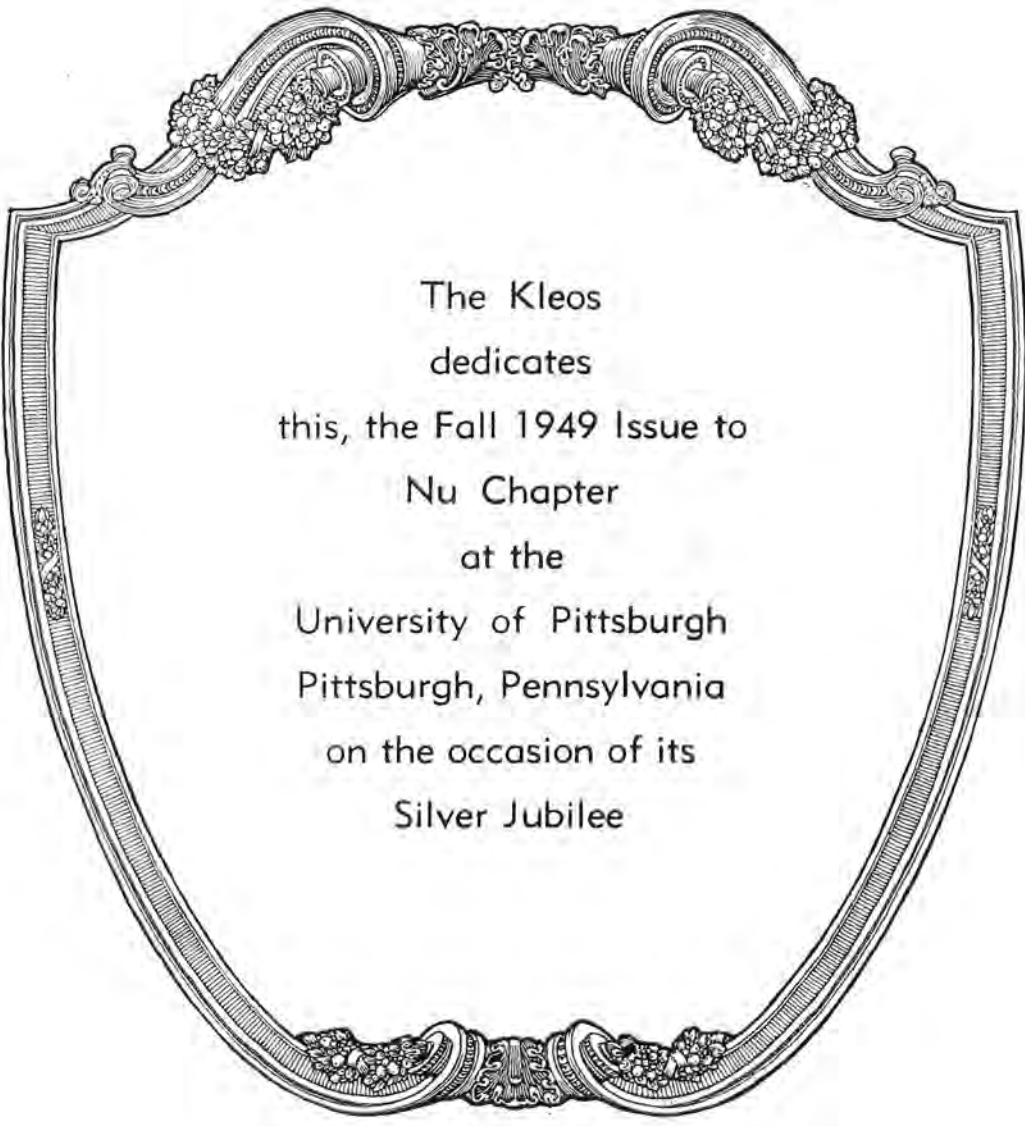


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# IN THE LAND OF BRAWN AND BRAIN

CARLO M. VANNICOLA, *Rho*



*Downtown Pittsburgh's Golden Triangle and in the distance Oakland and Schenley Park districts*

At the confluence of the Allegheny and Monongahela rivers forming the Ohio, on the southwestern foothills of the Alleghenies, distant thirty odd miles as the crow flies from the western boundary of its neighborly State of Ohio, lies like a spearhead the citadel of Pittsburgh, basic bulwark of America's heavier industries. It is the site of the Whiskey Rebellion which teen-aged Uncle Sam finally quelled by bargaining with its astute gentry; it is the home of Spartans, where men are men and its women thank the Lord for it!

Approaching it from whichever direction, one is soon overtaken by a sensation of expansive solidity which will be first manifested by the mineral darkness of its soil and later by its infinite factories which in rapid sequences puncture the surrounding riversides, pounding out the hot metal that in the past has bent the will of recalcitrants to the tune of American music. But not everything in Pittsburgh is quite a symphony, for, if curiosity moves you to visit one of the steel mills within its perimeter, the deafening, discordant roar, the motion of men and machinery above and beneath, the reverberant clanging of a million anvils, the precipitation of molten steel from its gargantuan ladles furrowing its unbridled fury into radiating billets shaped and forged by human Vulcans, presenting an infernal panoramic aspect which could be only described in the language of the immortal Dante, "*Lasciate ogni speranza, voi ch'entrate*"—leave all hopes behind, ye that enter—will leave you with a most acrid feeling of the movement of the multitudes; it is the visualization of the aeneidean descent into the sixth circle on this side of the River Styx, a fusion of might and metal, a merging of the elements. If your observations have thus far failed you, by now your olfactory senses will warn you that you are approaching the core of structural America, the city of steel and black diamonds.

Upon setting foot within its urban latitude for the first time, whether by air, train or by pushcart, Pittsburgh packs you with a mighty wallop as a metropolis of endurance. It would not be an exaggeration to say that the city is beautiful and it could just as well be described as a community reflecting the massive strength of

the sinews it disgorges on American commerce and industry. It is the home of a million hearts and the souls of the Fricks, magnates of coal and coke; the Gibraltar of the Mellons, titans of banking and potentates of industry; the land where even schoolmarms experience difficulty in keeping straight the King's English by capitalizing the "melon" and spelling it with a double "l," and, while many of its citizens are daily affected by the Mellon financial sceptre, what the average Pittsburgher could factually tell you about the Mellon dynasty could be summarized on the back of a postage stamp with ample room left for an afterthought. It is the city of engineers and technicians, of metallurgists and toxic "smog" which permits limited inspiration and plenty of perspiration; it is a community where few have too much and many eke out a living from the fruits of their heavy toils.

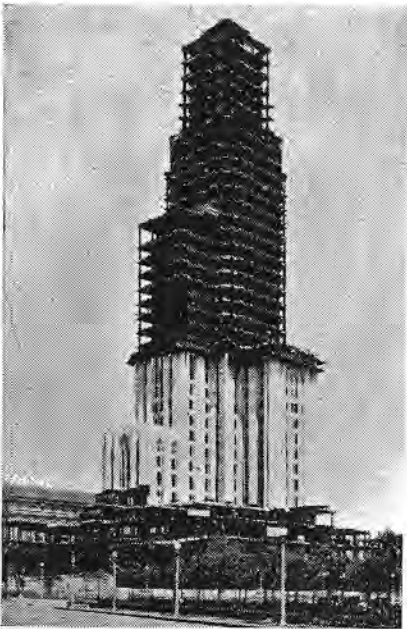
It is the land of the blast furnace, that temperamental prima donna of the metallic industry, that bulging trough that drinks in literal tons of water on which the local steel barons annually stake millions of dollars which on a moist day absorbs heat by hydrogenation thereby throwing asunder all technological calculations. It is the cradle of a quarter of a million stouts who work the mills and who are just about as happy over the whole thing as the satellite nations under Russian domination, for U. S. Steel isn't all peaches-and-cream and is anything but a one-happy-family affair. It is the steel domain of Benjamin F. Fairless and the protectorate of Philip

Murray who, in more ways than one, has been instrumental in debrutalizing the working conditions of the iron and steel business. In decades just passed, the tycoons' henchmen, majordomos in nearby industrial communities, held social, political and economic reins, subjecting them as baronial fiefs of the urban maharajahs, but with the coming of "Ras Murray" conditions have swung to the advantage of the toilers. In days past, there was only one way to swing and sway; dictatorial Pittsburgh never welcoming much industrial nor economic originality and any deviative surge from the prescribed was hastily subsided in no uncertain fashion. What's more, the shortest course for the individualist was to pack bag-and-baggage and practice his art in other parts.

While we are on the aesthetic, to the artist, Pittsburgh offers specific attractions in that its residents have been graced, undoubtedly by a natural requirement, with well developed physiques and its gracious women, often having to "foot it" up and down its many hills, with beautifully proportioned bodies to rival any old Venus. Thus, the alert, desirous of perfecting his chosen profession, will find Pittsburgh a haven for dynamic and voluptuous material.

Like other communities, Pittsburgh may have its weak spots in the eyes of the extradelicate of mind and body; its chlorinated water may shed a tamish precipitate after a rainstorm which may require a bit of intestinal fortitude to down a glass of it; its soot-fall may be slightly heavier than elsewhere on the continent and it may not be exactly a resort for the ailing, for Pittsburgh is a maelstrom for the fittest and in short, it is the land of brawn and brain!

But the denizens of the 'Steel City, al-



*During the undergraduate days of Father Federici and Adam Di Vincenzo, Duquesne; James F. Palumbo, Dr. D. A. Macedonia and Carlo Vannicola, Carnegie Tech; Joseph E. Ricci and Joseph Orsini, Pitt, this is how the Cathedral of Learning appeared—slowly acquiring its festive raiment of Indiana limestone. Originally visioned by pince-nezzed Chancellor John G. Bowman as a 54-story memorial to Pittsburgh's ingenuity, he finally settled for a 42-story realization of his dream. To men of foresight like revered Chancellor Bowman, it stands loftily as an immortal testimony to his benevolent undertakings, a spiraling monument to intellect worthy of the pen of Virgil,—“Mirabile Visu!”—wonderful to behold!*

though downtrodden in the past by a few of its captains of industry, are exceptionally civic-minded and regard Andrew Carnegie, the little Scotsman from Dumfries, its exclusive inspiration, and justly so, its top-notch patron saint—and make no mistake about it for Pittsburghers are jovial and most friendly—they have to be to keep abreast of this unique commotion of human emotions and one could well describe this congenial intercourse as a sort of a mithridate for mutual resignation.

In the midst of this animated struggle of force and wits and through the efforts mainly of its farsighted citizens, rises majestically like a lofty pyramid on a fertile oasis, the gigantic and lace-faceted Cathedral of Learning, hub of the University of Pittsburgh, home of Nu Chapter of Alpha Phi Delta Fraternity. This impressive mole of Gothic splendor is flanked by its equal in educational preeminence, Carnegie Institute of Technology, Syria Mosque, with the finest acoustics in the U. S. A., the Schenley Hotel, deathbed of Eleanora Duse, the Mellon Institute of Industrial Research, where charity is the unknown quantity, and the none-too-distant chlorophyllic Schenley Park.

The University is a tradition of American growth and perseverance. Founded eleven years after the signing of the Declaration of Independence as the Pittsburgh Academy, it soon changed its name to the Western University of Pennsylvania and finally moving lock, stock and barrel to the academic Oakland district in 1908 was rechartered as the University of Pittsburgh. The school suffered two catastrophic fires and was rebuilt just as fast; the last such conflagration occurring exactly a century ago. The institution has kept abreast of the times and has mushroomed accordingly and from an enrollment of 1200 in 1910 has grown to more than 20,000 students. It is the alma mater of many prominent men such as the greatest Secretary of the Treasury since Alexander Hamilton, the erstwhile Andrew W. Mellon and Jerry Chirichigno, president of the Columbia Marble Company.

## Looking Back To 36 Years Ago.... The Birth of Nu Chapter

G. C. CHIRICHIGNO, *Nu, Past Grand Consul*

Back in the spring of 1913 at the University of Pittsburgh a small group of American students of Italian extraction within the Circolo Italiano decided to band into a fraternity whose scope was to ultimately become a national fraternity with chapters at other colleges and universities where there was in existence a Circolo Italiano. This local group then was organized and became known as the Delta Lambda Mu fraternity and made up the following students; Alfonso Aiello, Pre-Med; Antonio Bianco, Pre-Med; Conrad Checco, Engineering; Pliny Ignelzi, Engineering; Caesar Sunseri, Pre-Med and G. C. Chirichigno, Engineering.

At the time of our organization there were very few students of Italian extraction in the various colleges and universities and we knew of no other local chapter to be in existence. So we assumed that we were the first to organize such a group.

The group struggled along during the first world war and after the war through the untiring efforts of Brother Louis G. Ignelzi was reorganized and again recognized on the campus. In the fall of 1922 while Brothers Boscia, Checco and Fabiani were attending the football game at Phila-

delphia between Pitt and Penn, they learned that there was at Penn a chapter known as Lambda of the Alpha Phi Delta Fraternity, a national fraternity of Italo-American students. This national organization was founded at Syracuse in 1914, one year after we had organized at the University of Pittsburgh, and already had about 10 chapters. So we decided to cast our lot with them inasmuch as they had the same purpose that we had had when we banded together back in 1913.

In 1923 we applied for membership and after duly and thoughtful consideration the national office sent to Pittsburgh on February 3rd the following officers; Joseph Guzzetta of Columbia Law School, Joseph Petrilli and Nicholas De Pasquale of the New York University Law School to install us into Alpha Phi Delta Fraternity. The next day the largest group that had ever been taken into the fraternity at one time was initiated as the Nu Chapter with 34 charter members.

The officers of the local chapter at the time of initiation into Alpha Phi Delta were: Anthony Boscia, President; Michael Catanzaro, Treasurer, and Tolstoi Fabiani, Secretary and the following became

charter members: Dr. G. LaRosa, Dent. '09; J. T. Bell, Law '07; A. A. Boscia, Ec. '21; Louis Cancelmi, Ec. '24; Tolstoi Fabiani, Col. '25; Thomas Rossi, Col. '26; G. Giovanitti, Pharm. '24; A. Pandolfo, Dent. '26; Sam V. Albo, Col. '23; M. Cammarata, Col. '22; A. Fugassi, Col. '22; Dr. A. Aiello, Med. '18; Dr. A. Bianco, Med. '17; Jos. Bisceglia, Col. '24; Jos. Bonidy, Law '21; M. Catanzaro, Col. '25; Conrad Checco, Law '23; G. Chirichigno, Eng. '15; Jos. Chiurazzi, Ec. '23; Frank Conte, Pharm. '21; Enrico Coscia, Col. '21; A. Ignelzi, Pharm. '21; Dr. L. Ignelzi, Med. '22; Pliny Ignelzi, Eng. '15; Frank Leone, Col. '25; R. C. Nucci, Med. '22; Jos. Passafiume, Ec. '24; Jos. Procopio, Col. '25; Felix Rotondaro, Chem. '22; Jos. Rossi, Ec. '23; James Sunseri, Col. '22; Jos. Squitieri, Pharm. '21; A. Parillo, Dent. '25 and Joseph Capozzi, Pharm. '19.

The initiation team arrived in Pittsburgh on Sunday morning February 4th 1923 and spent the day sight seeing in and around Pittsburgh and were entertained at dinner that night at the William Penn Hotel. On Monday the initiation ceremonies took place and after a tour of the university buildings culminated in a banquet.

During February 10, 11, and 12, a convention was held in New York City. The delegates chosen to represent the Nu chapter were A. A. Boscia, Enrico G. C. Coscia and James Sunseri.

With your permission, we now take you to the year of Our Lord 1925 and the history of Alpha Phi Delta in Pittsburgh cannot be written in toto without due credit to our esteemed and eminent member, Dr. Charles Barone, a peer in his profession,

a philanthropist at heart and an enthusiast without parallel. Mainly through his undaunted efforts and with support from the local alumni, he soon set out to invade the virgin territory across the street, our traditional and respected rival, Carnegie Tech, when shortly afterward, Brother Barone's efforts were crowned with success with the establishment of Rho Chapter on Andy Carnegie's hunting grounds.

Inspired by the growth of Alpha Phi Delta in Pittsburgh and through his influence, brother Barone speedily made arrangements for a dual headquarters of fraternal life by securing the palatial club-rooms of the Italian Club on Center Avenue wherein while it lasted was a haven of social and intellectual activity for Alpha Phi Delta. How well do we remember the classes in Italian under the supervision of the Italian Consul and those Sunday night affairs consisting of cinematic showings in the well appointed play-room and dancing with Pittsburgh's best specimens of the gentler sex. But time came against us, we were approaching the thinness which climaxed with the Fall of 1929 and while the intentions of most of us were genuine the burden was too much for both alumni and undergraduates to support. In all due fairness to all concerned and not wishing to uproot differences and disasters of bygone days I shall leave unmolested the regrets and pathos of a past epoch but in closing I think this the place to pay homage to a man who in his efforts has graciously graced the Fraternity not only locally, but brother Barone made himself felt and became highly esteemed as Grand Tribune-Quaestor and later as Grand Consul of our Beloved Fraternity.



A meeting of the Grand Consuls. Dr. Samuel A. Varco, *Epsilon*, incumbent Grand Consul, as president of the Baccelli Medical Club, congratulates Dr. Charles J. Barone, *Nu*, past Grand Consul, on the occasion of his Silver Jubilee in the medical profession.



————— For descriptive copy of Nu Chapter's Spot-Shots see next page —————



## Nu Chapter Today

Nu's softball team will make a decided effort this spring to win Pitt's coveted Intrafraternity Softball Cup. And believe me we're prepared to do it. What an infield! What a pitcher! What sluggers! Whip-cracking Manager Lester Malizia sees to it that just about everybody goes out for practice.

At a recent smoker held by Nu, the brothers were awed by being in the presence of brains, brains, and more brains. The latter came in the form of our honored guests. Namely, a Professor Enrico Bompiani, Professor of Mathematics at the University of Rome and here at Pitt teaching advanced math. He is an internationally recognized authority on the stuff. Fermi, the nuclear physicist, was Bompiani's student for several months. Another arrival from Italy was Giovanni Romagnoli, famous painter, who is here to paint a mural from the Italian Room in the Cathedral of Learning. Also, there was Doctor DeVitis, our faculty advisor, whose down-to-earth philosophy will always be remembered by the brothers. I could go on, but I feel that that's enough intellectuality for awhile.

Nu seems to be moving along with the University Expansion Program. That is, the University intends to add a lot of

buildings and facilities to the campus and Nu is adding quite a few more pledges and activities. Hopes for a house are drawing closer to reality now that the National Office has established a Housing Fund. Pittsburgh's Metropolitan Committee whose duty it is to procure a house for the three chapters here in Pittsburgh (namely, Nu, Psi and Rho) reports favorable progress. Who can tell how soon our dreams will come true!

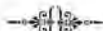
Introducing the present active brothers of Nu:

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Art LoMonica	.....	Vice-Consul
Clyde Tommellei	.....	Quaestor
Floyd Greco	.....	Tribune
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Frangona, Joe	Helpy, Joe
Malizia, Lester	Fontana, Frank
Pugliese, Ricardo	Cosentino, Richard
Tamburo, Dan	DeRoss, John
Torcaso, Mike	Russo, Angelo
	Cavalcande, William



## Nu Chapter's Silver Jubilee Celebration

*Nu Chapter's Silver Jubilee Dinner Dance Celebration took place on May 22nd, 1948 in the Gold Room of Pittsburgh's Hotel Roosevelt. Illustrated in the opposite page is a vivid testimony of the grand reunion; within its frames one will spot some of our good wishers like Dr. Macedonia of Steubenville, our beloved past Grand Consul and his charming wife; our esteemed faculty advisor, Dr. DeVitis and gracious Mrs. De Vitis, our District Pro-Consul Adam Di Vincenzo and consort; our incumbent chapter consul, Ralph Liberati, other officers and members of Nu Chapter, alumni young and old. It was a grand occasion indelibly imprinted in the festive hearts of the participants.*



Due to the lack of photographs promised to the *Kleos* on the installation of Beta Kappa Chapter, we are omitting a detailed review of our newest undergraduate addition until we are in a position to properly present this topic to the general membership of the Fraternity. Beta Kappa was installed on May 9th 1949 and a fully illustrated account will appear in the Christmas issue of the *Kleos*.

## NEWS FROM NU at Skyscraper University



*Pitt's famed Cathedral of Learning*

No doubt just about everybody recognizes the majestic building on the cover of this issue. It is Pitt's Cathedral of Learning, our Alma Mater. Since this issue is dedicated to Nu's twenty-fifth year at Pitt, I thought it would be fitting for me to describe a little, for the benefit of our brother chapters, the structure for which the University and the City of Pittsburgh, itself, are famous.

The building is one of the most unusual and beautiful college buildings in America. Architecturally it is a modern adaptation of the Gothic tower, modified to the practical need of a great university, and suggesting in height and reach the spiritual values which underlie university education. It has nearly 100 classrooms and 100 faculty and administrative offices; more than 100 laboratories which are teaching and research units; many of the University libraries; and several social and assembly rooms.

The skeleton is Pittsburgh steel; the walls are Indiana limestone. The Cathedral rises 42 stories, or 535 feet, above the tree-shaded campus. It has a volume of 9,000,000 cubic feet. This same space spread out in the usual three or four story college buildings would crowd the 14 acres of campus around the tall building. Instead, it is flanked, up to its ankles, so to speak, only by the Heinz Memorial Chapel and the Stephens Foster Memorial.

The Commons Room is a great Gothic hall, the heart of the University life. Its stone piers rise four stories to a vaulted ceiling. The arches are true Gothic, each one held in place by its keystone weighing five tons. The slate floor covers about half an acre. Like the tall building itself, this room combines the practical and the beautiful to express the best in college education and to fill the need of a central gathering place for the thousands of students.

From the corridor around the Commons Room door after door opens into a Nationality Classroom. There are sixteen of the rooms completed, each expressing in material and design the nobility and tradition of a people. The nationalities which built the rooms are the Nationalities which have built Pittsburgh.

Contrary to the belief of many, it is not the only building connected with the University, and it does not house all university functions. The science, math, and athletic buildings, the dental and medical schools are situated on the upper campus.

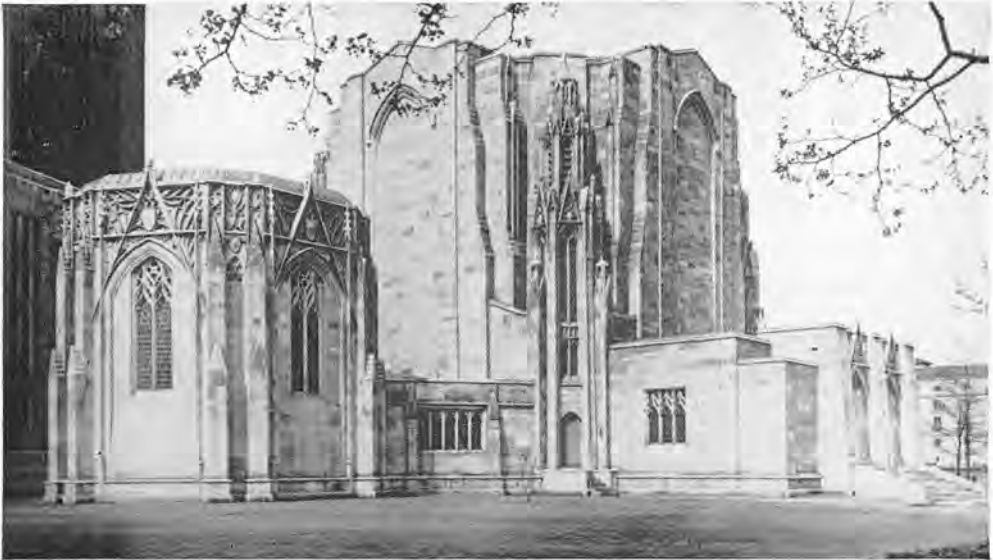
Well, fellows, 'nuff said about the ole schoolhouse. Right now I'm anxious to rave about our Silver Jubilee Dinner-Dance which was held on May 22, 1948, in the Gold Room of the Roosevelt Hotel. It was a success in more ways than one. Socially? Everybody was there—all the active brothers and a good bunch of alumni. Brother Liberati (the Prez) swallowed any misgivings he might have held along with his chicken when he saw all the chairs filled with munching Alpha Phi Deltans and their dates. It was rumored that he had a wishbone in his pocket; it was also

rumored that he threw it away when he saw Brother Bertoni and myself walk in late, last, but not least. Financially? Well, Brother Tommelleo, the moneybag, didn't have to take his whip with him after all. The honored guests were Dr. Macedonia, himself, Father Federici, Dr. DeVitis (our faculty advisor). Brother Macedonia's speech gave a shot in the arm to the actives and a kick in the pants to the alumni.

After the dinner, everybody enjoyed three hours of good dancing. We're lucky that Brother Malizia had his flash camera with him; during the dance, he was all over the place taking shots of everyone. Now we're all equipped with snapshots to show our grandchildren. Brother Greco did a fine job as social chairman and toast-master for the affair.

Naturally, the big thing discussed at the Dinner-Dance (and, anytime two brothers are seen talking together) was a HOUSE. So don't be surprised if some near-future edition of the *Kleos* announces that Nu chapter finally got a house!

Yes, fellows, if we get a little help from God (and from our alumni) you'll be hearing big things from Nu at Skyscraper University. LARRY CRESCE, *Nu*



*Stephen Collins Foster Memorial, named for noted U. S. composer*

To Those Of Us Who Have Seen It Grow  
From An Acorn, It Is A Great Satisfaction  
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## The Italian Classroom in The Cathedral of Learning



The Italian Classroom in the Cathedral of Learning is the foremost amongst the sixteen nationality classrooms realized through racial interests; each reflecting the heritage and culture of its people, keystone of American Democracy.

In keeping with the harmony of the overall pattern, the Italian Classroom is a gem of Renaissance beauty, reflecting a 16th Century monastic interpretation of the classrooms of culture, typical cradles of learning from whence the Italian intellectual rebirth took seed and unselfishly disseminated throughout receptive Europe. It is a typical and symbolic room, a present-day reflection of a probable classroom of Petrarca, Saint Francis of Assisi, Saint Catherine of Siena, Ariosto, Dante Alighieri and a myriad more of illustrious luminaries and humanitarians. If the Cathedral is an inspiration to learning, the Italian Classroom is a retreat to profound mental absorption.

The room recently completed and dedicated to understanding, is a testor to collective accomplishment and a worthy credit to the efforts of Pittsburghers of Italian strain. Visioned by Margherita Chiari Langer, blueprinted by Ezio Cerpi, portaled by Gottoni, appointed by Lorenzo Romanelli and frescoed by Giovanni Romagnoli, international medalist and designer of Italian currency whom with modest pride I enumerate him a peer amongst my tutors, are all contemporary masters in their fields.

In 1927, the University wishing to further symbolize the Cathedral as the contribution to learning from the various races that make up the Pittsburgh metropolis, first invited a group of citizens of Italian origin into a proposed nationalities' classrooms program. Honored by his noble call, the spirited group embarked on a series of fund-raising activities bringing to conclusion one of the finest classrooms typifying the culture of its forefathers. Among these workers we are pleased to pluck the names of many members of our Fraternity such as Dr. Charles J. Barone, past Grand Consul, in charge of the men's committee and Mrs. Marie De Simone Radice, sister and wife of Alpha Phi Deltans. But enough on generalities: Gaze your eyes on its portals of imported Italian walnut chiseled in classic Renaissance and carved

with the same spirit of a like influence which open into a wondrous spectacle of meditation and study.

Enter, make yourself comfortable on one of its monastic benches, for you have now been ushered into a different age, while we unfold a treasury of its infinite details. The room has the serenity of a 16th Century monastery that would have graced a typical Tuscan retreat of learning. If you will raise your eyes, you will notice a beautifully carved and polychromed ceiling with turquised cazettas marked off by narrow mouldings of terra cotta red, each in turn ornamented with a carved and gold-leafed rosette. The alcoved ceiling, on a slightly lower level, is painted in reverse colors. Under such a coffered ceiling nuns or monks of a like period undoubtedly transcribed the Scriptures or illuminated its God-inspiring text.

The walnut choir along the front and rear walls is a replica of monastic choir stalls and its panels in beauteous symmetry are separated by fluted pilasters, crowned with carved capitals, joined by an architrave of majestic dignity on which is inlaid in olive wood the story of Italy's contributions to civilization in similar characters to the inscriptions on the Arch of Titus in Rome. The rear walnut benches of harmonious design, bridge the choir and from such stalls, choir boys of a bygone century chapel sang a possible "De Profundis" or a Gregorian chant to loving God.

Time and space are running out, but before forsaking the rest of its numerous details, let us not leave unpointed the back of each bench inscribed with the names and founding dates of all the Italian universities, remembering that Italy was the seat of the first university and the names of these collegiate institutions follow in rapid succession beginning with Bologna (1088 A. D.) and ending with Bari (1924) resting place of the remains of Saint Nicholas.

In regrettable briefness, the Classroom is unique in its adaption of ecclesiastical furniture to the needs of a collegiate classroom. When in Pittsburgh and nearby its wondrous colossus, do not fail to visit the Italian Classroom; you will find it just off the Commons Room on the first floor and before departing you will exclaim in ecstasy "Well Done!" singing the praises of the living and bowing your head in silent prayer to its benefactors, for many of them have already passed from our midst.

C. M. V.



Gesundheit! Sholem Maleckem!  
Skol! A La Votre Sante!  
Saludos Amigos!  
Mille Di Questi Giorni!

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**D. A. MACEDONIA, M. D., Kappa**

*Past Grand Consul—Life Subscriber No. 42*

## CHERCHEZ LA FEMME!



*Mrs. Marie De Simone Radice*

That's what the descendants of Voltaire say. Behind every great deed there is a woman who silently sways and inspires for the task to succeed. Alpha Phi Delta grew because of our women and amongst them it is a pleasure to enumerate Mrs. Marie De Simone Radice, a Pittsburgher by birth, a Buffalonian by marriage and residence. Her affiliation with our Fra-

ternity reads like a fairy book and it can well be said that her interest in Alpha Phi Delta goes back to her college days before Chancellor Bowman ever dreamed of his masterpiece, The Cathedral of Learning. To begin with, her brother, our belated Anthony J. De Simone as a student at Pitt soon became admitted into Nu Chapter in 1925. From Nu our Marie soon became associated with Mu by marriage to Marcus A. Radice, a son of Ithaca. So it goes that Alpha Phi Delta is nothing new to our Mrs. Marie Radice. Our memory does not fail us in remembering her at the Sunday night socials at the Nu-Rho Chapter House on Center Avenue as an inspirer and gracious little lady and our Mu boys at Cornell will tell you with the greatest pleasure that the Radices never miss a visit at 515 Stewart Avenue on the annual homecoming weekends. All through this period her interest in her belated carnal brother's and her husband's chosen fraternity has not waned and today it pleases us to find her president of "The Epsilon-nians" the Buffalo Auxiliary. In days of yore they used to sing of their heroes, but in the modern American fashion we sing to our sweethearts and our Marie certainly is a Sweetheart of Alpha Phi Delta.



*The women's committee presenting Giotto's Nativity Tableau for the benefit of the Italian Classroom. Fifth from left, Mrs. Marie Radice in charge.*

## Psi - The Spartan Chapter

In national fraternity circles Psi has entered the limelight. We can now boast of a total active membership of 71 brothers, 44 of whom are life subscribers. We also take pride in emphasizing the fact that Psi Chapter has zoomed from 22nd place to capture the lead in the number of life subscribers with 53 as of the last issue of the *Kleos*. And the increasing interest of the brothers coupled with the spring initiation substantially increased our present enrollment.

Much credit for the success of Psi Chapter must be given to our present Consul, brother Gino Rirri. Through his untiring efforts and able leadership, the brothers of Psi have diligently co-operated to attain fame and prestige among Duquesne fraternities. Other capable officers assisting Brother Ricci are Lou Semento, Pro-consul; John Romett, Tribune; Al DePaul, Quaestor; Mario Mattie, Historian; Reno Constantine, Pledge Master; John Varriano, *Kleos* Correspondent; Bob Vinceguerra, Social Chairman; Tom Gori, Sergeant of Arms.

To other campus organizations Psi has also contributed its share. Brother Ricci is also Secretary of Beta Alpha Phi, honorary business fraternity. Brother Al Landi is President of the Student Council and has recently been named eastern representative to the National Federation of Catholic Colleges in America. Brothers Ricci, Landi, and Monaco have been recently named to "*Who's Who on American College Campuses*." At all University athletic contests Brother Vince Tocci entertains the fans in the role of the famous Duquesne DUKE, complete with top hat, tails and cane. Vince played a leading role in the University production of "*Girl Crazy*."

In the sports world Psi is also equally represented. Performing on the football squad are Brothers Jim Widmer, Gene Pesci, Jim Bono, Dick DeLonga, and Jack Cola. In basketball our contribution lies in the personage of Brother Joe Guido, assistant freshman basketball coach. On the baseball diamond there are the battery mates composed of Brothers Nick Marcone and John Leonbruno.

The coming of graduation in June will mean the loss of 30 men to Psi Chapter but we have compensated for this by the admission of 15 new members in May. To these prospective brothers of Psi, it is

our hope that they will strive to further the aims of Alpha Phi Delta at Duquesne University.

The above contributions and accomplishments are the factors that have resulted in the recognition of Alpha Phi Delta as the outstanding fraternity on the Duquesne Campus. And by no means do we intend to rest on our laurels. Psi is out for a highly treasured goal and that is the trophy for the outstanding chapter in Alpha Phi Delta. To the other Chapters, we say, "watch the Spartans of Psi!"

If you have not seen Psi Chapter's annual, you have a treat coming! It is a memento of fraternal solidarity unheard of in Alpha Phi Delta. The book, expertly edited and bound is a credit to all men of Psi. It will be properly displayed at the Buffalo Convention. Good work and felicitations on your fine undertaking.

Brother Frank Fato, *Theta Beta*, presented a check on behalf of the chapter to Mr. "Jerry" Ryan of the College of Steubenville as our Fraternity becomes the first campus organization to contribute to the College Fund.



## WELCOME! Beta Iota Chapter At Utica College



Front row (left to right) Joseph Trunfio, Abbate Potenza, Thomas Graziano, Alexander Corriere, Faculty Advisor, Frank Mammone, Francis Loiero, Faculty Advisor, Philip Caruso, Gerald Soldo, George Didio — Second row (left to right) Dominick Angiulli, Mu, Richard Sciortino, John Arcuri, Louis Correlli, Adolph Giunta, James (Benito) Paladino, Albert Taurisano, Joseph Camerota, Anthony Phillips, Robert Coletti, John Scialdo, Anthony Stewart, Richard Graniero, Frank Carchedi, Thomas Mucitelli, Ernest Coletti, Mu — Third row (left to right) Philip Graziano, Vincent Pugliese, Fred Trasatti, Vincent Di Iorio, John Pugliese, Nicholas Preziosi, Antonio Danesi, Peter Sabino, Salvatore Suppa, Michael Colacicco, Carmen Rico, Joseph Fontana, Mario Caruso, Michael Capelli — Members not present at time of picture - Anthony Vella, Edward Roberts, Lawrence Mercurio.

### Greetings From Dean Gluck

*Dean of Men at West Virginia University*

West Virginia University welcomes Alpha Phi Delta on its return to this campus as a member fraternity in our family of twenty Greek-letter organizations.

As Director of Student Affairs, I can see a genuine need on the West Virginia Campus for the reactivation of Pi Chapter. Our student body has doubled since the war. Many students are eager to join a fraternity. If fraternity living is worth while in building men, then we are confident that more quality fraternal groups can improve the student life of the University.

In these "latter days" when social unrest is evident in all areas of American life, the college fraternity is under the merciless eye of public scrutiny. The man in the street is asking if fraternities are worth the support given them in the past. Are they democratic? Do they waste student time and money? A national weekly magazine carried two articles recently entitled "The College Fraternity Crisis," pointing out what was called the evils of the fraternity system.

In a real sense, our fraternities do face what may be called a crisis—in this respect. Our ideals must be put in action as never before. Our brotherhood must become real in the life of every member. As fraternity men we must prove clearly that our program *does* build men—not tear them down. We must demonstrate *quality* in every area of student living; in academic achievement, in social graces, in service to the school as student leaders.

The day of cheap, second-rate drinking clubs on the campus has gone. Fraternities can write their own tickets with the kind of standards they demand of their members. No power on earth will dislodge a college fraternity if it operates in such fashion that character-building is the central effort.

It is because I believe that Alpha Phi Delta intends to maintain its high ideals on the West Virginia Campus that I say once again—and quite sincerely—Welcome! We need every ounce of help you can give us in providing *quality living* for our men.



## BETA IOTA SPOT SHOTS

On April 7, 1949, Beta Iota Chapter at Utica College was installed. To nearby Mu Chapter and Central New York Alumni Association fell the honors of sponsorship. Overflowing homage was paid the forty new members of the Fraternity at a sumptuous dinner at Coluzza's Restaurant from which the following pictorials were taken:-

First frame, Frank Cavalaro, Grand Pro-Consul welcoming our new undergraduate chapter also representing Dr. Samuel A. Varco, Grand Consul unable to be present due to illness. Next follow Ernest Coletti, *Mu*, toastmaster; our brethren of Beta Iota Chapter; Dean Ralph Strebel of Utica College; Joseph A. De Guglielmo, Grand Tribune; Joseph Mondo, 2nd District Pro-Consul, flanked by Saverio Flemma, *Lambda*, and past Grand Consul, Dr. Felix Ottaviano, *Omega*; Dean of Men Douglas Webster of Utica College; Paul Girolamo, Consul of Mu Chapter and captain of the formidable Cornell gridiron steamroller; Dr. Gerald Natiella, *Epsilon*, president of Utica's Board of Education; Carlo M. Vannicola, Grand Quaestor, presenting membership certificates; a section of the feted Beta Iotans and lastly the Mu Chapter initiating team, brothers Filippone, Guido, Girolamo, Pesce and Anthony Scalzi.

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*Bring your birth or voter's certificate for the customs' inspection to cross into Canada.*



## Welcome Back Pi Chapter At West Virginia University



After a decade's interlude Alpha Phi Delta resumes its rightful place on West Virginia University's campus with the reactivation of Pi Chapter and an initiation of sixteen men on February 5th 1949 with impressive ritualistic ceremonies in the Activities Room of Mountainlair. Following the initiation a dinner was held at Tony's Restaurant in Beechurst Avenue. Guests included Dean of Men Joseph C. Gluck and Dr. E. L. Core representing the University; Dr. D. A. Macedonia, past Grand Consul of the Fraternity, Adam Di Vincenzo, 5th District Pro-Consul and Executive Alumni Secretary at Duquesne University and Father Federici, Grand Chaplain and Director of Admissions at Duquesne, representing the Fraternity with members of Psi Chapter at Duquesne, members of Nu Chapter at Pitt, members of Chi Chapter at Penn State, Beta Theta at the College of Steubenville and the members of the Steubenville Alumni Association. The following men comprised the reactivation of Pi Chapter of Alpha Phi Delta:- Mario Liberatore, Consul; Orlando Pulice, Pro-Consul; Frank Mazzo, Tribune; Clyde Archileti, Quaestor; Batisto Oliveto, Sergeant-at-Arms; Sam Basile, Historian; Joseph Oliveto, Chaplain; Anthony Oliveto, Russell Columbo, Virgil LaRosa, Ray DiPeno, Joseph Cosentino, Victor Greco, Frank DeMarino, Frank Scalise and William Lowery. Pictured at the event we recognize in the first frame our loyal Pi stalwarts, on the second frame, left to right, unidentified member of the Steubenville Alumni Club, Joseph C. Gluck, Dean of Men at West Virginia University; Dr. Macedonia, past Grand Consul of Alpha Phi Delta; Mario Liberatore, consul of the reactivated Pi Chapter; Adam Di Vincenzo, *Psi*, of Pittsburgh, 5th District Pro-Consul and Dr. E. L. Core, chairman of the Committee on Student Affairs at West Virginia University. Third frame our newly initiated of Pi Chapter in festive mood with the next frame which needs absolutely no introduction and the last frame gives us a visualization of Pi Chapter in session. With an added initiation since reactivation our Pi Chapter now numbers twenty-two Alpha Phi Deltan enthusiasts. The brothers of Pi mean action and the new virile blood and their views are welcomed by Alpha Phi Delta.

## LIFE SUBSCRIBER CHAPTER ROSTER

1st	PSI	79	Adds 26.	Every Psi man a Life Subscriber!
2nd	THETA BETA	58	Adds 10.	Every Theta Beta man a Life Subscriber.
3rd	XI	52	Adds 0.	concedes 2nd place.
4th	EPSILON	44	Adds 14.	up from 5th place.
5th	SIGMA	44	Adds 2.	down from 4th place.
6th	MU	25	Adds 0.	Status quo.
7th	ETA	24	Adds 1.	Does not budge.
8th	BETA BETA	22	Adds 2.	up from 9th place.
9th	KAPPA	21	Adds 0.	yields 8th place.
10th	BETA DELTA	17	Adds 0.	no change.
11th	NU	16	Adds 0.	shows promise.
12th	THETA	15	Adds 1.	should surprise.
13th	DELTA	14	Adds 0.	stymied in same place.
14th	CHI	13	Adds 0.	someday this plug will budge.
15th	BETA ZETA	13	Adds 1.	threatening for 14th place.
16th	RHO	11	Adds 0.	no change in temperature.
17th	TAU	10	Adds 3.	up from 20th place.
18th	OMEGA	10	Adds 1.	aiming to thaw out.
19th	BETA	9	Down from 17th place	due to a cancellation.
20th	ALPHA	8	Will soon slide	due to a cancellation.
21st	IOTA	7	Adds 1.	up from 22nd place.
22nd	UPSILON	6	Adds 0.	down from 21st.
23rd	LAMBDA	5	Not much promise	here.
24th	BETA ETA	5	This chapter should	not be here.
25th	PHI	4	Adds 1	with great surprise.
26th	OMICRON	4	Doubles itself	due to the Midwest Alumni Club.
27th	GAMMA	3	Adds 1	due to the Midwest Alumni Club.
28th	ZETA	1	Frozen? Merely	permanent anchorage since 1940.
29th	BETA THETA	1	Come Steubenville.	show 'em your colors!
30th	PI	0	Unrepresented.	
31st	BETA IOTA	0	Unrepresented.	- new chapter.
32nd	BETA KAPPA	0	Unrepresented.	- new chapter.

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ATTORNEYS-AT-LAW

# THE 1948 ROCHESTER CONVENTION ON REVIEW!



It was a grand affair and we'll let the pictures tell the story! Starting with top left:- The Beta Eta delegation, followed by the Eta delegation, brother Calafiura flanked by the younger brothers. Top right:- Our genial Past Grand Consul, Dr. D. A. Macedonia, *Kappa*, with money-bag Carlo M. Vannicola, *Rho*, Grand Quaestor. Next, at left:- the New York City delegation followed by a group of undergraduates at the country club and next the Psi and Chi Chapter delegations which shot could well be entitled "Pittsburghesque" as the Grand Quaestor is also a former Pittsburgher. Third down, left to right:- A game of cards with the hierarchy, Dr.

Horace Goffredo, *Lambda*, Grand Consul Dr. Samuel A. Varco and "Seven-Up King" Dan Maz- zola, *Beta Delta*. Next:- Leon Calafiura, *Eta*, Mrs. Calafiura, Mrs. Gugino and Dr. Anthony Gugino, *Epsilon*. Last row:- Gabriel Carbone, *Beta Eta*, flanked by four other Beta Etans. Bottom left:- The Oldtimers' Corner, Dr. Michael A. Maggio, *Beta*, Dr. Joseph Presto, *Nu*, Dr. Samuel Petronella, *Theta Beta*, and Anthony C. Armore, *Beta*. Next:- a game at horseshoes wherein we can distinguish the last three in Fred Pegnato, Rocco Mastrangelo and Past Grand Pro-Consul Amleto Di Giusto, the three inseparable Sigs. We had a blank corner so this last shot was called upon to fill it, the Homecoming Float of Beta Eta Chapter at Brooklyn College. Photos by Calafiura and Odierna. Don't forget to bring your cameras to the Buffalo Convention and hand in your results to the Editor — we'll use them!



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# THE BUFFALO CONVENTION "LOWDOWN"

## A Chat With Chairman Dr. Jos. J. Pisa



DR. JOSEPH J. PISA  
*General Chairman*



ALEXANDER P. AVERSANO  
*Vice-Chairman*

So chums, drag up a porch chair and let me tell you about what will be in store for you at the Buffalo Convention. We're going to give you the biggest whirl you've ever had, you're going to spin to the crescendoes of entertainment which will follow with the most rapid succession and we're going to present you with food that you have never before and will never again taste in all your life; we're not going to hand out the food of the Borgias, but the food of the Caesars to suit the most fastidious palate. I do not intend to follow through the program as it will unfold itself, for, if that's what you wish you can peruse through it at your leisure, but let me tell you of some of the highlights.

We're going to start you right off before the actual convention starts with an "Early Bird Reception" on Wednesday evening, August 31st to give you a chance to get orientated and meet the core of the fun-seekers.

Since we mean to maintain our reputation of the past excelling in entertainment, we start you right off the next day afternoon on an international sojourn into our Good Neighbor Canada and specifically we will be guests of brother John J. Buscaglia for a Stag Party at his summer home. Worry little about what will be cookin' up there; space here is limited to go into infinitesimal details. As for the ladies, they will be entertained by the local femmes during our sortie into Brother Buscaglia's Canadian retreat. We shall gather that evening at Buffalo's famous "Chez Ami" for a night of fun, frolic, dancing and supping.

At noon of the next day, September 2nd, we have an innovation for all in the form of a luncheon at the Statler at which time we will be honored with addresses from Sen. Alfred E. Santagelo, *Beta*, and Dr. Peter Sammartino, *Eta*, president of Fairleigh Dickinson College. From there we shall again direct our footsteps into Canada and this time at Niagara Falls and the General Brock Hotel for a night of delight and fun galore; don't worry about transportation as sufficient busses will be at your disposal for all sorties.

The Central Office has sort of puckered its mouths to taking time away from the business

sessions of the Grand Council, but we mean to do you up brown with entertainment, so on Saturday we shall have two sessions of the Grand Council with the ladies out for a luncheon through the courtesy of "The Epsilonians," nonetheless we will climax the conclave with a Grand Ball at the Statler Ballroom at 8 P. M.

But we're not through yet, favors to men will be had to purchasers of combination tickets, of course minus the reduced undergraduate combination tickets on which the committee expects to assume a sizeable loss.

Now for the price:- The regular price of \$45.00 per combination ticket as of last year, will be maintained this year even though price of food has gone up materially. The undergraduate combination ticket has been held at \$30.00. We hope to

be able to realize a profit, but in any event we are confident that your stay in Buffalo during the 29th Annual Convention will be one which will indelibly remain in your memory.

We urge you to mail in your hotel reservation early as a large attendance is anticipated. Also, do not forget to mention that you are attending our convention thereby Alpha Phi Delta securing proper credit through the Buffalo Chamber of Commerce for future concessions at convention time. Your early reservation with our committee will also be greatly appreciated which will give us an opportunity to anticipate and calculate adequate seating accommodations at divers events.

So with a program such as described we are certain that we shall fulfill your every desire for three and one half days of genuine entertainment, so start getting ready now to attend our 29th Annual Convention in Buffalo.

Outside of the entertainment vein, we are requested by the Central Office to be on time at Grand Council sessions and allow plenty of time for rest nightly in order to attend seminars at 8:00 A. M. on September 2nd and 3rd by the Grand Tribune and Grand Quaestor with a further directive that there will be only one caucus open to all and which must be announced on the Grand Council floor well in advance and which caucus for whatever called must adjourn by 1:00 A. M. to permit proper rest for work and play the following day.

So be Buffalo-bound over the 1st, 2nd and 3rd of September for the corkiest time of your life.

## 29th NATIONAL CONVENTION - Sept. 1 - 2 - 3 1949

Hotel Statler -- Buffalo, New York

### Program

- AUGUST 31 — WEDNESDAY — Tutti**  
7:00 P.M. "Early Bird Reception" — Hotel Statler - Punch, crumpits, cocktails and breeze lounging
- SEPTEMBER 1 — THURSDAY**  
9:00 A.M. Official Opening of Grand Convention — Chinese Room, Hotel Statler  
3:00 P.M. Men — Stag Party at Dr. John J. Buscaglia's Canadian Retreat — Lunch and Informal "Auld Lang Syne Rendezvous"  
3:00 P.M. Ladies — Fashion Show and Tea — Courtesy of "The Epsilonions"  
7:00 P.M. Tutti — "Cabaret Night" — Music, Dancing and Entertainment at the "Chez Ami"
- SEPTEMBER 2 — FRIDAY**  
8:00 A.M. Seminar for all Undergraduate Delegates by the Grand Quaestor  
9:00 A.M. Second Session of the Grand Council  
12:30 P.M. Tutti — Luncheon and Address — Hotel Statler  
2:30 P.M. Tutti — "Sortie" into Niagara Falls and the Canadian Shores — Bus service supplied  
7:00 P.M. Tutti — "Night of Delight" — General Brock Hotel, on the Canadian Side of Niagara Falls
- SEPTEMBER 3 — SATURDAY**  
8:00 A.M. Seminar for all Undergraduate Delegates by the Grand Tribune  
9:00 A.M. Third Session of the Grand Council  
1:00 P.M. Ladies — Luncheon — Courtesy of "The Epsilonions"  
1:20 P.M. Fourth Session of the Grand Council  
8:00 P.M. Grand Ball — Statler Ballroom — Dinner Dance — Prizes, Awards and Favors

## Buffalo Convention's Old Timers' Committee

The pacemakers of the Fraternity, the old guard who have conspicuously contributed to shape the foundations of Alpha Phi Delta Fraternity at periods when the going was hard in more than one direction are going to be with us in Buffalo to lend their support in making the 29th Annual Convention the gathering to supersede all past conventions. While some of them have been constant conventioners year in and year out, others, while not present at our annual gatherings recently have contributed in no small way in preparing Alpha Phi Delta for what it is today. The committee is as follows:-

Benjamin Marsicano, <i>Theta</i> , Chairman	
G. C. Chirichigno, <i>Nu</i>	Michael A. Maggio, <i>Beta</i>
Philip Repino, <i>Chi</i>	Robert Santangelo, <i>Beta</i>
Anthony Armore, <i>Beta</i>	Dr. Peter Sammartino, <i>Eta</i>

Brother Marsicano, past Grand Tribune-Quaestor and Grand Consul will be long remembered for his strenuous work in solidifying the Fraternity at a semi-schismatic period. To him we owe the first general tour of all the chapters of the Fraternity at his own personal expenditures and during his Grand Consulship many chapters were added to the roster of Alpha Phi Delta. He carries on a very successful law business in Troy, New York.

Brother Chirichigno, president of the Columbia Marble Company in Pittsburgh, made his weight felt in no small way in shaping the destiny of Alpha Phi Delta and due to his keen judgment was elected to the Grand Consulship. Brother Jerry soon set to work to separate the good from the bad and his many contributions to the betterment of our Fraternity will not easily be forgotten. While his many duties have forced him to be absent from our yearly gatherings, when directed, brother Jerry is always glad to follow through a given mission and to him we owe much of the success of this present issue of the *Kleos* and we have no doubt that brother Jerry will continue to be a constant brother to the end.

If there is a living man with greater energy than brother Repino, we would like to meet him. Brother Phil hails from Lebanon, Pennsylvania and since his induction as a charter member of Chi Chapter at Penn State he has been one of the Fraternity's most constant contributor. Appointed Grand Tribune-Quaestor in 1941, he immediately set out to do the job right, issuing permanent manuals such as the "Tribune Manual" and "Manual For Chapter Quaestors and Stewards" to mention a few. His numerous "Chapter Letters" were blue prints for model chapter operation and his correspondence with all during his three year tenure was numerous and inspiring. There was no time awasting with brother Phil. His thoroughness and systematic operation will long be reflected by many.

Brother Armore is a veteran of the early days. He served as the Fraternity's first Grand Tribune and his loyalty ever since has been consistent. He has very little to say, even though he is a lawyer from Columbia Law School, but when he says his peace, he reflects his deep wisdom.

Brother Maggio hails from Williamsport, Pennsylvania, but don't let the small town fool you as brother Mike, a lawyer by profession came with the original Beta group that gave the Fraternity its national establishment. His services to the Fraternity are too numerous to outline in this short article.

Brother Santangelo is nothing new to the undergraduate and an old friend to the older nucleus. Here is another original Beta man who quickly became a Grand Consul of the Fraternity during his undergraduate days. To him we owe some of the early chapters like Gamma at Yale and Delta at Brooklyn Polytech. In the opinion of most of us he is as elastic with his speech as bubble gum is to a kid, his command of delivery and oratory rivals the dexterity of a Cicero and a Savonarola; in any argument, it pays to be on his side—you can't lose. But in a lighter mood, if you want to be really entertained, ask him to render you the monologue of "*I Figli d'Italia*," it's a classic!

Last but not least, here we have a sterling figure in brother Sammartino. If there is an office in the Fraternity that he didn't fill, we would like to hear about it. Here was and here is a go-getter of the first waters and because of his tenacity and



originality, time finds him as president of Fairleigh Dickinson College in Rutherford, New Jersey. Brother Pete is a man of quick action and no fussin' around. As Grand Tribune-Quaestor he has had no equal; progress and expansion was his keynote and if it werent for his Latin name nothing else could stop him from becoming President of the United States, and make no mistakes about it, he'd get a lot more done than Truman has. Brother Pete is the proverbial man who is in one hundred places at the same time; we havent seen him in a long time but in a past decade Pete used to follow through with the speed of a Mercury. Brother Sammartino has been respected by many for his prudence and even Amedeo Giannini of The Bank of America fame used to listen to his opinions.

So all of you Old Guards, get out of your shells and get ready for the Buffalo Convention. Come to greet and be greeted by your former schoolmates and fraternity chums; come and compare your successes and your failures, come to laugh and roar with those you havent seen in a coon's age. For added particulars, write to Benjamin Marsicano at 92 Third Street, Troy, New York.

## All Hail The Boston Ladies



*Mrs. Vincent F. J. Damiano, Mrs. William Volante and Mrs. Angelo Truniello*

The busy bees of the Boston Auxiliary really outdid themselves this year. Under the guidance of its president Mrs. William Volante and her expert administration the ladies from Boston embarked on a series of social events which included the November Harvest Party at the Larz-Anderson Estate in Brookline, the Joint Christmas Party at Boston's YWCA and last but not least the Memorial Scholarship Fashion Show and Tea, the latter a consecutive improvement over previous ones and for which all laurels go to Mrs. Damiano for her untiring efforts which made possible for the Boston Auxiliary to top its annual contribution to the Memorial Scholarship

Foundation. Meetings have been held regularly through the year at one of which an illustrated talk on Italy was presented by Miss Irma Di Giusto just back from a year's stay in the land of the Caesars. At another such meeting Mr. Manzoni, local sterling craftsman, presented us with a most interesting demonstration on the florentine arts and crafts. The unit is entertaining the proposal to revise its constitution in permitting the younger sisters and mothers of undergraduates to become members of the local auxiliary.

Mary Diotaiuti, *Kleos Correspondent*



I regret that due to much more important material, my colyum was given a heave-ho in the last issue of the *Kleos*, and, due to many protests and regrets received by our editor, I was instructed to double the portion this trip, to keep all of you hungry fraters happy. So, if you're so anxious to know just exactly what's cookin' about the realm, we're going to dish it to you right out of a hot oven. So, to begin with the dirt and left-overs, let me tell you how some of our big-wigs usually get their monikers. It was at the recent Utica National Executive Committee meeting, when, as the moguls were arriving and registering and while some early arrivals were relaxing in the foyer of the Hamilton Hotel, what does the next taxi bring forth but our congenial Grand Pro-Consul, Frank Cavallaro, all the way from the big city, and, equipped with bell hop, satchel and excess baggage, a new brown sombrero and practically starched overcoat, he portentously approached the registration desk, when one of the earlier arrivals ejaculated, "Well, here comes the Chinese Ambassador." Not long after the Grand Quaestor makes his debut in his usual double tempo, "And now, we're all here—take a good look at the Japanese Diplomat!" All of which reminds me that sometime last year, some of our hierigarchy were given none too relishing monickers, evidently by somebody who didn't agree with their policies—"The unholy three!" it was murmured, "Hitler, Mussolini and Stalin!" Well, we're wondering who was who, but if we may be permitted to conjecture, we would say that undoubtedly Stalin was pasted on the taciturn Grand Tribune, who doesn't commit himself until he has to; possibly Mussolini must have been tagged on to our then Grand Consul Dr. Macedonia and there's only one guy left and Hitler certainly must be the Grand Quaestor. You can't please everybody but for my two-cents' worth if our unholy three can keep on doing what they have done for the organiza-

tion in the past few years, I for one will take a barrellful of them! We've seen past administrations and administrations before them and figures count and they look mighty fine with me. And talking about figures—things must be going on with the force of a steam roller: - April 7th installation of Beta Iota Chapter. May 9th, installation of Beta Kappa Chapter. May 14th, reactivation of Zeta Chapter at R. P.I. Previous to that, petition for an added alumni club, the Midwest Alumni Club; what's happened? I couldn't think fast enough, let alone keep track of it! Well, I'm limited by the Grand Council in awarding only cakes and an occasional orchid,—at times, I'm even permitted to dish out some vitriol and cyanide, but if I were permitted, I'd award the finest plaques wrought by the best Balfour craftsmen to the ladies from Boston and our gals of Steubenville for their work on the Scholarship Foundation which I hear from very confidential channels, will announce its first awards at the 1950 Convention. And I wouldn't forget the rest who have made much expansion possible and I'd even have something very fine left for the boys of the Midwest Alumni Club who are breaking down all barriers in and around Chicago and Detroit; these boys are worth watching! I suppose you're wondering about the convention in Buffalo? I'm not—just watch the boys from Buffalo and the gals from there too, they know their stuff! And a convention in Buffalo is synonymous with plenty of glitter, lush, splendor and fancy dishes. And speaking about the forthcoming convention reminds me: - Are we going to be plagued again with that blasted Open Door this trip? That doggone thing has been hammered at so long that there'll soon be nothing left of it, saying nothing about its hinges; personally I can't see that it was ever closed, but that's my opinion. Not to get off the subject, but do you want to grow hair on your chest, Apply Vannicola's *Nubalm* and please don't rub or you'll grow branches. I'm not mentioning names, but someone swears by it and at it as a good fertilizer; so if you wish to regain your manly prowess and youthful vigor, a new mop of hair or re-line your brakes, don't forget, use *Nubalm*, you simply can't miss! Thoughts while honing my favorite straight razor: - I get awfully riled up when I am reminded by some sophisticated prude that his ancestors came over on "The Mayflower"

with Myles Standish—well, mine came over on the “Santa Maria” with Columbus, but I never go out of the way to remind my brethren Americans of the fact—and matter of fact Columbus was no slave trader! Talking about cookin’ with gas, did you notice the long list of new life subscribers in the last issue of the *Kleos*—it’s phenomenal how everybody rushed in for the bargain! Its stupendous how Pi Chapter through Doc Macedonia and his cohorts was finally reactivated after a decade at West Virginia University; the boys down there are looking for a house, nothing cheap about the Mountaineers. It’ll be very interesting to see who gets the coveted awards this year with all this overflowing activation and expansion! Beta Delta down here in Philly heads the grades list at Temple with every other fraternity and club on the campus coming after them! And now for a chunky, fluffy cake with delicious nuts sprinkled all over it to Paul Girolamo, Consul of Mu Chapter at Cornell for his election to the Big Red Football team, Cornell’s mighty steam roller. Brother Girolamo, we hear, hasnt a friend on Harvard Square where the Central Office is located and where John Harvard rises majestically, except possibly the Grand Quaestor, Mu Chapter’s loudest rootin’ tooter who will never forgive brother Paul if he doesnt give the Crimson as good a shellacking as he gave them last year; he’s already making preparations for a gala reception in Arlington for the Big Red Team in the Fall.

Some characters have no brains! During a Tarzan stage show contest at the RKO Theatre in Boston, in the midst of a lot of phone inquiries, one stupefied character asked how he should come dressed for the occasion when from the other end of the phone he was directed to stick a raisin on his belly button and come as a cookie! It’s funny how also, one good turn and you get all the blankets leaving your better-half to shift for herself and how nowadays, how our schools often turn to institutions of higher yearning! It is told that before the days of the X-Ray, the only individual that could see through a man was a woman! In conclusion let me say that nobody relishes taxes, but if we are to start operating as a practical national fraternity, Alpha Phi Delta requires more chapter houses and less handshaking, so don’t procrastinate, get that three bucks out of your pocket in 1949 and send it along to the Central Office as your share

to the National Chapter House Building Fund... I like everybody but I have my exceptions in Stalin, Motoroff and Weesheensky and all other guys who promote confusion, chaos and dissatisfaction by infiltration within the ranks of peace loving people and to them my votimations of vemon with creosote sauce, ground glass and garlic.

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## Mention My Name In Buffalo

Have any of you undergrads ever thought that a nicer place to spend a summer week-end would be at Buffalo on or about the first of September? As all of you know that this fair city will be host of our convention this year, Buffalo is somewhat in the center, of shall I say the radius of our fraternal chapters. It is very easily accessible via plane, New York Central or car. The Barge canal also ends there, so if any of you greater New York brothers care for this ancient leisurely mode of travel, this can also be obtained.

Seriously speaking, you learn a lot by attending a convention. You really feel the force of the fraternity between bustling consuls, pro consuls and secretaries of the various districts of the country. Great stories reflecting customs on various campuses are hashed out among the delegates over clambakes, dinner-dances and late morning breakfasts.

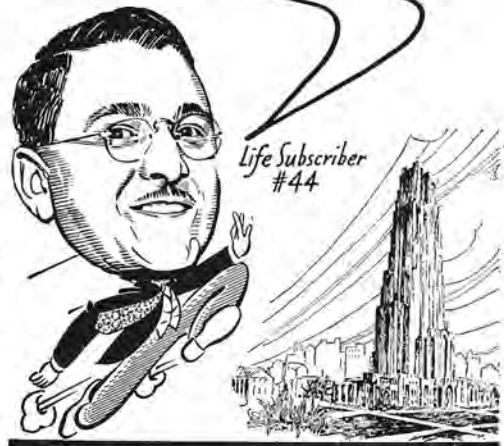
I wasn't a delegate to the past convention at Rochester but participated in all of the events save the special sessions that were for delegates only. This means that you don't have to be a delegate to go to a convention. All undergraduates are urged to attend for it is your fraternity that once a year gathers en masse to take inventory on the progress that is taking place. The special rates for undergraduates as well as the special dates for parties, provided by the auxiliary groups, make the convention on Labor Day Week-End a sure investment for a college man.

SAMUEL B. DAMELIO, *Mu*

It is with great pleasure that we have just heard of the singular honors bestowed upon brother Anthony J. Monaco, *Psi*, in graduating from the School of Pharmacy Summa Cum Laude, in making the "Who's Who in Colleges and Universities" and in capturing both the Cantor Prize for Excellence in Pharmacy and the Lehn & Fink Gold Medal for General Excellence. It is further to be noted that the Summa Cum Laude is the first to be given at Duquesne University in a long time. May you always enjoy the finer things in life brother Monaco and with our best wishes we add the Fraternity's heartiest congratulations.

To all you clamoring Kleos readers we beg your continued patience; the Kleos is late but to those of you that are anxiously awaiting it we must explain that much of the human element enters in the editing and preparation of issues such as the present. To start with, much material is received after deadline, loaned cuts must be wrenched out from the well meaning but procrastinating borrowers; data has to be assembled, topics must be arranged in proper sequence, composite cuts must be prepared, drawings must be executed, type must be set—all of which present many obstacles and delays and what to most of you is known as "printing" is in reality the last and speediest step. We could very easily go to press with a stereotypical material and say to the printer, "Here it is, print the damn thing and be done with it!" But if you crave a well prepared and interesting *Kleos*, the time element for its intricate preparations is painstaking and prolonged. Please try to bear with us by refraining in sending us your lamentations and curses for if such will persist we may be obliged to give you a lot of type with a title.

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## ALL HAIL THE MIDWEST ALUMNI CLUB!



You have been reading about the most recent alumni club addition, permit us now to introduce the members and their wives. Left to right, standing:- Dr. Joseph Nicosia, *Theta*, and, next, do you recollect that individual who at convention times seems to be in two places at the same time, well, that's Dr. Samuel Petronella, *Theta Beta* himself and looking his best, next to him, Charles C. Coscia, *Theta*, compiler of the "Chapter Consul's Manual" and trustee of the Theta Chapter Building Fund, next Humbert Raffin, *Omicron*, and Ray Ignelzi, *Omicron*, not in the picture, Dr. Anthony Santoro, *Gamma*. Front row:- Mrs. Joseph Nicosia, Mrs. Ray Ignelzi, Mrs. Humbert Raffin, Mrs. Charles C. Coscia and Mrs. Samuel Petronella. The members of our newly organized Midwest Alumni Club although somewhat more spread out than most of our graduate units have a very definite program in mind, first of all it intends to reactivate Omicron Chapter at the University of Michigan also organize a new undergraduate chapter at a downtown Chicago institution. This is another decisive indication that Alpha Phi Delta is spreading westward and with the scouts such as our brothers of the Midwest Alumni Club, Alpha Phi Delta can't miss!



The Youngstown Alumni Club is holding monthly dinner meetings at various dinner clubs around the city. Each month a member is chosen from the list to pick a meeting place. After the dinner a regular meeting is held. Up to the present time there has been a favorable reaction to this plan of dinner meetings.

At a recent meeting Brother Michael Julian was elected President of the Club and Brother Felix Catoline was elected Secretary-Treasurer for the year 1949. The Club is planning to hold its annual summer picnic and plans have already been made for its 1949 Christmas Dance.

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## Chi On The Move

D. R. PALOMBO AND R. J. TURISSIMI, *Chi*



Chi Chapter held its annual pledge dance on December 11, 1948, at the Chapter House in honor of its fourteen newly-initiated brothers. On the night following, a cocktail party was held as part of the initiating program. As this "new blood" flowed into Chi Chapter, three of our brothers, through the medium of graduation, took their place in this land of opportunity. Joseph Daniels, a graduate of the school of Hotel Administration, is now assistant manager of the Nixon Hotel, Butler, Pa.; Robert Muzzi, an Agr. Ed major, is now teaching at Pleasant Mount High School; Leonard Ascani is now employed as an aeronautical engineer for North American Aviation Corp. of California, Bernard Rodriguez who received his B.A. in mathematics, is still with us while completing work on a master's degree. The brothers of the house deeply regret the loss of the graduates.

The beginning of the Spring Semester brought many events to Chi. One of our sincerest undertakings was that of electing new officers. After a great deal of consideration, the following officers were elected: Consul, Anthony C. Lordi; Pro-Consul, John C. Catherine; Tribune, Leo R. Notari; Quaestor, Richard Audino; House Manager, David J. Strizzi; Chaplain, Lawrence Di Girolamo; Faculty Advisor, Prof. Andrew Case.

This administration will, in the group's opinion, carry on the noble work of the former officers.

Spring acted as a catalytic agent for Chem. Eng. senior, Anthony Trotta, who pinned Mel Dante of the old home town. Not to be outdone by Anthony, other brothers soon followed his footsteps. Bro-

ther Roy Scarazzo, pre-med. student, pinned Betty Ruth Gibbons, a senior in journalism. Brother Lou Gostino, sophomore in Commerce and Finance, pinned his home town sweetheart, Deva Tomei of Philadelphia. Brother Robert Marmo, our Mechanical Engineer, lost his pin, and it so happened that Sarah Biscontini of Old Forge, Pa., is wearing it. Brother Art Scarazzo, who had pinned Martha Harding of Salisbury, Pa., went further ahead and bedecked Martha's finger with a beautiful diamond. Chi wishes to extend congratulations to its brothers who took another step toward their final goal of happiness.

Spring Week, an annual function at Penn State, found Chi Chapter participating 100% in all activities. One of the main events of Spring Week was the intramural wrestling finals, in which Chi's Mike Rubino won the 175 lb. crown by defeating the finalist from Sigma Nu. It was an easy match for Mike, who had been dubbed the "Tiger" by the local papers. A few days later, Penn State students were honored by the presence of Tommy Dorsey and his band. With Chi's members participating fully, this dance went on record as being the largest in the history of the Nittany Lion School. In competition with Tommy Dorsey, Chi held a Hobo Brawl on the following evening, which was a huge success. Amid trash cans, traffic signs, and other decorations designating a hobo's environment, the brothers danced the night away with their dates.

Not only are we bettering our socials, but we are also plugging forward for the betterment of the Chapter House. Our first step in that direction was the grading of the back yard and the erection of a volleyball court thereon. Inside, we dug deep into the house finances and came out with new furniture for the dining room and the club room. And so the brothers work for a better Chi..!

Dear Brother Editor Larcy:

We have recently received the copies of the *Kleos* and herewith submit our many thanks for the publication of the pictures of Psi Chapter.

The Brothers of Psi shall be anxiously awaiting the coming issue.

Congratulations for the fine job done on the current issue.

*The Spartans of Psi*

## Xi Rides High

Spring house cleaning season has found several new additions to that ever-growing house of Xi chapter at 99 E. 13 Avenue. The rumpus-room which was recently "displayed" in an article appearing in the Ohio State Lantern received its final touches and is ready for initiation.

Brother George Gaylord touched the celotex board ceiling with acqua green after a long line of Xi carpenters, electricians, painters and Alumni got it into its majestic condition. The room is of knotty pine stained in light oak with a built-in book case.

Another addition was that of four new members into the Chapter who sport a point hour average of nearly 3.0 between them, and an introduction of them is reserved for later paragraphs.

That glisten of those last Spring-painted walls was renewed early in May. With House-manager Floyd Maggi directing the pledges, and House-mother Mrs. Mary Cortese's indispensable room-straightening, once again the glamour of Alpha Phi Delta halls is at its best.

The opportunity to keep the sparkle glistening has been offered to a newly elected administration. These new officers included: Vince Bernabei, consul; Jack Musengo, pro-consul; Melvin Nervie, quaestor; Joe Lombardo, tribune; Bob Freda, steward; Ed Quattrone, corresponding-tribune and John Gallucci, chaplain. These men relieved a staff of officers who fortified the Chapter tremendously with their dependable, wise and faithful service.

As for the social highlights of the Spring season Xi chapter has presented several functions that can bring hilarious memories to its members. The first half of the season was under the direction of Art D'Anniballe, it included the annual merrymaking Bowery Dance with 1890 livery and all. It was this affair that attracted photographers of the BMOC "Big Magazine on Campus" devoting two pages in conveying the turn-of-the century antics of the Chapter to the campus.

Two stags, one held in conjunction with Phi Delta Chi fraternity were of the best ever, but the semi-formal, held with the same fraternity, was the coup-de-grace of the D'Anniballe regime, who has been graduated since.

The second half of the season is being planned by George Gaylord, and will in-

clude the unimitated Spring Formal Dinner Dance which will have been held at the reading of these tidings.

Under public relations we hasten to report that our colors have been carried to Carnegie Hall, where "the best men of all" perform. Between quarters, in mid March, Paul DeFrancis and Julius Tareshawty played with the OSU Jazz Forum. They be-bopped with their clarinet and trumpet respectively, as the troupe toured several Eastern colleges.

It is here that with pride and anxiety we conclude this communique with the introduction of four new members of Xi chapter to all Alpha Phi Delta chapters. They are: from Sandusky, Ohio, Richard Poggiali; from Shaker Heights, Ohio, Peter Galier; from Ashtabula, Ohio, Francis Varkette; and from Columbus, our hometown, Ralph Lupidi. The latter two are further additions to the Chapter orchestra. It is with much regret that we admit the loss, through graduation, of Evelino Mistrangelo, past-consul, and Paul DeFrancis. Both were tremendous contributors to Xi's past successes. So long fellows and Good Luck.

JACK MUSENGO, Xi

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the past turn into  
the Gold of the  
future.



LOUIS G.  
IGNELZI, M. D., Nu

## Mu In Review

"Far above Cayuga's waters there's an awful . . ." lot of activity these days. Mu, winner of Improved Chapter Awards in 1943 and 1947, has been pointing toward that coveted award again this year. In the March issue of the *Kleos* you read of the reinstatement of dining facilities at our chapter house after a lapse of nearly fifteen years. The Alumni most responsible for this near miracle are Brothers Addonizio, Alaimo, Latona, Mondo, Ponzio, Radice and Ricciardi. Loans are still coming in and gratifying is the intention of most of our Alumni to eventually convert these loans into outright gifts.

Our brand new dining room has led to a complete interior decorating scheme. Silver chandeliers now hang in our burgundy and white recreation room. The woodwork in hallway and staircase glistens with mahogany stain. The antique gold ceiling of our living room is now framed by walls of pastel green. Pastel blue walls have brightened up the heretofore dark upstairs corridors. A thick rug has been added to the card room.

Numerically, our rushing program this year has been the most successful in the history of our chapter. Nine Cornellians were initiated in December. On April 30, 1949 seven pledges were given the honor of brotherhood in Alpha Phi Delta swelling our membership to thirty-five men. A further manifestation of Mu's rushing zeal is in the fact that five sub-freshmen have already been contacted for the Fall pledge class.

Alpha Phi Delta is now a prominent name in Interfraternity sports at Cornell. Last year our boys placed fourth out of fifty-two houses in competition for the annual All-Sports Trophy. With the return of several Greek-letter men to our team which was runner-up in 1948 we hope that come June the softball cup will rest upon our mantel. Chief among the factors keeping our house in campus news is the variegated talent among our members. Bros. Girolamo and Gaipe in football, Brother Bertino in basketball, Bros. Calderella and Conti in baseball, Brother Damelio in the Radio Guild, and Bros. Filippone, Guido, Girolamo, Volpe and Pesce in the honorary societies.

A final note from the Forty Niners. Bros. Damelio, Filippone, Guido, F. Mu-

nisteri, Sisco, Walsh, and myself will soon undergo the metamorphosis from undergraduate to graduate. We leave with mixed feelings. We are sad at the remembrance of joys past, but happy with the thought that the high caliber of actives and Alumni here at Mu holds the assurance of a bright future for our beloved Fraternity.

ANTHONY G. SCALZI, *Mu*



PHILIP A. J. GRAZIANO, *Beta Iota*

It is with deep regret that we announce the untimely death after a brief illness of Philip A. J. Graziano, *Beta Iota*, on June 16, 1949. Brother Graziano a charter member of the recently installed Beta Iota Chapter at Utica was the son of James and Josephine Graziano of 1611 Mohawk St., Utica, New York. Brother Graziano was born in Utica, New York on January 17th 1924, a graduate of Proctor High School, class of 1943 and would have graduated from Utica College with the class of 1950. Brother Graziano was considered one of the outstanding members of our new Beta Iota Chapter and his departure is being felt by all his brothers who are planning a memorial plaque presentation to his stricken parents to whom the general membership of Alpha Phi Delta joins in extending them our deepest sympathies.



All grateful thanks for the overflowing success of this commemorative issue to Gerald C. Chirichigno, Larry Cresce, Alfred Gaggini, all of Nu Chapter, to all our advertising well wishers and all others who in any way and with their cooperation have made possible this, the *Nu Chapter Silver Jubilee Issue* of the *Kleos*, one of the most memorable in its existence in the past twenty years.

THE EDITOR

Joseph "Pep" Toscano, steward and cook since the inception in 1929 and member of Chi Chapter has left the boys temporarily for a much earned trip to sunny Italy. It is the best thing that could have happened at the Chi House for more reasons than one wherein brother "Pep" was more or less taken for granted the past twenty years. His delectable victuals prepared with his culinary expertness are greatly missed by our brothers of Chi who no doubt will shower him with a roseate welcoming mat when he returns to resume his duties around the end of August. Bon voyage brother "Pep" and may your stay in Italy be the very best for you, Mrs. Toscano and your brood.

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The Metropolitan Committee of New York, made up of representatives from the five chapters in New York, and under the able leadership of 3rd District Pro-Consul James Paccione, *Eta*, has had a most successful year. At its monthly meeting, ideas and opinions are exchanged between the chapters represented. This has been found to be a good morale builder and a stronger bond of fellowship has been created among the chapters. On the social program side, the Committee sponsored a Christmas Dance at the Hotel Taft. Plans are now underway for the 1949 Dance. A bowling tournament was successfully launched and it has been a nip and tuck game between the chapters. A District Convention was held in May and delegates were instructed on procedures to be followed at the coming Buffalo Convention.

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## MEET YOUR ANCESTORS!

Alpha Phi Deltans, sweethearts and wives, undoubtedly all of us observe Columbus Day year in and year out and undoubtedly we feel proud of our ancestry and singularly so when we can number amongst them the Discoverer of America. I wonder, nonetheless, how many of us would be in a position to mention very many more, were we to be asked, of those of our ancestry who greatly contributed to successive explorations of the American Continent? It is often said that the individual who does not pride in his heritage very seldom makes a good American.

It is possible that most of us could with ease enumerate a second navigator who did much after Columbus in expanding the discoveries of the New World, Amerigo Vespucci, after whom America was named and who also devised the new methods of obtaining longitude? What of Toscanelli, whose charts were the greatest impulse to western voyages?

Could many of us mention the fact that it was Italian sailors who frequently by actual direction, pointed the way for English discoverers such as Sir Walter Raleigh, Sir John Hawkins, Sir Francis Drake, Martin Frobisher, Sir Humphrey Gilbert, — all of them were aided by Italian navigators.

How many of us in the New York area know that there is a monument to Giovanni Verrazzano in Battery Park; he who first entered New York Harbor and cruised about Sandy Hook and Long Island? It was Verazzano who discovered Rhode Island and in a report to the King of France, he said the land discovered by him was "as pretty and as great as the Island of Rhodi" now the modern Rhodes, which at that time was under the Italian crusaders.

How many of us have forgotten what every schoolboy knows of John and Sebastian Cabot, whose names are still famous in New England history. The Cabots, or Caboto, of Venice, sailing the "Matthew" for King Henry VII of England discovered the North American Continent and John, accompanied by his sons, Lewis, Sebastian and Sanctus sighted Nova Scotia on June 24, 1497. Therefore the Cabots were in the Strait of Hudson 68 years before Frobisher and one hundred years prior to Henry Hudson for whom it was named.

Italian navigators first explored the coast of South America almost to the straits of Magellan and Alessandro Malaspina (as Bancroft puts it) headed the first white settlers into California. Giacomo Beltrami headed the first white expedition to Nevada and Minnesota discovering the sources of the Mississippi. With Marco da Nizza white settlers began the history of Arizona. As early as 1768 Italian pioneers came from Livorno to Florida.


Who does not recall the name of the Italian Chino who established many of the industries of our great Southwest, founding a score of mission-towns. Nor are we to overlook Enrico Tonti whose name is linked to that of the great La Salle, who was co-discoverer of Canada and founder of the Forts of Niagara and St. Louis. It was Tonti who sent the first ship, the "Griffith," over the waters of the American Great Lakes; it was his younger brother Alfonso who became one of the founders of Detroit. Caesar Augusto Grasseili, whose father was a druggist at Torno on Lake Como, through his Grasseili Chemical Company, he made Cleveland one of the great manufacturing centers of the Middle West.

And since our eyes and minds will soon focus on Buffalo, let us not forget Paolo Busti, the general agent of the Holland Land Company in America who appointed the surveyor, Joseph Endicott to found New Amsterdam on Buffalo Creek now known as the City of Buffalo and which town will soon play host to our 29th National Convention.

Father Blount, of the Biondi's of Italy assisted Lord Baltimore in framing his charter of religious liberty and which provisions were first enjoyed in the New World in Lord Baltimore's possessions, now the State of Maryland whose motto is "Fatti Maschi, Parole Femine."

ALFRED CYPRESS, *Beta Delta*

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## Mu Rediscovered

Prior to my initiation two years ago, I was asked, as part of a written pledge test: "What does fraternalism mean to you?" I remember vividly at this time, that I answered this question quite absent-mindedly, trying to give an answer which I thought the pledgemaster would deem satisfactory and acceptable, rather than one which expressed my own deep-rooted sentiments. This, however, is not as heretical as it would appear on the surface—the unfortunate problem being that, at the time, I was wholly unqualified to present a true picture of what it meant to me to be a fraternity man, more specifically, a brother of Mu Chapter of Alpha Phi Delta.

Had it been my position, or rather disposition, to answer the aforementioned question directly as I felt, I would, in all probability, have averred somewhat sophomorically, that a fraternity is a convenient place to bring a date on a Saturday evening for a period of dancing and singing.

Two years of living in the chapter house and coming into close contact with the men of Mu, and the ideals for which Alpha Phi Delta stands have tended to mellow my opinions immeasurably. With the passage of time it has become apparent to me, that the greater satisfactions have not stemmed from the material pleasures I have received. Rather my contributions, howsoever small they may have been, have given me the greatest gratification, since they served as the cementing medium for the lasting bonds of fraternal friendship.

JACK CAVAGNARO, *Mu*

The Alpha Phi Delta Columbus Alumni Club continues active and hopping along in fine shape.

One reason for this activity lies in the fact that the club serves a definite purpose in being so closely linked with undergraduate Xi Chapter at Ohio State University.

It was the Columbus Alumni Club that initiated the fund which was used to purchase a permanent chapter house for Xi. With that purchase great responsibilities were assumed by every member of the Club; responsibilities which have been carried with enthusiasm.

We of the Columbus Alumni Club are ever grateful to the many who helped in making that initial undertaking possible.

We wish to announce to all friends and alumni of Xi Chapter that the increased level of enrollment at Ohio State University have made demands on chapter house facilities which necessitate an expansion and remodeling program if the fraternity is to take advantage of the situation. Such a program will necessitate an expenditure of some \$15,000.00 and is being started at once! With it comes a pressing need for funds.

In the past a number of former Xi alumni have indicated a desire to assist financially whenever necessary for the good of the fraternity. To them and all friends of the Alpha Phi Delta Fraternity Chapter at Ohio State University we say—THIS IS THE TIME!

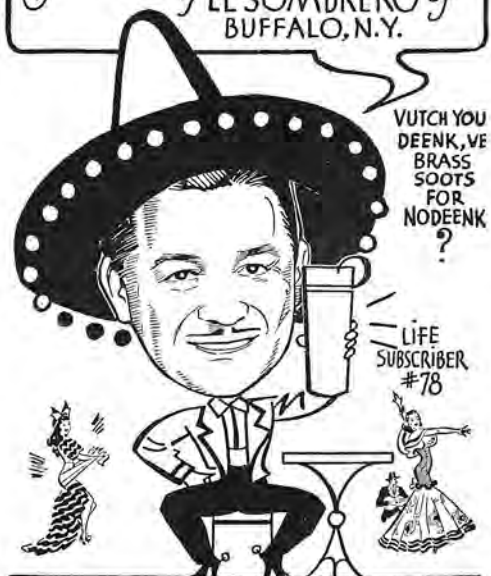
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From the May 9th 1949 issue of "Chemical and Engineering News"—The Mattiello Memorial Collection will be presented to the Polytechnic Institute of Brooklyn on May 16th, the first anniversary of the death of Joseph J. Mattiello. The collection of literature on surface coatings and related subjects is intended to honor Dr. Mattiello and provide a valuable source of information. Brother Mattiello, *Delta*, whom Alpha Phi Delta honored with a review of his singular accomplishments in the May 1948 issue of the *Kleos*, passed from our midst on May 16th 1948.

After a full year's preparation, we are happy to have submitted for your aesthetic approval "Nu Chapter Silver Jubilee Issue" of the *Kleos*. Our eyes are now focused across the street, on Rho Chapter at Carnegie Institute of Technology which was instituted on May 30, 1925 and will cross its silver milestone on that date in 1950. With a little encouragement, your editor will prepare an issue to knock you right out off your seats; so come you Men of Rho, the time to start it is now!

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## Action At Theta Beta

Ten men were initiated into the chapter on March 6th, 1949. This is the largest group to be inducted since the end of the war. The ceremony was followed by the traditional dinner at the home of Sal Ambrosino. A large home-made cake was baked especially for the occasion by Miss Claudia Mazza.

The size of this new group more than balances the unusual size of the graduating group for June. A total of eight men will be graduating. Among the alumni who were recently married are: Al Simonetti, Frank Leanza, Frank Cavallaro, Carl Ascari, Vincent Spaddacino and Paul Navarro. Recently engaged were Sal Ambrosino and Paul Arleo.

A new pledge system has been devised by Bob Sarchiapone and Sal Ambrosino which promises to increase the efficiency of pledging to a high degree. A rating system based on weekly reports on all pledges by all brothers is the keystone of the system. If the set-up fulfills its promise, the plan will be submitted to the Central office for consideration as standard national procedure.

On the social calendar, Theta Beta held its annual spring dance at the Hotel Taft. In conjunction with N.Y.U.'s "Il Circolo Italiano" Theta Beta presented the famous Italian Folklore Society (Coro d'Italia) in a program of operatic, choral and dance selections in the Washington Square College Theatre on April 29, 1949. The chapter believes in the importance of the phrase "furthering the Italian culture."

A get-together party was held at the home of Anthony Cascardi for the graduating brothers.

Theta Beta is active in the N.Y.U. Interfraternity Council affairs. It participated in the basketball and bowling tournaments. Winning third place in a field of seventeen teams.

PAUL ARLEO, *Theta Beta*

## Active Genesee

Since the National Convention in Rochester last September, the Genesee Valley Alumni Association has been very active.

Monthly meetings are held and the new officers for 1949 are: Phil Dattilo, Consul; Paul Schifano, Pro-Consul; Tony

Lioi, Quaestor; Dom Bronte, Tribune; and Ralph Cerame, Social Chairman.

On Feb. 12, 1949, many of the alumni attended the annual formal initiation dinner-dance at which time the Arthur C. Dalberth Memorial Scholarship Cup was presented by the alumni to Frank Gangarosa, an Omega undergraduate, who, in the opinion of the alumni, has demonstrated qualities of leadership, scholarship and a true fraternal spirit. Joseph Mondo, 2nd District Pro-Consul welcomed the new members.

Spring marked the beginning of a varied social calendar. There was a joint undergraduate-alumni cabin party, The University of Rochester Interfraternity formal dance which featured Claude Thornhill and his orchestra.

The Women's Auxiliary of Alpha Phi Delta held a card party, arrangements were made by Mrs. Joseph Alaimo, Mrs. Charles Maggio (blind date artist at the Rochester Convention) Mrs. Paul Schifano and Mrs. Ralph Cerame.

DOMINIC BRONTE, *Omega*

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to congratulate  
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# THE FRATERNITY AND THE ALUMNUS

DR. SAMUEL A. VARCO, *Grand Consul*

The college fraternity system, during the last decade, has been subjected to more than habitual unfavorable criticism. Vehement and sarcastic epithets hurled at it are unmerited. The few weaknesses that are evident show that it is a human endeavor and as such will always have justifiable imperfections. As fast as these are buttressed new ones appear. That is the pattern of life; from it human progress evolves. No apologies need be tendered for a system that has no more deficiencies, if as many, then the social, economical, educational and political structures that surround it. Abuse and ridicule would be justified if a fraternity failed to contribute to the promotion of human happiness and freedom. Can it be that the same elements that have been promoting dissension and dissatisfaction with the American way of life, found another avenue for their infamy?

College fraternities exert a tremendous influence in the evolution of our young people. Thus, how can an alumnus justify his indifference by stating "it is an undergraduate program." The fraternity graduate owes an additional allegiance, as compared to the average citizen, to nurture high ideals in the leaders of tomorrow. Their failure to assume this responsibility makes them culpable for any unfavorable trends "the system" may develop. The locust devours all that lies in its path and leaves barren the ground on which man has toiled. The traveler on life's highway who acts likewise, will find small comfort at the end of his journey.

Fraternities must assume a major role in initiating constructive projects; projects that will promote good will, not only on the campus but also on the surrounding community. Organizations that exist solely for their selfish interest, have no more earned the right to survival than the individual who exists for his own selfish end. Without the aid of the alumni, the task will be difficult.

It is the duty of every worthy alumnus of a fraternity to continue his interest in the undergraduate chapter. This duty can be discharged with the accrual of surprising physical and spiritual rewards. If, to serve a fraternity requires personal sacrifice, the individual will be the more enriched in character. To plead lack of time as a justification of the indifference is a show of weakness. The genuine busy man has been known through the centuries by his magnanimity in service to mankind.

Any chapter of your fraternity is an open field to exercise your aptitude, leadership and benevolence. Organizing panel discussions, public speaking, debating, study groups, are but a few of the stimulating activities that can be a form of relaxation both to you and the members of the chapter. Undergraduates are hard and relentless critics but no one cooperates more enthusiastically with their proven benefactors.

The individual who serves, demonstrates leadership and in turn, elicits the respect of those he comes in contact with daily. In times of need, the man who has demonstrated unselfish leadership is sought, regardless of whether it is to do business with or confer civic honors.

The National Interfraternity Conference held in November 1948, registered three hundred seven graduates in attendance. Each one a leader and a man of outstanding success in the educational, political or economical life of our country. Eagerness to serve college youth was their goal. The dynamic leadership displayed, aroused admiration and respect. The high calibre of the few men that are serving emphasizes how ill it becomes the large number that are not doing so. Truly may it be said of them, so much is owed to so few by so many. The success and not impossible failure of your fraternity depends on you, the Alumnus. *Te facimus, quae es, fraternitas!*



On Monday, July 18th Carlo Vacca, *Sigma*, finally decided to end his single blessedness and marry Marguerite Sasso, his girl of his dreams. The ceremonies took place in Allston's Saint Anthony's Church. Brother Vacca was connected

with New England's elite Milton Academy wherein your child may be admitted if your eschutcheon bears sixteen quarterings and your blood flows in three shades of lavender to blue. To both bride and groom our very best wishes.

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