

# The Forty-First...

## A chat with the director

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Perhaps the person who will leave you with a lasting impression of this year's Leadership School is Brother Thomas R. Kessler (Kent State '61, Ohio Lambda). Small in stature, yet stout in character, Tom, the backbone of Leadership School for these past three years, is the "main man" responsible for the smooth channeling of Leadership School circuitry.

The following is taken from a recent conversation between sessions during the busy schedule:

BS: Tom, what were your expectations this year, and have they, to your satisfaction, been met?

TK: In terms of recruiting faculty and reaching the maximum number of chapters (not necessarily people), we met both.

BS: Would you say that you had to make any slight or drastic changes this year in the program?

TK: ...We shortened the school by one day for many reasons, including finances and time economies--without eliminating essential elements of the program.

BS: There appears to be "standing room only" in some of the workshops. Can you give us any statistics as to this year's attendance?

TK: We have over 400 in attendance at the school which exceeded expectations as we felt the difficult economic situations might have a negative effect. I might add that there is an upward trend concerning our progress: Three years ago, fifty chapters failed to attend the school, two years ago 37, and this year only 25. Incidentally, 8 of these 25 schools were unable to attend because of resuming academic conflicts.

BS: What about next year, Tom? Have you made any plans or commitments thus far?

TK: A committee will be appointed this month to plan next

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# Yesterday's... and today

By Jon Hook  
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Being from a small college town where the state drinking age is 21, Evanston (and Chicago) provide a new experience in night life for this collegiate student. Noting that this northern suburb of the Windy City has just recently gone from a dry to wet town, and that one must purchase at least a sandwich or salad in order to

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year's session and will meet as early as December or January. We're going to strive to keep the fees at the present levels.

BS: Would you care to make one final comment or observation?

TK: As a personal comment, I'm extremely pleased with the high caliber and gentlemanly attitudes of all the delegates.

BS: I'm certain everyone agrees that our understanding as well as appreciation for SAE has been greatly enhanced by the painstaking and professional efforts of Tom Kessler--Leadership School Director. In essence, not only do we have an excellent leader in Brother Tom but a genuine SAE, sensitive to the needs and problems of his fellow brothers.

imbibe in alcoholic beverages, Evanston turned out to have a surprisingly good selection of nightspots.

The star attraction for this Leadership School pupil (after downing some "Old Chicago" at the Temple) on the first night was "Yesterday's"; a restaurant with good food (the grilled cheese goes good with beer), good drinks and, best of all, nice waitresses. The patrons were superb--being almost entirely sleep and eats, along with the Faculty and a few National Officers.

Yesterday's is one place in Evanston, but more such as: Poor Richard's, Frankenstein's, Huey's, The Hut, and the Holiday Inn Lounge provide ample entertainment for the newcomer. Chicago, obviously, swings much louder. But since time is of the essence, Evanston sets forth numerous centers for enjoyment to sustain our 41st Leadership School for its three-and-a-half day existence.

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# "While we have time..."

By Tom Easterday  
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It was fairly late and I was sitting in the chapel alone. A dim light filtered through the Peace Window, casting long shadows across the floor. As I gazed at the window I began to hear something--it was the cannons of the Civil War, the kind voice of Billy Levere, and the scratching of Ernie Pyle's pen...I could hear history, a very proud history sealed within the chapel's walls.

As I looked around at the

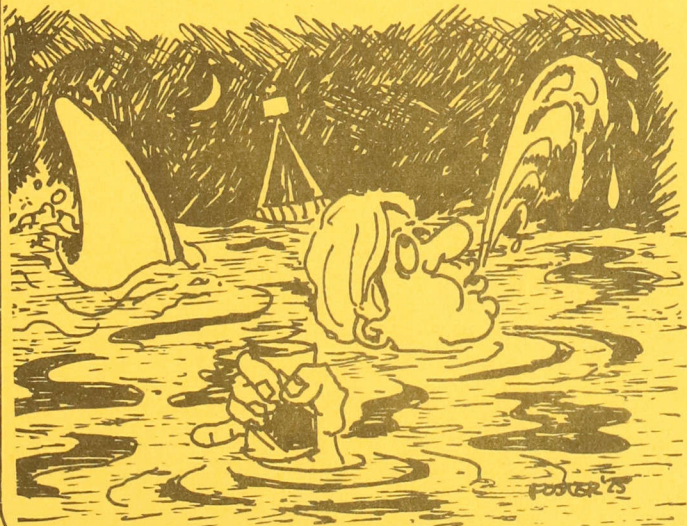
other windows, the paintings on the walls, and the chapter names carved into the pews, it became clear to me: the great men of SAE were not gone; they were very much alive...alive in the spirit of the Chapel and of the Fraternity.

Finally, I peered to the right of the Peace Window and saw an inscription which to me summed up the lives of those great men of SAE. The inscription read, "While We Have Time, Let Us Do Good Unto All Men." As I walked out of the chapel, I could sense a new pride in Sigma Alpha Epsilon.

## "Jaws," SAE Style

By Tom Easterday  
Indiana Gamma

As I took a peaceful mid-night stroll along the beach one recent evening, suddenly two swimmers came running out



of the water. I hid behind the lifeguard chair and listened as they excitedly began chattering at one another. Here is what I heard:

"But didn't y'all see that buoy move?"

"Yeah, I saw it. But it wasn't exactly like the movie. And besides, there ain't no sharks in Lake Michigan!"

"But, it's salt water, ain't it?"

"I'll never go to a movie with you again."

As they dove back into the chilly waters, the bright gold SAE lettering reflected off their gym trunks. Being a Yankee, I had to laugh at my brothers from Dixie.

# TEN YEARS LATER— AND NOW

By Bill Spingola  
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Having never before attended a Leadership School, I was under the impression that this week dealt solely with teaching us how we might better operate our respective chapters. But when Brother Steve Walker, Ala. '68 (Mu), addressed the brothers of the 41st Leadership School, I received a different impression. Not only are we shown how to run a chapter more efficiently, but our lives as well. Steve's talk, "Ten Years After" dealt with several topics which showed how much a short period of time can change one's life

completely. Such broad topics as age, fear, death, family, and even money will open new channels for us in life we never expected could happen in a few short years. Honesty, influence on others, the ability to say "no," can affect the way we act among each other. But the subject which struck me as most important was Steve's definition of the mark of success. He told the brothers that if they do nothing else within the next ten years, they will be successful if they are productive, if they are happy, and if they make someone else happy. As he put it, that is what life is all about.

## "And keep us true to high ideals..."

By Larry Homish  
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With our attendance at the 41st Leadership School, each of us has shown his concern for the more serious side of Sigma Alpha Epsilon.

In the Ideals, Organization and Management workshop the ideals referred to by a line in the SAE Grace, "... and keep us true to high ideals, we ask for SAE," were discussed.

The four major high ideals discussed were a), the stimulation of academic achievement;

b), the teaching of social responsibility; c), the promotion of brotherhood; and d), the cultivation of moral development.

Noble Leslie DeVotie and the other founding fathers founded Sigma Alpha Epsilon on these ideals. Are these ideals encouraged or hindered in our chapters today? What can be done to promote and further these ideals? Are these aims worth encouragement? What are you, as your chapter delegate to the 41st Leadership School, going to do upon your return to the chapter?