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Sigma Nu Runs for Those Who Can't

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DAYTON, Ohio, February 26, 1985 -- In a money-raising effort to fight cystic fibrosis, the University of Dayton's chapter of Sigma Nu fraternity will run a basketball 220 miles from the University of Notre Dame, South Bend, Indiana, to the University of Dayton Arena in time for the basketball game between the two schools on Saturday, March 9, at noon.

The fraternity has been preparing nearly four months for the run, acquiring donations from businesses and individuals. On Thursday, March 7, approximately 35 Sigma Nu brothers will board a chartered bus for Notre Dame. After arriving at the university, the group will begin the game ball run back to the University of Dayton Arena.

The run, which will take approximately 30 hours, will be like a large relay. Each person will run one mile at a time, then hand the basketball to the next runner. This rotation will continue through the entire 220 miles back to Dayton.

Sigma Nu is an international fraternity with over 200 chapters across the United States and Canada. The University of Dayton chapter started the annual service project for cystic fibrosis last year, raising nearly $1800 running 165 miles from Eastern Kentucky University, Richmond, Kentucky, to the UD Arena. This year, the fraternity is hoping to raise $4,000.

Cystic fibrosis is a chronic, degenerative disease which attacks the lungs and digestive system. It is the number one genetic killer of children in America.

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