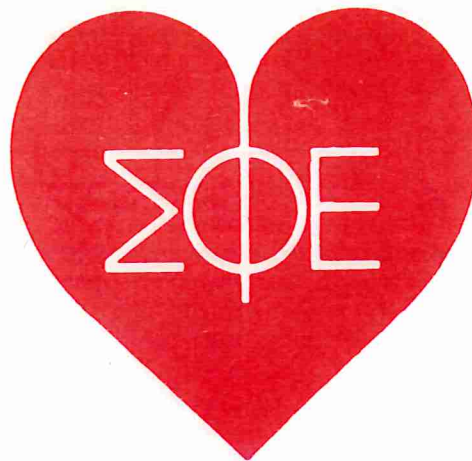


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*Sigma Phi Epsilon Fraternity, Ohio Iota Chapter, The University of Toledo, Toledo, Ohio*

# HOMECOMING 1986

## A CELEBRATION TO REMEMBER!!!!

### **ADMIT IT! BE HONEST!!**

Absolutely no one played better jokes, had more fun, got involved in more activities, worked smarter, played harder, or had better friends than you and your Sig Ep Brothers. Others may have had good times, but nothing can compare to the good old days you had...Right? Right!!!!

And HOMECOMING, 1986 will be the perfect occasion to remember all those times and share them with a brother you have not seen in years! That's because this Homecoming is designed to help you see old friends and renew old bonds. This year our Alumni Association is focusing attention to the Reunions of the 1961, 1966, 1971, 1976, and 1981 Pledge Classes. The weekend of October 17-19th will be packed with exciting renewals of friendships past! In addition to the non-stop schedule of activities sponsored on the University Campus, Sigma Phi Epsilon Alumni and Undergraduate Chapters will be planning a full schedule of events designed specifically for you!

On Friday, October 17th, several events have been planned for your entertainment. The Undergraduate Brothers and Sigma Phi Epsilon have planned an Open House, designed to provide you and your spouse/guest an

interesting but inspirational chance to see what new accomplishments and future goals are in store for the undergraduate chapter. Please attend our Open House at 7 p.m. Come take a walk into the past, see other alums, and have a chance to share a few old stories with the undergrads.

Later that evening, all Alumni are invited to attend an informal "get-together" at various homes, organized by Tom Nichols, head of the Alumni Reunion Committee. Beginning at 9 p.m., you'll have a chance to mingle with a wide variety of Sig Eps from all eras!

On Saturday, October 18th, Brother Mark Mandula and wife Cathy have extended their home to you to watch the "Parade Pass By" at 9 a.m. sharp. Be there early for refreshments and donuts, and get a chance to view the Prize-winning Sig Ep Float!

Following the Parade Viewing Party, Brother Andy Conrad has comprised the most interesting "Sig-Ep Tailgate Party" ever before imagined at the University of Toledo, or even in Sig-Ep History. Beginning at 12 Noon Sharp, its one event to be sure not to miss! Then join us at the 50 yard line and watch the Rockets whomp the Northern Illinois Huskies. Game time

is 4:30 p.m.

The Highlight of Homecoming is the Formal Dinner/Dance, this year taking place in the Grand Ballroom of the Sheraton-Westgate. Beginning at 6:30 p.m., we have reserved the Hospitality Suite at the Sheraton for Pre-Dance cocktails, followed by the 7:30 start of the Dinner/Dance. We have scheduled a very special evening, and we hope that you will have every chance to attend. Dinner will be served at 9:00 sharp. Following the conclusion of the festivities, we invite you back-up to the Hospitality Suite for a night-cap! We suggest you spend the evening at the Sheraton. Reservations can be made by calling 1-800-325-3535.

On Sunday, Come join the 15th annual Alumni/Undergraduate Football "Grudge Match" at the Scott Park Campus, beginning at 1 p.m. sharp, on the fields next to Hill Avenue. Following the Game the Undergrads have welcomed us back to the House for Dogs & Suds...A Fitting way to end the Weekend!

1986...The Year to get reacquainted with Old Sig Ep friends and your Alma Mater!!! We look forward to welcoming you "Home" on October 17-19th. See You There...

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# Alumni President's Report

## 1986...A Year of Growth, A Push To The Future!!

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As we close our 6th year as the Toledo Area Sigma Phi Epsilon Alumni Association, let me take this moment to reflect upon our past, examine our growth, and aspire to the future!!

In 1901, 12 young men gathered in a quiet room on the 3rd floor of Ryland Hall to form a bond that would last a lifetime. They came to create a new beginning, a new era, one that would provide all of us with a common bond...that called "Brotherhood"

Each came with their own ideas and dreams, that, combined, would provide a foundation of spiritual hope and lasting friendship. Each of us has our own definition of this bond, but no one can deny the basis of this foundation, "Virtue", "Diligence", and "Brotherly Love".

Since then, Sigma Phi Epsilon has grown to 255 chapters nationwide, with 155,485 initiates. Locally, Ohio Iota has initiated 902 brothers since 1950, averaging 25 per year. We have had the strongest little sister organization on campus, and many of us have married these dynamic women. Our Alumni membership continues to prosper, as indicated by this past

years record membership of 84 members. Never before have we seen the support of Brotherhood so strong! Our Educational Foundation, started in 1983, is now endowed by the University of Toledo Alumni corporation, with over \$6,000.00 in contributions over the past 3 years.

The undergraduate chapter has grown to over 100 members, and is by far the strongest and most stable organization on the total university campus. By 1988, our mortgage will be paid off on the House, proving that 15 years of hard work and commitments of the Brothers in 1974 have not gone unnoticed. One cannot deny that these statistics are impressive, and it is more than ample proof that Sigma Phi Epsilon is Alive & Well!

But what about the future? What dreams and goals still lie ahead? What new horizons can be crossed? The questions are many, the answers few. Sigma Phi Epsilon is forever changing, constantly obtaining new heights, creating and accomplishing new goals. Yes, Sigma Phi Epsilon is Alive and Growing, ready to meet tomorrow's fraternal needs. But one

must remember that Brotherhood is more than just a bond that we all share, but it is a commitment for life! It is a tribute to our college years, those years that have played such an important part in our past.

Brotherhood is a Spirit...It is in our Grip, our Minds, and our Heart!!

As we close our Sixth year as an Alumni Association, I would like to thank all of those who played such an important role in its creation. Special Thanks to Tony Sheehan, who gave so much in the formation of our alumni chapter. Also thanks to the Past Officers, the life line of our association. Last, but not least, to Ron Binder, who for the past few years has diligently produced this newsletter. Thank you for your past commitment, and we look forward to your help again in the future!

Fraternally:

Ted Behnken  
President  
Alumni Association

## Undergraduate Update... President's Report

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Major changes have occurred since our executive committee took office in late March. Our National Fraternity has required all active chapters to have non-alcoholic rush events, thus limiting the scope and type of rush activities. These new regulations have required us to think of creative alternatives that will help us in attracting new membership. In the long term, it will require us to establish goals and objectives for the progressive success of our undergraduate chapter.

Open parties have provided a source of income to the operation of the chapter. Without this support, we are looking for alternatives in an effort to provide a monetary base for our long-term operations. In the future, fundraising will become a supplement to our activities, of which we hope to

encourage the participation of our alumni resources.

Over the summer, we have been in the process of restructuring our social and rush programs. Social Chairman Donn Kelley and Rush Chairman Chuck Bosworth have been working with their committees to accomplish this task. We are facing new challenges in the Sig Ep Tradition...Head On!!!

The future of SPE is bright, and your role as an alumnus of Ohio Iota is very important to us. Throughout our history, our chapter has utilized the pool of resources and interests of a very diverse group of men. Diversity is vital and will continue to be important to the operation of our chapter. Alumni and undergrads alike encompass our unique brotherhood. It is time that Ohio Iota taps our greatest

resource, our alumni! We welcome your ideas, advice, or contributions, that will only help to make SPE a strong and vital operation at the University of Toledo. It is said that there is strength in numbers...if we can utilize our alumni and active chapter to their fullest, we can only achieve goals that are yet unattainable. Let me extend my sincere appreciation to all those alumni who have supported us in the past, especially the Educational Foundation, and we look forward to your help and cooperation in the future!

Yours in Brotherhood,

Marco Pescara  
Undergraduate President

# OHIO IOTA EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION

We've Made It!! After 3 years of hard work, the university has finally recognized the Sig Ep scholarship fund as an Endowed Fund at the University. What does this mean? Our funds are now interest earning, and once the goal of \$10,000.00 is obtained, scholarships will be issued from the proceeds of the fund.

By Homecoming, it is our objective

to reach this goal. To date, we have committed funds of \$6,400.00, leaving us with the challenge of obtaining \$3,600.00 in contributions and matching funds by October 18th. Chairman Jim Schalitz and his committee have dedicated their time and efforts in reaching this goal. If you would like to donate, you can do so by mailing your check to the following address:

**Sigma Phi Epsilon Scholarship Fund**  
P.O. Box 2861  
Toledo, Ohio 43606.

Remember, your contributions are still deductible in 1986. Also, your company may have matching funds. Why not mail your contribution today. Sigma Phi Epsilon is a commitment for Life, Why Not Show Your Support For Such A Cause?

## OHIO IOTA MEMBERSHIP DRIVE — 1986-87

As you may well know, it takes a lot of time and contributions to keep an organization alive and well. Last year, we had over 80 members contributing dues to our association. Occasionally we are asked what these funds are used for?

Events such as: The Red Door —

Our Newsletter, Quality Events: Homecoming, River Boat Cruises, Golf Outings, and Various Changing Events!

\$15.00 is not a lot to give to a worthy organization such as ours. We work hard to provide you with the quality events to keep the spirit of Sigma Phi

Epsilon alive in our hearts.

Please mail your dues today to: **Sigma Phi Epsilon Alumni Association, P.O. Box 2861, Toledo, Ohio 43606.** We thank you for your support of our organization, today & tomorrow!!

## HOMECOMING WEEKEND SCHEDULE OF EVENTS-1986

**OCTOBER 17th • 7 p.m.-9 p.m.**

OPEN HOUSE, 3530 Dorr St.

- Sponsored by the Undergraduates Alumni Reunion  
Various locations, Toledo
- Sponsored by Tom Nichols, Reunion Chairman  
(885-2331)

**OCTOBER 18th • 9 a.m.-noon**

Parade Viewing Party  
2809 Cheltenham

- Sponsored by Mark & Cathy Mandula  
(474-5111)

**Noon-4:30 p.m.**

Tailgate Party  
Parking Lot by Glass Bowl,  
near Scoreboard.

- Sponsored by Andy Conrad  
(535-3030)

**4:30 p.m.**

Game Time • See you at the  
50 yard line

**6:30 p.m.**

Pre-Dinner Cocktail Party  
Sheraton Westgate  
• Hospitality Suite

**7:30 p.m.**

Cocktails in the Ballroom

**9:00 p.m.**

Dinner

**1:00 a.m.**

Nitecap in the Hospitality Suite

**OCTOBER 19th • 1:00 p.m.**

Alumni-Active Football Game  
Scott Park Campus  
Field near Hill Avenue &  
Campus Drive

- Dogs & Suds Back at the House

## ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Once again at Homecoming, we will be electing 3 new individuals to serve as officers of the Alumni Association. The commitment to be an officer is extremely important to the health of the organization, but only takes a small amount of time in the planning of the association.

If you are interested in becoming an officer for 1986-87, please respond by sending your name to the address above by October 1st.

## Dedication of Issue

We would like to Dedicate this Issue to a fine Brother who, over the past few years, has given his time and talents to produce this newsletter. Ron Binder has taken a new position at the University of Georgia, as Director of Fraternities. We will miss him, but wish him the best in his new endeavors. With enough letters and calls to Ron and Karen, we may convince him to return to Homecoming this year!

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## Future Events

Golf Outing  
September 20th, 12 Noon Sharp  
Spuytyn Duyval Golf Course