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OFFICIAL CALL

Tenth National Convention Alpha Phi Omega

Greetings to all officers, advisors, active members, life members, alumni and pledges of Alpha Phi Omega:

Pursuant to the action of the national executive board of Alpha Phi Omega and in accordance with the choice of the majority of active chapters of Alpha Phi Omega, and further in accordance with Article IX Section 4 of the national constitution, I hereby call the tenth national convention of Alpha Phi Omega to be convened in the city of Chicago, state of Illinois, on December 28, 29 and 30, 1948.

All chapters are asked to comply with Article IX Section 1 in electing official delegates to vote on behalf of the chapter.

This convention, which is the supreme authority of the fraternity, is composed of two delegates from each chapter and the members of the national executive board. Each chapter represented will have the power to cast two votes on every legislative question. Each member of the national executive board present will have the power to cast one vote. A quorum to do business shall consist of two-thirds of the delegates assembled, and an affirmative vote of a majority of the delegates constituting a quorum shall be necessary to pass a measure.

All members of Alpha Phi Omega are invited to attend this convention and shall be extended all rights and benefits of the meeting, except that only the official delegates shall have the privilege of voting and of speaking from the floor during a legislative session. Visitors are also welcomed.

The names of the official delegates of the chapters should be reported to the national office in advance for purposes of committee and program assignments. These should be reported on forms made available to the chapter presidents.

This convention shall officially open at 11 a.m., December 28, and will close at 12 noon, December 30, 1948.

Gray B. North

National Secretary

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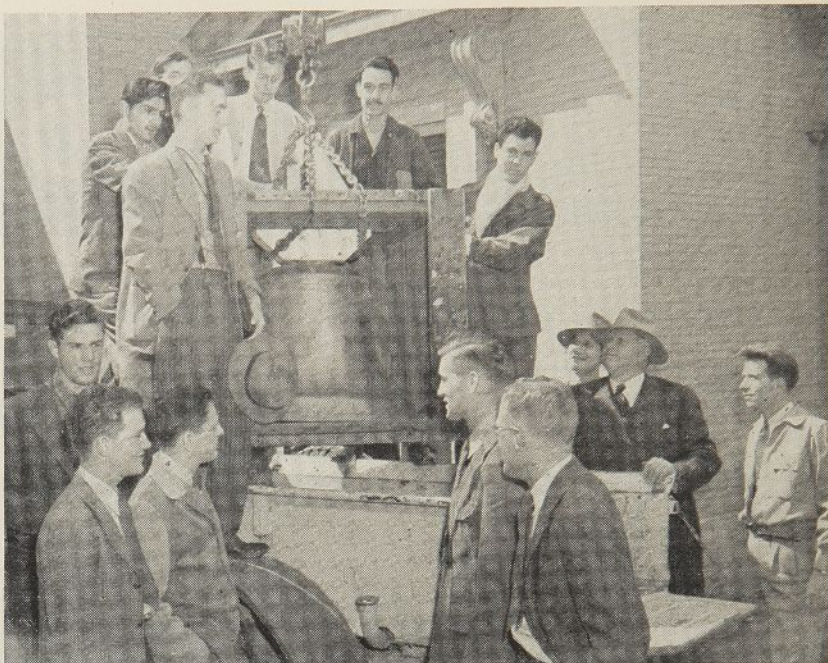
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DELIVERING A BELL TO THE UNIVERSITY OF NEW MEXICO



Through the efforts of Delta Tau Chapter, the bell from the decommissioned U.S.S. New Mexico has been installed in the tower of the University of New Mexico. The picture shows the bell when being brought to the campus. Left to right, standing on the ground, are Jim Fretwell, Andy Mitchell, Bill Erwin, P. V. Thorson, George Pittman and Jerry Hinman. Gentlemen with hats on are Governor Thomas J. Mabry, and Dr. Daryle E. Keefer, Chairman of the Advisory Committee. On the truck are Jim Mathews, Carlos Candelaria, Milton Rohane, Forrest Smith, Jake Sandoval and Urban Baca.

SHURTLEFF MEN SERVE IN TORNADO AREA



Brothers of Epsilon Pi Chapter journeyed to Fosterburg, Illinois, to aid in tornado relief March 19, 1948. Twelve members accompanied Dr. N. O. Long, who was then Chairman of the Advisory Committee. Shown in the picture are some of the members at the stricken area.

Three Leaders of Tenth National Convention

PRESIDING OFFICER



Dean Arno Nowotny

As National President of Alpha Phi Omega, Dean Nowotny will wield the gavel at the national convention in Chicago, December 28 to 30, 1948. He is Dean of Student Life at the University of Texas, past president of the National Association of Deans and Advisors of Men, and holder of the Silver Beaver "for distinguished service to boyhood" presented by the Boy Scouts of America. Meet our dynamic president at Chicago.

GENERAL CHAIRMAN



C. M. Finnell

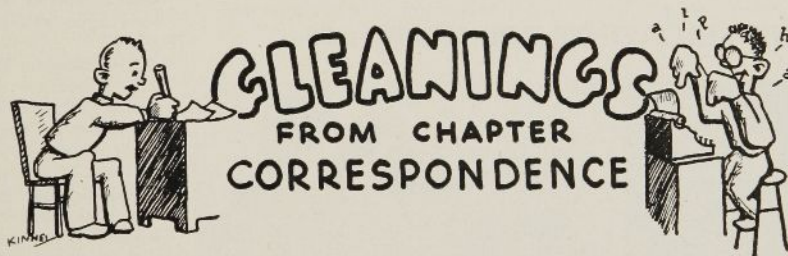
Under his chairmanship are all of the preparations for the forthcoming national convention. He has had a prominent part in eight past conventions and is "on the job" to help make this coming meeting the best in the history of the fraternity. He is Deputy Regional Scout Executive in Region VII, Boy Scouts of America, and is a member of the national executive board of Alpha Phi Omega.

PROGRAM CHAIRMAN



Del Jay Kinney

As program chairman, Del has sought your ideas and preferences through an inquiry to all chapter presidents, and is preparing a well rounded and interesting program for the national convention. Del is a past officer of Upsilon Chapter, Milwaukee State Teachers, is a member of our national executive board and is recreational director for handicapped children at Rainbow Hospital, South Euclid, Ohio.



Gamma Omega Chapter

New York University

Gamma Omega Chapter really had an exciting time last month. In a "hot" campus debate on the topic of a Book Exchange, the Student Council of the university approved the bid of our chapter as the organizers and operators. This decision on the part of the Council was a vote of confidence for the chapter and tended to show the student body that there is an organization on the campus who has pledged itself to service to the school. Another activity which caused more praises to fall on the chapter was the running of the campus elections. In addition, the student directory was completed and sent to the printers. Our plans for this month center around a carnival dance for the benefit of the World Student Service Fund. We have also taken in a large pledge class.

—Stan Frisch, Historian.

Nu Chapter

Upsala College

Nu Chapter has undertaken its largest service project to date, by accepting the management and supervision of the college recreation hall. Upon hearing that the college was seeking a responsible group to supervise the activities of the hall, our chapter submitted its plan which met with ready approval by the administration.

Our members turned out full force to clean the hall from rafters to basement after which it was decorated with pennants from various colleges. In completing our decorations we still hope to receive college pennants from Chapters of Alpha Phi Omega.

The services rendered by our chapter consist of operating a snack bar and providing entertainment in the form of ping-pong, softball, chess, checkers and other games.

—Lennart G. Holmberg, Historian.

Omega Chapter

Drake University

Omega Chapter has been very much on the job in its activities this semester. As usual, our lost-and-found department is working and we have increased its value by telephoning all persons who have lost identifiable articles, and the school paper publishes a list of all items turned in to us during the week. From a recent auction of unclaimed material, we contributed funds for purchasing Scout supplies for a Danish Scout Troop, contributed to the Community Chest and have set aside a fund for a Thanksgiving basket for a needy family. During homecoming we have maintained an information booth for the benefit of visitors. As a permanent activity, we have adopted the care of all school bulletin boards, our job being to see that they remain up-to-date and attractive.

—James C. Langridge, Publicity Chairman.

EAGLE SCOUTS IN KANSAS CITY RECEIVE AWARDS IN "THE DEAN ARNO NOWOTNY CLASS"



The Fall 1948 Class of Eagle Scouts of the Kansas City Area Council, including 155 recipients of this award, received their badges from the hand of the National President of Alpha Phi Omega, Dean Arno Nowotny, in a ceremony October 17, 1948. More than 2,500 persons witnessed the presentation in the Music Hall of the Municipal Auditorium. President Nowotny, in center of front row in light suit, is holding a Scout Statuette presented to him by the class.

COLLECTING MAGAZINES FOR HOSPITALS



Brothers Aubrey Berman, Eugene Powers and James Hunt are shown bringing in magazines and newspapers for Alpha Phi Omega Chapter's contribution to hospitals in the Champaign-Urbana Area.



Brother James Grant, former treasurer and chairman of the magazine committee, presents magazines to a patient while the nurse looks on. This project has brought hearty approval from all recipients.

Omicron Chapter University of Iowa

Last spring the Student Council of the University of Iowa voted special recognition to four students and one organization for "outstanding work in campus activities for the

year 1947-48." We are pleased to report that the one organization was Omicron Chapter of Alpha Phi Omega. Robert Martin, who was then president of the chapter, accepted a certificate of appreciation.

—Tom Neenan, Past President.

UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON Seattle

Mr. Robert J. Hilliard
President, Alpha Phi Omega
4120 Woodland Park Avenue
Seattle 3, Washington

Dear Bob:

I have just learned of the splendid job that you and your fraternity brothers have accomplished for our University Library in gathering together a considerable number of books that were borrowed but never returned to the Library. With them were a number of donated books which will be distributed to war-devastated libraries.

I have noted with interest also the fine work that your organization has done toward clearing the Old Amphitheater on the hill near the Health Center.

This is to express my thanks for these fine services that you are rendering the University. May I add also that they are very real services to the community as well.

Sincerely yours,

(Signed) Raymond B. Allen
President

The President of the University of Washington, Seattle, compliments the work of Gamma Alpha Chapter in the above letter.

Alpha Lambda Chapter

North Dakota Agricultural College

Alpha Lambda culminated its fall membership campaign with a pledging ceremony for sixteen men. The ceremony was held in the Fireside Room of the College Y under the direction of Chapter President Blair Smallwood. Roland Froeschle and Burton Barr were appointed pledge trainers for the new group.

The chapter assisted the school during fall orientation and registration. On September 30 a Fellowship Meeting was staged to interest college men in A-Phi-O. Features of the evening's program were talks by N. D. A. C.'s Dean of Men, the local Scout Executive, and the Chairman of the Advisory Committee. A song fest and refreshments wound up the well-attended meeting.

Service projects on tap for the fall quarter include ushering for school convocations and distributing posters for these convos. Plans are also being made for a Founder's Day Banquet, Dec. 16.

—Robert E. Runice, Secretary.

Gamma Epsilon Chapter

City College of New York

We have started a very active season in Gamma Epsilon Chapter. In addition to aiding in the freshman medical examinations and the freshman tours, we provided ushers at the freshman assemblies. We have also ushered at two emergency meetings of the student body called by the Student Council and handled the counting of ballots in a student election. Our Purple Heart Drive last year was very successful and we received several letters of appreciation in connection with it.

—Edward Rothstein, Secretary.

Studying Program at Green Bar Conference Sponsored By Alpha Upsilon Chapter



Shown here at left is Rev. Clyde C. Pearce of Indianapolis, who was keynote speaker at the Green Bar Conference at DePauw University October 30, 1948. At right is Mr. Fred D. Quinn, Scout Executive of South Bend, Indiana, who was principal speaker at the banquet. In the center is Robert Buis, President of Alpha Upsilon Chapter of Alpha Phi Omega.

REPORT AT THE CONFERENCE

This first post-war Green Bar Conference at De Pauw was held "To give the junior leaders an opportunity to study the problems of troop operations and program planning and to enjoy the fellowship of leaders of other troops." In line with this aim, discussions were held to cover such topics as "Patrol and Troop Activities," "Using Boy Leadership," and "Troop Advancement Through Patrol Instruction." Speakers were drawn from the neighboring councils to give the lectures and lead the discussions.

Attendance for the conclave numbered over 150 Scouts and Scouters, plus members of the host chapter and Sidney B. North, national secretary of Alpha Phi Omega. The conferrers attended discussion and interest groups which were held both morning and afternoon, both indoors and outdoors. Motion pictures were used in conjunction with some of the talks.

At the noon banquet, Mr. Fred D. Quinn, Scout Executive of the St. Joseph Valley Council, discussed "Scouting in Your Future." He stressed the benefits received from Scouting which are carried into later life and mentioned the marked difference he noted between Scouts and non-Scouts when he was in the Marine Corps. "Chief" Quinn also emphasized parts of the Scout program: "To give service to others and to develop fine qualities of leadership . . . the most important thing is character and citizenship."

Although a conference of this kind takes a lot of thorough planning, if you give the Scouts useful information and ideas to take back to their troops, it is well worth all the effort, and is a lot of fun.

—James E. Dapp,
Chairman Publicity Committee.

Gamma Pi Chapter

University of Michigan

Gamma Pi has broken all its previous records with the chapter's largest pledge class to date. Deciding that its various projects can better be handled by a large group, we are attempting, within the year, to double our present membership to over 150 men. Coupled with this program, has been an expansion in our service activities through the inauguration of several new projects, including aiding in running the Freshman-High School Principal conference, supervising Student Legislature and all other campus elections; running the registration booth for the November elections; and supervising basketball and hockey games. In addition we have strengthened our publicity drive to make Alpha Phi Omega one of the top student organizations on the campus.

—George H. Meyer, President.

Epsilon Sigma Chapter

University of Buffalo

Our chapter has started the year with an active schedule. We took charge of guiding the freshmen around the campus on Orientation Day. We are also helping on the Community Chest drive. Many of our members are active in local Scouting. On the social side, we have organized a bowling team. A smoker was also held for prospective pledges. Twice over the summer and once since school opened we had a hotdog roast for members and their dates. A pledge dance and a weekend at Scout camp have been planned. More events will also be added to the schedule.

—Hugh L. Metzger, Historian.

Epsilon Gamma Chapter

Alfred University

We have conducted a very successful Scout census this Fall for contacting prospective candidates for membership.

—Carl Buessow, President.

Alpha Rho Chapter

University of Texas

Our chapter's biggest project last summer was development of a playground in the veterans housing area. We secured the aid of Austin townspeople who donated used playground equipment and the university furnished fencing, trucks and tools. We built a playground large enough to accommodate 200 children. By the time of the national convention, Alpha Rho Chapter plans to have over 3,000 manhours of service completed this semester. We now have a class of 65 pledges.

—Lee A. Gilman, Secretary.

Beta Theta Chapter

University of Wisconsin

We have recently conducted our annual campus Community Chest collection between the halves of a Marquette-Wisconsin football game. Our chapter is assuming a greater position of usefulness on the campus and we are trying to make each of our annual projects more successful than before.

—John R. Walker, President.

Epsilon Rho Chapter

Eastern Washington College

Some of the early projects after the installation of Epsilon Rho Chapter included purchasing of a loudspeaker unit for student use, remodeling a room in the Student Union for the use of all clubs and forming a \$100 scholarship fund to be awarded annually.

—Jerry Moothart, Historian.

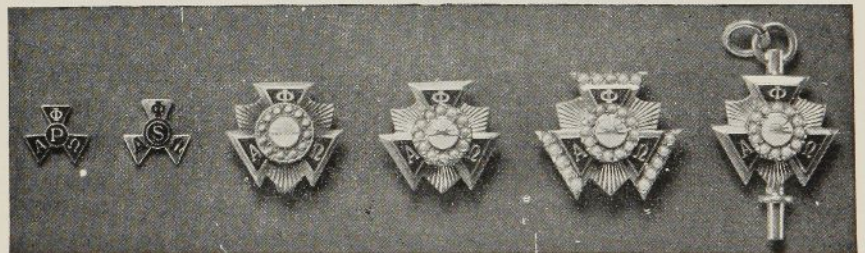
Zeta Gamma Chapter

Valparaiso University

One of the early projects of our new chapter was sponsorship of a Scout camporee held on the campus last May. Over 130 Scouts and leaders participated and were unanimous in their desire to make this an annual event.

—Arthur Gray, Past President.

Insignia of Alpha Phi Omega



Pledge button (shown above at extreme left)	\$.35
Service button (second from left above)	.35
Standard badge, gold plated (third from left above)	2.50
Standard badge, 10K	6.50
Standard badge, crown set pearl center plain arms (fourth from left above)	13.25
Standard badge, crown set pearl center and arms (fifth from left above)	24.25
Standard key, gold plated	3.25
Standard key, 10K	8.50
Standard key, crown set pearl center plain arms (extreme right above)	15.00
Standard key, crown set pearl center and arms	26.00

(To all prices add 20% federal tax, and state sales tax.)

EPSILON SIGMA CHAPTER INSTALLED AT THE UNIVERSITY OF BUFFALO



On February 15, 1948, this outstanding group of men at the University of Buffalo received their charter as Epsilon Sigma Chapter of Alpha Phi Omega. Dr. Ray O. Wyland, member of the national executive board, officiated at this ceremony, with the ritual being conducted by brothers of Epsilon Nu Chapter of Oswego State Teachers College.

ZETA GAMMA CHAPTER RECEIVES CHARTER AT VALPARAISO UNIVERSITY



Shown here left to right are Bill Cross, treasurer; Art Gray, president; Bob Loucks, vice-president; Burdette Lindemann, historian; and Bob Neir, secretary, receiving the charter of Zeta Gamma Chapter as presented by Professor Daniel DenUyl of Purdue University, member of our national executive board. This presentation was on May 16, 1948.

"Good will, like a good name, is won by many acts—
and may be lost by ONE."

Gamma Chapter

Cornell University

The most ambitious and successful project conducted by Gamma Chapter last Spring was a campus-wide auction from which the profits were equally divided between the CARE organization at Cornell and the sponsoring of a local Boy Scout Troop for one week of Scout camp for last summer. We received much advance publicity in the Cornell Daily Sun, through the cooperation of Brother John Marcham, Assistant Managing Editor. The auction was held in the University drill hall. Some of the articles were donated by the lost and found department and the profit from these went to the United Nations Appeal for Children. The final contributions totaled more than \$100.00.

—Steve Audevieth, Publicity Chairman.

Zeta Nu Chapter

Southern Illinois College

We have established an emergency blood donor service for students and are available as regular donors when needed. In four weeks we have had three calls, one of which was an emergency. We are gaining in reputation here at Southern because of our active service program.

—Warren Stookey, President.

Alpha Delta Chapter

San Diego State College

We have undertaken a new project which has met with much favorable comment. Parking has been a problem here at San Diego State. Our chapter is therefore assisting our traffic officer in directing traffic each morning. This effort has caused a much smoother flow of automobiles onto the campus, which is greatly appreciated by both students and administration. We have a very promising pledge class of about twenty men. Our other recent activities have consisted of publishing the Student Directory, conducting the school elections and ushering at football games.

—Fred Birdsall, President.

Gamma Eta Chapter

Springfield College

Our chapter committees are all carrying out their particular jobs. Most notable at the present time is the work of the Student Directory committee compiling data which will go to press soon. We have formed an extension committee composed of five members who are working with Mr. John Bunn, State Chairman, toward developing new chapters. Our program chairman, Donald Harris, has been presenting interesting meeting programs, and our membership chairman, William Lamparter, is doing a big job.

—Samuel N. Slie, President.

Delta Xi Chapter

Ball State Teachers College

Delta Xi Chapter has placed cigarette containers at the entrances to several buildings on the campus. We are happy to report that these have found ready use and are helping keep our campus clean. Our "Save Your Campus" campaign is also turning out successfully.

—Eugene J. Dickerson, Secretary.



The first National Convention of Alpha Phi Omega, with 23 delegates from seven chapters. This meeting was held in St. Louis in 1931.

*An
Interesting
Comparison
of
National
Conventions*



The ninth National Convention of Alpha Phi Omega, held in Kansas City, Missouri, in 1946, with 311 delegates and visiting representatives from 71 chapters.



About 400 delegates are expected to attend the tenth National Convention, in Chicago, Illinois, December 28, 29 and 30, 1948. Will you be among them? This conclave offers you an opportunity to meet men of Alpha Phi Omega from all parts of the nation, and to help plan the future activities of the fraternity.

Treat yourself to this interesting experience if you possibly can. Imagine the thrill of discussion with A-Phi-O men from all parts of the nation and talking over with them your projects, fellowship, membership and methods used in your own chapter. Carry back to your campus the values which come from this important national meeting!

BULLETIN BOARD

CHRISTMAS SERVICE

The Christmas season offers outstanding opportunities for unselfish service.

One is the sale of Christmas seals on the campus in the fight against tuberculosis.

Several chapters erect and decorate a campus Christmas tree each year and invite students and faculty to bring gifts to lay under the tree for distribution to needy families.

Other chapters prepare baskets of foodstuffs to be given to unfortunate families through the local charity agencies.

Check up concerning your opportunities for Christmas service.

SCOUT ANNIVERSARY WEEK

February 8 to 14, the Boy Scouts of America will celebrate its thirty-ninth birthday anniversary. This occasion offers an opportunity for Alpha Phi Omega to help commemorate the vast service rendered by Scouting to youth. It is significant to bring out particularly that Scouting is world-wide and is a tremendous force for world brotherhood among boys of many nations.

There are many ways in which your chapter may aid in celebrating this anniversary in your community, furnishing speakers for Courts of Honor, sponsoring window display contests for troops, and others.

MARCH OF DIMES

The last week of January comes the annual March of Dimes to support the fight against infantile paralysis. In past years, many Alpha Phi Omega chapters have been in charge of the campus campaign for this cause and many have already indicated plans for sponsorship this year.

Several means of solicitation are used, some conducting a "March of Dimes Dance" others placing containers on the campus, others contacting fraternities, sororities and various campus groups.

This is a most worthy service and deserves your attention.

C. A. R. E.

Of increasing importance is the work of CARE (Cooperative for American Remittances to Europe, Inc.) which delivers packages of food and clothing to specified persons in the war-torn nations across the Atlantic.

At a cost of \$10.00 any chapter or any individual brother may purchase a CARE package to be made available to a family abroad. These packages are helping relieve suffering and starvation for thousands of families. This is a sure and convenient way to aid persons in distress. Send your contributions to C. A. R. E., New York, N. Y.