

New Campus Groups Rejects Hazing, Seeks Personal Goals

By Milton Jordan

The meeting began without much fuss or fanfare, as the thirty or so college men filed into the small student union meeting room and sat quietly. Thomas Stith, the group's president, moved quickly through the evening's agenda.

Item one: the group would participate in the basketball tournament that weekend sponsored by the NCCU Council of Independent Organizations (CIO), but would not take part in the "step show."

Item two: the committee working on the fundraising banquet has scheduled it for the next Friday.

Item three: the committee working on the high school seminars has one scheduled for Jordan Senior High School, the college students go in and talk with high school seniors. They tell them what to expect from college life, and give advice on how to prepare for it and how to get the most out of it.

"I was very impressed and inspired by them and their idea," said James Sills, Jordan High's principal. "I have not worked with them on one of these seminars yet. But I thought the idea was very noble and commendable."

Nu Phi Omega's community outreach thrust extends beyond the high schools.

Other projects the group has planned for this first year of operation include:

- Trips to local businesses, particularly those of significant interest to the group's members, to get a firsthand look at how the business world works.
- Weekly visits to local churches as a group to offer volunteer help with certain church activities and projects.
- A "big brother" project to work with youth in the community.

And while these projects are all ambitious, they reflect the ambitious approach these

men take to being college students.

"An organization like ours represents the real reason you go to college," Wright said. "College is for learning, and our organization is designed to assist and maximize the learning process."

But to whatever extent Nu Phi Omega differs from other campus organizations in purpose, projects and approach, the group is certainly different in at least one other area.

New members are not hazed as part of the initiation process, according to the group's officers.

"We don't feel that you can really be a man's brother by beating him," Stith said, "and we don't think the way to learn how a man thinks and feels is to shave his head and lead him around on a leash."

It is not clear if hazing, which is outlawed by college regulations, actually occurs in campus organizations at NCCU, or it's merely an impression, but Stith and Wright felt the impression strongly enough to reject all existing campus organizations last fall as they were looking around for ways to be involved with the campus.

"We looked into all organizations," Stith said, "and decided that none of them offered what we were looking for. Either the initiation process included things we didn't think were appropriate, or the program didn't offer what we felt we needed as young college students."

Nu Phi Omega was chartered as a campus organization in February. Its 35 members meet weekly to discuss projects and other plans. Most of the members were friends already.

Joining is simple. The organization is open to all NCCU students, and prospective members go through a number of interviews and rap sessions with the group's officers

and other members, mostly to determine if the new man's thinking coincides with the group's.

In addition to Stith, who is president, and Wright, who is vice president, other Nu Phi Omega officers are: Hubert Williams, freshman, secretary; William K. Graham, junior, minister of finance; Rickie Moore, freshman, minister of the hour; Samuel Slish, sophomore, social director; and Kenneth Sanford, freshman, secretary of internal affairs.

Bulldog Baseball Expected To Gel By Midseason

By B. Dawson

With 11 players in the lineup, the Durham High Bulldogs baseball team expects to struggle just a little early in the season, peak about mid-way through, and hit the post season tournament play in full stride.

Bulldog coach, Joe Wolf, outlined this strategy following back-to-back Bulldog losses in recent non-conference games. In the season opener, Southern's Spartans smashed Durham High 12-1, and Athens clobbered Durham High 11-4 just three days later.

According to Wolf, the Bulldogs are strong in pitching, with two experienced moundmen among the 11 returning players. They are Tony Neville, a sophomore, who is also one of the team's better batters; and Tim King, a sophomore, who fired four innings of no-hit ball at Jordan's Falcons in a scrimmage game just before Durham High's opening tilt with Southern.

Wolf rates Tracy Scott as the Bulldogs' best all-around player, noting that he always gets good wood on the ball. As for improvement, Wolf wants to see the Bulldogs put more men on base offensively, and cut down on the defensive errors.

In other high school baseball action, Hillside's Hornets dropped a close non-conference game to Athens, 1-0, two weeks before its season opener at Henderson Vance on April 20.

NCCU 'Educational Transplant' Features Two Experts

Intensive, week-long courses in "Taxes for Practice" and "Introduction to Computer Concepts" will be offered in the Educational Transplant program of the North Carolina Central University School of Business, May 17-21.

The courses, taught respectively by representatives of the accounting firm of Arthur Young and Company and of P.P.G. industries, feature the tested training techniques used by those companies in their employee education programs.

Intended primarily for NCCU business students, the courses will be open to the public as well. Tuition will be charged.

"Taxes for Practice" covers such tax account-

ing concepts as taxable income, accounting periods, methods, related parties, receivables, investments, subsidiaries, foreign investments, liabilities, equity, profit and loss, net operating losses, individual taxpayers, miscellaneous provisions, and audit tax

responsibilities. "Introduction to computer Concepts" is P.P.G.'s presentation of problem solving, flowcharting, and computer programming techniques used in computerized industrial business applications. The BASIC computer language will be used.

For further information about the two courses, contact Raphael N. Thompson, chairman, Department of Accounting, NCCU, at 583-6403.



Nu Phi Omega Brotherhood

Founding members of Nu Phi Omega Brotherhood on the campus of North Carolina Central University in front of statue of Dr. James E. Shepard, founder of the institution. They are (kneeling, l-r): Daryl Spellman, Kevin Bell, Hubert Williams; (front row) William Graham, Charles Wright, Jr., Thomas A. Stith, III, Kenneth Sanford, Samuel Slish, Rickie Moore. Advisors Mrs. Floree McLaughlin and Douglas Holmes; (second row) Daryl Hoesy, William Glover, Charles Sanders, Pedro Bennett, John Perry, Marland Farrington, Bradford Willis, Dr. Roger Bryant; (third row) Booker Jones, Donnie Gorham, Ernest Gilmore, Antonio Henson, Randolph Williams. [See Story]

Photo by Silas Maxwell

Hillside Loses Locals Excel

By B. Dawson

Hillside High School lost its first track meet this season, falling to Henderson Vance 84 1/2 to 54 1/2 at Shepard trackfield. The Hornets' record is now 2-1.

But even in losing, several Hillside track stars turned in outstanding performances.

Chris Borden won the discus toss with a heave of 141 feet, 2 inches. Paul Perry won the shot put with a toss of 48 feet, 2 inches. Perry also took the pole vaulting event, clearing 10 feet.

Hillside's best sprinter, Keith Chestnut, clocked 21.9 in the 200 meters, and Dwight Bostic won the two-mile run with a time of 10:08. Bostic, a senior, has been one of Hillside's most consistent long distance runners in recent years. He also placed second in the mile-run against Vance.

Hillside's track team will face the Knights from Northern High School, in a Big Six Conference meet next Thursday.

State sponsor of the contest, the N.C. Association of Insurance Agents, Inc., hopes that the contest will encourage youth to be more aware of safety practices while in traffic of all types.

Traffic Poster Contest Winners Announced

Winners were announced this week in the Durham County 4-H Traffic Safety Poster Contest. The contest is sponsored each year by Independent Insurance Agents of Durham, Inc. Of the 43 posters submitted, three were selected as prize winners. Third place was received by Melissa Bell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Claude Bell. Ethan Golden, son of Mr. and Mrs. David Wiley, won second place; and first place winner was Chris Palmatier, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Palmatier.

Hope Valley School won the contest among schools by turning in 18 posters. Club Boulevard was a close second with 16.

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