



# torch and trefoil



WINTER-SPRING, 1980

## "SERVICE DAY '79" . . . A BIG SUCCESS!

On November 3, 1979, the first annual "Celebration of Service" was held. Each Alpha Phi Omega chapter was asked to schedule at least one service project on that day and to involve other service organizations. Additionally, efforts were made to get local and state "Service Day" proclamations.

Even though not all chapters have reported their activities, Service Day '79 may already be considered an unqualified success. Projects completed include dance marathons, CPR courses, campus and community clean-ups, winterizing homes, working with the aged on outings and parties, Boy Scout and Cub Scout activities, and many others. Consider these Service Day facts:

- Some chapters actually held a "Service Week" and extended their Celebration.
- Many chapters held more than one project to celebrate Service Day.
- At least one section held a sectional project for Service Day.
- Region IX gave a "Service Day Award", which was won by **Upsilon Upsilon Chapter of the College of St. Thomas.**
- Over half of the participating chapters contacted the press, resulting in many newspaper articles and some radio coverage.
- At least nine (9) chapters (that we know of) obtained local Service Day Proclamations.
- "Service Day" was officially proclaimed by the governors of thirteen states: Arizona, Arkansas, California, Iowa, Kansas, Michigan, Minnesota, Nevada, North Carolina, Texas, Virginia, Washington and Wisconsin.

Nearly half of the reporting chapters involved other Service organizations. These included Gamma Sigma Sigma, the Chamber of Commerce, Jaycees, Rotary Club, Lions, United Way, Scouting, Circle K, the Police Athletic League, various University volunteer groups, and many others.

Those chapters which reported their participation were:

### Region I

Alpha Chi — Massachusetts Institute of Technology

### Region II

Iota Omicron — Gettysburg College  
Mu Eta — Albright College  
Xi Lambda — Bloomsburg State College  
Omicron Upsilon — West Chester State College  
Sigma Kappa — Eastern College  
Tau Eta — SUNY A & T College at Cobleskill

### Region III

Rho — University of North Carolina  
Iota Lambda — North Carolina State University  
Nu Kappa — Campbell University  
Pi Delta — Western Carolina University  
Upsilon Nu — University of North Carolina-Wilmington

### Region IV

Tau — University of Florida  
Nu Xi — Birmingham Southern College  
Xi Psi — Western Kentucky University

Phi Zeta — Fort Valley State College  
Chi Zeta — University of Tennessee-Martin  
Psi Sigma — Albany State College

### Region V

Lambda Omicron — West Virginia University  
Rho Chi — Gannon College

### Region VI

Beta Beta — Michigan State University  
Lambda Psi — Eastern Michigan University  
Mu Nu — Western Illinois University  
Nu Beta — Hope College  
Sigma Phi — University of Notre Dame  
Tau Omicron — Indiana University-Purdue University at Indianapolis  
Omega Epsilon — Illinois Wesleyan University

### Region VII

Alpha Rho — University of Texas  
Delta Pi — Trinity University  
Nu Nu — Eastern New Mexico University  
Phi Upsilon — Amarillo College  
Omega Eta — Loyola University

### Region VIII

Epsilon — Northwest Missouri State University  
Alpha Mu — William Jewell College  
Beta Eta — University of Missouri-Columbia  
Beta Omicron — University of Missouri-Rolla  
Gamma Theta — University of Colorado  
Delta Beta — University of Oklahoma  
Epsilon Alpha — Emporia State University  
Epsilon Epsilon — Missouri Valley College  
Xi Beta — Kearney State College  
Psi Upsilon — Southwest Oklahoma State University  
Omega Pi — Arkansas State University

### Region IX

Lambda Kappa — Loras College  
Upsilon Upsilon — College of St. Thomas  
Omega Xi — Cornell College

### Region X

Omega Sigma — California State University-Fullerton

The concept of Service Day '79 and the support materials for the PR effort were a product of cooperation between the National Service Committee and the National Public Relations Committee. However, the entire credit for the success of the day belongs to the individual chapters who picked up the idea and ran with it.

An important feature of Service Day was that it was evaluated (as all projects should be). Service Day '80 will be designated and publicized in the Spring of 1980, so that chapters can adequately plan for it. This responds to the criticism most often heard about this year's effort. With this and other improvements, Service Day '80 will be even bigger and better than the first one was.

It is significant that, just as we have for 54 years, Alpha Phi Omega is showing the way. Innovation and leadership in service are our heritage and our future as we forge into the '80's.

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## GUEST EDITORIAL

By Avi Ornstein, Alumnus  
Alpha Chi, MIT

In becoming a member of Alpha Phi Omega, we each took a pledge to give of ourselves. One aspect of our service program is service to the chapter. How can one offer service to a chapter?

The first step is to actively participate in the chapter's service program. Don't merely show up for the projects; chapters rarely need members who are seeking glory — showing up during the visible portion and then telling how important a part they played. Take part in the entire project, helping in the planning and preparatory stages and in the clean-up once the project has been completed.

A second way to serve the chapter is by holding true to your commitments. If you said you'll do something, do it. If you'll be at point A at time B, be there. Should something arise that causes you to truly be unable to fulfill a commitment, be sure to let someone in a leadership role know, and try your hardest to find someone who can faithfully fill in for you.

Developing your leadership ability will also serve the chapter. Members are needed to hold offices and to chair projects. Try to do your best job at it. A good leader sees that a job gets done, which is different from doing the job. You thus also get other members to be active in the chapter. It is also worth noting that a leader does a better job of pulling instead of pushing — be sure to participate yourself.

If you have experiences that might be beneficial to the chapter, don't keep them to yourself. Offer constructive advice. It is better for the chapter to base actions on past knowledge than to trust solely in trial and error.

Finally, serve the chapter by caring about its future. Every member should take part in the membership program. Help get other students to pledge. Personal contact is far superior to posters and notices, and the more members helping in the effort to sell Alpha Phi Omega, the better the results will be. Once the pledge class has been formed, don't leave all the work up to the Pledgemaster or Membership Vice President. Work with the pledges. Get to know them. Help make them feel that they belong! It is a strong pledging period (where the pledges see actives showing concern) that will create strong members!

## IN MEMORIAM

On November 26, 1979 Lewis B. Blair, one of the fourteen founding members of Alpha Phi Omega passed away in Cheverly, Maryland. Brother Blair was one of five founding members who were accorded Founders Life Membership on the Alpha Phi Omega National Board of Directors by the 1974 National Convention. His memory is well-served through the 158,000 members who were able to serve others through Alpha Phi Omega because of what he and the other founders conceived in 1925.

# A MESSAGE FROM THE NATIONAL PRESIDENT ...



For over fifty-four years, the National Service Fraternity has brought the spirit of the Good Turn to our country's campuses. Assembled in the principles of the Scout Oath and Law, the members of Alpha Phi Omega have rendered significant service to the student body and faculty of their educational institutions, to their communities, to our cherished Republic as participating citizens, to our Fraternity, and to the youth of all nations. It is fitting that we join in celebrating the seventieth anniversary of the Boy Scouts of America whose heritage and ideals we share.

Now we enter a new decade with new challenges and increased opportunities. The greatest of these is to Reach Out with the hand of true brotherhood to more students — to extend to them the opportunity to develop and give Leadership, to share Friendship, and to render relevant Service to humanity as part of our National Service Fraternity. The challenge exists on our own campuses, at colleges and universities which once enjoyed the benefits of Alpha Phi Omega where an active chapter no longer exists, and on campuses which never knew Alpha Phi Omega. We need a continuing influx of new students and advisors committed to these purposes, and the ongoing support of our dedicated alumni.

Let us resolve to make this year and this decade our best. Through our united efforts, Alpha Phi Omega will become an ever increasing force for good for our Nation and the world.

Lorin A. Jurvis  
National President

## EXPERIENCES AND THE FUTURE

As we grow older, we look back over the years and use our experiences to benefit our future. Those who were Scouts and who became members of Alpha Phi Omega recall their activities in a Cub Scout pack, Boy Scout troop, or Explorer post. They recall the opportunities they had for leadership, friendship, and service. Then, as alumni of APO, they see how these same purposes were fulfilled during their college years with such projects, perhaps, as the Ugly Man on Campus Contest, the assistance at freshman orientation, environmental programs, or service to handicapped Scouts. When Scouting began in the United States 70 years ago,

the objectives were defined as character building, citizenship training, and personal fitness. Then, 15 years later, Alpha Phi Omega was founded with similar purposes for those who desired to be of service on the campus.

New APO members accept the principles and ideals of Scouting as cited in the Scout Oath: duty to God and country, duty to others, and duty to self. I am always impressed when I read about the service projects for others that Alpha Phi Omega chapters carry out. Not only are they of benefit to others, but they give opportunities for new leadership experiences and for new friendships. These opportunities help to mold the future for those who participate.

As in Scouting, the success of Alpha Phi Omega chapters depends on bringing to more members the opportunities to fulfill the high principles and ideals that will bode well for our nation. For nearly 55 years, Alpha Phi Omega has contributed so much as it has brought benefits to others and satisfaction to its members. I am delighted to be associated with Alpha Phi Omega and to commend those who carry out the principles of our fraternity.

J. L. Tarr  
Chief Scout Executive  
Boy Scouts of America

## WELL DONE, SCOUTS

*The following resolution to recognize the 70th Anniversary of the Boy Scouts of America was adopted by Alpha Phi Omega's National Board of Directors.*

Whereas, Since February 8, 1910 the Boy Scouts of America has undertaken the noble purpose to develop character, citizenship, and personal fitness among the youth of America; and

Whereas, The principles embodied in the Scout Oath and Law have proven to be a standard of manhood that has withstood the test of time; and

Whereas, Alpha Phi Omega has embraced the principles of the Boy Scouts of America and carried them to the college campuses of America since 1925; and

Whereas, Many of our alumni and chapters continue their strong support of the Scouting movement through direct service to many local councils; and

Whereas, We share the common belief of a society where a free democracy and unselfish service to mankind prevails; and

Whereas, The delegates to the 1978 National Convention have expressed their support of Scouting and reaffirmed the purpose of Alpha Phi Omega to assemble college students in a National Service Fraternity in the fellowship of the principles of the Boy Scouts of America; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, That for and on behalf of all chapters and members of Alpha Phi Omega National Service Fraternity, the National Board of Directors does hereby and by these presents extend heartfelt congratulations to the Boy Scouts of America upon the signal occasion of the seventieth anniversary of its founding, February 8, 1910; be it further

**RESOLVED**, That the National Board of Directors expresses its deep respect and great admiration to the Boy Scouts of America for its stellar contributions and significant impact made on our society during the past seventy years; be it further

**RESOLVED**, That the National Board of Directors does hereby and by these presents convey the best wishes of all our members to the Boy Scouts of America for its continued success preparing the youth of America to be the leaders of tomorrow.

# OUR SCOUTING RELATIONSHIP

by Robert J. Harris, Chairman  
National Scouting Relations Committee

On the 70th Anniversary of the Boy Scouts of America, we need to reflect that the relationship between Alpha Phi Omega and the Boy Scouts of America is one that spans our 54 years and several generations with a richly rewarding experience for countless people. Our efforts to provide our chapters with program support in the area of Scouting and a greater attempt to publicize Alpha Phi Omega in the Scouting community, address our commitment to carry the traditions of Scouting to the college campuses of America.

The real story of our relationship with Scouting is not one of who or how many of our leaders are actively involved in high levels of Scouting leadership, but rather the commitment of our active members to the principles of the Boy Scouts of America and the support through service which our chapters give to their local councils, as well as the degree of cooperation between our organizations. It is, by and large, the story of success in Alpha Phi Omega growing to become the largest Greek letter fraternity. It is a story that is in itself a salute to the Boy Scouts of America. It is a story fostered by the founding of our Fraternity in 1925.

Our relationship indeed goes back 55 years to our founding when affiliation with Scouting was a prerequisite for membership in Alpha Phi Omega. The early involvement of Alpha Phi Omega members in service to Scouting and their success in bringing the principles of Scouting to college campuses led, among other things, to the recognition by the National Council of the Boy Scouts of America in 1931 of Alpha Phi Omega as a National Honorary Scout Society. Looking back further on our founding, Frank Reed Horton sought in the Scout Oath and Law a standard of manhood that would withstand the test of time. What foresight our founders had to choose the lofty ideals of Scouting to serve as the basis of Alpha Phi Omega.

The founding of Alpha Phi Omega enabled a number of college students to continue their growth in a purpose learned in their younger years as Scouts. This growth manifested itself through our principles of Leadership, Friendship, and Service to humanity. It is no surprise, then, to see how Alpha Phi Omega has grown and become accepted on so many varied campuses when one considers the record of success the Boy Scouts of America has achieved through its noble purpose of developing character, citizenship, and personal fitness among the youth of America.

By opening our membership first to those who did not have Scouting experiences and then to female students, we have continued to grow and increase our services. The fact that we do attract students never associated with Scouting gives testimony to the universality of the ideals we share with Scouting. We share these ideals because we believe in them as being the right direction for our society. Educators as well have recognized the importance of our common philosophy and ideals as an integral part of the overall development of their students.

With many of the recent foreign and domestic developments creating unity among our citizens, Americans are experiencing the pride in our country and rich feeling of helping their fellow man that members in Scouting and Alpha Phi Omega have experienced and promoted for years. Yes, we have a relationship that will continue to grow as long as development of the individual is important in society. As long as

society accepts the value of a free democracy and where unselfish service to mankind prevails, we will maintain a close relationship where we share many of the ideals and beliefs that transcend the problems plaguing our country today.

If it is only direct service through such projects as providing manpower at local district and council events, developing media membership recruitment programs, running Klondike derbies or handicapped camporees, serving as unit leaders, or as merit badge counselors, we will continue to share a special relationship with Scouting. If Scouting only continues to provide our chapters with capable advisors or suggestions for the mainstay of our program, service, we will continue to share a special relationship with them. But it is our relationship of common ideology through which we have benefited from the tremendous success of the Boy Scouts of America in achieving its purpose and making a significant impact on society over the past 70 years that makes our relationship unique.

Through the commitment of our active members to continue Alpha Phi Omega in the traditions by which we were founded, we need not worry about our relationship with Scouting. By reflecting on our own past we are able to highlight our successful growth and acceptance in the college community as a tribute to Scouting's own success. We salute the Boy Scouts of America on its 70th anniversary as it embarks on a new decade where America will benefit from "Scouting . . . the better life." On this occasion we pledge to continue to bring Scouting's principles, Alpha Phi Omega's principles, to college campuses through all who would embrace them.



Iota Lambda members, North Carolina State University, work with Scouts at a local Scout Camp.

# "REACH OUT" MOVING AHEAD

The "Reach Out" Program inaugurated last Spring to reactivate inactive chapters of Alpha Phi Omega is on the move! Alumni, Sectional Chairmen, Scout Executives and undergraduate chapters have agreed to assist in the reactivation of the Fraternity's 259 inactive chapters. At this time we wish to report where we stand. One hundred and twenty-seven volunteers have made the commitment to lead a reactivation effort. The goal for the program is one reactivation per section, so there is a reasonable chance for success in this effort.

We are pleased to report success on five campuses. Those chapters which have been reactivated, and the volunteer spearheading the reactivation are:

Sigma Chapter — Northwestern University — Roger Elliott — Northern Illinois Sectional Chairman

Alpha Epsilon Chapter — Louisiana State University — Morris Welch-Alumnus of Delta Chapter, Auburn University

Iota Rho Chapter — Florida State University — Michael Moore-Florida Sectional Chairman

Mu Pi Chapter — Colorado School of Mines — Gamma Theta Chapter — University of Colorado

Sigma Tau Chapter — Chapman College — Murt Thompson, Jr.-Southern California and Arizona Sectional Chairman

In addition to the five chapters listed above, two reactivations were effected through means other than the "Reach Out" program.

Those who are successful in reactivating their target chapters will be awarded a special recognition at the 1980 National Convention in Los Angeles. A number of other efforts are nearing completion, and we anticipate receiving additional petitions this Spring.

In support of the "Reach Out" Program, the National Service Committee has prepared a Model Service Program for "Reach Out" volunteers. This is designed to assist them in working with the students in the reactivation group in the development of a service program. This has been distributed to all of those who have volunteered, as well as to those involved in the formation of new chapters.

There is still a need for additional volunteers. If your chapter, or if you as a Life Member, would like to become involved in an exciting Fraternity program, write to the National Office. We'll get you plugged into this important effort to spread the good works of Alpha Phi Omega.

## 1980 MEETING SCHEDULE

At the time of publication the following meetings have been scheduled:

Date	Meeting	Location
Feb. 8-10	National Board of Directors .....	Los Angeles, California
Feb. 15-17	Section 40 (West Texas, New Mexico) .....	Angelo State University
Feb. 16	Section 77 (South Carolina) .....	Benedict College
Feb. 23	Section 1 (Southern California) .....	California State University-Los Angeles
Feb. 23	Section 32 (Oklahoma) .....	University of Oklahoma
Feb. 23	Section 52 (Indiana) .....	Purdue University
Feb. 23	Section 92 (Southeastern Pennsylvania, Delaware) .....	University of Delaware
Feb. 23-24	Section 30 (Colorado, Wyoming) .....	Colorado State University
Feb. 23-24	Section 34 (Kansas) .....	Emporia State University
Feb. 29-Mar. 2	Section 41 (North Central Texas) .....	University of Texas-Arlington
Feb. 29-Mar. 2	Section 57 (Ohio) .....	Miami University
Feb. 29-Mar. 2	Section 95 (New England) .....	Maine Maritime Academy
Mar. 14-16	Section 45 (Louisiana) .....	Southern University in New Orleans
Mar. 14-16	Section 82 (Virginia) .....	Emory & Henry College
Mar. 28-30	Section 48 (Northern Illinois) .....	Augustana College
Mar. 29	Sections 97-99 (New York City, Long Island, New Jersey) .....	St. Peter's College
Apr. 4-6	Section 70 (Western Tennessee, Western Kentucky) .....	Tennessee Tech
Apr. 11-12	Section 69 (Alabama) .....	To be announced
Apr. 11-12	Section 72 (Georgia) .....	Morehouse College
Apr. 11-13	Sections 88-89 (Upstate New York) .....	Cornell University
Apr. 12	Section 54 (Michigan) .....	Ferris State College
Apr. 18-20	Section 42 (East Texas) .....	University of Texas
Apr. 18-20	Section 74 (Florida) .....	Florida State University
Oct. 5	Section 91 (Northeastern Pennsylvania) .....	Lafayette College
Dec. 27-29	National Convention .....	Los Angeles, California

## Brothers on the Move

**Robert E. Runice**, an alumnus of Alpha Lambda Chapter, North Dakota State University, is a Senior Vice President with Northwestern Bell Telephone Company in Omaha, Nebraska.

**David Denault**, an alumnus of Tau Mu Chapter, University of South Florida, is currently serving as Director of News and Public Affairs for KMVT-TV in Twin Falls, Idaho.

**Dr. Ronald W. Schoeffler**, an alumnus of Mu Xi Chapter, High Point College, received an Ed.D. Degree in Counseling and Human Development Services from the University of Georgia in December, 1979. He is now the Assistant Director of the Athens (Georgia) Community Council on Aging.

**Bernard Browning**, an alumnus of Epsilon Chapter, Northeast Missouri State University, was the featured speaker at the University's Homecoming. While there, Mr. Browning, who was the chapter president in 1939, met with members of Epsilon Chapter. He is the President of General Business Services of Rockville, Maryland.

## BITS AND PIECES

### • ACTION

The "Action" items continued in *Torch and Trefoil* are based upon information submitted by chapters or excerpted from chapter newsletters. The goal of this section is to provide information about projects which might be applicable to other chapters. Please submit information about unique or unusual projects conducted by your chapter so that this might be shared with other chapters.

### • SUMMER JOB

Would you like a summer job which involves spending 12 weeks in the Maine woods? If so, the Maine National High Adventure Area of the Boy Scouts of America would like to talk with you. They have a number of positions available for Guides who work with groups of teenage Scouts in a program of canoe camping, backpacking and environmental instruction on 6 to 15 day trips. For more information write or call: Wallace H. Jeffrey, Director, Maine National High Adventure Area, BSA, RD #1, Box 207F, Hampden Highlands, Maine 04445, 207-862-4394.

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Alpha Phi Omega  
is insurance that  
Alpha Phi Omega  
will continue to develop  
the leaders of our nation.*

# Action...

### • SIGMA PHI — UNIVERSITY OF NOTRE DAME

A unique project of SIGMA PHI CHAPTER, UNIVERSITY OF NOTRE DAME is its annual Shakespeare Reading. The members read Shakespeare on the quad in the center of campus during homecoming, soliciting donations to support the Primary Day School in South Bend. The chapter reports that it raised \$114.41 for the school last Fall. You can contact Sigma Phi at the University of Notre Dame, Box 60, South Bend, Indiana 46556

### • MU NU — WESTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY

The Blood Drives conducted by MU NU CHAPTER, WESTERN ILLINOIS for the Peoria Regional Red Cross Blood Center have been extremely successful in recent years. In 1978-79 the chapter coordinated blood drives on the campus which collected 2,407 units of blood. The drive collected more units of blood per student per year of all participating colleges and universities in 41 central Illinois counties. The Director of Donor Resources Development for the Center stated: "Because of the success of their bloodmobiles, the strength of their organization, and their willingness to do anything necessary to see that patient needs are met, we feel that the Western Illinois University program is undoubtedly in the top 10 nationally." That's an outstanding accomplishment and we salute Mu Nu. To find out why Mu Nu is so successful, write to the chapter at Western Illinois University, Activities Center, University Union, Macomb, Illinois 61455.

### • ETA CHI — HARDIN-SIMMONS UNIVERSITY

On November 3, ETA CHI CHAPTER, HARDIN-SIMMONS UNIVERSITY (TEXAS) walked away with its second sweepstakes in three years in the All-School Sing. Their "Tribute to George Gershwin" also garnered the Men's Division title and the Best Set award. After the event, the chapter celebrated by crowding 126 Brothers, alumni, family members and friends into a local restaurant for its Annual Alumni Dinner. Congratulations, Eta Chi! You can find out more about the program by writing to the chapter at Hardin-Simmons University, Box 715, H-SU Station, Abilene, Texas 79601.

### • THETA TAU — UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS-ARLINGTON

The residents of the Oak Haven Nursing Center were treated to a midway and circus by members of THETA TAU CHAPTER, UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS-ARLINGTON. Serving popcorn, peanuts, apple cider and fruit punch, the chapter troupe entertained the 40 residents with a ring toss, a bean bag throw, a strongman, a kissing booth, cartoons and a picture booth. They enlisted the support of the Grand Prairie YMCA gymnasts, who also performed in the circus. The chapter reports that the members enjoyed the event as much as the residents. You can contact Theta Tau at the University of Texas-Arlington, P.O. Box 19568, Arlington, Texas 76019.

### • TAU MU — UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH FLORIDA

An unusual project of TAU MU CHAPTER, UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH FLORIDA, consisted of acting as big brothers and big sisters for visiting students from the Cayman Islands. The project included taking the student to classes, hosting a party for them and showing them the American way of life. The most important part of the project was having the opportunity to learn about another culture. Tau Mu reports that it has one of the most rewarding projects it has undertaken. For more information contact Tau Mu at the University of South Florida, UC Box 2439, Tampa, Florida 33620.

# Action...

## • KAPPA OMICRON — UNIVERSITY OF MASSACHUSETTS

On October 20, 1979, KAPPA OMICRON CHAPTER, UNIVERSITY OF MASSACHUSETTS, conducted its 18th annual Las Vegas Night on the campus. The fund raising event, which provided \$700 for several charities, has raised more than \$20,000 over the years. The members report that they have received excellent campus and community support for the project. For more information you can contact Kappa Omicron at RSO #315, Campus Center, University of Massachusetts, Amherst, Massachusetts 01002.



Kappa Omicron Brothers pose with Fraternity banner at presentation of check from Las Vegas Night project.

## • BETA BETA — MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY

On the weekend of October 13, 1979 members of BETA BETA CHAPTER, MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY demonstrated their ties with and commitment to the Boy Scouts of America by participating in a District Scoutmaster training program at a local Scout camp. The members spent all day Saturday and most of Sunday reviewing and learning Scout camping and patrol skills as well as developing qualities necessary for effective leadership of a Scout Troop. With the ties made with other Scoutmasters and District Executives, the chapter hopes to strengthen the relationship between Beta Beta and the Lansing area Scouting program. Beta Beta's address is P.O. Box 208, East Lansing, Michigan 48823.

## • KAPPA ETA — UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN MISSISSIPPI

An annual Fall event for KAPPA ETA CHAPTER, UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN MISSISSIPPI, is the Thanksgiving Food Drive for the Salvation Army. The chapter project encourages friendly competition among campus organizations by recognizing the organizations with the highest weight totals and the top overall contributor. Although we don't have a final report on the 1979 Drive, in 1978 20 campus organizations participated, raising more than 3,000 pounds of food for the Salvation Army. For more information about this worthwhile project, contact Kappa Eta at the University of Southern Mississippi, Southern Station, Box 5071, Hattiesburg, Mississippi 39401.

## • ALPHA ALPHA — UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS

A unique chapter event for ALPHA ALPHA CHAPTER, UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS this past Fall was the Pledge-Active Olympics. The pledges and actives gathered in a local park for a series of fun-type activities which pitted pledges against the actives. Included were an egg toss, a marathon event using playground equipment, and a balloon bounce. Although the chapter newsletter does not report who won, the pledges and actives apparently had a great time. You can contact Alpha Alpha at 330 Illini Union, Urbana, Illinois 61801.

## • THETA — UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA

At Parents' Day last Fall, THETA CHAPTER, UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA, assisted the University by staffing an information booth and directing visitor parking. This valuable service to the University helped maintain traffic control and made it easier for visitors to get around the campus. For further details on the project, contact Theta at the University of Virginia, P.O. Box 420, Newcomb Hall Station, Charlottesville, Virginia 22903.

## • KAPPA LAMBDA — SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY

A back-to-school disco was sponsored by KAPPA LAMBDA CHAPTER, SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY to reunite the students, faculty, staff and community after a long, hot summer vacation. The disco dance was run for purely social reasons and not for charity. Other chapter projects last Fall included helping with student elections, assisting with homecoming and a clothes drive for area orphanages. Contact Kappa Lambda at Southern University, P.O. Box 1105, Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70813.

## • XI RHO — SUNY COLLEGE AT ONEONTA

The Richard Hayyard Memorial Scholarship, sponsored by XI RHO CHAPTER, SUNY COLLEGE AT ONEONTA, is annually presented to a deserving student who exhibits Leadership, Friendship and Service to the college and community. The scholarship, in honor of a deceased Fraternity Brother, is awarded to make a student's final year at the school financially easier. For more details on how to set up a scholarship on your campus, contact Xi Rho at Alpha Phi Omega, SUNY College at Oneonta, Administration Building, Oneonta, New York 13820.

## • TAU EPSILON — TENNESSEE TECHNOLOGICAL UNIVERSITY

The Fall semester was busy for TAU EPSILON, TENNESSEE TECHNOLOGICAL UNIVERSITY. Among the many projects, the chapter assisted with the University's Career Day by feeding hundreds of high school students, helped conduct Student Government elections, collected for UNICEF, sold ads for and distributed a student directory, and collected over \$1,600 in their annual rock-a-thon. For more information on Tau Epsilon's service program contact Alpha Phi Omega, Tennessee Technological University, Box 5252, Cookeville, Tennessee 38501.

# Action...

- **BETA MU —  
SOUTHWEST MISSOURI STATE UNIVERSITY**



The Fall, 1979 issue of *Torch and Trefoil* reported on Alpha Phi Omega Chapter participation in a National Program of Emphasis project — support of the Muscular Dystrophy Association. In December we received the above photo of Bill Seffens of Beta Mu Chapter, Southwestern Missouri State University presenting a check for \$94,000, representing the funds raised by APO Chapters, to Ed McMahon at the Jerry Lewis Telethon for Muscular Dystrophy.

- **MU OMICRON —  
CLARKSON COLLEGE OF TECHNOLOGY**

A new project for MU OMICRON CHAPTER, CLARKSON COLLEGE OF TECHNOLOGY (NEW YORK) was an exercise in leadership and mobilization as well as a service to charity. It involved an agreement with Saga Food Services, Inc. who would donate a fixed amount of Oxfam-America for each paid student meal given up on World Harvest Day, November 16, 1979 Mu Omicron organized student sign-ups at all dining halls for students to sign up to skip a meal on this date. As a result, over 625 students gave up meals and fasted, raising nearly \$500. The proceeds were distributed to Oxfam-America for starving children in underdeveloped nations. Plans are now being formulated for Oxfam-America next fall. For more information contact Mu Omicron at Clarkson College of Technology, Lewis House Desk, Potsdam, New York 13676.

- **BETA OMICRON —  
UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI-ROLLA**

Last Fall, BETA OMICRON, UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI-ROLLA, held its second annual Dance-a-thon for Muscular Dystrophy. The event received record support from the school and community and raised \$6,800 for Muscular Dystrophy. Only three out of twenty-two couples dropped out early. Many area personalities and businesses assisted in the Dance-a-thon's success, and the future of dance marathons in Rolla seems assured. Earlier in the semester, Beta Omicron opened its semi-annual used book exchange on the campus of the University of Missouri-Rolla. Local service projects and social affairs rounded out the semester's activities. Beta Omicron is now looking forward to its fifth annual Walk-a-thon for the March of Dimes to be held this Spring. You can contact the chapter at the University of Missouri-Rolla, Student Personnel, Rolla, Missouri 65401.