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GOVERNOR BILL CLINTON JOINS CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

Declaring that it is time to look a quarter of a century or more into the future to keep Alpha Phi Omega the best and most effective service organization on college campuses across the nation, Governor Bill Clinton of Arkansas (Mu Alpha '66), the Honorary Chairman of the Capital Campaign, has presented the Fraternity with a national letter of appeal for all Alpha Phi Omega alumni to aid this historic effort.

The Capital Campaign appeal is no ordinary request for assistance. It seeks to eliminate once and for all the drain on income from undergraduate dues that now must be used to pay rent, utilities and maintenance for a National Headquarters. The student fees thus freed will be applied to directly support undergraduate chapter programs and to extend the Alpha Phi Omega opportunity to new campuses.

Since Alpha Phi Omega's strength lies within active chapters, then the resources of the active chapters should be used to expand the effectiveness of chapter programs, while at the same time keep membership in our Fraternity affordable for all students who wish to be of service to others.

National President Stan Carpenter, has said this is the precise goal of the Capital Campaign! We want to permit the Fraternity to acquire and endow its own headquarters so that the expenses of a National Office, which are crucial to maintaining undergraduate strength and service, can be removed from the annual operating budget.

Joe Morrone, the Chairman of the Capital Campaign, and Vice President Schroeder, National Fund-Raising Chairman, have echoed that goal. They both emphasize that this Campaign presents a unique opportunity for alumni through major gifts to affect the future of Alpha Phi

Omega on college campuses in something other than a "stopgap" manner.

Governor Clinton, recognizing that Alpha Phi Omega and its ideals had a profound effect on his life, understands that today's brothers are important to Alpha Phi Omega and to the service that is provided in communities across the country by our very special Fraternity.

The Fall Capital Campaign mailing that will feature the letter from Governor Clinton will go to 9000 alumni brothers. Hopefully, our alumni will remember their own undergraduate experiences and respond once more in a significant manner to join the efforts in achieving a successful Capital Campaign. It is often repeated and it remains very much a fact that the alumni life members of our Fraternity are needed in a very important continuing role in the future of our existence.



Governor Bill Clinton



Jerry Schroeder, Governor Bill Clinton and Richard Shullaw of Mu Alpha Chapter are obviously pleased with the prospects for the National Capital Campaign.

The Paul D. Arend Fall Pledge Class

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NATIONAL PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE WORDS FROM A BROTHER

One of the major "perks" of this office is being in touch with many brothers across the nation in ways that are often unique. The following open letter was conveyed to me because I had suggested that the author write something for the T&T. She took me up on it. How about you? I use this for my column this time because I could not possibly say anything any more important or any better.

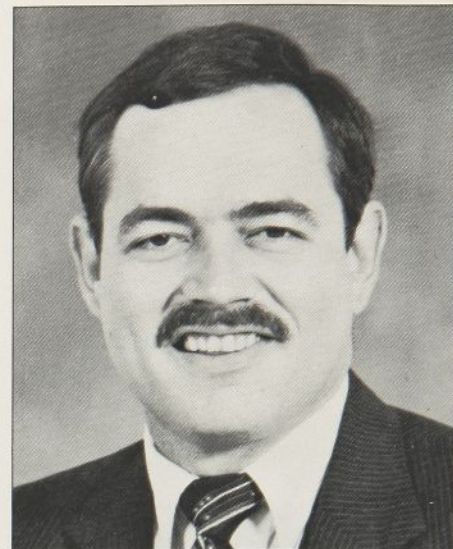
Dear Alpha Phi Omega,

I just wanted to send you a thank you note for, well, just for being you. I was introduced to you last year and I got to know you while I was pledging in the spring. Last semester—Fall of '86—though, it seemed as if we became slightly alienated from each other; we didn't seem to care about each other as much, since the "newness" of our first encounter was gone. But over Christmas vacation when I came to see you in Houston, I rediscovered you and got to know you better than I ever had before. Some people called that get-together 'National Convention', but I don't think it was really very different from all of the other friends/family reunions that are common in the holiday season (except that with between 1400 and 1500 people it was perhaps a little bit bigger than most). Thanks for a great time December 28-30, 1986 and thanks for just being you. Your spirit will be with me always.

What's that? You're not sure what I mean by 'you'? You remember your motto—'Leadership, Friendship and Service united by a single bond'—don't you? What did you say, that's not good enough? You want me to tell you what I think of you? You want me to tell you in my own words how much you mean to me? Well, O.K., I guess that's fair enough, but I don't have to do it all by myself do I? No, of course not, I should know better than that. If you told me I had to do it by myself then your name wouldn't be Alpha Phi Omega, so I've gotten a little bit of help from a book of quotes called **The Gold of Friendship: A Bouquet of Special Thoughts** selected by Patricia Dreier.

Here we go:

Friendship 'is the golden thread that ties the hearts of all hearts of the world'—John Evelyn.



Dr. Stan Carpenter

Service is the materialization, through action, of friendship for all mankind; it is the manifestation of that golden thread.

Leadership is the highest form of service because it consists of getting people to act in the way that, deep down inside, they really want to act, by helping them to discover for themselves what that way is, and by making it obvious that you and others are there to support them as they act in that way.

United by a single bond = communication: 'The meeting of two personalities is like the contact of two chemical substances; if there is any reaction, both are transformed'—Carl Jung

I'm thankful for the communication we've had so far and look forward to continuing to communicate with you in the future. May we help each other as each of us strives to 'Be a Leader, Be a Friend, and Be of Service' to one another and to all of humanity.

Love,
Heidi Eger
Nu Rho Chapter
College of William & Mary
Williamsburg, VA 23185

FALL PLEDGE CLASS

In 1940, Paul D. Arend was a student at Rockhurst College in Kansas City, Missouri. He was also one of twenty-five charter members of the Gamma Xi Chapter of Alpha Phi Omega. Brother Arend, like thousands of young brothers, would never have envisioned that his dedication to Alpha Phi Omega would extend to the length of time or the depth of quality that it has over these past forty-seven years.

After completing his college degree at Rockhurst he continued his activities in Scouting and Alpha Phi Omega. To the Brothers of Alpha Phi Omega he has proven to be a leader full of spirit and courage. His dedication and service to the Gamma Xi Chapter has been unending. Under his guidance hundreds of Brothers from the Gamma Xi Chapter have taken Leadership, Service, and Friendship to their own careers, becoming better citizens of our country. Brother Arend stayed in the background yet always assisted when and where needed. While still an undergraduate, Brother Arend held chapter offices of Secretary and Treasurer. After graduation, he continued to be active in his chapter through this very day as he is still Scouting advisor to the chapter. He was in fact Chairman of the Advisory Committee to Gamma Xi for 40 years. In 1955 he became the first Sectional Chairman of Section 35, continuing through 1968. He remained in the forefront of the National Fraternity as a leader in 1968 by being elected the first Regional Representative of Region VIII; he held that position until 1972. He was awarded the Chapter and Sectional Distinguished Service Keys and was the first recipient of the Region VIII Distinguished Service Key.

Brother Arend also maintained a long-term commitment to the youth of the nation through his work with the Boy Scouts of America, the organization on which Alpha Phi Omega's principles are founded. Brother Arend has been an adult Boy Scout leader since 1938. Throughout his years of scouting, he was selected to be a member of the Order of the Arrow, he received the Order of Merit and Silver Beaver. He also received the National Eagle Scout Association Award for outstanding scoutmaster leadership and development of Eagle Scouts. Within the Tribe of Mic-O-Say, he was elected to serve the Tribal Council and Council of Chieftains in Missouri. He was elected presiding chieftain in 1981. He still actively supports Boy Scouts in Independence, Missouri, being a Scoutmaster.



Paul. D. Arend

After serving Rockhurst College as Registrar for 40 years, he attained the status of Registrar Emeritus. When he retired at Rockhurst in 1985 he received the Harry B. Kies Award for dedicated and distinguished service. Additionally, his work with the Missouri Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers was an area of accomplishment for him as he served as Treasurer, Secretary, and also President of the Missouri Association. He

has also been very active in the planning and organization of the American Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers. Over the years, Brother Arend participated in many Alpha Phi Omega conventions and most recently brothers who attended the Houston National Convention in December of 1986 will remember his contributions as a member of the University Administrators Forum.

In telling the story of Brother Arend's life in Alpha Phi Omega, the brothers of the Gamma Xi Chapter related that Brother Arend's "outstanding dedication encouraged all undergraduate brothers in our chapter. He made a difference to our chapter, to our section, to our region and to our Fraternity".

Brother Arend is truly a significant model of genuine character who provides leadership by example to this day for our National Fraternity to follow. It was a distinct honor for the National Board of Directors of Alpha Phi Omega to select Brother Paul D. Arend to be honored and recognized for the Fall Pledge Class of 1987. Our new pledges who become Brothers of Alpha Phi Omega this year will be challenged to follow his example.

SUMMER BOARD MEETING

The summer meeting of the National Board of Directors was held at the City Center Marriott Hotel in Denver, Colorado on July 11th. The following action was taken:

- The annual Budget for 1987-88 was accepted and approved.
- New membership goals were adopted for 1987-88.
- Paul D. Arend was selected as the Fall Pledge Class Honoree.
- The National Awards Committee was directed to develop standards for a new award. The new award will be called the Maude Young Award.
- Did suspend the charter of Nu Chapter, Upsala College, East Orange, New Jersey for violation of the National By-Laws.
- Revoked all privileges granted to the Phi Tau Chapter at Fayetteville State University, Fayetteville, North Carolina.
- Approved the petitioning group at Broward Community College, Davie, Florida to be chartered as Alpha Beta Upsilon Chapter (#644).

- Continued the suspension of Phi Phi Chapter, Florida Memorial College, Miami, Florida
- Placed Beta Lambda Chapter, Indiana State University, Terre Haute, Indiana on the "not being in good financial standing with the National Office."
- Received a report from John Wetherington, 1988 National Convention Coordinator, that the theme for the 1988 National Convention will be "Service above all".
- The following chapters were declared inactive:

Region III

Chi Lambda/Elizabeth City State University, Elizabeth City, North Carolina
Psi Tau/Virginia State University, Petersburg, Virginia

Alpha Alpha Upsilon/Mount Saint Mary's College, Emmitsburg, Maryland
Omega Omega/Gallaudet College, Washington, D.C.

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Alpha Phi Omega

WORKSHOP FOR SECTIONAL CHAIRMEN A SUCCESS

by John Wetherington
Leadership Development Committee



As individuals, Alumni volunteers can play a key role in the success of Alpha Phi Omega. As a group these same alumni can be a real force. One of our most significant groups of alumni with undergraduate support are Sectional Chairmen and their staffs. Effective administration, guidance, and support by these volunteers can help each section and every chapter stay active and strong.

The first ever weekend workshop for Sectional Chairmen and their staffs was held this past June in Chicago. At the past three National Conventions, the Leadership Development Committee has held half-day workshops for Sectional Staff, but this never provided enough time to deal with any issues in-depth. Our conference in June allowed for more thorough coverage with fewer distractions than those encountered at the National Convention.

Twenty Sectional Chairmen and sectional staff members representing all ten regions joined with the workshop staff, Stan Carpenter, Joe Morrone, Fred Pollack,

Bill Rugh, mrn Tomusiak, Patrick Burke and John Wetherington. Important topics including goal setting and follow-up, staff development, extension, conferences, and conflict resolution were the substance of two days of enthusiastic discussion.

While everyone was from different backgrounds and locations, we found many common problems and sought out new possibilities to resolve them. Like any fraternity gathering we also left with much renewed energy and interest.

Participants included those with less than two months experience and veterans of more than a few years. Everyone of us learned something. As one veteran said "...If you think you know the basics or know everything, you're wrong." Another participant found the workshop to be "...the single most useful thing I've attended."

But not everyone was totally satisfied "...I had fun and learned a lot. What more could I ask? ...Maybe some sleep." With participants supplying good ideas to add and improve the next workshop, there will probably be even less time for that.

Scheduling and location for the 1988 Sectional Chairmen's workshop has already begun. We hope next time to have representation from every section.



THE CHIEF OF STAFF

June 26, 1987 was a sad day for Alpha Phi Omega as Maude Walker Young passed away. She was the "Chief of Staff" to Past National President, Colonel Lucius Young and many Brothers of Alpha Phi Omega. She was a prime example of a great spouse to a Brother. Her service was to allow the Colonel to give to Alpha Phi Omega and in turn she also gave to Alpha Phi Omega. It is with this in mind that National Vice President Jerry Schroeder wrote the following article:

It was once said about a Army Chief of Staff that "the Chief is a policy maker; a teacher, a mentor, a role model, a protagonist, and a conciliator." Those words also aptly apply to Maude Young, wife of Past President Lucius E. Young, who was affectionately known to Alpha Phi Omega brothers as the "Chief of Staff". Maude passed away this past summer, and the Fraternity will miss her.

Maude was no ordinary Fraternity spouse. Brothers who should have known better said the Colonel could never be upstaged, and yet Maude upstaged Lucius whenever she was with him—and, until very recently, she was with him on every trip he ever took for Alpha Phi Omega. At every Fraternity gathering, she was always surrounded by undergraduates and even when she couldn't be seen because of the crowd, her wit, wisdom and especially her laughter could be heard.

Maude loved Alpha Phi Omega and its ideals as few have, and she unselfishly shared her husband and herself whenever the Fraternity called. She loved and understood the students so completely that once, on a trip to New Jersey with the Colonel she asked the event's keynote speaker how long the speech would be. Before an answer could be given, she observed that she never allowed the Colonel to speak longer than fifteen minutes. The speaker responded that his talk was approximately thirty minutes long, and Maude reluctantly agreed to that because "he was a beginner". After twenty-nine minutes of that speech Maude was heard to rather loudly clear her throat. The speech was quickly concluded!

The contributions of Maude Young to APO since 1949, particularly to its undergraduate members are countless. But like the unsung heroes of baseball, her efforts will never show up in the "box score" because they were too subtle to be noted by those who keep statistics. Those who know APO, however, and whose lives were touched by Maude's enthusiasm and leadership understand her contribution.

It is extremely fitting, therefore, that a service pin will rest with Maude for eternity and that undergraduate brothers were her pallbearers. She was married to the Colonel for over 57 years, longer than she was married to the Fraternity, but we will still miss her guiding and forthright presence at our side almost as much as Lucius will. But, in a sense, she is still with us in those brothers whose lives she touched so gently, and we're thankful for that.



MAUDE YOUNG AWARD

The Fraternity, since its inception, has had many memorable leaders. The Fraternity honored them in special awards. We will always know their names: H. Roe Bartle, M.R. Disborough, Arno Nowotny, Josiah Frank.

Maude Young represented a different type of volunteer leader. As a constant companion to her husband and a friendly voice in any activities she personified the dedication and commitment of all non-brother spouses who have given us so much even though they were unelected and unappointed. For this reason the National Board of Directors at the July 1987 Board Meeting took action to create a new award, "The Maude Young Award." This new award will recognize non-brother spouses for their dedication and assistance in their individual roles to the Fraternity.

The memory of Maude Walker Young will long be remembered by the Brothers of Alpha Phi Omega. She has been an inspiration and she will continue to be an inspiration through this ever continuing memorial award.

Summer Board Meeting

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Region IV

Alpha Alpha Omega/Middle Tennessee State University, Murfreesboro, Tennessee
Beta Zeta/University of Georgia, Athens, Georgia
Psi Sigma/Albany State College, Albany, Georgia

Region VI

Sigma Phi/University of Notre Dame, Notre Dame, Indiana

Region VII

Kappa Pi/Wiley College, Marshall, Texas

Region VIII

Omega Pi/Arkansas State University, Jonesboro, Arkansas
Alpha Beta Epsilon/University of Arkansas, Monticello, Arkansas

Region X

Pi Sigma/College of San Mateo, San Mateo, California

- Presented the National Distinguished Service Key to Berkeley Duncan, former National Vice President and past member of the Board of Directors. ("Dunc" was awarded the key at the 1986 National Convention but had been unable to attend that Convention.)
- Referred to the Executive Committee to take appropriate action on licensing Alpha Phi Omega International Service Fraternity/Sorority (Philippines) to use the copyrighted name of Alpha Phi Omega, its symbols and its trademarks.
- Approved, contingent upon authorization by the 1988 National Convention of Alpha Phi Omega, international cooperation between independent national Alpha Phi Omega organizations and of the formation of a representative international body which will aid in this cooperation.
- Voted that any international body of Alpha Phi Omega representative in which Alpha Phi Omega Fraternity (USA) participates must stress the following ideals:
 - a) represented organizations must be composed of collegiate based units;
 - b) the personal dignity of the individual members of the national organizations represented;
 - c) the mutual independence of each of the national organizations represented;
 - d) the principle of service to others, as envisioned by Frank R. Horton and exemplified in the Boy Scout Oath and Law of the Boy Scouts of America, as the basic emphasis of each of the national organizations represented; and
 - e) an inclusive, not exclusive, membership policy in each of the participating national organizations.
- Approved the services of Deloitte, Haskins, & Sells as the official auditors for the Fraternity for 1987-88.
- Directed that the M.R. Disborough Scouting Award be referred to the National Awards Committee for consideration and a recommendation dealing with the issue of recognizing service to Girl Scouts.
- The February, 1988 Board Meeting will be held in Kansas City, Missouri, on February 5-7, 1988.

NATIONAL SERVICE DAY — 1987

by Kay Hairgrove
National Service Chairman



Since its inception in 1979, National Service Day has quickly become an Alpha Phi Omega tradition. The idea of the entire Fraternity providing service on the same day has helped to further the spirit of service to our Brotherhood as well as to those we invite to help us serve and those we provide service for.

Since the beginning, National Service Day has always been the first Saturday in November and this year is no exception. On Saturday, November 7, Alpha Phi Omega will once again unite to help others.

This year, National Service Day will have a theme as decided by the 1986 National Convention. For the first time, all National Service Day activities should be dedicated to Diabetes and other chronic illnesses in honor of Brother Berkeley Duncan, a past National Vice President. In addition, the

Convention also chose to require that all National Service Day activities be reported to the National Office by December 1st. A National Service Day handbook with a reporting form for this purpose, will be mailed to all chapters.

Additionally, this occasion is a prime time for your chapter to take photos and submit them with an article to the National Office for possible publication in the *Torch & Trefail* as well as the National Chapter

Bulletin and/or the "Hotlines". National Service Day is a great opportunity for sharing your service projects with all chapters.

As National Service Chairman, I encourage all chapters to participate as well as invite other organizations to participate in the spirit of unified service. As you plan your National Service Day project, know that other chapters are doing the same and that you have the support of the Brotherhood that is Alpha Phi Omega.



WHOSE CHAPTER IS IT, ANYWAY?

by Fred L. Pollack
National Leadership Development Chairman



Are you spending as much time "selling" your chapter's activities to the Brothers as on the projects themselves? Are Brothers complaining that they're not interested in doing what the chapter has scheduled? Are questions being raised about the value of activities or over who decided to do them?

Many chapters face this situation. Often it is because their activities are determined by the executive or other committee without much input from the chapter's membership. Frequently, the projects are

scheduled because the chapter "has always done them".

The result is that the chapter's activities do not reflect the interests and needs of its Brothers and they do not feel a direct responsibility for the program's success.

One solution to this problem is to involve the Brotherhood in developing the chapter's activities. The Chapter Program Planning Conference (CPPC) has been created by the Leadership Development Committee to provide a method of doing this. During a CPPC, the membership evaluates the chapter's current service and membership programs and sets goals for the coming year.

During this four to six hour program, traditional projects can be reviewed to see if they still meet a need. New ideas can be introduced and everyone can gain a better understanding of what those present are

seeking through membership in Alpha Phi Omega.

The result will be a stronger, more united Brotherhood. Most importantly, everyone who participates in a CPPC leaves "owning" part of the chapter's program...leaves as a "shareholder". They will want the chapter's program to succeed and they will want to be a part of that success.

Your chapter should conduct a Chapter Program Planning Conference at the end of every academic year. A CPPC guide will be sent to every chapter early in January, but you should select the date for your conference now. This will allow all of your Brothers to keep the date open so that they can participate.

For further information, please contact the Leadership Development Committee by writing to the National Office.

CHAPTER ACTIVITIES

SECTION 21 CONFERENCE

At the Spring, 1987 Sectional Conference for Section 21 held at St. Ambrose University at Davenport, Iowa, Dwight Gates, Sectional Chairman, was placed on a "pedestal". Besides gaining recognition as a statue, Brother Gates was also re-elected as Sectional Chairman. Those attending the conference were brothers from Mu Theta Chapter, Luther College, Decorah, Iowa; Omicron Chapter, University of Iowa, Iowa City, Iowa; Alpha Alpha Theta Chapter, St. Ambrose University, Davenport, Iowa; Lambda Rho Chapter, Augustana College, Rock Island, Illinois; and the newest Chapter in Section 21, Beta Epsilon, University of Northern Iowa, Cedar Falls, Iowa. Along with a full day of leadership activities to carry Section 21 into this coming school year; other activities included Bingo, a banquet, and a dance on Saturday evening.

SECTION 61 CONFERENCE

Leadership, Friendship and Service were all obvious at the Spring, 1987, Section 61 Conference. Those chapters in attendance were Lambda Tau Chapter, Salem College, Salem, West Virginia which hosted the conference; Mu Tau Chapter, West Virginia Institute of Technology, Montgomery, West Virginia; Tau Alpha Chapter, Davis and Elkins College, Elkins, West Virginia; Eta Upsilon Chapter, Marshall University, Huntington, West Virginia; and Lambda Omicron Chapter, West Virginia University, Morgantown, West Virginia. To complete a weekend of many memories, sharing fun and brotherhood, the conference was ended with a classical Toga Party. Sectional Chairman Kevin Skaggs, was recognized by the brothers as Kenneth Cottrill, Lambda Tau President, noted, we extend our thanks to our Sectional Chairman for all the confidence and help that he gave us in completing this conference.

CHI PI CHAPTER

Chi Pi Chapter at the State University of New York, Fredonia, New York, was reactivated in May of 1987. Pictured are: Warren Weidman, Region II Director; Richard J. Smith, Chapter President; Robert B. Graham, Advisory Chairman. Twenty-four undergraduates formed the reactivation of Chi Pi and are eagerly awaiting the opportunities to have a very successful year.

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN — UPDATE

Last fall, the Fraternity completed the first mailing to alumni seeking pledges for the Capital Campaign. This fall we are ready for the second mailing to alumni to hopefully increase the number of pledges, and payments on those pledges.

Our Capital Campaign can only be successful with the enthusiastic support of our alumni. Our results as of August 31, 1987, for the Capital Campaign are as follows:

Total Dollars Pledged	\$92,388.00
Total Pledge Monies Received	\$34,434.00
Single Donations	\$23,121.00

If you have not yet made a pledge, or if you have not yet received a pledge request, please utilize the pledge form in this issue of the *Torch & Trefail* to make your pledge to the Fraternity's Capital Campaign. Your support is needed and appreciated! We are making progress, brothers!

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN OF ALPHA PHI OMEGA

Yes, I want to continue to serve Alpha Phi Omega.
I wish to make the following 3 year pledge to the Capital Campaign.

- ☐ \$1,200 per year
☐ \$600 per year
☐ \$300 per year
☐ Other \$ _____

I will send you a check:

- ☐ Monthly ☐ Quarterly ☐ Annually

☐ My first payment is enclosed.

☐ I wish to use my MasterCard/VISA.

Card No. _____

Expiration Date: _____

Does your company have a matching gift program? ☐ Yes ☐ No

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WE ARE NOT ALONE

by Earle M. Herbert,
Past National President



It all started with a service project.

World War II had recently ended, but it had left its devastation around the world. The major cities of Europe had been heavily damaged, and many of the cities of Asia and the Pacific had been destroyed. Manila, once

one of the "Pearls of the Pacific", had been occupied and was now in ruins; its universities, rubble. What, if anything, could college students across the Pacific in the States do that would have any real effect? It turns out, quite a lot!

Some of our Brothers in Texas and the Pacific Northwest had fought in those islands. They knew, firsthand, of the friendliness of the people and of their need. They knew that education of the young people was a vital necessity if the country was to get back on its feet. They could do something, and they did. Book drives were started on their campuses and hundreds of textbooks, used but useable, were gathered from their libraries and fellow students to be sent to the Philippines to help re-stock the many burned-out college libraries in Manila.

It was a successful service project, but, like many one-time projects, it was soon forgotten, remembered only in the scrapbooks of the chapters involved and in the mind of our National President, H. Roe Bartle. (It was a good example of a service project; it had all of the elements of a good story; and the Chief never forgot a good story.)

Time passed. It was 1950 and Sol Levy, a professional Scouter and friend of Dr. Bartle, was going to the Philippines to help generate more interest among the Scouts there. The Chief told him what our Brothers, all (then) former Scouts, had done a few years earlier to help re-establish Filipino university libraries. Mr. Levy passed on the story to groups of Filipino Scouts when he spoke to them, mentioning how nice it would be if a fraternity similar to Alpha Phi Omega could be established in the Philippines.

The story was of particular interest to a group of Scouts at Far Eastern University in Manila. It may be that their library was one of those which had been helped, or it may be that the idea of a Scouting-based fraternity just struck fertile ground. In any case, Librado I. Ureta and a group of over twenty Scouts or advisors began working, and on March 2, 1950, in Nicanor Reyes Memorial Hall, the first organization of Alpha Phi Omega outside of the United States was established at their university in the Philippines. It became a national organization (Alpha Phi Omega International Collegiate Fraternity) very soon thereafter with Librado Ureta serving as its first National President. Beta Chapter was established in September, 1951, at National University, Manila, and there are now over 140 chapters of Alpha Phi Omega in the Philippines. Active Alpha Phi Omega chapters are now present on a large majority of all of the institutions of higher education in the country.

Our ties with the Filipino Brothers, though informal, were very close at the beginning. We supplied them with printed material, rituals, examples, and, most importantly, the ideals and philosophy of our Founder, Frank Reed Horton. They soon were able to supply their own material, but the mutual bonds of fellowship remained. One of their early national vice presidents spoke at one of our National Conventions in the 1950s. Even today, because of this continuing, informal contact between our two organizations, their Brothers, at the request and discretion of the USA chapter involved, have always been able to transfer their membership directly from Alpha Phi Omega (Philippines) to Alpha Phi Omega (USA). No formal ties, however, have ever been established between the two organizations.

The dedication and commitment of the Filipino Brothers (and Sisters) to what is now "Alpha Phi Omega International (Philippines), Inc., Service Fraternity and Sorority" is great. One of their most meaningful mottos is "Once an APO, Always an APO". Active alumni associations have been established in most of the major cities (and many of the smaller towns) in the Philippines where fraternal involvement is an important part of the business and social environment. In addition, Filipino alumni associations have been established in Northern and Southern California and have been of

assistance to our chapters in our service and social programs. Similar alumni associations have been established in Saudi Arabia and elsewhere in the Far East. Many of these are now in the process of establishing collegiate chapters.

Our ties with our Filipino Brothers have recently been further strengthened through mutual representation at our recent National Conventions. Dr. Ureta, now living in Long Beach, California, led a delegation from the Philippines to our 1980 National Convention. While National President, I was able to return the honor by representing you at their 1985 National Convention in the Philippines; and those of you who were in attendance at our recent National Convention in Houston will never forget the thrill of seeing one of our Co-Founders, "Dobby" Dobson meet their Founder (and now "National President, Emeritus" of APO-Philippines), Dr. Librado Ureta, who was again a member of the official delegation.

Over sixty years ago, our Founder, Frank Reed Horton, had a dream that Alpha Phi Omega would, one day, be international in scope, that the pragmatic idealism of Alpha Phi Omega might one day be able to help make the world a better place. Of course, it would be very difficult (as well as impractical and ill-advised) for Alpha Phi Omega to become **one** international organization, the national and cultural differences present are too great. But, with the rapid spread of our Filipino Brother's organizations across the globe, and with our own alumni associations spreading into Western Europe, perhaps it is time to establish an international body, composed of representatives for our independent national organizations, to aid in cooperative efforts and to assure that Frank Reed Horton's dream is followed. The National Executive Board of Alpha Phi Omega (Philippines) has suggested such an action and our own National Board of Directors has approved of the idea in principle. Our National Convention will consider the issue in 1988.

But look how far we've already come. Alpha Phi Omega, originally in the United States, but now in Philippines, Saudi Arabia, the Far East, Western Europe...Alpha Phi Omega is now around the world!

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