

FROM THE FRATERNITY



Brothers,

It is that time of year when we welcome a whole new group of brothers into the ranks of alumni membership in Alpha Phi Omega. In reality, we have just a short time to be actives, but the rest of our lives to continue as alumni members of this Fraternity. So, in the spirit of congratulating our newest graduates as they become alumni brothers of APO, I would like to take this opportunity to highlight some of the incredible things our alumni and alumni associations are doing to support our Fraternity and its mission.

First and foremost, the Fraternity owes a debt of gratitude to the hundreds of alumni volunteers all over the country who work tirelessly to support our chapters and the Fraternity's programs. Without your continued service, dedication and support, we could not do what we do. On behalf of our members, I say THANK YOU for your continued leadership and service to the Fraternity!

However, even if you are not a volunteer in the Fraternity, there are still many opportunities to remain connected with APO through membership in one of our many alumni associations. Increasingly, our alumni associations are providing critical support for our members and chapters, and they are also providing opportunities for alumni to continue to serve and make a difference in their communities, just as we did as actives.

Whether you become an alumni volunteer, join an alumni association or just continue to live out our principles of Leadership, Friendship and Service on a daily basis wherever you are, I wish our newest graduates and all of our alumni nothing but the best as you continue to support our Fraternity's mission through your actions.

Fraternally,

Hon. John K. Ottenad National President



#APOserves90 SPOTLIGHT

This spotlight is on the chapters of Section 98 for the annual service project at Boy Scout Camp Guajataka with the Puerto Rico Alumni Association! Just one of many joint projects that the brothers of Puerto Rico perform every year.

Let us know what your contribution to the 90th anniversary celebration is, and maybe you'll find yourself in the spotlight!



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TORCH TALK

Brother and Archivist Emeritus Bob Barkhurst passes away at 71

It is with great sadness and profound respect that Alpha Phi Omega National Service Fraternity recognizes the passing of Brother and Archivist Emeritus Robert "Bob" Barkhurst, Pi Beta '65.

Brother Barkhurst of West Dundee, Illinois, died on April 5, 2016, at the age of 71.

Brother Barkhurst's relationship with the Fraternity began in 1965

when he initiated as a charter member of Pi Beta Chapter at the University of Dubuque. He was a chapter officer and a delegate to the 1966 National, 1967 Constitutional and 1968 National conventions.

He was elected as the first Region IX Director in 1968, and from 1972 to 1990, he served as vice chairman of Section 26, Nebraska; chairman and vice chairman of Section 21, Iowa; and chairman of Section 27, Wisconsin. From 1981 to 2014, he was the National Archivist for the Fraternity for which he created a historical display for each National Convention.



During his time with APO, Brother Barkhurst was recognized with the Region IX Distinguished Service Key in 1981, Alumni Distinguished Service Key in 1982 and National Distinguished Service Award in 1990. He was named the National Fall Pledge Class Namesake Honoree in 2000 and was an instrumental member of the Fraternity's 75th Anniversay Committee.

Given Bob's love for history, memorial gifts can be made to APO's Leaders in Service Campaign, History Museum Project. To make a gift in memory of Brother Barkhurst, please visit the following link and specify "History Museum Project" in the 'additional information' dialogue box. https://www.apo.org/give/leadersinservicecampaign/donatenow

Congratulations, graduates!

On behalf of the entire Fraternity, we would like to congratulate our Leaders in Service who graduated during the fall 2015 and spring 2016 semesters. We are eager to witness the continued success of our servant leaders as they enter the next chapter in their lives.

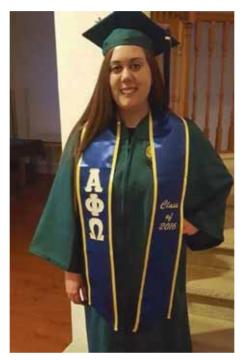


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Clockwise from Top Left: Kappa Psi Chapter, North Carolina A&T State University; Below Top and Below Bottom: Tau Mu Chapter, University of South Florida; Below Left: Zeta Phi Chapter, Howard University.

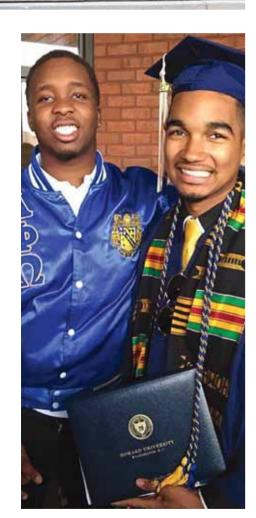






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Go confidently in the direction of your dreams. Live the life you have imagined."

- Henry David Thoreau

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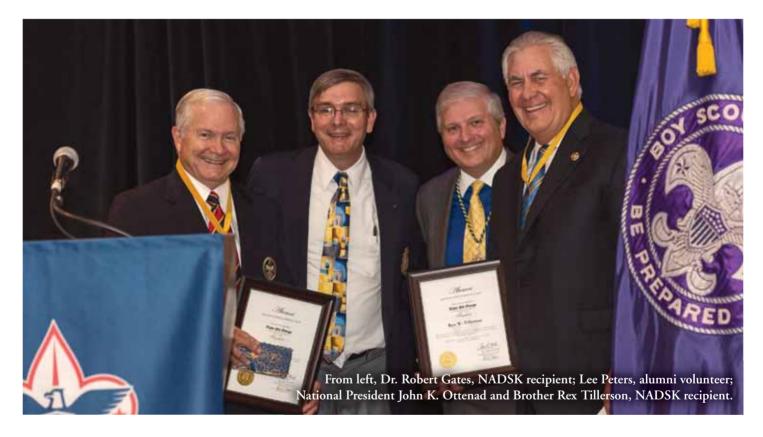
TORCH TALK

Two National Alumni Distinguished Service Key Awards presented at BSA Board Meeting

Alpha Phi Omega presented two National Alumni Distinguished Service Key awards to alumni Dr. Robert Gates and Rex Tillerson at the Boy Scouts of America (BSA) National Executive Board meeting in San Diego for their exceptional and continuous commitment to service.

"We are pleased to see our fraternity brothers lead such tremendous, successful careers in leadership knowing that they got their start with Alpha Phi Omega," says the Honorable John K. Ottenad, APO National President and Eagle Scout. "These are just two of the many APO brothers who continue to make a positive impact in the world."

An Eagle Scout, Brother Gates initiated with APO with Nu Rho Chapter at the College of William







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and Mary in 1962 where he served the Fraternity as Chapter President. He is being recognized in part for his continued service to the nation with the United States Air Force, the Central Intelligence Agency and as United States Secretary of Defense. He is currently the National President of the BSA, the Chancellor of the College of William and Mary, and a principal in the consulting firm, RiceHadleyGates, LLC.

Brother Tillerson earned the rank of Eagle Scout in 1965 and initiated with the Fraternity with Alpha Rho Chapter at the University of Texas at Austin in 1971. He is a past president of the BSA and is currently the president, chairman and CEO of Exxon Mobil Corporation.

This award is given to APO alumni who have continued to further the principles of Leadership, Friendship and Service beyond their college years in exceptional ways. For more information about the Alpha Phi Omega National Alumni Distinguished Service Key, please visit www.apo.org.

2016 Youth Service Grant recipients announced

Alpha Phi Omega National Service Fraternity is proud to announce that 33 of its chapters have been awarded 2016 Youth Service Grants. A total of



\$13,250 in funds will be used for various service

projects such as The Jared Box Project, Merit Badge University and Project Linus. The goal of Youth Service Grant-funded projects is to encourage and inspire children and young adults,

APO DATELINE

IUIY

07/04: Independence Day



07/15-17: APO LEADS Serve – Dallas

07/15-17: Membership Academy - Iowa City, Iowa

07/22-24: Membership Academy – Los Angeles

07/22-24: Membership University – Lexington, Kentucky

07/29-31: Sectional Chair Academy - St. Louis ••••

07/31: End of fiscal year

07/31: COE/PPOE paperwork due in the OP

07/31: Annual Chapter Evaluations due

07/31: H. Roe Bartle Award applications due

07/31: Chapter Assessment & Planning Session (CAPS) forms due

AUGUST

08/01: Beginning of fiscal year

08/05-07: Sectional Chair Academy – Atlanta

SEPTEMBER

09/05: Labor Day •

09/11: Patriot Day

09/22: First Day of Autumn

Visit www.apo.org/calendar for a complete list of deadlines and events.

and to provide them with tools to succeed in their futures.

Each year, chapters submit applications and project ideas for review and are then selected based on the impact their projects will have on the children and teenagers in their community. For the full list of recipients, please visit www.apo.org/ news/youthservicegrantrecipients.

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#GIZOW

Alpha Phi Omega is making strides toward its goal of 500 active chapters by 2025 as we welcome fifteen new chapters to the Fraternity in FY2016.

Dominique Fowler, Sigma Mu Chapter Faculty Advisor, and National President John K. Ottenad, at the Sigma Mu re-charter ceremony

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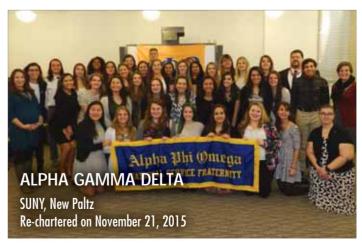












How does a chapter form?

The process to become a chapter is broken down into the following five phases:

Initial contact phase

Students contact the National Office

Prospective phase

- Intro kit sent to the students
- School permission form received
- Sponsor identified
- Building a New Chapter Guide sent
- Interest Group Application certification

Interest group phase

Petitioning Group Application received

Petitioning phase

- Petitioning Group ceremony
- Charter Application received

Charter phase

- Charter Review Team approval
- Board approval
- Chartering ceremony







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As of May 26, 2016, Alpha Phi Omega has 371 chapters.













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APO's 90th Anniversary Service Project

APO's 90th Anniversary Service Project with The Jared Box Project







In celebration of Alpha Phi Omega's 90th Anniversary, this spring, chapters nationwide made an impact by serving the children at their local hospitals with The Jared Box Project. Shoebox-size containers filled with games, toys and well wishes were assembled and delivered to young patients to help ease the pain and fears associated with undergoing medical treatments.

"Thousands of boxes have been made and given to children across the United States. The toys are just a conversation starter. Our purpose is to give these kids a reason to smile," says service committee chair David Amelotti. "The greatest part of our national service event is that it has laid the foundation for a strong relationship with The Jared Box Project for brothers to utilize and grow for years to come."

Chapters were asked to share their projects via social media with the hashtags #aposerves90 and #thejaredboxproject to increase the online awareness of APO and its efforts as a whole.

SETTING THE PACE

An alternative option for participation in the 90th Anniversary Service Project was developed after Brother Brian Martin, Alpha Delta '95, proposed his idea for the APO Virtual Half Marathon, a fundraiser in support of The Jared Box Project organization. Brother Martin serves as an advisor for the National Convention Committee and is the Chapter Advisory Chair for Alpha Zeta Rho Chapter at Defiance College and Zeta Lambda Chapter at the University of Toledo.

"A high school classmate of mine had done something similar to raise funds in the battle against Autism while she was training for the Chicago Marathon," says Brother Martin. "I was a bit hesitant in pitching the idea to others, but it got great support from within the Alpha Phi Omega leadership."

As the premier, collegiate service-based organization, Alpha Phi Omega saw a need in support of The Jared Box Project's mission. Proceeds from the fundraiser will be donated directly to The Jared Box Project to assist with administrative costs to ultimately help the organization put more smiles on more faces.

The virtual half marathon was designed to allow brothers of any skill level to take part in the event. Participants registered for a fee and pledged to complete 13.1 miles on their own time, in their respective locations and in as many increments as needed. Some ran; some walked. Some

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INANCIAL SUMMARY

71%

Program

Services

5%

Management

& General

3%

Torch &

Trefoil

14%

National

Convention

4%

Fundraisina

3%

Where

Does the

Money

Go

18% Initiation

Maybe the most significant financial accomplishment this fiscal year was awarding 77 John Mack Scholarships to student members. This represents an increase of 122 percent over the previous year. In partnering with the Alpha Phi Omega Endowment, the John Mack Scholarship Fund continues to grow, which allows the Fraternity to offer more scholarships every year. With careful stewardship, the Fraternity continues to operate without needing to raise student fees and dues. As costs continue to rise in all areas, we have been able to see increased revenues through membership growth, affinity and royalty programs, and sound investments. We finished this year with net revenue of \$125,197 which goes into our operating reserves.

While there is always Come From fluctuation in our various membership categories (pledge, initiate, AAMD), we maintained our overall student membership numbers of just under 28,000 students (27,947).

There are many ways for donors to engage in supporting APO to ensure that opportunities remain abundant for college students for generations. In this fiscal year, 8.4 percent of the Fraternity's revenue was generated from the Torchbearer Fund. These

contributions are vital to the daily operations of the Fraternity and are utilized for chapter support, publications and leadership programs as well as other general

programming needs.

Affinity and royalty programs provided combined revenues of \$68,043. This is \$7,043 greater than budgeted. We continue to work with a third party to manage our licensing program and have over 200 licensed vendors around the country. Investments and earnings Merchandise provided additional total revenues of \$14,592.

> Leadership program revenues exceeded expectations by \$28,585. With increased revenues, we were able to spend more than anticipated on leadership programming this fiscal year.

The 2014 National Convention in Chicago was another success for the

Fraternity. There were 2,101 attendees overall, and the Fraternity netted a surplus of \$6,823.

Through the designated donor funds managed by the Alpha Phi Omega Endowment, the Fraternity awarded 33 chapters with Youth Service Grants. These grants are used as seed money for service projects geared toward youth, such as Girl Scout Badge Days; Boy Scout Merit Badge University; The Jared Box Project; and art, reading and science programs in schools.

Providing leadership and service opportunities to active members and alumni is by far the largest expenditure for the Fraternity.

Along with the traditional training webinars,

Fees 16% **Pledge** Fees 16% 14% Annual **National** Dues Convention 13% Restricted Revenue 8% Contributions 7% Merchandise 6% Chapter 2% Insurance Leadershiop 1% Other **Where Does** the Money

Statement of Financial Position 7/31/2015 7/31/2014 2015 2015 Over/								
				Actual	7/31/2014 Actual	Budget	(Under) Budget	
	2015	2014	REVENUES	7101041	711041	Jongo.	(Gildor) Dougo:	
ASSETS	007.054	0/5 044	Pledge Fees	385,300	376,625	376,875	8,425	
Cash & Interest Bearing Deposits Accounts Receivable	887,854 34,118	865,044 18,850	Initiation Fees	441,525	468,370	444,500	(2,975)	
Merchandise for Sale	72,709	82,488	AAMD	383,300	365,250	344,875	38,425	
Printed Materials	32,185	19,900	Subtotal	1,210,125	1,210,245	1,166,250	43,875	
Prepaid Expenses	141,109	134,113	Sale of Merchandise	174,165	182,068	200,293	(26,128)	
Total Current Assets	1,167,975	1,120,395	Torchbearer Fund	192,829	190,297	200,273	(7,171)	
iotal dell'oni Assors			Leadership Services	42,236	61,188	57,913	(15,677)	
Investments	1,038,570	879,901	Liability Insurance-members	152,420	148,370	144,350	8,070	
Property & Equipment			Other Revenue	32,328	94,094	69,800	(37,472)	
Land	205,422	93,000	Restricted Revenue	318,057	148,017	200,108	117,949	
Building and Improvements	287,499	287,499	National Convention	338,853	0	331,975	6,878	
Equipment	407,233	435,301	Subtotal	1,250,888	824,034	1,204,439	46,449	
Furniture & Fixtures	52,692	55,626	TOTAL REVENUE	2,461,013	2,034,279	2,370,689	90,324	
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Less Accumulated Depreciation	637,383	644,019	Program Activities Salaries & Health Ins	750,000	684,585	851.113	(101,113)	
Total Property & Equipment	315,463	227,407	Payroll Taxes	48,105	43,432	58,715	(101,113)	
	•		Printing	75,068	58,349	65,361	9,707	
TOTAL ASSETS	2,522,008	2,227,703	Telephone	5,642	5,503	5,000	642	
			E-mail/Internet	12,748	26,301	12,500	248	
LIABILITIES & NET ASSETS			Postage	69,262	60,548	65,600	3,662	
Current Liabilities	0 (051	70.070	Copier	6,879	6,836	7,750	(871)	
Accounts Payable-Chapters	86,251	78,369	Insurance-chapter Staff Visitation	122,649	125,888 94,828	123,000	(351)	
Accounts Payable-Vendors Accrued Expenses	269,974 50,197	108,117 38,145	NW Support	84,585 6,000	1,584	104,000 5,000	(19,415) 1,000	
Due to Endowment	2,650	1,300	Alumni Services	109,931	23,630	80,639	29,292	
Annuity Obligation Payable	4,089	0	Leadership Development	142,606	123,837	120,415	22,191	
Total Current Liabilities	413,161	225,931	Board Meeting	14,876	11,046	14,000	876	
	•		Public Relations/Advertising	114,669	119,257	69,000	45,669	
Deferred Revenues	0	15,294	BANC Program Scouting Relations	3,720	1,439 7,075	5,000 5,000	(1,280) 1,234	
Funds Held for Chapters	17,279	20,107	J B Fund Distributions	6,234 20,000	20,000	20,000	1,234	
TOTAL LIABILITIES	430,440	261,332	Mack Scholarship	52,500	41,000	51,355	1,145	
TOTAL LIABILITIES	130,110	201,332	Youth Service Grants	9,481	7,945	10,455	(974)	
Net Assets			Service	2,785	2,220	5,415	(2,630)	
Unrestricted	1,349,012	1,214,630	Total Program Activities	1,657,740	1,465,303	1,679,318	(21,578)	
Unrestricted-Board Designated	617,869	608,064	•					
Temporarily Restricted	124,687	143,677	Other Services	222.020	0	214.070	171/0	
Total Net Assets	2,091,568	1,966,371	National Convention Purchase of Merchandise	332,030 62,358	0 57,861	314,870 64,970	17,160 (2,612)	
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TOTAL LIABILITIES & NET ASSETS	2,522,008	2,227,703	Total Other Services	465,353	145,513	462,340	3,013	
				403,333	143,313	102,310	3,013	
Almlan Dla	: 0		Support Services		107.007		440.744	
Alpha Ph	ı Umea	Q	Management & General	118,510	137,007	160,674	(42,164)	
			Fund-raising	94,213	111,673	100,000	(5,787)	
FY2015			Total Support Services	212,723	248,680	260,674	(47,951)	
11 1 1 2 2			Transfer to Endowment	0	0			
Membership Statistics			TOTAL EXPENSES	2,335,816	1,859,496	2,402,332	(66,516)	
(August 1, 2014 - July 31, 2015)			TOTAL EXITENSES	2,333,010	1,037,470	2,402,332	(00,310)	
			Change in Net Assets	125,197	174,783			
Active Chapters: 371 Pledges: 14,592			FUND BALANCE, BEG OF YR	1,966,371	1,791,588			
Initiates: 12,585 AAMD: 15,332			FUND BALANCE, END OF YR	2,091,568	1,966,371			
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alumni were provided with three additional face-to-face learning and fellowship opportunities in 2014-15. The National Volunteer Conference was held at the end of the fiscal year. Over 190 alumni attended the event in Baltimore, Maryland. There were 36 workshops offered supporting the theme "Why I Volunteer."

Alumni were also provided with opportunities to

participate in BOLD (Brothers of the Last Decade): one in New York City and the second in Boston. The events were especially helpful to recent graduates. Professional assistance was provided for updating resumes and employment portfolios, including a professional photo headshot.

Alpha Phi Omega thanks you for your continued support and commitment to the Fraternity. ■



Region 1



Alpha Gamma Sigma Chapter **Q New Jersey City University**



ags_aphio1992 Dr. Seuss Bake Sale #APHIQ #ΑΦΩ #1925 #LFS

Region 11



Omicron Upsilon Chapter Q West Chester University of Pennsylvania



apowcu Congrats to all the APO bros and everyone who organized, participated and donated in order to help raise \$14,458 for CHOP's Oncology Department! #dubdanceathon #FTK #LFS #aposerves90

Region 111 👝



Zeta Phi Chapter Q Howard University



apo zetaphi Service is a lifestyle. #aposerves90

Region 1V



Tau Mu Chapter **Q** University of South Florida





apotaumu Up in the tree, down by the sea, our brothers had a blast keeping Tampa Bay beautiful. #apotaumu #greatamericancleanup

Region V



Alpha Iota Chapter **Ohio State University**



appalphaiota Some of our $A\Phi\Omega$ brothers teamed up with Buckeyes Against Hunger to package soup for the YWCA this past weekend! #AΦΩ #buckeyesagainsthunger

Region V1



Upsilon lota Chapter Q DePaul University



apodepaul At one of our great partners here in Chicago, Franciscan Outreach Kitchen. We love serving every month and our brothers do too! #aposerves90





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Region V11

Epsilon Omega Chapter Q University of Mississippi



olemissapo Piece by piece, APO makes the world a better place. #alphaphiomega #apo #service

Region V111

Epsilon Chapter Truman State University



apo epsilon All done! Region 8 brothers kicked off the last day of conference by packing up 150 boxes for @jaredboxproject. #r8conf2016 #aposerves90

Region 1X



Gamma Psi Chapter

Q University of Minnesota at Twin Cities



apo gammapsi Smiling with joy from all of these hotel donations going to a great cause! #APOGammaPsi

Region X



Alpha Eta Gamma Chapter **Q** University of California, Merced



apoahg A Million Thanks! Brothers wrote letters of thanks and encouragement to our armed forces here and abroad. #aposerves90

Region X1



Gamma Alpha Chapter

Q University of Washington



apoga Volunteering at the Sweetest Run #hc15k #apoga #aposerves90 #sec8service

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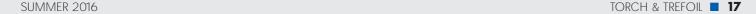


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Leaders in Service:

More Students on More Campuses

Top 5 Number of Pledges

436 ALPHA ALPHA

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

337 GAMMA

Cornell University

288 ZETA DELTA
Miami University

266 DELTA DELTA

Saint Louis University

255 GAMMA PI University of Michigan at Ann Arbor **Top 5** Number of Initiates

391 ALPHA ALPHA

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

279 GAMMA
Cornell University

217 DELTA DELTA

Saint Louis University

191 ZETA SIGMA University of Delaware

188 XI DELTA
Texas A&M University

2015-16 Totals*

371

Active chapters

15

Chartered & re-chartered chapters

14,547

Pledge

12,285

Initiate

14,946

SCANLON AWARDS*

Top 5 Category A

Chapters reporting 15 or more active brothers after having reported fewer than 15 the prior year.

+3200% Alpha Lambda

North Dakota State University

+1000% Gamma Chi

Samford University

+178% Alpha Epsilon Epsilon

Henderson State University

+118% Xi Omicron

Tarleton State University

+108% Alpha Zeta Xi

Lake Superior State University

Top 5 Category B

Chapters reporting a net growth of at least 5 active brothers afer having reported a total membership of 15-50 the prior year.

+229% lota Kappa

Bucknell University

+120% Alpha Epsilon Omega

Southern Arkansas University

+118% Nu Sigma

Stephen F Austin State University

+109% Alpha Zeta lota

Grand Valley State University

+107% Alpha Zeta Pi

University of Maryland, Baltimore County

Top 5 Category C

Chapters reporting a new growth of 15 percent after having reported an active membership of 51 or more the prior year.

+86% Xi Delta

Texas A&M University

+69% Zeta Lambda University of Toledo

+65% Alpha Tau
Butler University

+60% Kappa

Carnegie Mellon University

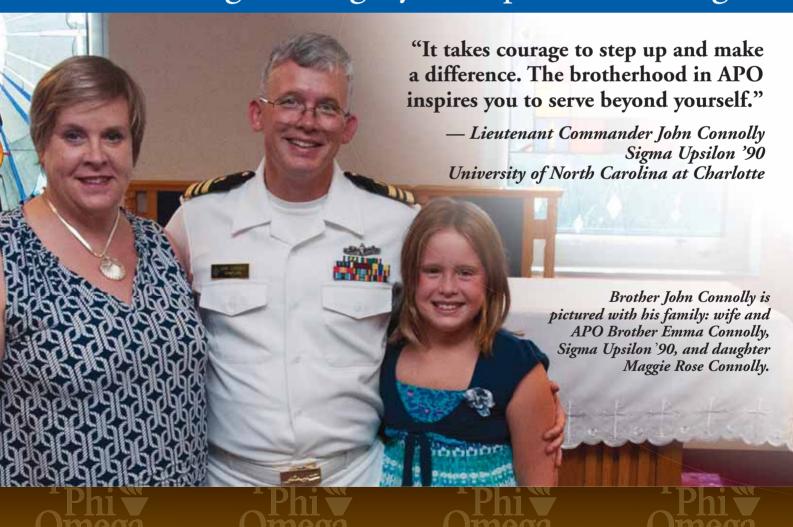
+58% Pi Eta

Loyola University of Chicago

*This represents the increase from FY2014 chapter data to FY2015 chapter data.

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Save the stamp! You can also donate online by visiting www.apo.org/give						
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Name:National #:						
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Continuing the Legacy of Alpha Phi Omega



Thank you to the brothers who continue to support Alpha Phi Omega.

MOVING? New Address

Name

Address

City State ZIP

(Area Code) Phone Number

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