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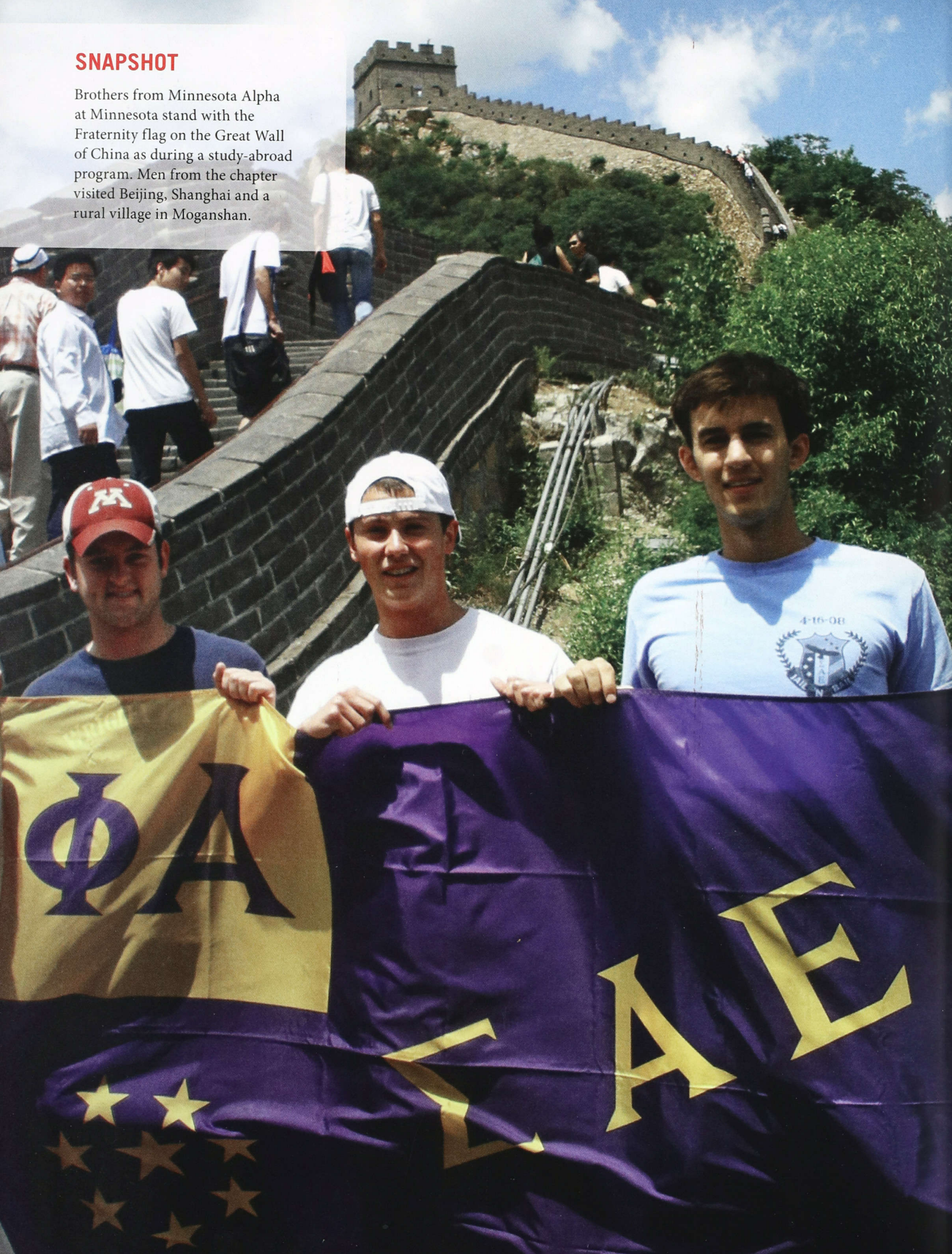
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Brothers from Minnesota Alpha at Minnesota stand with the Fraternity flag on the Great Wall of China as during a study-abroad program. Men from the chapter visited Beijing, Shanghai and a rural village in Moganshan.





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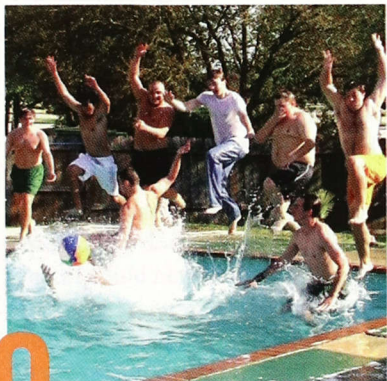
You're familiar with the modern version of Sigma Alpha Epsilon, but we haven't always been that way. See how the 1920 convention was a watershed moment in our history, the one that brought us to business.



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The men of the Fraternity are at the top of their game, from varsity to the NFL. Meet the players in the All-American Football Review.



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BE THE ONE: FOUNDERS DAY DOWN SOUTH

While each chapter has its own Founders Day tradition, the men of Mississippi Sigma did their 2009 event with style.

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Bringing My Era to a Close



As you read this column just before our 153rd Anniversary Convention in July, it's hard for me to believe that my two-year tenure as your Eminent Supreme Archon is coming to a close. I think back to when a brother from Mississippi Sigma gave me the chance to join Sigma Alpha Epsilon. That one action allowed me to join the greatest fraternity in the world. My love and appreciation for the organization only grew with time. I thought I had all the good brothers and friends I needed at Mississippi Sigma, but over the course of the last two decades, my friendships and connections have grown. I've met an incredible number of brothers who share that sacred bond of friendship with me and there's been a brother within reach with the grip of friendship and a hearty "Phi Alpha."

This entire biennium, I've stressed the importance of my message: **Be the One**. It only takes one brother to reach out to one other person and make the Sigma Alpha Epsilon experience complete. That's what Joe Clark did for me, and that's what thousands of our forefathers did for all of us. Many of our brothers have shared their personal stories about **Being the One** with me, and I'm amazed at their commitment to the cause. I want to make sure we continue that trend so that our sons and grandsons can join Sigma Alpha Epsilon.

I want to thank everyone for rallying behind my message to **Be the One**. Now, my wish is that you keep the momentum going. Be inspired by Sigma Alpha Epsilon and give back to the organization that has given so much to you. Your membership in our Fraternity has likely paid more dividends throughout your life than you ever imagined. That's the hidden benefit: It's not just for those few years in college; it's for a lifetime. You weren't an Σ AE; you *are* an Σ AE. We must always continue to **Be the One** and share our experience with others. We must continue to replace ourselves with new members. We must be our brother's keeper to ensure we take care of one another. And we must volunteer our time and energy to keep the fire burning.

Before I hand over the gavel and badge to this office at our convention in New Orleans, I'd like to thank you from the bottom of my heart for the opportunity to serve as your Eminent Supreme Archon. Sitting back in my dorm room as a pledge, trying to put myself through college, I could never have dreamed I would have this opportunity. In the past two years, we've demonstrated as a brotherhood that we can bond together and tackle what this world throws at us. Membership in a Greek-letter organization is just as relevant as it was 153 years ago. I leave office knowing Sigma Alpha Epsilon is under the guidance of great leaders who will maintain our status as the greatest fraternity in the world.

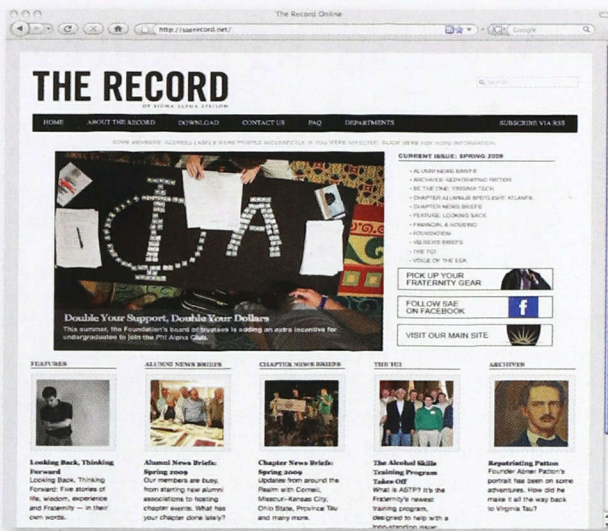
In the Bonds,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "M. Todd Buchanan". The signature is fluid and cursive.

M. Todd Buchanan (Southern Mississippi '90)
Eminent Supreme Archon

LETTERS

TO THE EDITOR



The launch of the magazine's online presence at saerecord.net marked the birth of *The Record* in the digital age with the cover story "Looking Back, Thinking Forward."

I really enjoyed reading the last *Record*, especially the article "Thinking Back, Looking Forward." Great perspectives, both for the undergrads and those of us well post-grad. I'm looking forward to the next read.

Bob Thompson (Stanford '70)

Great job on *The Record*! Keep it up.

Vance Thomas (Florida '73)

I thoroughly enjoyed the interview with E. Wesley Ely, M.D. It's nice to hear about someone who has the right priorities in place and understands the gifts he's been given. What a great man to be able to call a brother.

Robert Cavanagh (Washington State '82)

I have known and respected Ken Jernigan for almost 40 years (he was my high school science teacher). He has embodied the most esteemed true gentleman doctrine in all ways of his life. I am proud to call him friend and brother.

Robert Bellanova (West Florida '79)

Our Founders Day greeting, a video from Eminent Supreme Recorder M. Todd Buchanan, brought back the flames of brotherhood on our 153rd birthday.

Happy Founders Day.

Chris Preston (Morehead State '58)

Happy Founders Day to you, brothers.

Christopher Jeffamy (Hofstra '04)

Right back at you. Phi Alpha.

Paul Ferris (San Francisco '84)

Thanks for the Founders Day greeting. I sent it on to all of my Sig Alph family: four sons, two grandsons, one brother and two brothers-in-law. Keep up the great work. Phi Alpha.

Ham Carey (Rhodes '51)

Thank you, thank you, brothers all. May the wind always be at your backs.

Larry Jensen (Northwestern '54)

Well done for sending a YouTube video. This is the direction the fraternity needs to go.

Paul Tivolacci (Binghamton '87)

Our appreciation to ESA Buchanan and to the staff producers for the excellent Founders Day greeting.

Jim Puryear (Mississippi State '96)

An outstanding message and this graduate from the class of 1958 enjoyed it immensely. I too have maintained the bonds through all these years.

James Marine (Pittsburgh '58)

Thanks for the wonderful message. Just like in your Veterans' Day message, you are doing a terrific job keeping us informed and inspired.

Clarence Hoop (Drexel '71)





NUMBERS: THE LEADERSHIP SCHOOL 2009 EDITION

the student/faculty ratio on the 2009 cruise, with 18 ambassadors, 50 faculty and 5 staff members in charge of a total of 528 delegates

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On the 2009 cruise, 24 chapters sent just one delegate.
THE CHAPTERS THAT SENT THE MOST:

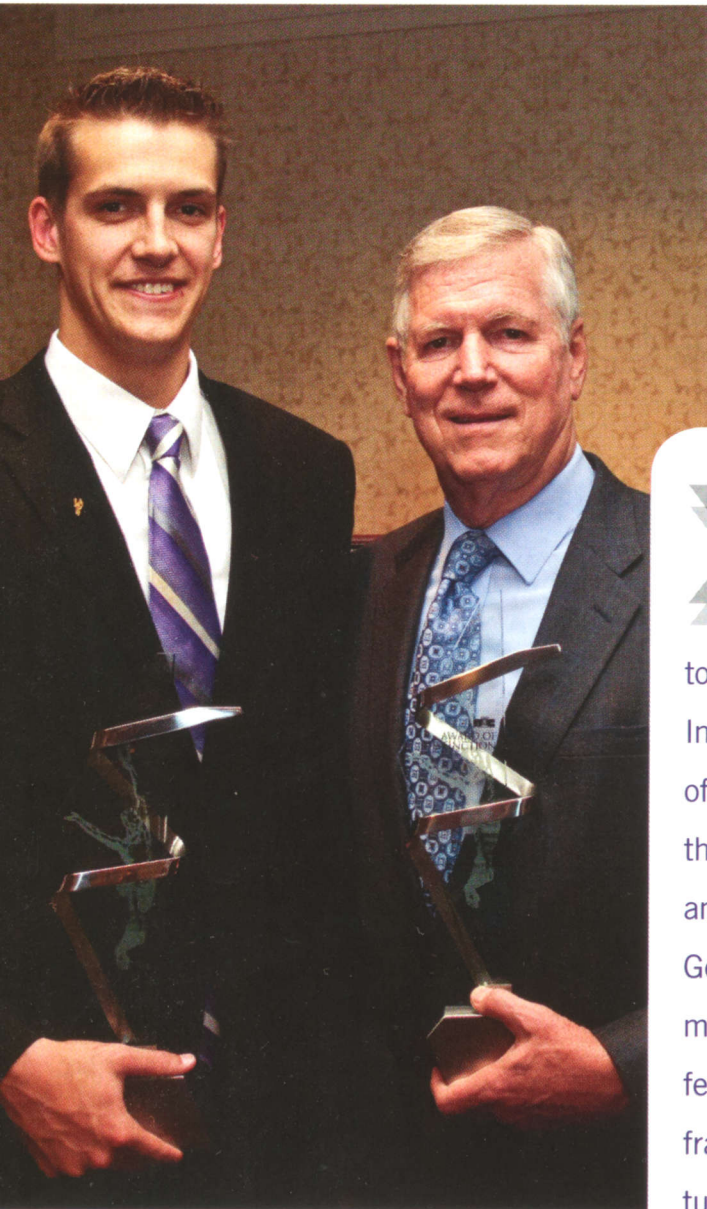
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\$2,550 amount raised for the Foundation on the 2009 cruise through the purchase of 102 undergraduate memberships in the Phi Alpha Club for \$25 each

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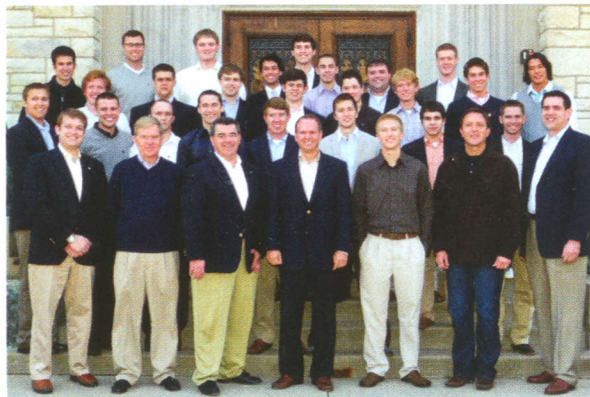


Several brothers have earned high honors for their leadership, dedication and service to both Sigma Alpha Epsilon and to the interfraternal community. The North-American Interfraternity Conference, or NIC, presented Awards of Distinction to (from left) 2008 True Gentleman of the Year Brian Gettinger (Missouri-Kansas City '08) and former chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff Gen. Richard Myers (Kansas State '64) at its annual meeting. The awards recognize those who make a difference for fraternities and who advance the ideals of fraternity. They are committed to brightening the future of fraternity and ensuring that fraternities are living to their espoused mission and values. In addition, Eminent Supreme Warden Ken Tracey earned the Evin J. Varner Award from the Fraternity Communications Association at its annual meeting in May. The award honors an individual who had helped to advance the fraternal movement through excellence in communications to the Greek-letter community.

Where is My Directory?

Many of our alumni purchased the newest alumni directory, a joint project between Sigma Alpha Epsilon and Publishing Concepts, Inc., or PCI. In addition, members have inquired as to why they haven't received their directories yet. The directory is currently in publication and, as a 12-month project, it takes quite a bit of time to compile since we have to get information for more than 190,000 living alumni. Once the book has been published, PCI will begin mailing the books to fulfill the orders that Sigma Alpha Epsilon members placed. *For additional questions about the directory, contact Associate Executive Director of Communications Brandon Weghorst at (847) 424-3038 or at bweghorst@sae.net.*

Future Faces of Leadership: The Phoenix Institute



On the weekend of April 3-5, 2009, 25 of the Fraternity's most promising leaders attended the fourth annual Phoenix Institute. This program allows the men an opportunity to meet and learn from some of the organization's biggest alumni leaders, including the Supreme Council. Attendees met in small groups, each led by a Council member, and discussed fraternal, professional and personal topics. The event took place at the Levere Memorial Temple, where brothers learned about the building and got a glimpse of what makes our headquarters so unique. The 2009 Phoenix Institute attendees included:

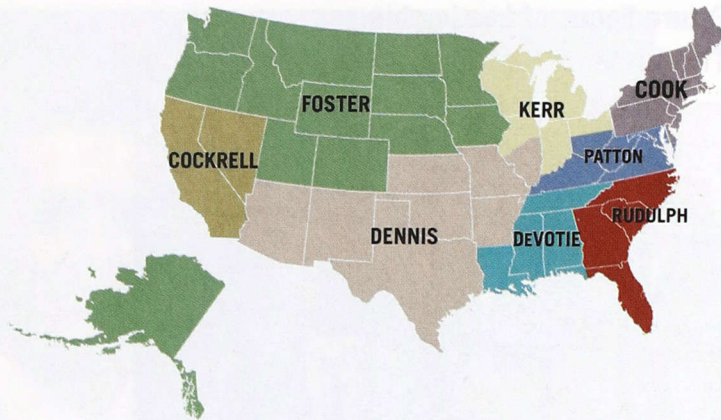
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 Joseph Diaferia, *Tennessee Tech*
 John Docter, *Louisville*
 Sam Fankuchen, *Stanford*
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 Spencer Pittman, *Oklahoma*
 Curtis Roddy, *Cornell*



The Online Record Comes Alive at Last

Members have been enjoying Sigma Alpha Epsilon's magazine, *The Record*, since 1880. But if you know brothers who no longer receive a physical copy in the mail, you can let them know they can keep up with feature stories and in-depth profiles of brothers from around the Realm through their browsers — and so can you. Leave a comment on the stories you liked for the rest of the Realm to read. Connect the articles to your Facebook profile so your friends stay up-to-date with the latest Sigma Alpha Epsilon news. Donors to the Sigma Alpha Epsilon Foundation and current undergraduates still receive the printed version of the magazine, but make sure to visit the new website for *The Record*, online. *To read the next generation of The Record, visit saerecord.net.*



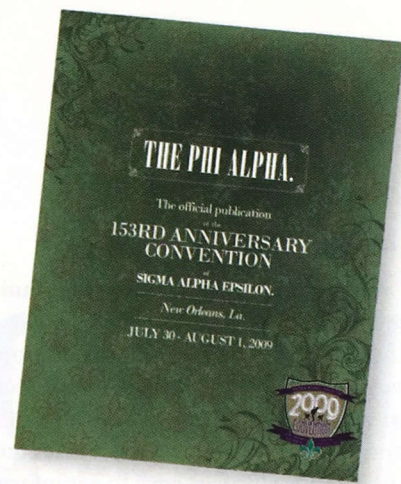
An Enhancement for Excellent Service

The Fraternity Service Center has announced several changes in the structure related to the Regional Director program and its extension program. These items take effect immediately and help to reaffirm the commitment of the FSC and the field staff to exceed the expectations of our constituents and to continue providing excellent customer service.

Blaine Ayers, Regional Director for the Patton Region, has been appointed to the position of Associate Executive Director of Fraternity. In this role, Ayers will supervise the entire Regional Director program and continue to serve chapters in Maryland, southern Ohio, Kentucky, Virginia, West Virginia and Washington, D.C. In addition, Ayers will remain based in Lexington, Kentucky. This position reports to Eminent Supreme Recorder Steve Priepeke.

Tony Kerins, who served as AED for the past few years, is stepping down to pursue other opportunities. In his place, Brad Kloha (Central Michigan '06) has been hired as the new Regional Director for the Kerr Region, which includes Indiana, Michigan, northern Ohio, Wisconsin and parts of Illinois. Previously, Kloha served on the Fraternity Service Center staff as a Coordinator of Chapter Development. He will be based in Michigan and will report to AED Blaine Ayers.

In addition to the staff realignments, the Fraternity Service Center has announced several regional service realignments with provinces as well. Province Lambda will be encompassed in the Foster Region, serviced by Mike Mansfield. Province Upsilon will be encompassed in the Dennis Region, serviced by Deran Abernathy. And Province Pi will be encompassed in the Kerr Region, serviced by Kerins.



Guide to the Meeting of All Meetings

The Phi Alpha, which serves as the official convention guide, is now available digitally. It contains valuable information about the 153rd Anniversary Convention, such as the schedule of events, bios of the candidates, law proposals and the mileage-fund chart. You can find the guide online at www.sae.net under "Events" in the section about convention. In addition, everyone who registers for convention receives notification about where to find *The Phi Alpha*. The hard-copy version will be handed out to convention delegates on site in New Orleans.

Our Fraternal Trifecta

Among the items at the Sigma Alpha Epsilon Marketplace are three that stand out among the rest. First is our official tie designed by Brooks Brothers. Its purple silk and gold stripes show your fraternal zeal, so this tie is the perfect accent for that formal event. It's also available as a bow tie. Or you might like "The True Gentleman" plaque, a wooden creation with the citation to our organization's creed. Give that exemplary brothers or alumnus a reward for his efforts. Then again, the ΣAE flag is always a good choice for chapter houses or tailgates. The flag can be ordered in its classic 4'x6' size or in a smaller 3'x5' size — perfect for hanging on your wall. *All of these items and more can be found by visiting the Greek Marketplace at www.greekmarketplace.net/sae.*



A MAILING-LABEL MIX-UP

A few mailing labels on the spring 2009 issue were misprinted. Some brothers' names were switched with others' addresses. For those affected, your information is current and correct on our database. We apologize for the mix-up and hope you enjoyed the previous issue of *The Record*. ☀

Be the **one** .



Founders Day Down South

by Johnny Woods (Southern Mississippi '76), featured writer

To celebrate the 153rd Founders Day of Sigma Alpha Epsilon, men from many of our chapters and alumni associations gathered to celebrate a century and a half of brotherhood, of friendship, and of tradition. One of those groups was the men of Mississippi Sigma at Southern Mississippi.



The men of Southern Mississippi celebrated Founders Day in style.

The Founders would have been proud, because all over the Realm, brothers celebrated the 153rd birthday of Sigma Alpha Epsilon with pride. On Saturday, April 4, 2009, the brothers of Mississippi Sigma toasted Founders Day, blessed with a perfect 80-degree weather.

The men couldn't sit inside and wait for the official 5 p.m. start time of the event, because this is one day that deserves to be enjoyed to its fullest. After working all week to get the pool ready for a Founders Day opening, the men were ready to get the afternoon off to splashing start. Tired of waiting, a few guys dove in — and then everyone in the vicinity (everyone who was not carrying a cell phone, fully dressed or not) received a first-hand invitation to join the pool party. The word “no” was not an option. Some rituals don't change over the years.

As I watched these young brothers — including Grant, my own son — enjoying themselves on this beautiful day, I was reminded of how blessed we are as active members of this solid Fraternity. These college-aged guys are enjoying one of the best times of their lives, and it's just beginning for each of them. I also thought about the time I spend with brothers my own age, since each year a number of us travel to the Mississippi coast for our annual Mississippi Sigma golf tournament. Among those men are at least 35 guys who I spent my college years with, and it's amazing to realize how close we still are after all the years.



With such beautiful weather, the men enjoyed everything about being outside.

After the impromptu pool party, the official festivities began. Ron Horne, the current Eminent Archon, fired up the grill and cooked burgers for all actives, friends, alumni and parents. He has tremendous leadership skills and certainly knows that some duties, like feeding the multitudes, cannot be left to the new recruits.

This year's event was informal, with a meal in the party room and an awards banquet following the meal. Glen Brady, the chapter's alumni adviser, and former Eminent Supreme Archon Ron Doleac presented numerous scholarship awards, including the J.L. "Jim" Pope Award. While Doleac was standing in front of the assembled group, I began to think about the other men from this chapter who have served their Fraternity in the ESA role: Pope, the man who gave his name to that award, as well as the current Eminent Supreme Archon, Todd Buchanan, who both are from the proud tradition of Southern Mississippi. And while we try our best to remain humble, we're especially proud that our chapter has produced such great leaders.

As you might expect, the focus of the scholarships this year was on leadership and GPA. This chapter had more than 15 active members who marked a 3.0 or higher during the fall semester. And of course, Brother



Eminent Archon Ron Horne took over grill duties under his dad's watchful eye.

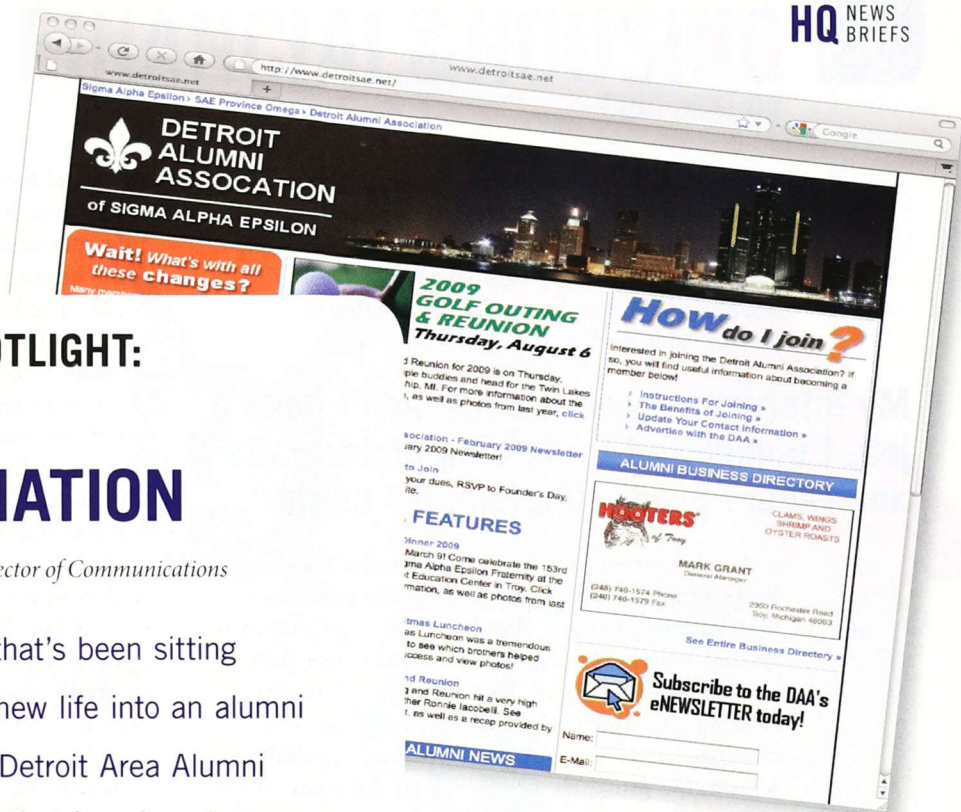
Doleac was quick to inform us that the ones who were not currently attending were at the library studying. As a past ESA, we knew that he was telling the truth.

I also realized how proud we are of these gentlemen. The chapter played its annual Charity Bowl football game on campus two weeks ago, which is held in the main football stadium, The Rock. While the men had fun playing against one of the rival fraternities on campus, the real winner was the Hattiesburg Civitan Club, which received more than \$2,500 in donations to help mentally handicapped children.

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Sigma Alpha Epsilon is teaching some wonderful lessons to our leaders of tomorrow. They're showing all of us how life can and should be lived: Work hard, enjoy the ride, lead by example and, as our own Mississippi Sigma alumni and current ESA Todd Buchanan says, Be the One!

I hope I'm around 30 years from now to see these guys at their own 30th alumni golf tournament. As "Friends" tells us, "the bonds celebrating 'til death separating" are alive and well. God has blessed each of us and those blessings continue to our Fraternity. 🌞



CHAPTER ALUMNUS SPOTLIGHT: DETROIT AREA ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

by Brandon E. Weghorst, Associate Executive Director of Communications

Much like resurrecting a chapter that's been sitting dormant, it's possible to breathe new life into an alumni association. The members of the Detroit Area Alumni Association have achieved exactly that in a few short years.

The association is one of Sigma Alpha Epsilon's larger ones, a group whose history stems back to November 13, 1897. However, the 150 or so current members stand in stark contrast to the low numbers seen just a decade ago, largely as a result of changing the way the group operates.

"The biggest factor that has helped to increase our membership is the modernization of the association," says Jay Russ (Oakland '02), who is serving his second term as president. "We have a board committed to making our group better, and we're allowing everybody who wants to get involved to do so."

Many of the changes that helped to revolutionize the association are technological. While newsletters and Founders Day banquets are commonplace with alumni associations, the leaders in Detroit knew they had to rethink traditional operations and find ways to engage a younger membership.

Oneil Franso (Oakland '08) has been one of the most instrumental members to help make that goal a reality. He revamped the group's website, allowing members to read news online, post messages to other members, send out electronic invitations and add dates to their personal schedules based on a master calendar. Plus, the association utilizes the LinkedIn social-networking site, which allows people to connect via online profiles.

"I'd say some of our dramatic change has happened with regard to social networking," says Franso. "Many of our alumni were already using [LinkedIn and Facebook]."

But in addition to new ideas, the association's leaders are rethinking long-existing programs. Their newsletter has moved to a digital format, which saves printing and postage costs. They also have continued to offer a business directory where, for \$25 a year, any member can post his business card, and members can browse categories based his profession. Such a directory continues to give brothers a chance to support the business of a brother.

Another key ingredient to the association is financial. So that they would not have to raise dues, the association's leadership says they have taken on more responsibility to shop for competitive prices, especially in light of the economic downturn.

Rich White (Michigan '69) has been involved in the Detroit Area Alumni Association since the early 1970s. He's watched the group transition through the decades and still enjoys his membership. "People are working so hard and have so many family interests that it's hard to give up additional time," he says. Nonetheless, White says he's still impressed with how many alumni of all ages continue to turn out to events and outings.

The association, like many others, conducts a few staple events every year — ones that members look forward to attending to reconnect and visit with familiar friends. Those events include a Founders Day banquet, a Christmas gathering and a golf outing each summer. All of the activities are well-attended — but that hasn't always been the case. Just a few years ago, the Founders Day event drew about two dozen people. This year, nearly 100

people turned out for the event. Each year, the association calls on the talent of prominent alumni, and past guests of honor include Ernie Harwell and Bo Schembechler.

“The biggest thing I’ve gotten out of my membership in the association is the ability to network and meet other people,” says Russ.


My internship ended, but I didn’t have a job. I committed to helping undergrads and recent grads find jobs if I could.

And while maintaining a strong alumni association keeps alumni engaged, part of Detroit’s success deals with its ability to think ahead. To encourage participation by undergraduates, the association reaches out to chapters in Michigan. They invite them to events, offering discounted prices. Furthermore, they help the undergraduates understand the power behind networking with other brothers, a service many chapters mention during recruitment but never provide.


“One of the things that ΣAE sold me on was the networking, but nothing panned out for me,” says Franso. “My internship ended, but I didn’t have a job. I committed to helping undergrads and recent grads find jobs if I could.” The Detroit Area Alumni Association reaffirms its commitment to younger members and undergraduates by sponsoring Leadership School scholarships, made possible through the generosity of dues-paying members.

Still, the association maintains some rich, important tradition. Chuck Dawson (Michigan ’55) and Mel Bernai (Michigan ’55) are the mainstays for a weekly event that happens without much fanfare or publicity. Yet, each Wednesday when these two gentlemen meet, they always find themselves with additional lunch partners. In fact, some alumni remember going to the lunch when they were undergraduates. And many of them are certain this tradition, in addition to the new ones being created right now, will be passed along to future generations.

To learn more about the Detroit Area Alumni Association or to join the group if you are living in the Detroit metro area, visit www.detroitσαι.net. ☀



Live the Legacy



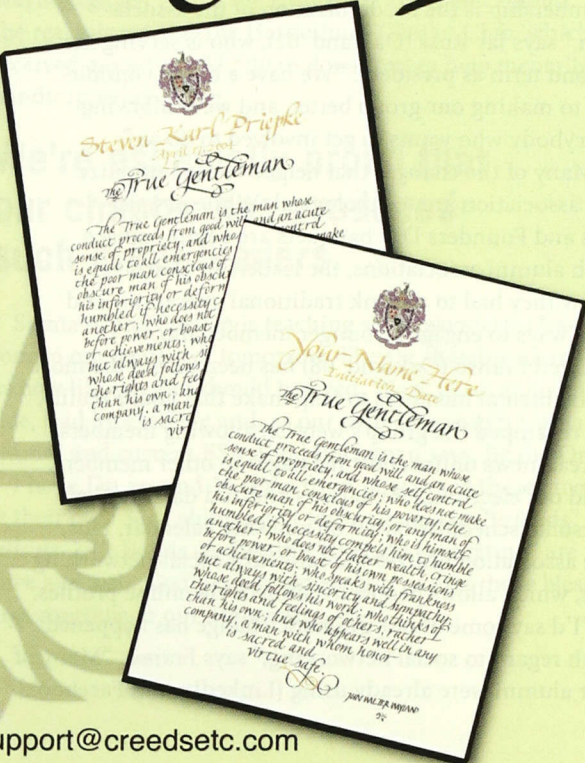
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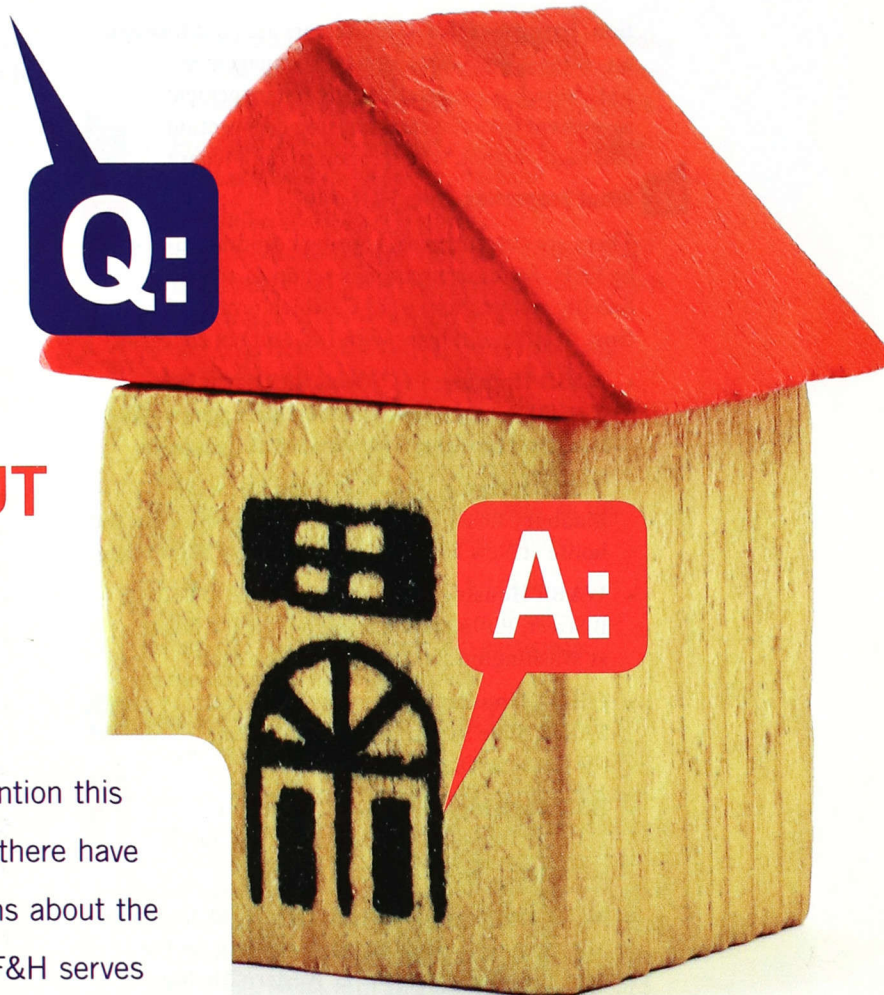
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SO YOU THINK YOU KNOW ABOUT F&H?



With the upcoming convention this summer in New Orleans, there have been quite a few questions about the SAE Financial & Housing Corporation. F&H serves as an entity under the Sigma Alpha Epsilon umbrella — just like the Fraternity or the Sigma Alpha Epsilon Foundation — that generally provides support and assistance with chapter housing. Read on for more frequently-asked questions about the F&H Corporation.



Q: Where can I get a copy of the F&H financial report?

A: The current financial report for the SAE Financial & Housing Corporation can be obtained by requesting them from Gregory Somers, the Associate Executive Director for F&H, at gsomers@sae.net.

Q: Who visits to the properties to make the houses are properly supervised? How are those visits funded?

A: Each property has a house director — in many cases, a house mother — who watches the individual property. In addition, Gregory Somers, the Associate Executive Director for F&H, visits each property on an as-needed basis. Somers' expenses are paid through each chapter's housing corpora-

tion. Expenses for house directors are paid through an entity called Greek Housing Management, LLC, which is funded through a management agreement between each housing corporation and each chapter, which functions as a tenant.

Q: What properties does F&H own?

A: There are currently five housing corporations owned by F&H. Each corporation is set up as a limited-liability corporation, or LLC, which protects F&H from liability and helps with IRS and tax concerns.

- **MIGA Housing, LLC**, owns the title to 342 North Harrison, East Lansing, Michigan, for the house at Michigan Gamma at Michigan State.
- **NHBE Housing, LLC**, owns the title to 28 Madbury Road, Durham, New Hampshire, for the house at New Hampshire Beta at New Hampshire.
- **WABE Housing, LLC**, owns the title to 865 NE B Street, Pullman, Washington, for the house at Washington Beta at Washington State.
- **OHGA Housing, LLC**, owns the title to 57 East State Street, Athens, Ohio, for the house at Ohio Gamma at Ohio.
- **ILBE Housing, LLC**, owns the title to 211 East Daniel, Champaign, Illinois, for the house at Illinois Beta at Illinois.
- **MIDE Housing, LLC**, owns the title to 3315 West Michigan Ave., Kalamazoo, Michigan, for the house at Michigan Delta at Western Michigan.

The Financial & Housing Corporation is the parent organization of all LLCs listed above.

Q: How much was paid for each property?

A: F&H does not purchase any properties. All are donated outright or donated in lieu of foreclosure. F&H then pays any remaining third-party mortgage or existing debts.

Michigan Gamma was gifted to F&H, subject to the existing mortgage on the property. The appraised value of the house is currently \$1.05 million. F&H paid an estimated \$180,000.

Washington Beta was closed, leaving F&H with a first-mortgage position. With no income, the house corporation was unable to make payments and, rather than foreclosing on the property, the house corporation gifted it to F&H. Appraised value, prior to planned improvements, is \$1.1 million. F&H paid an estimated \$325,000.



Illinois Beta was closed with a first mortgage in default, leaving F&H with a second mortgage on the property. Rather than losing its equity, the house corporation gifted the property to F&H, which paid the first mortgage. In 2005, appraised value was \$1 million. F&H paid an estimated \$800,000.

Ohio Gamma was closed and the first mortgage was in default with foreclosure sale pending. Alumni approached F&H about a gifting the house to the entity. F&H paid the \$325,000 mortgage along with some past-due utilities and tax payments. While there is no current appraisal, F&H has a valid offer to purchase the house for \$900,000.

New Hampshire Beta had been closed, and the house condemned by the town of Durham, with a first mortgage in default and a foreclosure sale scheduled. To save the house, the house corporation gifted the property to F&H. The appraised value is \$1.25 million. F&H paid an estimated \$425,000.

Michigan Delta gifted its existing property, located at 919 Short Road with a taxable value of more than \$300,000, to MIDE Housing, LLC. MIDE Housing, LLC, then purchased the old Delta Gamma Fraternity house at 3315 West Michigan Avenue for \$290,000. MIDE Housing, LLC, will sell the Short Road property to help pay the acquisition cost for the other house.

Q: How does F&H ensure it gets its money back?

A: The board of directors built an ownership program that included model leases, house directors, an online billing system, financial oversight and a house-manager training system. With such measures in place, F&H can ensure that each house is filled to capacity and that each house corporation remains



solvent. Additionally, F&H has consulted with other Greek organizations on how they have successfully and profitably operated large housing portfolios.

Q: What is the capacity of each house?

A: Michigan Gamma holds 32 members. Washington Beta, 52. Illinois Beta, 50. Ohio Gamma, 45. And New Hampshire Beta, 32. These capacity numbers are for full occupancy and include a house director.

Q: Are the houses at capacity?

A: For the 2009-2010 school year, Michigan Gamma, Washington Beta and New Hampshire Beta expect to have full occupancy. Illinois Beta is currently rented to the Acacia Fraternity, as the colony at Illinois is not large enough to fill the house. Ohio Gamma is currently being renovated and will be ready for new tenants after improvements are completed. A Fraternity colony is planned for the campus that will eventually move into the house.

Q: What properties is F&H leasing?

A: As mentioned above, Illinois Beta and Ohio Gamma are rented to third parties, but all others are used by Sigma Alpha Epsilon chapters.

Q: Will the respective Province Archons for each F&H-assisted chapter be consulted on the running, upkeep and discipline of these houses and members?

A: For all F&H chapters, Province Archons will be as involved as they would at any other campus. While alumni involvement is always welcome, these properties do not need special treatment.

F&H is primarily concerned with the physical structure of the house, as well as with revenue generated. The Fraternity is responsible for general operations, including discipline. As section 43(A)6 of *The Fraternity Laws* states, a Province Archon shall "advise and assist the Chapters Collegiate within the Province in

all matters pertaining to housing. He shall communicate with each house corporation within the Province at least once a year for purposes of inspection."

Q: Do Province Archons have the ability to choose chapter advisers for these properties?

A: The selection of the chapter adviser is the responsibility of the chapter, alumni, Province and Fraternity Service Center. F&H has no involvement in choosing chapter advisers or other alumni advisers. Section 43(A)7 of *The Fraternity Laws* states that a Province Archon should "ensure that each Chapter in the Province has at least one effective Chapter Adviser. In the case where the adviser is either effective or does not exist, the Province Archon shall assist the chapter in the identification of a new and capable adviser.

The house director, however, is hired by Greek Management Housing, LLC, a subsidiary of F&H. The chapter will participate in the selection of a house director.

Q: How are the house corporations for these properties selected?

A: A house corporation for each chapter is a distinct entity that is created by alumni. F&H has nothing to do with individual house corporations at each location. However, upon donation of a property to F&H from a house corporation, the house corporation is encouraged to transform itself into an active alumni association, along with an alumni advisory board.

Q: What requirements must Regional Directors and extension personnel fulfill with these F&H-assisted chapters?

A: Any representative of the Fraternity Service Center is required to treat a visit to an F&H-assisted chapter like any other visit. No special treatment need exist, as all Regional Directors work directly for the Fraternity Service Center, not for F&H. Since the F&H Corporation exists to purchase and rehabilitate houses that will be used for active chapters, however, it would make sense to target those F&H chapters for extension efforts. While such an effort would help Sigma Alpha Epsilon in general, the Fraternity maintains full control of the Regional Directors and the extension team.

Q: Are Regional Directors responsible to visit F&H-assisted chapters a certain number of times?

A: Regional Directors must visit chapters, regardless of status with F&H, according to *The Fraternity Laws*. Again, it makes sense to target





these F&H chapters in order to more fully support the mission of Sigma Alpha Epsilon, but the Fraternity maintains full control of the Regional Directors and the extension team.

Q: How are travel, lodging, food and other expenses for these visits broken down?

A: These expenses are the responsibility of the Fraternity Service Center. F&H has no control on this issue. The Regional Director program, managed by the Fraternity, has been supported by dues increases at previous conventions.

Q: Do these F&H-assisted properties constitute a partnership with the Fraternity Service Center?

A: The only partnership that exists between the two entities was spelled out in a blueprint agreement that was signed between the Fraternity and F&H in July 2007.

F&H, as part of the overall Sigma Alpha Epsilon structure, exists to help finance Fraternity operations by continuing to build the financial corpus of the Fraternity Endowment Fund and by improving housing throughout the Realm. Although each is a separate corporation, F&H exists to support the greater cause of Sigma Alpha Epsilon. Each has its own voting board of directors — the Eminent Supreme Herald and the Eminent Supreme Recorder are members of the F&H board — and, by dividing responsibilities, assets can be best protected from liability.

Q: If a property is owned by F&H, what is the potential liability for the Fraternity?

A: F&H is a separate legal entity from the Sigma Alpha Epsilon Fraternity, and each housing corporation owns its property's title. Only minimal liability exists due to the separation of board control. The LLC structure was specifically developed on the advice of several attorneys to isolate any liability at the chapter or property levels. Additionally, F&H's leases with tenant chapters further isolate responsibility for chapter conduct. The risk level and risk exposure are no different that currently exists with all house corporations around the Realm. The Fraternity's insurance policies cover chapters for potential claims.

In reality, were a problem to occur, house corporations, alumni associations and chapter advisers are typically removed from a suit through summary judgment. In most cases, the national Fraternity is also removed on that summary judgment. The only plaintiffs who remain are the chapters and the individuals being held responsible. Our insurance coverage provides a defense to the chapter and/or individuals as long as Sigma Alpha Epsilon's risk-management policies were not violated. However, if those policies are found to have been violated, the offending parties are excluded from insurance coverage. In instances where risk-management was not an issue, our insurance carrier provides defense in those cases to all officially recognized Sigma Alpha Epsilon organizations, including F&H, the Fraternity, the Sigma Alpha Epsilon Foundation, house corporations, alumni associations and chapter advisers.

For more information about F&H, contact Associate Executive Director Gregory Somers at gsomers@sae.net. ☀



FINDING THE FOUNDERS OF Georgia Pi

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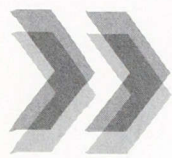
IN THE PAST TWO YEARS, MUCH INFORMATION ABOUT Georgia Pi at the Georgia Military Institute has come to light. One of the treasures from Georgia Pi that has made its way to the Temple is a daguerreotype, dated to around 1857, that may be a group image of the chapter. If all the men in this image can be identified as Georgia Pi members, then this will be the oldest chapter photo in the Sigma Alpha Epsilon Foundation’s collection.

The donor, James M. Gilmer (Tennessee-Knoxville 1946), identified his grandfather, James Nicholas Gilmer, as the first person in the front row. The other men in the image have not been definitively identified but may be the remaining six charter members: Samuel Barry Brooks, William Henry Dickinson, Joel Robert Griffin, John Summerfield Lanier, Christopher Columbus Sanders and GMI professor Raleigh Spinks Camp. Vernon Henry Vaughan, who is also considered a chapter founder despite his affiliation with Tennessee Nu since he influenced the GMI faculty to accept the Georgia Pi chapter, does not appear in the image.

Five of the seven men in the image also wear their ΣΑΕ badges. In addition, two of the badges in the front row appear to be shield-shaped — which are believed to be the badges of school-sponsored literary societies, since similar badges can be seen in other images of GMI students. Of the seven founders of Georgia Pi, five served as president of one of the two literary societies.

After graduating from GMI, the chapter founders fought for the Confederacy in the Civil War. Brooks was killed at the Battle of Seven Pines. Camp died shortly after the end of the war. Dickinson and Lanier both became planters. Gilmer was a cotton broker and later became very active with the Washington Alpha chapter. Griffin served as Superintendent of Andersonville Prison Camp in 1865 and served two terms in the Georgia Legislature. Sanders still has the distinction of being the only Confederate to be memorialized in a statue on federal property but, unfortunately, the statue was destroyed by a tornado in the 1930s. Vaughan served as acting governor of the Utah Territory from 1870-1871. 🌟

Keeping the Day of Service Alive in 2009



The True Gentleman Initiative embodies the foundations of our Fraternity experience. Service, one of the TGI's 12 Core Areas, is at the heart of many chapter events — so six years ago, the True Gentleman Day of Service was created to assist chapters around the country to fulfill that responsibility. Over time, it has become part of many chapters' philanthropy programs. **Here are six stories from the 2009 True Gentleman Day of Service.**

Louisiana State, Louisiana Epsilon

The men at Louisiana Epsilon tackled the Day of Service in 90-minute shifts by helping a local day-care facility prepare for its grand opening. The brothers worked on mowing the lawn, weed-eating, edging, cutting down bushes, power-washing fences, removing debris, picking up trash, ripping out carpet, moving furniture and painting the facilities. Alumni adviser Derek Mitchell was pleased with the result, saying, "The guys had a great time serving and working, and the day-care workers were overwhelmed with the amount of participation and the magnitude of work that was completed." With the men's help, the facility was able to open June 1, 2009.

Cal State-San Marcos, California Alpha-Gamma



The men of California Alpha-Gamma took advantage of the entire True Gentleman Day of Service weekend, packing in five different events. The first, the California Forum for Diversity in Graduate Education, sees nearly 4,000 students from all over the state attend a graduate-school recruitment seminar on the San Marcos campus. The brothers helped with setup and with serving lunch. That same day, another group of members worked to clean up Dixon Lake, picking up trash and beautifying the outdoors. For their third event, men volunteered at an event called Meet the Chefs of Del Mar, which benefited Casa de Amparo. The children's shelter holds the annual culinary event as a fundraiser, and the men did behind-the-scenes setup work the night before. A relief effort for children in Africa called Invisible Children was the fourth recipient of the chapter's help, as members wrote letters to politicians — in conjunction with thousands of other high school and college students — to raise awareness for the cause. And finally, the men participated in a walkathon for multiple sclerosis, raising more than \$500 along with the women of Alpha Xi Delta.

SUNY-Oswego, New York Zeta

The men of New York Zeta took a simple approach to the Day of Service: Brothers walked across SUNY-Oswego's Lake Ontario beach on April 25, 2009, cleaning up trash and beautifying the campus for all university members. New York Zeta brothers got together on a beautiful Oswego Saturday afternoon and cleaned up all the trash on the beach so everyone could enjoy its beauty. For three hours, 11 men each collected a bag of refuse and earned the gratitude of their fellow SUNY students.

Appalachian State, North Carolina Epsilon (colony)

On Friday April, 24, members of the North Carolina Epsilon colony traveled to the Wolf Sanctum in Bakersville, North Carolina, a sanctuary for captive-bred wolves and wolf-dogs. The facility, located in the Black Mountains of North Carolina, works to provide a living environment for animals that would otherwise be neglected or killed. Colony brothers worked for approximately seven hours and constructed a deck for Denali, a 130-lb captive-bred wolf. They also helped to extend the isolation pen that will allow new members of the community to be placed in quarantine until they adjust to their new environment.

Villanova, Pennsylvania Eta-Gamma



A few rain showers didn't slow the men of Pennsylvania Eta-Gamma down during their annual golf tournament. Alumni, friends and family members helped the chapter raise more than \$40,000 for Children's Miracle Network. Senior Pat Devine said, "Even though the weather wasn't ideal I got the opportunity to golf with a chapter brother and his family. It was a great event and something I was proud to be a part of." Pictured are (left image, from left) Rick Kundracik, Nicholas Pascarella, Marta Pascarella, and Pat McEvoy. Brothers Pascarella and McEvoy are two of the event's main sponsors, who each donate \$10,000 to the cause. Also pictured are (right image, from left) undergraduate brothers William Scanlon, Alex Cunningham, Brandon Mavelos, Evan Laszlo, Kevin Cullen and Mark Bustard. ☀

Evansville, Indiana Epsilon

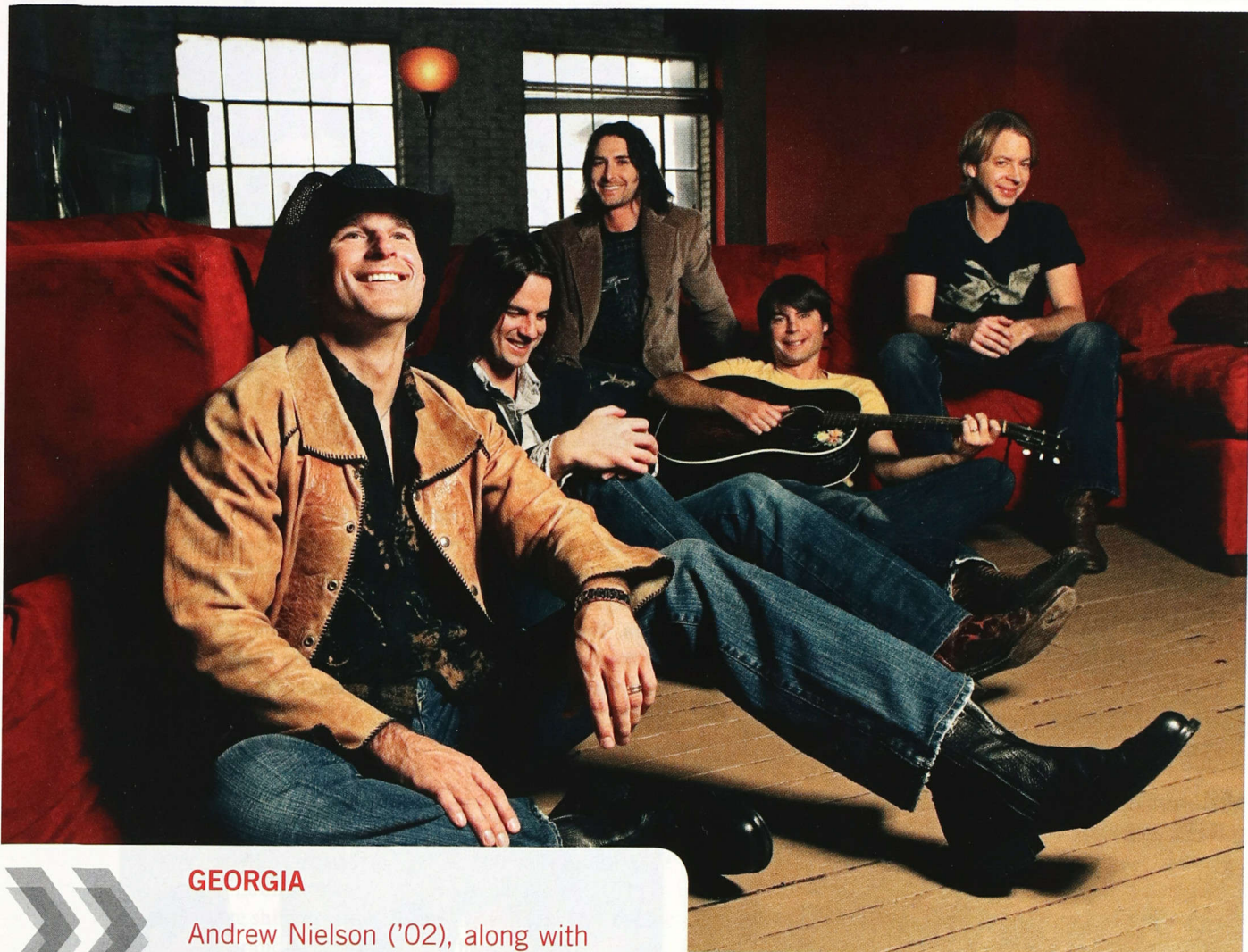


The brothers of Indiana Epsilon held their 2009 True Gentleman Day of Service on April 26, 2009. Instead of having one program, the chapter worked with two non-profit centers in Evansville, Indiana. The first, The Potter's Wheel, is a community outreach and assistance program in the downtown area. The second, Keep Evansville Beautiful, which is part of the Great American Cleanup, helps to keep streets and alleyways clean in a low-income neighborhood.



ALUMNI

NEWS BRIEFS



GEORGIA

Andrew Nielson ('02), along with Matthew Lee (Vanderbilt '97) and

three other members, have been touring the country with their band, The Lost Trailers. The group, who marked their second top-20 hit in May with "How 'Bout You Don't," has been featured on the Great American Country channel for the American Country Music awards. The band's other hit, "Holler Back," is often requested by text message — a large way the group stays in contact with its fans. For more information, visit www.thelosttrailers.com.

ARKANSAS-FAYETTEVILLE

Warwick Sabin ('98), publisher of *The Oxford American*, has been named to the 2009 FOLIO: 40 list as one of the 40 most influential figures in the publishing industry. *The Oxford American*, a Southern literary magazine that has featured two other prominent Sigma Alpha Epsilon members — William Faulkner (Mississippi '19) and Walker Percy (North Carolina-Chapel Hill '37) — along with many other writers and thinkers, has been in publication since 1992. Sabin has been running the magazine for only one year.

AUBURN

The American Veterinary Dental College has recently certified Robert S. "Bert" Gaddis Jr. ('81) as a specialist in veterinary dentistry. With the announcement, he became the only board-certified veterinary dentist practicing in Alabama and one of only 111 worldwide.

Gaddis owns and operates the Indian Springs Animal Clinic in Indian Springs Village, Alabama.

CORNELL

In January 2008, John Follansbee ('57) returned to active service in the Army. He was assigned to a mental-health clinic in Germany and, shortly after arriving, he was appointed chief of behavioral health for soldiers being redeployed from Iraq. Later, he was redeployed to Iraq, where he joined the 212th combat stress control detachment of the 101st Airborne. While his achievement is noteworthy on its own, it's made even more interesting by the fact that Follansbee is 74 years old.

DUKE

Brett T. Williams ('81) was recently promoted to the rank of brigadier general in the Air Force. Williams, who was commissioned in 1981 in the ROTC program at Duke, previously held positions as a plans officer at U.S. Central Command and as chief of the checkmate division of the Air Staff at the Pentagon. During Operation Iraqi Freedom, he commanded the 363rd Expeditionary Operations Group. Williams has flown more than 100 air-combat missions.

IOWA STATE

Tom Goodale ('62), who served Sigma Alpha Epsilon as Eminent Supreme Recorder from 2001 through 2008, has been named executive director of the Omicron Delta Kappa society. The organization, a national leadership honor society, was founded in 1914 and has more than 300,000 initiated members. Goodale, who also served as vice president for student services at Virginia Tech as well as other positions at universities around the country, was a mainstay at recent Leadership Schools with his talk on personal responsibility, "Your Brother's Keeper."



LOUISVILLE

The men of Kentucky Sigma celebrated their 10th anniversary as a chapter on March 28, 2009. More than 300 guests attended the gala event at the Brown Williamson Club at Papa John's Cardinal Stadium. Timothy Strobl, former director of alumni membership and volunteer services at the Fraternity Service Center, hosted the night as the chapter unveiled its official capital campaign for a chapter house — which, by the end of the evening, had already netted \$10,000 through donations and a silent auction. Eminent Supreme Recorder Steve Priepke, Associate Executive Director Blaine Ayers, Province Xi Archon Col. Don Bartholomew, Kentucky Epsilon Alumni Association president and Louisville Metro Councilman Ken Fleming all attended. Several awards rounded out the evening, with former Province Archon and current Kentucky Sigma chapter adviser Chris Stephens receiving the Merit Key and Michael McCauley receiving the Order of Minerva. Special thanks were due to the event's co-chairs, Stephen Kalayil, Michael McCauley and Dipesh Parmar.

NEVADA-LAS VEGAS

Adam Seward ('05), who spent four seasons in the NFL with the Carolina Panthers, has been signed as a linebacker for the Indianapolis Colts. In his four seasons with the Panthers, Seward notched 45 tackles in 40 games.

OGLETHORPE

The Georgia Eta chapter, the oldest fraternity on the Oglethorpe campus, celebrated its 150th anniversary with a reunion weekend April 17-19, 2009. The party was hosted by a number

of brothers from across the chapter's history: David Cooper ('71), Michael Higgins ('74), Gary Jansen ('74), Jimmy Kirtland ('77), Blake Christoph ('78), Scott Soloway ('87), Adam Corder ('95), Thair Hanaway ('95), John Breton ('97), Andy Noble ('97), Brian Findley ('99), Jay Williams ('99) and Alex Johnson ('07). The chapter is extremely active on the school's campus, with 23 members who play varsity sports, six holding student government offices and two who sit on the executive student council.



SIMPSON

Jeffrey “Yogi” Cook ('77) has launched www.jobs4saes.info, a site dedicated to connecting brothers from the Kansas area in finding employment. In addition, Cook, along with brothers Henry Heller Smith (Bucknell '86), undergraduate Cory Griffin (Missouri-Kansas City), undergraduate Andy Daniels (Missouri-Kansas City), undergraduate Rohan Apte (Missouri-Kansas City), DuMont Reed (Kansas '68) and Tim McFarland (Kansas '92), has formed the Phi Alphas, a vocal group that specializes in singing Fraternity songs. The group, which first performed January 21, 2009, is dedicated to reviving the reputation of Sigma Alpha Epsilon as the “singing Fraternity.”

OREGON STATE

In March, Joth Ricci ('91) was named to the top spot of the Jones Soda company and has been given the difficult task of restoring the company to profitability in the midst of a tough economy. Jones, a high-end maker of soft drinks, is known for both its user-submitted photos that appear on its bottle labels as well as for its choices of unusual flavors: During one Thanksgiving season, the company released turkey- and mashed-potato-flavored drinks. Before joining Jones in 2008, Ricci was the manager of Columbia Distributing, a beer and wine distributor in Portland, Oregon.

Dick Thompson ('73) has been elected to the Oregon State University Greek Hall of Fame for his many years of dedication to the Oregon Alpha chapter and to the general university community. With his nomination, Thompson joins the ranks of other Fraternity men Bill Brennan ('62) and past Eminent Supreme Warden Ron Thiesen ('61).

TEXAS

On March 26, 2009, Graham Hill ('71) was elected to a one-year term as the second vice president of the International Society of Barristers, an honor society with a membership cap of 650. Hill, who works in the

Houston office of Locke Lord Bissell & Lidell, has been a member of the ISOB since 1989. Hill is also involved with the Texas Rho alumni board and established the Scott Caven Scholarship at his home chapter.

MIAMI (OHIO)

Tim Myers ('62) was honored on March 1, 2009, for his many years of service to the university and to the greater Oxford, Ohio, community. A longtime volunteer to the Miami football program, Myers received an autographed football helmet from the university's athletic director, Brad Bates, during the Miami-Kent State basketball game. Myers, who

grew up in the community, was named Oxford Citizen of the Year in 2001 and received the Miami University Bishop Medal for Outstanding Alumni in 2002.

MIT

Alex Dreyfoos ('54), an avid boater, recently launched a new yacht he designed in conjunction with the firm Abeking & Rasmussen. The craft, named the *Silver Cloud*, has a unique stabilizing system that has not previous been used on any commercial craft that will counteract the usual boat motion that causes seasickness. A feature article on the *Silver Cloud* appeared in the April 2009 issue of *Boat International* that praised the innovative design, one that was originally developed for military use.

OKLAHOMA STATE

Well-known financier T. Boone Pickens (Oklahoma State '51) recently spoke to the San Diego Rotary Club. His current renewable-energy initiative, called the Pickens Plan, is designed to stop United States' dependence on foreign oil. At the event, he had the opportunity to meet Dick Troncone (San Diego State '67), president of the San Diego Alumni Association and incoming president of San Diego Rotary.

ROCKHURST

In his 35 years with the Kansas City Chiefs, Denny Thum ('74), has held every office responsibility except coaching duties. And now, with his appointment to club president, he won't have to worry about on-field jobs. Thum, who is just the fourth president in the franchise's history, was pleased. "To have the opportunity to work in this profession for one team for as long as I have, no one could ever get that," he said. "That's as great as it could be."



SOUTHERN NEVADA ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

The men of the Southern Nevada Alumni Association gathered in Las Vegas in observance of Founders Day. Pictured are (from left) Bill Baumgardner (Nevada-Las Vegas), Bob Sweeney (Nevada-Las Vegas '87), Ken Kahn (UC-Santa Barbara '65), Alex Mavros (Nevada-Las Vegas '98), Past Eminent Supreme Archon Ben Allen, Michael Ty (Nevada-Las Vegas '04), Yiorgo Aretos (DePaul '97), current Honorary Eminent Supreme Archon Warren Poslusny, Steve Schneider (New Mexico '68) and John Ritsko (Nevada-Las Vegas '03).

SOUTH FLORIDA

Brig. Gen. Luis Visot ('88) has been appointed as commander of the 377th Theater Sustainment Command of the U.S. Army Reserve. His post is the largest appointment in organization and requires oversight of more than 32,000 Army reservists across the

country. Visot, who also works as the executive director of the University of South Florida's Joint Military Leadership Center, is a 31-year veteran who has served on active duty in Iraq three times since 1990 and in Bosnia during the mid-1990s. 🌞

Policy on Alumni News Briefs

Submitted news briefs should be 75-100 words long and contain information about events, alumni gatherings and other notable happenings. Other news items are accepted but will be judged on their level of interest to the entire brotherhood. Electronic submissions are given highest priority and should be sent to editor@sae.net. Digital photos should be at least 300 dpi in resolution or on a digital camera's highest-quality setting. Hard copies can be sent to The Editor, 1856 Sheridan Road, Evanston, Illinois 60201. High-quality, 4" x 6" or larger photos are preferred. Photos should not contain unsuitable content, and not all photos will be printed. Hard-copy photos will not be returned. Photos that are not submitted in high resolution will not be published.

CHAPTER

NEWS BRIEFS



IUPUI



The men of Indiana Iota-Pi were recognized for their hard work and the establishment of their full charter

by the Indiana state Senate on February 7, 2009. The men were treated to a reception with the legislature, accompanied by Karen Whitney, vice chancellor at Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis. Pictured are (from left, front row) Bernie Reed, Derek Lee, Senator R. Michael Young, Whitney and Province Psi Archon Fred Fritz, and (from left, back row) Nick Sutton, Eminent Archon Steve Oetting, Trevor Ciboch, Jarrod Otter and chapter adviser Daniel Maxwell.

DEPAUW

Senior Carter Johnson has gone beyond planning for chapter events or getting the next philanthropic event off the ground — he went on a trip to Costa Rica and accomplished two goals in his own life. First, he helped install water-purification tanks for local villages, continuing his dedication to service. Then, in the mountains overlooking the villages where he worked, he proposed to his girlfriend. Johnson, who served Indiana Delta as philanthropy chair, has also participated in a trip to Mississippi during his freshman year to help with hurricane-relief efforts and a spring-break immersion in North Carolina, where he worked to provide housing for low-income families.

DUKE

After a long absence, the men of North Carolina Nu have come back with some momentum. In just two weeks of recruitment, the colony offered 19 bids to freshmen and sophomores who will join the 13 upperclassmen Founding Fathers. The men have been outstanding on campus, with Eminent Deputy Archon Wey Ruetten receiving the William J. Maschke Jr. Memorial Award, which was given by the Inter-Fraternity Council for his efforts in coordinating the colony's return to campus. While the Duke chapter was disbanded in 2001 after 70 years, the alumni network remains strong, with more than 1,500 members. *For more information or to get involved with the North Carolina Nu colony, e-mail adviser John Stringfellow at jstringman@aol.com.*

EMORY

Georgia Epsilon won multiple awards from the Office of Sorority and Fraternity life for demonstrating superior leadership on campus. Each year, a team of judges comprised of members from various academic departments analyzes each fraternity and sorority for their successes in various categories. On April 22, 2009, Georgia Epsilon received awards for most improved GPA over the past academic year, as well as for having the best standards board and judicial process among the fraternities on campus. Mark Knapp, a sophomore, was named best representative for his role on the Inter-Fraternity Council.

MIAMI (FLORIDA)

For the fourth consecutive year, the men of Florida Alpha received the distinction of being named Outstanding IFC Chapter. In addition to receiving that top award, the chapter also took home more honors than any other organization, including ones for community service, campus involvement, alumni

**CORNELL**

The New York Alpha chapter has been involved with the university's Creating Chapters of Excellence program, which helps coordinate efforts among Greek organizations to help with all aspects of chapter life, from philanthropic events to member-education seminars. Eminent Archon Curtis Roddy, along with CCE's liaison, has been assisting in planning a textbook-buyback program and a tree-planting project for the campus. In addition, Cornell has approved funding for New York Alpha to create outdoor-education events — one in the fall and two in the spring — to assist with member development. The men have also booked an alcohol-education speaker to have a session with new pledges about responsible drinking habits.

programming and new-member scholarship, as well as individual awards. Danny Casamayor was named IFC Fraternity Man of the Year and former True Gentleman of the Year Daniel Poterek was named IFC Fraternity Alumnus of the Year.

MILLSAPS

On February 28, 2009, the Mississippi Delta chapter held its 9th annual Chili Bowl to benefit the Lifeshare Foundation of Jackson, Mississippi. During the competition, 20 teams prepared chili made with anything from beef, barbecue sauce or even food coloring. When the event was completed, the men had raised \$12,642 to help Mississippi children living in poverty, or those with mental and physical disabilities, to have the same chances

as children in better circumstances. The chapter plans to continue its tradition next year, continuing to support Lifeshare, and looks toward an even more successful event.

PENN STATE

THON, a philanthropic dance event held by the student body of Penn State each year, has been assisted by the men of Pennsylvania Alpha-Zeta each year since 1972. Campuswide, the event now uses more than 15,000 student volunteers and 700 dancers while raising more than \$52 million for Penn State Hershey Children's Hospital. Together with the women of Pi Phi, the chapter raised more than \$85,000 and sponsored a child named Aaron, whose cancer is now in remission.

NEWS BRIEFS



LOYOLA

For the past four years, Illinois Alpha-Omega has organized and hosted a fundraiser for the St. Baldrick's Day Foundation, a non-profit organization that helps combat various types of childhood cancer. The men aim to show their solidarity with children suffering from cancer, so participants shave their heads in order to raise money for the foundation. St. Baldrick's Day 2009 featured Dr. Jim Wand, a hypnotist and member of Sigma Alpha Epsilon. Wand performed to a packed crowd as a finale to the event, which successfully raised \$10,000. Approximately 70 students, faculty and other attendees shaved their heads, 30 being ΣAEs. Throughout the day, different entertainment was offered to those attending, ranging from free food and drink, a balloon-pop contest for tickets to the Blue Man Group, a silent raffle for classes and books donated by Kaplan and even brief speeches by cancer survivors.

PROVINCE GAMMA

On April 3-4, 2009, Province Gamma hosted its first Ritual institute in Richmond, Virginia, on the campus of Virginia Commonwealth University. Nearly 200 brothers from Virginia, Washington, D.C., New York and Kentucky listed to explanations and seminars including Ritual history, traditional Rituals at chapters and in-depth explanations of secret meanings. As the final speaker,

past Eminent Supreme Archon Mike Scarborough shared personal experiences on how to use the Ritual in everyday activities. During the event, several chapters received awards for outstanding performance in the 12 Core Areas of the True Gentleman Initiative. Virginia Zeta at Virginia Tech was named 2008 Outstanding Province Gamma Chapter and Thomas Lott at Virginia

Commonwealth was recognized as the Outstanding Undergraduate of the Year for Province Gamma.

SIMPSON

On April 1, 1976, Sally Jenkins began her first day the house cook for the Iowa Sigma chapter. More than 32 years later, she's still here making sure the men at Simpson are well-fed. In that time, she's seen quite a few brothers pass through her dining hall and has created traditions that show how much the members mean to her — including remembering each and every birthday, fixing that brother's favorite dessert to celebrate. Since she doesn't live at the house, she stays active in her community, singing in the church choir and baking for her six grandchildren and four great-grandchildren. To show their appreciation for her long tenure of service, the men of Iowa Sigma repainted her kitchen this past fall, adding her name to the wall in wooden letters.

SOUTHERN CAL

The California Gamma chapter recently sponsored a CPR-certification seminar for its newest pledge class – and extended the opportunity to the active members. The class offered hands-on training on how to revive an unconscious person as well as instruction in the use of a defibrillator. In bringing the course to the chapter, brothers demonstrated their commitments to better themselves as well their concern for others' well-being. The event was such a success that California Gamma extended the training to all Greek men at the university.

TEXAS TECH

John DeWitt, the Eminent Archon of Texas Alpha, found himself in a unique position to help a man walking cross-country. Rory Fanning, who was in the middle of a 3,800-mile walk to honor his friend Pat Tillman, the NFL player and U.S. Army Ranger

who died in Afghanistan in 2004. When Fanning's route took him through Lubbock, Texas, DeWitt was contacted to help organize a student event around Fanning's trip. But after meeting Fanning, DeWitt decided to go one step further, offering the traveler the use of his room. "He's doing it for such a good cause. The least I can do is give up my room," DeWitt said. Fanning, who said he slept outside for most of his trip, was incredibly gracious.

WASHINGTON STATE

On April 8, 2009, Kyle McKeeman was honored by the Center for Civic Engagement as the recipient of the 2009 Distinguished Service Learning Award. McKeeman received the award for his leadership as one of the chief organizers of the College Hill Association Adopt-a-Block program. He was nominated by Alison Rotolo, the association president. "He has made a difference in his fraternity," she said, "which reflects positively on the entire Greek community and the WSU student community." Each year the CCE recognizes one student, one faculty member and one community partner who display a commitment to learning through campus-community engagement.

VANDERBILT

At the 27th annual Chancellor Alexander Heard Greek Awards at Vanderbilt on April 6, 2009, Tennessee Nu was recognized for its outstanding faculty relations by the Inter-Fraternity Council and, in addition, was part of the IFC team that won an award for an outstanding collaborative program. Three brothers were listed in the event's notes as having achieved a 4.0 semester GPA — among whom was Wyatt Smith, who was elected as student-government president for the coming year. Heard, the former Vanderbilt chancellor for whom the awards are named is a Tennessee Nu alumnus from 1938.



WEST VIRGINIA

At the university's recent Greek awards ceremony, the men of West Virginia Gamma were named as the top fraternity on the university campus. The men have been continuing their tradition of excellence, as the two most recent student-body presidents have been members of the chapter. West Virginia Gamma also received the top awards for best scholarship and best recruitment. Pictured are (from left) Zach Zellner, chapter adviser Ed Cole, Eminent Recorder Jermey Hylton, Eminent Deputy Archon Aneesh Sompali, Eminent Archon Steve Seem, Ben Remo, Eminent Treasurer Mark Dodson, Ben Wiener and Jason Parsons.

WESTERN KENTUCKY

To commemorate Autism Awareness Day, the men of Kentucky Beta helped Bowling Green's new baseball team, the Hot Rods, kick off their first season and at the same time spread awareness of autism and research on treatment options. And their motivation comes from inside sources: Last fall, Michael Kelly, the son of the founders of

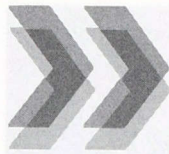
the Kelly Autism Program, pledged the Fraternity. After learning about the program from Kelly, brothers revamped their philanthropy program, holding two events each year to benefit KAP. Between Paddy Murphy Week and a dodgeball event, the men raised more than \$3,000, which was presented to the program at a Hot Rods game during the seventh-inning stretch. 🌟

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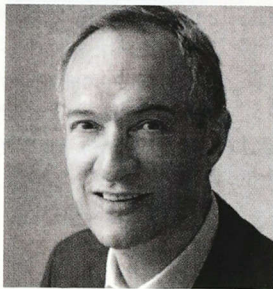
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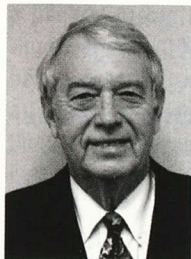
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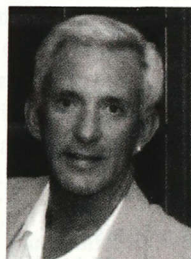


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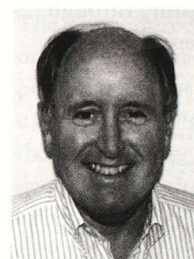
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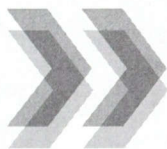
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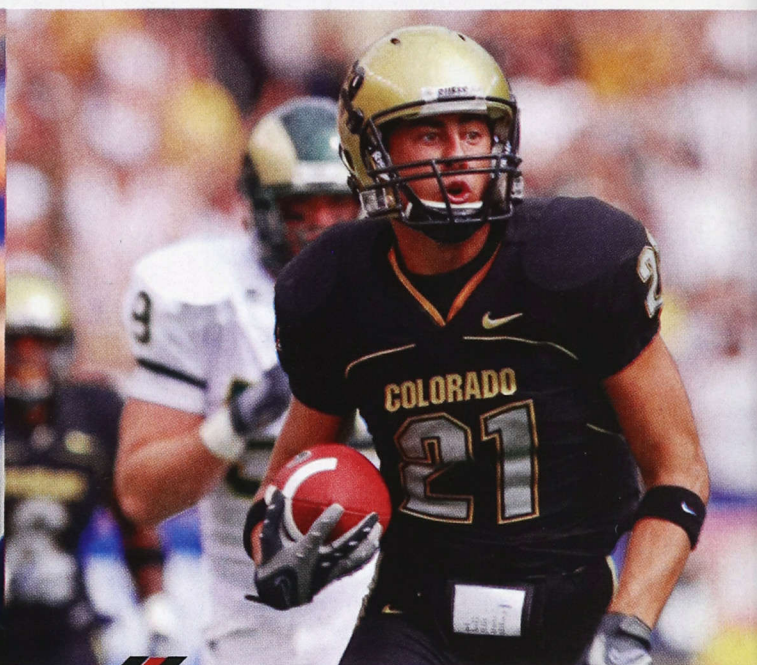
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ALL-AMERICAN FOOTBALL REVIEW

by Jay Langhammer, featured writer



Quarterback Mike Hartline



Wide Receiver Scotty McKnight

ALL-AMERICAN OFFENSIVE TEAM

Leading our offense is quarterback **MIKE HARTLINE**, who started for the 7-6 Kentucky Liberty Bowl squad. He completed 172 passes in 311 attempts for 1,666 yards and nine touchdowns. His best games were 28 of 47 for 254 yards against Middle Tennessee State; 20 of 42 for 241 yards versus Alabama; 17 of 32 for 239 yards, three TDs against Arkansas; and 19 of 31 for 204 yards versus East Carolina in the Liberty Bowl. Running back **LUKE LIPPINCOTT** of Nevada-Reno was a pre-season All-American candidate after being a thousand yard rusher in 2007 and started early in the season before torn knee ligaments ended his season early. The school petitioned the NCAA for an additional year of eligibility and Luke will return to the team as a graduate student this fall.

Running back **DEON HORNE** led Willamette to an 11-1 season and the NCAA Division III playoffs. He was named to the North-American Interfraternity Conference All-Fraternity All-American first team for Divisions II-III, the All-Northwest Conference first team and the D3football.com All-West Region second team after rushing for 988 yards (7.2 per carry) and scoring 12 touchdowns. He had 132 yards on 19 carries versus Whitworth and scored three TDs against Linfield. **SCOTTY MCKNIGHT** was Colorado's top receiver again and was on the NIC All-Fraternity All-American first team for Division I FBS/FBC schools. He caught 46 passes for 519 yards and five scores. Receiver **DREW SHEPHERD** of Willamette gained All-NWC honorable mention and tight end **DAVID RODRIGUEZ** of Gettysburg received All-Centennial Conference honorable mention after catching nine passes for 193 yards and two TDs.

Leading the offensive line is All-Pacific-10 first team tackle **BEN MUTH** of Stanford, who was also an NIC All-Fraternity All-American first selection. Teammate **ANDREW PHILLIPS** started at guard for the Cardinal and joins him on our first team. Tackle **JAKE FORSHEY** of Willamette was chosen for the Division II-III NIC All-Fraternity All-American first team, the Division III All-American second team, the All-NWC first team and the All-West Region first team. **STEPHEN EDWARDS** started every game in the Bucknell offensive line and was named to the Patriot League Academic Honor Roll. Co-captain **SAM WALTHALL** of Gettysburg started every contest and was named to the All-Centennial Conference second team.

ALL-AMERICAN DEFENSIVE TEAM

A group of four stellar linebackers leads our defensive platoon. NIC All-Fraternity All-American first teamer **MICHAEL MOHAMED** of the 9-4 UC-Berkeley Emerald Bowl squad tied for second in tackles with 87, won All-Pacific-10 honorable mention and was named to the Pac-10 All-Academic first team. Mohamed was Pac-10 Defensive Player of the Week against UCLA after making nine solo tackles and returning a 19-yard interception for a touchdown. NIC Division II-III All-Fraternity All-American first teamer **MASON MOSBY** of Rhodes was named Southern Collegiate Athletic Conference Defensive Player of the Year and was an All-South Region second teamer. He led the squad with 118 tackles, broke up 10 passes, forced three fumbles and picked off two passes. **TERRENCE HARTIGAN** led Gettysburg with 81 stops and **CHRIS BALLANTYNE**, who ranked fifth with 54 tackles, started every game for Washington & Lee.



Offensive Tackle Ben Muth



Deep Snapper William Harvey

End **TODD RINALDO** won Bucknell's George Rieu Award as the team's outstanding defensive lineman. He was in on 38 tackles (including three sacks) and had a 40-yard interception. Tackle **ANTHONY PASTORE** of Gettysburg was a semi-finalist for the National Football Foundation's Draddy Scholar-Athlete Award and was Centennial Conference Defensive Player of the Week against McDaniel after posting seven tackles, two sacks and an interception. Lineman **LESTER JONES** of Westminster was on the All-St. Louis Intercollegiate Athletic Conference second team after making 45 stops, including team highs of 14.5 for losses and four sacks. He was SLIAC Defensive Player of the Week versus Blackburn after making nine tackles, including five for losses and two sacks.

Leading the backfield is NIC DII-III All-Fraternity All-American first team pick **TOM OLIVER** of Rhodes, who was also an All-SCAC first team selection. He had 43 tackles, broke up seven passes, deflected nine balls and returned 21 punts for an 11.9 average. Safety **ARLIN TAYLOR** of Willamette was on the NIC DII-III All-Fraternity All-American first team, the All-NWC first team and ranked third on the team with 63 stops. He also broke up seven passes, forced three fumbles, recovered three and picked off two passes. Teammate **RYAN BETTENCOURT** also won All-NWC first team honors for Willamette after posting 46 tackles, a team-high 10 breakups and two interceptions. Cornerback **JOHN DICKERSON** of Gettysburg was in on 44 stops, led with seven pass breakups and made two interceptions, including a 43 yard touchdown return versus Hampden-Sydney.

ALL-AMERICAN SPECIALISTS

WILLIAM HARVEY of the 12-1 Texas Fiesta Bowl champion squad handled the deep-snapping duties for the second straight year and was named to the Academic All-Big 12 first team. Gettysburg kicker **JOSH HUSON** was second in scoring with 53 points on five field goals and 38 extra points. He was named to the D3football.com National Team of the Week after booting a 47-yard field goal and five extra points against McDaniel. A four-year regular, he ended his career with 204 points, the second-highest kick scoring total in school and Centennial Conference history. Serving as the extra point and field goal holder for Virginia was **SCOTT DEKE**, who also saw action at quarterback. The main kickoff man for Gettysburg was **MIKE BARRETT**, who averaged 56.5 yards on 33 kickoffs.

HEAD COACHES

PETE CARROLL (Pacific '73) led his 12-1 Southern California squad to a 38-24 win over Penn State in the Rose Bowl and the Trojans finished second in two final polls. **MACK BROWN** (Florida State '74) took his Texas Longhorns to a 12-1 record, including a 24-21 victory over Ohio State in the Fiesta Bowl and wound up as the nation's number three team. In March, he received the Bobby Dodd Coach of the Year Award. **DENNIS ERICKSON** (Montana State '70) completed his second year at Arizona State and 20th as a major college head coach. His career record is now 163-74-1. **CHRIS AULT** (Nevada-Reno '68) led his alma mater to a 7-6 record and a berth in the Humanitarian Bowl.



Defensive Tackle Max Copello



Wide Receiver Scott Stephens



Wide Receiver Sean Calcagnie

GREG ROBINSON (Pacific '73) was released after his fourth season as Syracuse head coach but was hired as defensive coordinator at Michigan in late January. Head coaches at NCAA FCS schools were **BOB BIGGS** (UC-Davis '75) in his 16th year at his alma mater and **TIM LANDIS** (Randolph-Macon '86) in his sixth season at Bucknell. In his 15th year at Mars Hill, **TIM CLIFTON** (Mercer '76) led his club to a 7-4 record. Shepherd's **MONTE CATER** (Millikin '71) led his team to a 5-5 record. **KEVIN KEISEL** (Gettysburg '81) led his Guilford team once again in his fourth season at the helm.

THE EAST COAST

Dartmouth defensive tackle **MAX COPELLO** was in on 16 tackles and recovered a fumble. Defensive end **SIM SIMMS** was a member of the Pennsylvania squad. The Gettysburg chapter had a number of other ΣAE standouts. Offensive guard **LOU MASTRINI** won All-Centennial Conference second team honors. The chapter also claimed tight end **A. J. PERROTTI** (10 catches for 211 yards); guard **ALEX BONDER** (10 starts); running back **ANTHONY DeSALVA** and wide receiver **PAT MURRAY** on offense. Playing defense for Gettysburg were linebacker **TIM WIDDOES** (third with 71 tackles), back **NICK DUERR** (37 tackles), linebacker **TAYLOR BYRNE** (14 stops) and backs **JUSTIN BLASS** and **BRYAN DiSABATO**.

THE SOUTHEAST

Playing for the 12-2 Alabama Sugar Bowl team were second team quarterback **GREG McELROY**, offensive guard **TYLER LOVE** and kicker **ANDREW FRIEDMAN**,

who had five kickoffs for a 58.2 average. Quarterback **JONATHAN DeLAUREAL** was a member of the 10-3 Georgia Citrus Bowl winners. Seeing action for Virginia was fullback **CURT ORSHOSKI**. Wide receiver **CHRIS HAYES** was on the 7-6 Miami Emerald Bowl squad. Running back **TRAVIS BOYD** (12 games) had a 51 yard TD run versus UT-Chattanooga and wide receiver **BLAKE BEELER** played five games for 9-3 Wofford's FCS playoff team. Teammate **CHRIS TOMMIE**, our All-American punter last year, was out with a knee injury.

The Rhodes defense featured several other standout players. Back **CHIP HILLEY** had 46 tackles and gained All-SCAC honorable mention, as did end **MARK MATTIOLI**, who made 32 tackles. Linebacker **MICHAEL SULLIVAN** was in on 37 stops while back **PETE BILLAS** had a 51 yard TD interception return and 27 tackles. Other Rhodes players were quarterback **MATT UNGASHICK** (28 completions for 262 yards) and back **AUSTIN MARCUM** (14 stops). The Washington & Lee squad included defensive lineman **BEAU CRAPARO** (seven games) and kicker **ANDREW WILBOURNE** while linebacker **CHARLES THADDEUS** was on the University of the South roster.

THE SOUTHWEST

Defensive back **EVAN BETTIS** played in four games for Arkansas and quarterback **JOHN NIMMO** was a member of the 12-2 Oklahoma squad that played in the BCS national championship game. Linebacker **HAYDEN BOWERS** was a member of the 11-1 TCU squad which won the Poinsettia Bowl.

THE MIDWEST

Eight other ΣAEs played for Westminster in 2008. Offensive tackle **WILL LAMPKIN** started nine games and was on the All-SLIAC second team. Lineman **DAVID SCHATZ** had six starts on offense and running back **GREG FINGER** was in eight games. Back **BROC SILVERS** made 41 tackles, broke up six passes and forced two fumbles. Back **RON GRELE** had six starts and broke up four passes. Also playing for Westminster were linebacker **SAM KRUSE**, back **STEVE WALDRON** and back **ETHAN GRIESEMER**. Defensive tackle **TODD PALMER** of the 5-5 Washington-St. Louis team started every game and earned All-University Athletic Association honorable mention. Other players included offensive lineman **ALEX CHIVAS** of 8-2 DePauw, defensive back **NICK SAVOV** of Simpson and defensive lineman **STEVE AYRE** of Adrian.

THE WEST COAST

Seeing action for the 12-1 Southern California Rose Bowl champs were wide receivers **SCOTT STEPHENS** and **SEAN CALCAGNIE**. **SPENCER VIGOREN** was also a member of the Trojans squad. Linebacker **MATT RUSSI** played in 12 games for the UC-Berkeley Emerald Bowl team. Offensive tackle **MIKE TEPPER**, a 2007 starter, missed the season with an injury. Other teammates were tight end **GARY GRAFFORT** and kicker **NICK DEMOPOULUS**. Running back **ANTHONY SMITH** and punter **CODY BOUSEMA** were members of the Wyoming squad. Wide receiver **TRAVIS FOSTER** was on the La Verne squad.

The Willamette squad featured 14 additional ΣAE players, besides the five men named to our All-American team. All-NWC honorable mention guard **ROBERT GARCIA**, running back **MARCUS WOO** (183 rushing yards, three TDs), tight end **WILL POHL** and running back **SEAN DONAHUE** were key offensive contributors. Seeing action on defense were linebacker **WALTER ROBINSON** (29 tackles), linebacker **TREVOR LEAF**, back **ARTIE ARTENCIO**, end **MAXX KAPLAN**, tackle **RICKY NAJARRO**, tackle **CHRIS REIL** and lineman **ANDY ZWENG**.

ΣAEs IN THE NFL

Six ΣAEs were on the active list during the 2008 season. Kicker **MATT PRATER** (Central Florida '06) had a big season for the Denver Broncos, scoring 114 points on 25 field goals (long of 56) and 39 extra points. He kicked off 83 times for a 65.1 average. Linebacker **ADAM SEWARD** (Nevada-Las Vegas '05) only played four games for the Carolina Panthers due to an injury and is now with the Indianapolis Colts. Rookie tight end **CRAIG STEVENS** (UC-Berkeley '08) played in all 16 games for the Tennessee Titans and center **KYLE COOK** (Michigan State '07) got into five contests with the Cincinnati Bengals. Detroit Lions quarterback **DREW STANTON** (Michigan State '07) played in three games. Offensive guard **BRIAN DE LA PUENTE** (UC-Berkeley '08) was on the Kansas City Chiefs active roster but never appeared in a regular season contest. 🌟

ΣAE ALL-AMERICAN FOOTBALL TEAM

OFFENSE

QB	Mike Hartline	Kentucky
RB	Luke Lippincott	Nevada-Reno
RB	Deon Horne	Willamette
TE	Dan Rodriguez	Gettysburg
WR	Scotty McKnight	Colorado
WR	Drew Shepherd	Willamette
OL	Ben Muth	Stanford
OL	Stephen Edwards	Bucknell
OL	Andy Phillips	Stanford
OL	Jake Forshey	Willamette
OL	Sam Walthall	Gettysburg

DEFENSE

DL	Todd Rinaldo	Bucknell
DL	Anthony Pastore	Gettysburg
DL	Lester Jones	Westminster
LB	Michael Mohamed	UC-Berkeley
LB	Mason Mosby	Rhodes
LB	Terrence Hartigan	Gettysburg
LB	Chris Ballantyne	Washington & Lee
DB	Tom Oliver	Rhodes
DB	Arlin Taylor	Willamette
DB	John Dickerson	Gettysburg
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MODERNIZING THE FRATERNITY

THE CONVENTIONS THAT
BROUGHT US TO BUSINESS

by Nancilee D.V. Gasiel, archivist



The system was broken. Eminent Supreme Archon Don Almy (Cornell 1897) knew it now more than ever. Membership had soared in the past few years and more and more local fraternities were petitioning to become chapters of ΣΑΕ, producing more work than could be handled. The Supreme Council was overwhelmed. Council members were finding it increasingly difficult to find enough time to dedicate to their regular occupations, family needs and their office in the Fraternity. Almy also knew that it would be nearly impossible to find good men to join the Supreme Council. No one with the executive ability and leadership skills necessary was going to want to take a volunteer position like that. The Fraternity had become a victim of its own success.

Brothers stand in front of the McKinley Monument in Buffalo, New York, at the 1919 convention.



Instead of decreased membership, as fraternity officers had expected, the Great War had actually increased the number of initiations and not a single chapter had closed. There had been 3,038 initiations since the last convention in 1916, nearly two and a half times as many initiations as were recorded between 1914 and 1916, the last reporting period. Now, on the eve of the 1919 national convention, the Fraternity was also about to report its largest-ever active membership with 83 chapters and 1,830 active collegiate members.

For the duration of the war, the War Department had imposed restrictions on college fraternities that included potential closure, if it were determined necessary. Military training stations were being set up in colleges across the country and some of the fraternity's chapters had to give up their houses for military use.

The McKinley Monument

In the center of Niagara Square in Buffalo, New York, stands a memorial to President William McKinley (Mount Union 1869), who was assassinated while attending the Pan-American Exposition in 1901.

A. Phimister Proctor, a well-known animal sculptor who executed several pieces for the Pan-American Exposition, carved the sleeping lions, symbols of strength, and the turtles, emblematic of eternal life.

There are four lions, one each at the north-east, northwest, southeast, and southwest corners of the monument. It was fitting, then, for Sigma Alpha Epsilon to have one of its mascots so prominently displayed.

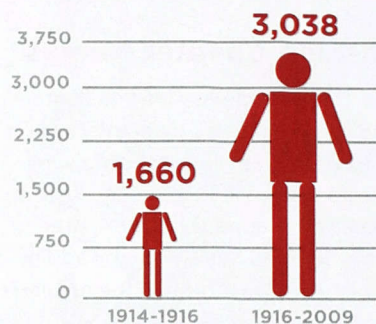


The four men who brought us to business: Almy, Holderness, Tuttle and Levere.

In addition to the war, the worldwide Spanish influenza epidemic was taking its toll on the fraternity. Initially, in the spring of 1918 the flu hadn't been that severe. But that fall and winter it reemerged with unexpected severity. At the end of the outbreak, more than a half-million Americans would die from the disease and 28 percent of the population would be infected. Some universities tried to stop the spread of the Spanish flu by quarantining the campus and not delivering or sending mail. Almy and other national Fraternity officers grew frustrated that they could not get the information that they needed from some chapters. The epidemic had become so severe that the local health inspector refused to issue a permit for the December 1918 national convention to meet, as scheduled, in St. Louis. At the last minute the convention was postponed and later rescheduled for June 1919.

To make the situation even more complicated, Eminent Supreme Recorder Billy Levere (Northwestern 1898) was off serving his country and homesick American GIs in a mud-soaked YMCA cantina in France. No one had realized just how much work Levere did for the Fraternity until he went away. He had worked out a complex system that kept the central office running and made Evanston, Illinois, the heart of the Fraternity. At great personal sacrifice, former ESA Marvin Holderness (Vanderbilt 1902) had assumed Levere's responsibilities and done a yeoman's job as acting ESR while Levere was away. Miss Mullen, the office clerk, had been working so much overtime that Almy feared her nerves would snap. No one was conducting chapter visits. Almy advertised in the *Phi Alpha* for someone to temporarily fill this role, but no qualified candidates appeared. Even when Levere returned from France, there was too much work now for one man to handle, even if that man was as capable as Billy Levere.

The system had to change. The Fraternity had long passed from a volunteer-run organization to a large national fraternity with chapters across the country. It had become a business like any other. This was the 20th century, the modern era, and Almy intended to implement modern business practices and office efficiency. It would take two national conventions and countless hours to implement the centralization plan. It would be nothing short of revolutionary.

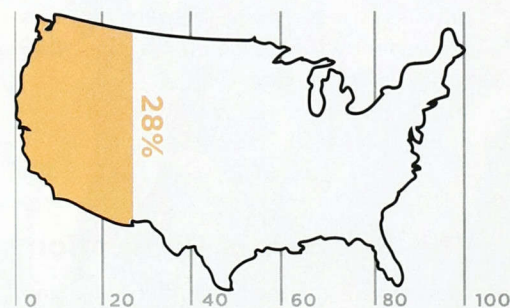


A Period of Growth

There had been 3,038 initiations since the last convention in 1916, nearly two and a half times as the 1,660 initiations recorded between 1914-1916.

The Levere Memorial Temple

The proposed memorial building and central office was officially renamed the Levere Memorial Temple in honor of Billy Levere after his death on February 22, 1927, by the 1928 Miami Convention. The 1930 Evanston convention inaugurated the newly completed building and dedicated it to Levere.

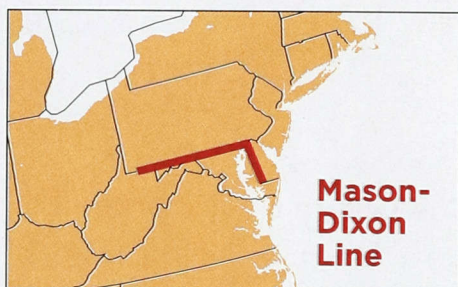


A Flu Epidemic

At the end of the outbreak over a half million Americans would die from Spanish influenza and 28 percent of the population would be infected.

Establishing Chapter Names

Originally, chapter names did not contain the name of the state that they were located in. Alabama Mu was simply Mu, Georgia Beta was called Beta and Virginia Kappa was only Kappa. The 1884 Athens Convention changed this system by adding the state name and established the naming convention still used today.



Northern Expansion

From the earliest days of the Fraternity, it was debated whether or not to expand north of the Mason-Dixon Line. Permission to establish chapters in the North was formally granted by the 1869 Athens, Georgia, Convention. The 1870 Memphis Convention then withdrew this permission. Northern expansion was permanently established by the 1885 Nashville Convention.

The Founders at Convention

Only two of the eight founders of Sigma Alpha Epsilon ever attended a national convention. John Webb Kerr went to the 1896 St. Louis Convention and John Barratt Rudolph attended the 50th Anniversary Convention in Atlanta in 1906.

THE FIRST CHANGE: 1885

Changing the governing structure of the Fraternity was not a new practice. It had been done once before in 1885 when the Fraternity moved from the Grand Chapter system to the Supreme Council system. The Grand Chapter was a collegiate chapter that was elected at each national convention to serve as the head of the Fraternity and conduct all necessary executive tasks. But as the Fraternity grew, the work of the Grand Chapter increased. When Eminent Grand Archon James A. Glass (University of the South 1880) called the national convention to order in the Tennessee State Capitol on October 20, 1885, administration of the Fraternity was about to pass from collegiate members to alumni. Glass stated the problem: "To do the work of the Grand Chapter, as the fraternity now stands, would require the entire time and undivided attention of the officers ... We, therefore, believe that even could a chapter be found ready and willing to undertake this work, it would be wrong to allow her to assume so great a responsibility." Glass was right. It was unfair to ask a handful of college students to run a 35-chapter national fraternity. All but a few national fraternities, Alpha Tau Omega, Phi Delta Kappa, Psi Upsilon and Delta Kappa Epsilon among them, had already dispensed with the Grand Chapter system. Since at least 1883, rumblings about Σ AE doing the same had been heard.

By the end of the convention, a new governance structure was in place. On November 15, 1885 the Grand Chapter would hand control of the fraternity over to the Supreme Council. The six-member board, which required all members to live in the same city, would be led by the Eminent Supreme Archon. The ESA was the official head of the fraternity, treasurer, and national secretary. The remaining five Council members did not have any defined roles. The Realm would be divided into provinces, with a Grand Chapter to head each province. Adjustment to this system would be made by national conventions over the next three decades. The Supreme Council would soon include the positions of Eminent Supreme Deputy Archon and Eminent Supreme Treasurer. The 1909 convention would change the title of the Past Eminent Supreme Archon to Honorary Eminent Supreme Archon. The position of Eminent Supreme Recorder was officially created at the 1912 national convention. And, the provinces would no longer be governed by Grand Chapters but by Province Archons.



The 1920 convention, the meeting that brought Sigma Alpha Epsilon into the modern era.

The 1920 convention official photograph. Billy Levere is visible in the middle of the front row.



THE SECOND CHANGE BEGINS: 1919

The 1918 national convention, which was now the 1919 Buffalo, New York, “Victory” Convention, would lay the groundwork for significant restructuring of the Fraternity’s governing structure. The Victory Convention was a time of celebration. Far from the somber wartime affair that had originally been planned, the Victory Convention included a smoker as an opening party and tours of Niagara Falls. But, on the eve of prohibition, the nation’s Great Experiment, the convention was dry. The Buffalo alumni had pulled out all the stops in planning the convention. The war was over and America was ready to celebrate. To top it all off, Levere had returned from France just weeks before the convention began. The conventioners were thrilled to have him back. After all, convention would not be the same without Billy.

In his opening remarks and report, Almy presented the case for refining Fraternity operations and developing a central office at Evanston. He told the convention that the Fraternity, and college fraternities overall, had long passed from being “boys’ play.” The Fraternity “has demonstrated that it has a serious educational function to perform, a function as unique as it is useful ... The College Fraternity then, is now, and, as time goes on, will the more be serious business.” During his two terms as ESA, Almy had studied how other fraternities operated. He observed that those fraternities which had one or more men who had made the fraternity their life’s work fared the best. Sigma Alpha Epsilon needed to adopt a modern business model, have a centralized office with full-time staff to provide continuity and a board of directors with members that would slowly change over time. In short, ΣAE had to act like the business it had become. Almy believed that it was the only way for a modern fraternity to reach its full potential.

Instead of accepting the basic elements of the Centralization Plan that were proposed in revisions to *The Fraternity Laws*, the convention voted to form exploratory committees to report at the December 1920 convention in St. Louis. One committee would present a fully developed plan to centralize fraternity operations. Another committee would report on the creation of a memorial to the brothers who had fought and died in WWI. In the end, both committees would be encompassed by the same plan.

Two terms as ESA had been enough for Almy. He retired from the position, and Honorary ESA Judge Arthur J. Tuttle (Michigan 1892) was elected. Tuttle was a federal district court judge and was entirely too busy to serve as ESA. However, with “good old Billy” as ESR, he was persuaded to accept the position. Tuttle was in agreement with Almy’s plan of modernization. After all, while Almy had promoted the idea for the past several months, it was the combination of Tuttle, Levere, and Almy who had developed the idea and possessed the skill to see it through. In the early spring of 1920, Tuttle appointed Almy as chairman of the committee for central office efficiency. The remainder of the committee was composed of Tuttle, Levere, Marvin Holderness, Lauren Foreman (Emory 1901), Arthur Cook (Washington 1909) and George C. Keech (Michigan 1895).

The committee members corresponded through the spring and met in Evanston in late June of 1920 to hammer out their final proposal. A special edition of the *Phi Alpha* was released in November 1920 to provide convention delegates time to look over the 23-page restructuring plan that would modernize the Fraternity.



Changing the Grip

Because the hand positioning of the earliest Fraternity grip could be easily seen by bystanders, the 1870 Memphis convention changed the grip to be more hidden.

A Finalized Constitution

What is the most important document in the Realm? Billy Levere asserted that it was the constitution adopted by the 1869 Athens, Georgia, Convention. After the Civil War the Fraternity was in shambles. What chapters remained did not have identical or complete copies of the Sigma Alpha Epsilon’s constitution. Some even passed by-laws that conflicted with the constitution. All chapters were issued complete, identical copies of the constitution, and the convention declared that all previous copies were considered null and void.



From Blue to Black ... and Back to Blue

Because the enamel tended to chip, the background of the badge was changed from Nazarene Blue to black by the 1858 Murfreesboro, Tennessee, Convention. The materials used to make blue enamel were improved over time and the badge was returned to the original blue by the 1926 convention in Boston.

The Foundation Matures

The Levere Memorial Foundation was created at the 1926 Boston Convention. The Foundation's name was changed to the Sigma Alpha Epsilon Foundation at the 1993 New Orleans Convention.

CONTINUING THE PUSH: 1920

In December 1920, for the first time in 16 years, St. Louis finally got its chance to host a national convention, and what a historic convention it was. The delegates knew it even before they arrived. They were about to embark on an exhausting journey of debating, discussing and voting. They were asked to consider 133 significant amendments to *The Fraternity Laws*. Through the centralization plan, the convention transformed the Supreme Council from a working board to the executive board of directors of the Fraternity with the task of setting Fraternity policy subject to the actions of the national convention. The Supreme Council positions of Eminent Supreme Treasurer and editor of *The Record* were eliminated. Two new Council positions were created, an Eminent Supreme Warden who provided financial oversight and an Eminent Supreme Herald who had no specific duties. The ESR would remain a Council member and be the chief executive officer of the central office in Evanston. To assist him, the positions of Grand Treasurer and General Secretary were created.

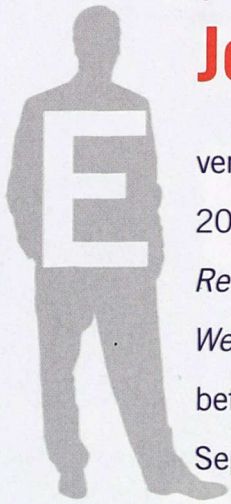
The convention also restructured the membership structure of the fraternity. There would now be four divisions of fraternity members: the Chapter Collegiate, Chapter National, Chapter Quiescent and the Chapter Eternal. Alumni would belong to one of the last three chapters. Those alumni who paid annual dues of \$3, a lifetime membership fee of \$50, or became one of 25 Founder members by donating \$1,000 to the National Endowment Fund were members of the Chapter National. Chapter Quiescent members did not pay any of these fees and in turn they were not permitted to hold office or be a representative at either a national or province convention. Certainly, there was some opposition to this plan. Some delegates felt that it was an effort to tax the alumni. Far from a tax, the intent of the \$3 alumni dues were to maintain alumni involvement, to provide capital for financial stability and to finance expanded services to collegiate and alumni members. The last major component of the centralization plan was the establishment of the National Endowment Fund into which the annual and lifetime dues and the Founder memberships were paid. The fund allowed Sigma Alpha Epsilon, for the first time, to ask alumni for financial support of the fraternity. Funds collected were to be used to help finance the construction of chapter houses, the construction of a building or memorial for brothers who lost their lives in WWI and to help Diomedian clubs to construct chapter houses. After much debate, discussion and a few minor changes, the convention unanimously accepted the plan, and the Central Office in Evanston — the first official national headquarters in the Greek-letter world — became a reality.

The 1920 St. Louis convention was a watershed moment for the development of ΣΑΕ. Almy, Levere, Tuttle and the rest of the committee for central office efficiency developed a plan that would position the Fraternity ahead of other organizations of the age. By adopting a modern business model and practices it professionalized the Fraternity. The creation of the National Endowment Fund paved the way for the building of the Levere Memorial Temple, creation of the Sigma Alpha Epsilon Foundation, and the creation of the SAE Financial & Housing Corporation. While it was a short-lived program, the Diomedians served the important function of beginning a serious and continued effort on the part of Sigma Alpha Epsilon to retain alumni interest and engagement in the Fraternity. Most importantly, the convention laid the foundation for the Fraternity that we know and understand today. 🌟

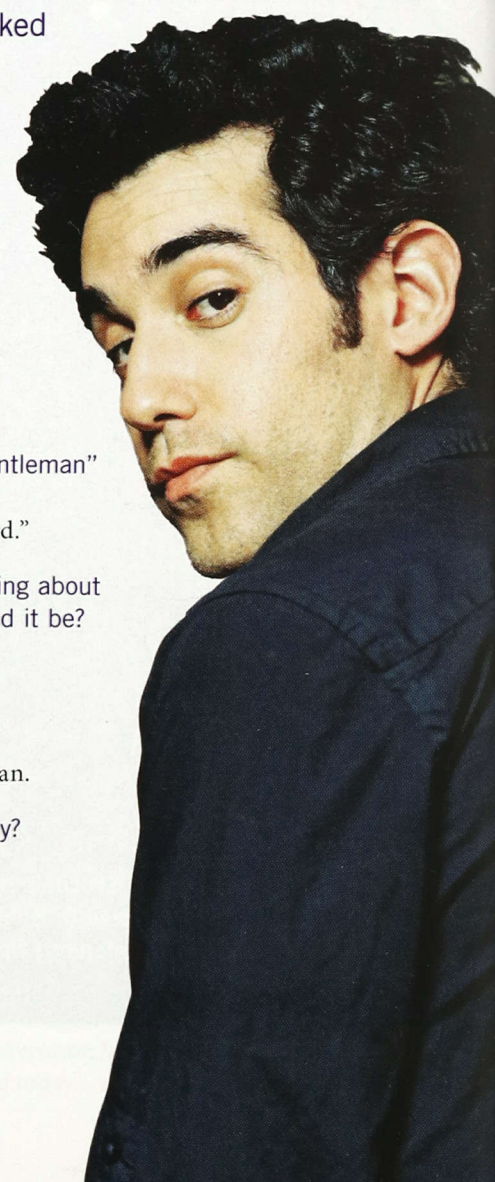


The Fraternity's leaders at the St. Louis National Convention in 1920. Left to right: Eminent Supreme Recorder William. C. Levere, Eminent Supreme Warden George D. Kimball, William W. Brandon, member of the Centralization Committee Marvin E. Holderness, Chairman of Interfraternity Conference Don R. Almy and Eminent Supreme Archon Arthur J. Tuttle.

Picking up a Guitar with Joshua Radin



Even though he was in the middle of a tour through Canada until December 16, 2009, Joshua Radin (Northwestern '94) had a few moments to talk with *The Record*. And he's had a busy few years, from releasing his debut album, *We Were Here*, in June 2006 through the rigors of the talk-show and tour circuits, before continuing with the release of his second album, *Simple Times*, in September 2008. He even performed at the wedding of Ellen DeGeneres in January 2008, beating out other performers like Justin Timberlake and George Michael for the job. Not bad for someone who picked up a guitar for the first time just five years ago. "I'm having the time of my life," Radin says. "The best advice anyone gave me was to do what you love to do."



What is your idea of brotherhood?
Loyalty.

What Fraternity figure do you identify with most?
I have no idea. There are so many.

What is one thing you would change from your past?
Nothing. Everything you do leads to the place you're at now.

What is the most difficult decision you have ever made?
Breaking up with my ex-girlfriend.

What quality do you most admire in a person?
Honesty.

What talent would you most like to have?
To dunk a basketball.

What do you value most in your friends?
Honesty.

What part of "The True Gentleman" do you identify with most?
"Whose deed follows his word."

If you could change one thing about your occupation, what would it be?
Nothing. I love it all.

What do you consider your greatest achievement?
Deciding to become a musician.

What is your favorite activity?
Frisbee golf. 🌟

Brother Know-it-all



Since this is the convention issue and it's a convention year, just how much do you know about our biannual meetings?

Check your score on page 30, but don't cheat.



#10: Is the Gateway Arch a symbol of our westward expansion?

- 1) **The 81st Anniversary Convention in 1937 took place in Evanston, home of the Levere Memorial Temple. Guests were treated to a boat trip to which other Lake Michigan city?**
 - a) Grand Haven, Michigan
 - b) Kenosha, Wisconsin
 - c) Milwaukee, Wisconsin
 - d) Detroit, Michigan
- 2) **Which world-famous Sigma Alpha Epsilon member served as master of ceremonies during the 1949 Convention in Los Angeles?**
 - a) Musician Rudy Vallee (Maine '25)
 - b) Journalist Ernie Pyle (Indiana '32)
 - c) Special Agent Elliott Ness (Chicago '24)
 - d) Author William Faulkner (Mississippi '19)
- 3) **According to the *Phi Alpha* published before the convention in 1927, the 1926 Miss America said that she found her perfect man — who was a Sigma Alpha Epsilon brother. What chapter was Garland “Mr. America” Harris from?**
 - a) Georgia Psi
 - b) Alabama Mu
 - c) Kansas Alpha
 - d) Kentucky Epsilon
- 4) **At the 117th Anniversary Convention in 1973, Distinguished Service Award recipient Edley Jones (Tulane '22) described New Orleans as**
 - a) “The Big Easy-er”
 - b) “America’s most interesting city”
 - c) “Too hot for words”
 - d) “The place where this Fraternity gets down to business”
- 5) **The 105th Anniversary Convention took place in what national preserve?**
 - a) Grand Canyon National Park
 - b) Yellowstone National Park
 - c) Yosemite National Park
 - d) Appalachian National Scenic Trail
- 6) **The 1995 Convention in Las Vegas had an entry for “Free Time: Casino Gambling” on the official schedule.**

TRUE or FALSE
- 7) **As reported to the 93rd Anniversary Convention, editor of *The Record* Don Gable printed how many copies of the Gold Star issue, listing the names of all the brothers who died in World War II?**
 - a) 45,000
 - b) 50,000
 - c) 55,000
 - d) 60,000
- 8) **The motto of the 1989 Convention in Cincinnati was**
 - a) “A Gathering of Gentlemen”
 - b) “Making the Best Better”
 - c) “Phi Alpha in the Queen City”
 - d) “Ohio Epsilon’s Centennial”
- 9) **The convention in 1926 was responsible for establishing what would later become the Sigma Alpha Epsilon Foundation. Which high-profile brother was the one who sponsored the resolution put forth on the convention floor?**
 - a) Billy Levere
 - b) Don Almy
 - c) Alfred K. Nippert
 - d) Marvin Holderness
- 10) **The 1995 Convention in St. Louis marked the third time in 100 years Sigma Alpha Epsilon had its meeting in that city. All of the following were cited as reasons for our return there EXCEPT**
 - a) The Gateway Arch was used as a symbol of the Fraternity’s expansion
 - b) Founder John Webb Kerr became an attorney in St. Louis
 - c) The convention that approved the coat-of-arms was held there
 - d) The Supreme Council in its modern form first met in that city



95% of men **don't speak about it** to anyone.

At least 25% of the time, **alumni are present** and know that it's happening.

People **stand by and watch** it as if it were a spectator sport.

Most men who go through it **think they're invincible**.

Most men who do it **can't justify or explain** why they do it.

Even more **think it's harmless**, that nothing will go wrong.

It's called tradition or ritualistic, yet **none of it exists in the Ritual** our forefathers wrote.

And now, more than ever, **it's what brothers are failing to do** instead of what they did do.

It's not enough to stand by and watch.

This time, you need to be the one who **takes a stand**.

BEGINNING FALL 2009, WE STAND TOGETHER.