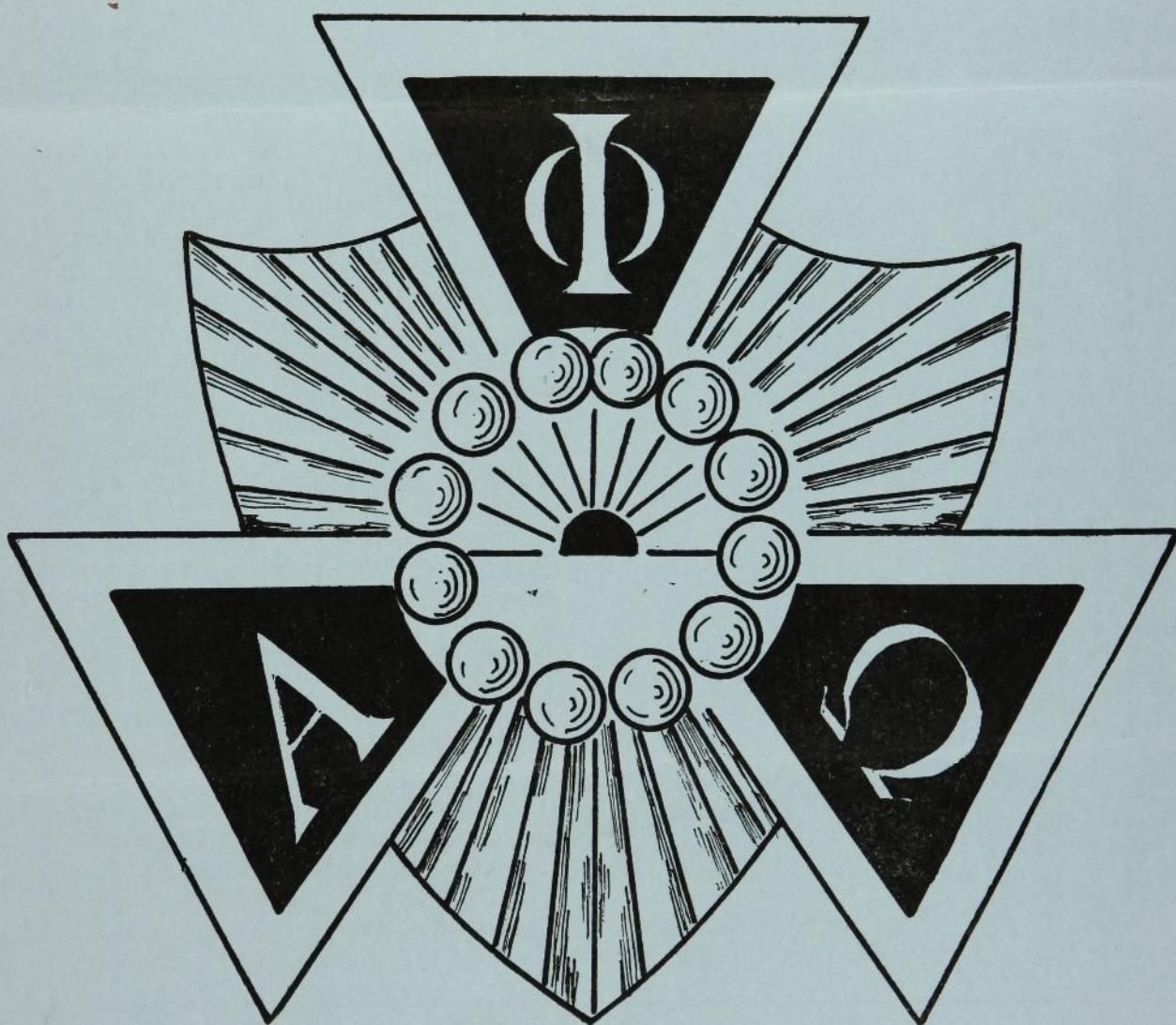


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#### Fifth Anniversary

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On December 16, 1930, Alpha Phi Omega, National Honorary College Fraternity, will be five years old. The fraternity was founded December 16, 1925 at Lafayette College, Easton, Penna. by Frank Reed Horton, then a college student. He was assisted in this by Everett W. Probst, Thane S. Cooley, William T. Wood, Ellsworth Dobson, Gordon Looney and others. H.G. Horton, Scout Executive, at Easton, Penna. encouraged the work.

#### Annual Founder's Day Celebration

Each year on December 16th. a Founders Day Program should be conducted by each chapter. Invite alumni back. Have a banquet, with college and Scout Officials present. Have speakers, music, songs, cheers, good fellowship, and a report of progress and plans for the future. Especially this year, when Alpha Phi Omega is a Five Year Veteran, plan a Fifth Year Anniversary for Founders Day. Later in the spring, before graduation another day called Alumni Day or Graduates Day could be celebrated with another banquet if desired.

#### Fifth Anniversary Report Of Progress

The contrast between five years ago and to-day in the life of Alpha Phi Omega is interesting. There has been remarkable progress in every respect. In 1925 there was 1 chapter and 14 members. In 1930 there are 19 chapters and 483 registered members, and 1483 including unregistered honorary advisory members.

#### How the Fraternity Started.

In celebrating the Fifth Anniversary it is interesting to consider how the fraternity started, its purpose, and plans for the future.



### Man's Viewpoint The Aim

Five years ago, a small handful of students sat around a table at Lafayette College, Easton, Pa., and considered the formation of a national honorary college fraternity with the ideals of the Scout Oath and Law as its basis, from man's viewpoint.

### Position College Faculty

Some preliminary work had been done before the meeting, and signatures of charter members had been secured. It was found that a petition would have to be presented to the faculty for approval and recognition. The Student Council and Inter-Fraternity Council also should be consulted for recognition and approval. All of this was accomplished and the fraternity had wide approval, no enemies, and vitality from within.

### First Name Discarded

The first name suggested was Beta Sigma Alpha, but this was discarded as being too obvious and a possible opening for ridicule. The name Alpha Phi Omega was adopted which would carry no information except to those concerned and would also result in prestige.

### Started in College YMCA Building

It is interesting to know that the first official meetings were held and present meetings of Alpha Phi Omega in a room on the second floor of Brainard Hall which is a College YMCA Building. Preliminary meetings had been held in Sigma Alpha Epsilon Fraternity House, Krescents Fraternity House, and individual students' rooms.

### The First Banquet

After a year of meetings, good turns, and service, a banquet was held in the Spring, at the Hotel Karldon. On the menu booklet card was, "Once a Scout, always a Scout" May 20, 1926. The toastmaster was Frank R. Horton, Nat'l President; Alpha Phi Omega Speakers, John H. McCracken, Pres. Lafayette College; Donald B. Prontice, Dean Lafayette; Ray O. Wyland, Nat'l Dept. of Education; Prof. D. Arthur Hatch, Easton Council, BSA; and eighteen members of Alpha Chapter attending. The music was furnished by the Alpha Phi Omega Orchestra.



## The Insignia.

The insignia of the fraternity was drawn by Eagle Scout Everett W. Probst, then a student at Lafayette College. The hand clasp was devised by Thane S. Cooley. The application for charter members, the Constitution and By-Laws, application, the ritual and name and other material was devised by Frank Reed Horton. Ellsworth Dobson assisted with the Constitution adoption.

## Helps College, Scouting, Nation, World Citizenship

College men become national and world leaders. College men with scout ideals as a man's standard from the man's viewpoint make the kind of national and world leaders we want and need to make the world safe.

Alpha Phi Omega was started by college students, encouraged by others, to meet a college need in a college type of organization. Alpha Phi Omega was started to help Scouting through co-operation.

Alpha Phi Omega was started to help the nation in character development and citizenship training.

Alpha Phi Omega was started to help the world in training for world citizenship and developing national and world leaders with the Scout Ideals for international understanding, sympathy and good will, making Scouting as a world wide brother-hood more a reality because not thrown aside as child's play but held up as a man's standard in the last stage of preparation for manhood, in the college.

## Early Development of the Fraternity.

The second chapter Beta was started at the University of Pitts. January 11, 1927 by William McGill assisted with the help of Frank R. Horton and approved by National BSA. In this chapter was A. A. Booth, A. A. Gutter, famous foot-ball stars and Gibby Welsh, all American and Captain of the Pitt foot-ball team. While uniformed Scouts ushered in the big foot-ball stadium, Alpha Phi Omega foot-ball stars played before them. Later these stars visited troops, banquets, and Court of Honor meetings and spoke words of encouragement to the Scouts who looked up to them as big brothers and heroes. Tiny Linn, captain of track was also in the chapter. Eagle Scout Wm. Darrah, Harmon Foundation Scout later became president of the chapter.

The third chapter, Gamma, was established at Cornell University, by Scout Ex. Samuel D. Bogan, with the help of the Nat'l President. This was an example of fraternity scouting co-operation with the local council.

The fourth chapter, Delta, was spontaneous as most of the others since. Eagle Scouts found each other and wrote for permission to start Epsilon Sigma. Paul Brake was the founder. Scout Executive Millard Wescott installed. Nat'l BSA, said there already was one fraternity and asked them to come in as a chapter instead of having another organization. They did and became Delta Chapter and have done well. This was the result of Scouting cooperation with Nat'l BSA.



## The Magazine.

At first news of the fraternity was passed from one to another by word of mouth or by letter. Later it was evident that some news magazine was necessary to give account of new chapters, old chapters, alumni, and other information, giving more light about the organization. This resulted in The Lightbearer, the official magazine. At first the Lightbearer was a one or two page, mimeographed sheet. Then it grew until it had a cover and six and eight pages. The Lightbearer will probably become a printed magazine with pictures and illustrations when the fraternity grows. The tenth and fifteenth birthday of the fraternity should see even more marked advancement and improvement. Our fraternity has one of the greatest futures for success and usefulness. Everyone should become a booster and help in his own way, for the good of all.

## Statements About the Fraternity.

Dean Wm. A. Hammond, Gamma Chapter, states it is his personal opinion that the establishment of the Boy Scout organization which you may propose is quite desirable and should exert a very useful influence in the University's life.

Dean John R. Johnston, Beta Chapter, University of Pittsburgh says I am very glad that this organization has been recognized at the University, as I feel that if it carries on the aims and ideals of the Boy Scouts, it will serve as a powerful influence for good here at the University.

President Lewis, Lafayette College, said of Alpha Phi Omega at an opening meeting of Alpha Chapter "This organization of yours is one which is thoroughly worth while in joining."

A student of Alpha Chapter, Thane S. Cooley, Nat'l Treasurer, said: "I certainly appreciate the work you have been doing for Alpha Phi Omega." also "I know that you will be interested to know that I have found time to attend several meetings and do some work for the troop connected with my church. I shall probably take over one of the two troops next year, when I have more time, and have gotten my bearings in regard to my law work."

National BSA, Director of Education, Ray O. Wyland, said: "Alpha Phi Omega is the only college organization we recommend." "At last, I believe we have found an organization that will keep the spirit of the Scout Oath alive on the College Campus."

## Next Issue of The Lightbearer.

On account of the Fifth Anniversary Issue, and its length, the installation of several chapters will be given in the next issue of The Lightbearer, March 1931.

## Alpha Chapter News.

Scribe W.P. Canby, Jr, Alpha Chapter, Easton, Penna. reports to the Supreme Council that they started the college year off with a bang, turning out with a full attendance to tackle the proposition of Freshmen Orientation here at Lafayette, in which they were very active.



## Kappa Chapter Wins Scholarship Cup for 1929-1930

Kappa Chapter at Carnegie Institute of Technology, Pittsburg, Penna. wins the National Scholarship Cup of Alpha Phi Omega, for having the highest Scholastic standing of our fraternity during 1929-1930. Congratulations Kappa. You are one of our outstanding chapters. Professor Dennison will present the cup as Supreme Council Representative. The cup has been sent to Kappa and is engraved and ready for presentation. Student member and founder Carl J. W. Long has done fine work for Kappa, and has a good chapter membership.

### Scholarship.

Get that cup. Pass each Subject. Get First Place, Get High Grades.

### Pi Chapter News.

Pi Chapter has begun its fall program by organizing as a Scouter troop meeting as a troop on the Thursday between regular meetings. They also have secured a chapter house to be used also as Boy Scout Headquarters, and have taken on the obligation of learning every phase of scouting well enough to instruct younger boys and also to act as officials of troops whenever called to do so. It is the belief of every member of the chapter that it is his individual duty to do his utmost to help boys of scout age to receive all the benefits of the largest and most effective program for boys known. Scribe Don Baldwin, Pi Chapter, Manhattan, Kansas.

### Announcing New Chapters.

A cordial Welcome is extended to Xi Chapter at Iowa State College, Omicron at State University of Iowa, Pi at Kansas State College, Rho at University of North Carolina, and Sigma at Northwestern University. These chapters have all be installed and chartered. A letter of welcome to their chapter secretaries, listed in the directory, at the end of his issue, will be appreciated.

### Chapters Pending.

Three Chapters are pending Tau, Upsilon, and Phi.

### Poem--What Are You Worth?

How much are you worth? It is not how much  
You own that will tell your worth  
But what you will do to the lives you touch,  
The work you will leave on earth.  
You may be worth many miles of land,  
Yet what is the honest truth?  
If you never have given a boy a hand,  
Then what are you worth to youth?



## Omicron Chapter News

A letter from President La Rue A. Thurston of Omicron Chapter gives some very inspiring chapter news.

### Conduct Troop for Cripple Children at Hospital

One of the praiseworthy projects of Omicron is to conduct a troop for cripple children at the childrens hospital. Entertaining is also given to children in the hospital.

### Helped with University Scout Day October 4th.

Omicron helped with University Scout Day, October 4, 1930, as another project.

### Six Assistant Scout Masters Members

Among the chapter members are six active ASM Officials, some whom are in full charge of troops.

### Radio Broadcasting

Omicron Chapter has made two radio broadcasts over W.S.U.I. for Iowa Scouts. They hope to continue this feature.

### Steak Fry For New Members

A steak fry is to be held by the chapter for new members, Sat. October 18th. That ought to sound good to any old member as well as new ones. Omicron, you are doing fine work.

### Mu Chapter Official Enters Scouting Professionally

A letter from Thornton F. Stone, former President of Mu Chapter informs us that he has been acting Scout Executive of an area Council at Matten, Illinois. He is now at the Nat'l training school for Scout Executives at Colonial Inn, Kitchawan, New York, and expects to enter Scouting professionally from there. Good wishes from the fraternity go with him in his commendable life's work. We are glad he feels the fraternity was a help to him. He is planning to organize a new chapter at a Teachers College.



# Chapter Roll and Secretaries,

Alpha	Lafayette College, Easton, Penna. Sec. W. J. J. Canby, Jr., Lafayette College, Easton, Pa.
Beta	University of Pittsburg, Pittsburg, Penna. Sec. John Thompson, 2116 Koerner St., Pittsburg, Pa.
Gamma	Cornell University, Ithaca, N.Y. Sec. George Hodden, AGR Lodge, Ithaca, N.Y.
Delta	Ala. Polytechnic Institute, Auburn, Ala. Sec. Edward M. Gavin, Ala. Polytechnic Inst. Auburn, Ala.
Epsilon	Northeast Mo. State Teachers College, Kirksville, Mo. Sec. Ernest H. Mason, 415 S. Franklin St., Kirksville, Mo.
Zeta	Stanford University, Stanford, Cal. Wilbur Fair, 2757 Box, Stanford University, Cal.
Eta	Northern Ill. State Teachers College, DeKalb, Ill. Sec. Franklyn L. Robbins, Northern Ill. State Teachers College, DeKalb, Ill.
Theta	University of Virginia, Charlottesville, Va. Paul McDonald, University, Va.
Iota	Park College, Parkville, Mo. Sec. Max Bee, Park College, Parkville, Mo.
Kappa	Carnegie Tech, Pittsburg, Penna. Sec. H. C. Herbert, 3263 Piedmont Ave., Pittsburg, Pa.
Lambda	University of Kansas, Lawrence, Kansas. Sec. H. Rex Hunter, 909 Tennessee St., Lawrence, Kansas
Mu	University of Indiana, Bloomington, Ind. Sec. Alvin Snelling, 319 E. 3rd St., Bloomington, Ind.
Nu	Upsala College, East Orange, N.J. Sec. George Hill, Upsala College, East Orange, N.J.
Xi	Iowa State College, Ames, Iowa Sec. Jack Lewis, Iowa State College, Ames, Iowa.
Omicron	State University of Iowa, Iowa City, Iowa Sec. Halsey E. Klingaman, 184 A. Quadrangle, Iowa City, Iowa
Pi	Kansas State College, Manhattan, Kansas Sec. Don C. Baldwin, Box 378, Manhattan, Kansas
Rho	University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, N.C. Sec. G. S. Guthrie, U. of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, N.C.
Sigma	Northwestern University, Evanston, Ill. Sec. James Worthy, Northwestern U. Evanston, Ill.



### Fraternity Directory.

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2nd. Nat'l Vice Pres. Wm. G. Bradford, BSA, Butler, Pa.

3rd. Nat'l Vice Pres. Burdelle Cannon, Md. Medical Arts Bldg.,  
Baltimore, Md.

Nat'l Treasurer, William T. Wood, Charleston, W. Va.

Nat'l Treasurer, Thane S. Cooley, 532 Woodbine Ave.,  
Oak Park, Ill.

NOTE: Send all registrations and mail to central office,  
Alpha Phi Omega, Box 360, Winchester, Va. This is the office of  
all national officials.

### Advisors.

1. Honorary and Advisory Members.
2. College- Presidents, Deans, Professors
3. Regional- Regional Officials BSA
4. Local- Local Officials BSA
5. National - National Officials BSA.
6. Sigma Chi Chapter, registered honorary and advisory members  
of the Supreme Council. Address: Alpha Phi Omega, Box 360,  
Winchester, Va.

### Words Of Great Men.

Alpha Phi Omega co-operates with  
Scouting.

"I know no other form of Americanization that so  
produces real Americans".

Herbert Hoover  
President of the United States  
Honorary President BSA  
ExOfficio, Honorary and Advisory  
Member of Alpha Phi Omega.