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Greetings brothers,

Friendship is a powerful tool to unite members of a group, community or organization. It encourages kindness and unselfishness, creating an atmosphere of caring and open-mindedness. When friendship is the foundation of a group, it can create an environment of brotherhood that will bring its members closer together and make them stronger. By fostering friendship among its members, a group can become more unified and have a greater impact on the world around them.

In Alpha Phi Omega, conferences and inter-chapter events are a great way for members to build meaningful relationships with their peers. These events allow brothers to find common ground, share experiences and grow together as leaders. By attending conferences and events outside of your home chapter, brothers gain valuable insights into leadership strategies and develop the necessary skills to become successful leaders in their chapter, and in their lives.

Conferences are an invaluable resource for all members of the Fraternity. It provides an opportunity for Brothers to come together in a supportive environment where they can learn from each other's experiences, share ideas and form lasting friendships that will carry them through life. Some of my dearest friends are people that I met while attending Alpha Phi Omega conferences and National Convention.

I'd like to share a few of my own personal experiences with you. During my first semester as an Alpha Phi Omega member, I traveled from Cincinnati to St. Louis for a sectional conference hosted by two amazing student conference co-chairs. One of those conference co-chairs and I have stayed connected through a variety of volunteer roles as alumni ever since. Evening conversations at the National Convention in Philadelphia gained me a true lifelong friend, and led me to step up into other volunteer roles. Those roles led me to meet some amazing brothers who were part of the planning committee for the 2006 National Convention. And finally, a chance meeting that started as travel delays to Texas and canceled APO training, evolved into an APO mentorship, and now a lifelong friendship where we have watched each other's children grow up and get ready to head to college.

Building connections is one of the most important skills in today's world. You never know who you're going to meet at an APO conference, what shared experience you'll have and how they'll impact the rest of your life. Whether you are a student or alum, communication and collaboration are essential for success. Connections don't just happen overnight; they require effort and dedication to maintain them over time. However, when done right, they can open up many opportunities that would otherwise be unattainable. With the right approach to networking and relationship building, you will be able to build strong connections that will help you reach your goals.

In Leadership, Friendship and Service,

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APRIL

4/15: Spring Charter Reaffirmation Form Due

4/21-23: J-1 and J-2 Sectional Conference – Grambling, LA

4/22: Earth Day

4/28-30: Spring Youth Service Day

4/29: Virtual Board Meeting (Tentative)

MAY

5/1: Spring Youth Service Day Participation Report Due

5/1: John Mack Scholarship Application Due

5/1: Fall Pledge Class Namesake Honoree Nomination Deadline

5/29: Memorial Day

JUNE

6/1: Graduating Seniors Reporting Deadline

6/19: Juneteenth

Visit www.apo.org/calendar for a complete list of deadlines and events.

VISION AND MISSION STATEMENT

We create inclusive communities for a more peaceful world in which to make a life, by developing leaders, uniting members through friendship and rendering service to all.

NATIONWIDE

FRATERNITY NEWS

NOTES FROM THE FEBRUARY BOARD MEETING

The following is a recap of actions taken at the Alpha Phi Omega Board of Directors meeting on February 4, 2023.

The Board approved the agenda and adopted a consent agenda which included:

- Approval of the October 8, 2022, meeting.

SPECIAL ACTIONS

- Marc' Bady and Dr. Hilton Hallock, Alpha Zeta Chi '10, were reappointed to the Board of Directors with terms ending on March 1, 2024.

STRATEGIC DISCUSSION

- The Board approved the Strategic Direction Map.
- The Board discussed future governance and the associated legislation for the Board to consider proposing.
- The Board discussed a Board leadership search committee.

ACTION ITEMS

- The Board approved the 2023 National Convention budget including allowing Executive Director to discount pricing to increase attendance.

- The Board moved, on behalf of the Spirit and Standards Committee, to suspend the membership of Kendall Williamson, Alpha Theta Lambda '21.
- The Board approved the theme for the 2023 National Convention to be: Revving Up For 100 Years.

DISCUSSION AND INFORMATION ITEMS

The following items were discussed:

- 2023 Summer Conference
- Centennial Celebration including moving forward with the Oral History Project
- Reviewing National Bylaws
- Capital Campaign
- Executive Director Evaluation



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Alpha Delta Phi Chapter Hosts Annual Charity Ball to Support the American Cancer Society

Submitted by: Hallie Meyerson, Alpha Delta Phi '21

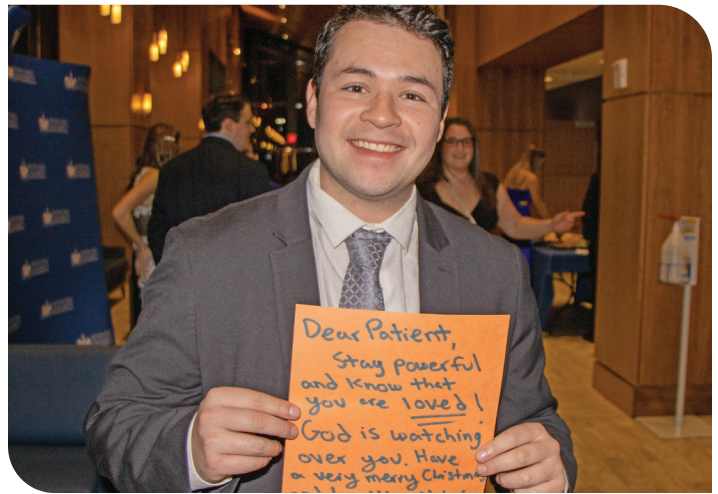


The 5th Annual Charity Ball was held on Dec. 3, 2022, at Seton Hall University. The event was a tremendous success, and it was incredible to continue this exciting tradition this year! Early in 2022, brothers of Alpha Phi Omega came together and decided that American Cancer

Society would be the recipient of the event proceeds this time around. It was important to make the Charity Ball about an organization that is so deeply cared about and that we resonate with.

This year, the event was co-sponsored by other student organizations at Seton Hall, Colleges Against Cancer and the dance team. Preparation and planning were done for the event through meetings with the co-sponsoring organizations, planning out the budget and putting raffle items together. The event was advertised through social media, several tabling events throughout the fall semester, and by hanging flyers around campus. It was so exciting to see everyone come together to passionately help this cause. The incredible collective effort exhibited raised an amazing \$4,945 through ticket sales and additional donations.

The event sold around 150 tickets. Members and alumni, as well as family and friends of every co-sponsoring organization, enthusiastically attended. The event involved formal attire, a DJ, dancing, dinner provided by Gourmet Dining Services, over 55 raffle items donated generously by local businesses and larger franchises, guest speakers, a photo booth, interactive tables for remembering loved ones who have passed from cancer, and stations to write cards for cancer patients to uplift them during the holidays. This event truly is one of the highlights of the year for APO at Seton Hall. We would like to thank all the individuals and organizations that made the event possible this year, as well as those who paved the way for the event to grow and continue to be such a special, one-of-a-kind evening.



(Top) Event attendee, Sean Bywater, posing with one of the letters he wrote to support cancer patients for the holidays. (Bottom) From left to right: Kristina Barillari, '22, Scott Martin, '22, Dominick Pellegrini, '21, Susanna Testa, '22, Idelyz Lopez, '22, Margaret Grimm, '22 and Sabrina La Polla.

Photos courtesy of Alpha Delta Phi



Brother Chance D. Lynch Awarded 2023 Human Rights Medal

North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University awarded **Brother Chance D. Lynch, Kappa Psi '05**, the 2023 Human Rights Medal. This medal is given to individuals who work to correct social injustices and contribute to a better world. This goes hand-in-hand with APO's vision

and mission. Brother Lynch founded his legal practice, Lynch Law, PLLC, in 2020 to serve the oppressed and advocate for those with no voice. He has found himself on several large civil rights cases. Most notably, he advocated for the family of Andrew Brown, Jr., a black man who was shot and killed by police officers in Elizabeth City, North Carolina. Thank you, Brother Lynch, for all that you do to serve the community and beyond.

(Top Left) Brother Chance Lynch; (Top Center) North Carolina A&T Human Rights Medal

Brother Todd Harper Reflects on Skills Gained in APO



Brother Todd Harper, Mu '86, decided to join Alpha Phi Omega during his time at Indiana University based on the high level of inclusivity and connection to scouting. During his time in APO, he developed skills closely related to the Cardinal Principles and the lessons learned through Leadership, Friendship and Service. Leadership skills gained in APO have guided Brother Harper through his career in public service, which has included working on Capitol Hill for more than a decade, guiding teams in the drafting of several sections of the landmark Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act adopted after the 2008 financial

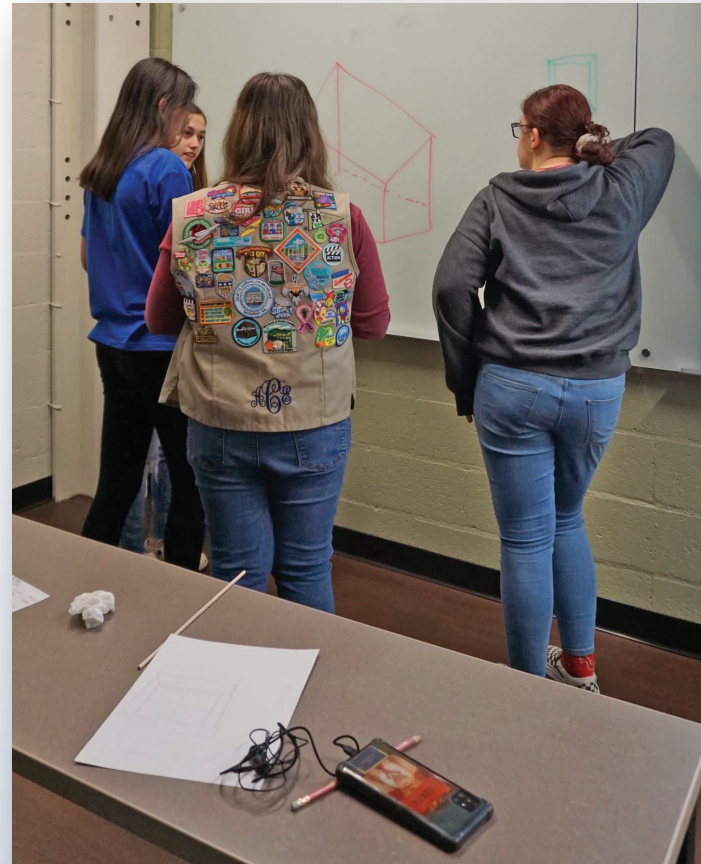
crash. More recently, Brother Harper has become a leader at the National Credit Union Administration (NCUA) where he is currently the Chairman. The NCUA is a government agency dedicated to increasing access of credit to underserved communities and insures \$2.1 trillion in assets of more than 134 million Americans. Brother Harper is a great example of LFS and we thank him for sharing his story with us.

Mu Chapter 90th Anniversary Dinner. From left to right: Ganhan Ewers, Mu '87, Lynn Silverstein Klyde-Allaman, Mu '87, Todd Harper, Mu '86, and Renee Engelhart, Mu '89. Photo courtesy of Todd Harper

Gamma Lambda Chapter Tradition of Hosting Scouting Events

Submitted by: Jack Payne, Gamma Lambda '22

Scouting University and Merit Badge University are two service events put on by Gamma Lambda Chapter at Clemson University in the spring and fall semesters. Throughout the day, Scouts B.S.A., Cub Scouts and Girl Scouts of America engage in activities led by brothers of APO on Clemson's campus to complete badge requirements. This is a long-standing tradition within our chapter, one that has continued for more than ten years. One of the larger service events of the semester, it averages 250 participants each semester. It requires the involvement of most active Gamma Lambda brothers, whether they are volunteering during prep week, teaching a class, assisting the teacher or other miscellaneous tasks. Due to the large scale of the event, it is a great opportunity for brothers to develop and refine leadership skills as well as continue our connection with the scouting community.



Photos courtesy of Gamma Lambda Chapter



Photo courtesy of Healing Hands of Nebraska

Zeta Upsilon Alum Makes Healthcare More Accessible:

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From service projects with Alpha Phi Omega to serving communities internationally, Dr. Demetrio Aguila III, Zeta Upsilon '91, exemplifies the Cardinal Principles of Leadership, Friendship and Service. As a lifetime member of the National Eagle Scout Association, he was encouraged to join APO after he graduated high school. During his freshman year at Boston University, he became involved with the small, but active, Zeta Upsilon Chapter. During Dr. Aguila's time at Boston University, he was enrolled in their combined B.A. and M.D. program. He graduated with his B.A. and M.D. in 1997.

Dr. Aguila's journey of service is a remarkable example of how one person's determination, expertise and compassion can transform the lives of others. From serving his country in the military to founding Healing Hands of Nebraska, he has remained true to the principles of Leadership, Friendship and Service he learned as a member of Alpha Phi Omega. Through the M25 Program, he has created a unique approach to healthcare that empowers patients to make their own decisions and provides them with flexibility and options.

Service in the Military

During his senior year at Boston University, Dr. Aguila joined the United States Air Force and received specialty medical training. After starting in general surgery, he was transferred to the U.S. Air Force School of Aerospace Medicine. At this time, Dr. Aguila was trying to get into an astronaut program through the U.S. Air Force. He was assigned the squadron flight surgeon to the 80th Fighter Squadron, based in South Korea. Not long after, he was reassigned to the 14th Fighter Squadron in Japan.

While on assignment at Misawa Air Force Base in Japan, Dr. Aguila began to realize that he missed being in the operating room. He was also coming to the realization that his chances of getting into the astronaut program were dwindling. He began to contemplate new goals.

"It didn't take much for me to figure out that there have been more U.S. Presidents than people on the moon. And more U.S. Olympic gold medalists than there have been American astronauts," Aguila said.

With the help of the U.S. Air Force, he received subspecialty training in head and neck surgery as well as ear, nose, and throat surgery. During his last deployment to Afghanistan, he was the only head and neck surgeon for the entire theater of operations. While in Afghanistan

he saw very few battle-related injuries. He estimated that 95 percent of the cases he worked on were humanitarian treatment for the people in the area who otherwise would not have been able to get care.

Dr. Aguila recalled one patient, a 12-year-old girl who could hardly open her mouth wide enough to fit a tongue depressor in for the exam. She suffered a jaw fracture two years prior and, since there were no specialists in the area, it healed improperly. After a consultation, Dr. Aguila agreed to attempt to repair her jaw, but he offered no guarantees.

"She came back to see me two weeks later and had eaten an apple for the first time in two years ... She was able to eat her mom's chicken soup for the first time in two years," he said.

Aguila reflected on his time overseas, when life-altering surgeries like this were part of his day-to-day life. After being away for some time, he realized that, although he was helping those communities, he missed his home and family.

Service At Home

Upon arriving home from Afghanistan, Aguila started to realize he missed doing humanitarian work. He wanted to make it a priority again, much like his time in college and the military. The U.S. Air Force was interested in sending him to take on a plastic and reconstructive subspecialty. After some internal struggle and consideration with his wife, Aguila decided to accept the offer. He began training at Johns Hopkins in Baltimore, Maryland, specializing in plastic and reconstructive surgery. During this time, he ended up focusing on peripheral nerve surgery, a very small niche of about 100 surgeons across the United States.

While Dr. Aguila was working for local hospitals, he felt called to help the underserved. After looking into the system in place for billing, he realized insurance companies spend time negotiating a better price for the insured; however, the uninsured have no one to help them out with their negotiations. Generally, the individuals with the least amount of money or security get the biggest bills. He pitched a few ideas to hospital boards to better serve these communities and, after many discussions, they were not interested.

Dr. Aguila felt it wasn't right to be taking advantage of people who are the most vulnerable, especially when they are sick or injured. It was then he decided to open



*Healing Patients &
Lifting Community*

his own practice, Healing Hands of Nebraska, built on the foundation of the M25 Program.

With the M25 Program, patients have the option to pay for their treatments through volunteering.

Building a practice around this principle has allowed

Dr. Aguila to work without the need for insurance companies, citing that administrative costs from health insurance providers are the primary reason healthcare is so expensive in the United States. Most clinics, hospitals and doctors sign contracts with insurance providers that make it harder to do work for patients who are out-of-network.

The M25 Program offers patients full authority to make their own decisions and negotiations. Healing Hands of Nebraska does not accept insurance. While that may seem daunting, it is a highly innovative approach to medicine. When a patient comes to Healing Hands of Nebraska, they are offered several options for payment: pay cash, negotiate the cost with Dr. Aguila or utilize the M25 Program.

One example of a non-traditional situation that comes to mind for Dr. Aguila is a patient who is a rancher. This is the type of person who does not have cash on hand because it is tied up in their business. They are going to volunteer their time for 50-percent of the cost and the other 50-percent will be paid with a side of beef. An insurance company won't offer that type of barter and negotiation.

“We give patients options, we give them flexibility,” Aguila said.

In the United States, two-thirds of all individual bankruptcies are the result of medical debt. Of those who declare bankruptcies, three-fourths had health insurance. Going through the M25 Program patients can avoid racking up the typical debts associated with seeking medical care.

Because Dr. Aguila's practice doesn't have to charge the prices laid out in a contract with an insurance company, they get to choose what a customer pays and how they pay for it. A patient chooses to pay in the way that suits them.

Although he could do surgeries for free, he requires that patients volunteer for a few reasons. First and foremost, he states that people generally heal better if they have “skin in the game.” Dr. Aguila explained that patients who work or put effort into their treatment will take it more seriously. He cites a higher surgical success rate because they contributed to their operation. Additionally, this gives patients ownership of their decision to have surgery for whatever ailment they are wanting to heal.

So, how does someone decide how many volunteer hours a surgery is worth? Dr. Aguila's practice has a calculator that takes factors like anesthesia, materials, and nursing staff into account to come up with a number for a specific procedure. When Healing Hands of Nebraska began, Dr. Aguila partnered with local organizations and charities as sites for patients to put in their hours. It may seem nearly impossible for a person to put in hundreds of hours of community service. Dr. Aguila took this into account when designing the M25 Program. Anyone can



Photos courtesy of Healing Hands of Nebraska

volunteer on behalf of a patient at a partnered charity and put hours towards a patient's goal. The only requirement is that the patient meets their volunteer in person. One of the more recent additions to Dr. Aguila's practice partners is Least of My Brethren, one of the charities located in Omaha, Nebraska. Healing Hands of Nebraska also has partner charities across the United States to accommodate patients who live outside the Omaha, Nebraska area.

In addition to avoiding medical debt, patients of the M25 Program gain a few other things. They maintain their dignity; they don't have to present any financial statements to a board that decides whether they are eligible for coverage. Patients make the decision on whether they need the assistance of the program.

"This gives patients agency in their healthcare needs while building up the community," Aguila said.

Dr. Aguila's time serving abroad gave him a unique perspective that he now applies to his expanding practice. By leveraging his experiences, Dr. Aguila can provide high-quality care that is both empathetic and affordable, ensuring that his patients receive the best possible treatment.

What's Next?

Healing Hands of Nebraska is not just the M25 program, the organization has a second arm. Operation Warriors Hope is Dr. Aguila's promise to his fellow Veterans. Everything that Healing Hands does in their practice goes to support the M25 programs and Operation Warriors Hope. Currently, Healing Hands has charitable partners throughout the United States.

Because Dr. Aguila alone can only treat so many patients in his lifetime, he wants to inspire other doctors to think outside of the box in terms of how patients are able to pay for their treatments. He wants other doctors to serve in their own communities because each community has its own unique needs.

"We can't just cover them ... [we have to] give ourselves permission to look for those solutions, to think outside the box," Aguila explained.

As is the case with any program that goes against long-standing norms, Dr. Aguila receives a slight backlash when describing the program to a new person. Generally, the backlash is simply a result of not understanding how the program works. Once explained, the program has received near-universal support.

In essence, Dr. Aguila is trying to change the world, and by offering life-altering medical services to those in need, he is doing this patient by patient. He is also changing how the medical community views service to their communities by offering a previously unknown alternative.

Brother Aguila's dedication to serving the vulnerable and underserved in his community and beyond is an inspiration to all. His story reminds us that each one of us has the power to make a difference, and that a life of service is a life well-lived.

National Service Week 2022 Recap

Self and Community Care



Alpha Zeta Upsilon at the University of Nevada – Las Vegas
Building self-care baskets and decorating cups for a hot chocolate fundraiser.



Alpha Eta at the University of Missouri – Kansas City
Hosted a mental health workshop to help connect individuals with a mental health counselor.



Nu Sigma at Stephen F. Austin State University
Hosted a Gift of Life donor drive.



Alpha Zeta Delta at Lake Forest
Hosted "Kickball for a Cause" to benefit the American Cancer Society.



Epsilon Lambda at Michigan Technological University
Hosted a Gift of Life donor drive.



Alpha Iota at The Ohio State University
Created community care packages to hand out to strangers in their community.



Alpha Delta Pi at the University of West Alabama
Put together a variety of activities including: hosting a 5v5 basketball tournament, community clean up and a study session to offer students a break from their normal routine.



Epsilon Psi at Kent State University
Hosted a Gift of Life donor drive.



Kappa Mu at Johns Hopkins University
Hosted a park clean up.



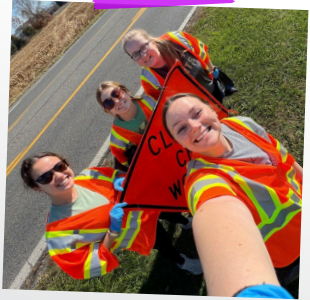
Alpha Gamma Chi at Frostburg University
Hosted a Gift of Life donor drive.



Alpha Beta Nu at Penn State Erie, The Behrend College
Hosted a Gift of Life donor drive.



Omega at Drake University
Volunteered at Meals from the Heartland.



Chi Gamma at James Madison University
Participated in an "Adopt a Highway" clean up.



Alpha Delta Eta at SUNY University at Albany
Made peanut butter and jelly sandwiches to donate to a local homeless shelter.



Eta Eta at Arizona State University
Helped with a Girl Scouts USA event with several activities including: a hayride, panning for gold, s'mores and games.



Mu at Indiana University
Handed out water bottles containing mental health resources.



Alpha Gamma at Purdue University
Worked alongside another club on campus to create first aid kits, safe sex kits and dog adoption kits.



Upsilon Mu at the University of Puerto Rico/Mayaguez
Hosted a beach and community clean up.



Theta Alpha at Stevens Institute of Technology
Hosted a waterfront clean up and a few other mental health workshops for students and community members.

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Revving Up to 100 Years



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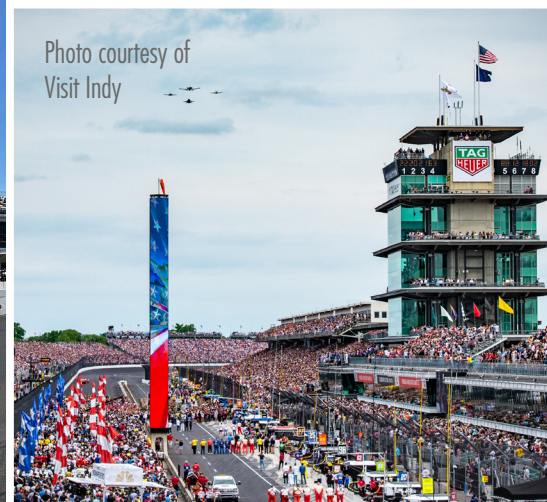
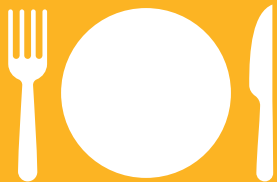


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TOP DINING:

- Milktooth
- Oakley's Bistro
- Greek Islands
- Geraldine's Supper Club & Lounge
- Shapiro's Deli
- Don Juan V's Peruvian Sandwiches
- Mama Carolla's
- Ambrosia



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Indianapolis



BEST PLACES TO SHOP:

- Circle Center Mall
- Castleton Square
- Broad Ripple Village
- Carmel Arts & Design District
- Irvington
- Fountain Square Neighborhood



EXCITING ATTRACTIONS AROUND INDIANAPOLIS:



- Soldiers and Sailors Monument
- Indianapolis Museum of Art
- Indianapolis Motor Speedway Museum
- Indianapolis Motor Speedway
- Eiteljorg Museum
- Lucas Oil Stadium
- Holiday Park
- Market Street Catacombs
- Kurt Vonnegut Museum and Library
- Museum of Psychphonics
- Rhythm! Discovery Center
- Mass Ave Cultural Arts District
- Indiana World War Memorial Plaza



CHAPTER NOTES

Check out what our chapters nationwide are doing to promote our vision and mission statement: developing leaders, uniting members through friendship and rendering service to all.

REGION A



Upsilon Psi at the University of Nevada at Reno

@unrapo Last weekend, we had our Spring '23 retreat! Shoutouts to our VPs of Brotherhood for creating an outstanding retreat experience!

REGION B



Zeta Omicron at California Polytechnic State University

@calpolyapo Our brothers served up wonderful memories for these fathers and daughters in their Under the Sea themed Sweetheart Dance!

REGION C



Alpha Phi at Washington University in St. Louis

@apo_wustl Here's some of what APO's been up to since the start of the semester: we've helped out at the Forest Park Greenhouse, cooked at the Ronald McDonald House, made positivity posters with PIMs, bowled, & so much more!

REGION D



Alpha Rho at the University of Texas at Austin

@texasapo It's been a year since our favorite fall 2022 memories. Stay tuned for recruitment info coming soon for the spring semester! Pic: volunteering with forgotten friends

REGION E



Iota Tau at Saint Olaf College

@stolaf_apo The bros were busy this Saturday helping out on a house build for Habitat for Humanity!

REGION F



Sigma Sigma at the University of Illinois at Chicago

@apoauic MLK Day of Service #ThisIsUIC #AlphaPhiOmega

REGION G



Alpha Zeta Iota at Grand Valley State University

@apo_azi Last week we decorated bags for Kids Food Basket! This is one of our favorite events!

REGION H



Alpha Gamma at Purdue University

@purdueapo This weekend, some of the Alpha Gamma brothers took the plunge for Polar Plunge which helps raise money for the Indiana Special Olympics!!

REGION I



Delta Theta at the University of Louisville

@apo_dt Be so for real, it's the spring semester already!? Off to a great start with our first meeting today and can't wait for a successful semester!

REGION J



Sigma Iota at Valdosta State University
@aposigmaiota Shoutout to the **@vsu_gammasigs**
@vstatebetas **@vstategammass** For joining us for our
 Brunch & Bouquets with lamp today!!!

REGION K



Tau at the University of Florida
@aphiotau Aphio takes on concessions with
 a rare sighting of Alberta

REGION L



Tau Chi at Winston-Salem State University
@tauchi_apo Tau Chi collaborated with Habitat for
 Humanity of Forsyth County for our
 "Let's Build a House" event this morning.

REGION M



Alpha Epsilon Psi at Bridgewater College
@bridgewaterapo Some highlights from our weekend
 fellowships! Brothers met up at Smiley's after our chapter
 meeting on Sunday evening and enjoyed a showing of
 Mamma Mia that afternoon!

REGION N



Zeta Phi at Howard University
@apozetaphi This morning, brothers volunteered at
 Kingman and Heritage Islands to aid in the removal
 of bush honeysuckle. #servicesaturday

REGION O



Xi Iota at Susquehanna University
@apo.su We have been itching to do service since the new
 semester started.. what better way to scratch that itch than
 at The Scratching Post Cat Cafe in Lewisburg!!

REGION P



Sigma Eta at Villanova University
@apo_villanova Here are some of our brothers
 on our latest trip to the ywca :)

REGION Q



Gamma at Cornell University
@apogamma We had an incredible Day of Service
 this past Saturday! Swipe for more highlights from
 this event-packed week!

REGION R



Nu Alpha at Quinnipiac University
@qu.aphio Thanks for all your hard work yesterday -
 you guys really made a difference!

Exemplifying leadership skills in your community and beyond!



As Alpha Phi Omega starts Revving Up for 100 years and the kickoff to our centennial celebration at the 48th National Convention in Indianapolis this December, we are excited to learn of our members' leadership stories while preserving their memories and stories through the years with The Oral History Project! Since our founding nearly 100 years ago on the principles of serving the community and improving the world in which we live, we know there is no shortage of leadership, service and fellowship stories APO members have experienced. We have a terrific opportunity for you to share your history and stories!

What better way to convey the benefits of membership in APO than to share stories of the impact our alumni have had in their communities. The first phase of this project will use a third-party publisher to gather the stories and update contact information from those alumni who are willing to participate. Once collected,

the Fraternity will use the stories on our website (without full names) and in chapter resources to help chapters recruit prospective members.

This project will begin this spring and should be completed in the summer of 2024. This is just one of many initiatives the Fraternity is launching to celebrate our centennial. Our intent is to formally launch the centennial celebration at the 2023 National Convention and culminate the celebration at our 2025 convention in Philadelphia, with many opportunities for alumni, students, alumni associations and chapters to participate. If you would like to volunteer with the Centennial Celebration Committee, send an email to centennial.chair@apo.org and it will be forwarded to the Committee co-chairs.

Be on the lookout for more information about sharing your memories through The Oral History Project!

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