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"The men who try to do something and fail are infinitely better than those who try to do nothing and succeed."

## TORCH and TREFOIL

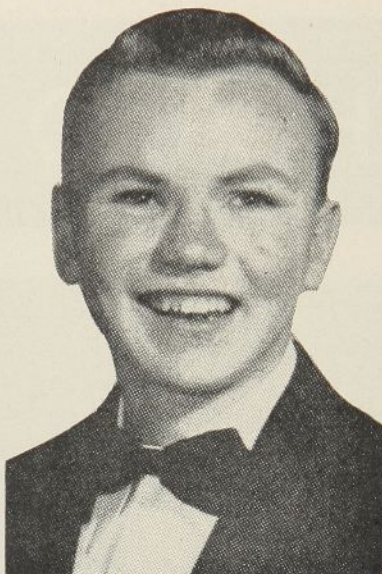
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## DEDICATION OF PLEDGE CLASS



**James Stanley Leedom**

Our nationwide 1953 Fall Pledge Class is being dedicated in memory of Brother James Stanley Leedom who gave his life in unselfish service. This is in line with our custom of dedicating the Fall class nationally to one who has given exceptional service.

James was a member of Kappa Rho Chapter at Seattle University. He died as a result of experiments seeking better ways to preserve whole blood.

He had an unusual blood type and had volunteered for the experiment which involved injection of blood that had been refrigerated. Subsequent studies indicated that the blood, which was free of bacteria before it was frozen, became contaminated by rare bacteria which do not occur at body temperature but which thrive in freezing temperature. The unusual phenomenon focused attention upon a point of danger which may save many lives in the future.

Commenting editorially, the Seattle Post-Intelligencer said in part: "James Stanley Leedom gave his life for his country just as surely as if he had fallen in battle. The project in which he volunteered to participate was undertaken for the purpose of saving the lives of wounded members of the armed forces by increasing the efficiency of the program under which blood is collected and stored for administering to them."

James was an Eagle Scout, he was on the camp staff of the Seattle Area Council and was active in the founding of Kappa Rho Chapter of AΦΩ. We proudly pay tribute by naming this Fall's nationwide pledge group "The James Stanley Leedom Memorial Pledge Class."

## ON OUR COVER

Tours of the campus and of the new Student Center are one of the service projects that Delta Gamma Chapter will carry out along with the Sesquicentennial of Ohio University. Delta Gamma Chapter has decided to place major emphasis on the service projects connected with the Sesquicentennial anniversary. See story on Ohio University Sesquicentennial on page ten.

The cover picture shows David Kamchi, president of the chapter (at right), pointing out Cutler Hall, the main administrative building. Looking on at left is Neal Lindsley, treasurer.

## IN MEMORIAM

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Scouting Advisor, Epsilon Alpha Chapter  
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# THE COMMITTEE METHOD

By Captain O. Frank Kattwinkel, USAF

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It has been said that no man can exist as an island by himself. He is dependent upon many others for his welfare. Alpha Phi Omega encompasses this belief through its trial of Leadership, Friendship and Service to others. Our American democracy is patterned on the principle of things being done for all the people, by those people who work in our governmental offices. The Alpha Phi Omega method of operation follows along these lines and the heart of the system is the committee method.

In order to fully justify the badge of Alpha Phi Omega as the emblem of campus service, each member must serve at his highest degree of effectiveness. An often substantiated axiom states that the total output of a group of men working together far surpasses the total output of their individual efforts. Through the committee system of working together as teammates this maximum effectiveness can be realized that otherwise would not be possible.

In our fraternity, committees are selected for specific purposes, program, membership expansion, service projects and publicity and fellowship. They operate as units and every member is associated with at least one of them. They have their own internal administration and delegation of duties. Through the executive committees, the members of the various committees are represented in the planning body of the chapter. Hence, the committee chairmen bring the wishes of Alpha Phi Omega members to the planning body. This body of leaders

then supervises and coordinates the activities for the entire group in keeping with the constitution and by-laws as approved by the membership.

By selecting representatives to speak for them, Alpha Phi Omega men from the newest pledge to the seasoned advisor get experience in the practical operation of allegiance to one's ideals and democratic citizenship. As representatives or delegates in their respective chapter administrative procedures, they become cognizant of the many inter-relationships and inter-responsibilities that comprise all organizations no matter how large or how small. The president and other chapter officers are elected in democratic manner and the committee chairmen are appointed by the president with the sanction of the Executive Committee the same as the President of the United States appoints his cabinet members with the approval of Congress. Just as in our national government, the chapter president serves as the executive branch of the chapter to see that the wishes of the members are carried out in the most efficient manner.

Because we humans learn best through doing, young men can best be trained in leadership and citizenship only by allowing them to practice these things. Naturally they will make mistakes, and that is where correct guidance and sympathetic understanding on the part of the older brothers can determine whether the neophyte will progress toward better citizenship and leadership qualities or just stop, and even begin regressing. The advisors do just what their name im-

plies; they advise, they do not direct. Brothers themselves decide what they want to do; use their members to do it, review it afterward to see how they can do a better job next time, and keep learning all during the process. But we humans also learn through teaching. By way of the pledge method, new members are taught how to give Alpha Phi Omega their best by those who have learned from those who have gone before. It is this teaching and showing the way by precept and example that continues developing the dynamic qualities of self-reliance and leadership throughout a student's college career.

The committee method does not stop at the college level though. The National Executive Board of Alpha Phi Omega has national committees which reflect the desires of their respective areas. These desires are then considered in future planning and expansion of Alpha Phi Omega to continue its mission of service to the student body and faculty, to youth, to the community, to members of the fraternity, and to the nation.

Democracy is doing; it is alive; it is positive and dynamic; and so is Alpha Phi Omega. The committee system as used by our fraternity helps prepare you, the citizen of tomorrow's world, for the many complex problems that will confront you as you continue through life as active members of your home, church, college, community, country and world. Use it, and reap the benefits, brothers of Alpha Phi Omega.

## CHECK THE COMMITTEE SETUP IN YOUR CHAPTER

Does your chapter have functioning operating committees as recommended in our national publications for carrying out the several phases of the chapter program? The basic committees recommended are the Service Projects Committee, Membership Committee, Fellowship Committee, Publicity Committee, and Program Committee. Other committees may be added to fit the particular desires of the chapter.

Then, too, the Executive Committee has definite functions in planning chapter activities, and the Advisory Committee has an important role in the continuous success of each Alpha Phi Omega Chapter.

Check your committee setup to determine whether your chapter is making the best possible use of the committee system.



# UGLY MAN CONTEST

## All Past Records Were Topped in 1953, With More Chapters Conducting Contest and Higher Returns

Continuing as one of the most popular projects of Alpha Phi Omega from coast to coast is the Ugly Man Contest. A "painless" way to raise money for a benevolent cause, this contest captures the interest of the student body and faculty and arouses great enthusiasm among those who are backing their respective candidates.

The highest average gift per student in the contest was achieved last spring at Missouri Valley College. The campus went all-out in this project conducted by Epsilon Epsilon Chapter. The 298 students enrolled at that time backed their candidates with a total of \$1,227.59—an average of more than four dollars per student. The organization giving the most for its candidate was the Alpha Sigma Phi house whose members contributed \$403.18.

One of the factors in the big success of Epsilon Epsilon Chapter's contest was advance planning. Although the event did not take place until April, the planning was started in December. Each phase of the preparation was assigned to a committee. These committees were as follows: campus relations, town relations, publicity, dance, prize, contest, and assembly. Each had a specific job from the time of the very first general committee meeting. All plans, publicity and special programs were ready a full week before the opening day of the contest, the result being a full week to sit back and look over the whole set-up, enabling the chapter to tie up any loose ends.

Among the special events of the contest was the "kickoff" breakfast held at 7:00 a. m. on the first day. An amusing program was arranged and well over two-thirds of the student body attended. Two days later an Ugly Man Assembly was held. Each organization sponsoring a candidate was given four minutes on the program in which to publicize its candidate. The over-all program at this assembly was handled like a political rally, with delegations, chairman,

brass band and all. On the final night of the contest the chapter sponsored a dance in the Student Union, and titled it the "Cave Man Dance."

On other days not marked by any special activity, the chapter publicized the contest by having every AΦΩ member, advisors included, appear on the campus with a T-shirt stenciled with a replica of the Ugly Man poster. There was always something happening and it paid off.

The proceeds of the contest were distributed to CARE and the Save the Children Foundation. This event enabled the chapter to send forty-six \$10.00 food packages, and to sponsor eight children in eight different countries through SCF. (The Save the Children Foundation will keep a child clothed and fed for \$96.00 for a full year—think about it! It's a bargain in any language.)

This contest of Epsilon Epsilon Chapter was under the excellent leadership of Joe Quick as chairman. The chapter has reason to be proud of the service to the world that it has rendered through this project.

The largest amount of money donated to charity from the contest is at Michigan State College where Beta Beta Chapter conducted the big event under the able chairmanship of Chandler Benton. There were twenty-seven candidates nominated by the twenty-nine living units housing women on the campus. The groups were encouraged to devise clever ways of raising money. A highlight was "The King's Coronation," a dance at which the winner was announced. The program folder displayed a wax impression of the Ugly Man key. As a fanfare announced the processional, each of the finalists was escorted by one of the campus queens, then the men were seated and the presentation was made. The winner, the king, the Ugliest Man on Campus at Michigan State was Chuck Laven, who was presented the following: Ugly Man key, the crown, the scepter (hand-carved), dinner for two at a Lansing restaurant,

and an engrossed certificate. The other finalists also received certificates.

From this contest at Michigan State, \$2,500.00 was turned over to the Campus Chest, the largest amount on record to be given to charity from an Ugly Man Contest.

A close runner-up in total collections in the Ugly Man Contest last year was Gamma Gamma Chapter at the University of California. Student-faculty cooperation was significant in the success of this campaign, combined with hours of behind-the-scenes AΦΩ man-hours, plus a terrific publicity campaign. They encouraged professors to run, and encouraged classes like "the associated students of Physics 4B" to sponsor their instructors besides their usual practice of having sororities sponsor fraternity men.

The girls from the halls earned money for the contest in many interesting ways—by washing cars, serving meals at boarding houses, baby sitting, holding a Manners Dinner at which all persons violating table manners were fined small amounts of money. Berkeley merchants donated prizes.

The proceeds of Gamma Gamma Chapter's Contest were given to the World Student Service Fund, a very worthy organization which helps needy students in many nations throughout the world.

While it is not possible to mention all chapters' Ugly Man Contests in this article, we believe the readers of our magazine will be interested in the highest totals for last year and the innovations related above in the information about the contests at Missouri Valley College, Michigan State College and the University of California.

### How to Plan and Conduct an Ugly Man Contest

For the benefit of those chapters which have not yet conducted an Ugly Man Contest and would like to put on this project in the near future, the following suggestions are offered as to how to plan for this event:

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Here are scenes from Ugly Man Contests in several different chapters. At upper left is a typical view of the contest in progress. This picture from Zeta Pi Chapter at Wayne University indicates the usual method of voting, using glass jars with slots for dropping in coins. Pictures of the candidates are mounted on the large poster in background, with a ribbon leading from each picture to a jar below. The name of each candidate is also pasted on his jar for identification. The left center picture shows Dr. M. Earle Collins, president of Missouri Valley College, addressing the "kickoff" breakfast of the Ugly Man Contest of Epsilon Epsilon Chapter. Counting coins from the voting jars in Alpha Lambda Chapter's Ugly Man Contest at North Dakota Agricultural College is shown at lower left. From left to right are Don Corder, past president; Myron Kjos, historian; Stanley Elofson, past secretary, and Larry North, president.

In upper right, a check for \$600.00 is presented by Beta Sigma Chapter at Texas Tech to the cancer fund chairman, Dr. E. N. Jones, president of the college. Left to right are Dean Lewis N. Jones, faculty advisor; President Jones; Jack Blackstock, chairman of the Ugly Man Contest; Bill Ashburn, then president of the chapter, and Tommy McPherson. The right center picture shows awarding of the trophy in Delta Psi Chapter's Ugly Man Contest at Eastern Illinois State College. David Hannah, then president, is shown at left presenting trophy to Chuck Younger, winner. A jam session is shown in lower right picture during Beta Beta Chapter's Ugly Man Contest at Michigan State College. Notice caricatures of candidates in background.



## UGLY MAN CONTEST

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First, pick a good reason for conducting the contest, such as the benefit of the Community Chest or the March of Dimes. Also, the contest is often used for the Red Cross drive, the Heart drive, campus beautification, youth center, and on and on goes the list of worthy recipients.

Second, check with the officials of your college administration to request approval. Explain the purpose and procedures of the contest.

Third, as in any project, plan it well within the chapter of Alpha Phi Omega. Determine the method of voting, the candidacy eligibility, publicity, awards, and the possibility of an assembly devoted to it (this is often acceptable to the administration if the cause is of sufficient merit). Select a chairman who is to see that the project goes off on schedule, ends on schedule and fulfills its purpose.

Here are some suggestions:

### A. Voting

1. Select a specific time for the polls to operate and let them be operated by AΦΩ members. Set a standard charge per vote (usually one cent).
2. Let the polls remain open over a period of days, charging by the vote, having no limit on the number of times an individual may vote.
3. If you possess an ingenious engineer he can rig an electrically operated coin vote recorder, automatically tabulating votes for a candidate as any size coin is deposited.
4. Decide at the beginning the contest termination hour the results will be made known, then stick to it.

### B. Candidates

1. It is recommended that you allow both campus-at-large and living quarters candidates, for if exclusive to either, the danger exists of not appealing to enough varied interests on the campus.
2. It is suggested that a written application for each candidate be in your files before the contest. Only those so filed should have votes tabulated for them. A practical joker could upset a good project like this by submit-

ting some fictitious or mythical candidate.

3. Consider the faculty! If enough informality exists, maybe this group might have a candidate.
4. Allow sufficient time in advance of voting for the filing of candidates' applications.

### C. Publicity

1. Reams could be written! Almost every project needs good publicity. Give this project plenty of publicity. Campus newspaper and radio. Convocation announcements. Bulletin board notices. Posters. Town papers and radio. Dormitory and residence notification. *Talk it up.*

### D. Prizes

1. The Ugly Man key available through the National Office, is the most popular award. Sometimes a scroll or wall plaque is used. Also an Ugly Man mug has been developed by one of the chapters.
2. If published, make the prize well known. If not published, let no one know in advance.
3. Perhaps a college or student body official would be happy to present the award, giving official sanction and prestige to the endeavor.
4. Who pays for the prize? Sometimes the local merchants will donate; in other instances the chapter may purchase the award.

### E. Convocation

1. An all-school assembly is ideal. However, on those campuses where these are of a religious nature, perhaps something on the order of a pep rally or show should be substituted.
2. A take-off on a fashion or beauty show, using the candidates, grimacing their worst, might be interesting.
3. Since this project is in itself whimsical, the program should be light, fast moving, and funny.

### F. Chairman

1. This is important, for the right individual performing the task of general chairmanship can make the event a howling success.

2. His qualifications.

a. A promoter. b. A planner. c. A doer. d. A he-whoer (he who can get others to work; also, get others steamed up).

3. Afford plenty of manpower for subcommittees, i. e., publicity, voting, filing, finance, etc.

These are but a few specific suggestions, offered in the hope that they might help you when your chapter promotes an Ugly Man Contest.

Now, here are some further suggestions, gleaned from correspondence, chapter reports, and personal observation; all of which have proved merit:

1. Seek cooperation of girls' organizations in building enthusiasm on the campus. Even to the point of the prize being a kiss from a Queen (and every campus sooner or later elects a Queen for something) to the ugliest man.
2. If, for a cause such as March of Dimes or Red Cross, it should be possible to interest the local leaders of that agency, try to bring them into the event somewhere.
3. And while we're speaking of that, let's clear with the officials of the beneficiary agency, to secure their approval.
4. As to candidates among your chapter members, this is a ticklish subject. We'd say only under other sponsorship. And maybe not even then.

One word of caution! Keep the contest honest and the enthusiasm controlled. Ill feeling will hurt future projects. And remember, though lots of fun, this is a service project sponsored by the men of Alpha Phi Omega who enjoy a national reputation for doing things well, with purpose and dignity. Keep it on a high plane.

## Scout Day

DELTA PSI CHAPTER has just completed another very successful Scout Day at Eastern Illinois State College. Over fifty units were represented with a total of about 800 Scouts and leaders participating. Ribbons were issued to all Troops registering, and badges were awarded to the twenty sharpest looking units. From profits of homecoming program sales the chapter has given fifty dollars toward a new hospital to be built in Charleston. This is reported by Bob Foltz, President.





### Chapter Slogan

"Aim high," is the slogan this Fall of ETA RHO CHAPTER at *Marquette University*. The chapter is preparing to top all past service records. The Red Feather campaign, assistance to local Scouting, the successful Hilltop Homecoming, establishment of a chapter newspaper, and a personal contact membership drive have been recent projects. This is reported by Carl Schrank, Corresponding Secretary.

### Record Blood Drive

The blood drive conducted by ALPHA CHAPTER at *Lafayette College* last spring broke all records for the Easton, Pennsylvania, area. A record of the most blood ever given in one day was established and also a record for the two-day visit was established. A quota of 350 pints had been set for the college for this visit, 50 above normal. However, through the hard work and planning of the Alpha Phi Omega Blood Drive Committee, 450 pints were donated. This far surpassed the quota set by the Red Cross. Other projects of Alpha Chapter were also very successful last spring. One of these was the Ugly Man Contest, the first contest of this kind conducted by the chapter. In voting for twelve contestants, a grand total of \$635.00 was obtained, all of which was donated to the Campus Chest. This news was reported by Douglas M. Harris, Past President.

### Aid to Holland

ZETA PI CHAPTER at *Wayne University* collected \$220.00 from its Ugly Man Contest and sent this amount to Holland via CARE. This was for flood relief in last spring's disaster in Holland. This was reported by Stanleigh Goldberg, President.

### Kite Flying Contest

At *The Stout Institute*, ETA KAPPA CHAPTER sponsored a kite flying contest recently for Cub Scouts. In addition to the contest, chapter members gave demonstrations on the making of various kinds of kites. This was reported by Floyd L. Jolliffe, Corresponding Secretary.

### Tagging Trees

ETA IOTA CHAPTER started the year with an interesting project which is the labeling of trees on the *Millersville State Teachers College* campus. The group purchased a machine which will produce metal tags with the name of the trees stamped on them. It's creating a lot of interest, and is valuable to the campus, reports Glenn Dutterer, Corresponding Secretary.

### Purchase Slide Projector

KAPPA OMEGA CHAPTER has purchased a slide projector for *The Cooper Union* library from proceeds from its recent Ugly Man Contest. This was reported by Julius Maiman, Treasurer.

### Handled Balloting

THETA NU CHAPTER at *Hamline University* handled the balloting in the latest Piper King election on the campus and also ran a concession. The Piper Circus was a big success and fun for everybody. The chapter has also recently purchased and painted six oil drums, being used as trash barrels, in an effort to help keep the campus clean. This was reported by Albert R. Anderson, Secretary.

## "THE GROUP THAT DOES ALL THE GOOD AROUND HERE"

At a convocation ceremony on October 8, the City College of New York's School of Business was renamed The Bernard M. Baruch School of Business and Public Administration. The dedication was given thorough coverage by New York newspapers, Life magazine, radio and television. Big businessmen were on hand en masse. Mr. Alfred P. Sloan, Chairman of the Board of General Motors, and Mayor Vincent Impellitteri were speakers. Mr. Baruch was the guest of honor.

GAMMA DELTA CHAPTER of Alpha Phi Omega had the responsibility of ushering at this major convocation. The chairman of the project was Tom Anderson, who worked several weeks in preparation for this. Each member was assigned to his post and each wore a blue suit with an armband, providing a distinct contrast.

As the academic procession halted for a few moments Mr. Baruch turned to one of our brothers, Leonard Stern (who is still recovering from the shock of the honor) and asked him what the armband stood for. Lenny told him it is Alpha Phi Omega, National Service Fraternity. Mr. Baruch is quite deaf and didn't understand. The President of the College, Dr. Buell G. Gallagher, standing alongside Mr. Baruch, yelled in his ear (loud enough for the entire faculty procession to hear), "That's Alpha Phi Omega—they're the group that does all the good around here."

In writing about this, Larry Lazovick, President of GAMMA DELTA CHAPTER, says those were never-to-be-forgotten moments. This off-the-cuff statement by Dr. Gallagher is an excellent tribute to the service program of ΑΦΩ at CCNY.



## APO MEMBERS ON PHILMONT STAFF



During the past summer months, ten members of Alpha Phi Omega were on the staff of the world's largest Explorer Camp, the Philmont Scout Ranch near Cimarron, New Mexico. Pictured left to right, standing, are Jack Barnes, ranger at Bent, who is a member of Zeta Nu Chapter at Southern Illinois University; Richard Coleman, Cito base camp truck driver, also a member of Zeta Nu Chapter; Pat Sewell, alumnus of Gamma Rho Chapter at North Texas College, who served as Scoutmaster in the Junior Leader Training Course; Bill Sherman, ranger at Beau-bien, a historian of Epsilon Epsilon Chapter at Missouri Valley College; Terry Strong, horseman for Cavalcades, treasurer of Lambda Chapter at the University of Kansas; and George A. Bullock, Director of Camping and Training at Philmont, an honorary member of Delta Tau Chapter at the University of New Mexico. Kneeling from left to right are Lewis Schwoerke, ranch photographer, president of Iota Sigma Chapter at Midwestern University; and Bruce Bullock, program crew leader at Cito, projects chairman of Theta Sigma Chapter at Oklahoma A & M College. Not pictured but on the Philmont staff were Dick Frohnen, president of Epsilon Chi Chapter at Los Angeles City-State College; Charles Shanklin of Epsilon Epsilon Chapter, Missouri Valley College; and Bob Grove, vice president of Beta Delta Chapter at East Texas State College.

### Chapter Office

Since its founding in 1946, DELTA SIGMA CHAPTER at the *University of Connecticut* had been looking for a permanent office until just recently. The chapter had the use of temporary quarters in several different places on the campus until the opening of the new Student Union Building, and now the chapter has a permanent office in this building. Dr. Henry Miller, National Second Vice-President, visited the chapter office and said that the group has the best physical facilities of any chapter of Alpha Phi Omega he has visited. Delta Sigma Chapter is one of six out of 137

recognized student organizations at the University of Connecticut who have been allotted office space in the Student Union Building. The office helps make chapter operations more efficient and is a central headquarters for files, chapter materials and equipment. It also serves as an informal meeting place for the members, prospective members and campus guests. The operation of the chapter office places certain responsibilities upon each brother. The office must be maintained in an orderly manner and good care must be taken of the equipment and building. This is reported by Anton Jungherr in the "APOANUC," chapter newsletter.

### New Rushing Plan

At the *University of Minnesota*, GAMMA PSI CHAPTER conducted rush meetings on two successive afternoons. On Wednesday, October 7, from 2:30 to 5:00 p. m., and then again on Thursday, October 8, from 2:30 to 5:00 p. m., prospective candidates were welcomed at open meetings of the chapter. These were held in the Memorial Union Building, and coffee and cokes were served. The purpose was to inform prospective new members about the program of Alpha Phi Omega. In the letter of invitation, Brother Fred McCormick, President of Gamma Psi Chapter, told of some of the outstanding projects carried out by the chapter in past years, and he also mentioned the fine cooperation which the chapter receives from the faculty and administration. The letter gave opportunity for anyone who could not attend either of the afternoon sessions to drop in at the chapter office at 203 Memorial Union Building whenever convenient.

### Citizenship Award

Annually, Brother George H. Charno, a member of our National Executive Board, presents a citizenship award to students chosen to receive this honor at *Central Missouri State College*. Last year's award went to Miss Bonnie Dorr for being selected the No. 1 citizen among women students and the award also went to Earl Frudeger, Past President of BETA KAPPA CHAPTER, who was chosen top citizen among men of the campus. The selections were made by a committee of faculty and students.

### Scout Visitation Day

One of the prominent projects of DELTA NU CHAPTER last year was the Scout Visitation Day on the campus of *Yale University*. Some of the other projects successfully carried out by the chapter during the year were the student book exchange which is becoming bigger and better each year in number of books and amount of sales, the Red Cross Blood Drive for the entire university and the distribution of 125 containers throughout the university and the business section of New Haven for the March of Dimes. This report is from Robert E. Petsinger, Secretary.



## FIRST NATIONAL CONVENTION OF ALPHA PHI OMEGA OF THE PHILIPPINES

With a theme of "United for Service" Alpha Phi Omega of the Philippines held its first National Convention in Manila on September 13, 1953. Chapter delegates attended from Far Eastern University, National University, Mapua Institute of Technology, University of the East, and University of the Philippines. Representatives of petitioning groups were from Silliman University, West Negros College, and Feati Institute of Technology. The presiding officer was Librado I. Ureta, National President of Alpha Phi Omega of the Philippines, who is known to many members of Epsilon Sigma Chapter of Alpha Phi Omega here in the United States at the University of Buffalo, where he did graduate work.

The keynote address at the convention was given by Mr. Domingo L. Jhocson, President of National University.

In the afternoon session, reports were given by the Secretary and the Treasurer of Alpha Phi Omega of the Philippines and then the delegates discussed and ratified their National Constitution and By-Laws.

A panel discussion was held on "The Scope of Alpha Phi Omega," and this was led by Guillermo R. Padolina, National Third Vice-President of Alpha Phi Omega of the Philippines. Brother Padolina, who is affectionately known as Willie by his friends, is also a member here in the United States, having been initiated into Alpha Rho Chapter at the University of Texas when he was doing graduate work there in the year of 1950-51. Willie was a banquet speaker at our National Convention in Des Moines in 1950.

At the fellowship luncheon brief talks were given by the chapter presidents and an address was given by Dr. Manuel L. Carreon, Director of Private Schools.

In the afternoon session the subject for discussion was "Alpha Phi Omega on the Campus," and this was led by Eulalio N. Bacani, Faculty Advisor at the University of the East.

The ritual of the fraternity was presented for the initiation of new members and this was conducted by

the initiation team from National University.

At the closing session the group pledged itself to carry on in building a stronger service program and expanding the number of chapters in Alpha Phi Omega of the Philippines. The convention was very successful and helps pave the way for continued growth in the organization.

### Homecoming Bonfire

"Things are going great here," reports Max M. Plumhoff, President of GAMMA PHI CHAPTER at *Western Michigan College*. The chapter built the bonfire for the homecoming and handles ushering for all school assemblies. The group is now working upon plans for its first Ugly Man Contest and has other projects under way, and all in all it looks like a very fine year for Gamma Phi Chapter.

### Record-Breaking Year

The publicity chairman of ALPHA PI CHAPTER, Robert Winter, has reported that AΦΩ had a record-breaking year at the *University of Miami* last year. The chapter's used book exchange handled more books than ever before, over 3,500 volumes, or a total value of more than \$8,500.00 The Ugly Man Contest netted well over \$425.00 profit for the Campus Charity Chest. Also the blood drive was bigger than ever before, bringing 480 pints in a two-day visit of the Red Cross Bloodmobile. This broke all previous school records.

### Chapter Newsletter

The No. 1 issue of "Beta Theta News" was published November 11, 1953, by BETA THETA CHAPTER at the *University of Wisconsin*. It is well written and is a highly useful publication. It announces forthcoming projects, fall initiation and welcomes pledges. We congratulate the chapter upon this issue.



By Joseph Scanlon

1. What kind of application forms are used for registering pledges?
2. When should these be sent to the National Office?
3. Does the chapter keep a copy?
4. What kind of forms are used for registering new active members?
5. When should these be sent to the National Office?
6. Can a member be recognized officially before his application has been sent?
7. How may a member transfer his membership to another chapter if he changes schools?

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## OHIO UNIVERSITY SESQUICENTENNIAL

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The year 1954 marks the 150th anniversary of Ohio University, Athens, Ohio, the oldest university in the old Northwest Territory. Since the time of its founding in 1804, Ohio University has grown from a two-room building to a modern university of more than 4,000 students.

Along with the Sesquicentennial celebration, a year-long program of activities has been planned in observance of the founding of the university. Delta Gamma Chapter of Alpha Phi Omega is proud to be helping with many service projects in connection with the Sesquicentennial.

The program schedule for the year includes four major events. These are the Founders Day, Commencement, Alumni Homecoming Weekend, and the Ohio Education Days. In one way or another our chapter will be helping with each one of these occasions.

The Founders Day will open the Sesquicentennial anniversary. Delta Gamma Chapter will assist in the Founders Day by providing ushers for the convocation, at which time the governor of Ohio is expected to deliver the principal address. Members of our chapter will also serve as an honor guard in connection with the Founders Day activities.

As in the past years, we will aid with the graduation exercises by taking measurements for caps and gowns and distributing the caps and gowns to the graduates. In addition to this, we will help in the dedication of the new Student Center, which was recently completed.

Alumni will be especially honored in the third big event of the year, Alumni Homecoming Weekend. Our chapter will conduct tours of the campus and the new Student Center as part of the activities of the gala homecoming week end.

The fourth major event of the Sesquicentennial will be Ohio Education Days. This will be built around a conference on higher education. Representatives of other schools will discuss the problems and future needs of higher education. We will help in the administration and organization of the conference. We will also provide guides for the visitors to Ohio University.

In addition to these four major events, our chapter will be providing service to the students and faculty of the university in whatever way possible to make the Sesquicentennial of Ohio University a huge success. Again, this shows that no matter what the occasion, Alpha Phi Omega is ready and willing to be of service.

### ARTICLE ABOUT ALPHA PHI OMEGA IN BOYS' LIFE MAGAZINE

The October issue of BOYS' LIFE, published by the Boy Scouts of America, carried a fine article about Alpha Phi Omega. A two-page spread included pictures and story of our fraternity program. For a long time there has been need for giving boys information about AΦΩ before they enter college. This article is excellent for that purpose. The circulation of the magazine is 880,000 for subscribers and newsstands sales and it is read by many more than this. Think of the impact which this will have in the growth of Alpha Phi Omega in the years ahead!

We extend hearty thanks to Harry Harchar, Editor of BOYS' LIFE, and Bob Brooks, author of the article. Both of them were active members and officers in Alpha Phi Omega during their student years. Harry was founder and first president of Alpha Psi Chapter at Lehigh University, and Bob is an alumnus of Rho Chapter at the University of North Carolina. In preparing and publishing this article they have rendered an outstanding service to our entire fraternity, giving a big boost to our activities for the future.

### PARTY FOR POLIO PATIENTS



Here are two scenes as members of Kappa Psi Chapter at the Agricultural and Technical College of North Carolina conducted an Easter party last spring for polio patients at the Convalescent Hospital. This is one of several excellent projects carried out by the chapter which have been of great benefit to the campus and the community of Greensboro.

### Collection for Hospitals

GAMMA EPSILON CHAPTER of City College of New York has conducted a collection of eyeglasses and books for hospitals. This is one of many important projects carried out last year. Others include the blood drive which brought in 1289 pints, reported to be the highest number in the New York area, a drive for the World Student Service Fund, handling Student Council elections, and other activities. This was reported by Malcolm L. Hayes, Historian.



## Objectives Published

A story about the objectives of IOTA ZETA CHAPTER for this school year was recently published in the newspaper of *LeMoyne College*. The projects mentioned include publishing a Student Directory, ushering at college functions, working with handicapped children, assistance to student government, selling tickets at basketball games, aiding Scout leaders in their training program, and other activities. The president of the chapter, Robert Trenga, has said, "With our large group of prospective members we shall be able to carry out our expanded program of service to the college and the community."

## Free Films

For the past year KAPPA OMEGA CHAPTER at *The Cooper Union* has been running the AΦΩ film program—a program of free films for both students and the public, featuring documentary films of timely importance. The program is completely handled by Alpha Phi Omega men. The films were chosen by the AΦΩ Film Committee, they were picked up and returned by chapter members and they are shown by AΦΩ projection operators.

## Answers to APO Quiz for November

1. Pledge application forms furnished by the National Office are used for registering new pledges.
2. Applications should be sent to the National Office just after each pledging ceremony.
3. Yes. Two copies should be filled out by each pledge, pink for national use and green to be retained by the chapter.
4. Forms furnished by the National Office for registering new active members and advisors are blue and white sheets—white for national use and blue to be retained by the chapter.
5. Active and advisory applications should be sent either before the ceremony is held or promptly thereafter.
6. No. Each new member must have his application and fee sent to the National Office before he can be officially recognized as a member and receive a certificate and card.
7. Transfer applications are furnished by the National Office for use of members who change to other schools where there are APO chapters.

# Campus Editorial

## 'GOOD TURNS'

One of the prime tenets of Scouting is "a good turn daily."

Although the daily part isn't too clear, members of Alpha Phi Omega, national service fraternity, do their share of good turns for the University.

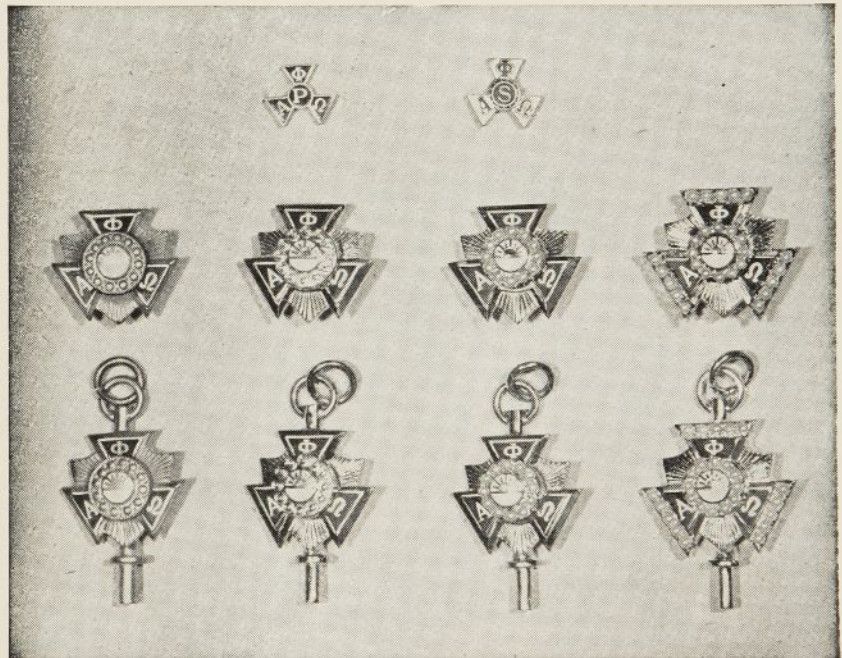
Latest that they have done is the placing of signs in some particularly bare areas and pathways on the campus as reminders to students to make use of sidewalks. Alpha Phi Omega also assists with the Red Feather Drive, Lost and Found service, and other services to the University community.

In the line of their service they are still following the old Scouting rule of "good turns" and doing most of their jobs without more than a few persons expressing appreciation of their work.

Alpha Phi Omega members have generously contributed their own time and effort to the improvement of the appearance of the University and have assisted in many programs. It seems that more of this spirit would be a welcome thing in the world today—helping the other guy simply to be helping him, without thought of recompense.

This editorial from "The Sunflower" of the University of Wichita is a fine compliment to the work of Beta Alpha Chapter of Alpha Phi Omega.

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Official order blanks are available from your Chapter Treasurer or from the National Office.



# BULLETIN BOARD

## NATIONAL BIRTHDAY

December 16, 1953, will mark the twenty-eighth anniversary of the founding of Alpha Phi Omega. The week of December 10 to 16 is designated as Anniversary Week. This anniversary provides occasion for a chapter commemoration.

Features of this celebration may well include a chapter banquet, historical review, initiation ceremony, outline of plans for the future, musical entertainment and a top-notch speaker.

The commemoration of the national birthday is traditional in Alpha Phi Omega and is an interesting time in each year's program.

## ELECTIONS

November is election month in Alpha Phi Omega in accordance with the semi-annual schedule set forth in the National Constitution. The new term extends until April. Officers may be re-elected once if so desired by the chapter.

In most chapters a nominating committee is used, with additional opportunity for nominations from the floor. The qualifications are important. Consider all nominees carefully.

It is recommended that a Training Conference be conducted by the Chairman of the Advisory Committee to aid the new officers in becoming acquainted with their jobs.

## MAILING LIST

Do you know of anyone in your chapter who does not receive the Torch and Trefoil regularly? If so, we urge you to notify our office.

We are endeavoring to deliver the magazine correctly, and are trying to keep all addresses up-to-date. Sometimes a member may move to a different residence without sending notice to the office. This causes his next copy to be returned and he is removed from the mailing list until we receive a corrected address. Also, sometimes an error on an addressograph plate causes loss of a copy. We sincerely ask for your help concerning the mailing list.

## EXTENSION

Already in this Fall term much interest has been shown in organizing new chapters of AΦΩ in colleges and universities where chapters have not yet been established. Inquiries about how to organize chapters arrive frequently from students, faculty men and Scouters who have heard about our fraternity.

Is there a neighboring college in which your chapter could help form a new chapter? Why not appoint an Extension Committee for this?

Do you personally have a Scouting friend on some other campus whom you recommend be contacted about starting a new chapter?