

# Which Way to Greece?

By JEFF CONNERS, Editor

(Part II)

The road to Greece is the Greek Way. It is a road, one path in life, that is constructed by man for man. It is made from ideas and ideals and is decorated with symbols and letters. It is Greek inspired.

The Greek Way, made up of the many fraternities in existence, includes but seven on the campus of Slippery Rock State College. Of national origin, these fraternities are nonetheless very much localized, simply because they are on this campus and because their members are students of this school.

When fraternities were first begun, they were begun for a purpose. But what was this purpose?

Basic to the fraternity is the fraternal idea—the idea of brotherhood. When these "Greek" organizations were formed, they were patterned after the Greek idea of fraternal order. Like the Greek city-states each organization was designed to facilitate certain men who had similar beliefs and ideals. As the Greeks believed in the good of humanity, in mutual love, in pure thought and action and in construction of character, so did fraternity men. They wanted separate, somewhat select groups wherein they could be self-governing and self-supporting yet outwardly representative of basic and clear goals.

Like the Greeks, the fraternities desired to and did create an image. It was, for the most part, a good image; it was an image of love, equality, respect, healthy competitiveness and brotherhood.

But what of the fraternities here at Slippery Rock. Are they existing in the same capacity for which they were begun? Do they have purpose beyond simply existing? Do they have an image here; if so, what kind of an image?

It is difficult to imagine that any of these questions could be answered precisely. Surely, at best, they could be answered by what we see, what we hear and what we feel as individuals.

Present on this campus and in this town are varied views of fraternities. The town's people in general hate fraternities and fraternity men. They think that the sole purpose of a fraternity is to cause trouble. Why should they feel this way? They complain about noise, vulgar language and untidiness of fraternity houses and yards. Why? Because they can hear and they can see! The fraternities on this campus have little pride in themselves. Can they expect others to have pride in them?

And what about the non-Greek student. How does he view the Greeks? Certainly, in many cases, he too, sees the worst side. But why should there even be a worse side? Why should he see immaturity, highlighted by childish deeds; noise and vulgarity, when it is unnecessary; and petty conflict, when hate just demonstrates stupidity. More important, why should fraternities allow such things within their own ranks? Has the whole major and basic idea of a fraternity been dropped down some sewer?

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## DANCE BAND AUDITIONS

Auditions for the College Dance Band will be held on the following dates: Nov. 7-9 at 6:30 P.M. in the Ed. Bldg. Band Room. Instruments needed: 5 saxes, 4 trumpets, 4 trombones, Piano, percussion and guitar.

# THE ROCKET

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## Fraternity Nu's

By PHIL CONTE

Alpha Chi Rho — Jeff Connors

Well, here we are, back on the scene again after two weeks. Fall is passing quickly, but the sun is still shining so . . .

Many congratulations are in order this week. First of all, to the soccer team and the tremendous job they have been doing. Secondly, to recently initiated brothers Mike Bardon, Tom Miller, Mickey Habura, Austin Anderson, Brian Spiker, Jack Quaken, John Cameratta and Jim Coates. Thirdly, to newly elected pledges Ron Boller, Sid Phillips, Tom Horne, Tom Chuzie, Bob Corcoran and Ken Benson. Fourthly, to brother Chuck Aber for his nomination for a Woodrow Wilson National Fellowship. Fifthly, to brother Paul Mancini on his initiation into Phi Gamma Mu.

Greek Week is coming—

Lambda Chi Alpha — "J. B." Bechtol

The Brothers of Lambda Chi wish to congratulate the members of the Beta Pledge Class: Bob Noe, Rick Beatty, Dave Phillips, John Phillips, Jim Barto, Bob Wolfe, Mike Ferrara, Bill Muzzy, Terry Liersaph, Bob Basl, Jon Hutton, and Dave McVickers.

We also wish to thank all who attended THE FIRST ANNUAL "LAMBDA CHI A-GO-GO." Because of your attendance, our first attempt was a success. Our very special thanks go out to all the sororities and congratulations to ALPHA XI DELTA's LINDA SHAVER who won first place.

This week, Lambda Chi Alpha made history on our campus! Slippery Rock experienced its first "MOVE-IN." The SISTERS of ALPHA SIGMA TAU took over the Lambda Chi House from Monday afternoon until Tuesday evening. The Sisters baked cakes and cookies for the MIXER Tuesday night. A great improvement in the house was noticed by the Brothers, for a woman's touch means so much! The mixer's theme was "A Beach Blow-Out" and the Brothers are indebted to the SISTERS of ALPHA SIGMA TAU for a fabulous mixer.

The Lambda Chi's had a "LSD Party" last Saturday, and although nobody took a "trip," we all had fun. At the house tomorrow night, we are having a Costume Party to celebrate Halloween. It's "BROOM TIME" at 304 South Main.

Well, that's about it for this week, see you all next time.

P.S. "Break A Leg" to the cast of BILLY BUDD!

Sigma Pi — Dan Musko

Sigma Pi starts its new pledge class with William Caton, Robert Jordan, Robert Sheen, Bob Frederick, Bruce Titus and Henry Keller. Good luck pledges.

Two weeks ago, the Brothers had a successful mixer with the SISTERS of ZETA TAU ALPHA and are looking forward to future mixers with the other sororities. Congratulations are extended to BROTHER GARY BROWN and his pinmate, JAN SMITH. Funny, but more and more of the Sigma Pi pins are being worn by the opposite sex. Best wishes also to BROTHER BOB THOMPSON and his fiancée, CANDY BALTIC.

We feel that everyone will agree with us that DALE "BARNEY" BARNHART is the biggest "CREEP" on campus! We hope that he will help bring in lots of money for the Crippled Children's Fund sponsored by the SISTERS of SIGMA SIGMA SIGMA. The Brothers are diligently preparing for Greek Week activities; the skit is being rehearsed, the "olympic" athletes are in training, and the chariot is being overhauled.

Tomorrow night the Brothers and pledges are having a Halloween Party; needless to say, the social calendar is keeping the Brothers and pledges quite busy.

That's all the Nu's. Be back in two weeks.

Theta Chi — Joe Herbulock

The Zeta Pledge Class has two more members, JACK MARINO and RICH SHOEMAKER. This brings the class up to nine men. ROGER BAKER went national after bringing up his grades. He is the latest member of the Delta Pledge Class to become a Brother.

The Brothers of Theta Chi sang the DREAM GIRL SONG to NONI DAUGHERTY, with a solo by JOE "BULL" PERRY. The Pin Song went out to PAT BOHINCE, pinned to BOB SCHOELLER, and PEG

# Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor,

Why isn't Nifty in Towers, Riviera, Summit, Fairview, and Sentinel? The students in North, Rhoads, Patterson, and Harner can tune in and listen, why should these other students be denied? Are they social outcasts or something?

I've heard a lot of these students say that they don't feel a part of campus life. Wouldn't being able to listen to the college radio station help remedy this? WNFT is a means of communication for the college students, why is it only benefitting some of them?

Sincerely,  
Shirley Arena

October 24, 1966

Dear Editor:

WNFT, the campus radio station, is a great attribute to the student body of Slippery Rock State College. Why, then, are the four hundred girls in Towers deprived of this great listening pleasure? Are we not just as much a part of the college as any of the other students on campus? Towers Hall has contributed a disc jockey to WNFT and has helped to supply the records for her radio show. Should we not be privileged to hear the selections she dedicates to us? I feel that adjustments should be made so that Towers Hall residents may enjoy WNFT as does the rest of the college.

Sincerely,  
Mary Ann Miles

**EDITOR'S NOTE:** In regard to the above two letters there is much to be said. Believe it or not, The Rocket received a total of 18 letters this week on the very same topic. Over 40 people have come up to me asking the same questions.

Here is your answer. WNFT is ready. The station has the equipment and technical know-how to install it. But WNFT is closed-circuit and operates through the telephone lines. The local phone company indicated that the "Nifty" lines would be in by September. September is gone, October is almost gone.

Mr. Selman has repeatedly asked the phone company to get on the ball. I think the problem is that the phone company is too small an operation for a "huge" metropolis like Slippery Rock.

Walt O., Assistant Editor

Dear Editor,

This letter is directed to all S.R. women. W.R.A. is Calling all Elementary, Secondary, Liberal Arts, Library Science, and Physical Education majors! Volleyball intramurals will begin Tuesday, November 8 and the Women's Recreation Association would like to have your support.

In the past, intramurals have been quite successful; however, there seems to be a lack of enthusiasm this year. W.R.A. is your organization. It was established for the purpose of providing every S.R. woman with an opportunity to participate in a wide variety of physical activities. Remember the motto: "A sport for every girl and every girl in a sport."

When asking students if they were going to sign up for volleyball intramurals, the same feeble excuses were given—"I'm too busy," "I can't play well," and "The Physical Education majors always win." In answer to the previous questions, volleyball intramurals only require 30 minutes each week of your precious time; you don't have to be highly skilled just interested; and the teams will be balanced.

Sponsoring volleyball intramurals will be Miss McCarty. They will be held every Tuesday and Thursday evening from 7-9 in the East Gym beginning November 8 and ending December 17. Club members may not participate in intramurals except to officiate. A traveling trophy will be presented to the dorm champs.

Sign up on your B.R. Doors now ! ! ! !

Sincerely,  
Sharon Watson

PREZWODOSKI to JERRY MEANS. Lavaliered recently were CINDY KAMMERER of Towers Hall to RUDY "FANG" FORST and SUE BREST to SCOT VENSIL, now in the army, and another Brother.

Good luck to RICH ROBUCK in the Campus Creep Contest. And the Brothers are looking forward to building a chariot for Greek Week with the ZTA's.

After defeating Westminster Theta Chi 35-7 in football, our chapter next travels to Pitt to meet Alpha Beta Chapter of Theta Chi, who are currently intramural football champs at Pitt.

Theta Xi Greek News — Keith Elford  
All the Xi's let their hair down at their Hells Angels party on the 15th.

On the 19th, BROTHERS DOUG HOUSE-KNECKT, PETE MACKO, BOB REED, BOB FASANO, and our advisor MR. RAYMOND WALLACE were initiated into the bonds of Theta Xi.

We wish to congratulate the entire cast of "Billy Budd" for their superb performances, especially our own thespians JOHN HULL, BOB BARNES, and

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