



Sigma Phi Epsilon Fraternity, Ohio Iota Chapter, The University of Toledo, Toledo, Ohio

## A TIME FOR CELEBRATION HOMECOMING 1985

The thirty-fifth year of the Ohio lota Chapter's participation in the Homecoming Festivities will prove to be one of the most successful ever. At this years Conclave in San Antonio, Ohio lota was the only chapter of Sigma Phi Epsilon in the nation to receive four awards; the Buchanan Cup, 100 man award, and the Best Overall Alumni Newsletter for two consecutive years. Homecoming is the time to relive your past accomplishments and share those memories in a celebration with all of your Brothers, both old and new.

Reliving the fraternity experience and renewing the ties of Brotherhood is one key to a successful Alumni Homecoming celebration. This years Alumni Association is dedicated to bring past and present alumni to actively participate in the Homecoming celebration.

The Alumni Association has recognized that in the past, Homecoming Festivities have been centered around a younger generation. By doing so, we have lost touch with many of our valuable alumni. Our goal for this and future Homecomings, is to increase alumni attendance by establishing a comfortable atmosphere for everyone involved.

Pride is the only word to describe how a Brother feels knowing that he has been a part of the successful Sigma Phi Epsilon tradition at the University of Toledo. Your accomplishments of the past has helped make our fraternity what it is today. Sigma Phi Epsilon has constantly taken the elite of the class which makes you proud to be a member of the established fraternity.

This years Homecoming tradition will also present an overwhelming feeling of pride through a class celebration. As tradition goes, we'll begin Homecoming Festivities Friday, October 25th with a get-together at the ROTC Armory, in the middle of campus. Here, we'll watch as the undergraduates put the finishing touches on what is hoped, will be another first place float. The get-together will begin around 9:00 p.m. with float viewing going until 11:00 or so.

To see the finished product, Mark Mandula has once again generously offered his home for the Parade Viewing Party on Saturday. The party will begin at 8:30 a.m. at 2809 Cheltenham, just one block south of Central Ave. The Alumni Association will provide plenty of donuts, coffee and other eye-opening beverages.

Following the parade, a tailgate party will get you ready for an exciting Rocket Football game. The tailgate

party will take place in the Glass Bowl parking lot, next to the scoreboard. Plenty of food and beverages will be on hand to get you warmed up for the football game at 1:00 p.m. Fifty-yard line seats, in the student section of the Glass Bowl, will be available to you thanks to the undergraduates.

To continue the celebration, the fashionable Heatherdowns Country Club will be the location for what will prove to be a memorable evening. Black-tie (optional) cocktail reception will begin at 7:30 p.m. to be followed by a sit-down dinner at 8:30 p.m. Music will be provided by the Big Band Impact, a twelve piece orchestra playing contemporary music as well as music from the Big Band era. Dinner music will be provided from the bands rhythm section which will be followed by dancing and cocktails. This atmosphere seems to be a perfect way to relive and renew the ties of Brotherhood.

After a day of viewing football from the sidelines, it's time for the alumni and undergraduates to suit up for the traditional football game. The game will be held at the Community and Technical College, of the University of Toledo. Kickoff will be at 1:00 p.m.

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# **ALUMNI ASSOCIATION UPDATE**

Our Alumni Association has had a very eventful summer and we are looking forward to a very exciting Fall. Let us extend to you an open invitation to take advantage of our new, funfilled programs yet to come! Now more than ever, we need your support, as our Alumni Chapter continues to explore new and exciting events geared for every segment of our alumni, as well as supporting and encouraging our undergraduate chapter.

The Arawanna Cruise was the highlight of the summer events. Over 30 alumni and escorts took in the moonlight cruise filled with fun and good converstaion. Rick St. John (Ed. '63) and Ron Binder (Ed. '83), our hosts, put on a spectacular spread while we took in the historic sites of the Maumee. The view from the water of the Toledo skyline was inspirational and the new lights on the Toledo bridges put on a spectacular display of Toledo's beauty. It was a relaxing evening, designed to meet the spouses of our Alumni, and renew old friendships.

Our Fall events will be ones that you don't want to miss! On September 14th, at noon, the 5th Annual Golf

Outing will take place at the Spuyten Duyval Golf Course. Once again, our Alums will demonstrate their athletic abilities over 18 holes. So clean-up your clubs, polish your strokes and we'll see you on the first tee!

Homecoming, October 26th, the flagship of our events, promises to be the classiest reunion ever. Specifically catered to bring back Alums from all over the country, this event will add "A Touch of Class" to our events. As you found on the Cover article, Homecoming will promote participation of out-of-town Alums and older Alums. We have recognized the need to cater an evening that fosters Alumni goodwill and future participation of our events. Consider attending this year. We're sure that you will remember this Homecoming for years to come!

Our membership drive appears to be one the most successful in years. Alumns from all over the country have reaffirmed their support of the Association. We encourage you to follow in their footsteps. Our goal is to increase membership by 50% this year. In September, our members will be contacted, or will have already been

contacted. This is an effort to increase awareness of our Association and to increase participation in our events. Your membership signifies your vote of confidence in the goals and plans of the Association. If you haven't already, send in your \$10 dues today!

Lastly, elections of officers will take place this year at Homecoming. This is due, in part, to a feeling of allowing more brothers a chance to run for office and to vote for the officer of their choice. Nominations can be made on the bottom half of your Alumni Shorts card. By checking the office(s) you wish to run for, you become eligible. As you enter the dance on Saturday, the 26th, you will vote for the officers posted. The vote is easy and quick. We will announce the new officers after dinner. We sincerely encourage you to consider running for an office. We have gone to great lengths to make running and voting as easy as possible and to give every Alumni a fair shot at an office. If you don't wish to run, send in your Alumni Shorts card anyway. We really would like to hear from you and so would our other 750 Alumni.

As always, the Alumni Association is your Association, make it what you want it to be!

Fraternally,
Theodore Behnken
President, Alumni Association



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Following the game, a cookout will be held at the fraternity house.

The cost for the weekend's activities will be \$49.00 for Alumni Association members and \$59.00 for nonmembers, which includes \$10.00 membership dues. Please make reservations as soon as possible by mailing a check made payable to Sigma Phi Epsilon Alumni Association to me, Mike Willard, 2708 Westmar Ct. #101, Toledo, Ohio 43615. Please try to make your reservations by October 11th. We're looking forward to seeing you for a time of celebration at this years Homecoming Festitivites

### **UNDERGRADUATE ADDRESS**

Dear Brothers:

Summer has quickly drawn to an end and fall quarter and its activities are right around the corner.

Our summer was highlighted by being honored with our second consecutive Buchanan Cup at the 39th Grand Chapter Conclave at San Antonio. Our community service projects included volunteer work at the LPGA Jamie Farr Classic, UT Alumni Holein-One and the Toledo Fest.

Fall quarter promises to be the most exciting and challenging time of the year. We'll start it off with the annual Kiwanis Peanut Sale on the corner of Secor and Central, so stop by and donate to the Kiwanis and see your favorite undergrad. We will then focus our attention to the important task of rush. This year's program is highlighted by two weeks of dry rush and should bring quite a change in our program. Also, the annual Haunted Barn is approaching and Brother

Chuck Drabek and his committee have been working diligently to make this years bigger and better than ever.

I would like to take this opportunity to recognize those alumni who have been bag help to the undergraduate chapter: Brother Rick St. John, alumni advisor, for his academic counseling and program advising. Also, the members of the alumni board for their patience during the past year and for keeping our house the best on campus. Finally, the members of the alumni association for the scholarship program and their work on this years Homecoming.

Ohio lota is continuing to grow and we are looking forward to the upcoming year. We hope to see you at Homecoming to share with our success and see some old friends.

Fraternally,

William P. Bixler President

### **CONCLAVE UPDATE**

The 39th Grand Chapter Conclave in San Antonio, Texas, proved to be exciting and the largest Conclave ever. Nearly one thousand Sig Eps converged on the city of San Antonio and enjoyed the company of the largest meeting of Sig Ep brothers in the history of our great fraternity!

Ohio lota enjoyed a very successful weekend and was represented by President William Bixler; vice-President Brian Paskvan; secretary Mark Wilt; and past Chapter Counselor Don Warnke. On Friday night we were honored with our second consecutive Buchanan Cup. With 254 chapters nation wide, Ohio lota was one of twenty-five Buchanan Cup recipients. At Saturday's luncheon, Ohio lota was

awarded the Benjamin Hobson Frayser Chapter Publications Award for the **Red Door**. . . Our congratulations and thanks to brother Ron Binder for his hard work and dedication to the success of the **Red Door**. At Saturday night's Alumni Awards Dinner we were recognized for outstanding chapter manpower.

A major step was taken by the Grand Chapter to promote alumni relations and involvement. The position of Alumni Relations director was added to the executive committee to make greater use of our greatest resources, the alumni. The Grand Chapter has committed itself to trying to make Sigma Phi Epsilon a life-time experience for everyone.

Ohio lota has enjoyed great success in the past two years and a Buchanan Cup is definitely evidence of that. This award is a tribute to all of our brothers, both undergraduate and alumni, who have worked diligently for our chapter. This success should also serve as an inspiration to all future members of our fraternity to keep our chapter. This success should also serve as an inspiration to all future members of our fraternity to keep our chapter great. The 40th Grand Chapter Conclave is being held in New Orleans in 1987 and promises to be more exciting than ever before! Hope to see you there!

# Alumni Wanted

The following brother's addresses we need in order to send them the Red Door. If you know of any, just send them along with your Alumni Shorts card.

Kevin Bahnsen Dennis Barton Kenneth Boost Tim Harrington James Hessemann

Bruce Kuntz Robert Matuszak Raymond Riley John Schultz

Send in yor Alumni Shorts card. Sigma Phi Epsilon — Pass it on!

Remeber to designate Sigma Phi Epsilon when making any donation to the University of Toledo.

### **NEW ELECTION PROCEDURES**

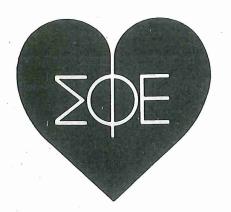
Elections for the 1985-86 Alumni Association will be held Saturday, October 26th. Included on your Alumni Shorts card is a space for you to declare you candidacy and a few lines to outline your ideas and concerns for your chosen office. You may declare yourself eligible for all four offices. By sending in your card, you are automatically eligible for the office (s) you selected. Balloting will take place at the Homecoming dance upon arrival, with the new officers being announced later in the evening.

"This format allows for greater participation from our alumni brothers. Those brothers who make a special effort to attend Homecoming from out of the Toledo area can now become eligible to run, the time for the actual elections is cut down considerably, and more brothers can vote for the officers of their choice. The Association encourages all alumni to consider running for an office," commented Ted Behnken, Association President.

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