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LEADERSHIP SCHOOL DATES CHANGED

The Leadership School Planning Committee, meeting on Sunday, April 18, responding to the difficulty of delegate attendance caused by early school openings and other college and university calendar changes, adopted a somewhat abbreviated program and moved each of the two sessions to an earlier opening date.

The first session will begin with registration from 11:00 AM to 5:00 PM on Friday, August 20, and will conclude with a banquet the evening of Tuesday, August 24. Registration will be at the same hours for the second session which will begin on Thursday, August 26, and conclude on Monday, August 30.

This announcement supersedes all information previously sent and should be passed along to those planning to attend the Leadership School this year. Every effort will also be made to inform those whose applications are received so that there will be no confusion.

Delegate accommodations will, as usual, be in Northwestern University dormitories. Rooms will not be available before Friday, August 20, for the first session and Thursday, August 26, for the second. However, delegates may stay over in the dorms the evening of the concluding banquet.

The official opening meeting for both sessions will be at four o'clock and therefore arrival time should be planned to complete registration prior to that time. Also, informal activities will be occurring at the Temple during the entire first day.

An exciting program is planned and an excellent faculty has been selected. The committee addressed itself to many of the problems facing the modern fraternity chapter and devised those ways to assure a flexible program, somewhat more complete but designed to allow greater delegate determination of that which he desires to receive from his attendance. We sincerely hope that these date and program changes will allow the Leadership School to serve our chapters in an increasingly meaningful way.

SOME LEADERSHIP ADVICE FROM AN EA

The report submitted by an EA at the conclusion of his term provides the National Office with considerable insight into the chapter and its operation. Oftentimes it also includes advice that would be of value to others in similar leadership roles. For this reason, and because many EA's are just beginning their term of office, we quote from the report submitted by Gary Dushane, EA of New Mexico Tau (New Mexico), during the fall of 1970.

"As an Eminent Archon I have found that one must not only be a president, but also a better brother. There are times when you must make decisions not only as an EA, but also as a brother. You have to try to involve as many people as possible in the fraternity activities and decisions. After getting all of the opinions he can, an EA must make a decision which will benefit the fraternity as much as possible. An EA must try to be the best active in the chapter. The active chapter must be able to respect their president and they can only do that if he follows the rules or by-laws of the chapter in a better way than anyone else. After gaining the respect of the active chapter, an EA can initiate new programs into the fraternity with the confidence that the active chapter is behind him all the way.

"The course that I took during the semester was the best I felt possible in accordance with what I have stated above. Unsure of myself at times, and sometimes making a wrong decision, I pushed on with the confidence that the active chapter was with me. New Mexico Tau had one of its best semesters fraternally, socially, and in campus participation. A few men in the fraternity created the spark while the rest of the chapter capitalized on it.

"Personally I think that the fraternity is built on spirit and brotherhood; and if you can accomplish these two things, all other tasks and problems will be minimized. New Mexico Tau has accomplished both, and now, fraternity problems that are years old are being solved daily."

REMINDER: THE 115TH ANNIVERSARY NATIONAL CONVENTION CONVENES IN RICHMOND, VIRGINIA ON SUNDAY, JUNE 20, AND WILL ADJOURN AT NOON ON WEDNESDAY, JUNE 23. THE JOHN MARSHALL HOTEL IS CONVENTION HEADQUARTERS.

50 YEARS AN SAE

At the Atlanta Alumni Association Founders Day on March 6, the following citation was presented to E. Smythe Gambrell which recognized a lifetime of service to his community, to his profession, to his family, and to his Fraternity.

"Brother Gambrell is a man of wide interests and many competencies. He is a committed churchman, being an active layman in the Second-Ponce de Leon Baptist Church.

"He is an outstanding attorney, heading one of the largest law firms in the South, and being chief counsel for Eastern Airlines. He has achieved the highest recognition in his profession by being elected President of the American Bar Association.

"He is a philanthropist, having contributed substantially to a number of educational institutions. His most notable philanthropy was a gift of One Million Dollars to the Emory University Law School.

"But, our recognition of him this evening is for his 50-year membership in and contribution to Sigma Alpha Epsilon. In 1956, while President of the American Bar Association he participated in our nation-wide Centennial Broadcast. He has been a regular contributor to his Chapter, Mass. Gamma, and it is through the loyalty of such alumni that SAE continues as the only national social fraternity at Harvard. In 1965, when the National Convention met in Atlanta he hosted a social function for our national officers. He is a regular contributor and frequent visitor to the functions of this Association.

"Several members of his family are SAE initiates. His two brothers, Charles and Bill, both retired New York bank executives are initiates of our Harvard Chapter. Charles is now a member of the Board of Trustees of our Fraternity. His older son, the late Robert, was initiated by our Davidson Chapter and wrote the Constitution and By-Laws of this Alumni Association. His younger son, David, was initiated by our Davidson Chapter. Our Fraternity takes pride in the fact that he is now the Junior United States Senator from Georgia, having succeeded our late SAE brother, Richard B. Russell, Jr., of Georgia Beta.

"Brother Gambrell, in behalf of our Alumni Association and our Fraternity, I present to you this 50-year Certificate of your Membership in SAE, and with it goes the appreciation of the men of SAE for your steadfast devotion to our Fraternity."

Due to personal pressures, Province Mu Archon Jim Gee has had to resign his position. The Supreme Council, on the recommendation of the Province, has appointed former Chapter Consultant Tom Kee to fill the unexpired term.

The fiftieth anniversary of Iowa Delta at Drake University was celebrated in grand style on the weekend of April 23-24. Over 300 were at a banquet Saturday evening where special 50-year certificates were presented to a number of the chapter founders. ESA Jacob was on hand to represent the National Fraternity and bring appropriate greetings.

The Supreme Council will meet in Evanston on May 15 and 16 for their regular spring meeting. Much of this meeting will be taken up with budget and National Convention matters.

The Museum at the Temple has been recently remodeled and is quite attractive. New carpet, a paint job and new lighting make it a pleasant place to view so much of the history of the Fraternity.

The installation of Alabama Chi at the University of South Alabama will be held on May 7 and 8 in Mobile. ESA Jacob will be the installing officer. This will be the first chapter installed in Alabama since 1878.

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