## **Alpha Phi Omega National Convention International Relations Director Report**

Dec 27-30, 2004, Adam's Mark Hotel, Denver CO

## **Progress toward National Goals:**

National Strategic Plan: International Extension

**Objective:** To provide support to and fulfill a commitment to the International Council of Alpha Phi

Omega by leading extension efforts in Canada.

Team Members: Marilyn Mims Dow, Craig Muckle, Beth Tom, Allen Wong, Dave Emery

Goal #1: By December 2008, the Fraternity will establish five new chapters in Canada.

Status: During this term we had 6-8 interested students at the University of York in Toronto. They were being sponsored by several members of the Filipino Toronto Alumni Association. Allen Wong worked closely with this group of students and the Alumni Association. Unfortunately, it doesn't look like that this group will mature into an Alpha Phi Omega chapter.

Milestones By December 2005, one new chapter will be established in Canada

Goal #2: By December 2010, complete a feasibility study of extending Alpha Phi Omega to universities in countries where we do not have active Chapters. Action Steps:

Comprise a list of countries and criteria to be considered for active extension recruitment outside the United States.

- Countries where Greek letter organizations exist and are allowed. Completed
- Countries where U.S. copyright and trademark policy and law are enforced. Looking for appropriate resource.
- Countries where APhiO (USA or Phil) alumni reside. No progress to date.

APhiO Membership policies should be followed to the extent feasibly possible.

Look for other service partners with international chapters and expertise (e.g. Lions, Kiwanis, etc.)

Events: By December 2004 - ICAPO Meeting in conjunction with our National Conventions in Denver. This meeting is mandated by the ICAPO Operating Policies.

May 2005 – Alpha Phi Omega of the Philippines, National Convention. We will look forward to and plan on attending the next convention in 2005. Allen established an email address to facilitate communication regarding this event: apousadelegation@vahoo.com.

International Relations Committee: Allen Wong, DDS, Canadian Extension Chair; Randy Finder

## **Additional Goals:**

- 1. Improve communication with APhiO Philippines by establishing regular contact with counterparts on the Board in the Philippines. Results: Contact with our counterparts in the Philippines, while easier with email, is still sometimes sporadic.
- 2. Improve communication with ACNA (Alumni Council of North America) chapters and officers by ensuring that all APhiO-USA Board members have a current ACNA roster. Results: 4 current and former Board members attended the annual ACNA convention in Vancouver, BC, Sept 2004.

**Working with Service and Communication Program Director** 

**International Service Project Possibility for 2005** (2002 Convention Directive #32)

The National Service and Communications Committee is charged to research and present a proposal to the 38<sup>th</sup> National Convention for another International Project to be held in 2005. This report should include a budget, timeline, strategy, and details of any partnerships in other organizations.

Progress: This topic was raised at the ACNA (Filipino Alumni Council of North America) convention in Vancouver this September. There were no firm recommendations as to appropriate service projects for joint AFO-USA and AFO-Philippines cooperation. It will be up to the Denver convention delegates

## Communication & Public Relations Goal: (Beth, Marketing, Team Leader)

Goal #2: By Jan 1, 2005, a structure will be in place that allows free and open communication between students, chapters and regions of APO-USA and APO-Philippines.

Fraternally, David A. Errery