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On Our Cover-

The world-famous picture of Kansas City's Plaza in Christmas lights. Just a short distance from the University of Kansas City.

Photo courtesy of the Kansas City Star.



CORPS

PEACE

Robert S. Shriver, Jr.

TO MEMBERS OF ALPHA PHI OMEGA:

I am grateful for this chance to bring you greetings on your thirty-seventh year of Service, particularly because of the recent relationship established between Alpha Phi Omega and the Peace Corps.

We have already heard from our campus representatives how the local chapters of Alpha Phi Omega have taken the initiative in disseminating information about the Peace Corps, in scheduling Peace Corps programs, and in making contact with alumni Volunteers now serving overseas. I look forward to the development of this relationship, for your guiding principles stem from the same American spirit of active service which has found national expression in the Peace Corps.

We need the very best men and women to represent this country abroad. We know, too, that the experience of the Peace Corps is an exciting, educational even inspirational one, which Volunteers will carry with them throughout their lives. You are helping us to find and inform potential Volunteers. Together, we are telling the country of a new American adventure.

Congratulations on many years of service, and best wishes for many more!

ROBERT SARGENT SHRIVER, JR.

Director

PRINCIPAL CONVENTION SPEAKER



Samuel F. Babbitt

"What you can do for your Country" is the title of the address to be given by Samuel F. Babbitt, the principal speaker for the closing banquet of Alpha Phi Omega's 17th National Convention, Saturday evening, December 29, 1962.

Mr. Babbitt is Director of the University Division of the Peace Corps. He entered Yale University with the class of 1950 but the Korean War interrupted his college career. He enlisted in the Army and served for three years with the third Infantry Division in Korea as a Master Sergeant. He was awarded the Silver Star.

Mr. Babbitt then returned to Yale, where his father once taught, to graduate in the class of 1953. While at the University he was a member of the famed Whiffenpoofs and president of the Yale Glee Club. A member of the Torch Honor Society, Mr. Babbitt was also the recipient of the Katherine A. Walker and Henry B. Wright Memorial Prizes

From his graduation until 1957 Mr. Babbitt worked in the offices of Admission and The Freshman Year, and as Assistant to the Dean of Yale College. He completed his M.A. in 1957.

Before coming to Washington, Mr. Babbitt was Dean of Men at Vanderbilt University for 4½ years. He is working toward a doctorate degree in the field of American Studies, Vanderbilt is the home of Theta Mu Chapter.

Mr. Babbitt married the former Natalie Moore of Cleveland, Ohio, in 1954. They have three children, Christopher Converse, 5, Thomas Collier, 3, and Lucy Cullyford, 2.

Mr. Babbitt will be addressing Alpha Phi Omega's greatest national gathering. More chapters have registered delegates than ever before. More states will be included and for the first time the new States of Hawaii and Alaska will be represented.

Never before has the National Convention assembled on a college campus for its sessions. Actually two campuses will be used, those of Alpha Eta's University of Kansas City, and Gamma Xi's Rockhurst College.

This will be the first Convention with 16 Legislative National Committees in session and every delegate assigned to one of them. Their sessions will take place on the University of Kansas City campus. They will be available for hearings to any delegation that so desires.

The Keynote Speaker

Kansas City's nationally known Mayor and one of America's five greatest orators, Honorable H. Roe Bartle, will keynote the 17th National Convention at the opening banquet, Thursday evening, December 27, 1962.

No living American excels Alpha Phi Omega's Past National President as a spellbinder and few have addressed as many diverse gatherings as he. College President, Army Officer, chairman of the board of a great banking institution, former Scout Executive, an ardent Presbyterian and yet an Honorary Director of a great Catholic College, these are but a few of the diverse fields of interest which Dr. Bartle's life has encompassed.

He is the founder of the American Humanics program, which has branches on the campuses of Missouri Valley College, Marshall, Missouri; Oglethorpe University, Atlanta, Georgia; and Salem College, Salem, West Virginia.

He served as National President from 1931 to 1946. There were 606 enrolled brothers when he became President. The total grew to 15,931 by the close of his term, despite the depression and World War Two.

A national magazine once referred to Dr. Bartle as the "Colossal Mayor of Kansas City." He is, indeed, and even more towering in all Alpha Phi Omega stands for as a Leader, as a Friend, and in Service to humanity.



REPORTS OF FIVE NATIONAL



Dr. Tom T. Galt, Chairman Awards and Undergraduate Activities

Every national convention of Alpha Phi Omega has moved the Fraternity forward in Service. The seventeenth national gathering will be no exception. For the first time recognitions will be awarded many chapters. This is the result of recommendations of undergraduate chapter members growing out of discussions at the 1960 National Convention. Further improvements will result from our discussions at this convention. Your suggestions are welcomed. Leadership in Service deserves an expression of appreciation to those who merit it.



Dr. Glen T. Nygreen, Chairman University and College Relationships

The remarkable acceptance of the Alpha Phi Omega idea by administrators and faculty in a broad variety of collegiate institutions during the past two years has given impetus to our fraternity. One new factor of great importance has been the effective and educationally sound work of Brother Joseph Scanlon, our professional executive. He has won the respect and admiration of deans and student workers.

Our challenge lies in the need to convince many institutions that APO is a "fraternity with a difference." We are neither competitive with nor similar to the social fraternity system. Remember, our best advertisement is an active chapter with an imaginative Service program.



Robert J. Hilliard, Chairman Service Projects Committee

Alpha Phi Omega's official national project, Aid to the Peace Corps, is not an empty boast. More than 50 of our brethern are now actively engaged overseas as Peace Corps members. The national interest this project has evoked in Alpha Phi Omega is witnessed by the presence at the 17th National Convention of Peace Corps representatives from Washington, D. C., ably directed by Samuel F. Babbitt, former Dean of Men at Vanderbilt University, the home of Theta Mu Chapter. Their exhibit is well worth your time, as are all the others.

DISTINGUISHED LEADERS

Dr. Lawrence L. Hirsch, Chairman Committee on Conferences and Seminars

The members of the National Committee on Conferences and Seminars are indebted to all chapter officers and members and to the National President and Executive Board, ably supported by our National Secretary and his office staff, for the ever-increasing participation of the brethern in sectional conferences and seminars. From the Pacific Coast to New England, from Minnesota to Texas, chapters have shared ideas and methods. This important phase of operations will be reviewed and improved by pooling our experiences at the National Convention.







Prof. Harry C. Barnett National Field Representative

The outstanding work of chapter presidents and members, the invaluable assistance of college deans and chapter advisors, the ever helpful support of Scouters everywhere, becomes more and more appreciated as you see chapters in action across the United States. This privilege has been mine as your National Field Representative, appointed by the National President.

In the past two years I have visited more than 90 chapters in 26 states from New York to California and the Northwest. Our Fraternity was never in healthier condition.





The Alpha Phi Omega brother in the above composite of the "Lead in Service" theme for the 1962 Convention, surrounded by the representations of the four fields of Service, will be a noteworthy personage in the convention displays.

ALPHA PHI OMEGA'S JACOB'S LADDER

1964 ?

1962 74,483

1958 59,287

1954 44,899

1950 30,681

1946 15,691

1941 7,883

1931 606

1925 14

MORE SERVICE THROUGH MORE MEN ON MORE CAMPUSES

ALPHA PHI OMEGA INTERNATIONAL

By GODOFREDO P. NERIC, National Secretary Alpha Phi Omega of the Philippines

Greetings from A-Phi-O of the Philippines, now in its thirteenth year, to our brothers in the United States.

We now have 1,230 members in our 16 chapters, located as follows:

Alpha — Far Eastern University, Manila Beta — National University, Manila

Gamma — Silliman University, Dumaguete City
Delta — Mapua Institute of Technology, Manila

Epsilon — University of the East, Manila Zeta — West Negros College, Bacolod City

Eta — University of the Philippines, Quezon City
Theta — University of the Philippines, Los Banos, Laguna
Kappa — Guzman Institute of Technology, Manila

Kappa —Guzman Institute of Technology, M. Lambda —Araneta University, Rizal (Malabon) Mu —Manuel L. Quezon University, Manila Nu —Manila Central University, Manila

Xi — Central Luzon Agricultural College, Monoz, Nueva Ecija Omicron — University of the Philippines, Clark Air Base, Pampanga

Pi —University of Santa Tomas, Manila

Rho —Polytechnic College of the Philippines, Manila

We, too, are holding in December our biennial National Convention, with Beta Chapter as the host. We hope you will share with us your promotional and guidance literature and help us spread the brother-hood spirit of Alpha Phi Omega.

Interest in the fraternity was never greater. We have plans for further expansion. We join you in dedication to Leadership, Friendship, and Service.



Godofredo P. Neric

Editor's Note: Brother Neric writes for the 16 chapters in his country. Members who attended the 11th National Convention of our Fraternity will never forget the inspiring session at which Alpha Phi Omega of the Philippines was born.

PEACE CORPS PHILOSOPHY

By DAVE CHRISTENSON

(This article is taken from Ang Boluntarvo, Vol. II, No. 7, October, 1962, a monthly publication for Peace Corps Volunteers in the Philippines, published by them in Manila.)

Editor's Note: David W. Christenson, serving with the Peace Corps in the Philippines, became a member of Beta Theta Chapter, the University of Wisconsin, Madison, on May 9, 1946. He later served as a chapter officer. He is an Eagle Scout. His article throws light on the thinking and conviction of a Peace Corps man on the job. More than 50 A-Phi-O men now serve overseas with the Peace Corps.

A Peace Corps Volunteer is an individual who has for any one of many possible reasons volunteered his services to work in developing nations, participating in this development by offering his own limited skills. He in no way causes or directs development but simply participates, aiding in the development to a greater or lesser degree, depending upon his abilities as well as upon his job, attitudes and the environment of those with whom he works.

It is impossible for him to cause major changes. It is possible for him to participate in change by participating fully in the many immediate projects generated by the forces of development in his host country.

The job of the Volunteer is to work to the best of his ability in the specific job for which he volunteered. He is also expected to go beyond this to do any other work for which he has skills, knowledge and time and which sup-

port the forces for progress which are already under way. He is not to lead, he is to serve. His job is to assist and participate in progress; he is not to be an innovator or instigator or initiator but should be willing to assist those who are doing this. He is an agent of social change. He is not a director of social change.

The Volunteer in the Philippines is committed to the role of educational aide in the public school system. His role is to aid the forces of progress in this country by participating in the upgrading of education in the schools. This purpose is clearly defined: the implementation of this purpose is extremely flexible.

Each Volunteer must determine this for himself.

Several hundred individuals spread throughout the Philippines, aiding in many ways the forces of progress, cannot but help change to come about. If the Volunteers conscientiously seek to aid progress, their work will have a lasting, meaningful effect.

If they seek to escape from their role of an agent of social change by becoming a director of social change, they will subvert the Peace Corps and its ideal, perhaps causing great damage, or by becoming too involved in the society, they will negate their critical abilities, which are one of the most important tools which they can offer to the forces of change.

The Ohio Story .

Operation "Get Acquainted" for nine Ohio colleges and universities considering the formation of Alpha Phi Omega chapters took place October 29 at Findlay, Ohio. Dr. Delmer H. Wilson, national executive board member and National Director of Personnel, Boy Scouts of America, authored the gathering, and acted as its chairman. The Marathon Oil Company served as host.

Dr. Glen T. Nygreen, Dean of Student Life, Kent State University and Chairman of Alpha Phi Omega's National Committee on College and University Relationships, spoke on "A Dean Looks at Alpha Phi Omega." Alpha Phi Omega's role as a Service organization was related by Charles Eberly, President of Zeta Kappa Chapter, Bowling Green State University; Dr. Lester G. Brailey, Sectional Chairman for Ohio; National President William S. Roth, and National Executive Secretary Joseph Scanlon. H. H. West, Vice President, Administrative Services, Marathon Oil Company, welcomed the group.

Alpha Phi Omega thanks Dr. Wilson and Ohio's nationally famous Dean Nygreen for this historic "First" in introducing the fraternity to so many campuses at one time.

The colleges and universities participating were Ashland College, Ashland; Bluffton College, Bluffton; Capital University, Columbus; College of Wooster, Wooster; Defiance College, Defiance; Findlay College, Findlay; Heidelberg College, Tiffin; Mount Union College, Alliance; The University of Akron, Akron; Kent State University, Kent, and Bowling Green State University, Bowling Green.





The program committee for Ohio's Operation Get Acquainted included left to right, seated, Dr. Glen T. Nygreen, National Executive Board, Kent State University; Dr. Delmer H. Wilson, National Executive Board; H. H. West, Vice President, Administrative Services, Marathon Oil Company; William S. Roth, National President. Standing, left to right, are W. D. Leever, Scout Executive, Put-Han-Sen Area Council, Boy Scouts of America; W. B. Hubbell, Regional Executive, Region Four, Boy Scouts of America; Dr. Lester G. Brailey, Kent State University, Sectional Chairman for Ohio; Joseph J. Scanlon, National Executive Secretary; Charles (Chuck) Eberly, President, Zeta Kappa, Bowling Green State University.

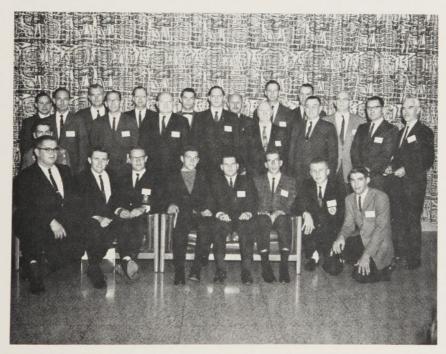


Capital University, Columbus, Ohio, has a petitioning group under way, ably directed by Dean John A. Kirker, above, left, and William Theis. They were quite interested in the Coat-of-Arms which National Secretary Scanlon showed them.

Nine for Operation "Get Acquainted"



Zeta Kappa, Bowling Green State University, helped mightily with the program. Above, left to right, are Chapter President Charles Eberly, Advisory Chairman Dr. Emerson Erb, and National Secretary Scanlon.



Participants in Operation "Get Acquainted" posed for this photograph in the offices of Marathon Oil Company, Findlay, Ohio. Seated, left to right, are Joseph Berlant, College of Wooster (in uniform); Don Daves, University of Akron; James Faber, Defiance College; Charles (Chuck) Eberly, Zeta Kappa Chapter, Bowling Green State University; Bruce Hauser, Heidelberg College; William Gray, Ashland College; Terry Marshall, Bluffton College; William Theis, Capital University; James Grapentine, Mount Union College.

Standing, center row, left to right, W. D. Leever, Scout Executive; Dr. Lester G. Brailey, Sectional Chairman for Ohio; W. B. Hubbell, Regional Executive; William S. Roth, National President; Dr. Delmer H. Wilson, H. H. West, Marathon Oil Company; Dean James W. Fox, University of Akron; Joseph J. Scanlon, National Executive Secretary.

Standing, back row, left to right, Dr. Emerson Erb, Advisor, Bowling Green State University; Dean William Jack McBride, Mount Union College; Dr. Glen T. Nygreen, Kent State University; Dean C. W. Follett, Ashland College; Dean William N. Reynolds, Defiance College; Dean John A. Kirker, Capital University; Dean Daniel Steller, Heidelberg College; Dean Carl F. Smucker, Bluffton College.

(Not present for the picture were Dean Joseph Smith, and Ken Fullenlove, Findlay College.)

EXPANSION IN CALIFORNIA --



Dr. Lester R. Steig, center, National Western Vice-President, reviews reactivation steps for Mu Zeta, San Francisco State College, with Sectional Chairman Frank Cuny, left, and Jack Hurt, Advisor to Mu Zeta.



lota Phi, University of California at Davis, reviews its program, ably guided by Sectional Chairman Frank Cuny, second from right, seated. Shown standing, left to right, are Milton Hildebrand, Faculty Advisor; Anthony Rollins, Merle Betz, Jr., Oliver Michaelis, First Vice-President; David DuBois, Secretary; Dr. Harlan Pratt, Chairman Advisory Committee; Thomas Layfield, Richard Haapala, and Stuart Lindal. Seated, left to right, Norman van Herick, David Dunkley, Vincent Busam, President; Clark Sanders, Treasurer; Frank Cuny, and Charles Conrad, Second Vice-President.



Dr. Lester R. Steig, National Western Vice-President, meets with the officers of Contra Costa College petitioning group, San Pablo, California. Shown, left to right, are John Brooks, John Cezario, Dr. Steig, Gary Howsen, Maurice Woulf, President; and Robert Ritchie.

-- "THE BIGGEST STATE"

Members of Gamma Gamma, University of California at Berkeley, exemplifying a pledge ceremony to men at Contra Costa College. Shown above, left to right, are Alex Saldamando, Paul Smith, Roger Bales, Council Scout Executive and A-Phi-O member since 1947; Dr. Steig, Ross Edwards, and Gary Bowman.





Engaged in a strategy discussion to bring Alpha Phi Omega to the University of the Pacific, Stockton, are, left to right, Frank Cuny, Sectional Chairman; William Bonner, Advisor and Life Member; Al Weinstein, Presidential Representative and Life Member.

Conferring to push back the frontiers of Alpha Phi Omega to include Sonoma State College are, left to right, Harold Alexander, Scout Executive, Petaluma Area Council; Dr. Steig, Dr. Ambrose R. Nichols, Jr., President of Sonoma State College; and Dr. Marvin Dillon, Director Counseling and Testing, Sonoma State College.



REACTIVATION

★ ARKANSAS



"We did it" seems to be the dominant expression of men of Beta Rho, University of Arkansas. Following their reactivation last month a few of the officers and new pledges posed for the photo above. Front row, left to right, are Arthur Williams, Vice-President; Dean Robert L. Jones, Advisor; Donald Rockey, pledge. Second row, left to right, Jerry Gilson, President; Rhesa Davis, pledge; Robert Lowery, Treasurer.



New Mexico State University's Lambda lota, reactivated in November, includes as one of its officers, Ernesto Koue, an exchange student from Lome, Togo, West Africa. Shown above are chapter President Rick Garcia, kneeling; and standing, left to right, Tommy King, First Vice-President; Ernesto Koue, Treasurer; Stephen Hardin, Secretary, and Randy Bennett, Second Vice-President.



Gamma Nu, University of Idaho, reactivated this Fall, are shown above in a Service projects planning session with Northwest Sectional Chairman Robert J. Hilliard and Vice Chairman William Wippel, standing. Seated, left to right, are Brothers Randy Benson, Robert Cameron, Robert McFarland, Gamma Nu Chapter President; Jerrold Evans, and Denny Dobbin. Brother Hilliard served as Installation Officer.

NEW MEXICO









Delta Beta, reactivated at the University of Oklahoma, is proud of its Infirmary Courier Service for hospitalized students. Tom Ebrey, Secretary, left, and Jim Greenstone, Chapter President, bring books and assignments to Sissy Phillips, senior, from Jacksonville, Texas. Actives and pledges are assigned certain visitation days. The project has the approval of Dr. Clifford Craven, Dean of Students.

Brother Robert J. Hilliard, National Executive Board Member and Northwest Sectional Chairman, looks on as Melvin Johnson, one of 30 members of the H. Roe Bartle Pledge Class at Washington State University, places a sign on the bulletin board advertising the Sabin Oral Polio Clinic. Alpha Xi Chapter is representative of the many chapters who serve their community and their nation in such worthwhile projects.



CHAPTER reactivation is an important phase of Alpha Phi Omega's extension and service to campuses. Many chapters chartered just prior to the Korean War became casualties of that war as men called to duty left for military service, some never to return.

THE FIVE chapters above, reactivated this university year, are representative of the progress being made in this field. Others have been listed in prior issues of Torch and Trefoil. The fraternity thanks each and every member, advisors and alumnus sharing in this good work.

NORTH DAKOTA - TEXAS - NEW MEXICO



North Dakota Crippled Children's home recently received \$1,776, the proceeds of Alpha Lambda Chapter's Ugly Man on Campus Contest at North Dakota State University, Fargo. The Chapter was recognized for this outstanding Service by Dr. Lester R. Steig, National Western Vice President, who came all the way from California to thank them for their good work. Dr. Steig was a faculty advisor to Alpha Lambda 25 years ago. Above front row, left to right, Harris Brokke, Secretary-Treasurer; John Dell, Les Lorentzen. Middle row, left to right, Dave Ruff, President; Larry Guilbert, Jim Rogne, Tony Olson, Roger Forsgren. Back row, left to right. Kurt Eriksmoen, Second Vice-President; George Foulkes, John Witz, Dennis Erickson, First Vice-President; Lanny Oxton.

General Bernard A. Schriever, Commander of the U. S. Air Force Systems Command, is welcomed to the campus of the A. and M. College of Texas for the Century Study Convocation by Alpha Phi Omega (Xi Delta Chapter) President, Cadet Charles Ray King. Colonel James F. Starkey (Professor of Air Science) and Brig. General James P. Hannigan, Dean of Students at A. and M. look on. Xi Delta men manned information and welcome booths and served as escorts for VIP's.





Eastern New Mexico University's Nu Nu Chapter assisted the "Sabin Oral Sundays" county immunization program, held recently on its campus. Pictured above are, left to right, Brothers Rex Barrett, Bill Law and Bobby Lenard. Dr. Dewey F. Langston, chapter faculty adviser, was general chairman of the drive.

GREETINGS FROM DISTINGUISHED ALUMNI



Honorable W. Willard Wirtz Secretary of Labor United States of America

Brothers in Alpha Phi Omega:

I am delighted to send my greetings to Alpha Phi Omega and my best wishes for a successful Convention.

In contributing to the development of young men your Fraternity accepts a formidable responsibility. The society in which we live, and which they will lead, is striving to give meaningful direction to powerful forces of science and technology. Whether they will serve as instruments of democracy's greater development depends, in a very real sense, upon the wisdom and fortitude of these young people.

They will pursue many individual careers, but nowhere will their energy and insight be needed more than in the work of American government. I earnestly hope that in meeting your responsibility to the young men of Alpha Phi Omega you will urge them to consider the rewards and responsibilities of careers in Government service.

My warm wishes for a successful Convention.

W. Willard Wirtz Secretary of Labor



Astronaut James A. Lovell, Jr.

Brothers of Alpha Phi Omega:

I have fond memories of my association with Alpha Phi Omega during my attendance at the University of Wisconsin. Being a member of the National Service Fraternity capped a very enjoyable period in my life that began when I joined the Scouting Movement. It was through Scouting that I learned self-reliance, leadership and other attributes that were of value to me in later years.

James A. Lovell, Jr. Lt. Commander, USN



ON DECEMBER 16, 1925 AT LAFAYETTE COLLEGE NATIONAL SERVICE FRATERNITY

WAS FOUNDED

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