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Many Alpha Rho Chi’s will be at the convention of the American Institute of Architects in Houston on March 15 to 18.

Several of those planning to attend have expressed the hope that APX architects may get together during the convention at a luncheon or dinner meeting.

Alpha Rho Chi’s active in the Institute include, on the Board of Directors, Clair W. Ditchy, Secretary, Kenneth C. Black, Lorentz Schmidt and Ross Shumaker, Regional Directors; on the staff, John O. White, Jr., Field Secretary, and Walter A. Taylor, Director of the Department of Education and Research.


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Alpha Rho Chi’s attending the Ann Arbor convention last June were impressed anew with the fact that ours is a National Fraternity. With undergraduate chapters in six Colleges of Architecture and alumni widely scattered over the whole country, the many advantages of an intersectional organization are available.

Recent visits of Illinois men to California, Ohio men at Champaign, and an exchange of student work between Michigan and Virginia, are instances of the opportunities which occur for good fellowship and interchange of ideas.

Each chapter and each member gains strength and stimulation from our association in a national group.

Since most of us cannot attend the conventions, this issue of The Archi aims to present for all members a picture of the Fraternity as it is now being carried on by our undergraduate chapters.
The Boys At Andronicus Are Merry

The temporary chapter house has been remodeled and redecorated throughout, largely by the efforts of the chapter members and Minneapolis Alumni. New furniture is being installed, with Eames chairs and Kurt Versen lamps and dining tables now in. At the first mention of such "uncompromising modern", there was some consternation on the part of the Alumni Association, who were to finance the purchase. However, after much discussion, it was conceded that the furniture in question was actually the cheapest and most practical available.

With the thought that a professional fraternity should offer more at its meetings than a discussion of finances and parties, the chapter asked the Minneapolis alumni for help in providing programs of professional interest, speakers, lecturers, movies, exhibits, etc. The alumni responded with an advisory committee, composed of Walt Barnes, Don Pung, Austin Lange, George Freeburg and Hugh Walters, who have arranged a number of interesting talks at the chapter house. Winthrop Wadsworth discussed values of the fraternity after graduation; Louis Lundgren spoke about the A.I.A., how it operates and its relation with student activities; Elmer Magnuson showed movies of the Alcan and Pan American Highways; and Harley Johnson led a discussion on the interrelation of design and construction.

Willard Thorsen and Richard Peterson were initiated last November. Gordon Heck and Wallace Wellenstein graduated from the university in December.


Andronicus members are active in many campus activities. Bill Hickman has served on the L.A.S. Council and on the yearbook staff. Fred McDowell represents the College of Architecture on the Senior Class Council and is director of the student branch of the A.I.A. George Bissel is a member of Trojan Squires, a campus service organization. Bill Hobba, a Trojan Knight, was in charge of card stunt designs during the recent football tilts of S.C.

The Andronicus chapter house has been remodeled almost entirely by the members.
KALLIKRATES — University of Virginia

Initiation on December 9, 1948, added ten men to the chapter. Pledges becoming members of the fraternity were: Alan G. Cherry Jr., Richard A. Moon, Maurice J. Ullman, William L. Dove, Waverly C. Ormond, Russell L. Jordan, Joseph C. Kent, J. Dean Owens, and Dale C. Hamilton. In addition, Richard B. Walton, a charter member of former Kallikrates Club, was confirmed as a member of Kallikrates Chapter.

E. Donald H. Beall and Joseph T. Norris are graduating from the university in February.


Kallikrates reports that their exchange of student work with Iktinos Chapter was a very successful project and they will welcome further opportunities for chapter collaboration.

ANTHEMIOS — University of Illinois

Last semester Alpha Rho Chi ranked fourth in scholastic standing among the 54 fraternities on the Illinois campus. Allan Karl, past W.A., was chosen for Bronze Tablet, scholastic honorary for graduating seniors.

Officers for the spring semester are Karl Lohrmann, W.A., Dale Benedict, W.A.A., Bill Appier, W.E., Brian Crumlish, W.S.

Just after Thanksgiving vacation, Anthemios holds an annual open house and art show which is one of the highlights of the fall semester. This year's exhibit included 225 pieces in oil, water color, and ceramics, as well as design problems, all done by members of the chapter.

Pledges initiated this month were Sid Bradd, Charles Garrison, Jack Goldman, Howard Nickerson, Dick Patterson, Adrian Pearse, Ed Sweetnam, Harold Tanner, Tom Waggoner, Robert Willbert, and Bill Williams.

Three Anthemios men, Bungardner, Marczyk, and Zagorski, express great appreciation of the hospitality shown them at the Andronicus chapter house in Los Angeles, where they spent their summer last year.
The Chapter now includes 47 active members and 11 pledges who will be initiated in the spring. Initiated last November were: Martin Biesc, Donald Humphrey, Jerome Lepard, Robert Meacham, John McMichael, Robert White, William Zimmie.

Officers for the spring semester are David Stiffler, W.A., Holland Brady, W.A.A., Richard Millman, W.E. Carter B. Strong, W.S.

The 1948 George G. Booth Fellowship was won by APX John H. Bickel, '47, of Louisville, Kentucky. Bickel expects to start his travel and study in Europe this summer.

In November Brother Roy Belco arranged an exchange exhibit with Kallikrates Chapter. The Virginia work included several design problems and studies in pencil and water color. After being displayed at the Michigan chapter house for a few weeks, the exhibit was returned with an Iktinos exhibit for Kallikrates.

Iktinos has a new combination incinerator and barbecue pit designed by Brothers Haas and Brady in a house competition and built by the new initiates.

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