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UT Sig Ep Homecoming Set

Along with another school year, this fall also marks another homecoming. The active chapter is hoping that this year's homecoming festivities will be the biggest and best ever. This is the perfect time to see all of those old buddies that you just haven't found the time to see in the past year (or in some cases several years).

This year our Sig-Ep Alumni Board is sponsoring a homecoming dinner and dance at the Riverby Hills Country Club located on route 65 between Perrysburg and Grand Rapids on Saturday, October 28th. The dinner is scheduled to begin at 7:00 p.m. with the band playing from 8:00-1:00 a.m. There will be a cash bar with no BYOB.

Don't forget about the University of Toledo Homecoming Parade on Saturday morning and the UT Rockets' football game versus the Miami Redskins that same afternoon.

Also scheduled for the Sig Ep Homecoming is the annual Alumni-Active Football Game, Sunday, October 29th. Last year the alumni won, however, the actives are determined to make a better showing this year. The exact time of the game is not yet known.

Why not call a brother you haven't seen for a while and make a weekend out of UT-Sig Ep Homecoming. Our chapter has a long list of current addresses and phone numbers to help you get in touch with your fellow alumni.

You can be expecting a mailing from Al Thompson, Alumni Homecoming Chairman, and the rest of the alumni board in the near future with more details on homecoming. Then, if you have any further questions, you may reach Al at 1927 Mansfield, Toledo, Ohio 43613, (419) 474-8034.

Oh What a Night

May 6, 1978 was truly an exciting event for the Ohio Iota chapter of Sigma Phi Epsilon. On this evening, Songfest 1978 took place. Songfest is the University of Toledo's annual singing competition. It was a night which few Sig Eps present, will ever forget.

The real action began for the Sig Eps when Mark Mandula, our fraternity president and Co-Master of Ceremonies for Songfest, introduced the brothers of Sigma Phi Epsilon with their performance of, "A Bit of Ole Ireland." The first song, "It's a Great Day For The Irish," set the pace for the entire performance.

Almost everyone in the audience sang along with the next song, "When Irish Eyes are Smiling," and by the time "Miss Mrs. Murphy's Chowder," and "McNamara's Band," were sung the audience was ready to come on

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Financial Aspects of Ohio Iota

The financial operation and budgeting of our chapter is a very important facet of developing a sound brotherhood. Although it may be hard to get a good picture of our brotherhood and chapter by looking at the 1977-78 yearly budget, it can give you an idea as to where all of our money comes from and where it all goes to. It may also give you an idea of what our active chapter sees as priorities as far as money is concerned. Maybe one of the most important things it does is to show the many facets of our chapter and all of the experiences, organization, knowledge, and enrichment to be gained by young fraternity men of Sigma Phi Epsilon.

V.P.'s Report

A Common Bond

"I believe that the Sigma Phi Epsilon Fraternity is the best fraternity. I will, therefore, strive in every way to live up to its principles and the ideals upon which it is founded."

The above quote, which is taken from A Guide to Brotherhood Development, seems to summarize the feeling most brothers have about our great national fraternity. It is these words, among others, that form a common bond between the alumni and the active chapter.

Our common bond as Sig Eps starts the day that we are initiated into the fraternity. To become a Sig Ep is to remain a Sig Ep for life. The ritual provides the inspiration that allows brothers, years after graduation, to maintain the close association with fraternal love that began on their day of initiation.

The active brothers of our chapter often wonder how past undergraduates felt about the fraternity and their ritual experiences. If you would be interested in sharing your ritual experiences, please write to me at the Sig Ep house.

Jack Mandula
Jack Mandula
Vice-President

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INCOME

Dues	\$ 9,000.00
Rent	13,040.00
Fundraising	
Haunted House	2,000.00
Raft Race	300.00
Mixers	1,000.00
Miscellaneous	200.00
TOTAL INCOME	<u>\$25,540.00</u>

EXPENDITURES

House	
Alumni Board	\$9,600.00
Oil	1,200.00
Repairs	1,800.00
Utilities	3,500.00
Improvements	3,000.00
Formal	350.00
Postage	150.00
National Supplies	400.00
Correspondence	130.00
Social	1,500.00
Float/Homecoming	200.00
Rush	1,500.00
Spirits/Tradition	200.00
Haunted House	300.00
Alumni/Red Door	250.00
Savings	500.00
Miscellaneous	460.00
Songfest	100.00
Fundraising	200.00
Senior/GH Dinner	200.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	<u>\$25,540.00</u>

Fraternally,

Randy McCullough
Randy McCullough

Songfest '78' (cont)

the stage and join us!

Soon after the group had finished it was time for the tapping of Pepper's Woman's Honorary. This honorary is made up of the 13 most outstanding women on campus. Five Golden Hearts of Sigma Phi Epsilon; Paula Fogel, Holly Harris, Neida Heusinkvelt, Nancy Mawer and Patricia Nicholas, were selected as members.

Blue Key National Honor Fraternity was next to tap members into their organization. This group is made up of the 13 most outstanding students on campus. Brother Michael Todak was selected to this organization.

Next, the Interfraternity Council gave an award to the fraternity which maintained the highest grade point average over the year and the Dean Parks Award which is given to the fraternity considered most outstanding. The academic award was given to Sigma Phi Epsilon Fraternity. The Dean Parks Trophy was awarded to Sigma Phi Epsilon Fraternity.

Finally, it was time to announce the winners of Songfest. In the men's division, Sigma Phi Epsilon took first place.

There are many dedicated brothers who give great sums of hours of their time to the fraternity. On May 6, 1978 all those hours were made worthwhile as it was one of the proudest nights ever for Ohio Iota.

Chapter Counselor Sought

In the coming weeks the Alumni Board and active chapter will appoint a new chapter counselor for Ohio Iota chapter.

Over the years various brothers have held the position and given service to the fraternity as alumnus. A recent chapter counselor was Barry Alcock, who was a member of the Alumni Board when the fraternity purchased the new house on Dorr street. The communication between alumni and active chapter was crucial for the success of the new move and the chapter counselor helped the transition.

The Bill Schifferli held the position of chapter counselor until his appointment as District Governor of Ohio for Sigma Phi Epsilon. In 1977, recently graduated Ray Wohl spent a year at the job.

The duties of chapter counselor are set down in writing by the National Headquarters. They state that the chapter counselor must be a member of the Alumni Board, and periodically attend active chapter meetings. Generally his job is to keep open lines of communication with the alumni and active chapter and national headquarters.

The individual time, involvement, and association with the fraternity varies with the individual, as it should. Advice, constructive criticism, ideas and sometimes an extra hand are always welcome at the house.

In making the decision for the open position, the alumni board will consider all interested alumni. If you are interested in the position and would like more information call Mark Mandula, Active Chapter President at 536-1377.

The brothers will be glad you did, and so will you.

Ray Wohl
Chapter Counselor

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NEW PRESIDENT'S PERSPECTIVE

As newly elected president of Ohio Iota I am greatly looking forward to the upcoming year. We have many goals and are building chapter motivation to see their completion. One of our main goals is to continue building and strengthening our Alumni Association. Strong Alumni is a basic requirement for a large chapter such as ours and judging from the gains of the past year, 1981 promises great achievement. All of the goals that we have set for ourself are geared to give the brothers the experience and brotherhood necessary to make Ohio Iota on of the very best chapters in the country. The potential from our brothers is very great and we are excited about a very challenging year in Sigma Phi Epsilon.

Fraternally,
Timothy Croak, Pres.

SPORTS

This past fall we did not do as well as we planned in football, but we beat the Alums. The first time in many years we tied for 1st place in bowling, losing to the Sigs in a roll-off.

Other sports we participated in were tennis, swimming, and ping-pong. This winter quarter we our hoping for our fifth consecutive year as Fraternity wrestling Champs. Other winter sports are racquetball and handball.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

March 7	Alumni/Active Casino Night 8:30 pm. at House
March 21	Winter Commencement
May (date not set)	Raft Regatta
May 9	Songfest Centennial Hall at 7:00 pm.
May (date not set)	Spring Formal
June 13	Spring Commencement

EPITOME

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