

# PROVINCES

Province Omega held its first annual basketball tournament on January 10 at Michigan State (Gamma). All six chapters participated in the well organized tourney. Adrian (Michigan Alpha) trounced Michigan (Iota-Beta) 53 to 39.

Over 100 brothers participated in the Province Psi-Iota-Delta Leadership School at Heuston Woods (Oxford, Ohio) February 28. The day long event was extremely well chaired by past Province Psi Archon Pete Cullen.

Province Zeta will hold its convention on March 27 in Kansas City. Missouri Delta (Rockhurst) will host the event.

Province Conventions for April are as follows:

ALPHA	Maine	April 24
BETA	Bethany College	April 3
GAMMA	Virginia	April 24
DELTA	Cincinnati	April 10
EPSILON	Atlanta, Ga.	April 24
IOTA	East Tennessee	April 3
KAPPA	Nevada	April 3
LAMBDA	Oregon	April 10
MU	Monmouth	April 3
NU	St. Lawrence	April 3
NU-	Miami	April 10
EPSILON		
RHO	Ripon College	April 10
TAU	South Dakota	April 10

# JOBS

If you are interested in traveling for SAE as an Educational and Leadership Consultant, contact Ken Tracey for details and applications.

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## SPOTLIGHT: founders' day

In this our bicentennial year, it's difficult to comprehend that our nation was a scant 80 years old, a mere infant, when SAE was founded in 1856. So it can easily be said that we have grown up with our country. Hopefully that process will continue for years to come.

We have also changed and adapted, and had the same growing pains as has our system of higher education. Our periods of accelerated growth and our lapses into status quoism; our times of combativeness and our moments of complacency are paralleled by similar attitudes in academia and in the ethos of the nation. We are indeed a product of our environment.

This Founders' Day finds us healthy and relatively secure, in a moderate period of growth, and relatively calm in terms of any great issues. It is a time when the fellowship of old ties is important and when the prospects for the future are looked at optimistically. This should be the year when more brothers celebrate Founders' Day than ever before and with more genuine pleasure. And it will probably be the simple pleasure of being together. This too is a reflection of the times.

Jack Hotaling

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## From The Editor

Jack's spotlight on Founders' Day brings to mind the many banquets and assorted get-togethers that happen this time of year as hundreds of brothers celebrate the founding of our fraternity. It's a busy time for members of the Supreme Council and National Staff as we travel to cities around the country to speak and fraternize with our brothers. As Jack and I were having morning coffee we traded stories of our Founders' Day experiences over the past weekend (Jack in Kansas and I in Nebraska). We concluded that we came back recharged with renewed dedication. Our excitement stems from the fun and satisfaction gained simply by being with SAE's, varied in age, background and interests --- but enjoying the company of each other.

As you may know, Dave Poe, Idaho '70 (Alpha) has left the National Staff to complete his MBA here at Northwestern University. He and his wife will be moving to San Francisco after graduation in June. Kathy Watson now heads the bookkeeping department. Her duties include issuing Monthly Financial Reports (yes, even the "National" has to do them).

Karl Wondrak, Extension Coordinator stopped in last week on his way to Utah and more extension travel. Karl recently visited the College of Charleston and the University of North Florida and is hopeful that progress will soon be made in establishing colonies at those institutions. Karl reports that the new colonies at Davis & Elkins and Salisbury State are progressing well toward their goal of attaining an SAE Charter.

E & L Consultant Bill Cunnings will visit chapters in Oregon, Idaho, Washington and Montana and Mike Bell will tour Alabama and Georgia in April. Jeff Shelton and Walker Zeiser will make calls on chapters visited previously.

In this Phi Alpha you will find announcements of programs of The Levere Memorial Foundation and the SAE Leadership Foundation; Barb Searle, Office Coordinator and RECORD editorial assistant, writes about Minerva Clubs; and ESR Hotaling reports on a tragic fire at Drexel.

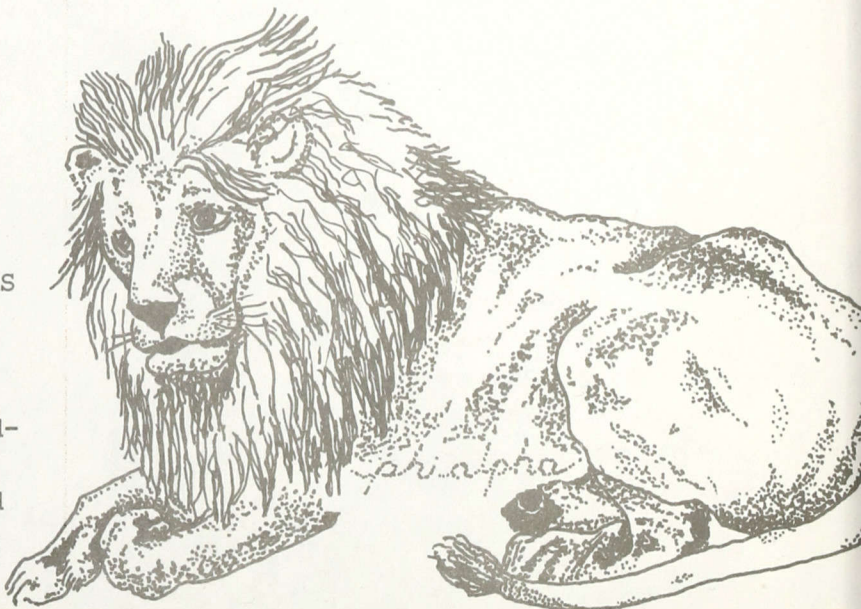
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A NEWSLETTER FOR CHAPTERS

Published by Sigma Alpha Epsilon periodically to provide ideas and news of services and programs. Please post and distribute. Contributions are welcome.

KEN TRACEY - EDITOR





## SPORTSWEAR

Due to the high prices being charged for SAE sportswear items, the National Office decided to stock jerseys, jackets, and tennis-golf shirts as a service to chapters and alumni. These items are priced about 20% below retail and are available for delivery in 2 to 5 days. (Most fraternity sportswear companies require 3 to 8 weeks for delivery). All items are top quality. Please give us your suggestions for future items.

## BULK PERMITS CUT COSTS

Chapters of SAE are eligible for non-profit bulk mailing permits. These permits allow mail up to 2 ounces to be shipped anywhere in the U.S. for 1.8¢ per piece which can save a lot of dollars when you compare this to the first class rate of 13¢ per piece. Your chapter can apply for the permit through your local post office. Simply complete Form 3624 and submit the \$15 filing fee along with the National Fraternity IRS exemption letter (available through the National Office), copies of your House Corporation Articles of Incorporation, and copies of your constitution and by-laws. Once your application is accepted, you will be required to pay a \$40 annual fee. If you mail over 400 pieces you will save money. Mailings must be arranged in zip code order and must contain at least 200 pieces.

## LMF SEEKS TUTORS

Assistance is available through Tutor-in-Residence fellowships according to Educational Advisor Bob Hamrdla. The Levere Memorial Foundation will make available fellowships of \$1,500 each to be awarded to graduate students who will serve as Tutors-in-Residence at qualified chapters. Host chapters will provide, at their own expense, room and board for the Tutor for the entire academic year. The primary role of the Tutor is to serve as an educational and academic resource for the individual brothers and the entire chapter. For details and applications, see your Eminent Archon or write to: G. Robert Hamrdla, Educational Advisor, in care of the National Office.

## AWARD FOR SERVICE

Last summer our California State-Los Angeles chapter received the Community Service Award for having the most outstanding and on-going program of community involvement of any SAE chapter. A beautiful plaque is presented to the winning chapter and a \$1,000 unrestricted grant is made by the Levere Memorial Foundation to the institution at which the chapter is located. For details, contact ESR Hotaling at the National Office.

## INTERNS DO OWN THING

The SAE Leadership Foundation has just announced the Summer Intern Program. Grants will be made to individuals interested in broadening their educational experience through summer internships within their field of interest. Interns have the opportunity to select the location of the internship experience and is based on the interests and career goals of the individual applicant. If your Eminent Archon doesn't have brochures and applications, you can obtain them by writing the National Office.



## PENN EPSILON HOUSE DESTROYED

A two alarm blaze routed 15 brothers from the chapter house at Drexel Institute in Philadelphia early Saturday morning, February 21. Around 2:00 A.M., as a previous night's party was breaking up, a homemade device attached to a door in the second floor library exploded. A series of small fires were extinguished at that time but apparently the fire continued to smolder until a blaze erupted shortly before 5:00 A.M. The third floor was almost totally destroyed and there was massive fire, smoke and water damage on the first and second floors. The explosive device was meant as a practical joke which backfired and produced some serious results.

There were no injuries but all personal effects of those living in the house were lost. It appears that the automatic alarm system sounded shortly after the fire broke out and there was a very rapid evacuation. About two weeks earlier the alarm system was discovered to be not operating and had been repaired.

There are a number of lessons to be extracted from this experience. First and foremost, all alarm devices and fire equipment should be regularly checked. Second, it should never be assumed that a fire has been extinguished without confirmation by the fire department. Third, pranks that could conceivably cause fire should be prohibited and if they do occur, dealt with forcefully.

In the case of Pennsylvania Epsilon, the Dean of Students tells us, "please be assured that we are taking all necessary steps to protect the property and organizational interests of Drexel's SAE chapter." There has been a massive response to the chapters needs by the University, the IFC, other fraternities individually, and many SAE's in the Philadelphia area. The chapter will have a difficult time during the next few months, but we are confident that they will overcome all obstacles to assume their previous strong position.

## MOTHERS AND OTHERS

Mothers, wives, and sisters, what part do they play in SAE? Out of 185 chapters, 59 have found a way to utilize this valuable resource. The answer is Minerva Clubs.

Minerva Clubs complement alumni associations and give of their time to the active chapters. They may assist with rush entertainment, making draperies for the chapter house, or contributing funds for new furniture. They assist the chapter in many ways, thus making the fraternity experience more rewarding.

The clubs provide many services to the chapter, but what National Office services are available to them? Each Minerva Club is entitled to a charter, membership cards, model constitution and sample ritual. All are provided at no cost. The National Office also offers a badge for \$18.40, tax and gold surcharge included.

As stated in the Phoenix, "what these women have done, they have done with a pure design to help. And they have done it where the need and the ability to help were both present."