Sigma Phi Epsilon Ohio Iota Fraternity Chapter at the University of Toledo Announces New Sigma Scholarship

TOLEDO, Ohio, November 15, 2013 – The Ohio Iota Chapter of Sigma Phi Epsilon at the University of Toledo announced today that it has honored to become the recipient of a donation from a University of Toledo Sig Ep Alumni to fund 2 new Scholarships for a Sigma {new} member of the Chapter.

This new program, to be called the "Sigma Scholarship" will help the new Brother of the Ohio lota Chapter at the University of Toledo by helping pay for tuition and books. This new program is a first for any Greek organization at the University of Toledo.

"We are honored to be able to make this new Scholarship available to Sigma Members of Ohio Iota" commented Ted Behnken, Ohio Iota Alumni Board President. He also noted that "This will help us to continue to attract and retain the highest possible students, at a time when the economic conditions are challenging for all who are attending college nationally."

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The Ohio Iota Chapter of Sigma Phi Epsilon [formerly Chi Beta Chi] at the University of Toledo is the leading Greek organization at the University of Toledo. With an active chapter of 100 men, it is also the largest Greek organization at the University of Toledo. Ohio Iota is a recognized leader on the University of Toledo campus. The Chapter has been ranked the #1 academic Greek organization for every quarter since 2008. Ohio Iota recorded a 3.364 GPA cumulative for the 2013 Spring Semester, the highest overall GPA of all social Greek organizations at the University of Toledo.

Ohio Iota also recently received a first place award in the annual Dean Parks Awards ceremony. Dean Parks Awards recognize Greek organizations at the University of Toledo in three areas: academics, athletics and community service. Ohio Iota won first place in academics, athletics and community service for the past calendar year. Men of the Ohio Iota Chapter are involved in a myriad of University of Toledo organizations, including Student Government, Blue Key Honorary Society, Mortar Board Honorary Society, and others.

About Sigma Phi Epsilon

Sigma Phi Epsilon, established in 1901, is one of the nation's largest fraternities, with over 15,000 undergraduates on 240 campuses across the United States. Its mission is building balanced men, which is achieved through a continuous member development program that has contributed to a fraternity-wide GPA of over 3.0, a focus on the principles of Sound Mind and Sound Body, and service learning efforts that allow members to develop leadership skills while giving back to the community.

Sig Ep has been a recognized leader in National Fraternity and Greek organizations. Sigma Phi Epsilon was the ffirst national fraternity to establish a housing trust for all chapters and a separate National Housing Corporation aimed at supporting housing excellence. Sigma Phi Epsilon was also the first fraternity to charter a chapter in all 50 states, and the first national fraternity Educational Foundation to build an endowment greater than \$11 million. It was also the first national fraternity to receive a grant from the federal Department of Education to enhance member development programs; provide financial assistance to brothers for graduate school through the Resident Scholar program and the first national fraternity to partner with the White House's Office of National Drug Control Policy in order to create substance abuse education programs for members.