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## HELP THE CHAPTER IN RUSHING

There are only five week left to the current semester and then Phi Kappa's rushing campaign will be underway in dead earnest. We know that some of you know of a man (or men) who is planning on coming to the University next fall, and it is highly important that we learn their names without delay.

We must start our 1939-1940 school year with a full house, and all possible alumni help will be appreciated.

Rushing chairman for the summer is George E. Troll. Address him at the chapter house until early June, and afterwards at his home in Aurora, Illinois, at 618 South Fourth Street.

ENCLOSED WITH THIS ISSUE OF THE PHI KAPPA NEWS is a rushing reply card. Use it to send us your rushing recommendations. Remember, unless we can get "dates" with our rushees, we don't have a chance when pledging time comes around!

### WHAT THE PRESIDENT SAYS

To Members of Phi Kappa:

To Howard Norris, the executive committee, and the Senior class, we give our most hearty thanks for the wonderful job they have done in the past year. They leave a vacancy that will be very difficult to fill next fall, and only the best of men will be able to take their places.

Scholastically Phi Kappa moved up eight places and now ranks first among social fraternities with a 3.7585 average. Our big job now is getting the habit of keeping Alpha Chi Rho in that position.

Since the beginning of the semester we have had the house filled to capacity with 37 men, but we are still rushing. We are trying to carry on a semi-deferred rushing system in order to be more certain of the type of men we are getting. If you know of anyone who is now at the University and is not a fraternity man, drop us a line now and we will see that man before school ends in June.

This will be the last issue of the Phi Kappa News for this year, so I want to say a few words about summer rushing. To come straight to the point, we are going to need plenty of men next fall, and I mean real potential Alpha Chi Rhos. We stand a chance of losing 14 men, including the seniors, at the end of the year, and that means that every man is going to have to get out and scour the country.

You alumni are one of our chief aids in obtaining names of boys who will be attending the University next fall. Through your business and social associates, there are many parents who will be sending their sons here, and only through your associations will we be able to know about them.

You will be hearing from our rushing committee in a few weeks, but I would like to have you thinking about it now. Even though you are not at Phi Kappa any more, we know that your spirit is still as strong, and so I urge you to start looking now for boys who can be real Alpha Chi Rhos.

In conclusion, I want to extend an invitation to all Phi Kappa alumni to visit us some time this spring. The weather is beginning to be nice, and you all know how attractive the campus is at this time of year. We like to see you and hope that you feel the same way, SO COME ON BACK!

Gail C. Mischlich, E'

## NEWS FROM THE CHAPTER

**ELECTION OF OFFICERS!** Election of officers was held on April 3, and the following men were elected: Gail C. Mischlich '40, E'; John W. Bryan '40, U'; George E. Troll '40, I'; Frank W. Linder '40, Is'; Charles L. Norton '40, O'; Theodore M. Morris '40, G'; Robert E. Taylor '42, Phi.

**TWO MEN INITIATED ON APRIL 24.** Formal initiation was held on April 24, and two men were taken into the ranks of Alpha Chi Rho. The new brothers are Don Haslem '40, from Aurora, and Fred Wilson '41, from Evanston. These men now boost the number of men initiated by Phi Kappa this school year to eighteen, and this fact has aided greatly in making the year a successful one for the chapter.

**SOCIAL EVENTS. SPRING FORMAL PLANNED FOR MAY 13!** The annual Spring Formal of Phi Kappa will be held on Saturday, May 13. Larry Lonny and his band will set to music the "modern garden" theme of the dance. Programs and favors will be given and the committee is doing an excellent job in making this dance the most successful in many years.

The assessment for the dance will be \$5.00, and if you are planning to come, let the chairman, Howard Norris, know by May 5 at the latest. We would appreciate it if you would send your check for the assessment when making your reservation so that the committee will be able to plan on an exact number to be present. We hope to see a lot of you here for that week-end. The formal dinner is at 6:30 Saturday evening and the dance begins at 9 P.M.

**CHAPTER HAS NOTED VISITORS!** The week of April 17 to 22 was an eventful one for Phi Kappa in that we had two national officers visit us. National Secretary, "Curly" Walden, spent all week with us, and we all gained a lot by being with him and by listening to his advice, always timely and helpful.

A day after "Curly" left, National President "Bill" Cox came down from Chicago to visit us. It was the first time that "Bill" had been able to visit Phi Kappa, and he complimented us highly on the excellent condition of the chapter. We all did our best to show him a good time, and we hope that he gets a chance to pay us another call soon.

When Brother Richard Bonelli of Syracuse chapter was in Champaign for a Star Course Concert, the noted singer paid the chapter an informal call before his concert on the campus. We all enjoyed talking to him, and he proved to be as interesting off-stage as he is excellent in his concert work.

**WILL ENTER SACHEM SING.** Sachem Sing will be held on May 20th, Interscholastic Week-end, and the entire chapter is practicing every night now so that we can be right up with the best of them that night. Howie Norris, as leader, is working hard with new arrangements of the songs, and everyone is cooperating to make Phi Kappa a winner!

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## NEWS OF PHI KAPPA ALUMNI EVERYWHERE

**THANKS FOR SUBSCRIPTIONS!** We take this time to acknowledge the receipt of PHI KAPPA NEWS subscriptions from the following loyal alumni! B. E. Sells '38, Blair Stark '37, Howard R. Moore '36, Ralph C. Murphy '30, Lee R. Carlson '16, Roy J. Wood '30, Frank Schooley '29, Robert J. Christ '20, L. Logan Smith '18, H. A. (Dee) Webb '23, and Chick Runyon '25, There is still time to send in your subscription for the current year if you have yet to do so. Your help will be appreciated!

Chick Runyon '25 is a partner in the University Window Shade Company, located in San Diego, Calif., at 1023 University Avenue. The Runyon home is at 4325 Hawk Street there. Mrs. Runyon is the former Emilie Cole, Wisconsin Tri Delt.

Blair Stark '37 is cost accountant with Anaconda Wire and Cable Company in Pawtucket, Rhode Island.

Jack Rothgeb '34 is connected with the Montgomery Ward retail store, located in St. Paul, Minn. Jack was married to Ruth A. Davis (Illinois) last September, and lives in St. Paul at 535 Asbury Avenue.

Living close by is Haldeman A. (Dee) Webb '23, who is connected with the Williams Hardware store in Rantoul. The Webbs have a daughter, Nancy Helen, eight years old.

If you plan to visit the San Francisco Fair this summer, why don't you pay a call on Bob Christ '20, manager of The Dobeckmun Co., at 1330 - 62nd Street in Oakland, Calif. Bob lives in Piedmont at 11 Scenic Avenue. He has two daughters, Barbara Jean, 12; and Patricia Jane, 14 years old.

Ralph Murphy '30 is attorney with the firm of Barr and Barr in Joliet, where he lives on Cherry Hill. "Murph" was married in 1937 to Dorothy Lentz, Northwestern Tri Delt.

In Hillsboro, Ill., Ralf Hauck '30 is busy in coal mining work with the Rice Miller Coal Corp. Ralf was married in June of last year to Judy Miller, Wisconsin Pi Phi.

News has been received of the birth of a daughter, Patricia Lynn, last December 22, to Arnold and Helen Burt Potteiger '36, in Aurora. The announcement was in the form of a purchase order, from the Babyland Company, shipped via Stork transfer, and "priceless" in value. The Potteigers live at 510 Oak Street.

Here's a note from Theodore Koerner '22: "Please change my address on your records to show me at 219 Wisner Avenue in Park Ridge, Ill. I am in the real estate business, being treasurer of the Bolton Realty Company, 3 South Park Avenue. Whenever any of the brothers are going through Park Ridge, I hope they will stop and see me."

A new address has been received for Charles R. Leaverton '30, who now lives in Dallas, Texas, at 705 South Marlboro. He formerly lived in Grand Junction, Colo.

David W. Mathew Jr. '36 has moved from Warren, Ohio, to Battle Creek, Mich., where he lives at 435 West 23rd Street. According to chapter records he is with Youngstown Pressed Steel Company.

Phi Kappa alumni on the move! Here are new addresses recently received: William H. Bailey Jr. '26, 301 Argyle, Pueblo, Colo.; Fred W. Leggitt '17, 1529 Virginia, Glendale, Calif.; Harold B. Miller '36, 1116 North Shore Drive, Chicago; Charles S. Owen '22, 4830 Elm Street, Niles Center, Ill.; Erwin F. Stahl '26, 848 Lincoln, Winnetka, Illinois.

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GEORGE E. TROLL ---- EDITOR

If you are receiving a "Who's Who" questionnaire with this issue of THE PHI KAPPA NEWS, please fill it out and return it to the editor at the chapter house, 311 East Armory Avenue, Champaign, Illinois.