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CONNECTICUT ALPHA RE-CHARTERED



FORMER PRESIDENT OF THE CONNECTICUT ALPHA CHAPTER, WADE MEDLAR, AND CHAPTER COUNSELOR, JERRY DALLAS, PROUDLY DISPLAY THE NEW CHARTER EARNED BY THE RE-CHARTERED CONNECTICUT ALPHA CHAPTER. TO JERRY'S LEFT IS WALLACE C. DOUD, A MEMBER OF THE NATIONAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF SIGMA PHI EPSILON AND V.P. OF IBM.

INSTALLATION

DAY

After a six year absence, Sigma Phi Epsilon made a triumphant return to the University of Connecticut as the alpha chapter was re-established. The installation occurred on March 22, 1980 with twenty-eight new members being inducted.

The weekend began on Friday night with a reception for all parties involved with the actual induction ceremonies. The new brothers were installed at the ritual services which started at 8:00 a.m. the following morning. The two installing teams performing the ceremonies were the alumni members and several brothers from M.I.T. Their commendable efforts revealed the true meaning of brotherly love. Without the help of these dedicated brothers, this ritual would not have been as successful and memorable as it was.

The installation concluded with a formal dinner-dance commemorating the events of the day. Attending this banquet were Steve Nahegian, Regional Director of Sigma Phi Epsilon Districts 1 and 3 and Trueman Sanderson from Daytona, Florida, who has achieved the Order of the Golden Heart. Capping off the evening was a speech by Wallace C. Doud who is presently on the National Board of Directors of Sigma Phi Epsilon and Vice President of I.B.M. His words welcomed all the new brothers and made the entire evening worthwhile.

In appreciation of our devoted alumni's contribution, our proud chapter will strive for unity, not based on obligation, but brotherly love. With great emotion, we will proudly set the ultimate example as brothers of Sigma Phi Epsilon.

PRESIDENTS' MESSAGES

old...

by Wade Medlar, Colony President

During Connecticut Alpha's re-colonization period, many tasks had to be performed which provided our members with the strength and desire to become a chapter of Sigma Phi Epsilon. Our accomplishments have earned us the respect of the administration and other established Greek organizations at this campus.

With the assistance of our chapter counselor, Jerry Dallas, we were able to write our by-laws and petition to National Headquarters for chartering. We had a very successful fund-raiser with much help from David Quinn and Acorn Slipper Socks. Our colony was the host for the Sigma Phi Epsilon Regional Academy for 1980. Through all this work, we never neglected the art of drinking beer, having many parties, and an occasional all campus bash.

Our installation banquet on March 22, 1980 was a beautiful way to leave our colony status. With much help from our alumni and the Sig Ep's from M.I.T., our initiation ceremonies will remain with all of us at the new Connecticut Alpha Chapter of Sigma Phi Epsilon.

Through our colony period, the cardinal principles of virtue, diligence, and brotherly love were learned by example. Without our alumni's concern and assistance, this chapter would have remained a colony for a much longer period of time.

...and new

by Victor Tonak, Chapter President

It is an honor and a pleasure to be president of the newly re-
chartered Connecticut Alpha Chapter. After a short period of colonization, we are now the largest and most prominent fraternity on campus. I can assure everyone that as long as there are fraternities here at UCONN, our chapter will strive to ensure that we never relinquish our position as the best fraternity on campus. Sig Ep is here to stay!!

ALUMNI APPRECIATED

We would like to take this opportunity to express our appreciation to those alumni, who, on March 22, 1980, helped install this chapter. Without the support from these, and all of the other alumni, we would not be where we are today. Sig Ep would like to thank the following people for their help during installation weekend:

Jerry Dallas, Class of '70

Michael Egan, Class of '71
President Alumni Board

Col. John Kleperis, Class of '56

Bob Love, Class of '68

Peter Markle, Class of '70

Roger Ogren, Class of '70
V.P. of Alumni Board

James Olson, Class of '71
Treasurer Alumni Board

James Szerijko, Class of '70

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VALENTINE'S DAY MASSACRE

On February 14, a Valentine's Day Turnaround Dance was sponsored by Sig Ep, featuring The Stovall Brown Band and Würzburger beer. Much time and effort were spent by all in preparation for this event, which was supposed to be a major fund raising project. With great anticipation the ROTC hangar was set up with the expectation of a great number of students coming to the event. At 9:00, the doors opened and we began awaiting the great crowds we thought would help support us. Before the evening was half over, we realized that the students of UCONN were not behind us in our effort to raise money. Too many events on the same night plagued our success. There was no spirit lost, however. If anything, it made us more determined than ever to strive to become the great chapter we are today.

DROP US A LINE

We would enjoy hearing from our alumni. Please write us, letting us know where you are and what you are doing. We need alumni news items to include in our upcoming newsletters. Just enclose your information on a separate sheet of paper when you are returning your alumni questionnaire. Thanks.

ALUMNI QUESTIONNAIRE

Please check the appropriate line and return this form to: Sigma Phi Epsilon, P.O. Box 226, Storrs, Ct. 06268.

- ☐ I am interested in attending an alumni/chapter picnic on Sept. 6, 1980.
- ☐ Please send me a current list of Connecticut Alpha Alumni addresses.
- ☐ Please update my address to reflect:

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

A SPECIAL THANKS

In appreciation of his tremendous help in making our chapter become a reality, we, the new brothers of the Connecticut Alpha Chapter of Sigma Phi Epsilon would like to extend our thanks to Tom Kupka. Tom came to us in the fall of 1979 and willingly offered his time and assistance. By taking the reigns of the Brotherhood Development program, he guided us along the way to brotherhood. A graduate of Loras College and an alumnus of the Iowa Eta Chapter, Tom plans to attend medical school this coming fall. We wish Tom the best of luck.

OUTSTANDING EFFORTS RECOGNIZED

Congratulations to Jeff Dallas, who was chosen as the most outstanding senior of Connecticut Alpha. Jeff truly exemplifies the ideal Sig Ep, showing a positive attitude in all of the endeavors which he has attempted in tackling. A computer science major, Jeff will be employed by IBM after graduation. With the enthusiasm and vigor he has shown us, we are assured that he will be successful in his ventures after he leaves college.

INTRODUCING OUR BROTHERS

KEN ARCHER	WATERFORD, CONN.
HUGH BLOZIE	WINDSOR, CONN.
TERRY BOWES	STAMFORD, CONN.
MARK BRODGINSKI	RIDGEFIELD, CONN.
JEFF DALLAS	NORWALK, CONN.
LANE DRISCOLL	GREENWICH, CONN.
RAY FERNANDES	STRATFORD, CONN.
BRIAN FITZGERALD	NAUGATUCK, CONN.
BOB FLYNN	HAMDEN, CONN.
RALPH GENOVA	WATERBURY, CONN.
RANDY HIRT	WILMINGTON, DEL.
ED IMHOFF	NORWALK, CONN.
RIMAS KAPESKAS	HARTFORD, CONN.
TOM KUPKA	TAMA, IOWA
RAY LEMLEY	NEW HAVEN, CONN.
DAVE MARTI	MANCHESTER, CONN.
WADE MEDLAR	SHELTON, CONN.
BRIAN MULCAHEY	P. WASHINGTON, N.Y.
JOE PETRUCCI	WEST HAVEN, CONN.
GENE RIVARD	MILFORD, CONN.
RICK ROMAN	NEW HARTFORD, N.Y.
JIM SACKETT	DANBURY, CONN.
LARRY SCHUFFMAN	NEW HAVEN, CONN.
RUSS STRATTON	DANBURY, CONN.
L. SCOTT TAYLOR	HACKENSACK, N.J.
VICTOR TOHAK	HAMDEN, CONN.
HARRY VLANDIS	STAMFORD, CONN.
CRAIG WERMANN	GUILFORD, CONN.

Jeff Goodkin
Lawrence Goodkin

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