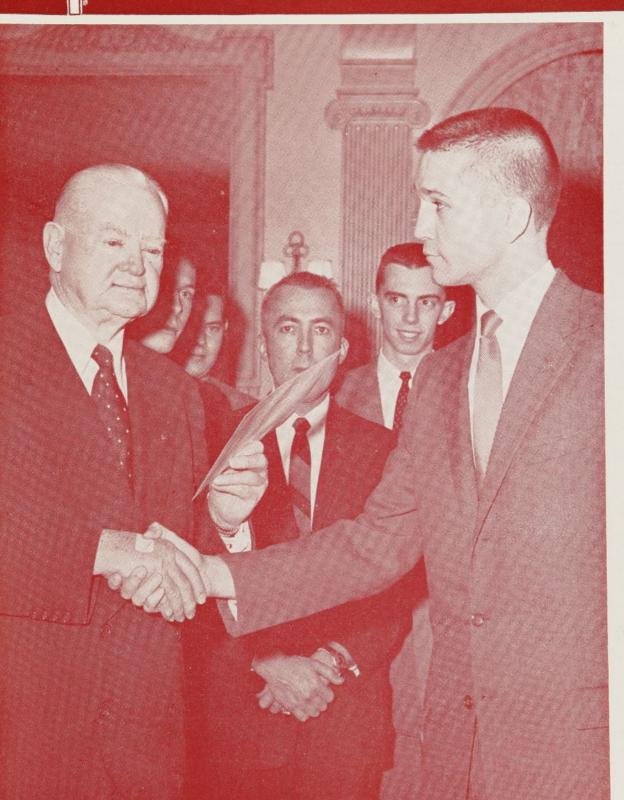


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Cheerfulness has a dual value in life. First, it helps you, then it helps others-and it keeps on spreading out into the great throng of humanity, stirring the hearts of men. All the while it makes the heavy load lighter and the dark road brighter for all.

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Truth is a thing immortal and perpetual, and it gives to us a beauty that fades not away in time, nor does it take away the freedom of speech which proceeds from justice; but it gives to us the knowledge of what is just and lawful, separating them from the unjust.

#### ON OUR COVER

In recognition of his many years of continuous service to the youth of America and his sense of civic responsibility, Former President Herbert Hoover has been inducted as an honorary member of Alpha Phi Omega. The presentation of insignia was made by Herbert Peter Larsen, then President of Lambda Theta Chapter of Columbia College, in a ceremony in Mr. Hoover's apartment in the Waldorf Towers.

In the picture on our cover, Thomas F. Schweitzer of Lambda Theta Chapter is shown shaking hands with Mr. Hoover after presenting the membership certificate, as other members look on.

For more than twenty years Mr. Hoover has been Chairman of the Boys' Clubs of America and has been active in other phases of youth work. He holds the Silver Buffalo, the highest award of the Boy Scouts of America.

In receiving the Alpha Phi Omega certificate Mr. Hoover expressed firm faith in the principles of our fraternity—Leadership, Friendship and Service. The picture is by courtesy of the News Office of Columbia University.

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## **QUARTET CONTEST**

By Irving Gersten

President, Epsilon Psi Chapter Kent State University

Epsilon Psi Chapter has recently sponsored its sixth annual quartet contest. The purpose of the event is to provide entertainment for the student body and competition for organizations which wish to compete in singing.

The planning for a quartet contest could be divided into the following steps:

- 1. After getting the approval of its university's administrative body to hold a quartet contest, the chapter president together with the advisor should choose a date and time for the contest and reserve a place in which to hold it. The date of the contest should not conflict with other major competitive events because the organizations will not find the members nor the time to participate. An auditorium or a gymnasium with fairly good acoustics are ideal places that are readily available on a college campus.
- 2. With the date and place determined, the chapter president should appoint a contest chairman, to head the operation and to take charge of carrying out the plans, about two or three months before the contest. The chairman will then appoint or select sub-committee chairmen in charge of providing judges, planning and printing the program, ushering, and purchasing trophies, and, if desired, refreshments.

Judges could be members of the music faculty, the business interests of the community, members of the administration, professional performers, etc.

The program chairman's job is to get finished copies of program into the hands of the ushering chairman, who will be in charge of distributing them to the audience. The purchasing of trophies should be done by that sub-committee.

3. A letter, composed by the contest chairman with the approval of the president, should be sent to each recognized organization on the campus and all residence halls six to eight weeks before the contest. This letter should explain the rules of the con-

test. Epsilon Psi chapter has found the following rules to work well:

- (a) Divide the contest into two divisions—men and women.
- (b) Set an entry fee per quartet usually \$5.00 — to cover the costs of the event.
- (c) Govern the number of trophies to be awarded by the number of entries in each division. For example,

1 to 8 quartets...1 trophy 9 to 13 quartets...2 trophies

- 14 to 17 quartets...3 trophies, etc. By using this distribution Epsilon Psi Chapter has found that the entry fees are adequate to cover expenses.
- (d) Set a time limit on each performance.
- (e) Allow each organization to enter as many quartets as the group wishes to pay entry fees for.

Winner of the women's division in Epsilon Psi Chapter's 1959 quartet contest at Kent State University was Delta Gamma Sorority. Shown at right is the winning group, top to bottom, Connie Walton, Debi Hess, Dona Fundis and Carroll Wachtel.

In the men's division, Sigma Phi Epsilon captured the trophy. The quartet below are, left to right, Dick Riley, Bob Dunkle, Alan Brantner and Dick Lantry. (f) No admission should be (Continued on page ten)





## A Silk Screen Printing Service Project

By Francis J. Kafka

This article is intended to familiarize Chapters of Alpha Phi Omega with the silk screen printing process as a potential means for rendering campus service and for the publicizing of Alpha Phi Omega service projects and other events. For those chapters which already maintain a screen printing service this article will describe some fairly recent techniques which will simplify operations and broaden the scope of work which can be undertaken. The article will give those chapters which are not familiar with silk screening, a working knowledge adequate for them to decide whether such a service project is worth undertaking. It was formerly believed that a screen printing unit was a costly investment and required too high a development of skill to undertake running it. Neither of these need be true today, with some of the newer developments, a little ingenuity, and a willingness to find answers required in the numerous standard textbooks available on the subject.

Silk screen printing is the modern

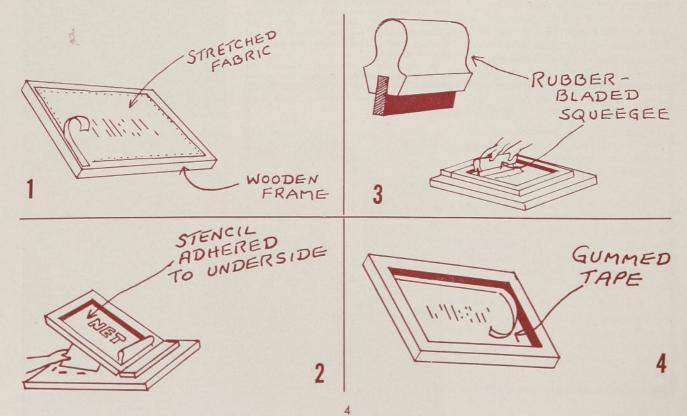
method of stenciling posters, signs, emblems, labels, decals, etc. It is probably used commercially on about 75 per cent of such items. Most advertising posters which look to the untrained eye like hand-lettered products, will prove upon close examination to be silk screened. Recent industrial developments have even been made which make it possible to screen on irregular surfaces such as bottles, drinking tumblers, and ashtrays. Hence, most labels appearing on soft drink bottles have been screened.

The basic item of equipment which is used for screen printing is a large wooden frame, usually made of 2 x 2-inch warp-free wood. A piece of specially woven silk, cotton organdy, nylon, or other material, is stretched tighly across one surface of the frame. (Figure 1.) The mesh in this material is such that it is fine enough to prevent paint from running through it of its own weight, yet coarse enough to allow paint to be forced through it. A stencil, which is made

by cutting designs or letters through a thin piece of firm material, is adhered to the underside of the stretched silk. (Figure 2.) Paint is then forced through the screen using a rubber-bladed squeegee. (Figure 3.)

It can readily be seen that when paint is forced through the screen which has a stencil adhered beneath it, the paint will not be deposited onto the article being printed in those places where the stencil is intact. Where the stencil has been cut open in designs or lettering, the paint will pass through and be deposited. A poster, for example, would have a stencil cut with all of the lettered areas cut out. The resulting print will give the appearance of having been hand-lettered in the conventional manner. The great difference, of course, is that several hundred posters can be printed in this manner in several hours from the one original piece of art work.

The stenciling process, while actually centuries-old, had always been applied by brushing paint or dye



through a cut-out stencil sheet. This technique limited the craftsman, in that many areas in a given design or in letter stenciling, such as the conventional Roman letter "O," could not be realistically cut through a stencil without losing the center portion of the letter. This limitation was felt in all design and gave rise to the typi-cally "stenciled" appearance of many Early American furniture decorations. The craftsman merely "bridged" or "tied" the various parts of the design together with small strips of the stencil left intact. This technique is still used in cutting the metal stencil plates which are used for marking shipping crates. Usually the letters, A, B. D, O, P, Q, and R, are not fully cut out in a stencil of this design.

Ingenious craftsman developed a lacquer stencil to short-stop this limitation of the technique. This particular stencil material consists of a very thin layer of lacquer applied to a sheet of waxed paper or thin plastic. When the stencil is cut the cut-out portions are cut through only the layer of lacquer and not through the backing sheet. The entire stencil, backing sheet and all, is then adhered to the underside of the screen. When the lacquer has adhered and dried, the backing sheet is carefully peeled away, leaving all of the separate pieces of the stencil adhered in proper place on the screen without the benefit of bridges or ties.

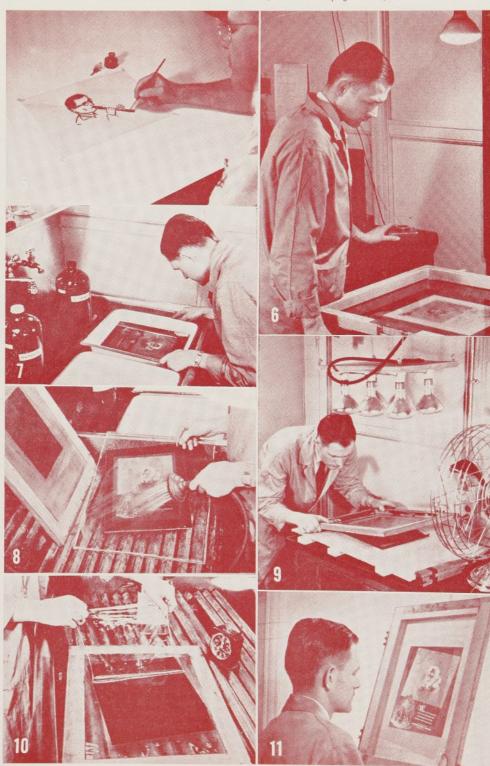
This method is currently used for the vast majority of silk screen printed jobs. The lacquer stencil will withstand thousands of printing. However, it, too, has its limitations, particularly for the beginner. A considerable amount of skill is required for cutting the stencil. It also cannot be used effectively for creating shaded areas or halftones.

In recent years several photographic manufacturers have perfected and developed the photographic technique of stencil making, so that now it is economical, simple to work with, and highly effective in reproducing all kinds of designs. A special film is exposed (working in subdued lightnot in a dark room) under photoflood light through a transparent positive or hand drawing (serving in place of the conventional negative in which images are reversed). When the film is developed it is adhered to the screen. When dry, the backing sheet on the film is peeled away and

the stencil is intact as in the lacquer film technique. In using this technique, any minute spot which appears on the transparent positive will be transferred photographically to the stencil. Thus, halftone photographs can be reproduced. The art work is minimized because those skills available in any Chapter can be utilized in making the hand drawn transparency, or, a photographic negative can be *reversed* into a transparent positive by any local photo finisher.

All other equipment used for other methods of silk screening is used for

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#### **Recreation Program**

EPSILON LAMBDA CHAPTER at Michigan College of Mining and Technology provides a recreation program for Goodwill Farm children. This is just one of numerous splendid projects; others include publishing the Student Directory, sponsoring a movie series, ushering at football and hockey games, handling the book exchange and distribution of the Careers book to seniors. This is reported by Prof. A. P. Young, Chairman of Advisory Committee.

#### **Guide Service**

EPSILON GAMMA CHAPTER has provided guide service for prospective students and their parents visiting the Alfred University campus. Some of the projects this year include the Ugly Man contest, ushering at football and basketball games and coat checking at the interfraternity ball. This is reported by Dean John F. McMahon, Chairman of Advisory Committee.

#### **Repair Road**

Among the services of ETA GAMMA CHAPTER at *Union College* this year are included repair work on the cinder road on campus, weed killer adjacent to buildings and aid in planning the Scout camporee. This is reported by Dr. William B. Martin, Jr., Chairman of Advisory Committee.

#### **New Clock**

At Pennsylvania State Teachers College at Shippensburg, LAMBDA LAMBDA CHAPTER recently put up a new clock in the gymnasium. Among other service projects this year are included the book exchange, magazine sale, guide service as needed and an informal all-college dance. This is reported by Dr. George Kaluger, Chairman of Advisory Committee.

#### CONTRIBUTION TO LAND FUND



Kappa Alpha Chapter has made a fine donation to the Lamar Tech Land Fund. Shown above, Dr. F. L. McDonald, president of the college, receives the check from Raymond Rice, center, chapter president, and Bobby Reed, treasurer.

As the chapter had hoped, this donation spurred other civic and college groups into making similar donations to the fund to buy land for the expansion of Lamar Tech's campus.

#### Loan Fund

IOTA CHI CHAPTER administers a student "week-end money" loan fund sponsored by a local bank. This is a unique service at *Northern Michigan College* and is reported by Prof. Jean R. Pearman, Chairman of Advisory Committee.

#### **Toy Drive**

LAMBDA CHAPTER at the University of Kansas collected more than 2,500 toys for needy children last Christmas. Some of the other projects this year include proctoring placement exams, swimming instruction for Scouts and Junior Leader Training Course for Kaw Council, BSA. This is reported by R. Keith Lawton, Chairman of Advisory Committee.

#### **News Service**

The members of ETA OMEGA CHAPTER act as an "interesting items" news gathering service for the *Montana State University* publicity committee. This unique project is reported by Dr. Leland M. Yates, Chairman of Advisory Committee.

#### **Physical Exams**

Members of THETA ETA CHAPTER at Kansas City College of Osteopathy and Surgery furnishes physical exams for boys' club and camp groups in the vicinity. Donations of equipment for the new clinic have been made from profits from coke machines. This is reported by Dr. Herbert D. Ramsay, Chairman of Advisory Committee.

#### Winter Retreat

ZETA NU CHAPTER at Southern Illinois University held its Winter quarter retreat at Giant City State Park. The members participating lodged in the CCC barracks at the park. Members of the Fall pledge class were formally initiated in ceremonies at the retreat. Plans were made for increased services. One project discussed was supervision of the new campus lake which includes everything from canoe instruction to water safety. An APO polka band named "The Schnizelbachers" was organized to publicize the Ugly Man Contest and other major service projects.

All was not work. There was much singing and two pledges presented their pledge father with a six-foot paddle. This is reported by Kin Horrall, Historian.

#### **Polish Plaques**

MU ETA CHAPTER has polished the plaques on the *Albright College* campus. This is just one of numerous services; other projects included the book exchange, campus cleanup, operation of coat check concession at several events, operation of a gas station and car wash to raise money for CARE and training for volunteer civilian defense work at Community General Hospital. This is reported by Prof. Thurman R. Kremser, Chairman of Advisory Committee.

#### Safety Program

At Gettysburg College, IOTA OMICRON CHAPTER assists with the college safety program. Proctoring qualification tests, sponsoring campus tours and ushering at college events are among the other splendid projects carried out throughout the year. This is reported by Dean W. Ramsay Jones, Jr., Chairman of Advisory Committee.

#### Town Tour

Among the projects of ETA KAPPA CHAPTER at Stout State College this year have been a tour of the town for the entire student body, an Ugly Man contest and dance, ushering at all football and basketball games and a kite flying contest for Cub Scouts. This is reported by Dr. Guy Salyer, Chairman of Advisory Committee.

#### A Mother Looks at Alpha Phi Omega

"Mom, I'm a brother in Alpha Phi Omega. I wanted you to know." Returning to my daily tasks I thought of these remarks in my eldest son's letter. Yes, it was good to know he had become affiliated with Alpha Phi Omega.

My memory reviewed the paths that had led him to this new road. I recalled a few of the fears and hopes of the eighteen years.

Babyhood passed so quickly and he seemed so small to go to first grade. I feared for his safety. All too soon he outgrew the blue Cub Scout uniform. He continued forward along new paths with Boy Scouts and Explorers.

As he grew in stature, he grew in Scouting knowledge, under excellent adult leadership, enjoying boyhood fellowship, camping experiences near and far. Proudly, I reached up to pin on the coveted rank of Eagle and I said a silent prayer of thankfulness that he had followed the Scouting paths.

My silent fears went with him as he entered college. In new surroundings, among new friends, with whom would he travel; which path would he follow?

Soon I learned he met friends in Alpha Phi Omega who had also followed the teachings of Scouting. They shared tales of past experiences and found new bonds of friendship. They planned ways to continue their high ideals.

My fears are few, my hopes are many as I proudly say he is a member in the National Service Fraternity.

The paths of Scouting have ably led him to the broader road of manhood as he strives with  $A\Phi\Omega$  brothers to follow through in leadership, friendship and service to become a better American citizen and a finer son.

The splendid tribute above is by Mrs. Melvin F. Eyerman. Her son, Melvin F. Eyerman II, is an active member of lota Lambda Chapter at North Carolina State College. We are certain that in this season of Mother's Day, Mrs. Eyerman expresses the true feelings of thousands of mothers throughout the nation whose sons are participating in Alpha Phi Omega.

#### REGISTRATION FOR HIGH SCHOOL DAY



Shown here are some of the members of Theta Nu Chapter who handled the registering of more than 700 high school students who attended Hamline University's annual High School Day. Left to right are Robert Morris, Dan Bodley, Brent Gaylord, Loren Morey, Russ Swanson, Tom Brunberg, Dan Cunningham, Russ Heagle, Dave Robinson, Paul Keever and Don Springborg. The picture is by Bob Burnison.

#### **Infirmary Service**

At Colorado State University, EPSILON XI CHAPTER aids students at the infirmary by delivering books and assignments to them. The chapter also conducts the lost and found service on the campus, provides swimming instruction for Scouts and has carried out several other excellent projects during this school year. This is reported by Elmer Shaw, Chairman of Advisory Committee.

#### **Show for Hospital**

Among the service projects of IOTA RHO CHAPTER, at *The Florida State Univerity*, reported by Dr. E. L. Chalmers, Jr., Chairman of Advisory Committee, are a variety show at the Federal Correctional Institute and Tuberculosis Hospital, purchase of magazine subscriptions for the university infirmary, student travel service and operation of the book exchange.

#### **Blood Drive**

Among the activities carried out this year by THETA NU CHAPTER at Hamline University have been a blood drive, Christmas Seal campaign, contribution to CARE, Red Cross drive, Easter Seal campaign, two coat checks, a bus tour for new students last Fall, weekly chapel convocation ticket collection and high school registration. This is reported by Don Springborg, President.

#### **Notebook Dividers**

KAPPA GAMMA CHAPTER at Wisconsin State College at LaCrosse built a float to publicize the Community Chest in the Homecoming parade. Ushering at football games last Fall, proctoring examinations, conducting a stag smoker for all freshmen and supplying dividers for student notebooks are among the other services rendered by the chapter this year, reports Dr. Frederick G. Davies, Chairman of Advisory Committee.

#### **Direction Signs**

ZETA OMEGA CHAPTER instigated the project for placing direction signs on highways leading to Baylor University. The chapter also recently sponsored a campus-wide blood drive, gave a Christmas party for crippled children, conducted a Scout Junior Leader Training Course and awarded a scholarship. This is reported by Dr. Virgil L. Tweedie, Chairman of Advisory Committee.

#### **Monitor Attendance**

GAMMA XI CHAPTER distributes the attendance cards for obligatory functions at Rockhurst College. Throughout the year the chapter has handled the lost and found, cared for bulletin boards, furnished coat checking at dinners and dances. This is reported by Paul D. Arend, Chairman of Advisory Committee.

#### X-RAY SERVICE



Alpha Chapter at Lafayette College cooperated with the Northhampton County Tuberculosis and Health Society in sponsoring chest X-rays for students, faculty and administration. Even during class hours, a total of 562 took advantage of this opportunity during a four-hour period. In the left picture above, Gerald Dienst and George Bustard (behind table) aid in registration for chest X-rays. In the right picture a technician is shown X-raying Howard Hamilton, first vice-president of Alpha Chapter.

#### RIDE BOARD



Lambda Rho Chapter has recently constructed this "Share Your Ride" board at Augustana College. The device brings passengers and drivers together. The board is located in Old Main and there is no charge for the service. Students are invited to use the board any time for transportation arrangements by filling out the necessary details. The information slip is then placed in the proper slot according to direction of travel. This method of securing transportation accommodates travel in all directions and makes special provision for cities of Chicago and Rockford.

Above, Miss Carol Juhlin is shown checking the board for a ride home for Easter vacation, as Paul King prepares to share his ride by filling out a "Rides Wanted" slip which he will insert in the "going East" slot. Students have found the ride board to be very useful and effective.

#### **Donation to Center**

Delta Mu Chapter recently purchased a regulation ping-pong table for the Student Center at Kansas State Teachers College, Pittsburg. Other projects this year included conducting a Christmas party for orphanage children, providing timekeepers for the District Forensic Contest, maintaining a lost and found service on the campus, assisting in blood bank drive, providing ushers for queens at homecoming and selling refreshments at homecoming. This is reported by Dr. L. L. Tracy, Chairman of Advisory Committee.

### Campus Editorials

Editorially, *The University Echo* of the University of Chattanooga, has recommended that Zeta Eta Chapter be granted ample space in the new Student Center to house the book exchange. It says in part, "It occurs to us that it might be of immense convenience to the student body of this university if ample space were provided in the new Student Center for APO to house its wares.

"Naturally every organization at U. C. cannot expect to be given space at the Center. First, it wouldn't be feasible to attempt to house all of these organizations, and second, because not enough business is carried on by them

to warrant space.

"However, in the light of the work carried on by APO if space could be found, it would certainly be of benefit to the student body. A great deal of needed service has been given to the school by this self-supporting organization. Its members devote time and effort free of charge for the benefit of the students."

An editorial in *The Racket* of Wisconsin State College, LaCrosse, expresses fine tribute to Kappa Gamma Chapter. It says in part, "Just a little word of appreciation to Alpha Phi Omega for the notebook dividers which they distributed to the students during registration. It's only a little thing but it's one more reminder of the willingness of this group to serve the college and the community in any way it can.

"Alpha Phi Omega men are among the most popular, respected and well-

liked persons on campus. And why shouldn't they be?"

Frequently, editorials appear in campus newspapers paying tribute to the service program of Alpha Phi Omega. We express hearty appreciation to all college editors who have assisted in publicizing the activities of APO.

We invite all chapters to send a clipping to the National Office whenever an editorial or other article concerning the chapter program is published in your college newspaper or city newspaper.

#### MAGAZINE COVERS FOR STUDENT UNION



Beta Upsilon Chapter's pledge class president, Steve Frantum, is shown presenting magazine covers to Mrs. L. G. Bladt, Director of Student Activities at Northwest Missouri State College. Others in the picture are, left to right, Pledges Leon Walker, Judd Nordyke, Phil Stone, Ray Rouse and John Bush; Dennis Mathes, president of the chaper, and Pledge Jim Smith. This Spring's pledge class is named in honor of Professor Myles C. Grabau, Faculty Advisor. The pledges donated their work to earn the money to buy the covers to be used in the lounge of the Student Union.

#### **Painting by Pledges**



Four of Eta Mu Chapter's pledges are shown taking part in Spring painting around the campus of Utica College as one of their service projects.

#### **Infirmary Visitation**

Visits to students in the infirmary is one of the much appreciated projects of Beta Zeta Chapter at the University of Georgia. Other recent services including assisting in fall registration, distribution of the "Career" book, an Ugly Man contest which brought in \$1,400.00, a Christmas party for underprivileged children, and a donation to CARE. These services are reported by Jack W. Garrett, Chairman of Advisory Committee.

#### **Book Drive for Asia**

At the University of Toledo, ZETA LAMBDA CHAPTER recently collected books for the Southeast Asia Assistance Program. The chapter proctored entrance exams for freshmen and provided information booths during orientation. Other projects this year include assistance at a Scout camporee, a Halloween party for orphans, Christmas decorations on the campus, a Christmas party for underprivileged children. Money-making projects include a fruit cake sale and distribution of the Careers book to seniors. This is reported by Professor Edward S. Foster, Jr., Chairman of Advisory Committee.

#### DISTRIBUTE CAREER BOOK





In the left picture above, Brother Myron Faber, right, and Pledge Jake Schanker, Co-chairmen of Gamma lota Chapter's Careers distribution committee, are shown standing in front of the APO Bulletin Board. In picture at right, Pledges Phil Goldstein, right, and Gerald Newman, center, are shown distributing free copies of Careers to male seniors. Nearly 500 copies of the 1959 Careers book have been delivered by the chapter to Brooklyn College seniors.

#### "Chapter Chatter"

The newsletter of Epsilon Psi Chapter, "Chapter Chatter," is an excellent publication. The Winter quarter edition, edited by James A. Brookes, includes several interesting features. One is "From the President's Desk" by Irving Gersten telling about the chapter program. It is quoted below:

"As president it gives me a great deal of pleasure to extend the information of the activities of Epsilon Psi Chapter to brothers both active and alumni. Our members are participating in a program based upon the four fields of service: to the student body and faculty, to the community, to the fraternity, and to the nation as participating citizens. The Student Book Exchange has served the student body well in their acquisition of needed texts. For the students who commute, we are keeping up a bulletin board in the Atrium, the main thoroughfare of Kent State. In the field of service to the community, the brothers have sponsored "Explorers' Night." In this project the office of the Dean of Women has been very helpful. Service to the fraternity has been exemplified by annual banquets which bring together the brothers in fellowship. The CARE program has helped the chapter serve the nation as good-will ambassadors. We have sent twenty-five CARE packages, five each to Greece, Israel, Turkey, Pakistan and Italy.

"The future holds for Epsilon Psi Chapter a place of usefulness on the campus. Last summer, a young lady from another university asked me to identify my fraternity badge. After doing as I was requested, she said in an admiring way, 'Oh, they're the constructive ones.' It shall be the aim of my administration not to disappoint the co-ed."

#### Tribute from a Graduate Student

Writing to the editor of the Temple University News, Adolph S. Butkys, graduate student, said:

"I would like to relate to you and to all your readers about an organization that has been outstanding in the service of helping students on the campus of Temple University, Alpha Phi Omega service fraternity."

"I speak through personal experience since I am in a wheelchair and have depended for two years on the services of APO. All the members, and especially one of them, Arnold Selig, have done much to make my stay and studies at Temple an easy and pleasant experience. Their great sacrifice in time and effort in order to help me, can be multiplied by many others who have needed and received this invaluable help.

"I am sure that everyone here at Temple University will understand why I am so deeply grateful to this fine organization, and I hope that they will also join me in saying, "A job well done, carry on Alpha Phi Omega."

#### Lost and Found

Delta Theta Chapter maintains the lost and found office at the *University of Louisville*. Among the other services this year the chapter included registration help in several schools of the university, assistance in freshman orientation and work on the homecoming dance. This is reported by Glenn F. Chesnut, Jr., President.

#### **Scout Banquet**

KAPPA THETA CHAPTER at Wake Forest College recently sponsored a district Eagle Scout banquet for the local council. This is reported by Colonel Wythe M. Peyton, Jr., Chairman of Advisory Committee.

#### QUARTET CONTEST

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charged since the numbers performed are normally copyrighted.

Enclose a form entry blank with each letter. Also, don't forget to set a deadline for entering, about three weeks before the contest, so as to allow for delivery of trophies and printing of the program.

ing of the program.

4. With the advisor's help the committee chairman should select a Master of Ceremonies. The M. C. could be a disk jockey of a nearby radio station (if his fee is not more than transportation costs) or a well-known student who is experienced in public speaking.

5. Publicity—it is very important. Use all means available to get the word around. Campus newspapers, signs (varied and many), radio, television, word-of-mouth—all should be used.

Keeping these rules in mind, it is not difficult to have 15 to 20 quartets enter. A good hint to pass on is that social fraternities and sororities and residence halls show the most interest in such competitive events; they are better organized and have the finances

to participate.

It has been the custom at Kent State that the chapter president present the awards. This action helps the local chapter in two ways—it shows the audience, mostly students, who are participating in  $A\Phi\Omega$  and it shows the school that  $A\Phi\Omega$  presents an event which is enjoyed by the student body.

#### SILK SCREENING

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the photographic process. The frame can be homemade. After the frame is made and stretched with the screen fabric, the edges where the silk (fabric) meets the frame must be taped closed with gummed tape to prevent paint from being forced through during the printing operation. (Figure 4.) After this has been done the frame is ready to receive a stencil. The following simple steps in the photographic process are then performed:

1. For a hand drawing the transparent positive is prepared on a thin acetate sheet using heavy, black drawing ink (or special acetate ink).

(Figure 5.)

2. When dry, this transparency is placed in contact with the back of a sheet of the special photographic screening film and exposed for approximately 30 seconds under a photoflood lamp. (Figure 6.)

3. After exposure the film is placed in the special developer or *activator* and then in an acid stop-bath (total processing time of just several

minutes). (Figure 7.)

4. Following the development, the film is placed face-up on a sheet of glass or plastic and sprayed with warm water until all of the *unexposed* areas (those painted black in the original transparency) are washed out. (Figure 8.)

5. When the washing is complete the film is left on the glass, emulsion side up. The screen is lowered into place onto the film so that the stretched fabric comes into contact with it. All excess moisture is blotted away and the film is left to dry. (Figure 9.) A bank of infrared lamps and an electric fan may be used to hasten drying but are *not* required.

6. When dry, the film is slightly moistened with a special "stripping" liquid and the backing sheet is peeled away. (Figure 10.) All open areas on the screen between the edges of the film stencil and the tape strips which were adhered along the edges of the frame (Figure 4) must be blocked out with either lacquer or additional strips of gummed tape to prevent paint being forced through where it is not desired. The screen is then ready for printing. (Figure 11.)

Equally as new in application is the photographic-emulsion type screen stencil. In this technique, the entire stretched fabric is coated with a photographically sensitive emulsion, similar in composition to the film previously described. After this has thoroughly dried in darkness, it is handled in the same manner as the photographic film. Obviously, this technique eliminates the adhering of the film and the blocking out of unwanted open areas on the margins. However, it calls for a dark room, and for much more precision in contact and exposure to the light. It will undoubtedly supplant the photographic method in due time.

It is suggested that chapters desiring to establish a screen printing unit as a service project on campus, communicate with their local screen process supply house for equipment needed and to determine the cost. These suppliers can be found in various localities by consulting the classified telephone directory.

It is also recommended that one or more of the following standard textbooks be used in establishing a list of supplies and equipment needed, and for guidance in making homemade equipment and the actual techniques of printing, drying, etc.:

Biegeleisen, J. I., and Max A hur Cohen. Silk Screen Techniques. Dover Publications, Inc., New York. 187 pp. paperback, \$1.45, 1958.

Eisenberg, James, and Francis J. Kafka. Silk Screen Printing. Mc-Knight and McKnight Publishing Co., Bloomington, Ill. 91 pp., paperback, \$1.50. 1957.

Kafka, Francis J., The Hand Deco-

ration of Fabrics. McKnight and McKnight Publishing Co., Bloomington, Ill. 198 pp., clothbound, \$5.00. 1959.

Free Materials are available from: Eastman Kodak Co. (Graphic Arts Sales Division), Rochester, New York. E. I. DuPont de Nemours & Co. (Photo Products Dept.), Wilmington, Delaware. Screen Process Printing Association, 549 W. Randolph Street, Chicago, Illinois.

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