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Dear Alumni Brothers:

Another first for Eta Rho! In May of this year, the collegiate chapter nominated Brother Paul E. Gerard III, Eta Rho 99, for Sigma Nu's national Man of the Year. As a result of this nomination, Brother Gerard was selected for membership in the Alpha Chapter. Brother Gerard, who graduated this August, was initiated as Alpha #139 at the Sigma Nu Grand Chapter held in Toronto, Canada, August 25-28. To explain further, Alpha Chapter Affiliation is the highest distinction which can be awarded an undergraduate Sigma Nu. In the eight years since this award was begun, only 39 men have been selected to receive it. Brother Gerard is the first Sigma Nu from the state of Kentucky as well as Eta Rho chapter to be selected. We highly suspect that he is the first Alpha from a chapter as young as Eta Rho.

Western's 1970 Homecoming is scheduled Saturday, October 10. The Collegiate Chapter has invited all alumni to an open house before the game. The Alumni Chapter will have a hospitality room at the Ramada Inn for an "after game gathering" and a party is planned for Saturday night by the active chapter. As some of you are aware, in year's past an OMA Kron party is held somewhere, sometime during the weekend. Unfortunately, many do not learn of it until Sunday night after the party. This year, hopefully, we can <u>ALL</u> get together at the Ramada. A more detailed schedule of Homecoming events will be forthcoming from Western and the active chapter. Please mail all correspondence concerning Homecoming to: Horace Shrader, Box 197-College Heights, Bowling Green, Kentucky 42101.

At the summer party-alumni meeting held August 1, at Somerset, I was chosen President of the Alumni association for this year. Other officers are Horace Shrader (vice-president) and Tom Ryan (Secretary-treasurer.) This meeting was attended by Jack Doyle, Reed Morgan, Bob Blackford, Cookie Cook, Randy Bowling, Ron Morehead, Horace Shrader, Tom Ryan, and myself. Everyone enjoyed the party and we hope to have this as the annual Alumni Association meeting in the years to come. The Alumni paid for this party and we felt it was well worth the money (about \$30.00.)

At the meeting we decided to elect officers by mail ballot in the future, with the method of nomination to be decided later. We will mail a ballot to every paid up member of the Alumni Association for him to cast his ballot. The dues to the Alumni Association will continue to be \$10.00 a year, payable either to Tom Ryan, Horace Shrader, or me.

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We are beginning to have a rather serious problem mount up at the collegiate chapter as a result of aged alumni accounts. We, as alumni, now owe the chapter \$1,938.94. This money is badly needed to make house repairs and improvements. In the near future, the paid up members of the Alumni Association will decide whether to turn these bills over to a collector. If this is done, it will damage some credit ratings, and we don't want this unless it becomes necessary. Two thousand dollars is a lot of money!

I think everyone is interested in what others are doing, so I am going to pass on some news; Joe Downing is out of the Navy and living in Glasgow and teaching in Park City. Jim Denhardt is entering Law School at Stetson in St. Petersburg, Florida. He and Grace Anne want us all to spend our vacation with them. Bucky Lanning recently passed the Bar Exam and <u>may</u> be working! Ron Morehead just finished four months in the States and is now touring S. Vietnam.

I hope we can get all of the alumni to be active in the Alumni Chapter so we can do a lot for the Collegiate Chapter that we did not have done for us. Remember the old complaint we used to use "We don't have any alumni to help us?" Let's not have that changed to "We don't have any alumni that will help us." The house is in need of carpet and curtains, the driveway needs to be paved in back, and there are many other things this missing \$2,000.00 plus our alumni chapter could do. Please send your Alumni dues and past due chapter dues to any of the below.

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