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HAZING INCIDENT LEADS TO THE END OF CHI PSI FRATERNITY

BOULDER, CO- On Sept. 18 the University of Colorado requested that the charter of Chi Psi be revoked due to the death of Lynn “Gordie” Bailey. Bailey died of alcohol poisoning Sept. 17 after a bonfire party for the Chi Psi pledges.

Ten bottles of whiskey and wine were present, and a police affidavit states, “no one was leaving until the whiskey was gone”. The national Chi Psi offices view this incident as a form of hazing. Upon request of the University of Colorado, Chi Psi leaders have revoked the charter of the University of Colorado chapter.

CU-Boulder spokesperson Pauline Hale states, “Our goal is to do everything we can to prevent such a tragedy from happening again”. The university sees the issue of alcohol abuse as a long-term problem and plans to take a comprehensive approach toward it by involving students, parents, administration, and community and government leaders.

The University plans to work with fraternity and sorority leaders in order to assess all aspects of Greek Life, with an emphasis on the role of alcohol in social contexts.

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