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"Thank you for being a friend. Traveled down the road and back again. Your heart is true, you're a pal and a confidant."
— "Golden Girls" theme

Brothers,

As I write this letter, I find our Fraternity fully immersed in planning for the National Convention. I am truly excited by the hard work of our National Convention Steering Committee, who has been focused on putting together a memorable event to celebrate our story. A huge "thank you" to Cody Whittington, Convention Chair, and Matt Bailey, Convention Coordinator, for their leadership of this very important endeavor.

When we gather in Pittsburgh, we will usher in the first substantial change to our national leadership structure in over 45 years. I have greatly appreciated serving as your National President and working with the incredible brothers who serve on the Board of Directors. As we come to the end of our term and the end of this Board structure, I would be remiss if I did not take the opportunity to recognize and thank them for their leadership and service to the Fraternity.

Serving on the Board is, indeed, a great honor, but it is also a lot of work. From board reports to conference calls, volunteer recruitment to chapter services, board meetings to program development, not to mention conferences and convention, Board members pour their hearts into this Fraternity. I have been blessed to serve with a Board that has worked diligently to move APO forward, and the results have been evident this term in the incredible progress we have made on so many fronts.

From the bottom of my heart, and on behalf of our members, I say THANK YOU for your service to our Fraternity! But more importantly, to all the brothers who have been so welcoming and hospitable during my travels over the past few years, I say, "Thank you for being a friend."

Fraternally,

Hon. John K. Ottenad
National President



#APOserves90 SPOTLIGHT

This spotlight is on two brothers who were instrumental in the success of our 90th Anniversary National Service Project with The Jared Box Project and the inaugural APO Virtual Half Marathon. Thanks to **Brother David Amelotti** for serving as the national chair for the project and **Brother Brian Martin** for bringing his idea to life. Because of their leadership, APO showed that it is just as dedicated in its 90th year as it was in 1925 to making a difference in the communities in which we make a living and a life.



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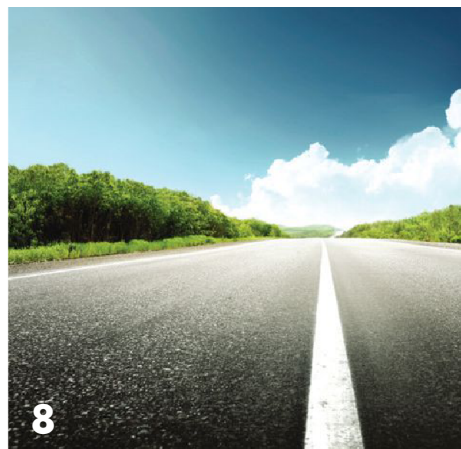
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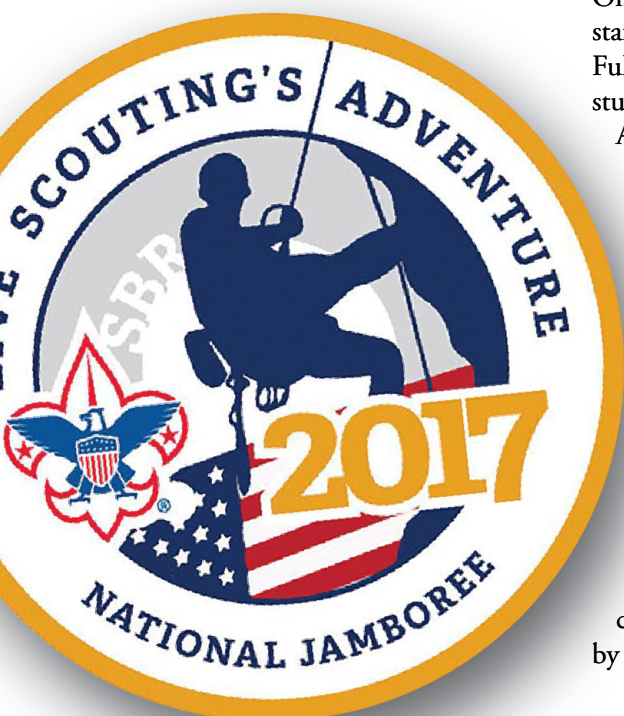
The APO National Office has a new home

The National Office has relocated to its new home in Kansas City. The majority of the furniture has arrived, and staff members are adapting to the new, expanded space. Now, with all 17 employees under one roof (with the exception of the chapter consultants who are on the road), communication has improved and workflow has become more efficient.

As a reminder, if you haven't already, please update your records with the new address: 1441 East 104th Street, Kansas City, MO 64131. The phone number remains 816-373-8667.

2017 APO Service Opportunity with BSA

The 2017 Boy Scouts of America National Jamboree will be July 19-28, 2017, at the Summit Bechtel Family National Scout Reserve in



**Mainmark Building:
1986-1990**



**Independence
National Office:
1990-2016**



**New Building:
2016-present**

Glen Jean, West Virginia. Alpha Phi Omega will be assembling a volunteer staff to attend the weeklong event. Full scholarships will be available for student attendees. Please check the APO website at www.apo.org in the near future for more information about attendance and registration.

Sponsor a Brother in the Society of Life Members

The Fraternity is seeking alumni brothers to sponsor active students in the Society of Life Members. For only \$50, you will ensure a fellow brother is connected to APO for years to come by receiving special communications

such as Torch & Trefoil magazine, the annual Tribute to Donors and special event invitations.

Recipients are students chosen at random who are registered for National Convention and are not already members of the Society of Life Members. All sponsored memberships will be presented at the 2016 National Convention in Pittsburgh. Our goal is to have 200 new students sponsored before the Convention closing ceremony on December 30. We can't meet our goal without your help!

Sponsorship funds ensure the longevity of the Fraternity and its programs through the Endowment. For more information, please visit www.apo.org/leadershipdevelopment/nationalconvention/sponsorasocietyoflifemembership.



**Waltham Building:
1961-1986**



COE and PPOE Recipients Announced

Alpha Phi Omega is proud to announce that 40 chapters have received the Chapter of Excellence Award (COE) and 66 chapters have received the Pledge Program of Excellence Award (PPOE) for the 2015-16 school year for chapters' outstanding accomplishments and completion of requirements. The purpose of the COE and PPOE awards is to recognize chapters in good standing whose programs of Leadership, Friendship and Service promote growth, retention and stability for the active chapter, while providing a positive, inviting and educational environment for prospective and new members. These awards are

also designed to promote better communication between the chapter, sectional, regional and national leadership through regular and timely reporting of chapter activities. The requirements for each award must be completed during the annual reporting period of August 1 through July 31, which corresponds to the Fraternity's fiscal year. A chapter may achieve only one level of excellence in each award per year but may qualify for both awards in the same fiscal year. This year, COE and PPOE recipients will be recognized at the National Convention in Pittsburgh!

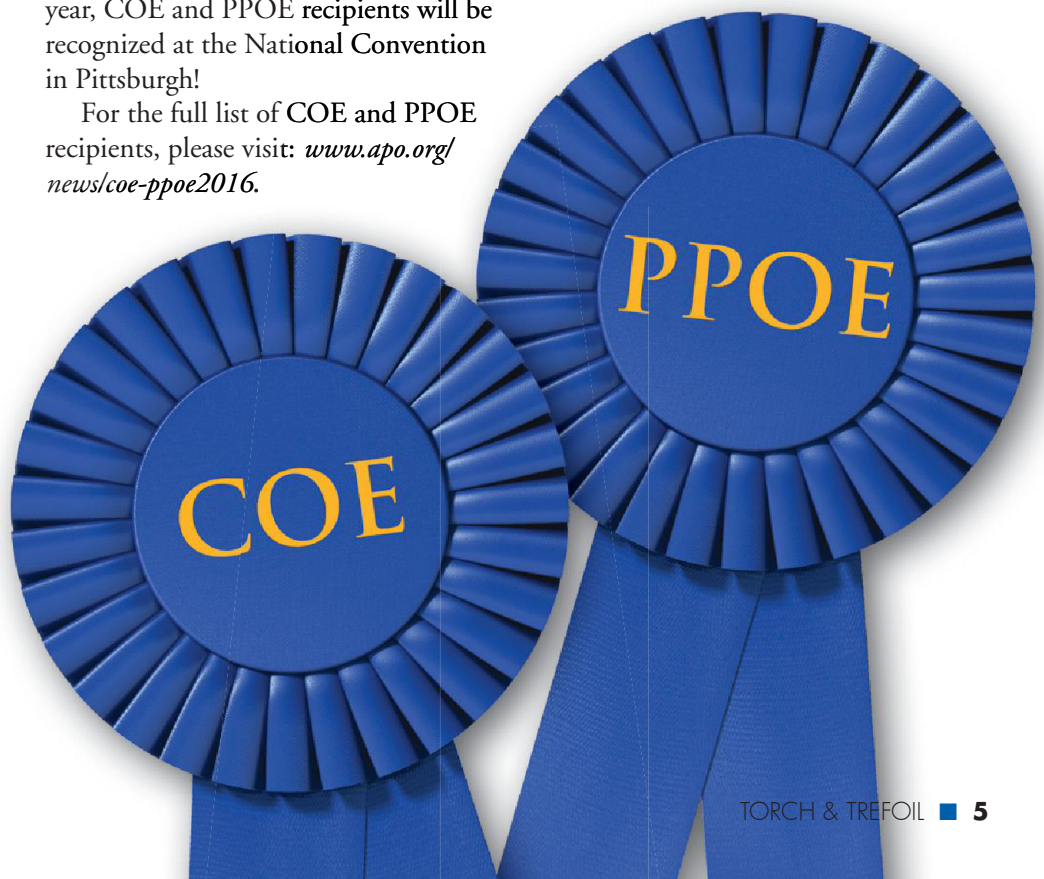
For the full list of COE and PPOE recipients, please visit: www.apo.org/news/coe-ppo2016.

Notes from the Road

Sometimes students hear the word "consultant" and assume that a visit means that their chapter is in trouble or has done something wrong. This couldn't be farther from the truth. We visit a wide variety of groups for a wide variety of reasons. When it comes to resources, the more the merrier – and chapter consultants are just that. Think of us as another support system for your chapter, and one that understands your needs. All of APO's consultants are recently-graduated brothers who have held positions on an executive committee. We know how difficult retention can be, how it can be hard to recruit beyond your friend groups and that conflict can take its toll on a chapter. We've been there!

We don't come to campus to tell you what to do; we come to campus to help you achieve the goals you've already set for yourselves. We work with you to set new goals and to provide education and

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training about the topics you'd like to learn more about.

In my travels this semester, I've been able to attend recruitment events, pledge meetings, fellowship events, service projects and more. These events have been an excellent opportunity to build brotherhood with APO members. Perhaps the most memorable of these events have been the recent chartering ceremony at Bellarmine University, where I looked on with pride as we welcomed Alpha Eta Chi Chapter into the Fraternity, and a university-wide step show at the University of Tennessee at Chattanooga, where our petitioners performed a stellar routine in front of hundreds of their peers. Because I've had the opportunity to attend events like these, I've had a front-row seat as

brothers have demonstrated LFS in action, and for that reason, this semester has been the most rewarding in my position as a chapter consultant to date.

As the fall 2016 semester comes to an end, I would like to share some advice for our chapter officers, whether they are transitioning in or out of office. Officer transition is about much more than passing a transition binder from one officer to the next. Optimally, in a joint meeting, the outgoing officers can share their advice and goals for new officers, and incoming officers can work together to develop action items for the winter break, develop expectations for communication and create goals for the upcoming semester. If your chapter doesn't hold a joint executive committee after elections, think about it! If you

Below: Step show featuring University of Tennessee at Chattanooga petitioning group. Right: Chapter Consultant Elise Riley making blankets with Alpha Delta Sigma Chapter at Lindenwood University. Bottom: Service event with the University of Tennessee at Chattanooga petitioning group



Welcome New Chapters!

September 3, 2016

ALPHA ETA PHI
DeSales University

September 18, 2016

ALPHA ETA CHI
Bellarmino University

September 25, 2016

ALPHA ETA PSI
Siena College

don't, officers may miss out on the opportunity to hit the ground running when their terms begin.

Having seen our members doing what they do best, it can be bittersweet to leave campus when a visit is over. However, this semester, when I left each campus, I didn't have to say goodbye. I said, "See you at Convention!" After all, National Convention is a fantastic opportunity to build leadership, provide service and watch as voting delegates conduct the business of the Fraternity... but perhaps the best part is catching up with brothers from afar.

So, to all of the brothers I've had the pleasure of getting to know this semester: I can't wait to catch up in Pittsburgh!

— by Elise Riley, Chapter Consultant

Join the Alpha Phi Omega Chapter Consultant Team

The Fraternity is hiring self-motivated, enthusiastic recent graduates and APO brothers to fill the role of chapter consultants in June 2017. The chapter consultant position

Alpha Phi Omega



This National Service Fraternity, by authority of the Active Chapters, the National Board of Governors and the National Convention, does hereby, and by this charter, empower you to be true and loyal members of the Fraternity, grant unto you full power and authority to incorporate, establish and found a Chapter to be designated as

Alpha Eta Phi
DeSales University

Alpha Eta Chi
Bellarmine University

Alpha Eta Psi
Siena College

and to be conducted and perpetuated according to our National By-Laws. We also by the present authority grant unto you and to all subsequent members elected by the Chapter, all the rights, benefits and privileges of the Fraternity to be enjoyed to their fullest extent.

In witness whereof we affix our hand and the seal of the Fraternity

Robert J. Tandon
National President

is a full-time, two-year commitment, complete with a competitive salary, health benefits, paid vacation, furnished housing and extensive travel opportunities.

After receiving more than 400 hours of training, consultants facilitate on-campus training and workshops including tailored recruitment and retention strategies, leadership transitions, service and brotherhood program development and organizational practices. This staff position offers direct exposure to college students, campus administrators, chapter advisors and sponsors as well as the National Fraternity's vast alumni network.

For more information and to apply, visit www.apo.org/aboutus/ourorganization/nationaloffice/jobopenings/chapterconsultant.

APO DATELINE

DECEMBER

12/01: APO IMPACT Live: Building New Leaders

12/03: APO LEADS: Achieve – West Haven, CT

12/05: Registration closes for National Convention

12/16: APO Founders' Day

12/21: Winter solstice

12/24: Hanukkah begins

12/25: Christmas Day

12/26: Kwanzaa begins

12/27-30: 2016 National Convention, Pittsburgh



JANUARY

01/01: New Year's Day

01/16: Martin Luther King Jr. Day

01/24: APO IMPACT Live: Interchapter Relations

01/26: APO IMPACT Live: Section Chair 101

01/30: APO IMPACT Live: Representing APO:
The Dos and Don'ts of the Fraternity's Logo



FEBRUARY

02/01: Youth Service Grant applications due

02/07: APO IMPACT Live: I'm a Pledge; Who Do I Lead?

02/08: APO IMPACT Live: Marketing APO on Your Campus

02/14: Valentine's Day

02/15: Presidents Day

02/17-19: Membership Academy, St. Louis

02/17-19: Membership University, St. Louis

02/17-19: APO LEADS Serve, Washington, D.C.

02/17-19: APO LEADS Serve, Los Angeles

02/22: APO IMPACT Live: Bigs, Littles and Families...Oh My!

02/28: APO IMPACT Live: Role of Alumni Associations in APO



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

Chapter Services

OF ALPHA PHI OMEGA

As pledges initiate and become brothers, seniors graduate and become alumni, and executive boards transition with a change in officers, APO chapters across the U.S. are constantly evolving with fresh faces, new ideas and a collaborative passion for Leadership, Friendship and Service. In a so-called perfect world, there would be no error, no conflict and no need for help. Everything would be easy and it would just work. Unfortunately, in that scenario, there would also be no room for improvement, no resolution, no growth and no progression. Fortunately for the brothers of Alpha Phi Omega, there are numerous resources dedicated to their success.

Every year, starting in early spring, the Chapter Services Department (CSD) team gets a fresh start assessing the health, growth and general stability of all active chapters and extension groups. The CSD is in constant contact with regional and sectional volunteers and acts as a direct link between chapters and extension groups and the National Office to improve the function and continued growth among our Leaders in Service. The Department consists of seven full-time staff members and, with the help of the Leaders in Service campaign, it hopes to expand its support and to put more students on more campuses providing more service.

The strengths and weaknesses of APO chapters and extension groups are as diverse as the brothers that make up this great Fraternity. In order to assess chapters' needs, strategically resolve issues, and acknowledge and promote the successful chapter operations, the CSD utilizes reported data from the past four years. The information is categorized using the three Rs: recruitment, retention and reporting. Although the data cannot possibly tell the entire story of each chapter, it helps identify the trends of chapters' successes

as well as the areas where assistance might be needed.

“Our main goal is to help our chapters succeed,” says Director of Chapter Services Stacey Robinson. “With the information collected, we create the resources to help elevate chapter programming and operations.”

The CSD shares its list of chapters and extensions groups with regional directors and sectional chairs for their input and recommendations. Once the list has been finalized, the chapter consultants are then assigned to visit the schools and universities across the country.

Chapter Consultants

Chapter consultants are recent graduates and brothers hired by the Fraternity as full-time staff members. They are valuable resources intended to provide chapters and extension groups with as many skills and resources as they can to keep them moving forward and growing. The Fraternity’s consultants are highly trained and have a wide range of knowledge, skills and experience from their time as active brothers and from the chapters they visit each semester. They spend three months out of the year training in all areas of APO and collaborate with other fraternal organizations, and then they hit the road for fall and spring visits.

“The Fraternity currently has three chapter consultants who travel across the U.S. to work with chapters one-on-one,” says Stacey. “With the Leaders in Service campaign, we hope to be able to add a fourth consultant to our team sometime in the future who can increase our ability to help more chapters with their recruitment, retention and

reporting and assist extension groups on their road to chartering.”

Each chapter consultant visits between 15 and 20 schools per semester. The consultants collaborate with regional directors, sectional chairs and advisors and, together, they determine the areas of growth that are specific to the needs of each visited chapter and extension group.

“The support of local volunteers is critical to the success of our chapters as well as the success of their visits with consultants,” says Stacey. “Before the visit, volunteers already have an established relationship with the chapters and are able to share their knowledge with the consultants.”

Chapter Organizer Program

This year, the CSD launched the Board’s pilot program to expand extension efforts and to help reach the Fraternity’s goal of having 500 active chapters by 2025. The Chapter Organizer Program is for graduate students who are brothers of the Fraternity studying at universities where Alpha Phi Omega does not currently have a presence on campus. During this pilot period, the Fraternity has contracted and provided training for two chapter organizers to help get the extension process started.

“It is too early to determine the success of this pilot program, but I hope to see two chapters charter because of these efforts,” says Stacey.

Upon the completion of the contractual agreements, the CSD will assess the effectiveness of the Chapter Organizer Program.

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APO IS HIRING CHAPTER CONSULTANTS FOR 2017-18!

For more information and to apply, visit www.apo.org/aboutus/ourorganization/nationaloffice/jobopenings/chapterconsultant.

The 44th Biennial

National



Convention

The 44th biennial Alpha Phi Omega National Convention will be here before we know it! Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, is the host city, and it is where over 2,000 APO brothers will be found immersing themselves in the celebration, education and fraternal governance that are offered only at an APO National Convention. The Fraternity expects a large turnout in the Steel City and plenty of opportunities for Leadership, Friendship and Service. This National Convention will certainly be a page in the Fraternity's history to remember! Join us December 27-30, 2016, to be a part of the APO story. ***This is Our Story!***

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Workshops

Over 70 workshops will be offered during this four-day event at the Westin Convention Center in Pittsburgh, where brothers will **SHARE** their stories, **GROW** their knowledge, **IMPROVE** their skills and **INVEST** in their brothers and the Fraternity. APO brothers will experience fraternity education like never before. Courses are available for members at every level and are developed to improve the APO experience for undergraduates and alumni alike. Workshops will be available in the following tracks: Service, Membership, Leadership, New Members, Alumni Members and Pittsburgh. Have you started your APO LEADS journey? Be sure to sign up for Launch, Explore, Achieve and Discover courses while in Pittsburgh! For more information, visit www.apo.org/leadershipdevelopment/nationalconvention/scheduleofevents.

Legislation

As a student-centric organization, voting delegates from APO chapters in good standing will be making important decisions for the Fraternity's future. Representing one's chapter

as a voting delegate is an incredible experience for our active members. Amending the National Bylaws and casting a vote for those running for a top leadership position are key ways that delegates participate in writing the APO story. To learn about the amendments and resolutions to be presented during the legislative session, visit www.apo.org/leadershipdevelopment/nationalconvention/elections/legislation.



Banquets

On Wednesday, December 28, the Fraternity will gather for an Andy Warhol-themed Brotherhood Banquet from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Inspired by the Pittsburgh native and leading figure in the pop art movement of the 1960s, this event is certain to be a colorful affair full of fun and fellowship.

Don't miss the Celebration Banquet on Friday, December 30! Join brothers from across the globe to witness the recognition of many selfless servant leaders for their extraordinary Leadership, Friendship and Service. For more information about the awards to be presented, visit www.apo.org/leadershipdevelopment/nationalconvention/conventionawards.



Service Projects

SPECIAL OLYMPICS EVENT TRAINING

Learn how to host your own Special Olympics unified experience. Brothers will learn how to play bocce ball and how to create and conduct inclusive teams.

KITTEN POUCHES

Sew small pouches for orphan kittens that are unable to generate enough body heat on their own. All finished products will be donated to the Animal Rescue League.

PLASTIC BAG MATS

Create "plarn" (plastic yarn) out of recycled plastic bags and crochet waterproof sleeping mats for the homeless population of Pittsburgh. Basic crocheting instructions will be available. All finished products will be donated to the Oakland Community Food Pantry.

KNITTING FOR NEED

Knit, arm-knit or crochet scarves for Pittsburgh's homeless population. Basic knitting and crocheting instructions will be available. All finished products will be donated to the Oakland Community Food Pantry.

Pittsburgh Information

Recently named one of the "Best Places to Travel in 2016" by Travel & Leisure, rated the nation's "No. 1 Food City" by Zagat and named among the "Top Destinations on the Rise" by TripAdvisor, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, offers itself as the home of the 44th biennial APO National Convention. Brothers will find themselves surrounded not only by Leadership, Friendship and Service, but also the history and culture of a city once heavy in industry that has transformed into a sustainable, vibrant place to visit. To learn more about Pittsburgh, visit www.visitpittsburgh.com.

Service Opportunities

National Convention would not be complete without service! The Convention Steering Committee has planned several opportunities for active and alumni brothers to work together to provide service to the Pittsburgh community. Please see the column on the right for more information.

Don't miss the chance to be a part of the APO story! Online registration is open through December 5, 2016, at 5 p.m. CST. Visit www.apo.org/leadershipdevelopment/nationalconvention/elections/legislation today.

For those unable to attend, stay up to date with the National Convention on social media. Like us on Facebook and follow us on Instagram and Twitter, and be sure to search the hashtag #APONC2016 on all platforms to keep up with the governance, education and celebration!



2016

Youth Service Grant RECIPIENTS

Alpha Phi Omega National Service Fraternity is proud to present its 33 chapters that were awarded with the 2016 Youth Service Grant. A total of \$13,250 was awarded to these chapters across the nation to assist with various service projects. The goal of Youth Service Grant-funded projects is to encourage and inspire children and young adults, 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.



ALPHA BETA XI

THETA ALPHA

Stevens Institute of Technology

Engineering Event for Scouts

Chapter members worked with Cub Scouts and Junior Girl Scouts to teach them about basic engineering principles. The activities were based on the requirements for the Engineering Badge for Cub Scouts. Topics included engineering professions, building blueprints and electricity.

NU THETA

Rowan University

Born This Way

Chapter members hosted the Born This Way Carnival in support of the Born This Way Foundation to promote the wellness of young people by empowering lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and queer (LGBTQ) youth through self-acceptance and raising teen suicide and bullying awareness. Some booths at the carnival featured face painting, popcorn and baked goods sales, "Pie-A-Bro", informational resources and many other fun activities.

ALPHA GAMMA IOTA

University of the Sciences in Philadelphia

Giving Back to Mitchell School

Brothers cleaned, painted and reorganized the after-school recreational space at the S. Weir Mitchell School, a local elementary school.

XI IOTA

Susquehanna University

Community LD Workshop

The chapter held a workshop to educate youth in grades seventh through ninth in the Selinsgrove Area school district about decision making. The primary focus was on how they can be involved in decisions that affect their communities and personal lives.

ALPHA BETA XI

SUNY Geneseo

STEAM Fair

The chapter worked alongside the Geneseo Central Schools to host a STEAM Fair featuring projects such as building a catapult, concentric compass painting, an egg drop and fingerprinting.

XI RHO

State University of New York at Oneonta

Girl Scout Badge Day

The chapter hosted a Girl Scout Badge Day to help local Scouts advance their skills and earn new badges. The Scouts visited the SUNY Oneonta campus, and brothers assisted the girls with lessons that focused on various topics that served the needs of the troop.

ALPHA ZETA PI

University of Maryland, Baltimore County

Workshops for CHOICE

Chapter members worked with Choice, an outreach program that encourages interest in higher education for under-privileged youth and their families. The chapter matched its members with Choice participants to serve as mentors for college and high school preparation.

BETA ZETA

University of Georgia

Care Packages for Children's Healthcare

The chapter made care packages at Relay for Life for children hospitalized at Children's Healthcare of Atlanta.

BETA

University of Pittsburgh at Pittsburgh

The Jared Box Project



KAPPA OMICRON

DELTA IOTA

Mercer University

College Ready Kids Day

Brothers hosted a scavenger hunt at the Mercer University campus for area seventh-to-ninth graders. Clues were given to help the students find various support offices throughout the campus. The purpose of the event was to show the services available on university campuses. They ended the activity with lunch and a panel discussion with representatives from each of the campus offices.

ALPHA ZETA KAPPA

Eastern Kentucky University

Giving Back to Humane Society

Working alongside local Girl Scouts, the chapter purchased items such as food, shampoo, leashes and bedding to donate to the Humane Society. This project helped the Girl Scouts learn money management skills.

ALPHA EPSILON BETA

Ohio Northern University

The Jared Box Project

KAPPA OMICRON

University of Massachusetts

Merit Badge University

The chapter hosted its 24th annual Merit Badge University (MBU) event. Over the course of two days, brothers help over 500 Boy Scouts earn their badges while learning in a university environment.

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PI IOTA



ZETA GAMMA

ALPHA EPSILON THETA

University of Akron

Akron Preview Experience

Brothers partnered with Dream Akron, a fellow student organization at the University of Akron, for a high school visitation day which included an admissions presentation, a campus tour, lunch and a Q&A session with the students.

ALPHA BETA OMICRON

Elmhurst College

APO Campout on the Mall

The chapter hosted a campout-themed event for the Girl Scouts and Boy Scouts of the surrounding district schools to encourage the learning of leadership. During the event, the Scouts experienced APO's Cardinal Principles and earned a badge for their respective scout level.

ZETA GAMMA

Valparaiso University

Camp Tope Cleanup

The chapter held a clean-up event at Scout Camp Tope where they repaired picnic tables, painted, removed beaver dams, cut and split wood, re-roofed cabins, replaced broken windows, rebuilt the dining hall and planted flowers.

THETA THETA

Centre College

The Jared Box Project



OMICRON ALPHA

PI IOTA

Wofford College

The ARCH Program

The chapter participated in ARCH, a first grade after-school program, focused on learning about service. The students made birdfeeders to learn about serving animals, chore coupon books to learn about serving their families, cards for children at the hospital to learn about serving people who are sick and bags for homeless community members to learn about serving those who they don't know.

SIGMA SIGMA

University of Illinois at Chicago

College-bound Chicago

Chapter members hosted an event for college-bound, high school age students. It included information sessions, activities, campus tours, APO recruitment resources and a lunch for Chicago-area youth.

ALPHA ETA IOTA

University of Denver

Girl Scout University

Members taught the attending Girl Scouts lessons in order to help them earn new badges. The girls participated in two sessions of their choosing, and APO members played a vital role in chaperoning them around campus as well as teaching the sessions.

OMICRON ALPHA

Kutztown University

Project Linus

ALPHA ETA GAMMA

University of California, Merced

Klondy with a Chance of APO

The chapter held a joint service event with a local high school and Kappa Kappa Gamma women's fraternity at UC Merced. Together, the organizations hosted a fundraiser dinner event and a book drive to help a new local elementary school jump start their library.



LAMBDA MU

ETA

Northern Illinois University

Scouts Can Save the Earth

The chapter partnered with the DeKalb County Community Gardens to provide an informative Earth Day experience for Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts in the DeKalb County area. The event included a presentation from an environmental studies professor and chapter members discussed topics such as saving water, reforestation, electronics and the environment, and recycling. The scouts also had the opportunity to harvest fresh fruits and vegetables from the community gardens to donate to a local shelter.

LAMBDA MU

California State University, Los Angeles

The Jared Box Project

RHO THETA

Capital University

Spruce-up for Spring

The brothers partnered with Heritage Middle School's Service Club to clean and liven up the school's front two gardens and surrounding grounds for Earth Day. Together, chapter members and students planted, built bird houses, painted hand railings and installed stepping stones.

PHI XI

Austin College

Roo Bash

The chapter hosted an Easter-themed event for local youth experiencing homelessness. Working alongside other campus organizations, the brothers planned the event that featured booths with various fun games and activities, followed by lunch with the APO brothers and an Easter egg hunt.



EPSILON MU



KAPPA THETA



RHO THETA



ALPHA ZETA OMEGA

GAMMA KAPPA

Texas Christian University
Project Linus

EPSILON MU

University of Maryland, College Park
Sarah Hancock Day of Play

To honor the loss of an APO brother, the chapter hosted an activity fair for children and their families experiencing homelessness. The variety of activities included sports matches, face painting, entertainment and transportation to the event.

CHI OMEGA

McKendree University
The Jared Box Project with Girl Scouts

ALPHA ZETA OMEGA

Parkland College
The Jared Box Project

GAMMA THETA

University of Colorado at Boulder
The Amazing College Race

Working alongside the I Have a Dream Foundation, APO members hosted an event for at-risk youth that involved various stations to encourage community service and team building. Divided into teams, the youth "raced" through the stations, participating in activities such as making blankets for homeless teens and the human knot exercise.

KAPPA THETA

Wake Forest University
Kickball Tournament

Chapter members worked with El Buen Pastor, a Latino community center, to host a kickball tournament for the youth at the Center. Brothers also regularly tutor the children to improve English language skills.

ALPHA ETA KAPPA

California State University Stanislaus
Spring Youth Service Carnival

The chapter hosted its second annual school carnival event for Wakefield Elementary, a school with a high percentage of students from low-income families. Brothers provided carnival games and prizes, entertainment, and food and water free of charge for the students and their families.

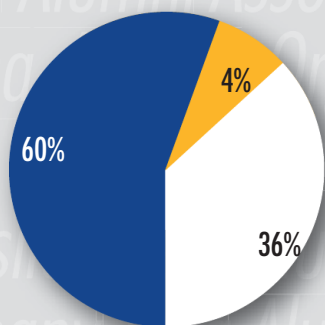
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45 ACTIVE ALUMNI ASSOCIATIONS



3 There are 3 categories for alumni associations



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Brother Javier Moreno, vice president,
Beta Sigma Alumni Association

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