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Alpha Phi Omega:

A History of Scouting

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A Look Back at NSW 2011

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FROM THE FRATERNITY

“People ask me what I do in winter when there’s no baseball. I’ll tell you what I do. I stare out the window and wait for spring.” – Rogers Hornsby

Like Rogers Hornsby, I, too, wait for spring. It is a time for looking forward, not backward, and it is in this season that we anticipate the many good things to come. I welcome the return of spring training and opening day for the baseball season. However, I also look forward to the spring for what it means to Alpha Phi Omega. Spring time is a season of beginnings, of hope, and of renewal.

As I look forward, I think about the many things that we have to look forward to this year: new pledge classes, new brothers, and of course, new chapters. On campuses around the nation, Alpha Phi Omega is taking root in the form of interest groups and petitioning groups. As the season continues, those groups will ultimately blossom into chapters, giving those communities the much needed programs and services of our beloved fraternity.

There is much work to be done on behalf of Alpha Phi Omega – from moving steadily toward our goal of 500 chapters by 2025 to the beginning of assessments of our programs, operations, and strategic goals. As we journey through the spring season, as you welcome new members and carry out our programs, please keep in mind that everything you do in the name of Alpha Phi Omega is a seed that you plant – a seed that, with hard work and perseverance, will later bear fruit.

So, as the season moves on, help us to plant the seeds of Alpha Phi Omega where there are none – help us to continue to grow the fraternity so that college students who have not yet had a chance to become brothers may find that opportunity. Help us to reach out to new students, to help them understand our great principles of Leadership, Friendship and Service. We need you to help them to develop into leaders on their college campuses. We need you to help them understand the vital importance of giving unselfishly of their time and energy, and of the value in providing service to others.

There is much we can accomplish, if only we take care to water and cultivate the seeds that we plant. Let us make this commitment to diligently take care of the work we start, to follow that work through to its completion, and to cultivate our new members, new ideas, and new beginnings.

Let the spring planting begin!

Fraternally,

Mark Stratton
National President
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The following actions were taken by
the Board of Directors at the January
28, 2012, meeting:

The Board approved the consent
agenda consisting of the minutes of
the June 24-25, 2011, meeting and
adopted a resolution recognizing the
Girl Scouts of the United States of
America on its 100th anniversary.

The Board approved the 2012
Convention Budget, and the
memorandum of understanding with
the Girl Scouts of the United States of
America was adopted by the Board.

Brother Leslie Santiago, Rho
Gamma ’10, was named the 2012
National Convention Chair.

Brother John Ottenad was
named the 2012 Fall Pledge Class
Namesake Committee Chair. The
following brothers were appointed to
this committee: Marilyn Mims, Ed
Richter, Cole Robertson and Dawn
Gurganious.

A task force was created to
review and revise the procedures
for responding
to allegations
of practices
inconsistent with
fraternity policies,
including hazing.

The Board
approved
amendments and
changes to the
Strategic Plan.

Pursuant to Article IX,
Section 7, of the National Bylaws,
the President declared the following
chapters’ charters null and void:

- Alpha Beta Nu,
  Pennsylvania State at Erie,
  Region V, Section 64
- Alpha Zeta Epsilon,
  College of Mount St. Joseph,
  Region V, Section 56
- Xi Beta, University of Nebraska
  at Kearney,
  Region VIII, Section 26

The Board approved the granting
of charters to:

- University of Illinois, Springfield
  Region VI, Section 47
- University of California, Merced
  Region X, Section 4

A discussion was held reviewing
the results of the Board’s self-
assessment. The three major themes for
the assessment were communications,
Board composition, and the use of
strategic goals to guide planning and
accountability.

3 Brothers Win BTN
LiveBIG Scholarship

Congratulations to the three APO
chapter members who won a 2012
Big Ten Network LiveBIG Scholarship
for Outstanding
Service -- Katherine
Meehan from Alpha
Alpha Chapter at the
University of Illinois, Laura Venn
from Sigma Chapter
at Northwestern
University, and
Timothy Spano
from Alpha Gamma
Chapter at Purdue
University. More than 80,000 votes
were received to choose the winners
of the LiveBIG Scholarships. These
brothers were selected along with
nine other students from the Big Ten
Conference. Way to go brothers!

Affinity Partner
Supports Education

Thank you GEICO for the support
the company provides as an Alpha Phi
Omega affinity partner! In addition
to offering APO members a discount
on their auto insurance rates, GEICO
also sponsors educational programs
for the Fraternity. Visit www.apo.org
to learn more about this partnership
and how you can take advantage of
discount rates through GEICO.
Countdown to 2012 National Convention in Anaheim, California
As of March 1, 2012
299 Days Left

Welcome New Chapters!
PSI University of California, Santa Barbara
ALPHA ETA GAMMA University of California, Merced

APO DATELINE

APRIL

3/30-4/1: Section 90/91/92 Conference, Reading, Pennsylvania
3/30-4/1: Section 79/80 Conference, Winston-Salem, North Carolina
3/30-4/1: Section 69 Conference, Auburn, Alabama
3/30-4/1: Section 64 Conference, New Wilmington, Pennsylvania
3/30-4/1: Section 41 Conference, Dallas, Texas
4/6: Good Friday
4/7: Passover Begins
4/8: Easter
4/13-15: Section 82/83 Conference, Charlottesville, Virginia
4/13-15: Section 67 Conference, Williamstown, Kentucky
4/20-22: Spring Youth Service Day
4/21: Section 70 Conference, Nashville, Tennessee
4/22: Earth Day

MAY

5/1: Spring Youth Service Day Report Due
5/1: John Mack Scholarship Application Due
5/1: Pledge Class Namesake Nominations Due
5/13: Mother’s Day
5/18-20: Membership Academy, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania
5/28: Memorial Day

JUNE

6/1: Graduating Senior List Due
6/8-10: Membership Academy, Iowa City, Iowa
6/8-10: Membership Academy, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
6/17: Father’s Day
6/20: First day of summer
6/22-24: Board Meeting, Anaheim, California
6/29-7/1: Membership Academy, Orlando, Florida

JULY

7/4: Independence Day
7/20-22: Membership University, Memphis, Tennessee
7/27-29: Membership Academy, Chicago, Illinois
7/31: COE/PPOE Paperwork Due
7/31: End of Fiscal Year
Brother Reed Jones has sat through enough college classes, business meetings and seminars to know a good presenter when he sees and hears one. On the flip side, he’s also seen and heard way too many presenters who need improvement.

Not wanting to fall into the second category, Reed enrolled in the Fraternity’s presenter development training program so he could learn to share his message with enthusiasm and inspire brothers to reach their goals.

We need more brothers like Reed to deliver dynamic and engaging workshops for our members through various conference workshops and leadership development courses so we develop the best Leadership, Friendship and Service possible on all levels. Do you have what it takes to be an outstanding presenter? Are you committed to learning the skills necessary to become one? Learn how from Reed.

No Way! During Reed’s senior year in college, his marketing professor ran into the classroom at the top of the hour, disheveled and spilling coffee with every step. Without acknowledging the students, the professor fumbled with a PowerPoint presentation, which he never did get to work. After some choice words, lame apologies and nervous laughter, the professor rummaged through his briefcase, pulled out a crumpled paper and read his lecture notes to the class.

OK! As his chapter’s fundraising chair, Reed wore his best button-down shirt and khakis and arrived at the meeting room an hour before his presentation. He tested his audiovisual equipment,
reviewed the main points of his message, greeted brothers as they entered the room, personalized his message by using their names, and started and ended his presentation on time.


**No Way!** At last week’s business meeting, Reed’s boss lambasted the staff for not meeting the quarterly sales goal and demanded that each person tell him why. In an attempt to motivate them, the boss outlined what he did to win Salesman of the Year five times and shared way too much personal information about the trips he took to celebrate his accomplishments. With one minute left in the meeting, the boss asked if there were any questions.

**OK!** As department manager, Reed distributed the meeting’s agenda to his team and clearly outlined what they would accomplish during the next 60 minutes. He thanked them for their great work during the quarter and challenged them to exceed their current sales numbers because he believed in them and knew they could. As a group, they brainstormed ways to increase sales, and Reed helped them set attainable goals. Reed left ample time for questions and ended the meeting on time.

**Takeaway.** Establish session objectives. Stay on track. Show sincere appreciation. Encourage group interaction. Put the group’s needs before your own. Listen. Set goals. Display a can-do attitude. Stress the benefits the group will receive if they do what they say they’ll do. End on a friendly note.

**No Way!** The “let’s get fired up” session was a bust. The motivational speaker was so uninspiring that Reed expected “Bueller? Bueller?” to come out of his mouth. The speaker moved like a caged panther across the stage, and when he finally stood still, he seemed disoriented. The speaker then plunged into yet another topic that didn’t resonate with the audience. Reed heard the meeting room door open and close more than once; the woman sitting in front of him was texting a friend, and the man beside her was snoring.

**OK!** As leader of the Scout pack, Reed was pumped to get this year’s service project under way. As a new pack, the youngsters weren’t sure what a service project was and were a bit scared of the unknown. Before the Scouts arrived at the project meeting, Reed gave himself a pep talk, put on some high-energy music and laid out the cookies and punch. When the Scouts arrived, he heartily and sincerely welcomed them, talked about the river cleanup with excitement and painted pictures with his words. He moved and used gestures appropriately, and within 15 minutes, the Scouts were committed to the project.

**Takeaway.** Be enthusiastic about your topic. Have a good time. Create a welcoming environment. Meet the audience where they are emotionally. Use conscious movement and vocal variety. Keep the program moving. Have the group’s best interests at heart. Build team unity by talking about “us” not “you.”

Do a brother or potential brother a favor and banish “No Way!” presentations. Learn how you can become an engaging, informative presenter by participating in APO’s presenter development training program. For more information, visit www.apo.org or contact Jennifer “Blondie” Barnes at training.coordinator@apo.org.
Founder Frank Reed Horton dreamed of a worldwide service organization with the Scout Oath and Law as its foundation, and so Alpha Phi Omega was built. Since the Fraternity’s founding in December 1925, APO has maintained a close bond with Scouting, providing millions of hours of service to young boys and girls and extending the hand of brotherhood to them as they enter their collegiate years. Today, the spirit of Scouting is at the core of APO, and the partnerships the Fraternity holds with Scouting organizations are a vital part of the Fraternity.
The past two years were exciting for our Scouting partners – the Boy Scouts of America and the Girl Scouts of the United States of America. On February 8, 2010, the BSA celebrated the centennial of its founding and will celebrate the centennial of the Eagle Scout designation on April 19, 2012. The Girl Scouts of the United States of America celebrated its centennial on March 12, 2012.

A memorandum of understanding was signed on January 18, 1932, to establish an official relationship between APO and the BSA. It was signed by then National President H. Roe Bartle and Chief Scout Executive James E. West. The Fraternity’s

Join APO for the 2013 National Scout Jamboree

The Boy Scouts of America will host the next National Scout Jamboree July 11-25, 2013, at The Summit Bechtel Reserve in New River Gorge, West Virginia. This new 10,600-acre property will play host to myriad new adventures for attendees including white-water rafting, a zip line canopy tour, rock climbing, a BMX camp, skateboarding and many other activities. More than 40,000 Scouts and Scout leaders from around the world are expected to attend the 2013 jamboree. In addition, this will be the first jamboree to host co-ed venturing crews.

Alpha Phi Omega will volunteer at the Jamboree, as well as host an exhibit booth. The mission of APO Service Corp is to help with whatever needs to be done, such as site check in, cleanup, or anything else that may come up.

The exhibit booth is intended to educate the next generation of Scouts heading off to college, as well as Scout leaders and visitors, about APO and its mission. The booth will also be a place to promote the Society of Life Members to actives and alumni at the Jamboree and to organize a reunion during the week.

For more information or to apply for a position on the APO Jamboree staff, log on to www.apo.org.
Horton’s Great-Grandson Becomes Fourth-Generation Eagle Scout

Bradley Ward, great-grandson to Alpha Phi Omega’s founding scouting advisor Herbert G. Horton and a Boy Scout in Troop 63 in Norwich, New York, received his Eagle Scout award on Saturday, January 21, 2012.

“The Eagle Scout honor is the most prestigious honor I’ve ever earned!” said Bradley. “To me, it’s exactly like the Boy Scouts of America’s [100th anniversary] theme: Celebrating the Adventure, Continuing the Journey!

Bradley is the tenth Eagle Scout and the fourth generation in his family to earn this prestigious rank.

In addition to Herbert G. Horton and Bradley, Horton’s son, H. George Horton Jr., as well as his grandson and Bradley’s father, Dan Ward, are both Eagle Scouts.

“When I discovered that I had become a fourth-generation Eagle Scout, I was extremely enthusiastic to have continued the family legacy, but also very happy that my legacy had just begun!” said Bradley.

Bradley is a freshman at SUNY Plattsburgh. Though he is not a member of APO – YET – he is attempting to rejuvenate the inactive chapter on the Plattsburgh campus. Bradley’s father, Dan, and great uncle, Zeke, are both members of the Fraternity, in addition to Herbert G. Horton.

When Bradley’s father was asked what he thought Herbert G. Horton would say about his great-grandchild becoming the fourth-generation Eagle Scout, Dan said, “I would hope Grandpa would be proud and surprised beyond words. I know he always held himself and his children accountable and responsible for their actions, no matter what the recourse. I would also hope he would hold us to those high standards of being examples by our lifestyles and not just the words we say and write.”

Congratulations, Bradley!

relationship with the Boy Scouts helped with expansion. College administrators quickly recognized that a fraternity carrying the ideals of the Boy Scouts – helping others without expecting a reward – would aid in the positive development of students.

These ideals have attracted more than 400,000 members to APO chapters on 375 college campuses.

Last year the Fraternity joined the BSA in its 100th anniversary celebration by attending the organization’s national meeting and Top Hands conference. At the conference, Brother Pete Forbes, chair of the Scouting and Youth Service Committee, met with Chief Scout Executive Bob Mazzuca to share how well the Fraternity’s relationship with local councils was going and signed a new five-year memorandum of understanding between the BSA and APO.

APO chapter members and alumni participate in national BSA
events such as the National Scout Jamboree, National Order of the Arrow conferences and national council meetings. The Fraternity sent representatives to Fort A.P., Virginia, to join the BSA’s centennial celebration at the 2010 National Scout Jamboree. The Scouting and Youth Service Committee is looking for brothers to work at APO’s 2013 Jamboree exhibit booth, as well as volunteer with Service Corps. If you’re interested in volunteering, check out the sidebar on page 9.

In early 2000, the Fraternity started pursuing an official relationship with the Girl Scouts of the United States of America; however, the organization was not accepting new partnerships at the time. In 2009, the Fraternity signed the first ever memorandum of understanding with the GSUSA, which is reviewed annually by both organizations.

In January 2012, the Alpha Phi Omega Board of Directors approved the most comprehensive memorandum ever with the GSUSA. The GSUSA is eager to continue building the relationship, especially in areas where brothers can introduce girls to the campus experience. APO provides critical support that the GSUSA needs: camp support, connecting girls to university resources to earn skill badges (especially in rural areas that are difficult for GSUSA to serve), special event support and campus partnerships for cookie sales.

This year the Fraternity will work with local Girl Scout councils to help the organization celebrate its 100th anniversary. The year of celebration kicked off at the GSUSA’s annual conference in October. Fraternity volunteers hosted an information booth, which allowed GSUSA members to reconnect with many APO alumnæ.

Between now and APO’s 2012 National Convention in December, the Boy Scout and Girl Scout subcommittee will pass Scouting information on to chapters, identify contacts in local councils and work to let them know who APO is and how we can help them. Volunteers will also work on special projects to assist chapters that are interested in partnering with local Scout councils.

Over the past two years, the GSUSA revised its core programs by including a strong focus on leadership skill development, and who better to help develop leaders than APO? Chapters are encouraged to learn more about the leadership development program for the Girl Scouts and partner with local councils on program opportunities.

Many brothers dedicated themselves to help the Fraternity strengthen its relationship with the BSA and GSUSA. To recognize these brothers for their outstanding service, the Fraternity created the Herbert G. Horton Service to Scouting Award, which is presented by the Scouting and Youth Service Committee throughout the year to deserving brothers nominated by their peers. If you know brothers who deserve recognition, please fill out a nomination form at www.apo.org.

If you’re interested in helping build the relationship between APO and the GSUSA and/or BSA, contact Pete Forbes, chair of the Scouting and Youth Service Committee, at scouting@apo.org.
November 6-12, 2011, was Alpha Phi Omega’s annual National Service Week. This year’s projects focused primarily on the theme “Alpha Phi Omega Promotes Healthy Living: Improving Nutrition and Exercise.” As of January 5, 2012, National Service Week 2011 reports totaled 47,454.3 hours of service with almost 7,000 members participating. That is the highest total hours since National Service Week 2004 and was 558.5 hours more than National Service Week 2010. Based on the 2010 value of $21.36 for a volunteer hour (independentsector.org/volunteer_time), we provided $1,013,623.85 worth of service! This extended edition of Chapter Notes lists each National Service Week project reported to the Service Project Database on www.apo.org on or before January 5, 2012.

Region I

- Delta Rho
  - Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey
  - Healthy Recipe Hand Out
- Delta Sigma
  - University of Connecticut
  - Nutrition and Exercise Awareness
- Zeta Upsilon
  - Boston University
  - 5K4Life Road Race
- Theta Zeta
  - University of New Hampshire
  - NSW Food Drive
- Kappa Epsilon
  - Wagner College
  - National Service Week of Events
- Kappa Omicron
  - University of Massachusetts
  - Sorting at the Western Mass Food Bank
- Nu Psi
  - Montclair State University
  - Scouting for Food
- Omicron Iota
  - Worcester Polytechnic Institute
  - Tea and Health Facts by the Fountain
  - An Evening with the 15-40 Connection
- Alpha Gamma Gamma
  - Hunter College – The City University of New York
  - Nutrition Food Sale and Workshop

Region II

- Alpha Gamma Eta
  - University of Vermont
  - Volunteered at a Half-Marathon
- Alpha Delta Mu
  - Ramapo College of New Jersey
  - Care Bags For Kids
- Alpha Delta Phi
  - Seton Hall University
  - CPNJ Friday Fitness
- Alpha Zeta Beta
  - University of Hartford
  - Juvenile Diabetes Research Fund Walk
- Alpha Zeta Gamma
  - The College of New Jersey
  - Let’s Get Healthy
- Alpha Zeta Sigma
  - Saint Anselm College
  - Up ’til Dawn
- Alpha Eta Alpha
  - St. Thomas Aquinas College
  - Zumba Dance Party and Date Auction
- Gamma
  - Cornell University
  - Dodge Diabetes Dodgeball Tournament
- Phi
  - Syracuse University
  - Girl Scout Merit Badge Day
Delta Zeta
University of Pennsylvania
Ronald McDonald House Dinner

Zeta Sigma
University of Delaware
APO Zeta Sigma: National Service Week

Epsilon Gamma
Alfred University
Pulsera Project

Epsilon Zeta
Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute
Informing the RPI Campus on Proper College Diet and Health

Epsilon Nu
SUNY Oneonta
Dance-A-Thon

Theta Kappa
SUNY Binghamton University
Rescue Mission Goods Drive

Iota Kappa
Bucknell University
Making it to Managua 5K

Mu Eta
Albright College
Nolde Forest Cleanup

Mu Omicron
Clarkson University
Jewish Food Festival

Xi Zeta
Rochester Institute of Technology
YMCA Nutrition and Fitness Fair

Xi Eta
S marketing University
Clothing Drive

Xi Lambda
Bloomsburg University of Pennsylvania
Breast Cancer Walk/Run

Omicron Upsilon
West Chester University of Pennsylvania
Free to Breath for Lung Disease Awareness

Sigma Nu
Draughn Valley College
Decorating Doylestown

Chi Phi
SUNY Fredonia
Humane Society Paint Party

Alpha Beta Xi
SUNY Geneseo
Campus Auxiliary Services Nutrition Exposition

Alpha Gamma Alpha
Dickinson College
Trail Cleaning at King’s Gap State Park

Alpha Gamma Iota
University of the Sciences in Philadelphia
Pancakes for Pups

Alpha Delta Beta
Wesley College
Thanksgiving for the Elderly

Alpha Zeta Lambda
SUNY Cortland
Push Up Your Health!

Alpha Epsilon Kappa
Cedar Crest College
Healthy Snacks and Nutritional Facts

Region III

Epsilon Mu
University of Maryland/College Park
Health and Hunger Awareness Week

Zeta Beta
Virginia Polytechnic Institute & State University
Recess Buddies

Xi Zeta
SUNY Fredonia
Humane Society Paint Party

Xi Alpha
SUNY Geneseo
Campus Auxiliary Services Nutrition Exposition

Xi Eta
SUNY Cortland
Push Up Your Health!

Iota Omega
SUNY College at Brockport
Anything You Can Do, I Can Do

Iota Omega Chapter at SUNY College at Brockport sponsored a wheelchair basketball game in collaboration with the Brockport Advocates for individuals with Disabilities (B.A.D.). The basketball game featured the Rochester Wheels basketball team against members of Brockport’s male and female basketball teams. The event was held to promote the notion that individuals with disabilities should not feel intimidated when it comes to sports and also to provide an eye-opening/educational experience for the Brockport student body.

Kappa Mu
Johns Hopkins University
Remington Winterization

Kappa Psi
North Carolina A&T State University
Eat Right or Die Trying

Mu Alpha
Georgetown University
Nutrition Panel and Flu Shot Clinics

Nu Rho
College of William & Mary
Pump Up with APO!

Omicron Phi
University of Richmond
Suntrust Marathon

Sigma Rho
Elon University
Fall Festival and Food Drive

Kappa Theta
Wake Forest University
Improving Nutrition and Exercise Panel

Iota Chi
George Washington University
Trick-or-Treat for Service

Iota Gamma
Towson University
Promoting a Healthy Lifestyle

Kappa Phi
Howard University
APO Workout Plan

Eta Phi
American University
Do Your Service Day

Theta Chi
George Washington University
Trick-or-Treat for Service

Iota Lambda
SUNY Cortland
Push Up Your Health!
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**Region IV**

- **Sigma Upsilon**
  - University of North Carolina at Charlotte
  - Halloween Boo Bash

- **Tau Beta**
  - Appalachian State University
  - Camp Ginger Cascades

- **Tau Chi**
  - Winston-Salem State University
  - Nutrition Week with Alpha Phi Omega

- **Chi Gamma**
  - James Madison University
  - Purcell Park Cleanup

- **Chi Lambda**
  - Elizabeth City State University
  - Pep Rally For the H.L. Trigg Alternative School
  - Canned Food Drive

- **Alpha Alpha Delta**
  - Salisbury University
  - Exercise and Nutrition Awareness Table

- **Alpha Alpha Omicron**
  - Longwood University
  - Canned Food Drive for FACES and Awareness/Information Pamphlet Handout

- **Alpha Beta Omega**
  - Old Dominion University
  - Alpha Beta Omega Chapter
  - Promotes Healthy Living in the Community and Campus

**Region V**

- **Alpha Alpha Delta**
  - Roanoke College
  - Zumba with Tyler
  - Habitat for Humanity Shack Attack

- **Alpha Gamma Chi**
  - Frostburg State University
  - Alpha Phi Omega National Service Week

- **Alpha Delta Delta**
  - George Mason University
  - AIDS WALK

- **Alpha Delta Iota**
  - Virginia Commonwealth University
  - Community Kitchen

- **Alpha Delta Xi**
  - Christopher Newport University
  - Food for Thought: Weight of Hunger Campaign – Promotion of Event

- **Alpha Epsilon Lambda**
  - McDaniels College
  - Haunted House for Carroll Food Sunday

- **Alpha Epsilon Psi**
  - Bridgewater College
  - Campus Recycling

- **Alpha Zeta Pi**
  - University of Maryland, Baltimore County
  - Health Awareness Day

- **Alpha Zeta Phi**
  - Regent University
  - Union Mission

**Omega Lambda**

- **Fisk University**
  - Get up and Move: Field Day

- **Alpha Alpha Epsilon**
  - College of Charleston
  - Habitat for Humanity

- **Alpha Gamma Rho**
  - Florida Institute of Technology
  - Healthy Living Week

- **Alpha Delta Lambda**
  - Florida Atlantic University
  - Alpha Phi Omega BBQ

- **Alpha Delta Nu**
  - Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University
  - APO Boy Scout Merit Badge University

- **Alpha Delta Tau**
  - Nova Southeastern University
  - Alpha Phi Omega’s 5th Annual Charity Date Auction

- **Alpha Epsilon Pi**
  - Georgia Military College
  - Operation DVD

- **Albany State University**
  - Interest Group

- **Alpha Delta Xi**
  - Georgia Southern University
  - Healthy Snack Pass Out

- **Pi Zeta**
  - Tuskegee University
  - BTW HS Class Room Restoration

- **Sigma Iota**
  - Valdosta State University
  - Alpha Phi Omega Promotes Healthy Living

- **Tau Mu**
  - University of South Florida
  - The Heart Walk

- **Phi Sigma**
  - Pontifical Catholic University of Puerto Rico
  - Volunteerism at the Santuario Canita Animal Shelter

- **Psi Nu**
  - Benedict College
  - Game Night
  - “Treat” Your Body Well

- **Psi Phi**
  - Tennessee State University
  - APO Presents: Better Bodies
Region V Highlight

Alpha Zeta
University of Kentucky
Gleaning with Faith Feeds

Alpha Zeta Chapter at the University of Kentucky in Lexington picked the remaining produce at Reed Valley Orchard and donated it to God’s Pantry food bank and various shelters. The chapter picked 222 pounds of squash and 1,026 pounds of pumpkin. Pictured: Aaron Samidi, Arsh Mumpuni, Kayla Powell, Allyson Hughes, Travis Spaulding, Gabby Kroon and Geraldine Goh.

Region VI

Alpha Iota
Ohio State University
Alpha Iota Canned Food Drive

Delta Alpha
University of Cincinnati
Gorman Heritage Farm

Delta Gamma
Ohio University
National Service Week

Delta Theta
University of Louisville
Ultimate Frisbee Tournament

Epsilon Psi
Kent State University
Choose Your Charity
Dodgeball Tournament

Eta Upsilon
Marshall University
Operation Christmas Child

Theta Theta
Centre College
Soap and Sun with BDVP Kids

Theta Upsilon
Case Western Reserve University
Healthy Cooking with APO

Lambda Omega
California University of Pennsylvania
Get Fit

Mu Upsilon
Washington & Jefferson College
Assisted with the Greater Pittsburgh Community Food Bank Fall Food Share Drive

Mu Chi
Indiana University of Pennsylvania
M. K. Goddard State Park Cleanup
Zumba Class
Nutrition Program
Balls to the Wall Wallyball Tournament

Xi Upsilon
University of Mount Union
Raising Money for the Alliance Neighborhood Center

Upsilon Beta
Saint Francis University
Flyers for Health
APO Kickball
Hanging Flyers for Health

Chi Sigma
Allegheny College
Section 64 Service Day

Omega Mu
Clarion University of Pennsylvania
Section Service Day

Alpha Alpha Pi
Westminster College
Haunted Bio Trail

Alpha Beta Mu
Grove City College
Maurice K. Goddard State Park Cleanup

Alpha Beta Sigma
Robert Morris University
Healthy Living: Stress Workshop
Alpha Beta Sigma Focuses on Health and Nutrition

Alpha Gamma Upsilon
Carlow University
Wellness Fair

Alpha Gamma Phi
Northern Kentucky University
Step to your Health

Alpha Epsilon Beta
Ohio Northern University
Campus-Wide Biggest Loser

Alpha Epsilon Eta
Concord University
Three Rivers Avian Center

Alpha Epsilon Theta
University of Akron
PB&J

Alpha Epsilon Chi
Bethany College
Healthy Wardrobe
Promotes Healthy Lives

Alpha Zeta Kappa
Eastern Kentucky University
Cub Scout Exercise Day

Alpha Zeta Rho
Defiance College
Alpinic Omega Promotes
Healthy Living: Improving Nutrition and Exercise

Mu
Indiana University
Brotherhood Weekend
Canned Food Drive

Sigma
Northwestern University
House Can Competition

Alpha Alpha
University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
Alpinic Alpha National Service Week Events

Alpha Gamma
Purdue University
Food Finders Food Donation Drive

Beta Beta
Michigan State University
UMOC-Ugly Man on Campus

Gamma Pi
University of Michigan Ann Arbor
NAP Invasive Species Removal

Gamma Phi
Western Michigan University
Cabin Cleaning at Rota-Kiwan

Delta Xi
Ball State University
National Service Week: Health and Wellness

Delta Phi
Eastern Illinois University
APO Fights Back
Is it Just Sex??
Back to Fitness

Epsilon Beta
Central Michigan University
Free Rice

Epsilon Lambda
Michigan Technological University
Zumba/Canned Food Drive

Zeta Alpha
Bradley University
Bradley University Campus Walk

Zeta Gamma
Valparaiso University
Valpplayso Park Cleanup

Zeta Pi
Wayne State University
Dinner at the Ronald McDonald House

Eta Pi
University of Detroit Mercy
Sandwich Bus and Scarf Making

Eta Sigma
Illinois College
Healthy Lifestyle Bingo

Theta Epsilon
Illinois State University
Nutrition and Wellness Table

Iota Chi
Northern Michigan University
Girls on the Run Mock 5K

Mu Nu
Western Illinois University
Healthy Living with APO

Nu Beta
Hope College
National Service Week – Hope College

Omicron Tau
Alma College
Kids Night Out

Sigma Sigma
University of Illinois at Chicago
Swim Meets for the Kids at the High Ridge YMCA

Tau Lambda
Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology
APO Free Rice Regional Competition
**Region VII Highlight**

**Epsilon Omega**  
*University of Mississippi*

Young, Fit, and Fly  
  Epsilon Omega Chapter at the University of Mississippi in University organized a project in collaboration with the United Way’s Leap Frog After-School Program. The project taught students about the importance of exercise, proper nutrition and positive self-image. The students also discussed the importance of reporting bullying. Brothers set up relay races, jump rope courses and taught the children how to play basketball. The chapter also donated exercise equipment and healthy snacks. Pictured: Jasmine Curtis, Chassidy Watson, Lacee George, Matthew Hudson and Daxvier Sturdevant working with the students.

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**Alpha Xi**  
*Lake Superior State University*

Fight World Hunger with Kids Against Hunger

**Alpha Zeta Xi**  
*Lake Forest College*

Webelos Colleges

**Alpha Zeta Iota**  
*Grand Valley State University*

Feeding America Fundraiser

**Alpha Zeta**  
*Grand Valley State University*

Health Education

**Beta Sigma**  
*Texas Tech University*

Health and Exercise Day

**Gamma Kappa**  
*Texas Christian University*

Food Bank

**Gamma Rho**  
*University of North Texas*

Promoting Nutrition

**Gamma Upsilon**  
*Tulane University*

Healthy Living in New Orleans

**Delta Pi**  
*Trinity University*

Week of Health and Fitness

**Delta Omega**  
*University of Houston*

KIDS ZONE

Marathon Kids: Kickoff

Hermann Park Conservancy

Kids 1K Run

**Epsilon Iota**  
*Mississippi State University*

Healthy Choices and Diabetes Awareness

**Eta Chi**  
*Hardin-Simmons University*

Christmas in November

**Nu Gamma**  
*Texas State University – San Marcos*

Alpha Phi Omega Rec Out

**Nu Sigma**  
*Stephen F Austin State University*

Get in Shape

**Xi Delta**  
*Texas A&M University*

Canned Food Drive & Diabetic-Friendly Baskets

**Xi Omicron**  
*Tartleton State University*

Campus Beautification

**Omicron Delta**  
*McMurry University*

Improving Nutrition and Exercise

**Rho Lambda**  
*Saint Edward’s University*

Healthy Pinewood Derby

**Upsilon Eta**  
*University of Texas at El Paso*

National Service Week – Fall

**Phi Xi**  
*Austin College*

Waterloo Race for Diabetes

**Omega Gamma**  
*Angelo State University*

Fit for Service

**Alpha Alpha Zeta**  
*University of Texas at Dallas*

Rock & Roll Marathon

**Alpha Gamma Kappa**  
*Southern Illinois University*

Field Day

**Alpha Gamma Omega**  
*University of Texas at San Antonio*

Rock & Roll Marathon

**Alpha Epsilon Zeta**  
*University of Texas at Dallas*

Fitness Awareness

**Alpha Epsilon Tau**  
*University of Dallas*

Alpha Phi Omega Healthy Habits Count

**Alpha Epsilon Phi**  
*Mississippi Valley State University*

On the Other Side

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**Chapter Notes**

**Upsilon Iota**  
*DePaul University*

Lincoln Park Community Shelter Breakfast

Card Making for the Lincoln Park Community Shelter

**Pi Eta**  
*Loyola University of Chicago*

Pi Eta’s National Service Week

**Omega Epsilon**  
*Illinois Wesleyan University*

Freerice.com

**Alpha Beta Omicron**  
*Elmhurst College*

Northern Illinois Food Bank and Feed My Starving Children

**Alpha Epsilon Omicron**  
*Suna Heights University*

Passionately Pink

**Alpha Zeta Delta**  
*Lake Forest College*

Webelos Colleges

**Alpha Zeta Iota**  
*Grand Valley State University*

Feeding America Fundraiser

**Alpha Zeta Xi**  
*Lake Superior State University*

Fight World Hunger with Kids Against Hunger

**Alpha Zeta Omega**  
*Parkland College*

National Service Week – APO Promotes Healthy Living

**Roosevelt University**  
*Petitioning Group*

Roosevelt University Serving Breakfast at LPCS

**Region VIII**

**Epsilon Omega**  
*Tuskegee State University*

Health and Exercise Stations

**Alpha Eta**  
*University of Missouri - Kansas City*

Improving Nutrition and Exercise

**Alpha Phi**  
*Washington University*

National Service Week – Health Awareness!

**Beta Mu**  
*Missouri State University*

Get Fit MSU Challenge

**Beta Omicron**  
*Missouri University of Science and Technology*

Ten for Joplin

**Beta Pi**  
*University of Tulsa*

Get Fit

**Beta Rho**  
*University of Arkansas*

Trick or Treat for Cans

**Beta Psi**  
*Southeast Missouri State University*

Beta Psi’s Week of Service

**Gamma Theta**  
*University of Colorado at Boulder*

Boulder Homeless Shelter

**Gamma Xi**  
*Rochester University*

Project Linus

**Delta Beta**  
*University of Oklahoma*

Park Cleanup

Distribution: Green Tea & Stress Balls

Distribution: Healthy Desserts

Regional Food Bank

Pinecone Classic 5K

**Delta Delta**  
*Saint Louis University*

Make A Difference Day

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“Alpha Phi Omega has been one of the defining parts of my college experience. I’ve grown tremendously as a leader and given hundreds of hours of service back to the community while making lifelong friendships with people who are passionate about helping their communities.”

– Brian L.

There are many aspects of college life that help define and shape the professionals that students will become. For Alpha Phi Omega brothers like Brian L., the leadership training, along with building lifelong friendships and passion for helping in the community, helped define the person he became after college.

These opportunities were made available to Brian, and students like him, because of your role in APO, along with those who stood with you in preparing campus leaders for the future. APO would not be the fraternity it is today without your leadership, vision and loyal support. As we celebrate the initiation of the 400,000th member, we know current students are continuing to build on the great legacy you helped create.

The Fraternity has evaluated priorities for 2012, and we know they cannot be accomplished without your support. With revitalized passion, we will strive to keep student membership fees low this year and in the future while continuing to seek and provide effective leadership training opportunities. We will also work to enhance the Membership Academy to provide the best experience and preparation possible for our brothers.

Your generous support in 2012, combined with the support from other brothers, will help us to continue to provide APO chapter members with even greater experiences in the future. Many members are getting involved as a Torchbearer with a one-time gift of $75 or 12 monthly gifts of just $6.25. Please go to www.apo.org/pages/show/Support_APO to get started.

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— Lois Fegan Widmeyer, Nu Delta ‘99

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Final Thought

“The work of today is the history of tomorrow, and we are its makers.”

— Juliette Gordon Low, Founder, Girl Scouts of the USA