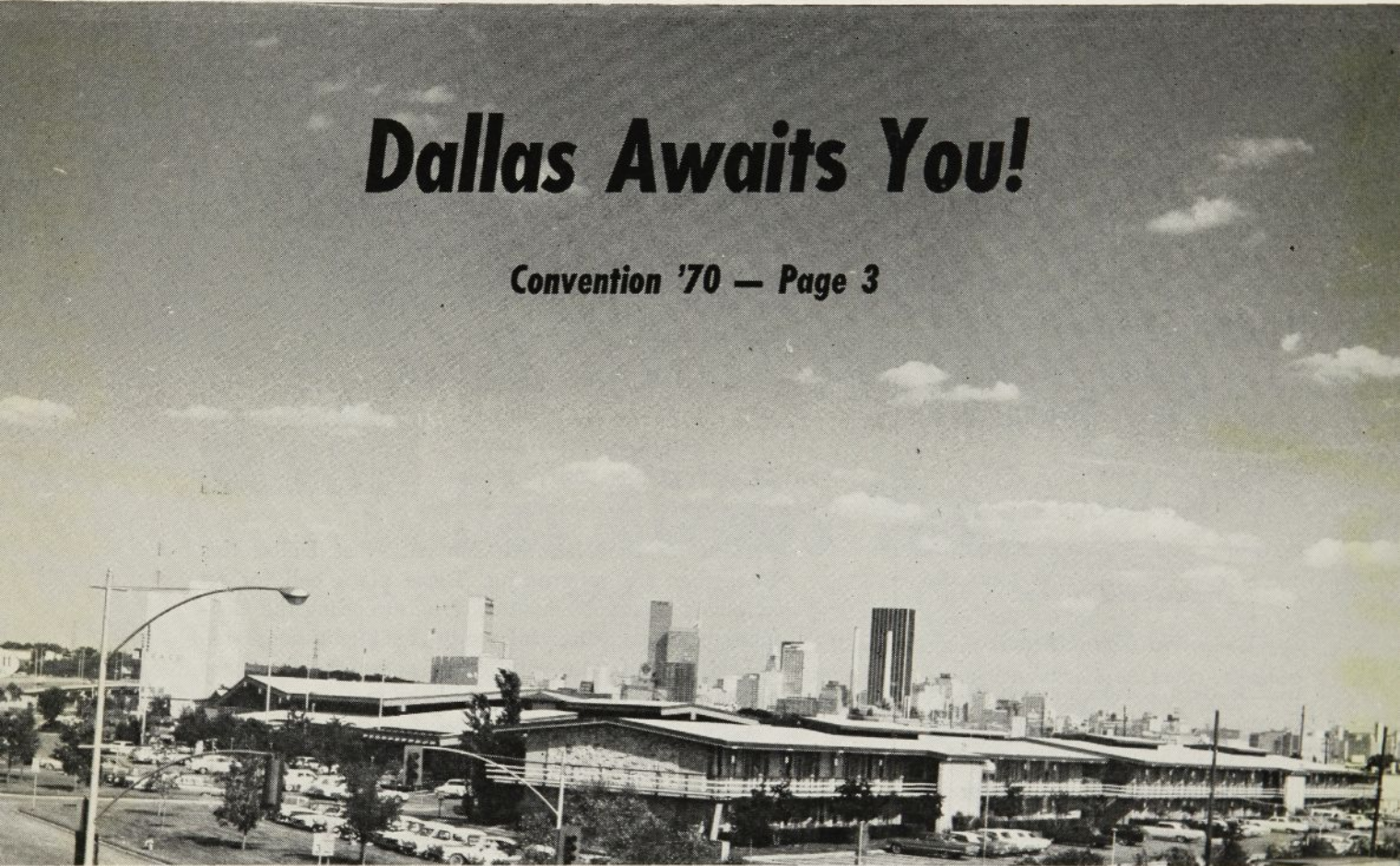


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# Come to Convention '70

Dean Lewis N. Jones  
Convention Coordinator



Plans for the National Convention at Dallas this December are progressing. These plans call for an emphasis on involvement of those attending the Convention in a meaningful way. The facilities are excellent, the program will be innovative and the cooks are willing to give us a second helping.

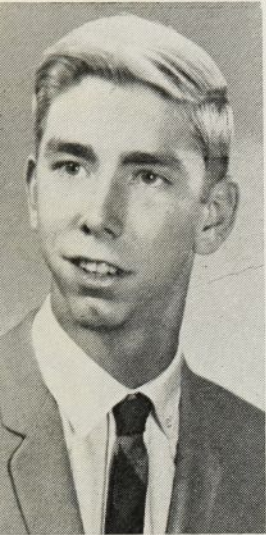
Let's make the 1970 Convention a time of renewal for Alpha Phi Omega and move forward in the '70's. The largest and most meaningful convention ever is the goal—Become a part of this happening.

Our theme will be:

THE THREE WORLDS OF  
ALPHA PHI OMEGA  
TELL IT LIKE IT IS  
LET'S BE SIGNIFICANT

# To the Brothers of APO . . .

*Michael W. Maloney, Convention '70 Student Chairman, Alpha Omicron, S.M.U.*



I want to take this opportunity to introduce myself to y'all. I have been given the honor to serve as your Student Chairman at the National Convention to be held in Dallas next December 27-29. But don't let my attempted Texas accent fool you; I'm really a Midwesterner (from Columbus, Ohio) who goes to school in Dallas at S.M.U. This is part of what makes "Big D" such an exciting place to have our convention—there

are people living and going to universities here from all over the United States.

Texas is certainly proud to host this great get-together, but at the same time, the brothers here know that this is every A Phi O's convention, and that's why we extend our hearty invitation: "Y'all come!"

A few weeks ago I had the pleasure to meet the national officers, the members of the executive committee, and of

course, our outstanding convention coordinator, Dean Lewis N. Jones of Texas Tech University. I have never seen a group of men so fired about about our 1970 convention! They are determined to see that we, the students, conduct the finest convention ever.

I want to assure you of my dedication to this goal also, and I will look forward to meeting everyone in Dallas.

*Fraternally,*  
Mike W. Maloney

## Dallas Awaits You!

Alpha Phi Omega's 21st National Convention will be held December 27-29, 1970, at the Marriott Motor Hotel, Dallas. Advanced indications point to the greatest attendance ever in APO's history.

Every chapter is entitled to send two voting delegates and as many other brothers as wish to attend. Life Members may register as visitors and married brothers are privileged to register their wives and bring them to the gathering.

The Convention will open officially with a bang on Sunday evening, December 27, in the famous Conquistador Ballroom at the Marriott. The convention arrangements committee is working on a plan to expedite registrations and to arrange the opening banquet room to assure that everyone present can

see and hear all that takes place. There are no pillars in the ballroom to obscure vision. The Spanish decor is striking. Those who have seen it are certain this opening banquet will surpass any ever held.

The Monday night banquet will take place, believe it or not, out of doors and the hotel promises this Texas barbecue will be remembered for quantity and quality food.

The closing banquet on December 29 will feature the award of National Distinguished Service Keys and a number of other surprises which Chairman Jones and his associates are keeping an intriguing secret. This banquet will be held in one of the most gorgeous banquet halls in the country. Details will be released in due season.

The convention committee urges

chapters and sections to begin planning displays now. All displays must be related to Alpha Phi Omega and its purposes. Suitable arrangements will be made to protect the displays from vandalism or theft and all will be locked up overnight.

The primary goal of this Convention will be to have every active chapter represented. Convention business will include the election of the national president and vice president, five national executive committeemen and the election of national representatives for regions 1, 3, 5, 7 and 9. Terms of office for representatives of the remaining five regions expire in 1972.

The site for the 1972 Convention will be selected at the Dallas meeting.

# Executive Committee Meets in Dallas

Convention '70 facilities will be the best ever, members of the fraternity's national executive committee agreed after inspecting Marriott Motor Hotel facilities during their meeting there January 16-17 in Dallas.

The Marriott Motor Hotel convention sales manager, Ted Renner, and hotel convention coordinator, Floyd White, conducted the tour for the executive committee. Members of the committee took particular interest in the Conquistador Ballroom, which will be used for the opening banquet and thereafter for business and legislative sessions. The wide corridors in this building will be reserved for convention displays.

Following the tour the executive committee reviewed advance plans for Convention '70. Convention Chairman Dean Lewis N. Jones outlined the committees to be used and their duties and introduced Harry C. Meissner, who will be vice chairman for program, and M. Wayland Brown, who will serve as vice chairman for arrangements. Student Convention Chairman Mike Maloney, Alpha Omicron, Southern Methodist University, was introduced. The executive committee formally confirmed all three and congratulated Dean Jones for the progress made to date. The dean sat in with the executive committee at its business session on Saturday, Jan. 17, at the invitation of President Nygreen.

The business session was intensive. President Nygreen presided and every member of the executive committee attended, including Immediate Past President E. Ross Forman. Plans for Convention '70 were further discussed. The Fraternity's operating account

and endowment fund were reviewed in detail by Finance Chairman George F. Cahill. Reports were received and discussed on Service, Irwin H. Gerst, chairman; Alumni, Col. Lucius E. Young, chairman; Membership and Extension, Douglas M. Harris, chairman; and Regional Coordination, Robert J. Hilliard, chairman.

National Vice President Aubrey B. Hamilton discussed plans for developing guidelines for chapter officers and reported progress in securing a renewal of APO's copyright.

The executive committee approved the purchase of some new office equipment and established a policy governing the issuance of membership lists derived from data processing.

The national president announced the appointment of a number of new sectional chairmen, all heartily approved by the executive committee. They are: Ronald R. Turgeon, New England States; Larry Wingard, western Pennsylvania; Dean John Stefferud, Arkansas; Norman L. Nevers, Pacific Northwest; Toby Rothschild, southern California, section I; and Tom Chell, southern California, section II.

The highlight of the session was the receipt of a special gift of \$1,000 from Sidney B. North, which he requested be placed in the operating account to help the fraternity increase its chapter service visitations and contacts. During his undergraduate days Brother North was a founder of Pi Chapter, Kansas State University, and served as the fraternity's first national executive secretary for 25 years. He is a Life Member of the Board of Directors and a recipient of the fraternity's National Distinguished Service Award.





## See You in Dallas!



# Alpha Phi Omega Fiscal 1969

Under date of September 19, 1969, Arthur Young and Company rendered its audit of the General and Endowment Funds of Alpha Phi Omega for the year ending August 31, 1969, to the National officers and members of the National Board of Directors.

On behalf of the Executive Board and officers of the Fraternity, I capsule here and report to the chapters and brothers of Alpha Phi Omega the fiscal status of the Fraternity as of August 31, 1969, as reported to us by Arthur Young and Company. At year-end, our Fraternity carried General Fund assets and liabilities of \$46,506. Assets included a \$6,800 carrying value of depreciated office equipment and furniture; the balance of \$39,600 is in the form of current assets, of which only \$10,200 was in inventories.

Current liabilities stood at \$1,200, leaving an equity in the General Fund of \$45,332.

The equity was favorably effected, to the extent of \$14,300, in this fiscal year, having stood on last year-end at \$31,019. The past year's general operations of the Fraternity achieved this excess of revenues over disbursements.

The favorable balance of revenues over disbursements was achieved by a \$150,000 income from "budgeted" sources, the major elements of which are initiation fees, pledge fees, royalties, and annual chapter fees. This compared to \$148,000 in budgeted disbursements. The expenditures include all office operation expenses plus personnel and other membership services to chapter and members of the Fraternity.

The results of "budgeted" operations for the year netted \$1,854.

The "nonbudgeted" category of operations includes the

purchase and sale of jewelry and supplies, convention fees and related costs, contributions from active and alumni members and the cost of soliciting contributions, and a very minor miscellaneous category. The total "nonbudgeted" revenues were \$73,734 against disbursements of \$59,665 resulting in a favorable balance of \$14,059. A charge of \$1,600 was made for depreciation.

These results and charges total an operating excess of revenues over disbursements of \$14,315 which, when added to the equity at the beginning of the year, brings the Fraternity's current equity of \$45,332, and in balance with the assets report above.

The Endowment Fund of the Fraternity grew in the amount of \$10,531 in the last fiscal year. This growth resulted from \$7,000 in life membership payments and \$3,400 in earnings and interest. The fund stands, at the conclusion of the year, at \$80,917, and is invested 5% in corporate bonds and the balance in various sized holding of 31 equities.

Arthur Young and Company indicates that the report rendered on September 19, 1969, presents fairly the "General and Endowment Assets and Liabilities resulting from the cash transactions for the Executive office of Alpha Phi Omega Fraternity for the year ending as of August 31, 1969." Your officers judge the audit to be a thoroughly acceptable and quite adequate report of a satisfactory fiscal year.

*Respectfully submitted,*  
George F. Cahill  
Finance Committee Chairman

December 1, 1969

# **A Chat with APO**

Douglas P. Adams

Faculty Advisor, ALPHA CHI

Professor of Mechanical Engineering, MIT

I was glad to get your invitation to write about my reasons for being so many years with APO. Once I was asked to write this same way, some thirty years ago. I complied and was shortly informed that I had clearly disclosed that I was not the man for the job. It then appeared that the letter of dismissal had been addressed to me by mistake, and there was indeed considerable mixup in identities. Ever since then I have been wary of such writing.

Then again, it is a little hard to sit down and write simply in such changing times. The nature of the organization changes. It is motivated by different desires and worked upon by varying influences. My output might be more acceptable if you were to tell me what this fraternity now seeks to accomplish and what you wish me to be doing for you up this new alley. Even so, I believe there are still areas permitting and encouraging the exchange of ideas between a young working group and a guy who has been around for awhile.

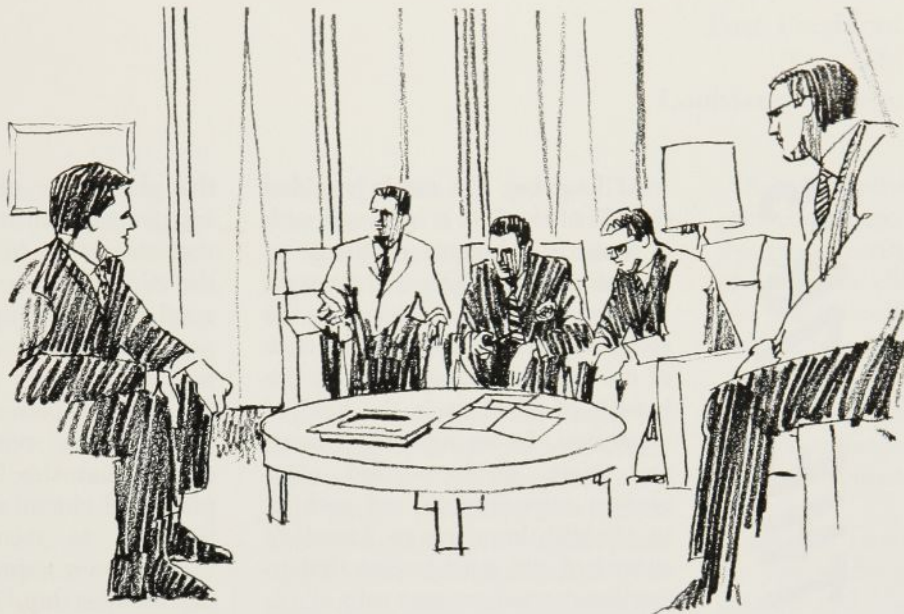
The average college student does not believe that his younger high school brother could fill his shoes because of his own superior years which have brought him unquestionable knowledge and experience (particularly experience). If this process attaches proportionally with the passage of time for all older groups of persons, colored by respective intelligences, it does logically suggest that a person truly interested in the aims of a college group should indeed be able to make himself useful to them from time to time. So I reach for the APO calender again and enjoy once more some digressive, non-pertinent but very funny passages and jot

down the time of the next meeting.

One of the most effective ways to be helpful at a meeting is by being a relaxed listener—my most comfortable role. A second contribution can be by encouraging the group to rely on its own judgment. Now a time may come about when there are broad considerations on the table, harking back to corresponding situations in quite earlier years, when suggestions and observations from those who were present can provide some effective information useful to the group. Yes? Yes!

Present trends might not be inappropriate to mention here. I quote from a recent address whose author is ostensibly an eminent, articulate person and is not associated with the institute. (I am perfectly willing to disclose his identity.)

It seems to me that we are now at a critical point in the rethinking and retooling of American higher education, for a whole new set of tasks. They are not the tasks of the earlier twentieth century when American universities set out to catch up with as well as in some cases eventually surpass their older European models simply as places of organized research and instruction. They are not the tasks of the middle third of the century when disciplines such as history and economics and political science did help Americans in many walks of life contribute to the defense against the great depression and against fascist powers, while at the same time, the physical sciences were making immeasurable leaps ahead along several tracks. Today the challenge of disciplined



intelligence is to translate its essential values without reference to traditional content to serve large numbers of very worried, very impatient and very generous young people as they begin to take on the looming problems of this century's final third.

"This may seem unduly abstract, but it is not. What is relevant in learning is respect for accuracy, and deliberation and fairness in judgment. What is irrelevant just as clearly, is any suggestion of literal answers from the past which will yield pre-packaged answers for the present and future. The accusation, however, that the institution of learning in America today has nothing to offer but such retrograde solutions is, in my opinion, a frank admission that he who makes such charges has not thought very hard about anything for a very long time."

There are quite a few words in this little passage; the one to which I attach the most importance is "generous" I have been an advisor to APO for perhaps ten years—primarily because its membership has often been so unequivocally generous. To its beneficiaries and membership, APO has meant the chance to donate precious energies and skills in a direct, open way, requested usually by the recipients. The value of their contributions in the neighborhood, with which I was also deeply involved, was to me astoundingly great. They seemed

able to clean any Augean stables with whiskbrooms; construct indestructible bridges peerlessly (no pun); design unmeltable wings to attain unmatched heights in the eyes of open-mouthed youngsters who rode with them on the untiring dreams of youth.

These have been beautiful hours; I believe they can continue.

Many persons like myself find clearer expressions of their ideas in excerpts from others. I refer to our own recent President's Report which refers in turn to a Wellesley student who wrote on graduating last June:

... We have no need of false revolutions  
In a world where categories tend to  
Tyrannize our minds  
And hang our wills upon narrow pegs.

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... Earth could be fair  
And you and I must be free  
Not to save the world in a glorious crusade . . .  
But to practice with all the skill of our being  
The art of making possible.

Through the years I have known it (and among other contributions), Alpha Phi Omega has practiced in a wide variety of ways, "the art of making possible" better living for the less fortunate. My admiration for this service remains unaltered through the years. I hope to keep on enjoying in the same way being a small part of this art.

# KEEPING PACE WITH THE '70'S

At long last the much heralded decade of the '70's is here and with it comes the biggest challenge in the history of Alpha Phi Omega. No longer can we glory in the progress that a comparatively few of our brothers have made for the benefit of all of us in the field of expansion. In an age when more and more service-minded community organizations are seeking to establish branches on America's campuses, we must realize that to continue at our present rate of expansion, although phenomenal in comparison with the past, it will not be the type of progress that our great fraternity needs.

Therefore, if we are to bring the spirit of fraternal brotherhood as embodied in leadership, friendship, and service, to a significantly larger group of universities and colleges, it is going to have to be a concerted expansion effort on the part of each chapter, section, and region in our system. We cannot leave the primary burden of expansion on the shoulders of the national staff. What can be done to initiate a plan of action in areas where one is needed? Here are a few suggestions:

First, let us consider the following questions: Do our chapters, as a whole, take their role in expansion seriously? Is it unreasonable to apply the "replacement clause," which we impress upon our pledges, to the chapter level? Or has this chapter been directly responsible for the creation of a new or reactivated chapter in the last few years?"

The initial step is to evaluate

the philosophy of the chapter in relation to expansion and to decide that this is an important facet of the Alpha Phi Omega program. A good way to emphasize the importance of such a program is to read the story of the formation of the local chapter and of how concerned men, not only on the campus but also from other campuses and alumni chapters, worked tirelessly to secure the charter which is now enjoyed by the existing membership. If an expansion committee is formed and led by a Brother who has time to develop fully the expansion efforts, a sound foundation will be laid for future action. A logical choice for this committee chairman in most cases where he is available is the sectional committeeman who is the spokesman for the chapter to the section. He would be in the best position to coordinate expansion efforts so as to actively involve other chapters section wide.

Once a committee has been formed, two or three free starter kits from the national office should be requested and the materials studied carefully by each member of the committee. Then, working through the sectional committee, each chapter should be requested to accept "spheres of influence" in which they would be responsible for expansion efforts. During this time, plans for a joint effort may be worked out and names of prospective leaders may be given to the other chapters as contacts on various campuses.

Once the chapter has accepted responsibility for one or more

By  
"Chip" Turner  
Past President  
Tau Iota  
Louisiana College



schools, it is time to visit the campus, possibly with the sectional chairman if available, to evaluate the potential for a chapter. Often with little effort, faculty members and administrators who have served in Alpha Phi Omega and transfers from active chapters are now attending the school under investigation can be found. These people can prove to be invaluable in founding a chapter. And remember, do not become completely influenced by first impressions, good or bad. What oftentimes seems to be a general lack of interest might actually be a failure to contact the right people. There are people on every campus that, when properly acquainted with our organization, will gladly work feverishly for a charter because they want APO on their campus.

Arrange for a meeting as soon as possible to discuss APO with any prospects that were found on the first visit, either by personal investigation or by recommendation of other chapters. At this meeting, the purpose and significance of our fraternity should be explained fully. The insignia and chapter scrapbooks should be displayed to give an indication of the effectiveness of our organization on a campus. The starter kits should be used including the pamphlet "How to Organize," a free publication which outlines in detail how to initiate a chapter from the point of introduction to the initiation ceremony and charter presentation. Be straightforward with the assembled group, for it is not an easy task to start or maintain a

strong petitioning group. Those who choose to accept the challenge on these conditions will find it relatively simple, but it is unfair to leave the assumption that the work will be done by anyone but themselves.

Review carefully the steps for chartering and all costs involved, answering any questions that may arise within the group. A chart of how to organize, in simple form, might make the explanation even more clear. After the challenge has been issued, the next step is largely up to the group as they meet with their friends and multiply in number.

Suggestions for the types of individuals they need as charter members might include: Industrious, desire to serve mankind, and unafraid to stand apart for a worthy cause. Also, it is not difficult to find out which men are former Scouts, Order of the Arrow members, etc., and they are prime prospects for charter members. The petitioners should be encouraged to elect some temporary officers.

At this point, the existing chapter can help answer questions that are inherent in chartering. Many petitioning groups are not afforded this help and it either takes longer to receive a charter or we lose them altogether from frustration because of a lack of firsthand information. The chapter can also help in suggesting faculty advisors. And, it is possible that Scouting advisors can come out of the same office as your own chapter's if the two schools are in the same council, thus saving the petitioners another step.

Representatives from the expansion committee should meet with the group consistently. A joint social with the chapter after the first few weeks would be an added incentive to work for the charter.

As the group begins service projects, the expansion committeemen can share project ideas as well as indicate sources for some work materials.

Another function that the chapter can perform is to prepare the officers and charter members for the test which the sectional chairman or his representative will administer.

After the petitioning group has been guided in filling in the charter application, the expansion committee can help explain the instructions for administering the first ritual to the new chapter.

If the chapter is chosen to administer the ritual, it is imperative that the new group be afforded the best presentation possible. Your example will probably be the guide for the new chapter's rituals in the future. When the charter is presented, the pride will be shared by an old and new chapter as leadership, friendship, and service, finds its deserved place on another campus!

If each chapter was to replace itself in the next five years with a new chapter, we would still be only on the horizon of success! Alpha Phi Omega, America's largest fraternity, needs to be on every campus in our great country. Accept the quest of a new age for our fraternity. EXPANSION IS THE KEY!



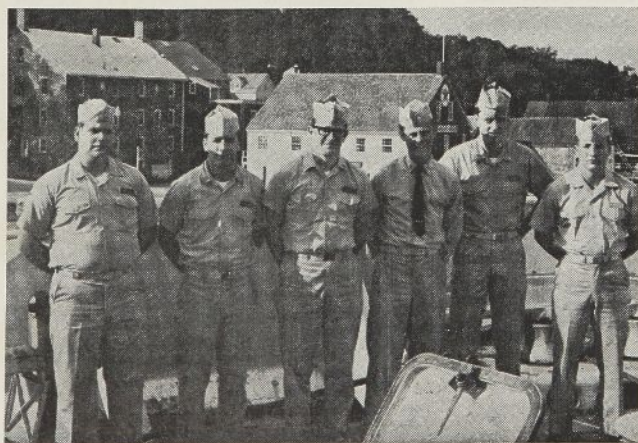
# APO GOES TO SEA



It's one of our newest chapters, but one of our best . . . certainly the unique one in APO. Phi Epsilon is the name of the new chapter and it is based at Castine, Maine, at the Maine Maritime Academy. In a recent report to National, the chapter's advisor reported that 26 of the members were on the high seas. Their main project is providing leadership on a year around basis for a local Boy Scout troop. In another project they collected toys for the children of Natal, Rio do Norte, Brazil, which is Maine's sister state in the Alliance for Progress. The toys were delivered by the members when the school's training vessel, the *State of Maine*, visited the port.



. . . Installation last spring aboard the *State of Maine*.

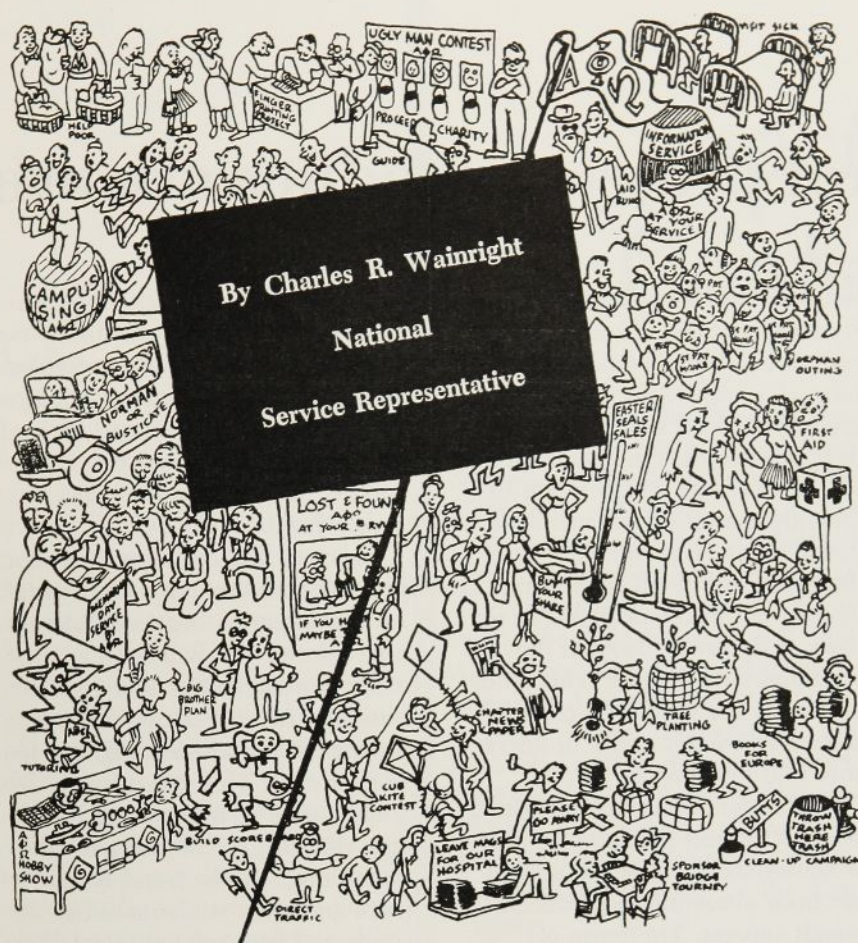


. . . Docked at home, Castine, Maine.



. . . Recent clean up among chapter's projects.

# 1-Time, 1-Shot Projects



Boy Scout fraternity? . . . They are the goodie-goodies." Whatever image you have on your campus, it is the one you project. People look and judge you on what you are, or on what they see. Why is it that on some campuses APO is one of the most esteemed organizations, while on others we are fighting a not-so-appropriate image?

The questions are many and difficult to answer. Yet, we must answer them if we are to remain the finest organization on the college campus today. We attempt to answer them in our chapter meetings and in our Sectional Conferences, but we frequently have group-type discussions on these subjects as if they were separate entities. I feel that they should be looked at as a singular phenomenon called the chapter.

I would like to offer a means of getting to these situations; a means which has been tried quite successfully in different chapters throughout the country. As these are only suggestions, take those which can utilize, or change some to meet the individual needs or situation of your own chapter or campus.

If a chapter has a less than adequate service program, it develops a bad image; if a chapter is bound by a bad image it cannot recruit new members; without members, a chapter cannot begin to develop an adequate service program; and so on. Each of these factors is interrelated to the others and none should be considered alone when looking at the chapter.

One suggested solution to these problems is what I shall call the "one-time, one-shot project theory." I see as I travel that most chapters have several large-scale projects

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AFTER visiting many chapters in different parts of the country, the questions I am asked most are those pertaining to membership, program, and image. There are some general trends which I have seen across the country, and which affect the way in which we attempt to answer these questions.

"We cannot get men to rush or pledge . . . The Greeks on campus only have three more pledges than we do . . . Our smoker only turned out two prospectives." In terms of membership, there is a trend in most all organizations toward less members. Students today are less interested in identifying or associating with an organization. There is much less importance

placed on the rituals or regalia necessary for membership in an organization. "Why should I go through all that just to belong, when I can do the same thing as an individual?"

"We cannot get brothers out to meetings . . . We have more inactive brothers than we have actives . . . I just cannot get interested in the meetings . . . Do I hear a motion to adj-Second! Second!" Step out of your chapter for a moment and imagine I am a brother trying to get you to join APO. I tell you what went on at your last two meetings. Would you want to join?

"APO? Yes, they are the Lost and Found guys . . . Isn't APO the

## “... 1-time, 1-shot projects produce a sense of

which often take four months to plan and organize, two weeks to accomplish, and one month to clean up. Chapter meetings are taken up with discussing the dynamics, plans, and organization of these few projects. The chapter becomes fragmented and the unity and brotherhood begins to dissolve. Hence, an increasing list of inactive brothers. In any given semester, a chapter may have only done one or two major projects and all the meetings pertain only to those projects. A prospective wishes to know what you are doing this semester. What do you tell him?

There is another general trend that is apparent. Many of the projects successfully used several years ago may no longer be relevant. People today are generally more concerned with solving the economic and social ills of the country. The door-to-door-type canvasses for charity are not what's happening today. Tutoring and cleaning up the inner cities or working with the less fortunate and the handicapped are more in vogue. People want to give more of their physical capacities rather than their material possessions.

The one-time, one-shot project theory suggests that we look at what kind of projects we are doing, and look at whether, in fact, we are developing the fraternal spirit which is essential to our organization. I suggest that we look for the type of projects which afford the opportunity for the entire

brotherhood to accomplish, but do it in a short time. These one-time, one-shot projects would take the form of a task to be done by a group in several hours on a given day. It is too easy to find ourselves in commitments which begin to “one-night-a-week” our members to death. These commitments have the brothers attending meetings or helping out different nights of the week at different places in the community or campus. This tends to destroy the unity of a chapter and erase whatever the brothers once had in common.

At the same time, the one-time, one-shot project produces a sense of achievement when the project has been accomplished. Success breeds success. The sense of achievement or accomplishment motivates the brothers to new and better service. After your last major project, how many brothers could sit down and honestly say that they enjoyed it? Prior to the same project next year, how many brothers will be dreading the thought of putting it on again? Brothers who are honestly happy about what they are doing are going to provide more and better service.

As you develop a program of one-time, one-shot projects, and as the brothers begin to develop a new enthusiasm, your inactive membership will begin to decrease. Also, these one-time, one-shot projects provide more of an opportunity for follow-up with a social activity. Ice cream socials, woodsies,

milk and honey outings, or whatever, can follow up a Saturday afternoon project. Social activities are essential to a chapter as long as they remain a means to the end of providing more and better service. All work and no play makes Jack a dull boy.

How can the one-time, one-shot projects lead to more membership? As your program begins to take on a new form, you will have many more activities in a given semester. Instead of two major projects, you may have eight or ten smaller ones. This will mean a wider range of interests and opportunities for brothers to “do their thing.” If the trend is for more and more students to be concerned with solving social problems, then this is the form our projects should take. If students are not willing to join organizations, find out what kinds of things they do in their spare time. Then, become an agent for providing them the opportunities to do those things. Since less time is going to be required in planning and organizing these one-time, one-shot projects, use the time to publicize your activities. In this publicity, you are not selling APO, but rather the idea that you are providing students an opportunity to do something worthwhile.

Put up posters, distribute flyers, and use any other means of publicity available for each of these smaller projects. Invite participation by any student on campus. Perhaps many students would

achievement”

participate in such projects if they were made available to them. Maintain a list of students who participate in these projects. After three or four projects you will begin to notice names who have participated in some or all of the projects. This could be the beginning of your next pledge class. You cannot expect people to join an organization which does not offer them something. The more activities you have, and the wider range of interests you touch upon, the more prospective members you will draw to you.

With the new outlook on program, and the new appeal to membership, any image you have will naturally take on a new perspective. With the projects and publicity you now develop, the campus sees you as the agent of providing students the chance to do something worthwhile. You become an organization which affords them the opportunity to manifest their inherent trait of serving others. You are no longer just the group which does that service, but you enable many others to receive the same benefits and satisfaction you derive out of serving others.

As your program, membership, and image begin to change, so will the spirit and enthusiasm of your chapter. You can continue to give unqualified, yet unrewarded, service to humanity, but with a refreshing zeal and a new understanding of the purposes of Alpha Phi Omega.

## Sectional Conferences

The decade of the 70's is getting off to a great start if the number of Sectional Conferences on schedule is any indication.

Tennessee chapters scheduled their session for February 6-7 at the University of Tennessee, Knoxville. The host chapter was Iota Alpha. Dr. Douglas G. Nicholson is sectional chairman.

Three March conferences are scheduled. New Jersey brothers, directed by Sectional Chairman Gerard J. Kennedy, planned to meet at Glassboro State College, March 6-7. Nu Theta is the host chapter.

Brothers in Maryland, Delaware and the District of Columbia meet March 7 at American University with Eta Phi serving as host chapter. Martin D. Find is sectional chairman.

Southeast Pennsylvania, Section 92, brothers, led by Chairman Warren Weidman, meet March 7-8 at Albright College. Mu Eta brothers will be hosts.

Six Sectional Conferences are now scheduled in April, with four of them scheduled for Saturday, April 11, and some carrying over to April 12. These Conferences are:

- West Virginia, Section 61, which will meet at Camp Caesar, near Montgomery; the sectional chairman is Prof. Roderick Wilson.
- East Texas, headed by Chairman James P. Hannigan, will session

at the University of Houston, the home of Delta Omega.

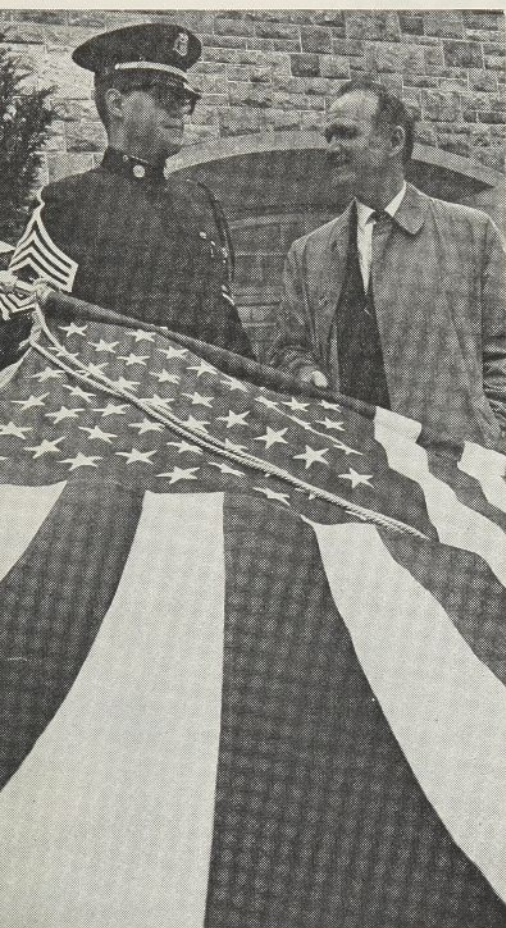
- Central Pennsylvania, Section 90, directed by Chairman Stephen C. Hayden, will meet at Millersville State College, with Eta Iota brothers as hosts.
- Northeast Pennsylvania, Section 91, brothers will gather at Kutztown State College under the leadership of Chairman Charles S. Canning. Omicron Alpha will do the honors.
- Ohio Section 57-58 will hold a joint Conference at Kent State University, April 17-19. Epsilon Psi will be the host chapter. Ohio Co-Chairman Mark Anthony and Richard H. Calendine will advise the Conference.
- The following week Oklahoma chapters in Section 32 plan to meet at Cameron State College, Lawton, under the direction of Chairman Russell L. Studebaker. The host chapter is Upsilon Pi.

Not to be outdone, Upstate New York chapters have set the dates of November 13-15 for their Conference at Syracuse University, with members of Phi chapter in charge of arrangements. The Section Chairman is Michael N. Betrus.

Chapters are urged to attend their Sectional Conference. The exchange of ideas and of ways and means to increase APO service is invaluable.

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## What's Right With America



As part of a Zeta Beta sponsored "What's Right with America" program at Virginia Polytechnic Institute at Blacksburg, chapter President Thomas A. Louthan presents a U. S. flag with base to the Rev. Al Payne, counselor for religious affairs. The flag is to be used in and around the memorial chapel. Funds to purchase it came from the student book exchange, another Zeta Beta sponsored project.

## Pacific Northwest in Expansion Drive

Gamma Alpha, University of Washington, Seattle, is heading a drive for new chapters in the Pacific Northwest. The Brothers are working closely with Kappa Rho, Seattle University, and Iota Beta, Pacific Lutheran College at Parkland, Wash. A chapter at Shoreline Community College is in formation. Another project Gamma Alpha reports is the sponsorship of a Scout troop for handicapped boys.

## Aid in the Time of Need

The Brothers of Rho Xi, Penn Valley Community College, Kansas City, Mo., recently purchased clothing for a family that lost all their belongings in a house fire and claimed the lives of three of their children. Chapter service projects this term have included a Christmas party for a local orphanage and a campus cleanup work party to beautify the new campus. Chapter President Allan Katz reports more than 3 tons of trash was removed. Brother Katz serves as shipping clerk at the National APO Office.

## APO Named Number 1 Fraternity

Montclair State College has cited Omicron Theta Chapter as the outstanding fraternity on campus. The salutation was based on excellence in three categories: service to humanity, scholastic attainment, and athletic and social programs. Chapter members gave over 4,000 service hours to their fellow man this past year. Barry Spetter serves as chapter president.

## "Golden P" Award

Dr. Ralph L. Willard, dean of Kirksville (Mo.) College of Osteopathy and Surgery, and long time chapter advisor to the school's chapter, Alpha Omega, was presented with the "Golden P" award. The award was made in recognition and appreciation of his contributions to school programs since his appointment as dean in 1968. Brother Willard became a member of Alpha Omega while enrolled as a student in 1940. Seventeen new initiates were inducted as the Dean Willard class.

## Memorial Scholarship Fund

Lt. Ken West, who was killed in a plane crash in Vietnam, will be memorialized by his brothers in Iota Rho at Florida State University with a scholarship fund. Names of each year's recipient will be placed on a memorial plaque dedicated to Brother West.

## Campus Chest Bulges

Brother Vince Townsend, president of Rho Chapter, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, reports the brotherhood has been busy with another very successful Campus Chest project. They raised \$13,000 and donated the money to charity groups and student organizations. Their book exchange program saved more than \$2000 for students. Service projects include campus tours, poster service, travel board, assisting blind students on campus, lost and found, and working with mentally retarded children.

## Big Brother and Sister Project

Mu Theta, Luther College in Decorah, Iowa, continues to do worthwhile things. Through a Big Brother and Sister Program, the chapter members have adopted over 40 boys and girls from the junior high school in the Decorah area. Currently the chapter is studying the possibility of purchasing a bus or station wagon to aid in transporting the "little brothers and sisters" on field trips, camp-outs, and visits to local points of interest. Brother Eddie L. Voll serves as chairman of the worthwhile endeavor. If you wish further information about this project, write Brother Voll.

## Jolly Santa Does His Thing

In the true spirit of service, the brothers of Delta Mu at Kansas State in Pittsburg joined to provide a Christmas party for 350 underprivileged children. Over 1400 gifts were distributed at the party cosponsored by the Salvation Army. To raise money for gifts the chapter solicited merchandise from the local merchants, ran a toll road with cooperation of the local police department, and gave from their own funds.

## Collect 956 Pints of Blood

Epsilon Upsilon, Wisconsin State University, Oshkosh, held a successful blood drive resulting in the contribution of 956 pints of blood. John Gerdener, corresponding secretary, reports the chapter also raised \$657 from UMOG to help needy families during the yuletide season.

## An APO Christmas



The Brothers of Delta Psi Chapter at Eastern Illinois University recently sponsored an event dubbed "First Annual Christmas at Eastern." Brother Jim Bertoglio engineered the construction of a forty foot Christmas tree out of nine smaller ones which set the stage for the event. Brothers staffed a table in the University Union where students and faculty signed Christmas cards to soldiers in Vietnam and contributed to local charities. In addition, a benefit dance was held which raised \$170 for the United Fund. Brother Gary Small, Chapter President, reports the project was publicized by local and area newspapers and IU. Considered such a success by administration, Small says that the plot of ground used will always be reserved for another "APO Christmas."

## Sherwood Youth Camp Accomplishes Goal

Through the efforts of Theta Epsilon, Illinois State University, Brothers aided the Illinois Police Association by serving as staff personnel at the Sherwood Youth Camp. The camp was established to curb juvenile delinquency throughout the state. More than 400 youngsters enjoyed canoe trips, backpacking, and survival camping because Brothers Brown, Hibbens, Kneller, Lentini, Mahood, Saccenti, and Young got involved in doing their thing.

## Las Vegas Nite!

Brother Mike Roberts, Kappa Omicron, University of Massachusetts at Amherst, reports chapter membership has been active this past semester with a book exchange, ushering for a fine arts program, and collecting 800 pints of blood for the blood drive. Brothers recently assisted in repainting and performing odd jobs at elderly housing projects. A Las Vegas Nite was a tremendous success. If your chapter is interested, write Brother Roberts.

## Lambda Gamma, Manhattan College, Is Busy

Providing the manpower to help the local Scout camp, the brothers of Lambda Gamma, Manhattan College in New York, rebuilt fences, repaired faulty steps and built several "lean-tos." On campus they have run a lost and found service, ushered, and provided a book exchange. Brother Thomas Dwyer, historian, reports that since starting a project to help collect blood in 1949 a total of 17,303 pints have been collected.



## CHAPTER ANNIVERSARIES IN 1970



Alpha Phi Omega notes with pride the anniversaries of the chapters listed below. They deserve to be recognized at sectional meetings. Greetings from other chapters are in order. The Fraternity wishes each of them continued success in Leadership, Friendship, and Service.

### FORTY-FIFTH ANNIVERSARIES

Alpha Lafayette College

### FORTIETH ANNIVERSARIES

Xi Iowa State University  
Omicron University of Iowa  
Pi Kansas State University  
Rho University of North Carolina

### THIRTY-FIFTH ANNIVERSARIES

Alpha Xi Washington State University  
Alpha Omicron Southern Methodist University  
Alpha Pi University of Miami  
Alpha Rho University of Texas

### THIRTIETH ANNIVERSARIES

Gamma Eta Springfield College  
Gamma Theta University of Colorado  
Gamma Iota Brooklyn College  
Gamma Lambda Clemson University  
Gamma Nu University of Idaho  
Gamma Xi Rockhurst College  
Gamma Omicron Queens College  
Gamma Pi University of Michigan  
Gamma Rho North Texas State University

### SILVER ANNIVERSARIES

Delta Epsilon Illinois Institute of Technology  
Delta Zeta University of Pennsylvania

### TWENTIETH ANNIVERSARIES

Gamma Kappa Texas Christian University  
Theta Mu Vanderbilt University  
Theta Nu Hamline University  
Theta Xi Parks College of St. Louis University  
Theta Pi Indiana Central College  
Theta Rho Sam Houston State College  
Theta Sigma Oklahoma State University  
Theta Tau University of Texas—Arlington

Theta Upsilon Case Western Reserve University  
Theta Chi George Washington University  
Theta Psi University of Bridgeport  
Iota Alpha University of Tennessee  
Iota Beta Pacific Lutheran University  
Iota Lambda North Carolina State University

### FIFTEENTH ANNIVERSARIES

Lambda Nu Duke University  
Lambda Xi Pan American College  
Lambda Omicron West Virginia University  
Lambda Rho Augustana College

### TENTH ANNIVERSARIES

Mu Psi Niagara University  
Nu Alpha Quinnipiac College  
Nu Beta Hope College  
Nu Gamma Southwest Texas State College  
Nu Delta Lebanon Valley College  
Nu Zeta Abilene Christian College

### FIFTH ANNIVERSARIES

Omicron Lambda St. Joseph's College—Calumet Campus  
Omicron Mu Carthage College  
Omicron Nu University of Puerto Rico  
Omicron Xi Denison University  
Omicron Omicron Pfeiffer College  
Omicron Pi Fairleigh Dickinson Univ.—Teaneck  
Omicron Rho North Carolina Wesleyan College  
Omicron Sigma St. Peter's College  
Omicron Tau Alma College  
Omicron Upsilon Westchester State College  
Omicron Phi University of Richmond  
Omicron Chi Walker Junior College  
Omicron Psi Fitchburg State College  
Omicron Omega East Texas Baptist College  
Pi Alpha Philander Smith College  
Pi Beta University of Dubuque  
Pi Gamma Baldwin-Wallace College  
Pi Delta Western Carolina College  
Pi Epsilon Alabama A. & M. College  
Pi Zeta Tuskegee Institute