Scholarship Programming.

Ideas for the IFC Scholarship officer or chapter scholarship officers

BEST PRACTICES FOR PROGRAMS

Many fraternities teach that the primary duty to self, family, college, country and Fraternity is to do the best of which we are capable. Part of the value of the Fraternity experience rests in learning to live with and be of service to our fellow man.

The following is a brief discussion of a few topics which may be considered in such a program of assistance:

- Encourage members to **seek assistance from their professors**. As the number of collegegoing students continues to grow, it becomes increasingly important for students to attempt to maintain a close relationship with members of the faculty.
- Avoid forced study tables; these represent a negative approach to the problem of selfdiscipline. Too often, forced study tables are noisy, closed in and seen as an opportunity for a good time instead of concentrated individual study.
- Concentrate on a scholarship program which assists the individual in budgeting his time, in **learning how to study**, and in utilizing his time most effectively in an atmosphere conducive to learning.

CHAPTER SCHOLARSHIP SELF-ASSESSMENT

- 1. Does your chapter have a scholarship chairman and a committee which is functioning?
- 2. Does the chapter scholarship chair know the exam schedule of the new member class, and is this used to prevent conflicts between exams and new member activities?
- 3. Do big brothers keep informed about the grades of their little brother(s)?
- 4. Is a minimum GPA required for initiation of a pledge/new member?
- 5. Did at least 75% of the new member class achieve the required GPA and qualify to initiate?
- 6. Do the new members and brothers know of and use university resources such as reading and study clinics and counseling centers?
- 7. Are brothers required to follow in-house quiet hours (if applicable)?
- 8. Is chapter recognition given to brothers who do well academically?
- 9. Are fewer than 15% of the brothers on academic probation?
- 10. Is the chapter GPA above the all-campus, all men and all-fraternity GPA?
- 11. Do all of the chapter officers maintain average or above average academic standards?
- 12. Do brothers who have high GPAs remain active participants in the chapter, even as juniors and seniors?

Advancing fraternity.

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