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UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN-PLATTEVILLE

NO. 24

**PLEDGES KEEPING THE ACTIVES
ON THEIR TOES**

Rush was successful this spring as Beta Gamma acquired nine pledges for the second semester. They are in the process of interviewing actives, learning about the house, and other necessary activities during their pledgship. The Psi's are an interesting lot and will all be assets to Beta Gamma and Alpha Gamma Rho in the future.

Steve Chamberlain is a freshman in Ag. from Lyndon, Ill.

Tim Beran hails from Milton, Wis., majoring in Ag. Engineering.

Brian Donnelly claims Edgerton, Wis., as his base. Brian is also majoring in Ag. Engineering.

Rick Hommen is an Ag. major and is from Deerfield, Wis.

Steve Keil is an Iowa native, but lists L.A. (Lancaster), Wis., as his home ad-



dress. He is majoring in Ag. Business.

Rich Nelson is from Deerfield, Wis., and is majoring in Ag. Business.

Tom McKittrick, a Viola, Wis., citizen is an Ag. Education major with a journalism minor.

Leonard Pluemer, our 1979 scholarship winner, is also from L.A. and is also an Ag. Education major.

Eric Trapp credits Hartland, Wis., as his hometown and is our third Ag. Engineer in the Psi pledge class.

These young men make up the 23rd pledge class from Beta Gamma. Our hopes and wishes go with them as they work their way to the day when they can proudly wear the bold letters of Alpha Gamma Rho.

Garry Klug
Kerry Henning
1980 Pledge Trainers

NOBLE RULER'S REPORT

Greetings to all brothers of Alpha Gamma Rho. Here we are at Beta Gamma with almost half the semester over. The pace around our chapter house has been a busy one. Rushing went into full force early in the semester and, as a result, we have nine, eager, young men pledging our fraternity. A number of activities have been going on. These include such things as Sno-Din, Officers Seminar, and preparing for our annual alumni meeting and banquet.

As I look around our chapter, I see a strong interest among our members. The new executive council is a young and ambitious one. With the support of the rest of the active chapter, I feel we will be able to accomplish a great deal this year. One area that will insure Beta Gamma's survival and prosperity is the support of our growing number of alumni. Every chapter of Alpha Gamma Rho is dependent upon its alumni for its very existence

and Beta Gamma is no different. Remember brothers, when you joined Alpha Gamma Rho, you joined for life. One area we need your help on is that of the housemother program. "Mom" Reinhold will be leaving at the end of the semester and we are in the process of looking for a new one. Any ideas or suggestions are always welcome.

Membership recruitment is another

area we can improve on with your help. If any of you know of any active young men who plan on attending college at Platteville in the field of Agriculture, please let us know. As I close, I would like to leave you with a short poem that one of the brothers here showed me.

TEAMWORK

It's all very well to have courage and skill, and it's fine to be counted a star,

But the single deed with its touch of thrill doesn't tell us the man you are.

For there is no lone hand in this game we play, we must work to a bigger scheme.

For the thing that counts most in this world today is how do YOU pull with the team?

E. Guest

Fraternally,
Terry McMahon



Down

The

Hatch

with

CUPID'S CORNER



Leo Lembitz, "honorary Upsilon" Pledge Class, was lavilered to Patricia Gandyra, a Zeta Tau Omega member. He got lavilered on December 1, 1979.

Devin Neuneker of the Chi Pledge Class was lavilered to Becky Fey over Christmas break.

John Thompson will give up his rights and privileges of being a bachelor on August 19, 1980. His bride to be is Lori Kusz.

Mark Binversie, a member of the Phi Class, has announced his engagement to Jan Ellestad from Valders, Wisconsin. A July, 1981, wedding is being planned.

Randy Braker and Barb Ballmer will be getting married on May 31, 1980. The wedding reception will be held at St. Augustine's Catholic Church, Footville, Wisconsin. A wedding dance will be held that night at the Pyramid Supper Club, Hwy. 33 East, Beaver Dam, Wis., from 8:00 to 12:00 p.m. All are invited.



The Stork Reports

Rodger and Barb Luckey now have a baby girl. Megan Ann was born on Feb. 12, 1980. She was 7 lbs. and 19 inches.

NEW EXECUTIVE MEMBERS

The new officers for 1980 are as follows:

Noble Ruler	Terry McMahon
Vice Noble Ruler	John Towns
Alumni Secretary	Lee Lembitz
Secretary	Ken Gibson
Treasurer	Ronald Keil
Commissary	Steve Gay
House Manager	Tim Mueller
Chaplain	Brad Paulson
Usher	Dave Jelle
Reporter	Dan Dishno

SCHOLASTIC REPORT

The Beta Gamma Chapter of Alpha Gamma Rho recently held its biannual steak and bean supper in honor of our scholastic efforts. Those who improved their grade point over the previous semester ate steak and those who didn't, ate beans. There were 27 actives who ate steak and 18 that had beans. Seniors, Randy Braker and Mike Fisher, led all scholars, each with a 4.00. Dan Koniar had the most improved grade point while Keith Mulder came up with the highest grade point for the Chi Pledge class, earning a 2.53.



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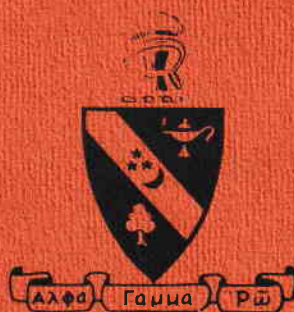
We had two intramural basketball teams entered this winter. Both teams won several games, but at times had problems getting the ball in the little round hole!

We also had a team entered in the bowling league.

This spring we plan to have several softball teams entered in the intramural program.

Several people have gone out for the University teams, they include:

Gary Hertzberg--football
Leo Lembitz--wrestling
John Towns--baseball
Devin Neuniker--baseball
Mark Binversie--baseball
Pledge Tim Barren--baseball



ATTENTION ALUMNI

DON'T GET LOST

Keep the chapter informed of
all address changes!

"College is four years, AGR is forever."

OUR ALUMNI AGR'S ARE STILL NUMBER 1

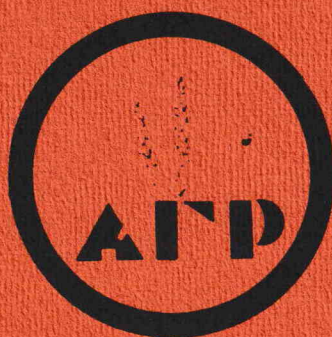
Date To Remember:

Alumni Banquet

March 22, 1980 At

Boulder Lounge In

Arthur, WI



ALUMNI BOARD OF DIRECTORS

President	Al Klug
Vice President	Ken Gay
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Director	Jan Peterson
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ALUMNI TELL US ABOUT YOURSELVES

NAME _____ CLASS _____

OCCUPATION _____ FIRM _____

ADDRESS _____

COMMENTS ON ACTIVITIES SINCE GRADUATION AND ON PRESENT OCCUPATION:

Alumni Secretary Report

I would like to introduce myself to you since I didn't pledge here at UW-Platteville. I pledged Alpha Tau at Western Illinois University in the winter quarter of 1977. I am presently a junior with an agribusiness major. My hometown is in LaGrange, Illinois. I transferred to Beta Gamma in 1978.

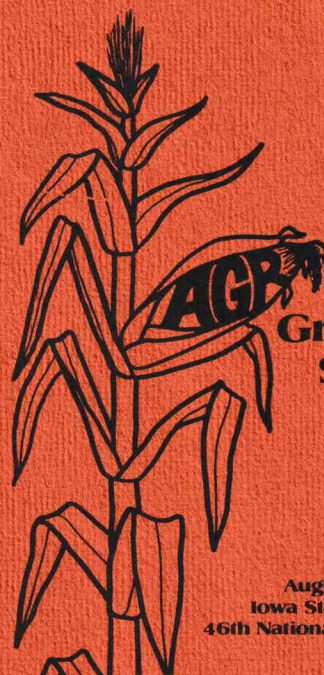
My office was said to be important and simple. I have found that part of the statement is false. I soon realized that keeping up all the address changes and occupational changes is a time-consuming job. I have never had an obligation of this magnitude in my fraternity. I hope that I can do the job to your satisfaction.

I am looking forward to getting to know you through this office by correspondence

in your banquet. I realize that to get to know all Alumni would be feat, but, I am looking forward to meeting as many as I can.

I would also like to thank all the Alumni for their contributions to our Alumni Building Fund. All of us sincerely appreciate the cooperation to the making of a giant success story in the history of Beta Gamma!

Fraternally, Leo Lembitz

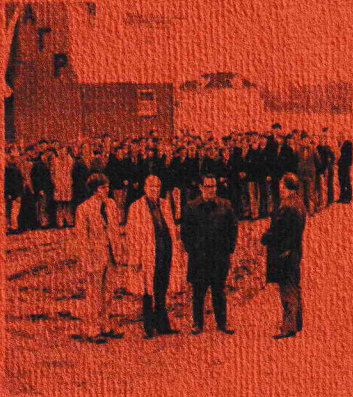


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Beta Gamma,



In Their Day . . .



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**AGR is
Agriculture
Tomorrows**

"Brother's By Choice"

**A GOOD THING
GROWING**



**House Loan
Repayment Drive**



DO YOU REMEMBER WHEN? WHAT YEAR?



A COLONY IS BORN... A chronology of the development of the colony on the campus of the University of Wisconsin-Platteville which was to become Beta Gamma Chapter of Alpha Gamma Rho. The sequence of events has been reconstructed from excerpts taken from the correspondence file of the advisor.

Winter - 1966 - General interest meeting with agriculture students interested in organizing an agricultural fraternity.

Spring - 1966 - Faculty Senate passed a resolution prohibiting student locals from affiliating with national fraternities.

May 23, 1967 - Randall Torgerson is the speaker at a meeting of the Collegiate Agricultural Association, a student organization.

September 10, 1968 - Faculty Senate lifted restrictions on the affiliation of student locals with national fraternities.

November 17, 1968 - The constitution of a group calling itself "Alpha Gamma Rho" is approved by the Campus Organizations Board of the University of Wisconsin-Platteville.

January 10, 1969 - Brother Maynard Coe visits the University of Wisconsin-Platteville. John Wegmueller, Noble Ruler, presents him with an application for colony status.

February 10, 1969 - VNR Mike Sands begins his duties as educator for the first pledge class (14). By this time, there are 34 charter active members.

February 24, 1969 - The Executive Council of Alpha Gamma Rho granted colony status to the local at the University of Wisconsin-Platteville, and approved Robert Campbell (Iota 606) as its advisor.

A COLONY IS BORN

*Happiness
is
an
involved
Alumni*



THE SEARCH IS ON!

Our present housemother, Alice, has indicated she will not be signing a contract for the fall term of '80. She has enjoyed the experiences of these past two years, but has now decided to retire. Due to "mom's" leaving, we will have an opening for a housemother and presently are searching for one. Since it is very important to get the right person for this job, we would sincerely appreciate any suggestions you may have.

Suggestions for Housemother:

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Address: _____

Phone No: _____

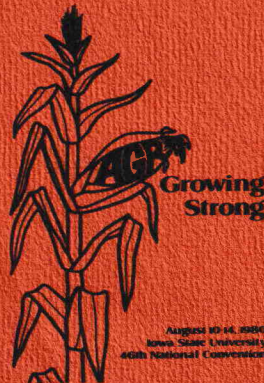
Comments: _____



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OUR FUTURE HOUSEMOTHER — WHO WILL IT BE?



RHOMATES!

The spring semester for the Rho-Mates has been as busy and as rewarding as always. We try to keep a social calendar in the basement for the guys. We had a "box social" and a baking contest. Awards were given to the first and second places; and the goodies were baked by the guys. The guys did a real good job.

When the guys had their winter retreat, the Rho-Mates had their own retreat at Lynn Martz.

We were treated at Uno's for pizza on February 14th by our Rho-Mate coordinators—Dave Eddy and Dave Jelle.

We plan to help out for Parents' Day and we hope to have something for the alumni wives for the afternoon of the Alumni Banquet, March 22.

We welcome five new Rho-Mate pledges:

Kim Cox
Cindy Ihm
Sue Haag
Sue Langkamp
Suzanne Muhlenbeck
Good luck and keep smiling!

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