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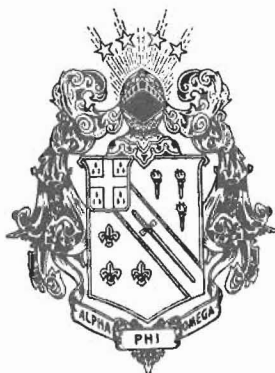
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ICAPO, the International Council of Alpha Phi Omega, is recognized at the Convention. President Wilfred Krenek, APO-USA, and Vice President Joey Policarpio, APO-Philippines, share center stage. See inside front cover for more details.

1996 National Convention A Success in Phoenix

With shirt-sleeve weather outside the Hyatt Regency Hotel in Phoenix, Arizona, this past December, over 1,600 delegates rolled up their sleeves inside the hotel and addressed the agenda of the 1996 National Convention. "Rising to Serve" was the theme of the 32nd biennial convention of Alpha Phi Omega.

Brothers from around the country and international representatives from Canada and the Philippines participated in the legislative and workshop sessions

that set the tone for the Fraternity's future.

Pledges, petitioners, actives, staff, alumni, and friends found that the fellowship of banquets and the informality of get-acquainted happenings throughout the convention put them in touch with the diversity and universality of chapters and members.

For highlights of the National Convention, check the pages inside.

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

BY WILFRED M. KRENEK, NATIONAL PRESIDENT

One of the most important resources that a chapter of Alpha Phi Omega has is its advisors. I use the word "resource" since an advisor can provide many different functions, each of which is essential for the long-term operation of a chapter.

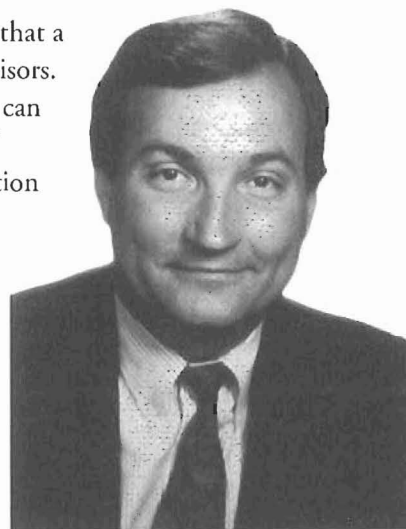
An advisor is a resource of information. Since advisors are generally involved with a chapter for periods longer than the active members, their knowledge of history can be an invaluable tool for project and member data or a perspective of relations with the university or the community. This historical data can be helpful in evaluating the current trends affecting the chapter so that educated decisions can be made to address any problems.

An advisor is a resource for ideas. Whether an advisor be from the college or community, their experiences with the college and outside organizations can be a source of ideas for service projects and membership events. As chapters are required to change to meet the needs of the members and the individuals we serve, new ideas are essential to our continued success.

An advisor is a resource for talent. Just as we look at the talents of our members for the accomplishment of our chapter goals, we should also look to the talents of our advisors for that same type of assistance. That does not mean necessarily that the advisor must attend chapter events, but they may be able to provide access to individuals, facilities or materials the chapter requires for its purposes.

The effect that the advisor has is dependent on the chapter. As a resource, an advisor will react only when asked. Therefore, it is up to the members to select advisors who fulfill the varied needs of the chapter and then involve them in their activities. As with all resources, if an advisor is not cared for through visitation and communications, many times they may slip away.

I believe that a chapter's long-term viability many times is dependent on its advisors. Keep them informed and they will serve you well.



Wilfred

The International Council of Alpha Phi Omega (ICAPO), held an organizational meeting in Phoenix, Arizona, during the 1996 National Convention. At that meeting the following officers were elected: Dave Emery, Chair; Joey Policarpio, Vice Chair; and Allen Wong, D.D.S., Secretary. The next meeting of ICAPO will be at the Philippine National Convention, May 2-4, 1997, in Baguio City, Philippines. Anyone interested in being part of the APO-USA Delegation to this Convention should contact the National Office for more information.

Letters to the Editor

Patrick Burke, Alpha Phi Omega National Executive Director and Torch & Trefoil Editor, welcomes your thoughts and comments.

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Dear Editor:

I just got the new issue of the Torch & Trefoil and it was wonderful. Keep up the good work! The article about Nicole Karlson (Alumni, page 9) was great. We were in the same chapter at West Chester University. She was one of the first brothers I met. I look forward to the next issue of Torch & Trefoil.

David Brownstein
Alumni 12/94

Dear Editor:

I must say that the response to my letter in the Torch & Trefoil has been most unexpected. I simply wanted a few of my friends from my college days to know that I have moved, how to reach me, and what I was up to. What I received on the other hand was a tribute to the Fraternity as a whole and the three cardinal principles of Leadership, Fellowship, and Service that we hold so dear. I remember writing to some of our brothers in Desert Storm, but I must say I never thought it would be me on the other end some day. A few of my Beta Sigma Brothers that I lost touch with, as well as a few that came before my

time responded. Others were military Brothers who have shared experiences....to each and every one of you my heartfelt thanks. Alpha Phi Omega is more than a college club, it is a Fraternity, a family, and it is for life.

Paul E. Marion, 1LT, CAV
2D Infantry Division
Unit # 15042
APO AP 96258-0289

Dear Editor:

I noticed in the new Pledge Manual that dates of the passing of our Founders and Past Presidents are still missing in their biographies even though the National Convention directed this to be appropriately added.

Marilyn Macalos
Delta Omega

Finding the exact dates of the deaths of our past leaders is difficult as there is no common listing of this information.

We are continuing to research this.
Editor

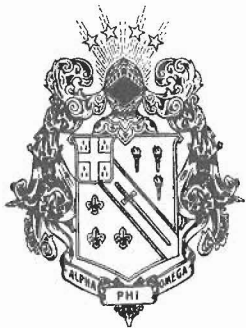
Comment...from the editor...

regarding the Winter 1996 issue of the T&T more than a few Brothers wrote to point out an obvious error in the cover article "Eternal Flame In Houston." For the record the 1970 National Convention was held in Dallas, Texas. After the 1970 Convention, "the Chief," Past National President H. Roe Bartle, traveled to Houston to help light the "Eternal Flame of Service," on the University of Houston campus.

WE'RE LISTENING

We love to hear from our readers. Send us your comments, suggestions, your ideas for continuing the mission and furthering the goals of Alpha Phi Omega.





NATIONAL PHOENIX, AZ



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Brothers of Kappa and Delta Theta Chapters are rightfully proud. Kappa was presented the M.R. Disborough Service to Scouting Award, and Delta Theta was presented the Arno Nowotny Service Award and the Earle M. Herbert Friendship Award.



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The "Nat Org I" Reference Committee takes a break during the early morning hours of December 29.



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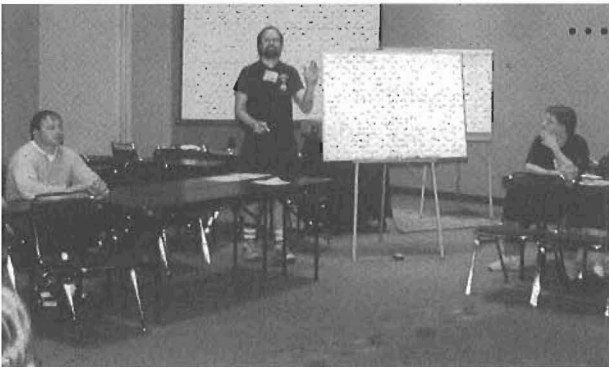
Region X Director Teri Sheets was pelted in recognition of her leadership. One of her 1994-1996 goals was to see 150 new Life Members in her Region. Members of the Region worked hard and achieved 154 new Life Memberships, resulting in a massive outpouring of "cream" pies in Teri's face.

CONVENTION

DECEMBER 27-30, 1996



Not exactly the Rockettes...but the Awards Banquet was a lot of fun.



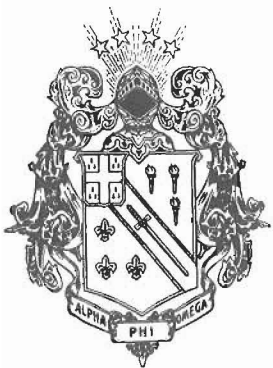
A large number of workshops and seminars allowed 5,000 student hours of leadership development.

Past President Schroeder, Jimmy Bartle Taylor (daughter of "the Chief," H. Roe Bartle), and President Krenek get ready to pass the hat for the APO Endowment.



CONVENTION FACTS

Registered Delegates:	1,621
Number of Seminars:	78
Chapters Voting:	206
Reference Committees:	15
Sectional Chairs in Attendance:	34
Packages Shipped to the Hyatt:	571
Attendees Rented	
Roll-A-Way Beds:	50
Most requested Item —	
Refrigerators in Rooms!	
Biggest Request of the Concierge:	
MAPS!	



ALUMNI

Two National Distinguished Service Awards Presented in Phoenix



Dr. Stan Carpenter presents Brothers Joe Morrone (left photo) and Jerry Schroeder (right photo) the Fraternity's highest award.



The National Distinguished Service Award is deservedly given to Brothers who have provided service to the Fraternity that is marked by both the time and the range of activities in which they have been involved. In presenting the 1996 National Distinguished Service Awards to the year's two recipients, Dr. Stan Carpenter cited qualities in the areas of Leadership, Friendship and Service that both honorees possess.

Joseph Morrone, Zeta Theta, Drexel University, Philadelphia, PA., 1967, has nearly 30 years of behind-the-scenes and in-the-foreground work for the Fraternity to his credit. In addition to serving on the National Board of Directors for APO, Brother Morrone has a long history of

volunteering his time and talents on the Sectional, Regional, and National levels, often supplying expertise as committee member, teacher, coach, and friend to countless individuals and chapters. Those who have worked with Brother Morrone, including staff, know how effortlessly he injects fun into the business of creating better chapter programs. He has presented many workshops over the years and faithfully served as Sectional Chair for 20 years, before joining the Board for five years.

Gerald A. Schroeder began his distinguished career in Alpha Phi Omega as a member of Mu Alpha Chapter at Georgetown University. This mild Midwesterner was recruited during a career of public service in Washington, D.C., to become

Sectional Chair, where his leadership and communication skills furthered inter-chapter relations, and the chartering of several new chapters.

Subsequently, Brother Schroeder was elected a Member-at-Large on the National Board of Directors. He oversaw significant advances in membership growth, policy development, and chapter issues. The 1986 National Convention recognized his capabilities and elected him National Vice President. In that position, he successfully coordinated Fraternity standards, and was instrumental in fund-raising for the new National Office Building Campaign.

During Brother Schroeder's tenure as National President, 1990-1994, he fostered diversity and a steady growth in membership, formed a working Advisory Committee of key educators, and strengthened the Fraternity's relationship with the Boy Scouts of America. Jerry Schroeder has consistently demonstrated the principles of Leadership, Service, and Friendship over the past 30 years as a Brother of Alpha Phi Omega.

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THE NATIONAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS

NATIONAL PRESIDENT

WILFRED M. KRENEK

Alpha Rho '71

Wilfred M. Krenek was elected by acclamation as National President by the delegates at the 1994 National Convention in Dallas, Texas, and was similarly re-elected by the delegates at the 1996 National Convention in Phoenix, Arizona.

Activated in 1971 into Alpha Rho Chapter at the University of Texas at Austin, Wilfred served in various chapter offices including Chapter President. After receiving a Bachelor of Business Administration degree, he served as Chair of Section 42, from 1977-1980. At the 1980 National Convention, Brother Krenek was elected Region VII Director and was subsequently re-elected in 1982, 1984, and 1986. He became a Member-at-Large on the National Board of Directors at the 1988 National Convention in Denver and chaired the National Finance Committee for two years. He was elected National Vice President in 1990 and was re-elected in 1992.

Wilfred coordinated the 1988 National Convention in Houston, Texas, and served as an advisor to the 1988 and 1990 National Conventions. He chaired the National Executive Search Committee in 1984 and later co-chaired the "Target 30" fund-raising effort for the building of the Fraternity's National Headquarters. Wilfred is the recipient of the Chapter, Sectional, and Regional Distinguished Service Keys. He is a Gold Founders' Circle Torchbearer and a Life Member.

Wilfred is employed as the Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of the Bettis Corporation. Besides being a member of numerous professional organizations, including the AICPA and the Financial Executive Institute, Wilfred is a member of St. Maximilian Kolbe Catholic Community and serves on the parish council. Wilfred resides in Houston, Texas, with his wife, Kay Hairgrove Krenek, Beta Sigma, 1979, who served as National Service Chair from 1986-1990.



NATIONAL VICE PRESIDENT

JACK A. MCKENZIE

Gamma Lambda '73, '93

Public Information Director for Administration, Advancement and Student Affairs, Clemson University, Clemson, South Carolina. Jack served as the Chapter's Corresponding Secretary and Membership Vice President. Twice elected Chapter President. Advisor to Gamma Lambda. Founding member of Clemson University Alpha Phi Omega Alumni Society; served as President, Secretary-Treasurer, and is currently Executive Director. At the Chapter's invitation, repledged and was reinitiated during fall 1993 to celebrate the 20th anniversary of his original initiation. Section 77 Chair, 1986; Region IV Director, 1986-1992. Member-at-Large on the National Board of Directors (National Public Relations and Publications Chair), 1992-1994.

Elected National Vice President in 1994 and re-elected in 1996. Former member of the National Alumni Committee, organized Region IV Alumni Council and was Region IV Alumni Voting Delegate at two National Conventions.

Recipient of the following awards: Region IV Distinguished Service Key; Region IV Jack A. McKenzie Award (first recipient, namesake honor); Section 77 Distinguished Service Key; Gamma Lambda Distinguished Service Key; Gamma Lambda Distinguished Alumni Service Chair Award (first recipient); Gamma Lambda Brother-of-the-Year Award (1975, 1976); Gamma Lambda Outstanding Service Certificate; Gamma Lambda Outstanding Pledge. Life Member. Silver Founders' Circle Torchbearer. Presented the Clemson University Norris Medal for all-around excellence in scholarship and extracurricular activities. Member Phi Kappa Phi National Honor Society and Blue Key National Honor Fraternity. Jack resides in Clemson, South Carolina.



PROGRAM DIRECTORS

INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

DAVE EMERY

Iota Phi '79

Account Manager, DistribuPro Computer Associates International, Santa Clara, California; M.S. in Avian Nutrition, B.S. in Animal Science from the University of California, Davis. Served on the Board of Directors as Region X Director, 1986-1990. Elected Member-at-Large in 1990. Elected Program Director in 1996. Resides in San Jose, California.



ALUMNI/VOLUNTEER DEVELOPMENT

BOBBY M. HAINLINE

Chi Mu '71

Product Design Engineer, Transit Vehicle Office, Ford Motor Company, Dearborn, Michigan. A.S. in Automotive Technology from Henry Ford Community College, B.S. in Mechanical Engineering from Wayne State University. Served on the National Board of Directors as Region VI Director, 1988-1994. Elected Member-at-Large in 1994. Elected Program Director in 1996. Resides in Dearborn, Michigan.



SERVICE/COMMUNICATION

M. TOMUSIAK

Alpha Chi '74

Generally known as "mrn." Systems Engineer, Kenan Systems Corporation, Cambridge, Massachusetts. Bachelor's and Master's degrees in Aeronautical and Astronautical Engineering from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. Served on the Board of Directors as Region I Director, 1988-1994. Elected Member-at-Large in 1994. Elected Program Director in 1996. Resides in Medford, Massachusetts.



FINANCE/OPERATIONS

JOHN M. WETHERINGTON

Gamma Theta '74

Managing Director, Global Marketing Associates (international marketing and consulting firm), Englewood, Colorado. B.A. in Economics and B.S. in Business Administration, University of Colorado, 1977, M.B.A., University of Denver, 1982. Served on the Board of Directors as Member-at-Large, 1988-1994. Elected Program Director in 1996. Resides in Englewood, Colorado.



LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT

ALLEN WONG, D.D.S.

Alpha Alpha Xi '81

A private practice dentist in Roseville, California, and Chief of the Division of Dentistry at Highland General Hospital, Oakland, California. Received his dental degree from the University of the Pacific School of Dentistry in San Francisco and completed his undergraduate education at the University of the Pacific in Stockton. Served on the Board of Directors as Region X Director, 1990-1994. Elected Member-at-Large in 1994. Elected Program Director in 1996. Resides in San Francisco, California.



MEMBERSHIP/EXTENSION

CHARLIE ZIMMERMAN

Omicron '84

Communications Specialist, Caterpillar Inc., a global producer of earthmovers, engines and construction equipment, B.S.E. (1987) and M.S. (1989) in Industrial and Management Engineering from the University of Iowa. Served on the Board of Directors as Region IX Director, 1990-1994. Elected Program Director in 1996. Resides in Aurora, Illinois.



REGIONAL DIRECTORS



REGION I
CHERYL LYNN SMITH
Alpha Beta '82

Support Technician for NCR Corporation, Pre Sales Engineers Communications Division, Berkeley, Heights, New Jersey. B.S. in HPE, Teaching, Penn State University, 1985. Served on the Board of Directors as Region I Director since 1994. Resides in Edison, New Jersey.



REGION II
WARREN WEIDMAN
Mu Eta '58

Industry consultant, instrumentation and control valves. Holds B.S. degrees from Albright College and Drexel University and an MBA from Drexel University. Served on the Board of Directors as Region II Representative, 1968-1974. Served on the National Executive Committee, 1974-1976. Elected to serve as Region II Representative in 1976. Resides in Reading, Pennsylvania.



REGION III
LEE CORRELL
Xi Zeta '84

Senior Engineer, Howard Hughes Medical Institute, Chevy Chase, Maryland. Served on the Board of Directors as Region III Director since 1992. Resides in Washington, DC.



REGION IV
MICHAEL C. NATHAN
Zeta Omicron '68

Estimating Manager, Rose Printing Company. B.S. in Printing Management from Cal State, Los Angeles. Elected Region IV Director in 1996. Resides in Tallahassee, Florida.



REGION V
BARBARA R. ANDERSON
Alpha Iota '80

Project Engineer, SIECO, Inc., Lancaster, Ohio. B. S. Civil Engineering, 1982, Ohio State University. Served on the Board of Directors as Region V Director since 1994. Resides in Lancaster, Ohio.



REGION VI
MAGGIE KATZ
Gamma Pi '80

Director, Development Computing Services, Cranbrook Educational Community, a Michigan non-profit organization. B.A. in Political Science from the University of Michigan, 1984. MBA in Marketing, Eastern Michigan University, 1996. Served on the Board of Directors as the Region VI Director since 1994. Resides in Farmington Hills, Michigan.



REGION VII
BELTON LIM
Xi Delta '81

Project Engineer for United Space Alliance; a sub-contractor to NASA. B.S. in Industrial Engineering from Texas A&M University in 1984. Elected Region VII Director in 1996. Resides in Houston, Texas.



REGION VIII
SUSAN ITTERLY
Alpha Eta '90

Program Coordinator of the UMKC Women's Center, University of Missouri-Kansas City. B.A. in Theater from UMKC in 1990. Currently completing an M.A. in Higher Education Administration. Elected Region VIII Director in 1996. Resides in Kansas City, Missouri.



REGION IX
TANYA REFSHAUGE
Mu Theta '88

Youth Services Specialist & Program Coordinator, American Red Cross, Greater Minneapolis Area Chapter, Minnesota. B.A. in Social Work from Luther College, Decorah, Iowa., 1991, and School Social Work Certificate from Mankato State University, Mankato, MN, 1997. Elected Region IX Director in 1996. Resides in St. Paul, Minnesota.



REGION X
TERI SHEETS
Iota Phi '84

Professional Transportation Planner for the Sacramento Area Council of Governments in Sacramento, California. B.S. in Environmental Policy Analysis and Planning from the University of California, Davis. Served on the Board of Directors as Region X Director since 1994. Resides in Sacramento, California.

CONVENTION ACTION

REVOCATION OF CHARTER

Upon recommendation by the National Board of Directors, the 1996 National Convention revoked the Charter of Omicron Theta Chapter, Monmouth University, Long Branch, New Jersey, for violation of the policies and principles of Alpha Phi Omega, particularly those policies and principles prohibiting hazing.

REVOCATION OF MEMBERSHIP

Upon recommendation of the Rho Chi Chapter, Gannon University, Erie, Pennsylvania, the 1996 National Convention revoked the Fraternity Membership of George W. Bodmer for violation of the membership policies and principles of Alpha Phi Omega, particularly those policies and principles prohibiting hazing.

AMENDMENTS TO THE ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

Amended numbered paragraph 2 of the "In furtherance" clause to read:

2. To be and remain organized and operated exclusively as a non-profit charitable corporation to assemble college students in a national service fraternity in the fellowship of principles derived from the Scout Oath and Law of the Boy Scouts of America; to develop leadership, to promote friendship and to provide service to humanity; and to further the freedom that is our national, educational, and intellectual heritage.

AMENDMENTS TO THE NATIONAL BYLAWS STANDARD ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION NATIONAL PLEDGE STANDARDS

BYLAWS -

All References to "Member(s)-at-Large" have been amended by replacing them with, in all instances in the National Bylaws, the terms "Program Director" and "Program Directors."

ARTICLE II - PURPOSE

Amended to read:

The purpose of this Fraternity shall be to assemble college students in a National Service Fraternity in the fellowship of principles derived from the Scout Oath and Law of the Boy Scouts of America; to develop Leadership, to promote Friendship, and to provide Service to humanity; and to further the freedom that is our national, educational, and intellectual heritage.

ARTICLE III - MEMBERSHIP

SECTION 2. TYPES AND CONDITIONS OF MEMBERSHIP, SUBSECTION 2, ACTIVE MEMBERSHIP.

Amended by striking the following phrase:

"who are encouraged, but not required, by the chapter upon activation to be a registered member of any Scout movement; and who have successfully completed an approved membership education program." and inserting the following phrase in its place: "who have successfully completed a membership education program structured in accordance with the guidelines established in the National Pledging Standards and the Membership Policies of the Fraternity; and who are encouraged, but not required, by their chapter to be a registered member of any Scout movement."

ARTICLE III - MEMBERSHIP

SECTION 2. TYPES AND CONDITIONS OF MEMBERSHIP, SUBSECTION 4 ADVISORY MEMBERSHIP.

Amended by adding:

"directing the supervision of pledges, directing the establishment of pledge or active membership programs and policies," after the words "except those of voting."

ARTICLE III - MEMBERSHIP

SECTION 2. TYPES AND CONDITIONS OF MEMBERSHIP, SUBSECTION 5, HONORARY MEMBERSHIP.

Amended the first paragraph by adding, "any petitioning group upon charter approval" after "collegiate chapter." So that it reads: "Honorary membership may be conferred by any collegiate chapter, any petitioning group upon charter approval, or the National Board of Directors upon...."

ARTICLE III - MEMBERSHIP

SECTION 2. TYPES AND CONDITIONS OF MEMBERSHIP, SUBSECTION 5, HONORARY MEMBERSHIP.

Amended the first paragraph by adding the words:

"of an institution by which a charter is held or

institutions where extension efforts are ongoing. Honorary membership may be bestowed upon undergraduates of institutions where extension efforts may not be attempted due to institutional regulations" after "undergraduate students."

ARTICLE III - MEMBERSHIP

SECTION 2. TYPES AND CONDITIONS OF MEMBERSHIP. SUBSECTION 5, HONORARY MEMBERSHIP.

Amended by adding the following paragraph before the last paragraph:

Selection of honorary members by a petitioning group shall require the approval by vote of at least three-fourths of the petitioning group membership and shall be recognized upon charter approval, with the honorary member included as a chartering member."

ARTICLE III - MEMBERSHIP

SECTION 2. TYPES AND CONDITIONS OF MEMBERSHIP. SUBSECTION 6, LIFE MEMBERSHIP.

Amended by striking "shall be conferred upon any active, advisory, or alumni member who contributes to the National Fraternity an amount as specified in Article VIII, Section 8" and inserting "recognition shall be granted to any active, advisory, or alumni member who contributes to the Alpha Phi Omega Endowment Fund an amount as specified in Article VIII, Section 8."

ARTICLE IV - NATIONAL CONVENTIONS

SECTION 7. TIME AND PLACE.

Amended to read:

Southern - Texas, Oklahoma, Arkansas, Louisiana, Tennessee, Mississippi, Alabama, Georgia, [and] Florida, and all commonwealths, territories and possessions of the United States located in the eastern waters, except for the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico.
Western - All Pacific Seaboard States, the states of Arizona, Nevada, Idaho, Utah, Montana, Wyoming, Colorado, New Mexico, Alaska, Hawaii [and the Island of Guam], and all other commonwealths, territories and possessions of the United States located in the western waters.

ARTICLE V - NATIONAL OFFICERS

SECTION 2. APPOINTED OFFICERS.

Amended by deleting the "and" after the term "National Legal Counsel," and adding the words "and the International Relations Director" after the term "National Archivist."

ARTICLE V - NATIONAL OFFICERS

SECTION 6. DUTIES OF MEMBERS-AT-LARGE OF THE NATIONAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

Amended by replacing the entire existing section with the following new section:

SECTION 6. DUTIES OF THE NATIONAL PROGRAM DIRECTORS. The National President shall appoint five of the National Program Directors to serve, respectively, as the National Membership and

Extension Director, the National Leadership Development Director, the National Service and Communication Director, the National Finance and Operations Director, and the National Alumni Relations/Internal Volunteer Development Director. The National President shall appoint the remaining National Program Director to serve in such capacity as the President deems is in the Fraternity's best interest."

ARTICLE V - NATIONAL OFFICERS

SECTION 10. DUTIES OF THE INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS DIRECTOR.

This is a new section inserted following Section 9. Duties of the National Archivist, and before the "old" Section 10. Succession, renumbering the sections accordingly:

SECTION 10. DUTIES OF THE INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS DIRECTOR. It shall be the duty of the International Relations Director to coordinate the international affairs of Alpha Phi Omega National Service Fraternity (USA), including its participation in the International Council of Alpha Phi Omega, and to advise the National President and the National Board of Directors of Alpha Phi Omega National Service Fraternity (USA) on its relations with the other national Alpha Phi Omega organizations."

ARTICLE VI - NATIONAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS

SECTION 1. NATIONAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

Amended by adding the following sentence to the end of the existing section: "Each Member of the National Board of Directors shall be held responsible for near-term and long-range planning and development for his or her prescribed duties in accordance with the Fraternity's common, overall, near-term and long-range goals."

ARTICLE VI - NATIONAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS

SECTION 2. MEMBERS OF THE NATIONAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

Amended by adding the term "the International Relations Director," after the term "the National Archivist," in the list of ex-officio members and by adding the following sentence at the end of the section: "Unless a voting member of the National Board of Directors is appointed to serve as International Relations Director, the International Relations Director shall have voice but no vote."

ARTICLE VII - NATIONAL COMMITTEES

SECTION 3. NATIONAL ALUMNI COMMITTEE.

Amended by replacing the entire existing section with the following new section:

"SECTION 3. NATIONAL ALUMNI RELATIONS/INTERNAL VOLUNTEER DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE. The National Alumni Relations/Internal Volunteer Development Committee shall consist of the National Alumni Relations/Internal Volunteer

Development Director as chair, one alumni member from each region and other members as deemed necessary. The National Alumni Relations/Internal Volunteer Development Committee member from each region shall be nominated by the National Alumni Relations/Internal Volunteer Development Director and appointed by the National President."

"It shall be the duty of the National Alumni Relations/Internal Volunteer Development Committee to coordinate all alumni affairs of the Fraternity, to promote continued alumni interest in the Fraternity's ideals and programs, and to serve as the governing body of the Fraternity's alumni. It also shall be the duty of the National Alumni Relations/Internal Volunteer Development Committee to initiate and coordinate identification, recruitment, development, retention and recognition programs for volunteers to work within and for the Fraternity."

ARTICLE VII - NATIONAL COMMITTEES

SECTION 4. NATIONAL MEMBERSHIP AND EXTENSION COMMITTEE.

Amended by replacing the entire existing section with the following new section:

"SECTION 4. NATIONAL MEMBERSHIP AND EXTENSION COMMITTEE. The National Membership and Extension Committee shall consist of the National Membership and Extension Director as chair and members nominated by the National Membership and Extension Director and appointed by the National President."

"It shall be the duty of the National Membership and Extension Committee to promote and encourage programs and activities that serve and support chapters, to promote and encourage programs and activities for the enhancement of membership recruitment, retention and reporting in the Fraternity, to promote and encourage programs and services for chapter advisors, to promote and encourage the reactivation of previously voided charters, and to promote and encourage the formation of new chapters."

ARTICLE VII - NATIONAL COMMITTEES

SECTION 5. NATIONAL FINANCE COMMITTEE.

Amended by replacing the entire existing section with the following new section:

"SECTION 5. NATIONAL FINANCE AND OPERATIONS COMMITTEE. The National Finance and Operations Committee shall consist of the National Finance and Operations Director as chair and two or more members nominated by the National Finance and Operations Director and appointed by the National President."

"It shall be the duty of the National Finance and Operations Committee to propose ways and means to finance the Fraternity adequately, to propose expenditures through annual budget recommendations and a written report, to oversee and coordinate the Fraternity's fundraising programs and activities, and to evaluate National Office personnel practices and operational procedures for the purpose of providing recommendations, advice and counsel to the National President, the National Executive Director and the National Board of Directors regarding personnel and operational matters."

ARTICLE VII - NATIONAL COMMITTEES

SECTION 6. NATIONAL SERVICE COMMITTEE.

Amended by replacing the entire existing section with the following new section:

"SECTION 6. NATIONAL SERVICE AND COMMUNICATION COMMITTEE.

The National Service and Communication Committee shall consist of the National Service and Communication Director as chair and members nominated by the National Service and Communication Director and appointed by the National President."

"It shall be the duty of the National Service and Communication Committee to develop a two-year National Service Program for consideration and action by the biennial National Convention; to stimulate effective and well-rounded chapter service programs by instigating resource development and distribution; to encourage high-quality chapter service programs through an effective program of promotion and recognition of chapter service

activities, opportunities and incentives; and to coordinate the Fraternity's youth-service activities, including those related to scouting organizations, such as the Boy Scouts of America, the Girl Scouts of the United States of America and similar associations."

"Further, it shall be the duty of the National Service and Communication Committee to publicize the Fraternity's success and leadership in service and volunteerism so as to foster good relations with college and university administrators and faculties and with the general public; to build, maintain and enhance cooperative relationships between the Fraternity and other major service and volunteerism organizations; to promote and encourage effective communication within the Fraternity through all available resources and methods, including printed publications and electronic means; to assist in the promotion of Fraternity events, such as Sectional, Regional and National conferences; and to oversee the use and development of Fraternity insignia."

ARTICLE VII - NATIONAL COMMITTEES

SECTION 7. NATIONAL LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE.

Amended by replacing the entire existing section with the following new section:

"SECTION 7. NATIONAL LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE. The National Leadership Development Committee shall consist of the National Leadership Development Director as chair and members nominated by the National Leadership Development Director and appointed by the National President."

"It shall be the duty of the National Leadership Development Committee to establish and coordinate leadership development programs on the Sectional, Regional and National levels."

ARTICLE VII - NATIONAL COMMITTEES

SECTION 8. NATIONAL PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMITTEE.

Amended by deleting the entire existing section and renumbering subsequent sections, if any, accordingly.

ARTICLE VII - NATIONAL COMMITTEES

SECTION 9. NATIONAL SCOUTING RELATIONS COMMITTEE.

Amend by replacing the entire existing section with the following new section:

"SECTION 9. NATIONAL SCOUTING AND YOUTH SERVICES COMMITTEE.

The National Scouting and Youth Services Committee shall consist of a chair appointed by the National President, a representative of the National Council of the Boy Scouts of America and other members nominated by the chair and appointed by the National President.

"It shall be the duty of the National Scouting and Youth Services Committee to advise the National Service and Communication Director, the National President and the National Board of Directors on relations between the Fraternity and youth-service organizations, including the Boy Scouts of America, the Girl Scouts of the United States of America and similar associations; to offer suggestions to enable the Fraternity to be of greater service to youth, including those participating in the Boy Scout and Girl Scout movements; and to promote interest in Alpha Phi Omega among professional and volunteer leaders of youth-service organizations, including the Boy Scouts of America and the Girl Scouts of the United States of America."

ARTICLE VII - NATIONAL COMMITTEES

SECTION 10. NATIONAL PUBLICATIONS COMMITTEE.

Amended by deleting the entire existing section and renumbering subsequent sections, if any, accordingly.

ARTICLE VIII - FINANCE

SECTION 1. DUTIES OF THE CHAIRMAN OF THE NATIONAL FINANCE COMMITTEE.

Amended by replacing "Chairman of the National Finance Committee" in the title and in the first sentence with "National Finance and Operations Director."

ARTICLE VIII - FINANCE

SECTION 2. ENDOWMENT FUND.

Amended by deleting Section 2, in its entirety, and renumbered all remaining Sections.

ARTICLE VIII - FINANCE

SECTION 6. INITIATION FEE.

Amended by substituting in the first sentence the words "twenty-five (\$25)" for the current "twenty (\$20)."

ARTICLE VIII - FINANCE

SECTION 7. ANNUAL ACTIVE MEMBERSHIP DUES.

Amended by substituting in the first sentence the words "twelve (\$12)" for the current "eight (\$8)." Also, amended by substituting in the second sentence the words "thirty-six (\$36)" for the current "twenty-four (\$24)."

ARTICLE VIII - FINANCE

SECTION 8. LIFE MEMBERSHIP FEE.

Amended to read as follows: Life Member recognition shall be granted to all active members and to alumni members within one year of their obtaining alumni status who are in good standing and have contributed fifty dollars (\$50) in a single sum or cumulatively and to advisory, honorary and other alumni members who have contributed one hundred dollars (\$100) in a single sum or cumulatively to the Alpha Phi Omega Endowment Fund.

Further amended by replacing the words "one hundred dollars (\$100)" with "seventy-five dollars (\$75)."

ARTICLE IX - CHAPTERS

SECTION 16. AUTHORITY OF CHAPTERS.

Amended by adding the following sentence at the end of the paragraph:

"In the event that the rules, regulations, or policies of the educational institution at which a chapter is located are more stringent than those included in the National Articles of Incorporation, the National Bylaws, or the Standard Chapter Articles of Association, the rules, regulations and policies of the host institution shall prevail."

ARTICLE X - SECTIONS

SECTION 2. SECTIONAL LEADERSHIP

SUBSECTION 1. SECTIONAL CHAIR.

Amended by inserting the words "or until his/her successor has been elected" after the word "term" in the first sentence. Further amended by adding the phrase "belonging to that Section that are" between the words "chapters" and "present." The first sentence now reads: "The Sectional Chair shall be elected for a one-year term or until his or her successor has been elected by the majority vote of those chapters belonging to that Section that are present and voting at a Sectional Conference."

ARTICLE X - SECTIONS

SECTION 3. SECTIONAL CONFERENCES.

Amended by striking the last paragraph.

ARTICLE XI - REGIONS

SECTION 2. REGIONAL LEADERSHIP.

Amended by adding the following as a paragraph between the Second (ending with "...Office.") and Third (beginning with "Nomination and election...") Paragraphs. To read:

"For administrative purposes, regional staff members may be appointed by the Regional Director to serve concurrently with the term of the Regional Director. The Regional Director shall define their duties."

ARTICLE XI - REGIONS

SECTION 3. REGIONAL CONFERENCES.

Amended by adding a new SECTION 3. To read:

"SECTION 3. REGIONAL CONFERENCES. A Regional Conference may be held at a time and place determined by the chapters in the region, subject to the approval of the Regional Director. A Regional Conference may formulate recommendations and propose amendments for the consideration of the National Convention or the National Board of Directors."

ARTICLE XII - ALUMNI

SECTION 1. NATIONAL ALUMNI ASSOCIATION.

PARAGRAPH (1) FORMATION; SECTION 2. LOCAL ALUMNI ASSOCIATION, PARAGRAPH (4); AND SECTION 3. REGIONAL ALUMNI

COUNCILS, PARAGRAPH (1).

Amended by replacing the term "National Alumni Committee" with the term "National Alumni Relations/Internal Volunteer Development Committee."

ARTICLE XII - ALUMNI

SECTION 3. REGIONAL ALUMNI COUNCILS.

Amended Paragraph (2) to read as follows:

The Regional Alumni Council shall be composed of at least one alumni member from each recognized alumni association within the region and at least one alumni member-at-large from the region, appointed by the Regional Alumni Council Chair. The council shall also include at least one alumni member-at-large from each section, appointed by the Regional Alumni Council Chair and approved by the respective sectional chair, in order to represent the interests of those alumni, not affiliated with a recognized alumni association within said region.

ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION -

AMENDMENTS TO THE ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION

Amended the PREAMBLE to read:

We, the members of _____ Chapter of Alpha Phi Omega National Service Fraternity, chartered on the campus of _____ and established for the purpose of assembling college students in the fellowship of principles derived from the Scout Oath and Law of the Boy Scouts of America, to develop Leadership, to promote Friendship, and to provide Service to humanity, and to further the freedom that is our national, educational, and intellectual heritage, do adopt these Standard Chapter Articles of Association.

ARTICLE III - MEMBERSHIP

SECTION 3. ACTIVE MEMBERSHIP.

Amended by striking the following phrase:

"who are encouraged, but not required, by the chapter upon activation to be a registered member of any Scout movement; and who have successfully completed an approved membership education program."

And inserting the following phrase in its place:

"who have successfully completed a membership education program structured in accordance with the guidelines established in the National Pledging Standards and the Membership Policies of the Fraternity; and who are encouraged, but not required, by this chapter to be a registered member of any Scout movement."

ARTICLE XVIII - AUTHORITY OF CHAPTERS

Amended by adding the following sentence at the end of the paragraph to read:

"In the event that the rules, regulations, or policies of the educational institution at which this chapter is located are more stringent than those included in the National Articles of Incorporation, the National Bylaws, or the Standard Chapter Articles of Association, the rules, regulations and policies of the host institution shall prevail."

PLEDGE STANDARDS

Section 20 - INITIATION OF NEOPHYTES

Amended by inserting at the end of the first paragraph: "Pledges should be made aware that the Official Fraternity Initiation Ritual contains references to God and a dedication invoking the name of "Our Common God."

RITUALS

THE DELEGATES ASSEMBLY MADE CHANGES TO THE PLEDGE RITUAL AND TO THE INITIATION RITUAL.

CONTACT THE NATIONAL OFFICE FOR A DESCRIPTION OF THESE CHANGES.

RESOLUTIONS

ALUMNI

Resolved that the National Alumni Association work to promote Career Connection and Sustaining Membership in the following ways:

(1) In the January and September standard mailings, replace the Alumni Accent with a standard mailing detailing the Career Connection and Sustaining

Membership programs and the services they provide, and
(2) The word "Alumni" should not appear in the title or any other eye-catching phrases, and
(3) The mailing should be designed to appeal to active undergraduate members, regarding Sustaining Membership, Life Membership, Career Connection, and any other type of alumni organization, and
(3) This mailing should include details on whom to contact and a list of what information will need to be given to this contact person.

(4) The Career Connection and Sustaining Membership programs should also be actively promoted by Regional Directors, Sectional Chairs, and Alumni Council Chairs.

LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT

Reported to the National Board of Directors on the current educational programs of the Fraternity. The committee recommended that the Board continue to develop and expand the educational programs to ensure that the Fraternity continues to serve the essential needs of the membership in Leadership Development.

AWARDS AND APPRECIATIONS

Resolved that the 1996 Alpha Phi Omega National Convention:

Extend great thanks to Ernest Manfredini, the National Convention Chair.

Extend great thanks to Andrea Isaacs, the National Convention Coordinator.

Extend thanks and appreciation to the 1996 Convention Planning Committee for a job well done: Heather Lui, Alumni; Craig Tanner, Alumni; Jennifer Chan, Banquets; Greg Rudnick, Ceremonies; Marcus Snyder, Ceremonies; Gamma Beta Chapter, Dances; Eric Hardy, Entertainment II; Scott Jones, Entertainment II; Cliff Gilley, Exhibits; David Angus, Hosting; Anel De Leon, Talent Show; Ellen Milne Publicity; Kristiana Kincaid, Publicity; Arvin Chan, Printing, Publications and Registration; Gavin Zec, Printing, Publications and Registration; Michael Canton Safety and Security; Pamela Jensen, Safety and Security; Joshua Pihl, Service; Roger Clark, Sergeant-at-Arms and Floor Services; Bryan Han, Signage; Julie Ellston, Souvenirs; Nadean Cardullo, Souvenirs; Mimi Huang, Workshops; Andrew Lane, Visuals; Louis Hilliard, Visuals; Gilbert Lee, Michael Wong, Rebecca Bowen, John Linder, Elaine Ellis, Timmie Yamada, Tony Wah, David Price, Dominic Lelati, Peter Santana of DHL, Tamara Wilkerson and James Miller of Apple Computer.

Extend thanks to Alumni Advisors to the Convention Committee: Lisa Bowman, Dr. Lisa Covi, Lee Kline, Christopher Shavor, Dr. Elizabeth Tom, John Cenzano-Fong, Eleanor Gabrielli, Anna Ng, Nicole Padellani, Deborah Sloane, Matthew Troth, Bella Cenzano-Fong, Joe Isaacs, David O'Leary, James Rodden, Karen Tiu, Stacy Tannenbaum, Tony Ploughe.

Extend recognition to Region X staff who did the daily work of the Region while everyone else worked on convention: Teri Sheets, D.J. Byrne, Michael Pajaro, David Cohen, Michelle Harris, Elaine Ellis, Robert Campbell, Rhonda Aven-Haggenmiller, and all other Regional and Sectional Staff in Region X.

Extend thanks to the National Board of Directors, All National, Regional and Sectional Staff.

Extend thanks and appreciation to all Chapters Advisors. Extend thanks and welcome to the Petitioners and Prospective members from Canada who attended the Convention.

Extend warmest regards and appreciation to our Visitors from Alpha Phi Omega Philippines: Bro. Joey Policarpio, Bro. Bernard Castillo, Bro. Jun Perlas, Dr. Cesar Andal and Sis Laurie Pimentel.

Send greetings and Best Wishes to Donald Terwilliger, the surviving founding member of Alpha Phi Omega and Life Member of the Board of Directors.

Thanks and appreciation to our workshop presenters: William Reed, Chi-Ching Hung, Kay Krenek, Marianne Rony, Dwayne Hearn, Paula Aven, Ellen Kranzer, Pamela Jensen, David O'Leary, Elizabeth Tom, Betty Rauch, Patrick Burke, mrrn Tomusiak, Margaret Katz, Marilyn Mims, Reuben "Fuzz" Hochstedler, Tanya Refshauge, James Hahn, Michael Wong, Walden Tiu, William Turner, Dr. Lisa Covi, Deepa Lele, James Rodden, Trey Perry, Julie Moore, Gerald Schroeder, Jeff Neurater, Aasha Leahy,

Kristiana Kincaid, John Anderson, Lee Correll, John Cenzano-Fong, Jerold Marks, Peter Fagan, Deborah Sloane, Neal Farmer, David Emery, Marian Isom, Allen Wong, Charlie Zimmerman, Joe Isaacs, Ron Sklamm, Patrick George, Teri Sheets, Barbara Anderson, Carla Moran, Kimberlie Harris, George Shih.

Special Thanks to the Leadership Development Staff: Betsy Ullrich, Matthew Troth, Jerold Marks, Eleanor Gabrielli, Louis Sapirman, James Hahn, Sean Stapleton, Henry Marx, Fred Heismeyer.

Special Thanks to the Leadership Advancement Program presenters: Judy Wetherington, Keith Firstenburg, Fred Heismeyer, Amy Crosgrove, Curt Ophaug-Johansen, Ron Sklamm, Karen Tiu, Jennifer Heberle, Belton Lim.

Special Thanks to John Wetherington for his coordination of the Reference Committee Reports for the Delegates Assembly.

Congratulations to Alpha Delta Rho Chapter on their chartering and a thanks for reminding us all what APO looks like through new cycles.

Extend thanks to those who applied for the Josiah A. Frank Historian Award: Alpha Iota, Ohio State University; Epsilon, Truman State University; Gamma Gamma, University of California at Berkeley; Omicron Phi, University of Richmond; Lambda Nu, Duke University; Zeta Beta, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University; Beta Sigma, Texas Tech University; Epsilon Zeta, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute; Kappa Rho, Seattle University; Zeta Delta, Miami University of Ohio; Alpha Rho, University of Texas at Austin.

Extend thanks to those chapters who applied the time and dedication to apply for the Earle M. Herberg Friendship Award: Alpha Gamma Pi University of Maine at Farmington; Alpha Rho, University of Texas, at Austin; Delta Theta, University of Louisville; Epsilon Beta, Central Michigan University; Alpha Delta Delta, George Mason University; Zeta Delta, Miami University of Ohio, Alpha Gamma, Purdue University; Epsilon Lambda, Michigan Technical University; Iota Phi, University of California at Davis.

Extend warmest greetings to Jimmie Bartle Taylor and best wishes for a great new year.

Extend greetings and thanks to all of the delegates, especially voting delegates, to the 1996 Convention for their commitment.

Extend thanks to the National Office staff for their time and dedication. A special thanks to Judith Weaver and Linda Secrist for their extra hard work in merchandise at the convention. A special thanks to Bobby Hainline, GiGi Roach, Rod Schnell, Joe Isaacs, for their extra hard work and many hours in the merchandise store. A special thanks to Judy Mitchell who managed, yet one more time, the National Convention Registration, and her assistant, Jackie Burke, spouse of the National Executive Director. Much gratitude and great appreciation to our National Archivist, Bob Barkhurst, who spends hundreds of hours maintaining, enhancing, and displaying our history and memorabilia at each Convention, manages the merchandise store, and ensures each official convention event is properly set up with much class and dignity.

MEMORIAL CEREMONY

The Convention adopted a memorial ceremony to be used at the funerals of members. It will be printed in the Ritual handbook.

CHAPTER OPERATIONS

Resolved that the National President appoint a committee consisting of the National Membership and Extension Director, the National Legal Counsel, and at least five additional members, each representing one of five different Regions, that at least one representative be from Region II, Region IV, or Region IX, and that the committee include an active member of an all-male Chapter, a co-ed Chapter and an all-female Chapter, to weigh the costs and benefits of allowing all-male Chapters at co-ed institutions to remain all male and, based on the committee's findings, submit relevant legislation to the 1998 National Convention. An interim progress report is due by February 1998, with a summary report to be published in the Winter 1998 Torch & Trefoil.

LONG-RANGE PLAN

Accepted the Long-Range Planning Reference Committee's report to the National Board of Directors recommending various updates to the Fraternity's Long-Range Goals.

CREDENTIALS AND RULES

Resolved that the National President appoint a committee to review concerns and problems encountered by the 1996 Credentials and Rules Committee and create a set of procedures and necessary items for registration, certification, and orientation of National Convention Voting Delegates. Findings and recommendations are to be submitted to the National Board of Directors for action at the summer 1997 Board Meeting.

Resolved that the National Alumni Committee review procedures relating to the election of Alumni Voting Delegates, considering mandatory procedures, Regions with and without Regional Alumni Associations, and other such issues. Findings and recommendations are to be submitted to the National Board of Directors at the summer 1997 Board Meeting.

FINANCE

Resolved that a detailed evaluation of all Alpha Phi Omega fee structures, excluding individual payroll expenses and including but not limited to inflationary changes, be submitted by the National Finance Chair to the National Finance Reference Committee at each National Convention.

MEMBERSHIP

Resolved that the National Membership and Extension Committee conduct a thorough study of the Extension Membership policy and submit to the 1998 National Convention proposals and recommendations that include beneficial changes to the Extension Membership policy.

NATIONAL ORGANIZATION I

Resolved that the National President commission a comprehensive study of the role, processes and structure of Alpha Phi Omega with regard to their impact upon the future of the Fraternity, with findings and recommendations to be presented to the 1998 National Convention.

Resolved that the Board of Directors include the following factors among those considered when, as required by the National Bylaws, the Board submits Regional boundaries for approval by the 1998 National Convention:

- The volunteer support available to Chapters in a given geographic area;
- Chapter concentrations or groupings across the country and all Regional extension efforts;
- Transportation hubs and systems across the country;
- Existing relationships among Chapters and groups of Chapters;
- Building strong sections then strong regions.

Resolved that the National President commission a comprehensive study of the role and function of the office of International Relations Director. The study should consider the necessity of adding the position of International Relations Director to the National Board of Directors as an additional (seventh) voting Program Director position. Findings and recommendations are to be submitted to the 1998 National Convention.

Resolved that the National President commission a comprehensive study of the impact of the Standard Risk Management Policy on the future of the Fraternity, with findings and recommendations to be presented to the 1998 National Convention.

Resolved that the National Leadership Development Committee develop a comprehensive program of Risk Management Education. This program shall include, but not be limited to, any media to be made available to all chapters and any seminars designed to be presented at Chapter Program Workshops, National, Regional, and Sectional Conventions, etc.

Resolved that all Chapters adopt and annually certify compliance with the Fraternity Risk Management Policy; that the National Fraternity will encourage the continuous development, implementation and maintenance of a Policy of Risk Management by each individual chapter in accordance with federal, state, local, campus and fraternity laws and regulations; and that the Fraternity will work

with university and college administrators and faculty, other interested campus organizations, and chapters to implement and ensure compliance with this Policy.

NATIONAL ORGANIZATION II

Resolved that the following be added to the Pledge Manual on page 9, between paragraphs 2 and 3, to read as follows:

"In 1950, the principles of Alpha Phi Omega became international with the chartering of Alpha Chapter - Philippines at Far Eastern University in Manila. There are currently over 200 Chapters of Alpha Phi Omega in the Republic of the Philippines in a separate national organization."

PUBLIC RELATIONS

Resolved that the national Fraternity promote Fraternity Internet Awareness, and encourage members to subscribe to APO-L, APOSOC-L and sectional and regional mailing lists and to visit Alpha Phi Omega related websites. Promote this information through Fraternity publications.

Resolved that in each issue of the Torch & Trefoil a special section be set aside to publish the passing of a Fraternity member.

Resolved that the Pledge Manual and all other related biographies should include the dates of passing of all founders and of all deceased brothers who have biographical write-ups.

Resolved that the Fraternity motto: "Be a Leader, Be a Friend, Be of Service" be published in the Pledge Manual as in previous editions.

Resolved that the publishing/printing dates be added to all Fraternity Publications.

SCOUTING

Resolved that the National Public Relations Committee develop and publish an Alpha Phi Omega Fact Sheet to be made available to Youth Organizations detailing the principles of our Fraternity and the availability of Chapters as a resource.

Resolved that the National Scouting Relations Committee develop and produce suitable recognition of achievement (i.e. certificates) so that Chapters may be able to present said recognition to local recipients of scouting's highest awards (Eagle Scout, Gold Award, Quartermaster Award).

Resolved that, in any instance of its occurrence, change the PURPOSE to read as follows:

"The purpose of this Fraternity shall be to assemble college students in a National Service Fraternity in the fellowship of principles derived from the Scout Oath and Law of the Boy Scouts of America; to develop Leadership, to promote Friendship, and to provide Service to humanity; and to further the freedom that is our national, educational, and intellectual heritage."

SERVICE

Resolved that National Service Day be changed to National Service Week, which will be the first full week of November. Adapt the goals and objectives of National Service Day to become the goals and objectives of National Service Week, except that the reporting date will be left to the discretion of the National Service Committee.

Resolved that chapters be encouraged to participate in USA Weekend magazine's "Make a Difference Day" and submit photos and text descriptions of those projects to that publication.

Resolved that the National Program of Emphasis for the next two years be "Combating Violence and Poverty." The theme for National Service Week 1997 shall be "Hunger and Homelessness." The theme for National Service Week 1998 will be "Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault."

Resolved that the National Board of Directors develop cooperative relationships with the Federal Emergency Management Agency and the American Red Cross.

ELECTIONS

The Voting Delegates elected the Following to serve on the Board of Directors:

1997-1998

President — Wilfred M. Krenck

Vice President — Jack A. McKenzie

Program Directors

David Emery

Bobby M. Hainline

mrn Tomusiak

John Wetherington

Allen Wong, D.D.S.

Charlie Zimmerman

NEW BUSINESS

Determined to change "Chairman" to "Chair" and "Chairmen" to "Chairs" wherever applicable in the National Bylaws, Standard Chapter Articles of Association and all other publications.

Resolved that the National Membership and Extension Committee consider a method to recognize all petitioning members during a rechartering effort who have become ineligible for active membership at the time of Charter approval and submit appropriate legislation to the 1998 Convention.

Resolved that the 1996 National Convention acknowledge the contributions that Brother A.G. Spizzirri, Life Member of the Board of Directors, made to advance the organization of Alpha Phi Omega.

Resolved that the National Board of Directors develop guidelines for granting Extension Membership to be discussed at the July 1997 Board Meeting. The National Membership and Extension Director is to disseminate such guidelines to Regional and Sectional staff prior to the start of the 1997-98 academic year.

Resolved that the National Office annually transmit information about Alpha Phi Omega and its memorial ceremony to the Grand Master of Masons in every state, commonwealth, territory, and protectorate of the United States and ask permission for Alpha Phi Omega's memorial ceremony to be allowed on the same day for our deceased Brothers who are members of both organizations.

Resolved that the period of formal recognition for local alumni associations shall correspond to the fiscal year of the Fraternity.

Resolved that the Board of Directors appoint a committee to investigate the impact of the proposed "toast song" amendments and current exclusionary wording in the rituals and rites of APO, with particular attention paid to membership issues. Findings and recommendations should be made available to Chapters prior to the start of the next convention.

TIME & PLACE

Selected Minneapolis-St. Paul, Minnesota, as the site for the 1998 National Biennial Convention, December 27-30, 1998.

National Awards Presented at the 1996 National Convention:

M.R. Disborough National Service to Scouting Awards – Kappa, Carnegie-Mellon University; Dean Arno Nowotny National Service Awards – Delta Theta, University of Louisville; Earle M. Herbert National Friendship Award – Delta Theta, University of Louisville; Josiah Frank National Historian Award – Beta Sigma, Texas Tech University.

WHO, what, WHEN & Where?

ALPHA PHI OMEGA'S CALENDAR OF EVENTS

March 21 - 23

Section 52 Conference
Host: Tau Lambda
Rose-Hulman Institute
of Technology
Terre Haute, IN

Section 83 Conference
Host: Omicron Phi
University of Richmond
Richmond, VA

Sections 88/89 Joint Conference
Host: Epsilon Zeta
Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute
Troy, NY

April 2 - 4

Section 72 Conference
Host: Nu Epsilon
Georgia Southern University
Statesboro, GA

Section 74 Conference
Host: Alpha Delta Nu
Embry-Riddle Aeronautical
University
Daytona Beach, FL

April 4 - 6

Sections 7/8 Joint Conference
Seattle, WA

Section 26 Conference
Lincoln, NE
(Tentative)

Section 35 Conference
Columbia, MO

Section 40 Conference
Host: Beta Sigma
Texas Tech University
Lubbock, TX

Sections 43/44 Joint Conference
Host: Alpha Rho
University of Texas
Austin, TX

Section 48 Conference
Host: Sigma Sigma
University of Illinois - Chicago
Chicago, IL

Sections 62/64 Joint Conference
Host: Rho Chi
Gannon University
Erie, PA

Section 81 Conference
Host: Zeta Beta
Virginia Polytechnic Institute
& State University
Blacksburg, VA

Section 90 Conference
Host: Lambda Lambda
Shippensburg University
Shippensburg, PA

April 6

Dedication of
Frank Reed Horton Way
Chicago, IL

April 11 - 13

Section 1 Conference
Los Angeles, CA

Section 41 Conference
Host: Gamma Rho
University of North Texas
Denton, TX

Sections 56/59 Joint Conference
Host: Rho Theta
Capital University
Columbus, OH

Section 84 Conference
Host: Alpha Gamma Chi
Frostburg State University
Frostburg, MD

Sections 94/96 Sectional Conclave
Host: Theta Zeta
University of New Hampshire
Durham, NH

April 18 - 20

Section 69 Conference
Host: Gamma Chi
Samford University
Birmingham, AL

November 3-9

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