

EPSILON SIGMA PHI

Epsilon Sigma Phi is the National Honorary Extension Fraternity. It began in January 1927 in Bozeman, Montana. Utah's Iota Chapter held its first meeting on May 9, 1927 at the Eccles Hotel in Logan, Utah. The first initiation ceremony with six candidates was held July 1927.

PURPOSE

The purpose of the Epsilon Sigma Phi is to maintain the standards and ideals, uphold the morale, prestige and respect of the Cooperative Extension Service; to develop an effective working relationship and a spirit of fraternal fellowship among the present and former Extension employees, and to promote professionalism within the Extension Service.

THE EMBLEM

The official emblem of Epsilon Sigma Phi has a wall of Troy around the outside symbolizing the protection which the fraternity gives to its members. The E on the stem of the key signifies Extension. The Greek letters are interpreted to mean Extension Service Veteran.

1986-87

EPSILON SIGMA PHI
EXTENSION HONORARY FRATERNITY

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- PresidentMargie Ruth Newman
- Vice President.....Elaine Hatch
- Secretary-Treasurer.....Ruth Coates
- Historian.....Carol Williams

- Welcome Margie Newman
- Invocation Blaine Jones
- Minutes and Financial Report..... Ruth Coates
- Introduction of Emeriti Members Arthur Cahoon
- Initiation Ceremony Iota Chapter Officers
- Auld Lang Syne Carol Williams
- Memorial William Farnsworth

- Ray Thatcher Robert L. Hassell
- Hyrum Steffen Dr. George Knowlton
- Lee Guymon

Business

- Introduction of Nominees for Officers and Balloting Elaine Hatch
- Authentic Nominations from Floor*
- Presentation of Awards

Meritorious Service Awards

- Mary Lois Madsen Halcyon Robins
- Verl Matthews Larry Sagers
- William Farnsworth Terry Tindall

State Distinguished Service

- Ivan Blaine Jones Ralph Horne
- Early Career

- Larry Sagers Duane Hatch

Mid Career

- Faye Boyer Jean Kobayashi
- State Friend of Extension

- Commissioner Michael D. Stewart . R. Paul Larsen

Election results and Installation of Officers

DUES

- \$12.00 annually
- \$ 5.00 reinstatement fee
- \$ 5.00 initiation fee

- Retirees
- \$35.00 Life members (National)
- \$25.00 Life members (Iota Chapter) or
- \$ 5.00 Iota Chapter (annually)

EXTENSION WORKERS CREED

I BELIEVE in people and their hopes, their aspirations, and their faith, in their right to make their own plans and arrive at their own decisions; in their ability and power to enlarge their lives and plan for the happiness of those they love.

I BELIEVE that education, of which extension work is an essential part, is basic in stimulating individual initiative, self-determination, and leadership, that these are the keys to democracy and that people when given facts they understand, will act not only in their self-interest, but also in the interest of society.

I BELIEVE that education is a lifelong process and the greatest university is the home; that my success as a teacher is proportional to those qualities of mind and spirit that give me welcome entrance to the homes of the families I serve.

I BELIEVE in intellectual freedom to search for and present the truth without bias and with courteous tolerance toward the view of others.

I BELIEVE that the Extension service is a link between the people and the ever-changing discoveries in the laboratories.

I BELIEVE in public institutions of which I am a part.

I BELIEVE in my own work and in the opportunity I have to make my life useful to mankind.

Because I BELIEVE these things, I am an Extension Worker.



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THE NATIONAL HONORARY EXTENSION FRATERNITY, INC.

Utah State University

Logan, Utah

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