



# Torch and Trefoil

## OFFICIAL CALL

**Fifteenth National Convention  
Alpha Phi Omega**

Greetings to all officers, advisors, active members, life members, alumni and pledges of Alpha Phi Omega. Pursuant to the action of the Fourteenth National Convention, and by vote of the chapters, and in accordance with Article IX, Section 4 of the National Constitution, I hereby call the Fifteenth National Convention of Alpha Phi Omega to be held in the city of Austin, state of Texas, on August 30 and 31 and September 1, 1958.

All chapters are asked to comply with Article IX, Section 1 of the Constitution in electing official delegates. The purpose of this convention is threefold: First, to discuss chapter projects and methods and gain from the experiences of others. Second, to provide personal acquaintanceship and fellowship among men of Alpha Phi Omega from all parts of the nation. Third, to carry on such legislation as is desired by the delegates to govern the operation of the fraternity for the next two years.

I would call to your attention that since the Spring term will end about three months prior to this convention, it is important that suggestions be sent to the National Office by April 1. Each chapter represented shall have the power to cast two votes on every legislative question. Each member of the National Executive Board shall have the power to cast one vote. There shall be no voting by proxy.

All members of Alpha Phi Omega are invited to attend this convention and shall be extended all rights and benefits of the meeting, excepting that only the official delegates shall have the privilege of voting and speaking from the floor during a legislative session. Visitors are also welcome.

The names of the official delegates of the chapters should be reported to the National Office in advance. It is recommended that election of your delegates be held by May 1. A form will be furnished to each chapter for use in sending the names of delegates.

This convention shall officially open at 9:00 A.M., August 30, and will close at 12 noon, September 1, 1958.

*W. R. Wisborough*

National President

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## I BELIEVE

**John D. Rockefeller, Jr.,  
in a USO broadcast**

I believe in the dignity of labor, whether with head or hand; that the world owes no man a living but that it owes every man an opportunity to make a living.

I believe in the supreme worth of the individual and in his right to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness.

I believe that truth and justice are fundamental to an enduring social order.

I believe in the sacredness of a promise, that a man's word should be as good as his bond; that character—not wealth or power or position—is of supreme worth.

I believe that every right implies a responsibility; every opportunity, an obligation; every possession, a duty.

I believe that the law was made for man and not man for the law; that government is the servant of the people and not their master.

I believe that thrift is essential to well-ordered living and that economy is a prime requisite of a sound financial structure, whether in government, business or personal affairs.

I believe that the rendering of useful service is the common duty of mankind and that only in the purifying fire of sacrifice is the dross of selfishness consumed and the greatness of the human soul set free.

I believe in an all-wise and all-loving God, named by whatever name, and that the individual's highest fulfillment, greatest happiness, and widest usefulness are to be found in living in harmony with His will.

I believe that love is the greatest thing in the world; that it alone can overcome hate; that right can and will triumph over might.



## LIFE MEMBERSHIP

What it is? It's a means of keeping in contact with the growth and program of Alpha Phi Omega throughout the years ahead. Every man who has been previously registered in ΑΦΩ, either as an active member, advisor or honorary member, is eligible to subscribe for Life Membership.

The fee is \$25.00 and it provides a permanent subscription to the TORCH AND TREFOIL and thus gives the member regular news about our fraternity throughout his lifetime. Write to our National Office for an application.

Six more brothers have subscribed for Life Membership since the previous list was published. We welcome:

Robert C. Dumke, *Iota Rho*

Carl Frisby, *Delta*

Cleo E. McPherson, *Gamma Sigma*

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**Dr. Victor Whitehouse**

Faculty Advisor, Delta Gamma Chapter  
Ohio University

**Professor J. W. Fisher**

Charter Member and Faculty Advisor, Kappa Lambda Chapter  
Southern University

**Dr. Edgar Charles Hayhow**

Honorary Member, Nu Chapter  
Upsala College

## PLUS AND MINUS PEOPLE

"To my way of thinking, there are two kinds of people in the world and only two. One is the plus people and the other is the minus people. The minus people are always subtracting from life. They are out for what they can get. The world owes them a living. They are grabbers and they are intolerably possessive. . . .

"But the plus people are those who add to life. If they have wealth they divide it. If they have privileges they covet the same for every man. If they are well-born, they seek the opportunity to bless others. If they are educated, they want to teach. Somehow in some way these people add to the richness, the beauty and the meaning of the life of everyone else. When their life comes to a close, the world is better for their having lived. . . .

"But the plus and minus character in men has nothing to do with talent or success or possessions. Some, but thank God not all, rich men are the most selfish, self-centered persons you could ever hope to find . . . Nor are all men of talent for leadership desirous of serving. Many are only self-servers.

"Well, maybe you don't think you owe the world anything. But it is true that bread cast upon the waters brings a golden harvest and that in giving we receive and through sharing we become the grateful recipients of all the world's bounties."

—Dr. Charles L. Allen

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SAY,  
DID YOU  
KNOW?

—The fourth biennial Pilgrimage to Lafayette College will be on April 12 and 13, 1958. This is a fine occasion to visit the birthplace of Alpha Phi Omega and honor the founders.

—Philmont Scout Ranch has contacted all chapters of Alpha Phi Omega concerning staff openings for the coming Summer. Interested members may secure application forms by writing to Mr. E. O. Clemmons, Assistant Director of Camping, Philmont Scout Ranch, Cimmaron, New Mexico.

—Accurate records are essential to the success of your chapter. These include particularly the records of the Secretary, Treasurer, Historian and Alumni Secretary.

—35 mm. slides pertaining to service projects are requested for use in the collection being assembled by the National Office.

—There is real satisfaction in helping extend Alpha Phi Omega to another campus. Look around! Prospective locations for new chapters are numerous. Accredited four-year colleges and universities are eligible to establish AΦΩ chapters. Contacts you and other members of your chapter can make are important toward spreading our fraternity. You'll enjoy helping establish a new chapter.

—Materials requested from the National Office are shipped the same day the order is received. However, even with immediate shipment, we urge chapters to place orders early for such materials as needed. Last-minute ordering can sometimes cause disappointments because of delay in mail. Please order as soon as you know your needs.

—The TORCH AND TREFOIL is mailed to all active members, advisors, honorary members and life members. If anyone who is actively participating in your chapter doesn't receive it, please send his name and address to the National Office.

## "On the Go"

Greetings! Brothers! You soon shall know  
That Alpha Delta's "on the go!"  
A few days past we did partake  
In portly matters of the state.  
At San Diego VIP's were led  
Right to the California Board of Ed.  
There to think and to decide  
Many issues bona fide  
While members we of AΦΩ  
Did scurry, scurry to-and-fro,  
Through the murky smoky pall,  
Doing service for them all.  
When time they took for a recess  
Some time we took, to them impress  
And they in peaceful amity  
Could then resume with pleasantry.  
And when all through they did command  
Our useful service to all them.  
There you have our story short;  
Glad were we it to report,  
Knowing that our name we spread  
In a manner with much stead.

By William R. Thornton  
Alpha Delta Chapter.

## Ain't it fine today!

Sure, this world is full of trouble —  
I ain't said it ain't.  
Lord! I've had enough an' double,  
Reason for complaint.  
Rain an' storm have come to fret me,  
Skies were often gray;  
Thorns an' brambles have beset me  
On the road — but, say,  
Ain't it fine today!  
What's the use of always weepin',  
Makin' trouble last?  
What's the use of always keepin'  
Thinkin' of the past?  
Each must have his tribulation,  
Water with his wine—  
Life it ain't no celebration.  
Trouble? I've had mine—  
But today is fine.  
It's today that I'm livin',  
Not a month ago,  
Havin', losin', takin', givin',  
As time wills it so.  
Yesterday a cloud of sorrow  
Fell across the way;  
It may rain again tomorrow,  
It may rain — but, say,  
Ain't it fine today!

## THE COMMITTEE SYSTEM

The committee system as described in the Manual of Administration is important to the success of chapter activities. A description of the responsibilities of standing committees is on pages 6, 7 and 8 of the manual. These include the Program Committee, Service Projects Committee, Publicity Committee, Fellowship Committee, Membership Committee and Executive Committee. We urge every chapter to utilize its committees to the fullest in operating and increasing the AΦΩ service program in the months ahead.

*A Feature Project . . .***EXPLORER CAREER CONFERENCE****By Paul W. Moore****Assistant Director, Exploring Service, BSA  
Former Scouting Advisor, Alpha Lambda Chapter**

What will you be doing ten years from now? Or three years from now? Or next year?

These questions were presented by Milwaukee County Council (Wisconsin) Advisors to their Explorers in an invitation to their first career conference. The young men showed they were concerned about their vocational futures by the way they turned out for the conference at Marquette University. They held the third annual conference there last Spring.

Obviously a university or college has experts and facilities admirably suited to helping young men explore vocational opportunities. Of course the university can't be expected to go all out for small groups such as one or two Explorer units. But a council-wide or intercouncil Explorer career conference has mutual advantages that bring forth the university's best.

Success of the career conference has been proved in over a dozen councils in Wisconsin, Texas, North Carolina, New York, Michigan, Massachusetts, Pennsylvania, and Ohio. Some have become annual events, repeated as many as five times. Attendance has ranged from 100 to 700.

**Pattern of Success**

Here is a pattern of a career conference compiled from these experiences.

The event is a cooperative enterprise between the council and the university. The Camping and Activities Committee or the Exploring Committee represents the council. A chapter of Alpha Phi Omega at the university may handle much of the administration of the conference both for the university and the council. Industries, businesses and government agencies often cooperate.

**Program Features**

The program generally is held on Saturday from 9:00 A.M. to 11:00 P.M., though some begin on Friday afternoon.

The conference is welcomed by the

hosts, usually the university president, the Scout Executive and the Alpha Phi Omega chapter president.

A faculty member specializing in education or vocational guidance orients the Explorers on the purposes and methods of the conference.

Each Explorer selects before the conference the vocational sessions in which he is interested. A choice of from six to twenty-seven has been offered at various conferences. The average is fifteen. The schedule allows each young man time for two to four sessions, usually three. The sessions each last from forty-five to ninety minutes.

Session leaders are mostly faculty members supplemented by outside specialists. The leaders give talks and demonstrations and close with a question and answer period. Explorers are urged to talk over their conference observations and findings with their parents, teachers, school guidance officials, and each other.

Some conferences have a closing assembly where a speaker evaluates the program and suggests the next step to take at home.

**Special Features**

A guided tour of the campus is a feature of all conferences.

The evening meal may be a banquet with the speaker an athletic star or coach.

Recreation is a special attraction. The swimming pool, rifle range or basketball court may be opened to the Explorers. They may be guests at a university football, basketball or baseball game. Often the program is climaxed with a dance in the evening. The girls are invited by the local council.

**Eating, Sleeping, Paying**

Meals are served in the university cafeteria or commons and partially or wholly paid for out of the conference fee. At overnight conferences the Explorers bring their bedrolls and bunk

on double-deckers set up in the gymnasium. Or they are quartered in campus dormitories or in Scouters' homes.

The conference fee ranges from \$1.00 to \$4.50. The average is \$1.50.

An adult, preferably the Explorer Advisor, is either required or urged to attend with each unit. Often a special session is held for Advisors where techniques of leadership in vocational exploration are discussed.

Promotional literature is sent out about three months before the conference to Advisors of Explorer units and troop crews, to Scoutmasters, and to Commissioners. Registration by units and crews for the conference and for the vocational sessions is generally required with a registration fee.

**Careers Covered**

A composite list of occupational fields covered in several career conferences is given below:

Advertising	Dentistry
Agriculture	Education,
Architecture	teaching
Art	Engineering
Aviation	Geology
Archaeology	Insurance
Law	Journalism
Medicine	Physics
Military sciences	Physical
Ministry	education
Music	Professional
Personnel work	Scouting
Banking,	Public relations
investment	Public utilities
Business	Radio and
administration	television
Civil service	Rubber industry
Community	Salesmanship
service	Social work
Chemistry	Speech
Conservation,	Skilled trades
forestry	Theatre

**How it Worked at Wisconsin**

The program below was used at the fifth annual career conference sponsored by Beta Theta Chapter of Alpha



Phi Omega and the Four Lakes Council at the University of Wisconsin on a Saturday in April. Approximately 700 Explorers and leaders attended. Eighteen occupational fields were offered. This program illustrates one application of the collection of program ideas described above.

Editor's Note: Several Chapters of Alpha Phi Omega have conducted Explorer Career Conferences. Additional articles about this service and also about Junior Leader Training Courses and Scout Visitation Days sponsored and conducted by AΦΩ chapters will appear in future issues.

### A Typical Program for Explorer Career Conference

TIME	EVENT	PLACE
9:00-12:00	Registration	Memorial Union
9:15-12:30	Campus tours	From the Union
11:30-12:30	Opening convocation	Bascom Auditorium
	Explanation of program, keynote address	
12:45- 2:00	Lunch	Tripp Commons
		Union Cafeteria
2:30- 3:15	Conference Session I	Bascom Hall
3:30- 4:15	Conference Session II	Bascom Hall
4:30- 5:15	Conference Session III	Bascom Hall
5:30- 7:30	Banquet	Great Hall
8:30-11:30	Dance	Great Hall

### Summer Contacts

Through the efforts of Peter David Mirabal, the members of DELTA TAU CHAPTER at the *University of New Mexico* had frequent contact with AΦΩ throughout the past Summer months. Peter prepared several letters by ditto process during the Summer and mailed them to the home addresses of members. These messages were both informative and promotional and had a fine effect in the preparations for a strong start in Fall activities of the chapter.

### Travel Service

PI CHAPTER at *Kansas State College* operates a travel service for each vacation and holiday period. At a desk manned in the Student Union drivers wanting passengers and others wanting rides can register and get together for trips. This is a valuable service for many students and is much appreciated.

## Leadership Feature . . .

## SERVICE ABOVE SELF

By Leland C. Keller

Past Governor, District 229  
Rotary International

*Editor's Note: The following fine address was delivered at the closing session of the Middle States Sectional Conference held at Kent State University, Kent, Ohio.*

Mr. Toastmaster, Members of Alpha Phi Omega and Guests.

This is the closing for you of a two-day working conference. Some of you have many miles of traveling to do before you will reach your own school. What I have to say, I will make as brief as I possibly can.

I would like to talk about "Service Is My Business."

First, as it applies to your vocation. No matter what your choice—teacher, doctor, manufacturer, Scout leader, lawyer, merchant — *Service will be your business.*

The businessman above all others recognizes this or at least stresses it in his relationship with the public. Let us picture the Main Street of any town and you will see: A Dry Cleaner offering "Thirty Minute Service." Across the street is a Shoe Repair with a sign reading "Service While you Wait." The TV and Radio Store is advertising "Guaranteed Service." The Gasoline Station on the corner offers "24 Hour Service." You can think of many more examples.

In my business, a Savings and Loan Association, service is the only thing we have to sell. We stress our "Friendly Service." May I tell you of an incident that happened to us to show what I mean? One of our customers is a young married man. We cash his payroll check every Friday afternoon. As you might expect, he and his wife were awaiting the arrival of the stork. The tellers knew this and from time to time expressed interest in the coming event. One Friday, he no sooner had gotten inside the office than he shouted, "It's a boy." Naturally, everyone congratulated him. He then spoke up and said, "I was fooling, I just wanted to see what you would say." You know, that doesn't

happen unless your customer thinks of you as a friend. Any individual or business to be successful must give service.

If you have others working for you, do not forget the service you owe them. To the customer or client, they represent you and unless they give service along with courtesy and sincerity of effort, you will fail. They must be treated as individuals, with a healthful, friendly atmosphere in which to work. Treat your employees as you would want to be treated yourself.

It is no surprise that loyalty comes not from the wages paid, although this is important, but from being made to realize that in a real sense they are a part of the business—sharing the toil, the ambitions, the achievements, the hopes, the sorrows and the rewards of a joint adventure.

There is also the service you owe your competitor. Is competition a blessing or a curse? To argue that competition is a curse is to take a dim view of life itself for in a sense all people are competitors. All sellers compete for the consumer's patronage. All buyers are in competition for the best products. We need someone to keep us on our toes. That is where a fast stepping competitor helps us. He makes us put forth that extra effort which wins. Certainly we should not dislike a man who helps us.

If competitors help each other, consult about their business problems and methods, share their trade secrets for the benefit of the consumer—surely they are blessed by the knowledge that their business is being built on a firm foundation. The feeling that the other fellow has something up his sleeve diminishes and energy is released for your own expansion and growth.

May I use my own business as an example? The managers of the Savings and Loan Associations in the adjoining counties of Summit and Portage meet once a month at luncheon for the purpose of discussing their problems.

I was invited to join this group some thirteen or fourteen years ago and I am still amazed at times as to how these men who are in a most competitive business tell of their plans and request aid with their problems. Questions about a competitor's policies are direct and to the point. Answers are given in the same spirit. Sometimes the discussion between two managers becomes quite heated, but I have never known anyone to leave the meeting in a huff.

The policies of an out of county Association having a branch in Summit County was the cause of some concern to members of our group. It was decided to ask the head of this Association to join us. The invitation was extended and accepted. Any misunderstandings that may have existed have been cleared up.

A report of the dollar increase or loss in savings and the gain or loss of each Association's mortgage portfolio is given at each meeting. When you realize that this information is the life blood of a company, you then realize how competitors can trust and work together for the mutual good of all.

Another obligation of service is to your trade or professional association. The member who is putting his shoulder to the wheel in his trade association derives many advantages. Not the least of these is good will and respect.

The work of medical associations may be cited as the reason why doctors are regarded almost automatically as valuable citizens. Because his association has established minimum standards of education, enforced codes of correct practice, provided for the exchange of new methods and discoveries, the individual doctor has a long start in earning a place of respect wherever he may locate.

The practical benefits from belonging to a trade association are many.

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### New Scholarship

ZETA CHAPTER at *Stanford University* has recently established a half-tuition scholarship (\$375.00) for a sophomore, junior or senior male student who shows evidence of superior academic work, service to the university and who demonstrates financial need. All applicants for this scholarship are screened by the University Committee on Financial Awards, who will then recommend several names for the chapter's consideration in making the award. Zeta Chapter anticipates making this scholarship an annual award, financed through its book exchange and Time-Life subscription service.

The following is a letter from Dr. J. E. Wallace Sterling, President of Stanford University.

"I want to add my personal thanks to those already expressed to you by Mrs. Byler (Secretary of the Committee on Financial Awards), for Alpha Phi Omega's gift of a half-tuition scholarship for 1957-58.

"This is one more of the many aspects of your chapter's service program for which the University has cause to be grateful to your organization. I congratulate you on this and the other contributions which Alpha Phi Omega is making to the University community."

This is reported by John Hill, Chapter President.

### Organized New Troop

DELTA GAMMA CHAPTER at *Ohio University* has assisted in organizing a new Boy Scout troop at the Athens Children's Home. Members of the chapter help with demonstrations and teaching Scouting principles to the boys. The actives and pledges also recently assisted with the homecoming election and with Political Week voting. This is reported by Robert E. Patterson, Corresponding Secretary.

### Westminster Revue

BETA XI CHAPTER at *Westminster College* has recently sponsored and conducted an Interfraternity Variety Show named the "Westminster Revue." Included on the program were presentations by the several fraternities on the campus. There were about 120 participants in the show and a good attendance of students, faculty and townspeople. This was the first time this kind of program had been conducted at Westminster and the chapter has established an AΦΩ travelling trophy which will be presented to the winner each year. The proceeds go to service projects and charities. This is reported by Rodes Hood, Past President.

### Outdoor Ceremony

Last Spring, GAMMA OMICRON CHAPTER of *Queens College* held its initiation ceremony in the country at the home of the Chairman of the Advisory Committee, Don Begenau. A wonderful dinner was cooked and served by the fellows in the chapter. After this delightful meal the group conducted an impressive ceremony around the campfire, and in front of the campfire were twelve torches which they lit in place of the usual candles and this was very effective. This is reported by Dr. Henry S. Miller, member of the National Executive Board, and he recommends other chapters might like to conduct an outdoor ceremony when weather permits.

### CARD STUNTS AT NEW MEXICO



The University of New Mexico students spelled out "Hello Tech" in the card maneuver shown above. Delta Tau Chapter of Alpha Phi Omega started and operates these card stunts at every Lobo home game.

## Campus Editorial

### APO FOLLOWS UP A GOOD SUGGESTION

An effort growing out of decisions made at a student activities conference last Spring makes its bow today. The News is publishing the first installment of a weekly calendar of University events of general interest.

The calendar has been compiled by Alpha Phi Omega, university men's service organization. Students and faculty personnel last Spring had suggested that worthy events on campus might be better attended if announcements of them were coordinated in a single listing. Alpha Phi Omega volunteered to arrange with campus organizations to have listings submitted, and the News agreed to publish the calendar.

We have told Norman Smith, Vice-President of Alpha Phi Omega, that we are glad to help the project get on its feet, but that once the calendar is firmly established and expanded, we would like to see it printed separately and distributed to all departments of the university.

The schedule on page three of today's News contains a fair sampling of cultural interests offered to university students. But it is brief. We would like to see many more music recitals, political speeches, lectures and discussions included in future calendars. These events occur every week on campus, but so often are missed by students who don't know of them enough time in advance to attend. It is true, our news stories about activities which are academically valuable while being extra-curricular are printed so that students will know in advance what is being offered. We view the calendar as an extra way to increase awareness of the many valuable university endeavors found when classes are over.

*The above editorial from "Temple University News" is a fine compliment to the service program of Zeta Iota Chapter.*

### ANNUAL TUG-OF-WAR AT NYU



Shown here is the tug-of-war in progress, annual event sponsored by Beta Iota Chapter of Alpha Phi Omega. This was the sixth year in which the contest has been held. It is a triangular event among the schools of commerce, education and liberal arts of New York University. The winner each Spring receives an Alpha Phi Omega plaque. Washington Square is the scene of the tournament which is well publicized in the New York City newspapers. This news and picture are by courtesy of Herbert Krohn, Vice President.

### Blood Program

THETA UPSILON CHAPTER at *Case Institute of Technology* is carrying on a tremendous blood donor program. Twice each school year these engineers turn out en masse to contribute. Alpha Phi Omega hit the pages of Cleveland metropolitan papers with a "splash" when the 2,000th Case donor rolled up his sleeve during the last April's visit of the Red Cross Bloodmobile.

In addition to the 2,000th donor, Theta Upsilon Chapter also recorded eight gallon clubbers, one being a mathematics professor and the others seniors, who had given every time the bloodmobile visited the University Circle campus during their four years in school.

The chapter has developed strong interest in this program on the Case campus and has maintained this interest over a nine year period.

Dr. T. Keith Glennan, President of Case Institute of Technology, received a letter of commendation from Miss Eileen Petrie, College Staff Representative of the Blood Donor Recruitment Service, which reads in part as follows: "Year after year Case leads the area colleges in performance in this vital community service. We certainly commend you for the type of leadership that the Alpha Phi Omega group produces. The men who graduate from Case Institute are some of the finest technically trained men in the country. Alpha Phi Omega trains real community leaders, also, which bodes well for our nation. Our thanks to everyone who works to bring Case this great record in the blood donor program."

### Scout Visitation Day

Early in November, ALPHA PSI CHAPTER at *Lehigh University* conducted a very successful Scout Visitation Day on the campus. This annual event brought 1,400 Scouts and Explorers from the surrounding area and the day's activities included tours through Lehigh's mechanical engineering labs, electronics lab, and Fritz Lab, which houses the world's largest universal testing machine, and after lunch the guests attended the Lehigh-VMI football game which turned out to be one of the most exciting games played in Taylor Stadium in the past several years. This is reported by Richard L. Reller, President.

### Scholarship Established

ALPHA CHAPTER'S Ugly Man contest this Fall was the most successful ever held at *Lafayette College*. The money from this year's contest along with receipts from the past two years were used to establish the Alpha Phi Omega Scholarship. This scholarship will be administered by the Dean of Students. It is the purpose of this scholarship to aid students who are confronted with unusual circumstances and the chapter feels that the student body will give increasing support to the Ugly Man Contest for this purpose year after year. This is reported by William Marsh, Corresponding Secretary.

### Turkey Trot

KAPPA CHI CHAPTER at *Creighton University* sponsored a "Turkey Trot" before Thanksgiving as a money-making dance. A live turkey was given as a door prize. The "Creighton Counterpoints," a fifteen piece band, furnished the music. This is reported by Robert Krebsbach, Treasurer.

### Check Room Service

BETA PI CHAPTER at the *University of Tulsa* is operating check room service for dances on the campus. Proceeds are being used for other projects. This is reported by John Westfall, Presidential Representative.

### Wagner College Celebrates 75th Anniversary

This year marks the 75th anniversary of *Wagner College*, Staten Island, New York. On this campus, KAPPA EPSILON CHAPTER of Alpha Phi Omega conducts an excellent service program and is collaborating in the celebration of this milestone in the history of the college.

Service projects reported by Kappa Epsilon Chapter last year include the Ugly Man contest from which the proceeds were used for an orphan's Christmas party, an Easter party at Mount Saint Michael's Orphanage, service in the Campus Community Chest Carnival, a car polishing project which earned \$100.00 for the Community Chest, donating a scholarship for a cerebral palsied child.

Campus projects have included furnishing guides for Freshman Day, Parent's Day and other events, ushering at an all-college convocation, construction of sidewalk from parking area, major repairs on a bus shelter, painting the Interfraternity Room and sponsoring an all-campus dance.


The TORCH AND TREFOIL congratulates Wagner College upon its seventy-five years of service in the field of higher education.

### Ugly Man Contest

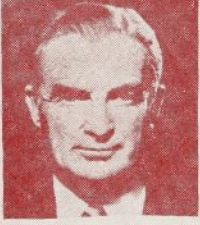
The Ugly Man contest of IOTA SIGMA CHAPTER at *Midwestern University* was recently conducted and an award to the winner was presented during half-time ceremonies at a football game. This is reported by Lloyd E. Deerinwater, Corresponding Secretary.

### Swimming Instruction


Immediate future plans of MU ZETA CHAPTER at *San Francisco State College* call for helping a new Scout troop get underway and providing merit badge counseling in swimming at the college pool. The chapter will also again bring musical groups to the college for the students' enjoyment and cultural education and is planning another Ugly Man contest. The group recently held a planning session at the chapter president's home for purposes of outlining projects and assigning responsibilities. This is reported by William H. Erdman, Corresponding Secretary.




## "The Next Thirty Years"



SEN. SYMINGTON



MR. BURGESS



GENERAL DAVIS

The future of aviation in the next three decades is going to be the theme during a symposium held in the College Gym, on Oct. 15th. Mr. Carter L. Burgess, Major General Leighton I. Davis, U.S.A.F. and Senator Stuart Symington, will give their views on this coming aeronautical cycle.

Senator Symington who will present the "Keynote Address" is known as a strong advocate of air power. He has ably served in many defense positions in an executive capacity including Secretary of the Air Force. At present, he is the United States Senator from Missouri and a member of the Senate Armed Services, Agriculture and Government Operations Committees.

The future of Commercial Air Travel will be presented later by Mr. Carter L. Burgess, President of Trans World Airlines and Chairman of the Citizens' Advisory Committee on the Physical Fitness of Youth. He served during World War Two in various positions on our European and North African Staffs and then since the War has either been on executive or legislative staffs of the Government or served in an advisory capacity.

Major General Davis, U.S. Air Force, Commander of United States Missile Development at Alamogordo New Mexico will speak on the Next 30 Years in Rockets and Missiles. He is noted for his work in the Air Research and Development Command.

Theta Xi Chapter has established a student newspaper for Parks College of Aeronautical Technology of St. Louis University. Above is shown the front page of the first issue published in October. The Editor is Skip Farrell and the Moderator is Rev. John J. Higgins, Chairman of the Advisory Committee of the chapter. This is an outstanding service to the entire student body and faculty.

### Charity Carnival

GAMMA DELTA CHAPTER collected \$402.00 at a charity carnival, the proceeds being donated to the Muscular Dystrophy Foundation. This semester, the chapter instituted a new service for students and faculty of the *Baruch School of Business and Public Administration*. It is a student record service. The chapter sells all types of records at discounts of 20 to 40% under list prices. The chapter charges no fee. The records are handled by the chapter on consignment from a local store. The students are taking advantage of this service and the project will be continued next semester. Another innovation this term is the sponsoring of a Korean orphan for one year. This service is being carried on through the Save the Children Federation. This news is reported by Phil Grossman, Secretary.

### Scout Visitation

Recently ETA DELTA CHAPTER at *Keene Teachers College* entertained sixty Boy Scouts and Explorers from the local district and served as instructors for a Junior Leaders Training Course which was very successful. The members felt a great deal of satisfaction in assisting these Scouts and the college administration expressed pleasure concerning this project. The chapter has several other projects underway by a very enthusiastic group of members and pledges. This is reported by Ronald R. Turgeon, Acting President.

### Top Honor

EPSILON CHI CHAPTER at *Los Angeles City College* was honored at the close of the Spring semester in being designated as the top organization of the campus. The designation was made by the *Los Angeles Collegian*, campus newspaper. In the article announcing the award, the following projects of the chapter were related: Book drive; sponsoring the Bal Masque, a charity dance which raises funds to send Scouts to camp; car pool, book exchange; and the outstanding job on the Uni Camp Carnival, where the chapter won the award for the best booth.

News of this fine honor which has been presented to Epsilon Chi Chapter was received from Fonzo Dickerson.

## Newsletter Clips

### Leadership Guide

The following is quoted from "The Omegan," the newsletter of LAMBDA PSI CHAPTER at *Colorado State College*:

A guide for the "Junior Leader Training Course" is now being written and compiled by the members of the different groups who attended the courses as instructors or other purposes such as registration, cooking, organization, etc. This manual is intended to help give the instructor a good start to teach one or more courses in the program.

This manual will contain material for the teacher to help him, material that the teacher is to teach, information about organization of the course before the actual operation of the course. One of the points stressed is that the preliminaries should begin at least a month ahead of time to allow enough room for planning of the courses for the number attending, also that complete arrangements for room, sleeping quarters, etc., be arranged. This booklet will not be for sale, but will be for chapter use in conducting the Junior Leader Training Course.

### Spirit Unchanged

Writes David Taylor, President, in "Eta Data," the newsletter of ETA CHAPTER:

Another year has rolled around at the campus of Northern Illinois. Some of you have known this school as Northern Illinois State Teachers College, some of you as Northern Illinois State College, and now we know it as *Northern Illinois University*. During these transition years, however, one thing remains unchanged and that is the spirit, drive and determination of the men of Alpha Phi Omega. The year of 1957-58 started as a very successful one. The men of Eta Chapter have been busy during this first week of school staffing an information booth for the benefit of the new students and acting as student leaders. If the type of work done on these



projects is any indication of what is to be expected from our members during the coming year, I think it is safe to say that Eta Chapter should be one of the top chapters in the nation.

### The Forward Look

Writes Gene Sadick, President of TAU CHAPTER of the *University of Florida*, in "Tau Gator," chapter newsletter:

As in the case with a famous automobile manufacturer, this is the year of the forward look for Tau Chapter. This is the year when we must take cognizance of our past mistakes and turn them into a new set of workable methods. With the help and interest of every AΦΩ brother, we can and will take a big step. The projects being planned for the first part of the semester are:

Freshman Orientation — Tau will provide registration information, make a Scout census, and recruit a top pledge class.

Lost and Found—Tau has been given the authority to run this service which had been previously performed by the university administration.

Homecoming—Tau will have a number of responsibilities for that week end.

We shall also undertake a number of social activities. Under consideration is sponsorship of an Interhall dance, following the lines of the successful dance at which we presented the Ugly Man awards. Also, we hope to promote a greater intra-chapter spirit by a greater number of informal gatherings of all brothers so that the spirit of friendship will have a greater meaning.

These are only a few of the ideas that are on my mind. My desire is to put them into your minds. We must capitalize on these plans as swiftly as possible. There can be only one way for these ideas to become realities, and that is by your participation. If you will do this, then Tau and you will benefit. Its accomplishments are your

accomplishments. Its successes are your successes. Be a Leader. Be a Friend. Be of Service!

### Active Actives

Writes Howard Brawn in "The President's Corner" in *Delta Taulker*, the newsletter of DELTA TAU CHAPTER at *University of New Mexico*:

Perhaps we should change our basic set-up. When a man wanted to join, we could put him in the active chapter for a period of probation (active = those working) after which, instead of "going active" as we do now, he could become a member of the "administrative chapter" (the supervisors). Then, since the whole chapter, excepting the neophytes would be administrative, we presidents could retire and become figureheads instead of administrators. Wasn't it in the 17th century that Thomas Hobbs, the political philosopher, said "If two men ride a horse, one must ride in front."? We'll see all you actives at the next project.

### Plan Now to Attend FIFTEENTH NATIONAL CONVENTION OF ALPHA PHI OMEGA

AUSTIN, TEXAS

August 30, 31 and  
September 1, 1958

### SERVICE ABOVE SELF

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One of these is the "know-how" to be gained from talking with other members of your business or profession. This idea is not new to you for you have been doing the same thing in your meetings the past two days. In a meeting of twenty men, any one individual stands to learn more from the other nineteen than they in turn can learn from him. Such meetings not only help the individual but they tend to raise the general level of the organization itself.

A trade association has an obligation to its members, but there should also be the larger vision of opportunity to serve society and the realization that only so far as the public is served can such associations serve their own best interests.

Those members whose trade association can boast of an adequate code of correct practices have a task to perform. They can take steps to make sure that its standards are observed in their own business or professional practice, as a training manual for employees, by spreading its influence among customers and suppliers, and by reference to it at meetings of the trade association to revive its authority among their competitors.

If your association, and I refer to the association you will some day join, does not have such a code of correct practices or if your present code is outmoded or no longer practical then you should work for such a commitment by the members of your organization. Any code of practices should be able to withstand the following four questions if it is to fully serve the organization and the effected public:

#### THE FOUR WAY TEST

1. Is it the *truth*?
2. Is it *fair* to all concerned?
3. Will it build *goodwill* and better *friendships*?
4. Will it be *beneficial* to all concerned?

Now I would like to talk to you about a second service. This is the service that you owe your fellowmen.

Alpha Phi Omega is a service fraternity. One of your objectives is "to promote service to humanity." Every service organization that I know of has a similar objective. To be truly a service, this desire to help others must come from our inner self, from the heart. You have many service projects listed in your booklet—"Questions and Answers about Alpha Phi Omega." To those and the many other services that you do, I would like to add another that I believe to be of vital importance to our own way of life.

Every citizen owes his community a part of his interest and his energy. My problem is this—Why do so few have to assume the responsibilities of so many? Can it be that the majority of men are born with an immunity to the needs of society? Certainly it isn't because of a lack of exposure, for I question if there is a person living in this country today who hasn't at some time been the recipient of this we call service to humanity. Let us not forget that the history of the fall of nations has been coupled with the neglect of human relations.

Nations also fall when the citizen fails to be interested in how he is governed. Several weeks ago I was a member of a committee to prepare a slate of Republican candidates for our municipal offices to be voted on at the primary election in May. Kent is a city of about twelve thousand people. The committee that I am talking about worked for over four weeks to get eleven candidates—one for each of the offices to be filled. You start out by asking men of proven ability to serve. They refuse. This goes on until you are glad to take anyone who will say yes.

Gentlemen, this is what makes for much of the mediocrity that you find in local government today. This lack of interest in human relations and government you can do much to change. Will you do it?

I would like to close with this thought: Service Above Self — He Profits Most Who Serves Best.

### Do You Wear an Alpha Phi Omega Pin or Key?



If you have not yet purchased a pin or key, get one as soon as convenient. You will enjoy wearing APO insignia. Above is pictured the standard pearl center key which costs \$16.25, plus ten per cent federal tax and any state and city tax which applies in your locality. Other qualities of pins and keys are priced from \$2.75 to \$28.00.

An illustrated list is available upon request to our National Office. Also, if your chapter treasurer does not have Balfour order blanks on hand, a supply can be obtained by writing to our office.

## *Scouting With Handicapped Boys*

**A new book is published concerning Scouting with boys who are physically and mentally handicapped**

Just off the press is a new book entitled "Scouting With Handicapped Boys." It tells how thousands of boys who are blind, crippled, cerebral palsied, deaf, mentally retarded or have other handicaps have found in the Scouting program a ray of hope, a feeling of being wanted, companionship, incentive, association with groups of people, and a much needed recognition of effort and accomplishment.

Several chapters of Alpha Phi Omega are serving in providing Scouting for handicapped boys in their communities. There is opportunity for additional chapters to serve in this important field. Boys in special schools for the crippled or mentally retarded, and boys in hospital wards desire and enjoy Scouting the same as other boys. Scouting can be a vital part of their rehabilitation. All boys need social contacts and the values of association with others of their own age through participation in this program.

If your chapter is not already serving or assisting handicapped boys in your community why not check up as to the opportunities available in your vicinity. Talk with your Scouting Advisors about it and in turn contact hospitals, agencies or schools through which there would be opportunity to extend Scouting to handicapped boys.

The new book compiled by Harry K. Eby, National Director of School Relationships of the Boy Scouts of America and Honorary Member of Nu Chapter at Upsala College, is excellent. To have the benefit of the information which it contains, we suggest your chapter may wish to order a copy of the book. The price is seventy-five cents. The catalogue number is 3002 and it may be ordered from the National Supply Service, Boy Scouts of America, New Brunswick, New Jersey.

## ***BULLETIN BOARD***

### **DISTINGUISHED SERVICE KEY**

Alpha Phi Omega's distinguished service key is available for award purposes and may be secured by chapters wishing to present special recognition to a member who has given outstanding service in the fraternity.

Orders for this key are accepted at the National Office only, not direct to the jewelers.

There are three qualities: 10K at \$9.25, gold-plated at \$3.25 and sterling silver at \$2.25, plus 10% tax.

Further information about the key may be obtained whenever desired by writing to the National Office.

### **REGISTRATIONS**

Our fraternity policy concerning membership registrations calls for the chapter to mail the active applications and fees to the National Office ten days prior to the initiation ceremony . . . and to receive the identification cards in time to be presented in the ritual. Our office is giving immediate service in issuing the cards.

This arrangement benefits every chapter. It enables you to put registrations on a business-like basis . . . and it gives new members the privilege of receiving their credentials at the very time the ceremony is held.