

Brotherhood reaches far

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Most every college student is familiar with the term "road trip" where a bunch of people get in a car and travel to another city or campus. During the weekend of April 9-12, three Brothers of Phi Kappa, namely Jim Sperelakis, Bill McDermott, and Jeff Simpson, decided to make a "road trip" to Philadelphia.

In Philadelphia we were looking forward to attending the National Council meeting and the Paul K. Addams testimonial dinner, as well as meeting some of our Brothers from the east.

Traveling to Philadelphia was a first for all of us. We knew it would be a long trip, but our motivation was strong. We decided to drive the 1600 miles (round trip). Leaving Champaign at 5:00 pm Friday, we soon encountered a thunderstorm which lasted until we reached Pennsylvania. Our spirits were not

dampened, however, as we managed to keep busy talking and listening to some of the many cassettes provided by the McDermott library of music.

Arrive Tired

When we arrived in Philadelphia at 8 am Saturday, we were in desperate need of food, showers, and sleep. The Brothers of Phi Phi happily accommodated us. The National Council, which was held at the Phi Phi Chapter House, started about 11 am. Unfortunately, only one of us was able to stay awake for the four hour meeting.

It was soon time for the testimonial dinner for Paul K. Addams. We were especially looking forward to meeting this famous Crow alum. The dinner proved to be all and more than we expected. Various honorable Crow alums gave their testimonials about Brother Addams. He certainly inspired each of us with his accomplishments and continuing service to Alpha Chi

Rho. After dinner we had a chance to meet and talk with many of the National Officers and with Brothers from other Chapters.

Exchange Ideas

It was very interesting meeting and talking with Brothers from some of our eastern Chapters. We exchanged ideas, stories, and a joke or two. This was especially satisfying because it showed a common bond of friendship and Brotherhood that exists between all Brothers in Alpha Chi Rho.

Late Saturday night was the time when we would get our chance to visit and support the campus bars in Philadelphia. During the three hours that we spent at the bars, we managed to meet many students, while consuming gallons of beer. Being the die-hard partiers that we are, we stayed out until 5 am Sunday, knowing the drive home would be a long one.

Sunday morning we awoke in good spirits. Having slept for about

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