

Gamma Sigma News

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Celebrate Gamma Sigma's 100th Anniversary!

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That's right, Brothers - it is definitely time to think about making your plans, packing your bags, saddling up, and heading to Ames on October 8th, 9th and 10th! This is going to be a very special weekend for us as we celebrate the 100th anniversary of the founding of the Gamma Sigma chapter of Sigma Nu. It promises to be a glorious fall weekend in Iowa (whatever the weather) and it can only be made better by your presence and participation with our fraternity at this special time.

Since this is also Homecoming weekend for the Cyclones there will be lots of activities on and around the campus. Homecoming is always a busy time at Iowa State and we realize that many of you will receive several invitations for that weekend, but please schedule some time to spend with the brothers, families and friends of Sigma Nu! You should have received a letter from us a while ago outlining our proposed activities, but just in case you might have missed

(or forgotten about) this invaluable information-packed and heart-felt invitation, a brief outline of our planned activities appears below:

Friday, October 8, 2004

6:30 – 7:30. *Gamma Sigma Social Hour* in the Campanile Room of the Iowa State University Memorial Union. Light appetizers and a cash bar. Even if you are unable to stay for the dinner immediately following, please stop by for a few minutes and visit.

7:30 – 10:00. *Gamma Sigma Reunion Dinner*. Iowa State University Memorial Union, Campanile Room. Enjoy a delicious Heartland Dinner Buffet featuring genuine Iowa corn fed Prime Rib, chicken and vegetarian lasagna, potatoes or rice, salad bar (tossed greens, four fresh vegetable toppings, homemade croutons, dressings and four salads), freshly baked breads and dinner rolls, beverage and Paradise Dessert

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A Prize for the Asking

Faced with the dubious honor of writing my president's message for the upcoming newsletter, I needed a topic. Since 2004 is the 100th anniversary of the founding of Gamma Sigma Chapter on the Iowa State campus, that seemed suitable. It was only when I sat down to write that I realized that what I knew about this history would fit in a shot glass. While it was a long shot, I e-mailed the Iowa State University Library and explained that historic information would be appreciated. To my delightful surprise I received an inch-high stack of photos copied from the I.S.U. Bombs of years past, plus newspaper articles, and the story of the ban on "secret societies." Many thanks for an awful lot of work go to I.S.U. Special Collections librarian, Becky S. Jordan. Our history committee has a real prize in this collection and we are sure that the I.S.U. library has a real prize in Ms. Jordan.

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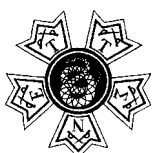
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President's Message

100 Years - Looking Backward, Looking Forward



Tilden House (Farwell Brown collection, Ames Public Library)

Most of us have taken a history course or two, and we've all heard the teacher or professor say that in order to understand the present or the future we have to have some knowledge of the past. At the time when we were in high school or college, that seemed like a good rationalization on the teacher's part for his job. As we grow older we know that our history has made us (in many ways) who we are today, and it is important to recognize what has influenced us.

One of the organizations that had a great influence on me was, of course, the Gamma Sigma Chapter of Sigma Nu Fraternity. Our fraternity evolved from the Gamma Tau local fraternity, which was organized in November, 1903. It was chartered as Gamma Sigma Chapter of Sigma Nu Fraternity on April 23, 1904. This made it the first national fraternity on the Iowa State College campus after the infamous ban on secret societies was lifted in early 1904. This makes our chapter 100 years old, and it is a good time to look back on our history - and to look ahead to our future.

Looking Back

Our house at 2132 Sunset Drive is one of the common threads that held many diverse personalities together. This house was built in 1924 by Jim Burrows, GS 27, and saw many of us through our four years at Iowa State. This is the house that most of us remember, but there were two prior Sigma Nu houses. Our first house, the Tilden House, was located at 905 Duff. In 1911, we purchased a house at 2166 Lincoln Way, near the present location of Buchanan Hall. This house burned down in 1923.

Another important part of our history are the annual - or at least very frequent events - that took place over the course of the school year. One such event was the "Sod Busters Ball" that was held nearly every fall since before World War II. Another event



Lincoln-Way House (ISU Bomb, 1917)

was the annual "Orchid" or "White Rose" formal dance. Many will remember the popular Sigma Nu relays, which were eventually banned by the university. (Mud pits were not

deemed appropriate for ISU coeds). Most of us remember working on a lawn display or float at a frantic pace because the start of Homecoming or the Veishea parade was just hours away.

We also look back on earning our way into the fraternity through pledge duties and projects, culminating in initiation and the privilege of burning our names into tabletops. Roommates are remembered - for better or worse - but somehow we all got along and made it work. Gamma Sigma was an important part of learning to work with others as part of a team and learning to take responsibility as young adults.

There is a newly formed historical committee whose job it will be to collect, record and keep these memories that meant so much to us in our college years. We'll need your help to archive our history from the various eras and make them available through the newsletter, the web site, and perhaps a CD-ROM.

Looking Forward

After three years of successful fall reunions, we are beginning to look forward to the re-establishment of the chapter a few years down the road. We still have a lot to learn about starting and running a fraternity. We now know the basic process which involves National coming to campus and recruiting the first new pledge class.

After that we (the alumni) will need to help the new recruits to set up an appropriate living situation and impart our values and goals so they have some guidance. We will also be overseeing much of what happens in those earlier years of re-establishment.

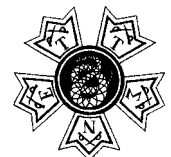


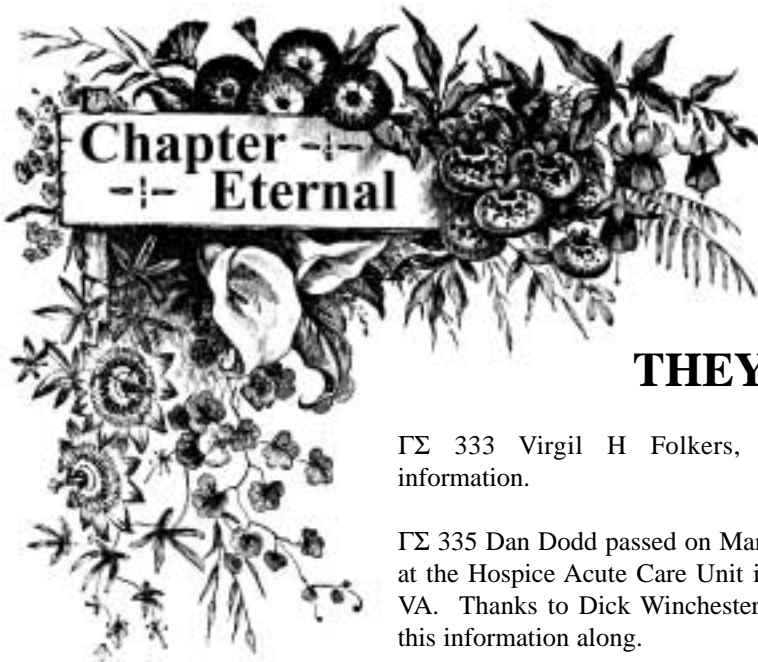
Burrows House

While we are looking forward to this, much more research and planning remain to be done. We need help on this now, and will need even more help to run the colony and chapter once it is started. I am therefore looking forward to hearing more of you step up and ask, "How can I help?" so that we can make this happen sooner rather than later.

Most immediately, I am looking forward to the Fall reunion - seeing old and new friends again - visiting my alma mater - and hoping that I'll be bombarded with those offers of help from volunteers.

Fraternally,
Fritz Raab, GS 772, '65





THEY'VE LEFT US...

ΓΣ 333 Virgil H Folkers, no further information.

ΓΣ 335 Dan Dodd passed on March 12, 2004 at the Hospice Acute Care Unit in Arlington, VA. Thanks to Dick Winchester for passing this information along.

ΓΣ 349 Jerry H Megee, no further information.

ΓΣ 439 Calvin F. Glattfelder passed on May 14, 2004. Dan Simpson had spoken to him just the day before.

Please let the Editor and Dan Simpson know of any other deaths. Additional information is always helpful.... as much as you can furnish.

Do You Know the Meaning and History of These Iowa State University Traditions?

The following information is published by Iowa State University in the Traditions Section of the Athletic Page <http://cyclones.collegesports.com/trads/ia-st-trads.html>.

Homecoming

The idea of homecoming at Iowa State is credited to Professor S.W. Beyer, the then-patron saint of the school's athletic program. The first homecoming game took place in 1912 as the Cyclones entertained the University of Iowa.

According to C.F. Curtiss, then Dean of Agriculture, the purpose of homecoming at Iowa State was to bring back hallowed members of the past to an event that will mean life and strength to the institution and promote reciprocal blessings, benefits, and obligations that are never-ending.

The inaugural homecoming celebration lasted two days and included a debate, receptions, pep rallies, and colorful lawn decorations urging the gridders on to victory. Post-game activities were highlighted by a massive fireworks exhibition, which lit up the sky for miles around.

Through the years, numerous activities have been added to the fall extravaganza that in 1912 drew 152 registered alums. Today, homecoming attracts cardinal and gold alums from much of the country and is regarded as one of the nation's premier collegiate celebrations.

Included in the activities are carnivals, cheering contests, parachutists, music, traditional tailgate parties and a marathon run from the opponents' hometown to Ames.

Origin of the Cyclones

In 1894, a terrible tornado hit the Iowa town of Grinnell. During the summer and early fall of 1895, a number of "Cyclones" continued to wreak havoc on the state of Iowa. Hence, when Iowa State's (then called Iowa Agricultural College) football team blew away highly-touted Northwestern that fall, the winners were likened to a cyclone. The name stuck as this group of Cyclones helped propel Iowa State into the world of big-time football.

An organized group of athletes first represented Iowa State in 1892. In 1894,

College President William M. Beardshear spearheaded the foundation of an athletic association to officially sanction Iowa State athletic teams. The 1894 Iowa State team finished with a 6-1 record, including a 16-8 victory in a bitter battle against what is now the University of Iowa.

A college football legend was the next catalyst in the growth of Iowa State's fledgling program. Glenn S. "Pop" Warner, later to become famous as coach of the Carlisle Indians, University of Pittsburgh, Stanford, and Temple, and also as the inventor of the double wingback system of offense, came to coach the Ames team for the first time. Warner, just beginning a coaching career that would span 44 years and 313 victories (currently ranking fourth on the all-time NCAA coaching list behind Eddie Robinson, "Bear" Bryant and Amos Alonzo Stagg), came to coach the team in the late summer before heading to Georgia where he had been named head coach. This arrangement was followed each year through the 1899 season. Before he left for his jobs in the east, Warner turned the 1895 reins over to

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Brother News

- Sal Mendoza, GS 1106, and his wife Mia, have a new addition to their family. Gabriel Alexander was born, March 13th. Big Sister Evelyn is very excited. You can email Sal at: dexter1@earthlink.net.
- If you were watching the Dog Show in February, you had a chance to see Brother Bryan Martin showing the winning Bassett Hound! Bryan has had the Best of Breed winner for Bassett Hounds for a number of years. Congratulations to Brother Martin on making it to this prestigious show!
- Brian & Susie McQuiddy recently relocated from Chicago, IL to Richmond, VA. You can write to Brian, GS 1102, at: 3023 Floyd Ave. Richmond, VA 23221 or email: mcquiddy@verizon.net.
- David Bippus, GS 823, writes "Dave and Kohnne (ΔZ) are finally grandparents! Hadley Jane Wells. The young family lives in Des Moines. We get there a lot now. Sorry we missed the October 2003 ISU get-together. Had a business trip I couldn't cancel. Looking forward to the next one." You can contact Dave at dave@bippy.net.
- **By action of the 61st Grand Chapter of Sigma Nu Fraternity, Gerry Whittemore has been affiliated with Gamma Sigma Chapter and assigned the badge number GS 1195. Congratulations, Gerry!**
- *Please write or email the Editors to include your news! What are your kids up to? Have you moved recently? Let us know! Information received by February 1, 2005 will be included in our spring edition. Thank you!*

1942 Bretheren

Last summer we included this photo of Gamma Sigma brothers in 1942, and asked for help identifying the missing brothers...FINALLY, a first response!

Robert Bedford, GS 452, wrote, "Row 5, Pos 6 is Richard E. Lyons, GS 416. I was in the pledge class fall quarter 1942. I didn't come back to school winter of 1943 (draft) but did return winter quarter 1946. That is when I got to know Richard Lyons and Greg Webster." THANK YOU Robert! That leaves only 4 spaces left of unknown brothers. If you can help us, please email the editors at nloveden@cox.net.



Row	Pos	Pin	Full Name	Nickname	Initiation Date
1	1	394	Mr. Charles H. Dalton, Jr.	Chuck	1/1/41
	2	399	Mr. Donald L. Sorenson	Donald Don	1/1/41
	3	388	Mr. Carleton T. Vangsness	Carleton	1/1/41
	4		Mother Plagge		
	5	389	Mr. Neil E. Bohner	Neil	1/1/41
	6	383	Mr. David W. Ryder	David Dave	1/1/41
	7	410	Mr. William L. Short	William Bill	1/1/42
2	1	396	Mr. Adolph J. Nielsen	Adolph Junior	1/1/41
	2	391	Mr. Kenneth W. Snyder	Kenneth	1/1/41
	3	386	Mr. Gerard A. Perkins	Gerard Jerry	1/1/41
	4	398	Mr. Knowles B. Dickey	Knowles	1/1/40
	5	387	Mr. William J. Gerhold	William Bill	1/1/41
	6		?		
	7	385	Mr. Donald R. Alvord	Donald Don	1/1/41
3	1	411	Mr. William R. Phelps	William	1/1/42
	2	374	Mr. William H. Eichling	Bill	1/1/40
	3		?		
	4	401	Dr. Dwight C. Burnham,	Dee	1/1/42
	5	399	Mr. Walter T. Matzen, Jr.	Walt	1/1/42
	6	368	Mr. Gerald W. Harris, Jr.	Jerry	1/1/40
	7		?		
4	1		?		
	2	414	Mr. Paul B. Higgs, Jr.	Paul Tex	1/1/42
	3	392	Mr. Robert J. Quist	Robert Bob	1/1/41
	4	400	Mr. Jerry L. DeDiemar	Jerry	1/1/42
	5	402	Mr. Bruce W. Marcue	Bruce	1/1/42
	6	395	Dr. James D. Rhodes	Jim	1/1/41
5	1	404	Mr. John A. Staples, Jr.	John	1/1/42
	2	406	Mr. George A. Spooner, Jr.	George	1/1/42
	3	418	Mr. Kenley V. Winchester	Kenley Ken	1/1/42
	4	376	Mr. Samuel A. McMaster, Jr	Sam	1/1/40
	5	397	Mr. Russell C. Mangold	Russ	1/1/41
	6	416	Richard E. Lyons		
	7	421	Mr. Gregory A. Webster	Gregory Greg	1/1/43

Spring Newsletter Deadline

The deadline for Spring Newsletter will be February 1st, 2005. Please send information directly to the editors. Contact information is on the back of this newsletter.

100th Anniversary

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Tray (choice of petite fours, tartlets, cheesecakes, cream puffs, éclairs and orange blossoms) plus beverage. This is intended to be a casual event and family members are welcome. All for just \$27.50 per person.

We plan on a very special program honoring the 100th anniversary of the founding of our chapter with an update of our alumni accomplishments, activities and plans by Brother Fritz Raab the eminent President of our alumni group.

Saturday, October 9, 2004

4 hours prior to game time. Brother Lorne and Rose Wazny's *Utterly Fabulous Gamma Sigma Tail Gate Party*. Brothers, if you have never experienced one of these culinary extravaganzas, you have missed one of life's truly great affairs. Pork loins, hamburgers, potato salad, salads, snacks, desserts and beverages! A wonderful value at only \$8.00 per person.

TBA* **Cyclone Football!** The Iowa State University Cyclones host the Texas A&M Aggies at Jack Trice Stadium. Renowned for their 12th man (true Aggie fans never sit during a football game) and marching band, this promises to be a well-played game between two evenly matched teams in the Big 12.

If you do not already have tickets, you will need to contact the Cyclone Athletic Ticket Office Monday - Friday 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at: **1-888-ISU-CYCLONE**

(888-478-2925) or 515-294-1816.

On line tickets are available at: <http://cyclones.collegesports.com/tickets/iast-tickets.html>.

*Times are totally beyond our control and are strictly dependent upon prospective television coverage. Unfortunately we are unlikely to know exact times until approximately 10 days prior to the game. So stay flexible and wear red!

Sunday, October 10, 2004

7:00 - 9:00 am. A farewell no host breakfast until we meet again next year in Ames at the Starlight Village.

There will be a great deal happening on and off campus to celebrate Homecoming. Our best advice to you would be to check the Iowa State University Web site <http://www.iastate.edu/> and pay special attention to the alumni section. In addition to visits to the campus and the bookstore (you really do need a new Iowa State Sweatshirt), the activities may include:

The Brunner Art Museum in the Iowa State Center, 2nd floor Scheman Building, Open 1:00 - 4:00 pm Saturday and Sunday

The Farm House Museum. Closed Saturday but open Sunday 1:00 - 4:00 pm

Reiman Gardens (near Jack Trice Stadium) Daily 9:00 am - 4:30 pm. \$5.00

The Starlight Village (Quality Inns). I-35 and 13th Street, Ames, Iowa. 515-232-9260 or 1-800-903-0009 (ext 4) has again

offered group rates (\$75.00 single/\$85.00 per couple plus tax). Block rooms are available through **September 24th!** Please sign up early and mention the Gamma Sigma reunion. Hopefully this newsletter will reach you before that date if you have not already made your reservations.

Brothers if you have not done so already please enter these dates into your calendars.

For planning purposes, we need to let the Memorial Union and the wonderful Wazny's know about how many people to expect. So, if you have not already done so, please complete the form below and send it in along with your check. We do not view the reunions as a fund raising opportunity and we are merely attempting to meet our costs.

Questions? Please call or e-mail: Home 503-629-0876, work 503-614-7455, dkruse@pcc.edu or krusedd@msn.com.

Come to Ames, October 8-10th. Learn what is happening with your fraternity and meet again with old brothers and meet some new ones as well. Families and friends are most welcome. One last thing as you send in your forms. Please contact your brothers and encourage them to attend. Even if you have not seen them in a while it is once more time to reach out and unite.

Let's all join together and start the NEXT 100 YEARS OF GAMMA SIGMA

See you in Ames!

Gamma Sigma Reunion October 8, 9 and 10, 2004

Number attending

_____ Social hour (no host - cash bar)

_____ Reunion Dinner (\$27.50 each)

_____ Wazny's Fabulous Gamma Sigma Tailgate Extravaganza (\$8.00 each)

Please make checks payable to Gamma Sigma House Corporation. Along with your checks and reservation forms, please be sure to include your name, pin number, address, telephone number and e-mail address in case we need to reach you!

Send this completed form and your checks to:

Dean Kruse
16893 NW Oakridge Drive
Portland, Oregon 97229

Sigma Nu House Corporation, Inc. 2003 Financial Statement

2003 Income Statement

Revenues			
Member			
Contributions; Voluntary Dues	\$	490.00	
Contributions; Reunion Fees	\$	2,080.00	
Expenses paid by members	\$	3,513.24	
Subtotal			\$ 6,083.24
Unrelated			
Interest, FNB savings	\$	2,290.31	
IRS Refund; 2002 Taxes	\$	753.36	
Subtotal			\$ 3,043.67
Total Revenues			\$ 9,126.91
Expenses			
Operation of Corporation			
Telephone conferences	\$	133.94	
2002 Federal taxes	\$	226.00	
2002 Iowa tax paid	\$	150.00	
2003 Federal estimated tax	\$	525.00	
Subtotal			\$ 1,034.94
Fraternal Activities			
Telephone; Member Search	\$	479.97	
Storage	\$	1,032.00	
Newsletter; paid	\$	808.78	
Newsletter; donated	\$	3,513.24	
Reunion Expenses	\$	3,359.43	
Subtotal			\$ 9,193.42
Total Expenses			\$10,228.36
Net Income			
Revenues	\$	9,126.91	
Expenses	\$	10,228.36	
Revenues – Expenses =			(\$1,101.45)

Balance Sheet for 12/31/03

Assets			
FNB checking		\$4,218.45	
FNB savings		\$210,785.95	
Total			\$215,004.40
Liabilities			
None		\$0.00	
Total			\$0.00
Net worth			
Assets – liabilities			\$215,004.40
Check			
Assets	12/31/02	Change	12/31/03
FNB checking	\$7,610.21	(\$3,391.76)	\$4,218.45
FNB savings	\$208,495.64	(\$2,290.31)	\$210,785.95
Total	\$216,105.85	(\$1,101.45)	\$215,004.40

Check: Above change of (\$1,101.45) matches net income.

A History of Gamma Sigma?

As we reach this noteworthy 100-year anniversary of the founding of Gamma Sigma, we would like to initiate a new project to record our vibrant history on the campus of Iowa State University. A portion of our story lies inside of each one of us and we want to ask each of you to help us to begin to assemble these records of the past. We hope to create a lasting gift not only for ourselves, but also a tribute to those that came before us and hopefully a legacy for those who follow. And what better time to begin than during our centenary?

Initially what we would like to do is to assemble a visual record of our history. We would ask that each of you go through your memorabilia from your years at Iowa State. Search especially for photos of the house, for the brothers who lived there, alumni who visited and include as many of activities in which we participated as we can. There is certainly room for the routines of college life (studying, finals, off to class) as well as those social, cultural and athletic activities in which we all participated. One good place to begin is to search for those composite photos and even old issues of the Bomb that you have stored away. And then please dig out those old scrapbooks and those shoeboxes crammed with photos. These may well be in your garage, basement or attic. But please look carefully.

There are many other things that would add to our historical records. Perhaps you have some recordings of the brothers singing some of the old favorites such as the "White Rose of Sigma Nu" that you would be willing to share? Or perhaps a few of you will be truly moved and send us some of your memories in either oral or written format. We would be delighted to receive these and include them.

Brother Marshall Wilharm, our eminent Webmaster and executive producer of electronic media, has agreed to put together a "photo album" history of things that we are able to send to him. He would likely prefer electronic images that you can attach to e-mails and send to his home Marshallw@comcast.net. If you do not know how to scan images or do not yet have a scanner, please ask a friend, neighbor, relative or co-worker who might kindly do this for you. Marshall also indicated that you may also send material directly to his home:

Marshall Wilharm
33 Townsend Drive
Middletown, New Jersey
07748-3127

Since I have known, trusted and enjoyed the company of Brother Wilharm since 1967, I feel certain that should you elect to send him some precious memory by mail, that he will handle it with infinite care and return it to you unharmed.

We really need a dedicated historian. Anyone interested in accepting this role? The rewards are beyond measure.



Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the SIGMA NU HOUSE COMPANY, INCORPORATED

(Under the Amended and Restated By-laws)

May 8, 2004

A meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Sigma Nu House Company, Incorporated was held by conference call on May 8, 2003. The meeting was called to order at 11:00 am Eastern Daylight Time by the President, Fritz Raab. Also participating were Craig Adamson, Jason Gammack, Dean Kruse, Richard Scheffler, Bob Thompson, and John Wetherell.

The Secretary, Mr. Scheffler, gave a short presentation on his progress with the minutes.

TREASURER'S REPORT. Mr. Gammack reported that the checking account balance was \$4,994.77 and the savings account balance, \$211,132.59. Mr. Thorp has not provided the Treasurer with any audit questions and therefore the audit had not been completed. The tax returns have been timely filed.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT. Mr. Raab reported that the petition for a Gamma Sigma Pin number for Brother Jerry Whittemore has been presented to the National Fraternity and granted. This summer's Grand Chapter will have the final say in the matter. This corporation has been recognized by Sigma Nu as the official Alumni chapter for Gamma Sigma and is entitled to send a delegate to the Grand Chapter in St. Louis this

summer. Mr. Gammack, who lives in St. Louis, volunteered to attend as our representative.

HISTORICAL COMMITTEE. Mr. Wetherell reported that two Iowa State "Bombs" have been bought and the Sigma Nu portraits digitized. He does not expect to acquire any new material until September.

REINSTATEMENT COMMITTEE. Mr. Raab said that due to personal duties he has been unable to devote much time to this matter and will investigate further and report at our next meeting.

OLD BUSINESS. Mr. Raab pointed out that this year marks the 100th anniversary of the founding of Gamma Sigma Chapter of Sigma Nu Fraternity at Iowa State. He suggested that ways be found to mark this event at the upcoming reunion. Mr. Kruse said he was prepared to work up a collection of visuals as a power point presentation to run at the Friday night banquet. He said he expected Mssrs. Peterson, Wazney and Anderson could help find material for this project.

A discussion was had of the timing of deadlines for reunion reservations and football tickets. It was suggested that the deadlines used last year seemed to work

and could be repeated. A discussion was then had about the advisability of purchasing additional football tickets for sale to possible latecomers. Upon a motion duly made, seconded and unanimously passed, it was: **RESOLVED**, that the purchase of four additional tickets, over the number reserved, is authorized.

A discussion was then had regarding possible post-game activities. Mr. Kruse will query Mr. Wazney as to his thoughts on the matter.

NEW BUSINESS. Mr. Raab pointed out that the terms of Mssrs. Scheffler and Adamson expire on December 31st of this year. While both indicated a willingness to serve another term, each indicated that it would be nice if new volunteers could be found to stand for election. Mr. Adamson indicated that he was sounding out some members in the Ames/Des Moines area as to their willingness to serve.

Upon a motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried, the meeting was adjourned at 11:54 am.

Respectfully submitted,
Richard J. Scheffler, GS 759, Secretary

Search for Lost Brothers Continues

Below is the present group of Missing Brothers. If you can help with an address on any, please send it to Brother Dan Simpson, 205 Brook Forest Lane, Hendersonville NC 28791-9764. Phone (828) 891-1977 or e-mail: djsimpo@bellsouth.net. If you remember these Brothers going by a nickname that may be more helpful to locate, please advise.

ΓΣ 0515 Howard O. Jackson, Jr.
ΓΣ 0545 John G. Donahue
ΓΣ 0559 Roger R. Fisher
ΓΣ 0566 John C. Chatillier
ΓΣ 0579 Richard J. Meinking
ΓΣ 0602 Garret H. Conner
ΓΣ 0603 Bruce A. Wine
ΓΣ 0637 William P. Wilson
ΓΣ 0642 William F. Sharratt
ΓΣ 0647 Lt. William H. Wilson
ΓΣ 0653 Robert L. McBride

ΓΣ 0654 James D. Sage
ΓΣ 0658 James A. Stout
ΓΣ 0668 William R. Fogarty
ΓΣ 0677 Larry L. Miller
ΓΣ 0688 Henry H. Jensen
ΓΣ 0689 Harry L. Scott
ΓΣ 0732 Charles D. Corwin, III
ΓΣ 0739 Richard M. Hogan
ΓΣ 0742 Oscar C. Miller, Jr.
ΓΣ 0770 John M. Haaheim
ΓΣ 0806 Ronald L. Cooper

ΓΣ 0824 Daniel B. Holmstrom
ΓΣ 0840 Gregory T. Smith
ΓΣ 0845 Robert J. McCullough
ΓΣ 0886 William C. Schuster
ΓΣ 0958 Jeff C. Lingren
ΓΣ 0994 Michael R. Bruce
ΓΣ 1064 Stephen P. Lueschen
ΓΣ 1167 Jason C. Claus
ΓΣ 1170 Matthew B. Jensen
ΓΣ 1192 Keith J. Krienert

Brother Spotlight: Daniel H. Simpson

Editor's Note: In April of 2000, there were 339 Missing Brothers. Currently there are only 32. Do you know who is primarily responsible for this descending list? Brother Simpson! As Membership Secretary, Dan goes above and beyond the call of duty and has spent countless hours trying to track missing brothers and have correct contact information. We wanted Dan to share his story so you know more about the man who has found so many Gamma Sigma Brothers. Thank you Dan!

I was born in Rock Island County, Illinois, in June 1927. My parents moved to Western Springs, Illinois where I grew up. My education commenced in the Western Springs School System - all eight grades. I took in the usual sports of the times, as much as possible. Being the depression times, at the age of thirteen, I got a job at the local Jewel Food store as a stock boy after school at the huge pay of \$.50/ hour. I felt a little more independent as I now had some spending money. This lasted until High School started in 1941.

High School was in LaGrange, two miles East of Western Springs. I remember the Germans doing their thing in Europe, and the draft starting in 1939. Then came the Japanese and Pearl Harbor attack in 1941. The whole country was in turmoil. What will be the next to happen?

In 1944, still living in Western Springs, on a cold, winter February morning, while waiting for the train ride to LaGrange, Janice asked me for our first date to the

Sadie Hawkins Day dance at the High School the next weekend. Dad let me have the car for the event. That was the start of a life long relationship that I'll never forget.

My parents moved to LaGrange in late 1944. In order not to be drafted at age 18, I enlisted in the Navy Radio Technician program, insuring that I would get in the Navy program after high school graduation in June 1945. Meanwhile, Janice graduated in 1944 and went to the University of Wisconsin in Nursing. She didn't like the five-year program, dropped out, and went into a three-year nursing program at Copley Hospital in Aurora, Illinois. What a hard worker, she graduated and got her RN in 1948.

Five days after high school graduation I was on my way to Great Lakes Naval Training Station for Boot Training. While there V-E Day came in June and V-J Day in August. At that point, we all wondered what was going to happen to us. Was it all over? I had Boot leave 9/1/45 -9/10/45. On return to base all the RT's were told to take a choice, sign over to the regular Navy for 4 years, or be assigned to a SepCen as ships company, work to discharge Naval Personnel. Then when done, write your own discharge, and be out of the Service. That I did.

August 1946 was too late to get into a college so I went on to Lyons Township Junior College, 2 years, in preparation for Chemical Engineering. The fall of 1948, I entered Iowa State College, living under

the West Stadium. I was very happy to pledge Sigma Nu in October, and was initiated in May 1949. A great bunch of Brothers led up to many happy events: VEISHEA, Sodbusters Ball, Home Coming, White Rose Spring Formal, with all in between.

Janice and I were married on June 16, 1950 - many thanks to four Brothers that took time to come to Western Springs to be in our wedding party -it really made our big day. We came to live in Ames for a year while I finished and graduated in 1951.

I found a job with a materials handling equipment company in Chicago and stayed for three years. Then went in the petroleum business for 14 years, and retired in credit reporting in 1992, at which time Janice and I retired to Western North Carolina. We have two grown up sons, Scott- living in Waukesha, WI with two children, and Dwight - in Huntington Beach, CA a bachelor.

When I learned that the chapter was no longer at ISU, I wanted to do what I could to help keep things alive. My best way is to help keep the addresses, so we keep track of each other, with the hope to return to ISU in the near future. I would ask that when you move, please do not forget your fraternal relationship. Only YOU can let us know where you are going to move. Send a USPS address change card; send us an e-mail, or call - DO IT before you move.



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Traditions

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Burt German, who was the team manager, one of the star backs and, during the regular season, a mentor. Warner's pre-season drilling soon paid big dividends.

Iowa State's team opened the season with a game against the Silver Bowl Athletic Club of Butte, Mont. The Ames team traveled to Montana on a train that included a combination tourist sleeper and dinner car. The squad had its own chef along. That luxury lost its glitter when the train became snowbound and ran out of food. The squad had to subsist on raw berries purchased at a sold-out general store for the balance of the trip.

The game was even rougher. The Butte team, comprised mostly of former eastern collegiate stars and a few hardy mountaineers, scored two touchdowns in the game's first 15 minutes. Warner, a gridiron standout himself at Cornell,

suiting up for the second half. Iowa State closed the gap to 12-10. The game got rougher and a third Ames touchdown was negated by the local official. He may have been intimidated by miners who were shooting their guns off amidst the crowd of over 3,000. Iowa State's players left the field in disgust.

Most observers didn't expect Iowa State's reception to be much better two weeks later when the Ames team traveled to highly regarded Northwestern for that school's home opener on Sept. 28. But the home team was in for a big shock. Iowa State rolled to a 36-0 victory. Right halfback Joe Meyers was the offensive star, making several long runs, including a 70-yard scoring jaunt. Iowa State led 30-0 at half-time. The final outcome was so decisive that the Chicago Tribune reported the next day that "Northwestern might as well have tried to play football with an Iowa cyclone as with the Iowa team it met yesterday." The article's

headline read "Struck By A Cyclone." The nickname stuck and the Iowa State team had made a name for itself, literally.

The "Cyclones" went on to beat Missouri, 6-0, before dropping a 24-0 contest to Minnesota. The fact that this team played every game on the road underscored its effort. Iowa State won its second straight game over Iowa, 24-0, on October 26 before closing out the season with a 12-6 loss at Wisconsin.

"I'm afraid some of us got a bit stuck up after that Northwestern game," German would recall 50 years later. "Some of the boys didn't train too well either."

But Warner, German and the rest of this 1895 team had put Iowa Agricultural College on the football map. And as I.A.C. grew into Iowa State College and then Iowa State University, its athletic teams carried the same name the 1895 unit had earned on that cold afternoon against Northwestern.

Tell Us About Your "Sigma Nu Girl"

Tim O'Brien, GS 1103 - *"I pledged Sigma Nu my freshman year at ISU in 1988. I met a wonderful Little Sister of the White Rose named Paula Linder. Paula was a sophomore and grew up in a small town in northwest Iowa. We immediately took to each other. Four years later we both graduated and together moved back to my hometown outside of Chicago. I took an Assistant Controller position in a large trucking company and Paula started teaching middle school Home Economics. After a year we decided to move to southern Texas. In 1995 we got married and although we still lived in Texas, the wedding took place in Iowa. Paula continued to teach until the birth of our first child in 1997. We now have three children and Paula is one busy stay at home mom. We still live in southern Texas but make it back to Iowa at least once a year. I have continued in the accounting field and currently hold the Controller position for a non-profit home health agency. Paula and I just celebrated 15 years of being together and 9 wonderful years of marriage. We are truly blessed with everything in our lives. Those blessings started 15 years ago with Sigma Nu and all our friends."* You can contact Tim by emailing him at: RFCSA@aol.com.

Fritz Rabb, GS 772 - *"I was a senior and wanted to avoid a tea for the new housemother, so my roommate Steve Seifert and I went to UNI for the weekend. Bob Thompson's girlfriend (a UNI student) set us up with blind dates. Becky won me in a coin toss. Nothing came of Steve's date. Becky graduated from UNI in 1969 and we were married in 1970."*

Include your story in our next issue. Mail or email your Sigma Nu Girl article to the editors before February 1st, 2005.

Iowa State Fight Song

O we will fight, fight, fight for Iowa State, And may her colors ever fly.

Yes, we will fight with might for Iowa State, With a will to do or die, Rah! Rah! Rah! Loyal sons forever true, And we will fight the battle through. And when we hit that line we'll hit it hard ev'ry yard for I. S. U.

GO CYCLONES!!!

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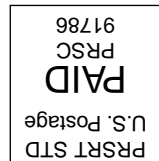
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