### THE FRATERNITY OF ALPHA ZETA



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January 2, 1980

Ferdie J. Deering 3232 Whippoorwill Road, Oklahoma City, OK 73120

Dear Mr. Deering:

We were delighted to receive your letter accepting our invitation to honorary membership in Alpha Zeta. I look forward to meeting you and Mrs. Deering in Stillwater in August.

As our agenda takes final form, we will forward additional information. You will also begin receiving the AZ news, a quarterly newsletter mailed to over 52,000 members.

At your convenience, we would appreciate receiving a black & white photograph of yourself that might be used in news releases and in-house publications.

We have some biographical material prepared prior to and subsequent to your receipt of the Reuben Brigham award. If a later biographical sketch is available, we would appreciate receiving a copy of that information also.

Sincere thanks again from all of us in Alpha Zeta. You honor us in accepting membership.

Fraternally,

G. W. Roach

Executive Secretary

cc: Steve R. Meyer

Dr. Maurice G. Cook

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July 11, 1980

Mr. Ferdie J. Deering 3232 Whippoorwill Road, Oklahoma City, OK 73120

Dear Mr. Deering:

The Alpha Zeta Conclave is less than a month away. We look forward to seeing you and Mrs. Deering in Stillwater on August 10.

Enclosed is a more complete conclave agenda listing the specific times and rooms for most of the functions. Your initiation to honorary membership will be part of a special "Alumni Day" program which typically draws a number of area alumni, faculty, wives, and friends.

We believe you and your wife might especially enjoy the reception preceding the initiation. It will be held, beginning at 10 a.m., in the French Lounge of the O.S.U. Student Union. Steven Drake, our High Censor(V.P.) and Director of Information & Education for the American Soybean Association, will meet you at the reception to discuss arrangements for the initiation which follows at 11:30. That ceremony is brief and open to members only. Robert Book, Group Vice President of Elanco's Agricultural Marketing division, will also be initiated that morning.

You and your wife will be guests of honor at the Conclave Banquet following that initiation.

You and Mrs. Deering are invited to join us in as many of the conclave functions as you might like. If you would like overnight lodging in the Student Union Hotel during any part of the Conclave, we will gladly make those arrangements.

Should you wish to contact us during the Conclave, I can be reached through our headquarters in the Student Union -- phone (405) 624-6510 -- beginning on Wednesday, August 6.

All of us look forward to meeting you and welcoming you to membership in Alpha Zeta. If we can be of assistance in the meantime, please let me know.

Sincerely,

G. W. Roach Executive Secretary A pha 201 + 20th central and Chairman Take 10th August 8 11 and

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Conclave Agenda 37th Biennial Conclave of The Fraternity of Alpha Zeta August 7-11, 1980: Stillwater, Oklahoma

Thursday August 7	1-5 p.m. & 7-11 p.m. 6-8 p.m. 8:30 p.m. 9:30 p.m.	Check-in & Late Registration Lobby of Kerr-Drummond Residence Complex Reception, Kerr-Drummond Mezzanine Credentials Committee, Room 356, S.U. Committee Chairpersons, Room 358, S.U. Ad Hoc Awards Committee, Room 359, S.U.
Friday August 8	7:30 a.m. 8:30 a.m. 7:30 p.m. 9 p.m.	Direction '80 Breakfast Kerr-Drummond Cafeteria Buses depart from Kerr-Drummond for all-day Tour of Oklahoma Agriculture and Cowboy Hall of Fame (lunch enroute) Opening Ceremony, Official Welcome, and General Business Session, Oklahoma Room Committees at work
Saturday August 9	8:30 a.m.  12 noon 2 p.m. 3 p.m. 6 p.m. 8 p.m.	Agricultural Career Show, Exhibit Halls Concurrent Career Show Seminars at 9:30 \$ 10:30 (by reservation) Career Show Luncheon, S.U. Ballroom General Business Session, Oklahoma Room Concurrent Career Show Seminars (open) Committees at work Concurrent Workshops at 3 \$ 4 p.m. Bar-B-Q, by the pond West of S.U. Committees at work
Sunday August 10 Alumni Day	8:30 a.m. 10 a.m. 11:30 a.m. 12:30 p.m. 2:30 p.m.	Prayer Breakfast, S.U. Ballroom Committees at work Concurrent Workshops Alumni Day Reception, French Lounge Initiation of Robert Book and Ferdie Deering to Honorary Membership Georgian Lounge Conclave Banquet, S.U. Ballroom General Business Session and/or Committees at work Concurrent Workshops at 3 & 4 p.m. Concurrent O.S.U. Alumni Day Program in Tower Forum Room General Business Session and/or Committees at work
	8 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 1 p.m.	Regional Breakfasts, Kerr-Dmd Cafeteria General Business Session, Oklahoma Room Concurrent Workshops at 9:30 & 10:30 General Business Session & Closing Ceremony
Committee Room	Budget Chapter Credent: Fratern: Member 1	Awards  S.U. Room 359 S.U. Room 352 Relations S.U. Room 353 S.U. Room 356 S.U. Room 356 S.U. Room 357 Relations S.U. Room 357 S.U. Room 358 S.U. Room 358 S.U. Council Room



Ferdie J. Deering

# Agribiz Writer To Get Honor

Ferdie J. Deering, Sunday Oklahoman agricultural columnist, will be named an honorary member of the Alpha Zeta national agricultural fraternity Sunday at the organization's national conclave in Stillwater.

His initiation to honorary membership status will be part of a special "Alumni Day" program in the Oklahoma State University Student Union building.

Honorary membership also will be conferred upon Robert Book, group vice president of Elanco's agricultural marketing division in Indianapolis, Ind.



## Deering Honored By Fraternity

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## Oklahoma State University

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August 15, 1980

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Mr. Ferdie Deering 3232 Whippoorwill Rd. Oklahoma City, OK 73120

Dear Ferdie:

Certainly a highlight of the recent National Alpha Zeta conclave was the initiation of Honorary Members. The Oklahoma Chapter is especially proud of your membership in our organization and we hope that you will always feel a part of our Chapter. Meetings are scheduled for 1 hour on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of each month at 6:30 p.m. in Ag. Hall 102 or 106, should you be in town and find it convenient to attend. I will try to keep you informed of special meetings and events.

With sincere best wishes, and kindest personal regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

Lowell E. Walters, Professor Alpha Zeta Advisor

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## MEET AZ'S 1980 CONCLAVE INITIATES



Honorary Members

Robert Book

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Ferdie Deering



ROBERT M. BOOK, a native of Indiana, is group vice president for agricultural marketing with Elanco Products Company, a division of Eli Lilly & Company. Internationally recognized for his leadership in ag marketing, Brother Book is vice chairman of the board and a director of the U.S. Feed Grains Council and serves on the boards of directors of the Agriculture Council of America, The Early & Daniel Company, General Grains, Inc., and Tidewater Grain.

FERDIE J. DEERING is a writer and journalist. For over 40 years, he has been affiliated with THE FARMER-STOCKMAN magazines -- for 30 years as editor. Since his retirement in 1972, he has served as editorial director and secretary of the board of directors of The Farmer-Stockman Publishing Company. He continues to write for THE DAILY OKLAHOMAN and THE SUNDAY OKLAHOMAN, and is the author of a history of the Oklahoma Farm Bureau soon to be published. He is an "institution" in Oklahoma.

We welcome both to membership in Alpha Zeta!!