

More frat boys here

by Rick McArthur

On October 3, there will be a new fraternity on the University of Alberta campus.

The Kappa Alpha Society, which is the oldest organization of its kind, and the foundation upon which the modern fraternity was built, will be adding a chapter here.

It is mainly due to the efforts of Peter Strickland, a third year student, that this turn of events has occurred. Strickland, whose father and grandfather are both alumni of the Kappa Alpha Society at the University of Toronto, decided in September of 1987 to investigate the possibi-

ties of establishing a chapter in Edmonton.

He first approached the Interfraternity Council (I.F.C.) with his idea and received a favourable reception. In fact, I.F.C. unanimously approved his bid, paving the way for Strickland to pursue the matter with the Executive Council of the Kappa Alpha Society, based in New York. In September last year, he wrote a letter to the Executive Council expressing his interest in forming a chapter.

Their response was a letter asking Strickland for a history of the University, a list of petitioners (future members), and a letter of support from I.F.C. By February, all this information had been sent. During this time, Strickland had also been contacting Kappa Alpha alumni now living in Alberta and asking them to write to the Executive Council expressing their support for a chapter in Edmonton.

Early in the summer break, Strickland was called to Toronto

to discuss in greater detail exactly what would be involved in establishing a chapter, and by June, the Executive Council had voted in favour of Strickland. Still, a charter could not be granted until the individual KA chapters approved of the move, and they had sixty days to make a decision.

In the end, the decision was in favour of Strickland, and, over the summer, an alumni association and an executive for the Alberta branch of the Kappa Alpha Society (with Strickland as president) were formed.

The Gateway

will be having a staff meeting on Thursday at 5 p.m.

ALL volunteers welcome

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Reform Party revs up

by Shelby Cook

"Ottawa is a dirty word," said John Hamilton, who is the Reform Party candidate for the Calgary Centre federal constituency.

About 1,000 of the 1,252 main floor seats were filled Monday at the Jubilee Auditorium for the Reform Party of Canada rally.

E. Preston Manning, son of former Alberta Premier E.C. Manning (Social Credit), is the elected leader of this eleven month old political party.

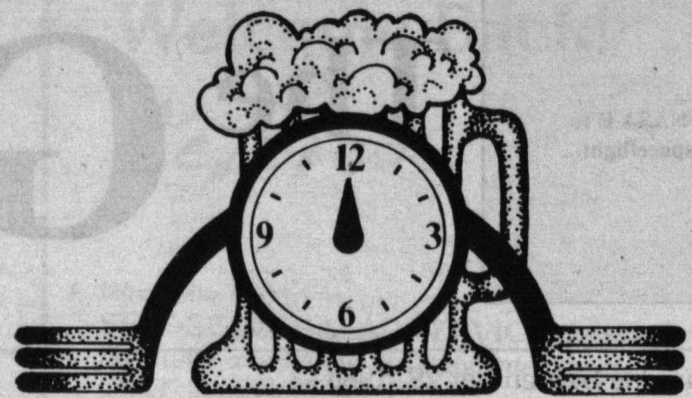
The thirteen candidates at the rally are from the three Western provinces, eight of which will be running in Alberta.

The party is comparable to a federal western version of the Parti Quebecois.

According to Monday's forum, the reason for the formation of the party is to bring a stronger Western influence into the House of Commons.

Doug Main, candidate for Edmonton-Strathcona, said there are "several nervous Tories" with the riding who "have their own ideas, and I have mine."

Party leader Manning compared the Reform Party to the early Progressives. Both groups formed a new party with roots outside of Upper Canada, and injected a separatist option for voters.



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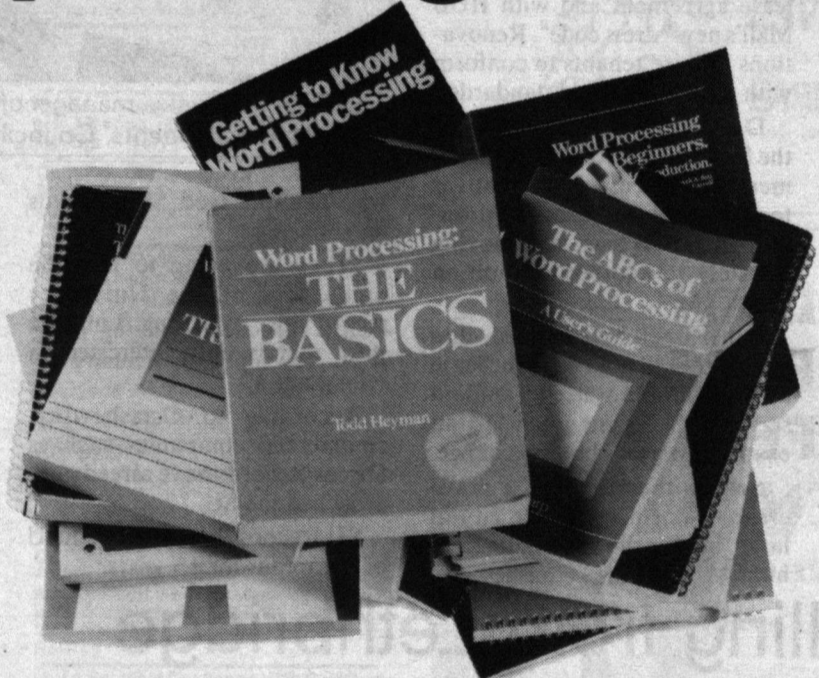
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