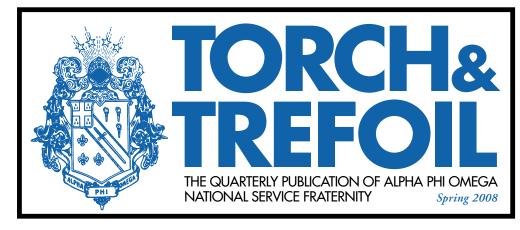
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Rolling Protest

by Jill Goesche

Published in The Advertiser-Tribune on November 6, 2007

Brothers from Alpha Gamma Omicron Chapter at Heidelberg College in Tiffin, Ohio, noticed sidewalk cracks and the steepness of inclines on November 7 as they traveled around campus in wheelchairs.

"My arms hurt," said Brother Keenan Jones, a junior. "My legs are weak."

The chapter organized a wheelchair protest as part of the 2007 National Service Week. This year's theme was "Lending a Helping Hand: Serving Individuals with Disabilities."

Chapter members borrowed four wheelchairs from area hospitals and nursing homes and traveled around campus in shifts. They spent time outside buildings that are not handicapped accessible. One campus building the students stood in front of had a sign saying it wasn't "wheelchair friendly."

Jones, vice president of fellowship for Alpha Phi Omega, said he thinks students wanted to raise awareness that places – in society, but specifically at Heidelberg – exist where the disabled aren't able to visit. "I didn't realize how steep some of these sidewalks are," Jones said.

Brother Nikki Locker, a senior at Heidelberg, said Aigler Alumni Building; the Arthur B. Pfleiderer Center for Religion and the Humanities; College Hall; Founders Hall; and the honors building pose problems for wheelchair-bound people.

James Troha, vice president for student affairs and dean of students at Heidelberg, said he knows the college has one wheelchair-bound student, and he was confused when he saw other people in wheelchairs. He said he told demonstrating students how administrators handle requests related to accessibility.

"They seemed satisfied," he said.

Troha said administrators also lament the fact that the campus has older buildings that are not handicap accessible. He ensured that the buildings are compliant with

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

BY MAGGIE KATZ, NATIONAL PRESIDENT

A Lasting Relationship

Brothers,

Relationships are on my mind. The first weekend in February, the National Board of Directors held its winter meeting in Chicago. We held a reception for local alumni and honored 2007 Fall Pledge Class Namesake Honoree Jack



Jadel. It was a great opportunity to meet new people and renew old friendships. Attendees included volunteers I worked with when I was Region VI Director, as well as a student from a chapter I helped recharter as Section Chair.

After Saturday's fun-filled, action-packed board meeting, I set off for the northern suburbs to renew another important relationship. Susan was already a member of Alpha Phi Omega when she came to my alma mater for her graduate work. Despite the fact that she was taller, older and smarter than I was, I adopted her as my little so she would be part of a family at her new school.

We have maintained our friendship for more than 25 years, even if our phone calls and visits have become more sporadic. Being in her home, with her husband and three children, it was as if no time had passed. We treated each other as family, because that is what we are to each other. Every day I am grateful to Alpha Phi Omega for bringing people like Susan into my life – people who started as brothers, grew into friends and have become part of my family.

Unfortunately, I had to leave Susan's house earlier than anticipated to get back home. Over the weekend, the husband of another brother (Laura) from my undergraduate days called to tell me that his mother-in-law had passed away. It didn't matter that Laura and I hadn't spent much time together over the past few years. She is part of my family, she was in pain and I needed to be at the funeral for her.

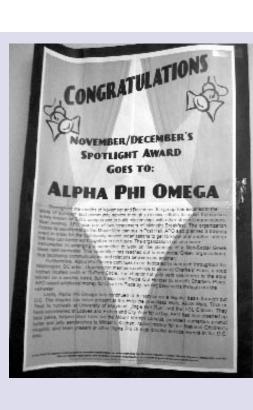
Whether times are good or troubling, relationships are a vital part of life. And, without Alpha Phi Omega, some of the most important relationships I have would not exist. My challenge to you is to maintain your ties to the Fraternity and the people it has brought into your life. They will comfort you during the tough times and make the good times far better.

So, keep your eyes on our publications and Web site (www.apo.org) for conferences, receptions and other opportunities to spend time with fellow brothers. You are always welcome, whether we saw you last week or last century. That is just how family is.

With gratitude for the brotherhood we share,

Maffie

in Action



THETA CHI The George Washington University Washington, D.C.

At the turn of the new year, Theta Chi Chapter was awarded the prestigious Spotlight Award from the George Washington University Student Association for its hard work and dedication to the campus and Washington, D.C., communities throughout 2007. The chapter was recognized for its devotion to campus through its persistent outreach to other student groups and service to the university community. Programs hosted by the chapter included Swipe Out Hunger, which raised more than \$800 for a local soup kitchen; co-sponsorship of Midnight Breakfast, an annual student body event at which GW students participate in service projects; and various fellowship and service programs with other community service organizations and non-social Greek groups.

Theta Chi also reached out to the greater Washington, D.C., area through weekly service projects that included volunteering at soup kitchens, City Year for a Day, and Loaves and Fishes; participating in various walks and fund-raising events; providing food to homeless shelters; cleaning up local parks; and planting trees on campus.

http://studentorgs.gwu.edu/apo/

ALPHA ALPHA
University of Illinois
at Urbana-Champaign
Urbana, IL

After more than 15 years, Alpha Alpha brought the Ugly Man on Campus competition back to the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign as a part of National Service Week (November 4-10). The four participants raised more than \$250 for the Muscular Dystrophy Association and St. Jude's Catholic Worker House, a local soup kitchen. This year's Ugly Man on Campus winner was Kalena Stovall (right). Stovall raised a grand total of \$150.

http://alphaphiomega.union.uiuc.edu



OMICRON PHI University of Richmond Richmond, VA

In November, 30 brothers and 18 pledges from Omicron Phi Chapter hosted their 15th annual Senior Citizens Prom. Around 40 seniors from local retirement homes and the Richmond community joined Omicron Phi and other university students for a night of live jazz, food, dancing and great conversation. This year's theme was "A Red Carpet Affair." The University of Richmond's faculty jazz band performed classic numbers, culminating in the crowning of the prom king and queen. The interaction between the seniors and students was mutually beneficial, and the chapter looks forward to, once again, bridging the generation gap at next year's Senior Citizens Prom.



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EPSILON ETA State University of West Georgia Carrollton, GA

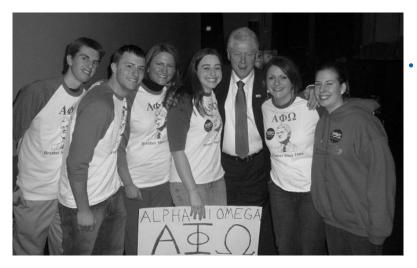
Epsilon Eta Chapter raised money for the Rally Foundation to help fund childhood cancer research. Brothers also had a dinner for the cyclist team, Rally Across America, which is a subgroup that rides across the Southeast to raise money and awareness about childhood cancer and the need for more research funding.

DELTA Auburn University Auburn, AL

During the first part of January, brothers from Delta Chapter spent their weekends building energy efficiency education kits for 4-H of Alabama. Putting in more than 80 hours of service, brothers assembled 54 kits, which will be distributed to 4-H clubs throughout the state as a part of the "Maximum Power: Alabama 4-H Energy" program. This program is funded by grants from the Alabama Department of Economic and Community Affairs and the United States Department of Energy.

http://www.aphio-delta.org/aphio/chapter/





EPSILON PI Southern Ilinois Univeristy Edwardsville Edwardsville, IL

Six brothers from Epsilon Pi Chapter at Southern Illinois University Edwardsville met and took pictures with APO Brother and former President of the United States Bill Clinton at a Democratic campaign rally for his wife, Hillary. Clinton recognized the APO brothers and invited them backstage. Brother Erica Williams said, "[Clinton] even signed our shirts! It was a thrilling experience!"



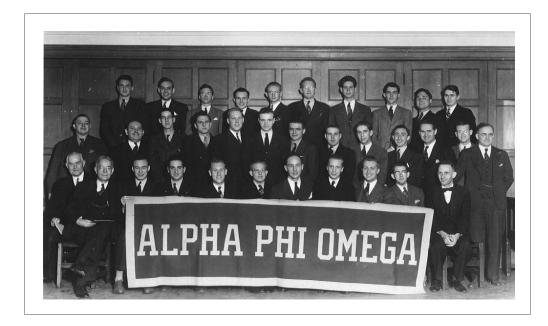
Northern Illinois University DeKalb, IL

Anyone who believes that the bond of brotherhood ends with graduation is sadly mistaken. Eta Chapter alumni from the late 1960s through the late 1970s got together on September 1, 2007, to rekindle the bond that was formed 30-plus years ago.

http://www3.niu.edu/apo/

10 Ways Alumni Can Help Preserve Their Chapter's Past

Coauthored by Corey Weiss, Beta Sigma '93 and Zachary Brodt, Beta '07



The only way chapters can understand the traditions set before them is to establish a connection with the past. Whether, as former actives, we succeeded or failed in preserving our own chapter's history is no longer the issue, but rather how we can help current actives preserve the ever-valuable past of Alpha Phi Omega. Consider the following 10 ways alumni can help chapters participate in this important process:

- of storage and preservation that can be maintained by future chapter historians. A university archive is one of the safest methods, but not all schools have this option. (Note: Storing important documents and images on a hard drive that may be nonexistent in the future is not a safe system. Stick to maintaining hardcopies.)
- **2.** Visit with other alumni and work to collect materials from the chapter's past that should be preserved. Copy, label and donate your old pictures to your chapter.
- **3.** Help chapter members raise money to offset the cost of storage and collection.
- **4.** Encourage the preservation of important paperwork, such as minutes, newsletters, bylaws and other official chapter documents.

- **5.** Share your recollections with present members and work to record these stories for future generations of members.
- **6.** Encourage succeeding generations of active members to celebrate chapter anniversaries and record each event for future reference and remembrance.
- **7.** Help members compile lists of officers and award recipients from the past.
- **8.** Sponsor a scholarship for chapter members who made positive contributions to the preservation of your chapter's history.
- **9.** Teach pledges the history of the chapter, and the importance and significance of Alpha Phi Omega.
- **10.** Make a point to recognize the history being made by your chapter as it occurs. If you recognize the importance of the path you are creating, so will present and future actives!

For an example of an existing Alpha Phi Omega chapter archive, visit http://swco.ttu.edu/University_Archive/apo.html.



ALPHA DELTA TAU Nova Southeastern University Fort Lauderdale, FL

On November 17, 2007, Alpha Delta Tau Chapter held a date auction to raise money for its three favorite charities: the March of Dimes, Ovarian Cancer Awareness and Amstark Children with Disabilities. The event ended successfully with an earned grand total of more than \$4,000. http://www.nova.edu/~aphio/



November 4-10, 2007

Total Number of Service Hours 31,474

Total Number of Member Participants 4,793

Total Number of Youth Reached 59,322

Total Number of Funds Raised \$73,126

Total Number of Service Projects 283



CHI SIGMA Allegheny College Meadville, PA

Chi Sigma Chapter planned and orchestrated a SHAKE it Up! Dance-A-Thon.
SHAKE stands for Students Helping
Autistic Kids Excel and exemplifies the spirit of the chapter's effort. All of the proceeds from the Dance-A-Thon went to the Northwestern Pennsylvania Chapter of the Autism Society of America. The effort culminated in a 10-hour Dance-A-Thon held in the Allegheny College's Campus Center.

BETA SIGMA - Texas Tech University - Lubbock, TX

Brothers from Beta Sigma Chapter helped a local elementary school class for disabled children make crafts in celebration of 2007's NSW theme, "Lend a Helping Hand: Serving Children with Disabilities." APO brothers organized crafts that corresponded to the lessons the students had been focusing on in class. Brothers and the students loved working together and getting to know one another. www.orgs.ttu.edu/aphio/



ETA Northern Ilinois University DeKalb, IL

Brothers from Eta Chapter sold hot dogs at pregame tailgate parties for the NIU vs. Kent State football game to raise funds for the Muscular Dystrophy Association. The chapter grilled hotdogs for tailgaters and requested a \$1 donation in return. Eta raised more than \$500 for its chosen charity. www3.niu.edu/apo/



Join APO service on a national level by participating in National Service Week 2008. This year's theme, "Lending a Helping Hand: Serving Adults with Disabilities," offers brothers another incredible opportunity to serve adults with permanent or temporary physical and/or cognitive disabilities, as well as organizations committed to serving such individuals.

For more information on National Service Week 2008, visit our Web site at www.apo.org.

Spring Youth Service Day: April 25-27, 2008 Service Projects With Youth Service Projects For Youth

by Stacey R. Couch, Director of Communications

Alpha Phi Omega's Spring Youth Service Day (SYSD), in partnership with Youth Service America's National and Global Youth Service Day, gives APO chapters the opportunity to impact children's lives by organizing and serving in community service projects for and with our nation's youth. Participating in SYSD gives APO brothers the chance to build and improve our standing as the nation's leading service fraternity with a special dedication to youth-based service.

Take a leading role in planning your chapter's SYSD project! If you've graduated, see if you can help a local chapter with its project. Your leadership and participation will not only help APO, but also local youth.

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In 2007, APO performed 42,000 hours of service and raised \$60,229 through SYSD projects. Our chapters identified the needs of youth that they could meet through service, and then organized and participated in projects to meet those needs. Our service reached near and far, directly touching the lives of 71,083 children. These children were impacted by hundreds of APO projects performed by thousands of APO brothers who also engaged non-members, including youngsters, in service. With your help, our chapters can go above and beyond last year's achievements.

5 Tips for Spring Youth Service Day Projects

by Carla Moran, Service & Communication Program Director

- 1) ASK & EXPLORE. Learn what some service options are in your area and see what your chapter is interested in. (Don't be afraid to enhance an existing project or try something new!) Check out the service database on www.apo.org to see what other APO chapters have done.
- 2) DETERMINE. Choose the service project, date, location and a project chair. Get the project on the calendar and ask for help. Project planning is a wonderful opportunity to build leadership in your chapter and improve individual skills.
- 3) PLAN & PUBLICIZE. Organize the project and update the chapter on your progress share the details of what brothers will be doing and the logistics of getting/serving there. Convey the importance of your service too. Share pictures, statistics and stories that show the need for your service. Invite a professor or

- someone from the organization you're working with to make a short presentation at a chapter meeting to help build enthusiasm and support for the project.
- 4) PERFORM. This is it! Get things moving, deal with any last-minute glitches with a smile and thank people for helping. You are performing service to the Fraternity by participating in this important national service event so thank YOU too!
- 5) CELEBRATE & EVALUATE. You did it! Write thank you notes, publicly thank helpers and share any "results" with the chapter (how many children you served, project anecdotes, comments from the organization about how you helped, etc.) Report your project in the APO Service Database on www.apo.org by May 1. Also, send in a photograph to be considered as an APO "Featured Service Project" this year.

2007 Spring Youth Service Day Featured Service Projects



Sigma Sigma Chapter at the University of Illinois at Chicago organized its 11th annual Battle of the Bands charity fundraiser to benefit VH1's

Save the Music Foundation, a nonprofit organization dedicated to restoring instrumental music education in the nation's public schools, as well as raising awareness of the importance of music in a child's life. The event featured six of the top bands in the Chicago area, a Guitar Hero competition and a raffle. A great round of fundraising, an organized game plan for the event and 100 percent participation by Sigma Sigma brothers made this a successful project, which raised \$495 to benefit VH1's Save the Music Foundation.



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Gamma Gamma Chapter at the University of California, Berkeley helped build props and worked the Eggster Hunt and Learning Festival, the largest free egg hunt in Northern California. Weekly prop-building sessions and other good planning meant that Gamma Gamma helped raise \$3,000 for the Jewish Coalition for Literacy, Ala Costa Center and Children's Fairyland.

live.calaphio.com/news.php



Beta Epsilon Chapter at the University of Northern Iowa teetered and tottered their way through SYSD 2007. Brothers organized a Teeter-Totter-A-Thon at the local Wal-Mart to raise money for Seeds of Hope, a nonprofit organization that runs crisis centers for women and children who are victims of domestic abuse and/or sexual assault. With the help of a local radio station that participated and offered incentives for the community to donate, the chapter raised \$1,388.

www.uni.edu/studentorgs/apo/

Region VIII Conference Highlights

January 18-20, 2008 Norman, Oklahoma

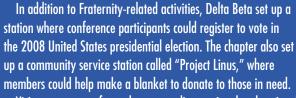






Delta Beta Chapter at the University of Oklahoma in Norman, OK, hosted the 2008 Region VIII Conference, January 18-20. This year's conference, themed "Sowing the Seeds of Service," was attended by 265 APO brothers. Every Region VIII Section was represented by at least one chapter.

On Friday, brothers treated themselves to a free movie and casino night in the Oklahoma Memorial Union. Saturday was filled with workshops about all aspects of APO. Of particular interest were the environmental-themed workshops, which discussed numerous ways chapters could be eco-friendly. The day of brotherhood and bonding ended with a banquet and dance at the Sam Noble Museum of Natural History, whose staff members were kind enough to open several exhibits for viewing during the banquet.



Visit www.apo.org for updates regarding sectional and regional conferences in your area.









Brothers Reunite to Honor 2007 Pledge Class Namesake Jack Jadel

By Kristie Wallace, Director of Annual Giving

Nearly 100 Alpha Phi Omega brothers made their way through 10-plus inches of snow to attend an alumni reception at the Hyatt O'Hare Hotel in Chicago on February 1. It was a wonderful evening of fellowship, tasty food and renewing the feeling of brotherhood for alumni who had been away from the Fraternity for too long. Board Members, Endowment Trustees, Past Presidents, National Office Staff and Chicago-area alumni came together to reminisce about their active days in Alpha Phi Omega, to catch up on what's happening in their own lives and to hear about the latest APO news. Many signed up for the Chicagoland Area Alumni Association and promised to stay connected with the Fraternity in the future.

The evening's program was kicked off by Past President Lawrence "Pinky" Hirsch (1974-1976) who told the story of our first alumni association charter. He then presented the beautifully framed, original charter document to current National President Maggie Katz to keep in the National Archives. President Katz then gave guests an update on the exciting things happening in the Fraternity: our growth, new programs and services, and our goals for developing more healthy chapters.

All eyes were on Brother Carla Moran, Service & Communication Program Director, as she delivered a heartwarming introduction for our guest of honor, Brother Jack Jadel, the 2007 Fall Pledge Class Namesake Honoree and former Endowment Trustee. Jack was honored for the incredible contributions he's made to APO through his leadership and dedication as a brother, a Trustee, a donor, a Scout and a friend. Past President and Endowment Trustee Chair Wilfred Krenek then presented Jack with



an engraved pewter bowl in honor of his exemplary support and service to the Alpha Phi Omega Endowment. Jack is a Diamond-level member of the Blue & Gold Society and served as an Endowment Trustee from 1996 to 2006.

The weather may have been bitter and treacherous outside,

but the atmosphere inside was warm, friendly and inviting. The reception was filled with smiling faces, happy hearts and the brotherly love that is Alpha Phi Omega.

Watch www.apo.org for dates and locations of future alumni receptions. For information on the Chicagoland Area Alumni Association, e-mail alumni@apo51.org.



Jack Jadel, 2007 Fall Pledge Class Namesake Honoree



National President Maggie Katz greets Past President Lawrence "Pinky" Hirsch (1974-1976) at the Chicago Alumni Reception.

Coming to a Chapter Near You!

Alpha Phi Omega would like to introduce our new Field Representative, Heather Lehman. Heather pledged in the fall of 1998 at Gamma Phi Chapter at Western Michigan University. She held many positions in her chapter, including president, treasurer and co-chair for a section conference. Upon graduating, Heather volunteered at the section level, serving on staff and as Section Chair. Heather received her bachelor's degree in secondary education and was previously a middle school science teacher. She has aspirations of returning to graduate school to work in student affairs.

In the Field Representative position, which was created within the National Office, a staff member travels to chapters to:

- Get to know the students and their campus environments
- Work with chapter leaders to promote opportunities for growth
- Help chapters develop programs that will aid in the retention of their existing members
- Help the chapter establish leadership opportunities for its members
- Create an individualized plan for building a healthier chapter or extension group

Over the course of 2008, Heather will travel to various chapters to help them reach recruitment goals, maintain active chapter roles and help create productive chapter environments. Brothers at Gannon University, Ohio State University, the University of Akron and many others will open their chapter doors to Heather and help reach the goals she set with them.

If you are interested in having Heather visit your chapter, please contact her at (816) 373-8667 ext. 22 or heather.lehman@apo.org.

A Note from Heather...

As Field Representative, I will work with the following chapters to attain the 2008 goals we have set together:

Appalachian State University: To gain 10 new members by the end of fall semester 2008 and work to solidify the bonds of brotherhood within the chapter

Barton College: To gain five new members and complete a Chapter Program Planning Conference by the beginning of fall semester 2008.

Capital University: To plan and execute a successful recruitment period with a gain of 10 new members by the end of the fall semester 2008, and to work in conjunction with the chapter at Ohio State University.

East Carolina University: To actively recruit a diverse population of the student body by working with Barton College and trying different recruitment techniques.

Emporia State University: To gain 10 new members and to fulfill the chartering requirement by April 2008.

Gannon University: To gain 10 new members by the end of the fall 2008 semester and to organize the chapter's policies and programs.

Georgetown University: To work toward applying for the Josiah Frank National Historian Award.

Howard University: To gain 15 new members by the end of the fall semester 2008.

Lebanon Valley College: To recruit enough new members to run two pledge classes in the spring semester 2008.

Ohio State University: To gain 20 members by the end of the fall 2008 semester and to have hosted or worked in conjunction with the chapter at Capital University.

Siena Heights University: To gain 10 new members by the end of the fall 2008 semester.

University of Akron: To gain 10 new members by the end of the fall semester 2008 and to work to solidify the bonds of brotherhood within the

University of North Carolina at Charlotte: To gain five new members by the end of the fall semester 2008 and to work to solidify the bonds of brotherhood within the chapter.

Waynesburg College: To run a pledge program in the spring of 2008 and a recruitment period in the fall of 2008.

Western Carolina University: To gain 10 members by the end of the fall semester 2008 and to hold a CPPC to plan activities for 2008.

West Liberty State College: To plan and run a recruitment period and pledge program in the fall of 2008.



Who:

- ◆ All Chapter Advisors
- ◆ Alumni Interested In or Already Volunteering
- ◆ APO & Other Workshop Facilitators and Presenters
- ◆ Sectional & Regional Volunteers
- ◆ National Board Members
- National Committee Members

When:

Thursday, July 31, 2008, at 8:00 p.m. through Sunday, August 3, 2008, at noon

Where:

The Hilton Garden Inn, Independence, MO

Schedule Overview:

Opening Ceremony – Begins Thursday, July 31, at 8:00 p.m. **Conference Activities** – Friday & Saturday, August 1 & 2 **Closing Ceremony** – Wraps up at noon on Sunday, August 3

Cost:

Registration is \$75, which includes a three-night hotel room (triple occupancy), all meals (except Friday evening's dinner), materials and speakers.

Registration:

Visit www.nvc.apo.org for more information about this year's conference. If you have specific questions, please send an e-mail to nvc@apo.org.

Why Attend NVC 2008?

- ◆ Targeted Training Tracks for ALL Volunteers
- ◆ Opportunities to Interact with National Board Members
- ◆ Regional Staff Meetings
- National Committee Meetings

Winter Board Action

Action Items from the February 2008 Board of Directors Meeting.

- Approved the minutes of the July 14, 2007, meeting
- Approved the 2008 National Convention budget
- In accordance with Article IX, Section 7, of the National Bylaws, the President declared the charters of Nu Zeta Chapter at Abilene Christian University and Mu Pi Chapter at the Colorado School of Mines null and void.
- The President appointed a task force to search for and nominate a candidate to serve on the Alpha Phi Omega Endowment.
- The President appointed the 2008 Fall Pledge Class Namesake Committee to be chaired by the National Vice President.
- Approved a Plan of Cooperation with Girl Scouts, USA
- Amended the Herbert Horton Award criteria
- Approved the following resolution: The National Board of Directors will develop broad guidelines in establishing a process that will create a method to evaluate the success of the Fraternity's programs.
- The Board held a discussion centered on underground chapters.

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accessibility codes as renovations occur. Administrators do the best they can to accommodate students with needs, Troha said.

If a student is injured or wheelchair bound, officials ensure the student's classes are in accessible buildings and arrange services for the student, he said. "It's really a matter of bringing the services to them as we know about it," Troha said.

Brother Mark Burris spent an hour traveling around campus in a wheelchair. People think about what it would be like to be wheelchair bound, but they don't realize some of the struggles, such as hills, he said.

"It's very hard because of the sidewalks," Burris said. "There's little cracks that stop you."

Locker said one girl, not realizing she wasn't really in need of the wheelchair, helped her enter a building. She said another person joked with her and said, "Good luck getting into that building."

"A lot of people are just avoiding eye contact. They won't look at me," Locker said. "[Reaction] varied depending on who you were around."

In the fall 2007 issue of *Torch & Trefoil*, the article titled "Centenary of Scouting" was incorrectly attributed to Mark Stratton, National Vice President. The article should have been attributed to Michael Brown, Scouting and Youth Service Committee member. Brother Stratton should have been credited for the article "Risk Management Begins with YOU." We apologize to both Michael and Mark for the errors.

Charity of the Day

On February 5, Alpha Phi Omega was featured as the "Charity of the Day" on GoodSearch.com. Our

Fraternity logo was displayed prominently on the GoodSearch home page as a link to our Web site. This is one small step in a national effort to get our name out to the public and to raise much-needed dollars to help achieve our goal of building more healthy chapters.

GoodSearch.com is a search engine powered by Yahoo. This site pays APO a penny for every search made on our behalf. On the surface that doesn't sound like a lot, but those pennies add up. On February 5 there were 1,064 searches conducted in the name of APO, which earned us \$10.64 for the day. If the same number of searches were made every day, that would add an extra \$320 to the Annual Fund each month and more than \$3,800 per year. Imagine the possible funds earned if all 350,000 members of APO started using GoodSearch.com as their preferred search engine.

GoodShop.com also is part of our fundraising effort.

Hundreds of great stores have teamed up with GoodShop so that every time you place an order, you'll support APO. This online shopping mall donates a percentage of each purchase you make to APO. You even can use this source to order flowers, purchase movie tickets and make iTunes purchases.

Using GoodShop is easy! Simply visit www.GoodSearch.com or www.GoodShop.com. Enter Alpha Phi Omega National Service Fraternity in the box labeled "Who do you GoodSearch for?" and then start searching and/or shopping while supporting APO. To make things even easier, follow the links to add GoodSearch to your toolbar or make it your home page.

Help us spread the word about this fundraiser by e-mailing your friends and relatives and asking them to use GoodSearch and GoodShop on behalf of Alpha Phi Omega.

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ALPHA PHI OMEGA'S CALENDAR OF EVENTS

MARCH

Section 64 Conference Westminster College New Wilmington, PA **March 7-9, 2008**

Campfire USA Absolutely Incredible Kid Day **March 20, 2008**

47/50/51 Tri-Sectionals Illinois Wesleyan University Bloomington, IL **March 28-30, 2008**

Contact: Linna Muzykansky E-mail: trisectionals08@apos50.org

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Section 49 Conference Washington University in St. Louis St. Louis, MO April 4-5, 2008 Contact: Carson Smith E-mail: cesmith86@gmail.com

Section 61 Conference West Virginia Wesleyan College Buckhannon, WV April 4-6, 2008

Section 87/88/89 Spring Sectionals Rochester Institute of Technology Rochester, NY April 4-8, 2008

A**pru 4-6, 2006** Contact: Chris Forbes E-mail: crf6296@rit.edu

Spring Youth Service Day April 25-27, 2008

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Spring Youth Service Day Report **DUE May 1, 2008**

John Mack Scholarship Application **DUE May 1, 2008**

Pledge Class Namesake Nominations **DUE May 1, 2008**

JUNE

Graduating Seniors List **DUE June 1, 2008**

JULY

Chapter of Excellence Award & Pledge Program of Excellence **DUE July 31, 2008**

National Volunteer Conference July 31-August 3, 2008 Independence, MO Contact: National Office Phone: (816) 373-8667

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