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## A.P.X. Dinner in N.Y. To Be Held June 25th

The dinner for Alpha Rho Chi's at the New York A.I.A. Convention will be in the main dining room of the Architectural League, Wednesday evening, June 25, 6:00 P.M. The meeting will be informal and timed so that guests planning to see a show will not be late. Ladies are invited. Make reservations in advance with Dean Axline, 123 East 47 Street, New York.

## Convention Delayed By Time Conflict

The Fraternity's 23rd National Convention, scheduled for June, has been postponed. W. G. A. Dwight Ely has written to James Wilson, W.A. at Ann Arbor, "The time-place difficulty seems to be insurmountable. There is about two weeks difference between the western chapters and the eastern with respect to closing . . . It might be better to arrange a convention in the fall."

## Founders' Day Dinners Mark Fraternity's 38th Birthday

This year's anniversary of Alpha Rho Chi's founding on April 11, 1914, was celebrated with the traditional special reunions and dinner meetings.

CHAMPAIGN . . . On Sunday, April 20, Dean Newcomb paid tribute to the memory of one of Anthemios' best loved charter members, the late Lorentz Schmidt. The afternoon was highlighted by Professor Provine with an eloquent review of the unique contribution by Dr. Nathan Ricker to the development of architectural education.

ANN ARBOR . . . Thirty-seven alumni joined active members of Iktinos on April 19 for a cocktail party at Professor Hammett's home, and dinner at the Chapter House. Clair Ditchy showed his fine collection of colored slides from the A.I.A. trek to Europe.

LOS ANGELES . . . Active

and alumni A.P.X.'s of Andronicus observed Founders' Day with golf, swimming, and dinner at the Oakmont Country Club.

MINNEAPOLIS . . . Minnesota alumni celebrated on April 18 with dinner at the Minneapolis Athletic Club, honoring Ralph Hammett, alumnus of Mnesicles and Professor of Architecture at Michigan.

CHICAGO . . . At the Illinois Athletic Club, April 18, 32 alumni and their wives heard Mr. Ira Bach, Executive Director of the Chicago Land Clearance Commission, describe the program, now well advanced, for clearance of blighted areas in accordance with the Chicago Plan Commission's recommendations. Evert Kincaid, Anthemios Alumni President, reports that it was one of the best Founders' Day meetings in a number of years.



ALPHA RHO CHI AT UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN • Iktinos Chapter

## Anthemios Completes First Year's Design Study Under New Plan



The new Architectural Design teaching plan which replaced the Beaux Arts program at Illinois last fall is described by Richard Keys, Anthemios W.S. "Design for Practice" appears to be generally considered as a more practical program, the assignments more in keeping with what the architects will do when they have graduated. The classrooms have been divided into small ateliers with one critic overseeing approximately eight seniors and six juniors. The first semester juniors and seniors work together, while the second semester juniors and seniors do the same. That is, they work on the same assignments. Now, the first semester students in both classes do the assignments given by the instructors (museums, schools, etc.), receiving three problems a semester. The second semester juniors and the graduating seniors have a terminal problem which requires fifteen weeks. The seniors choose their own subject, without influence by the instructors, and are required to do research work on the building type, plus a model. While each senior works alone on the problem, the juniors work together in pairs."



**Norman Meyer**

Norman Meyer from Lorraine, Kansas, senior in Architectural Engineering, is Anthemios W.A. Norman is a member of Gargoyle and Star and Scroll. Now in advanced R.O.T.C., he expects to enter the Air Force as Second Lieutenant immediately after graduation.

### Prize Winner

Al Francik won \$1,000 first prize for his modern Extra Room design in a Chicago Tribune Better Rooms Contest.

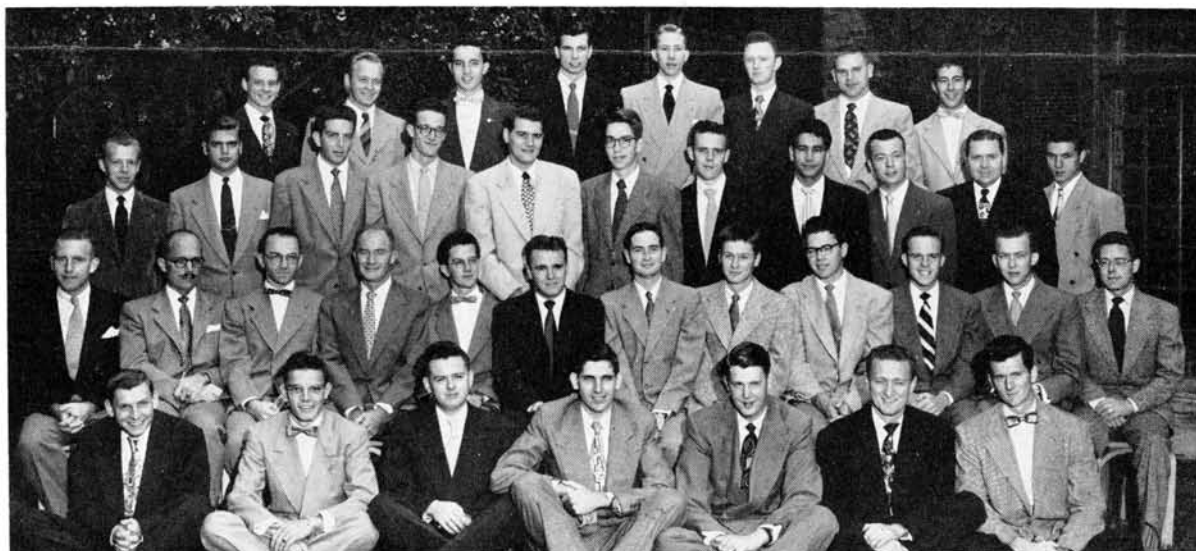
## Andronicus Meets Professionals



Robert Widman, Scribe for A.P.X. at University of Southern California, writes about informal discussions at the House, featuring local, visiting and alumni architects. "Planned as part of our rush program, the discussions proved so popular that this semester we expanded the program so they occur twice a month and we extend a cordial invitation to all alumni and interested architectural students. We have featured such men as Culver Heaton, Whitney Smith, and Carl Denney, also delineator Chris Coate. We are especially indebted to Mr. Denny for helping us establish the idea. The sketch and rendering problem with Brother Choate was one of the most interesting and educational events of the year and was immensely enjoyed by all."

### Landscape Designer W. A.

Leading Andronicus is Kenny Lee Wormhoudt, 3rd year Landscape Design major. A graduate of Alhambra High School and Pasadena City College, he is active in Trojan Knights, Interfraternity Council, and Greater University Committee. He expects to work with a landscape designer or a city planning staff.




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## Mnesicles W. A. From A.P.X. Family



John Paul Damberg

 John Paul Damberg, Head of A.P.X. at Minnesota, has had long exposure to Architecture, to Minnesota, and to Alpha Rho Chi. Damberg and Damberg, Architects, Virginia, Minnesota, are John's father, Paul S., and uncle, Reuben P., both alumni of Minnesota and A.P.X.

John is secretary of the A.I.A. student chapter and was the organizer of a recent exhibit of student work. His solution of a restaurant lighting problem won a membership in I.E.S.

### New House, Nothing Old

Robert Schlafle, W.S., writes about Mnesicles Building Fund: "Pledges are still coming in for the new house, and every one is working hard to put this thing over. Being a fraternity of architects, we thought we would never be able to agree on a house plan, but we know when it is completed we will have one of the finest fraternity houses on campus, devoid of all the old English half-timber, Greek temple, French Provincial sentimentality. Just a simple contemporary dwelling expressive of the philosophy of those architects who dwell therein."

## Iktinos Wants New Active Chapters



A. P. X. head at Michigan is James Gerald Wilson from Rockford, Illinois. For staff he has Phillip Luth, John Dawson, Tunney Fee Lee, John Flynn, Frederick Lappin, William Fritz, Richard Donkervoet.

### New Chapters

Last fall *Iktinos* published an editorial reading in part, "To anyone who has had the privilege of being an Alpha Rho Chi, it is hardly necessary to enumerate the benefits one gains from contact and living with a group of fellow architectural students. With this in mind, it is difficult to understand why there has been no chapter of the fraternity formed since Theron was founded at Oklahoma in 1926. This is especially so in the face of steadily increasing enrollment in the architectural schools. Equally puzzling are the number of inactive chapters."

### Realistic Note

Arthur Pickett, G.L., has commented, "The opening of a new chapter is a very difficult thing, and I believe requires the almost exclusive time of at least one individual on the campus involved. It just cannot be done as an extra-curricular activity by a dozen fellows. Somebody must do the work involved, and take the financial responsibility necessary."



Iktinos officers, (left to right), Dawson, Donkervoet, Luth and Wilson.

## INITIATES



Initiates are recorded serially by the Grand Council in order of receipt of complete initiation reports. Serial number in official record is shown for each initiate.

### KALLIKRATES, Dec. 6, 1951

- 1986 James Robert Walker, Charlottesville, Va.
- 1987 Stevens Meredith Jones, Richmond, Va.
- 1988 George Luther Williams, Norfolk, Va.
- 1989 Kenneth William Hayes, Charlottesville, Va.
- 1990 Lindley Murray Hoffman, Woodstock, N. Y.
- 1991 William Howes Farwell, Los Angeles, Cal.

### ANDRONICUS, Feb. 17, 1952

- 1992 Kenneth Thomas Darling, Los Angeles, Cal.
- 1993 William L. Hertel, La Canada, Cal.
- 1994 John Allen Kyser, Downey, Cal.
- 1995 Michael Allan McMillan, Crosl, Cal.
- 1996 John A. Rinaldi, Hollywood, Cal.

### MNESICLES, Jan. 13, 1952

- 1997 Duane Wallace Grande, Ulen, Min.
- 1998 Marlo Wilfred Hanson, Minneapolis
- 1999 George Robert Kline, Minneapolis
- 2000 Yasuo Nakao, Hanapepe, Kaua, T. H.
- 2001 Orville Raymond Nelson, Minneapolis
- 2002 Reynold Marvin Roberts, Minneapolis
- 2003 Leonard Arthur Widen, Milwaukee, Wis.

### IKTINOS, Feb. 23, 1952

- 2004 George James Bacalis, Detroit, Mich.
- 2005 William Lloyd Demiene, Allen Park, Mich.
- 2006 William Wesley Flinn, Peoria, Ill.
- 2007 Thomas William Flynn, Lakewood, Ohio
- 2008 Nicholas Lardas, Ann Arbor
- 2009 Gerald A. Lockhart, Flint, Mich.
- 2010 John Victor Owen, Benton Harbor, Mich.
- 2011 William Drew Straub, Traverse City, Mich.
- 2012 Richard Mayo Wycoff, Inkster, Mich.

### ANTHEMIOS, Feb. 3, 1952

- 2013 Nathan Angelo Carras, Hammond, Ind.
- 2014 Albert Matthew Francik, Berwyn, Ill.
- 2015 Donald Andrew Koss, LaSalle, Ill.
- 2016 Kenneth Charles Kurtz, Wauwatosa, Wis.
- 2017 Aden Jesse Lauchner, Springfield, Ill.
- 2018 George Eldridge Magee, Baton Rouge, La.
- 2019 Vytautas Petrauskas, Chicago
- 2020 Stan Judson Routh, Baton Rouge, La.
- 2021 Ralph Marlowe Line, Urbana, Ill.

### DEMETRIOS, April 26, 1952

- 2022 Richard Neil Bechtel, Marion, Ohio
- 2023 Robert Edward Goodman, Akron, Ohio
- 2024 Stanley Lee Mitchell, Newark, Ohio
- 2025 Dennis Gerald Waters, Columbus, Ohio

