notice of change of address to the Executive Office in Vincennes, which in turn will notify active chapter and alumni club.

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