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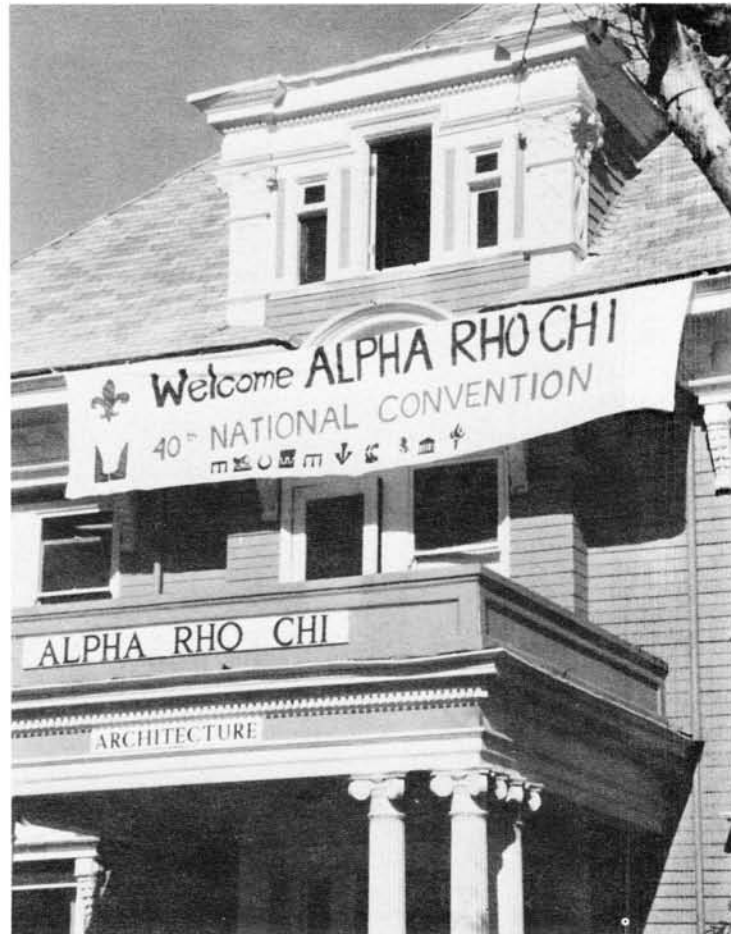
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*Andronicus
chapter house.*

Los Angeles Calif., was the site of the 40th National Convention of Alpha Rho Chi. Andronicus and Daedalus Chapters hosted the event, providing some sunny California days, to delegates and fraternity officers from all over the country. Actives and alumni from both chapters prepared for months and their work paid off in a most successful convention.

Pre-convention social activities began Thursday January 9 with a welcoming party where each visitor was photographed for their "California Passports".

The next morning, after breakfast at the chapter house, the delegates were escorted to the University of Southern California School of Architecture, where the convention meeting sessions were to take place. John Ross, WGA, opened the convention. After the invocation and the roll call by

Chuck Nickel, WGS, delegates were welcomed to California and the U.S.C. campus by the Dean of the School of Architecture, Robert S. Harris who was initiated as an honorary member just prior to the convention. Robert Grosse (Andronicus) was elected convention president and Rose Mary Garcia (Daedalus), convention secretary.

Reports from the Grand Council officers, appointees chapters, Appollodorus Colony, and alumni associations filled Friday morning. John Ross, WGA, reported on the activities of the Grand Council since its board of directors meeting, held last January in Norman, Okla. John noted the Iktinos reactivation and that Appollodorus Colony has been established at the University of Florida at Gainesville. Also, John reminded us of the continuing effort



Chuck Nickel, WGS, Howard Van Heuklyn, Grand Lecturer, John Ross, WGA and Stephen Schram, Apollodorus.

to maintain financial stability throughout the fraternity. The financial statements of the past 4½ years of his administration show that the fraternity has become financially stable due to three factors:

- The postponement of the 1985 national convention
- The computerization of alumni and active records
- An alumni dues/support program

Wayne Burford, WGAA, reported on the continuing success of the computer system that allows access to over 3,000 membership records. He also made a plea to all alumni associations and individual alumni to cooperate with his office in his request for information on the whereabouts of fellow alumni. Wayne also reported on the development of a new alumni recognition program that will officially recognize those alumni who have regularly provided financial support. He also noted enthusiastically the marked increase in contributions of alumni dues and gifts during the past two years.

Chuck Nickel, WGS, reported on the increased communication within our membership due to the publications of the *Archi* and *Alpha Rho Chi Letter*. Last year Chuck organized the awarding of 85 Alpha Rho Chi Medals. Chuck is also working on publishing APX songs as part of the pledge manual. Together with official songs of APX such as, "The Alpha Rho Chi Hymn" and "The Archi Toast", the manual will soon include local songs submitted by each chapter. Chuck has also provided direction to the "Members Task-force Committee" assigned to draft revisions to the Members Handbook.

Bill Bradford WGE, reported that the fraternity was largely successful in living within projected budgets for the past year. He stressed the importance of maintaining a healthy membership in each chapter to continue financial stability and growth. Bill also noted his appreciation for the alumni who paid their alumni dues and those who made the effort to give in addition to paying their dues.

Workshops to guide chapter development were held Friday afternoon. Professional Program Planning was presented by Xenocles alumnus, Suzanne Bainbridge. The presentation included tips on how to choose topics, potential speakers, and meeting sites for a successful professional program. The second workshop, Rushing, was presented by Demetrios alumnus John Thaler on behalf of Louann Snezek and Carol Grewe-Thaler both of Demetrios. This workshop provided tips on rushing techniques that are successfully used by some of the largest fraternities and sororities in the country. The presentation reminded everyone that rushing is work but also quite rewarding. Each active member and alumnus must do their part to encourage new membership to ensure the future success of our Fraternity.

At the completion of the workshops the Apollodorus Colony presented its required materials for becoming an active chapter. Colony president Steve Schram gave an overview of past activities, current activities with Metagenes, and updates on the almost 60 pledges.

Saturday's session included a review of motions and amendments as well as a proposal to raise active member dues and pledge fees. After a lengthy discussion of

a variety of options, the convention elected to lower the initiation fee to \$40.00, pledge fees to remain at \$20.00 and the national dues are raised from \$4.00 to \$8.00/month per member. These changes will partially offset a projected budget deficit. Near the convention's end, Grand Council elections were held. The Grand Council members now are: John Ross-WGA, Andronicus; Wayne Burford-WGAA, Metagenes; Scott McKay-WGE, Anthemios; and Chuck Nickel-WGS, Demetrios. As part of the final convention business, Xenocles Chapter won the bid for the next convention.

Social events Friday and Saturday night allowed for informal discussions about chapter activities and the days events. Friday night's Beach Party was highlighted by an informal beer chug. The front walk of the Andronicus chapter house was lined with thirsty competitors as toasts were sung by the spectators. Saturday's Premier Gala welcomed a string quartet and lavish foods and drink. Later the quartet was replaced by a discjockey provided dance music until early in the morning.

Sunday morning was a time for good-byes with a brunch held on the chapter house lawn closing the organized events. It was the close of another memorable convention. Much had been accomplished, and more needs be done. We left with great memories and look forward to the next convention at Xenocles.



Wayne Burford, WGAA with Xenocles alumna Suzanne Bainbridge.

The **Metagenes Chapter** was honored with the George A. "So" Whitten Award for Scholastic Achievement in 1984-85. The brothers maintained an average of 3.28 / 4.00 over three quarters. Congratulations Metagenes!!

40th National Convention



Beach Party beer chug.



Convention organizers Ginny Fletcher, Daedalus Karin Jacobs, Andronicus not photographed Stan Smith



Robert Grosse, Andronicus Convention President and Rose Mary Garcia, Daedalus Convention Secretary.



"Premier Gala"



Beach Party beer chug.

Alumni "Specs"

RAYMOND GAUGER Anthemios '25 is retired and living with his wife, Theresa, in North Augusta, S.C. . . **WILLIAM B. SIMBOLI** Polykitos '26 is retired and living in Pittsburg PA. . . **MIKE MEBANE** Dinocrates '28 is retired, AIA Emeritus, and is living in San Angelo, TX. . . **W. J. WELLENSTEIN** Mnesicles '48 heads Wellenstein Architects Inc., in Anchorage, Alaska. . . **ORVILLE VORASSO** Demetrios '49 is a partner with Varasso, Wachtel and McAnally, Inc., Newark, Ohio. . . **WILLIAM H. APPIER** Anthemios '50 is a partner with

Appier & Marolf Architects in Rock Island, IL. . . **RICHARD J. LARSEN** Mnesicles '50 is a partner in the firm Wirntanen, Clark, Larsen Architects, Inc., in Mesa, Arizona. . . **RICHARD STAGG**, Kallikrates '58 is living in Lanham, Md. and is vice president of Stottler, Staff & Associates. . . **NORMAN R. BURDICK** Iktinos '59 heads the firm of Norman Burdick & Associates in Los Altos, Calif. . . **CHARLES R. SNITZER, JR.** Vitruvius '64 is living in Beaver, Pa. with his wife, Joyce, and is a senior architect with the firm of Michael Baker Jr. Inc. . .

G. PETER VANDER HEIDE Iktinos '71 was promoted to vice president and treasurer of Environmental Design Corp in Philadelphia, Pa. . . **JOSEPH BOGGS** Metagenes '71 was featured in the March 1986 issue of "Architecture" for his work on the interiors of his office, Joseph Boggs Studio/Architects in Washington D.C. . . **JOSE A. MARTINEZ** Anthemios '72 heads Jamarq Arquitectos Asociados in Urupan, Michuacan, Mexico and lives there with his wife, Angeles. . . **MONTE C. ZAJICEK** Xenocles '72 is working for SHWC, Inc. in

Irving, Texas... **JAMES M. POL-LIFRONE** Demetrios '73 is self employed and living in Eatontown N.J... **THOMAS R. MATHENY** Demetrios '77 is the director of the design department/historic preservation for Schooley Caldwell Associates in Columbus, Ohio... **ARTHUR BENGOCHE** Metagenes '78 works for Russell C. Chase Architects Inc. in Fort. Lauderdale, Fla... **CHARLES C. KNAPP** Cleisthenes '79 works for the Methodist Hospital Inc., Engineering Facilities Department in Indianapolis, Ind... **JAMES LANDEFELD** Andronicus '79 is a project manager for Sigal Construction in Washington, D.C... **JOHN N. LOVE JR.** Daedalus '80 is working for SLR Architects in Palo Alto, Calif... **FRANCES HIRZ GALLAGHER** Demetrios '82 is a project manager for CRS Constructors, Inc./CRS Sirmine in Denver, Colo... **ERIC LEE** Andronicus '83 is living in Kaneohe, Hawaii and is a construction estimator for Construction Services Ltd... **LAURA DESANTIS GAGLIANO** Metagenes '83 is currently working for the firm of Bowers Design Associates in Princeton, N.J... **BRIAN CRAVENS** Daedalus '84 is attending graduate school at UCLA and is working for the Urban Inovation Group.

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Chapter Happenings

The **Andronicus Chapter** is still trying to recover from convention. The brothers took their annual weekend retreat where they discussed the changes they've seen over the past few years and their goals for the future. The chapter is planning its fall fund-raiser, the sale of silk-screened T-shirts and posters featuring USC football players and the USC mascot.

In February, the **Anthemios Chapter** hosted its annual party in conjunction with the university's charette. The brothers have begun a new professional program featuring a lecture by a different Chicago architect every other week.

Of course, the big news for **Appollodorus** is that it is not a colony any longer. The Metagenes Chapter initiated the colony in March after all colony requirements were met. For Founders Day, Appollodorus held a symposium featuring five speakers, including the head designer for Walt Disney World, and the state coordinator of the Florida Intern Development Program.

Also taking a much needed break after hosting convention is the **Daedalus Chapter**. The Daedalus alumni recently held a resume and portfolio workshop for the school of architecture, and the active brothers are preparing five pledges for initiation later in the spring.

The **Daphnis Chapter** has been busy organizing a farewell banquet and roast for the recently retired founder of the school of architecture at the University of Arkansas. The chapter has been working closely with the university in preparation for the school's annual Beaux Arts Ball and Archi Week, an annual architectural symposium and festival.

The **Demetrios** brothers recently compiled artifacts from the chapter's early days for a display at the chapter house during Founders' Day festivities. Demetrios is celebrating its 70th birthday. The chapter is trying to set up a tour of the Amana building in Louisville, Ky. and has been holding rush parties at area architectural firms where Demetrios alumni work.

The **Heracleides Chapter**, in conjunction with the school of architecture at the University of Oklahoma, has been hosting lunch time lectures and providing interviewing advice for students. The brothers have also helped the school in its annual charity drive.

The **Iktinos** brothers are not concerned about the success of their rushing program. In fact, they don't really have a rushing program. Alpha Rho Chi is so popular in Ann Arbor that the chapter simply can't accommodate all of the students who would like to pledge. So the chapter is concentrating on events like an upcoming Frank Lloyd Wright symposium co-sponsored by the chapter, the university and the president of Domino's pizza.

The **Metagenes Chapter** held its annual art auction early this year. The auction was their most successful to date, with a profit of over \$2,000. The chapter's current professional program includes poetry and fiction readings; a lecture by sculptor Dean Carter, and a premier concert featuring the university orchestra.

The University of Minnesota has donated roofing materials to the **Mnesicles** brothers, who are waiting for warmer weather to get to work on the new roof. The chapter recently made \$300 at their Casino Night. Among plans for the rest of the year are a trip to Chicago and a hot tub party.

The **Rhoecus Chapter** is planning a show of faculty work for the Spring. Last year's show was so successful that the university may award tenure credit for participation. The brothers hosted a very successful interviewing lecture in February and will participate in the school of architecture's annual contribution drive in April.

The **Vitruvius** brothers are currently revamping their constitution and looking for ways to strengthen their brotherhood. The chapter is also trying to become more active in the Greek community and Penn State. The Vitruvius brothers will participate in Greek Week festivities this spring.

The **Xenocles** brothers have just finished remodeling their kitchen in preparation for our 41st National Convention. Other remodeling plans are in the works. The chapter will be co-hosting a lecture on the computer aided design system with the Fort Worth Chapter of the AIA.

Lisa Fetterhoff, Metagenes has brought her journalism expertise to the **Archi** staff. We are proud to have her talent working for the Fraternity.



Scott MacKay Worthy Grand Estimator.

Alpha Rho Chi Has a New Grand Council Member

J. Scott MacKay was elected to the position of Worthy Grand Estimator at the 40th National Convention in January.

Scott, an Anthemios alumnus, replaces Bill Bradford, who chose not to run for re-election to the position due to career and personal commitments.

Scott, who graduated from the University of Illinois with a Bachelor of Architectural Studies in 1984, is specializing in residential development and custom single-family homes. He is currently living in Hanover Park, Ill., and working for Otis Associates in Northbrook, Ill.

Scott has held various fraternity offices since his initiation in 1981, including worthy architect of the Anthemios Alumni Association and as the chairman of the Anthemios Control Corporation. Scott recently gave up his position as president of the control corporation so he may better fulfill his new duties as WGE.

We would like to thank Bill Bradford for his years of service as Worthy Grand Estimator. We have all benefitted from his diligence and professionalism in one of the fraternity's toughest jobs.

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