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From the desk of the editor...

I knew I wanted to be as involved as possible when I first pledged the Tau Chapter of Alpha Zeta Omega, but I never expected to be here in this position. To be perfectly honest, I didn’t even know I COULD serve in a position like this! The thought of serving in Supreme never crossed my mind; I was an Undergraduate, and I was living in the moment. Serving as my Chapter’s Bellarum and Directorum over my years as an undergraduate had my “to-do” list and schedule full, and I loved it. I can’t say being Directorum was easy, but having the opportunity to be involved in every single aspect of Tau was an incredible experience and was worth every minute that I dedicated during my senior year to my Chapter.

As my graduation date approached, I wasn’t thinking about my future in AZO. It was only after graduating that I first asked myself, “Now what?” However, I was lucky that I did not have to wonder for long. Days before the summer 2010 convention, I received a call from the incoming Directorum ‘Salsa’, asking me to be the Sidney R. Rome Newspaper Cup Chair. I didn’t know what the position was, but I didn’t care! I was just excited to be able to stay involved. At the time, I had no idea that this would be the beginning of my involvement with AZO on a national level.

Having the opportunity to serve as the AZOan Editor has been a pleasure. It has also been a challenge. Looking through previous AZOans, I knew I had a lot to live up to and trying to follow the line of incredible Editors has been tough. I was confident that my ‘badgering skills’ would come in handy when it came time to ensuring reports were submitted, but I had not anticipated how much communication I would have with each and every officer and Chapter Directorum, (some more than others) through e-mails, phone calls, Facebook, and even Snapchat.

This however, was surprisingly the most enjoyable part of the position. Having the opportunity to be in contact with so many Fraters is what I love most. Watching the continued growth of the fraternity has been remarkable. If I have learned nothing else over the years, it’s that you get out what you put in. AZO has not only aided me both professionally and socially, but also has made me the person I am today. The experiences I have had only encourage my continued involvement. The sense of pride one feels when having the opportunity to watch a new chapter emerge, or their very own chapter expand and develop its first alumni component is indescribable.

To our graduating Fraters, first and foremost I congratulate you on your achievement, and I welcome you to becoming an alumnus. As each undergraduate Frater graduates to the role of alumnus, his or her continued involvement and support is what influences AZO’s progression. Because of this, I urge you to remain active, stay involved, and serve the fraternity in some capacity, because you truly never know where it will take you. While everything in your life changes, AZO will always be your rock. The opportunities within the Fraternity are endless, and I implore you to take advantage of that.

I want to acknowledge this AZOan could not have been possible if it weren’t for my amazing support system. First and foremost, a huge thank you to Don Reisfeld, our publisher who worked tirelessly to produce the layout and design, endured my constant suggestions, and allowed me to publish my ideas. Thank you to our Supreme Directorum John Chin for entrusting this publication to me, to Frater Shivam Patel for his assistance in the cover design, and to Fraters Diane Medeiros and Harjeet Caberwal for all of their guidance. To Lois Seidenman, P.N.P, Jeanne-Marie Holly, P.N.P, and Bruce Strell, P.S.D.; thank you for your reviews and revisions. To Gloria, P.N.P, and Lou Flacks, P.S.D. for always going above and beyond for the fraternity, you are both my role models (Lou for your involvement, and Gloria for your sense of fashion). And finally, I must thank the person who has been there for me constantly. I seldom give him the credit he truly deserves, but whether he is encouraging and motivating me, or listening to me vent as 90% of the reports are submitted at 11pm on their due date, Izzy has been there through it all, and I couldn’t have done this without him.

In closing, it has been an absolute pleasure to serve AZO in this capacity. This fraternity means the world to me and having the opportunity to serve it has been an honor. I am looking forward to my continued involvement, and want to congratulate AZO on an amazing fraternal year.

Fraternally,

Tiffany M. Puccia
2013 AZOAN Editor
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The objectives of the Fraternity are to: promote the profession of Pharmacy; develop high standards of Scholarship; inculcate a spirit of Fellowship among its members; bring together a body of professional men and women, who, by the diligent maintenance of ethical ideals and faithful service, have proven a credit to their chosen profession; honor achievement in others; commend all worthy deeds; and build within our Fraternity a triangle composed of three supporting sides which are...

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As I look back to Baltimore, Maryland last July where I was elected to the office of Supreme Directorum, I was entrusted with the task of leading this Fraternity and continue its tradition of peace, friendship and brotherly love. I cannot believe 12 months has gone by so quickly. I guess with an efficient Supreme Board at my disposal, anything can happen so effortlessly. I would like to thank my entire Supreme Board for their diligence and hard work. This was a group effort done by all to accomplish so much. I would like to thank the Chairs of each committee for their leadership role in pressing forward to tackle their individual tasks at hand. As Supreme Directorum, I was able to see an amazing Fraternity and local chapters across the states striving for a common goal; to promote the good word and workings of AZO. Holding blood drives, walks, lectures, fund-raisers, bowl-a-thons, community service, scavenger hunts, camping trips, CE breakfasts, sushi and potluck dinners, trivia night, roadside clean-up, speed networking events, bake sales, and the list of activities sent to me go on and on which shows that AZO is not slowing down one bit. Movement is happening across the board. We must continue to keep moving forward and to have an even greater involvement with each other to keep AZO strong; strong in our community; strong in our campuses and universities; and most of all; strong in our hearts and mind.

I would like to thank those Chapters that invited my wife, Rosalie (National Auxiliary President) and me to their chapter meetings and functions. It was exciting to see the local chapters’ home turf and how they interacted on campus as well as off campus. I am sorry to say that I could not make all the invitations afforded me due to conflicts, work and personal medical injury. But, as of this writing I am able to travel again and will be visiting Kappa and Philadelphia Alumni in June. I can say that I am honored to attend the local chapters and to see how remarkable the Chapter Directorums and their Board lead their Chapter to spread the good word of AZO.

One of my duties as Supreme Directorum, is to present the Jay L. Pollock Supreme Undergraduate Award at our Winter Convention to a deserving undergraduate frater. This award, in itself, is the highest honor an undergraduate frater can receive in AZO. Selection criteria includes fraternal activity, having leadership qualities, and scholarly and citizenship material. It was a privilege this year to present it to Brooke Ruhland of Tau. Congratulations to Brooke for such an accomplishment.

I ask all to continue to visit our website, www.azo.org and to use any and all means of communication amongst us to keep in touch with one another. And like they say…“a picture is worth a thousand words”…(who said it first?) so send in those meaningful pictures when they are requested. It could end up in the AZOan. It is no easy task by any means to collect and collate names, addresses, e-mail addresses, telephone numbers, etc. Each year, we have dedicated fraters that do just that. The fraters are doing this 24/7 and I give them praise for this challenging task. For those that are somehow lost in the fold; we have AZO Direct and this year’s Chair was hard at work at the helm.

With the summer convention approaching, one of my other duties is to proudly present the Directorums Cup to the Chapter Directorums of those deserving chapters. I am happy to say that this will be a joyful duty to carry out. High activity amongst the local chapters will earn the honor of accepting the Directorums Cup at the Convention. Also each year at the summer convention an award is presented by Supreme to a distinguished and deserving person or frater. This year is no different. One of our own, Joy Pollock, will be this years’ Achievement Medal Winner. Joy is also our Legal Advisor for AZO. Congratulations Joy on this honor.

This fraternity gives us a chance to improve. This fraternity gives us an opportunity to get involved. This fraternity can learn from within. Sometimes change may seem slow and not immediate. But be assured that change for the better is always on the forefront. This year, one of my pet projects is the Archiving Committee. I always believed that knowing our past and solidifying our foundation we can establish a stronger presence for today so we will have a brighter future ahead. We must get involved somehow to gather our past; knowing this will be a very expensive venture; but I believe if we do not move on this, we will not have an AZO future. We need to decide as a group on which road to build. This will be our ‘yellow brick road’ …our path to help us lead AZO into another 100 years.

Saving the best for last, I would like to thank you, the fraters of AZO. Thank you for allowing me to be your Supreme Directorum. You are here because you believe. You are here because you care. You can make this fraternity a stronger fraternity if you get involved with Supreme. You can see what your local chapter can do. Being an officer of your local chapter is an honor in itself. Serve your chapter well. See what you can do on a different level; a national level. Come to Supreme and get involved. Go AZO!

Fraternally,
John W. Chin, R.Ph., M.S.
Supreme Directorum 2012 - 2013
Supreme National Fundraising Project

DIABETES…WHERE ARE WE NOW!

As compared to 20 years ago...we are doing better; but there is still more to do. We are not close to conquering diabetes as we have hoped. Here are some facts as to where we stand so far:

**Total prevalence of diabetes***

- Total ~ 25.8 million children and adults in the United States – 8.3% of the population have diabetes
- Diagnosed~18.8 million people
- Undiagnosed~7.0 million people
- Prediabetes~79 million people
- New Cases~1.9 million new cases of diabetes are diagnosed in people aged 20 years and older in 2010.
- Under 20 years of age~215,000 or 0.26% of all people in this age group have diabetes
- About 1 in 400 children and adolescents has diabetes
- Age 20 years or older~25.6 million or 11.3% of all people in this age group have diabetes
- Age 65 or older~10.9 million or 26.9% of all people in this age group have diabetes
- Men~13.0 million or 11.8% of all men aged 20 years or older have diabetes
- Women~12.6 million or 10.8% of all women aged 20 years or older have diabetes

**Race and ethnic differences in prevalence of diagnosed diabetes**

After adjusting for population age differences, 2007-2009 national survey for people diagnosed with diabetes, aged 20 years or older include the following prevalence by race/ethnicity:

- 7.1% of non-Hispanic whites
- 8.4% of Asian Americans
- 12.6% of non-Hispanic Blacks
- 11.8% of Hispanics

Among Hispanics rates were:

- 7.6% for Cubans
- 13.3% for Mexican Americans
- 13.8% for Puerto Ricans

*Above data from the 2011 Diabetes Fact Sheet (released Jan 26, 2011)

Complications of diabetes can involve many organ systems such as:

- High Blood Pressure
- Blindness
- Kidney disease
- Nervous System disease* (neuropathy)

**Want to do something about it?**

Alpha Zeta Omega Pharmaceutical Fraternity is trying. We have, in the past year, raised monies from various activities to fight this disease. Thank you all for helping in this cause. It is amazing what AZO can do if we do it together the AZO family way.

For more information about this disease, please go to diabetes.org and get involved and help someone fight it. As one of the millions affected by this, I personally thank all of you who have given up their time and energy. Go AZO!

Fraternally,

John W. Chin
Supreme Directorum
National Auxiliary President Report

It’s hard to believe that my term as AZO National Auxiliary President for 2012-2013 year is drawing to a close. It started with a bang at the Summer Baltimore meeting where I was installed as President and my husband, John, as Supreme Directororum. We were lucky enough to have all our children there to witness the event. We all had a wonderful time enjoying the sites of Baltimore, Maryland and spending time with our AZO family.

What a fabulous winter meeting we had in Orlando, Florida! Being able to walk to downtown Disney shops and entertainment was so much fun and having the bus stop to the parks right outside our hotel was also super convenient. Our Auxiliary meeting went smoothly thanks to our very efficient board and appointees. Some new fund raising ideas were discussed and will be implemented soon.

John and I have visited with the New York Alumni Chapter and Epsilon and are looking forward to visiting Philadelphia Alumni and Kappa Alumni in the upcoming weeks.

The National Auxiliary is beaming with pride as one of our own is the recipient of this year’s Achievement Award. Joy Pollock has been an integral part of this Fraternity and Auxiliary for so many years and is always there to lend a helping hand. She has held many positions from being a Legal Advisor to the Fraternity to being a Past National President, to chairing many committees, etc. Whether it’s keeping our meetings on track with parliamentary procedures to being our Sunshine Chair, she is always there with her tough-love attitude for which she is deeply loved and respected. Her work with the Fraternity and her generosity in continuing to provide scholarships to deserving undergraduates is beyond compare. We are so fortunate that she is AZO through and through.

Thanks again to my board and I’m looking forward to seeing all of you at the summer meeting in Alexandria, Virginia.

Fraternally,
Rosalie Chin
National Auxiliary President
Supreme Sub-Directorum Report

I hope everyone has enjoyed this fraternal year and I am looking forward to a great year for 2013-2014.

Fraternally,

Steve Brooks, P.S.D.
Supreme Sub-Directorum

Supreme Signare Report

I would like to thank the fraternity for giving me the opportunity to grow by serving the two-year term as Signare. I received minutes and other communication from every chapter. I was also able to participate in the induction of the newest addition to our family, the Delta Tau chapter.

Fraternally,

Diane Medeiros
Supreme Signare

Supreme Bellarum Report

As chairman of the Nominating Committee I was honored to have the privilege of telling Joy that she was a unanimous choice to receive the AZO Achievement Medal. I’ve known Joy a long time, but the look of O.M.G. on her face that afternoon I shall not soon forget. She has always been a vital role in our fraternity and it’s time that we honor her for that.

As the years pass, AZO is getting bigger and stronger. It is wonderful to see new chapters opening in schools of pharmacy around the country. Thanks to Stephen Imperato for his tireless efforts in making this happen. For him to be where he is, his predecessors laid a great foundation thanks to Brian Pinto and Lenny Salsa Ortega. I do believe that we need to rethink our policies and look at new ways of obtaining and retaining members. I will look into the possibility of opening the fraternity to Certified Pharmacy Technicians.

With the summer convention around the corner, a special thanks to Lou and Gloria and the convention committee. I’m sure all attending will be amazed at the tours, banquets and luncheons that await us. As our attendance at conventions has been increasing, so have the rates. I know this is an issue with some. As the economy improves and people are traveling and spending, prices tend to rise and rooms are hard to find at an affordable price. It is hard to keep prices down; therefore I think we need to look at ways to maybe get the cost down. I would hate to see Fraters not attend because of the cost.

For late breaking AZO alumni and chapter news...

www.AlphaZetaOmega.net
Supreme Undergraduate Report

I want to thank the Undergraduates for placing me on this past year’s board and to John and the Supreme Board for making this a successful year and meaningful experience for me. I want to congratulate all the undergraduate chapters on their success with pledging, community service events, professional events, and fundraising. I had a great time this past year visiting chapters and making new friends that will always be part of my AZO family. I am proud to say I was able to visit nearly every undergraduate chapter this year. Theta Gamma and Sigma met on many occasions including tailgating for our homecoming football game, being social at the Toledo German-American Festival, Bowl-A-Thon, and attending a pledge activation. I was happy to be a part of Nu’s ‘Nu-Palooza’ where four chapters were in attendance. Epsilon’s homecoming weekend was a blast as always. I was excited to visit the Tau chapter for the first time during their pledging period. Bowl-A-Thon was an amazing event. We had over 80 out-of-town fraters visit. That is the most we have ever had. Mini-conventions are becoming popular and a great way to see each other during the school year. We were able to make it to Rho to catch a rush event, baseball game, and a brewery tour. It was a great trip and we were able to return the visit since they came up during the fall semester and to Bowlathon. I am excited we were able to activate Delta Tau chapter this year. Hopefully they will have a smooth transition to being involved in national activities. There were other chapter visits of which unfortunately I was not able to be a part, but I heard they were all successful. I wish continued success to the next elected board and hope the next Undergraduate Representative can carry on the traditions of spreading brotherly love across the country.

PF&BL,
Adam Schweitzer
Supreme Undergraduate Representative

Director of Fraternal Affairs

It is the duty of the Director of Fraternal Affairs to act as a source of fraternal tradition, knowledge, and protocol. In this regard, information and advice has been given to Supreme Directorum Chin, Sub-Directorum Brooks, Signare Medeiros, Associate Signare Caberwal, Excheque Janajreh, the Winter Convention Committee, and the National Convention Committee.

Thank you to Supreme Directorum Chin for his trust in appointing me. I hope I lived up to his expectations.

Fraternally,
Bruce Strell, P.S.D.
Director of Fraternal Affairs

Supreme Excheque Report

The only thing more gratifying than being elected to such a high-ranking position in our fraternity is serving as our Excheque for the second consecutive year. This past fraternal year, we eclipsed our previous new-age record totals of both active undergraduate fraters and active fraters overall. We were able to initiate another chapter, Delta Tau, and saw increasing activity and productivity from most of our undergraduate chapters. This great production allowed more entities to contend for a Directorum’s Cup than in recent memory.

Our success as a whole is due in large part to the work of our chapter excheques. I would like to thank them for submitting their financial reports, IRS filings, and monies in a timely fashion. I would like to thank Lauren Young, AZO Direct Chair, for her coordination and prompt forwarding of monies. These individuals certainly were of great aid in ensuring the financial viability for our great fraternity.

It is absolutely impossible to imagine that we were able to mount the financial recovery over the past two years without the aid of many individuals. To name a few, P.S.D.s Flacks, Anciano, Pinto, Ortega, and Imperato have not only tutored me in my role, but have done an unbelievable amount of fundraising through our AZOans and otherwise.

I would like to congratulate our E-Board on a very successful fraternal year and looking forward to seeing what the future holds for us. I wish our incoming officers a more productive future. I am very excited to see everyone in Alexandria!

PF&BL,
Izzat ‘Izzy’ Janajreh
Supreme Excheque

Supreme Associate Signare Report

As another fraternal year closes, I can’t help but be excited for the future. The strides our fraternity has taken this year show great promise for the years to come. I would like to thank Supreme Directorum Chin and the rest of the Supreme Executive Board for all their hard work and dedication. I would also like to thank every frater who submitted an article for the Apothecaries this year.

Without your help they would not have been the success they turned out to be. I look forward to another successful year and to seeing everyone in Alexandria!

Fraternally,
Harjeet Caberwal
Supreme Associate Signare
Mentor Committee Report

With the help of dedicated Fraters this year, Mentorship Committee has taken a great step in the right direction for years to come. In addition to expanding the contact experience we utilize on sites like LinkedIn, The Apothecary has dedicated a segment in the recent and upcoming additions for Fraters to share their experience both professionally and within the offices of AZO. We have been successful in starting an index of Frater profiles which can grow over the course of time and provide a library of accomplishments, contacts, and advice for younger Fraters. Our usual mid-year ‘Mentorship Roundtable’ could not be held this year due to the great itinerary our convention committee put together, so look for us at the Summer 2013 Convention in Alexandria to partner with the undergraduates in some unique table assignments, and provide some additional networking venues and Fraternalism within AZO.

Mentorship within the Fraternity is everywhere. It is in the way older Fraters act to younger ones, and with the growing alumni of Tau, Sigma, Psi, and Epsilon, we have the opportunity and responsibility to reflect mentorship both socially and professionally. Let us not forget that mentorship helps younger Fraters understand the importance and fulfillment of giving back to the Fraternity by holding positions on the Chapter and Supreme levels to make our Fraternity run strong. Our underlying bond in PF&BL is coupled by mentorship, and this is what has been keeping the Fraternity great for over 90 years.

PF&BL,

Omer Munir
Mentorship Chairman

Supreme Deputy Report

Another Fraternal year closes, another begins. This is the way that it has been for almost 100 years. Thank you to Supreme Directorum Chin for appointing me to serve as his Deputy. It has been an honor. As always, I am ready to help in any way and to continue to offer advice whether solicited, wanted, or not.

While nothing has been given to me to act on this year (that is always a good thing), that doesn’t mean that nothing has been going on in AZO.

New chapters are being actively promoted. Extinct chapters are being actively recruited to re-open. We had the largest turnout at our winter convention since the 70s and that is wonderful. For almost as long as I can remember, we have younger Fraters clamoring to get in line to become Supreme Officers. And, many of our younger mixed (undergraduate and graduate chapters) are getting stronger than ever.

As the 100th Anniversary of Alpha Zeta is rapidly approaching (2019 is not that far off), AZO is in great hands to move forward into its second hundred years!

One thing that needs improvement is communication. I harp on this every year. Some day someone will listen. We need more communication from Supreme to our chapters. And, we need more communication from our chapters to Supreme. Our web site needs to be updated more consistently. Our officers need to communicate by email and snail mail to our members on an increased level.

Lastly, every one of you reading this Azoan can help AZO prepare for our centennial celebration. We need memorabilia of your time in the AZO family. We need you to reach out to your Fraters who have drifted away. Your schoolmates who no longer pay dues should be recruited and welcomed back into the Alpha Zeta Omega Family. Let us know of any opportunity to revive a lost chapter or to add a new chapter at a College of Pharmacy that needs an AZO chapter. This way, our ranks will grow and our founders (or how P.S.D. Myron Krop says so eloquently: The Ghosts of AZO) will continue to smile at the fruits of their work.

Fraternally submitted,

Mike Seidenman, P.S.D.
Supreme Deputy

Director of Continuing Education

It has been another productive year for AZO and the same can be said for the professional affairs committee. Once again, continuing education was provided at national conventions. During the summer convention in Baltimore, Frater George Rusoloj provided a great overview of hypertension, a chronic disease that affects about one-third of the adult US population. During the winter convention in Orlando Frater Harjeet Cabarwal provided his first CE lecture. The topic was diabetes, another highly prevalent disease effecting people of all ages. We learned about newer treatment options that will be seen by pharmacists in all settings. We look forward to continued activity to enhance AZO professional affairs.

PF&BL,

Mehul Patel, PharmD.
Director of Continuing Education

Director of Corporate Alliance Report

I am pleased to report we have succeeded in meeting our financial goals and are strengthening relationships with major corporations in the pharmaceutical industry.

Respectfully submitted,

Lou Flacks, P.S.D.
Corporate Alliance Chairman
Supreme Historian Report

As a perpetual wannabe journalist, I am pleased and grateful to Supreme Directorum John Chin for entrusting me with the position of Supreme Historian for the 2012-2013 fraternal year. It would not be possible for me to prepare a meaningful record of the many and diverse activities of the Supreme and the local chapters without the letters, minutes and photographs that are provided to me by AZO fraters. I have always believed that history is not just a prolog to contemporary times, but an indispensable record of who we are and how the actions of others have directly affected our lives. This is especially poignant when it pertains to the fraternity with so many members, living and deceased, whose proud and honored accomplishments have sculpted present-day AZO. I can only aspire to create a compendium from which future fraters will derive pride and an awareness of our stewardship of the magnificent society to which we thankfully and proudly belong.

To this end, I have received many reports during this year from the chapters describing events, meetings and fraternity personalities. Photographs are of particular value as each portrays a moment in time which can never be repeated. Your assistance this year is sincerely appreciated.

Fraternally
Mel Lessing
Supreme Historian

Archive Committee Report

I am honored to serve as chairman of the recently established Archive Committee. The remarkable activities and exploits of AZO need to be documented, collected, and organized into a permanent record for future examination, research and enjoyment. My vision for this committee is to seek, collect, organize and exhibit AZO artifacts, either displayed whole or electronically, so that the cherished and proud history of our treasured fraternity will not vanish. Further, a history of the fraternity from 1979 (when the second and last supplement to the book 40 Years of AZO was published) to 2019, will be completed and made available by our centennial year.

To this end, I am requesting that all chapter and Supreme public material, such as meeting minutes and suitable correspondence, be dispatched to me for inclusion. Electronic material should be forwarded to captainmel@comcast.net, and hard copy documents mailed to me at: 5225 Pooks Hill Road, Apt. 1708-S, Bethesda, MD 20814. It is especially important that official papers be collected when generated, for as (then) Secretary of Health, Education and Welfare John W. Gardner said “History never looks like history when you are living through it.”

AZO history is precious and exciting to be lost and forgotten.

Fraternally
Mel Lessing
Supreme Historian

Electronic Communications Report

Thank you fraters for your continued contributions to our online presence, as our presence on the Internet continues to grow with more and more chapters using the web to relay important messages. As we move forward, we have changed our email system to a list-type mailing system, as we have grown too large to just email from the previous system. Please make sure to continue to update email addresses as you may have either moved on from college, changed jobs, change service providers, or changed emails. Don’t forget we do have a twitter account for the quickest updates as well as the facebook group. The website continues to go through its changes as the growth of the website continues and we test what works and what doesn’t work. Please continue to submit items for the website and continue to challenge the committee to do more and do better.

PFBL,
Tan Carlin
Webmaster

AZO Direct Report

First and foremost I would like to thank Supreme Directorum John Chin for appointing me to AZO Direct Chairperson this year. It was a great honor to work and communicate with AZO Fraters with whom I had not already established a connection.

This year began with sending invoices via email to both AZO Direct members from the past as well as new graduates from 2012. The goal was to cut down on costs and communicate as early as possible. The letters that were sent to new graduates were to both congratulate them as well as inform them about their options as an alumni, should they move away from their chapter of origin and still wish to be active. This was met with a good response and a good number of Fraters renewing their memberships. Overall, we had a total of 42 members active through AZO Direct. This number can only grow through communication and everyone keeping their contact information updated with the fraternity.

I would like to thank the Supreme Board for this opportunity and congratulate them on a successful year. I am looking forward to seeing everyone at convention this summer!

Fraternally,
Lauren Young
AZO Direct Chairperson

PFBL,
Tan Carlin
Webmaster
Supreme Chaplain and Good & Welfare Reports

I would like to thank Supreme Directorum John Chin for selecting me to serve the members of Alpha Zeta Omega Fraternity as its Supreme Chaplain and Good and Welfare Chairperson. It has been my honor and privilege to serve in this capacity for the 2012-2013 Fraternal Year.

Throughout the year I have sent:

• Birthday greetings to Past Supreme Directorums
• Upcoming birthday announcements in the AZO Apothecary
• Get well wishes to Fraters and family members
• Condolences to family members of recently deceased Fraters
• Names of recently deceased Fraters for inclusion in the Memorial Book

The Silent Mortars are included elsewhere in this edition of the 2013 AZOAN. Those names of recently deceased Fraters, as well as Auxiliary members, will be included in the Memorial Book on display at the July convention.

As Supreme Chaplain, it will be my honor to lead the memorial service at the 93rd Annual National Convention in Alexandria, Virginia.

Fraternally,

Paul R. Holly, P.S.D.
Supreme Chaplain and Good and Welfare

Special Actions Committee

First of all I would like to thank Supreme Directorum John Chin for appointing me as Chairperson of the Special Actions Committee. Secondly I would like to thank the following fraters that served on the committee; Katelyn Parsons, Diane Medeiros, Izzat Janajreh, Harjeet Caberwal, Steve Brooks, Bruce Strell and Harold Seiden.

The committee was called into action at last summer’s national convention to delve into the Newspaper Cup awards. The committee came out with a recommendation at the convention in January which was approved by the body at large. The purpose of this by-law amendment was to promote communication on a chapter level by awarding all of those chapters who participate and remove the judging of this cup.

The requirements of each newspaper submission to qualify were also updated. More specific details can be found in the operations manual.

As always, it has been a pleasure to serve the fraternity,

Shari D. Fine, P.S.D.
Director of Special Actions Committee

Director of Development

It has been an honor to serve as this year’s Director of Development and I thank Directorum Chin for the appointment. This year has once again continued on with our recent increase in interest in new chapters. As I previously reported at our winter convention the highlight of the first half of the year was the successful initiation of the Delta Tau chapter.

Once again I would like to thank Frater Lauren Young and all the other Supreme Officers who participated in this wonderful ceremony.

I continue to keep in contact with fraters who are currently working with the administrations at the University of Rhode Island (URI) as well as the University of New England (UNE) and have made significant inroads into getting chapter approval at these schools. Although we were unsuccessful in setting up an induction this Spring, all signs point to us having one next spring at UNE which will give us plenty of time to continue to promote and plan an appropriate event. As for URI, we had previously been given a green light, however there has been a change in deans so unfortunately our efforts have been temporarily stalled. Both schools will continue to be followed and I would highly recommend our new chapter nomenclature be finalized at our next meeting.

I have responded to several more inquiries in addition to the requests I previously reported on in January. So far none of them have been fruitful but this does reinforce our need to keep our website fresh and updated. Of these requests the interest at University of the Sciences Philadelphia is one that I am most interested in pursuing. Additionally interest at the University of Cincinnati as well as University of Chicago still exists and should continue to be investigated by the upcoming administration.

Finally, I have made much needed progress on the updates to some of our promotional materials as well as pledging materials. I am still hopeful to have a updated version of the pledge manual in time for the National Convention. With the exception of the history, all aspects of the current manual have been transferred into a modern digital format which I am actively editing and formatting. This will allow chapters to produce additional copies with minimal cost to supreme. I also intend on presenting a new chapter start up guide to help ensure that these forthcoming chapters are given all required documents, paraphernalia, and manuals to allow for successful incorporation into the fraternity.

Thank you to all those who have assisted me this year as your support has allowed us to continue to flourish. I look forward to our continued growth and hope that I can be of service to the fraternity in the coming years.

Fraternally,

Stephen Imperato, P.S.D.
Director of Development
2013-2014 Regional and National Convention Report

The 2013 National Convention will be held at the Westin in Alexandria, Virginia from July 17-21, 2013. The 2014 Regional Convention will be held January 3-6, 2014 in West Palm Beach, Florida and the National Convention will be in Boston, Massachusetts July 18-22, 2014.

Respectfully submitted,

Lou Flacks, P.S.D.
2013 Convention Chairman

Financial Affairs Report

According to the mid-year report, it seems that the Supreme Chapter has been staying within budget and will be able to deposit some funds into the Vanguard account at year end. Throughout this year, I have also been working on updating our subordinate chapters with the IRS, as well as getting some of our new chapters registered. As usual, I have been helping with auditing our books and answering any financial inquiries for the Supreme Chapter. I would like to thank Supreme Directorum Chin for the honor of this appointment.

Fraternally submitted,

John Anciano, P.S.D.
Director of Financial Affairs

Supreme Legal Advisor Report

The one item that a legal advisor does not want to say is this has been a busy year. Luckily, my report is that this has been a quiet year and that means only good times for AZO.

I am grateful to John Chin for asking me to be the legal advisor and to the entire board and membership for making this position an easy one.

On a personal level, I wish to thank the members of the Awards Committee for choosing me as the 2013 Alpha Zeta Omega Achievement Medal recipient and invite you to Alexandria to participate in Convention and award ceremony. I promise you a great time at Convention and a speech that will not resemble a legal brief.

Fraternally yours,

Joy Pollock, Esq., P.N.P.
Legal Advisor

Special Fundraising Projects and 50/50 Raffle

For 12 years, it has been a pleasure running the AZO 50/50 raffle. Each year I thank the current Supreme Directorum, for allowing me the opportunity to help raise funds for the fraternity, and this year is no different. Thanks John for asking me to once again run the 50/50.

Over the years we have gained more support. Sales are up which is great. A good portion of the proceeds are bought at convention, I’d guess about 30-40%. I have always requested that tickets be bought in advance to make it easier to get the names entered into grab bag and to list each entry into my report to the excheque and to get your checks cashed in a timely manner.

We did remarkably well this year. I want to thank all that participated because every dollar raised, goes to help us, AZO.

This years winners of the 50/50 are: Herb Pobiner, 1st prize, Myron Krop, 2nd prize and Gregory Nipper, 3rd prize.

Just a little note, Herb Pobiner, from New York Alumni Chapter donated half of his 1st place prize back to the fraternity. That’s fraternalism.

Here’s to next year’s raffle and I hope you win!

Yours in P, F & BL,

Steve Brooks, P.S.D.
Committee Chairman

Director of Mailing Report

I am pleased to report this office has mailed the AZOAN, newsletters, regional and convention information and fraternal communication in a timely and economical fashion. The mailing permit has been renewed and we are under budget.

Respectfully submitted,

Lou Flacks, P.S.D.
Director of Mailing
Newspaper Cup Report

Thank you to Supreme Directorum John Chin for appointing me to this position. I am pleased to report the submissions for the Sidney R. Rome Newspaper Cup Award from seven chapters. With the help of the Special Actions Committee, I am happy to report the minimum requirements for submissions were proposed and approved at the Winter Convention.

We amended the fraternity by-laws to reflect the process of awarding cups to chapters fulfilling the contest requirements.

Fraternally submitted,

Katelyn Parsons, PharmD
Sidney R. Rome Newspaper Cup Chairperson

Directorum’s Cup for Chapter Proficiency

This award is presented at a luncheon during the National Convention to the Directorums of those chapters who showed the greatest amount of activity and progress during the year.
These awards are not competitive and more than one can be given.
2012 Directorum’s Cups were presented in Baltimore to Epsilon, Kappa, New York Alumni, Nu, Sigma and Tau chapters.

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Fraternally submitted,

Katelyn Parsons, PharmD
Sidney R. Rome Newspaper Cup Chairperson
**Chapter Reports**

**New York Alumni**

As another fraternal year comes to a close, I wish to thank all New York officers and to all those that chose a day to run our monthly meetings, a job very well done. I know it’s not easy to make the arrangements and follow through with the invites and menu planning. Thank you all.

New York Alumni this year had a truly remarkable year starting way back in August through July at this year’s Baltimore convention. At the time of this writing we are still making plans for our May and June meetings. Our meetings this year were well attended and were held all over the New York, New Jersey area.

New York Alumni’s charity is ‘Scouting for Food’ a Boy Scout operation that gathers food for the hungry. Our local food bank organization is the ‘Hands of Hope’ in Edison New Jersey. At each of our meetings, fraters are asked to bring in any non perishable food items. Most bring in canned goods. This year we out did ourselves over the year sending over multiple cases of food which were turned over and redistributed to the local needy.

This year New York is a happy chapter as our own, Frater John Chin is the Supreme Directorum. Just a word though, we did not get any preferential treatment from John. John has fulfilled his duties as Supreme Directorum with HONOR and INTEGRITY. Congratulations John from all of New York Alumni and special congratulations, from your OLD friend of some 38 years.

Back in September we joined forces with Epsilon in the Lustgarten Walk for Pancreatic Cancer. In their last Lustgarten publication, it was noted that AZO came in 2nd place in the team fund raising campaign. Go AZO. Congratulations to John Anciano for another strong performance.

New York Alumni is proud to present the Ephraim G. Sless Achievement Award to our own Herb Pobiner. Herb has been an integral part of New York Alumni arranging dinner locations, participating in our official fundraisers and has served as an officer for many years. Herb has been our excheque for countless years and does an outstanding job. Herb received the 65-year pin from Steve Brooks, P.S.D. and Supreme Directorum John Chin, back in November 2012.

To wrap up another year is hard but the prospects of starting the next fraternal year is near, giving us hope for another year of Peace, Friendship and Brotherly Love.

Steve Brooks, P.S.D.
New York Alumni Directorum

AZO’s Epsilon and New York Alumni team up for top honors in the Lustgarten Foundation’s Nationwide Pancreatic Cancer Research Walks that took place in Bridgewater, New Jersey.

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[Nationwide Pancreatic Cancer Research Walks]

A record breaking 18,000 people turned out for last year's Walks raising more than $3.5 million dollars for research!

Congratulations and thank you to all volunteers, sponsors, and participants of the Pancreatic Cancer Research Walk! 2012 was a NETFRC PEACE WALK.
The AZO Nu Chapter at the University of Connecticut has kept pace with recent years in continually striving for excellence. From inducting 36 new brothers in the fall to leading innovative fundraisers, such as bubble tea, our chapter has pushed the limits in bringing about new levels of affluence back to the University of Connecticut, School of Pharmacy.

Nu Chapter organizes senior center presentations, brown bag events, pharmacy application workshops, and mock interviews in an effort to raise the bar of professionalism, not only to its members, but to the School of Pharmacy as a whole. With respect to philanthropic efforts, Nu Chapter has raised over $4000 for Connecticut Children’s Medical Center through Huskython as well as sponsoring a Red Blood Drive in conjunction with the Red Cross. In addition to these local events, a very large portion of our members travel to other schools of pharmacy at Rutgers, Massachusetts College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences, and the University of Toledo to meet with fellow members of AZO nationally in an effort to growth personally and professionally. Finally, we have a number of dinners with our Connecticut Alumni where we catch up, share stories, and of course, enjoy a delicious meal.

Fraternally submitted,

Yunes Doleh
Nu Chapter Directorum 2012-2013

Connecticut Alumni Chapter got off to a rousing start this Fraternal year with a wonderful dinner meeting which was held in September at Angelo’s Restaurant in West Hartford which is one of our favorite places. Our fraters looked forward to this year’s plans with much anticipation. November found us at one of our most enjoyable times of the fraternal year. Our annual PIZZA and POPS night featured a stop at the famous First & Last Tavern for some of their exceptional pizza followed by a trip to the Bushnell Center for the Performing Arts to see a performance of the Hartford Symphony Pops Orchestra which featured the King of Swing, Big Bad VooDoo Daddy. For those fraters who missed our first meeting of the year, they were in luck because January found us back at Angelo’s Restaurant. To satisfy our seemingly unquenchable desire for Italian cuisine, April took us to Bertucci’s Restaurant in Newington which hosted a great turnout of our fraters from Nu Chapter at UCONN. Our last dinner meeting of the season will be held in June at a destination yet to be determined at the time of this writing, however, I am sure that it will be well-attended and a grand time will be held by all.

Our officers for this year are: Harvey Seltzer, Directorum, Stanley Labinger, Sub-Directorum, Burton Miller, Excheque, Normal Fleishman, Recording Signare, Katelyn Parsons, Corresponding Signare, and Sheldon Karasik, Bellarum.

Fraternally,

Harvey Seltzer
Connecticut Alumni Directorum
The 2012-2013 fraternal year has been an exciting one filled with growth and development for the alumni component of the Tau chapter. Having not previously defined our role as ‘active alumni’, a growing number of us felt the time had come to do just that. We wanted to expand our role within the chapter, and the fraternity at large, as young professionals still wanting to give back to the fraternity for having given us so much as undergraduates.

Our first official meeting took place in September and was a time to discuss positions, define responsibilities and begin the process of electing officers. We held meetings throughout the year on a monthly basis with consistent attendance from fraters residing both in and outside of the Boston area. In the fall, the Tau chapter as a whole participated in the Nephcure Walk supporting one of our own fraters and was one of the top fundraising teams. This was followed by participation at St. Anthony’s Church serving meals at their annual Christmas Bazaar. As the holidays approached, the alumni ensured those who were less fortunate were able to have something to open Christmas morning by collecting gifts for an organization called “My Brother’s Keeper”.

In December a few of our very own alumni participated in the installment of the fraternity’s newest chapter, Delta Tau. Tau Frater Lauren Young played an integral role in allowing Alpha Zeta Omega to be selected as one of only two fraternities at Western New England University. Tau Alumni Fraters Diane Medeiros and Tiffany Puccia were involved in the installment. Once the holiday season came to a close and our convention countdown had finally ceased, over 20 Tau fraters, 14 of whom were alumni, made the trip to Orlando for fun in the sun (and some rain!) at Disney. We were honored to be with Tau Frater Brooke Ruhland while she received the 2013 Jay L. Pollock Undergraduate Award, and we look forward to her interminable contributions to the fraternity in the future.

Come February, the alumni were very active in our pledging process and aided in the instilment of the history and values of our beloved fraternity to the prospective members. We hosted an Alumni Night with the pledges which provided time to show the pledges how much the fraternity means to us, especially after graduation. Alumni also assisted in the professional development of the pledges by working with them in creating and editing their first professional resume.

Although we had a successful year bringing the ideas of our alumni to fruition, we acknowledge this is an ongoing work in progress as we find what works best for the chapter and us. Even though the fraternal year is coming to a close, work for the development of the alumni and chapter is not. We have goals for the coming fraternal year and are excited to make them a reality. We hope to gain some more independence within the Tau chapter and host more of our own events and fundraisers, while maintaining our involvement with the undergraduates. To assist us in these goals, we likely will be adding a community service and professional chairs for the upcoming fraternal year. We hope the addition of a recruitment chair will aid in reconnecting with ‘lost’ fraters and entice those who may be slipping away back to the fraternity.

We will continue to work with the undergraduates in the support of the Tau chapter as a whole and provide mentorship to younger fraters. We wish to congratulate and welcome our newest graduating fraters: Kinda Aalem, Liz Jacob, Brooke Ruhland and Cara Turner. One of our ongoing goals is to make the transition from undergraduate to alumni frater an easy one in efforts to retain the maximum amount of our members for long term involvement in the fraternity. Thank you to all of the officers at our chapter, and on the Supreme level, for the hard work put into this fraternal year. We look forward to seeing everybody this summer in Virginia!

Fraternally Submitted with PF&BL,

Janelle Crabtree
Tau Chapter Corresponding Signare

Boston Strong

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The 2012-2013 fraternal year has been an exciting one filled with growth and development for the alumni component of the Tau chapter. Having not previously defined our role as ‘active alumni’, a growing number of us felt the time had come to do just that. We wanted to expand our role within the chapter, and the fraternity at large, as young professionals still wanting to give back to the fraternity for having given us so much as undergraduates.

Our first official meeting took place in September and was a time to discuss positions, define responsibilities and begin the process of electing officers. We held meetings throughout the year on a monthly basis with consistent attendance from fraters residing both in and outside of the Boston area. In the fall, the Tau chapter as a whole participated in the Nephcure Walk supporting one of our own fraters and was one of the top fundraising teams. This was followed by participation at St. Anthony’s Church serving meals at their annual Christmas Bazaar. As the holidays approached, the alumni ensured those who were less fortunate were able to have something to open Christmas morning by collecting gifts for an organization called “My Brother’s Keeper”.

In December a few of our very own alumni participated in the installment of the fraternity’s newest chapter, Delta Tau. Tau Frater Lauren Young played an integral role in allowing Alpha Zeta Omega to be selected as one of only two fraternities at Western New England University. Tau Alumni Fraters Diane Medeiros and Tiffany Puccia were involved in the installment. Once the holiday season came to a close and our convention countdown had finally ceased, over 20 Tau fraters, 14 of whom were alumni, made the trip to Orlando for fun in the sun (and some rain!) at Disney. We were honored to be with Tau Frater Brooke Ruhland while she received the 2013 Jay L. Pollock Undergraduate Award, and we look forward to her interminable contributions to the fraternity in the future.

Come February, the alumni were very active in our pledging process and aided in the instilment of the history and values of our beloved fraternity to the prospective members. We hosted an Alumni Night with the pledges which provided time to show the pledges how much the fraternity means to us, especially after graduation. Alumni also assisted in the professional development of the pledges by working with them in creating and editing their first professional resume.

Although we had a successful year bringing the ideas of our alumni to fruition, we acknowledge this is an ongoing work in progress as we find what works best for the chapter and us. Even though the fraternal year is coming to a close, work for the development of the alumni and chapter is not. We have goals for the coming fraternal year and are excited to make them a reality. We hope to gain some more independence within the Tau chapter and host more of our own events and fundraisers, while maintaining our involvement with the undergraduates. To assist us in these goals, we likely will be adding a community service and professional chairs for the upcoming fraternal year. We hope the addition of a recruitment chair will aid in reconnecting with ‘lost’ fraters and entice those who may be slipping away back to the fraternity.

We will continue to work with the undergraduates in the support of the Tau chapter as a whole and provide mentorship to younger fraters. We wish to congratulate and welcome our newest graduating fraters: Kinda Aalem, Liz Jacob, Brooke Ruhland and Cara Turner. One of our ongoing goals is to make the transition from undergraduate to alumni frater an easy one in efforts to retain the maximum amount of our members for long term involvement in the fraternity. Thank you to all of the officers at our chapter, and on the Supreme level, for the hard work put into this fraternal year. We look forward to seeing everybody this summer in Virginia!

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The fraters of the Tau Chapter at Massachusetts College of Pharmacy had a big agenda with plenty to keep up with for another busy and successful year. Although keeping over 30 female students and alumni together may be a difficult task at times, we always seem to find it easy when it comes to expressing Tau spirit.

AZO kicked off the year strong as we spread our name on the MCPHSU campus while helping move in freshman students during move-in day at the end of August; the extra help delivering cartloads was greatly appreciated! Not only are we present at the campus but in the community too. A group of AZO members woke up early to volunteer at the Mission Hill Road Race to support the Greater Boston Food Bank (one of our members even participated in the 5k run!).

October was a very busy month. On the 14th, most of Tau members participated in the Nephcure walk for FSGS, a kidney disorder, in honor of our very own Sarah Grill. With help and support from friends and family we were very excited to be able to donate over $1000 to the cause! A couple weeks following the walk AZO hosted our annual Chili Cook-off where students could sample faculty and staff’s personal chili recipes and judge them. This event was successful when many students came to get close and try out their favorite professor’s dish; all proceeds went to the American Diabetes Association. With help from a couple alumni, AZO was present at the IFC leadership summit in November. Spending time and making delicious smoothies with the residents at the AstraZeneca’s Hope Lodge was a great experience for the Tau fraters. At the end of October AZO had a table at the Mission Hill Halloween Party where local children in the community could trick-or-treat in a safe environment on campus and make special treats to take home! (We loved and had a great time spending time with little cowboys and princesses!) We love inter-chapter visits. A group of Tau hit the road to New Brunswick for Rutgers’ Homecoming in October and enjoyed the company, fun, and PFBL that came along with it. In addition to spending time with Epsilon, Tau also seemed to enjoy seeing everyone else who attended this winter’s past convention in Orlando! Great memories were made as we honored our very own, Brooke Ruhland, on her Jay L. Pollack Undergraduate Scholarship Award.

When the fraters returned to campus to finish the second semester, we continued to spread the AZO spirit by hosting two more rush events. Thanks to friends from Sigma, Nu, and Epsilon for coming to Boston during the month of February and helping us with pledging activities! After lots of hard work and dedication and special recognition to the 2013 pledge master, Madliene Makori, we are proud to have inducted eight new amazing fraters, congratulations to everyone who made the effort to be a part of this process! Another big happening this last semester was the 2013 Greek Week hosted by MCPHSU where AZO competed against three of the other fraternities for a week. Some of these events we participated in were relay and limbo competitions, trivia night, lip-syncing, and a dance to complete the week.Tau contributed to the community by making numerous donations to goodwill, hosting two successful blood drives sponsored by the Red Cross, and were present on accepted students day to promote AZO on campus. Tau fraters did a great job in raising money towards their philanthropy through this friendly competition. Fraters helped out serving hot meals to the homeless at the St. Francis House downtown in March. On April 7th, AZO select fraters attended the Leadership Awards Breakfast. Two days later, over 20 Tau fraters helped out at Cradles to Crayons workshop to clean, organize, and package slightly used toys and clothes to be distributed to underprivileged children within the community. We celebrated our 2013 Sister Dinner in the North End for a delicious dinner where undergrads could spend time with alumni; without a doubt, we had a fantastic night.

Overall there were plenty of great opportunities for the Tau Chapter of Alpha Zeta Omega to get involved within the neighborhoods of Boston. Thanks to the help of our enthusiastic alumni and energetic undergrads, ultimately we were able to overcome yet another great semester of AZO service. And lastly, Tau wishes a happy and safe summer to the rest of AZO within the upcoming weeks!

Hannah O’Leary
Editorial 2012-2013
AZO Kappa Chapter Alumni have just concluded another successful fraternal year. As mentioned in the last edition of “The Apothecary”, each month from September to April Kappa presented for both fellow fraters, as well as other pharmacists, insightful and informative LIVE accredited C.E. programs on a variety of health care topics. We are one of the most prolific providers of live pharmaceutical educational programs in Maryland.

Of special note, in March we presented the 1st Annual Henry Leikach Memorial Lecture on Diabetes Management. This program was in honor and memory of past Kappa Directorum Henry Leikach and was sponsored by the Leikach Family. The fact that over 50 pharmacists attended bears testimony to the high regard we all had for Henry. In April, the 38th Annual Frederick ‘Fritz’ Berman Memorial Seminar was held (Topic: Tuberculosis – Still A Public Health Concern). Fritz was a long-time active frater who beginning in 1956 pioneered the concept of presenting continuing education seminars for all pharmacists. He devoted many years of dedicated, innovative service to the profession of pharmacy, the community in which he served, and, especially, to Kappa Chapter.

I would like to personally thank Fraters Arnie Honkofsky and Dennis Klein for all their hard work in planning and arranging for this year’s programs. These seminars would not have been possible without their efforts.

We continue to have close ties to the Kappa undergrads at the University of Maryland School of Pharmacy. Their representatives often attend our meetings and brief us on all of their fraternal activities at school. It was my pleasure to be recently invited to and speak with the undergrads at their April general meeting on my own lengthy pharmacy career and to let them know there a bright future for them in AZO after graduation.

Finally, to top off our fraternal year, our Installation Banquet was held in June at Linwood’s Restaurant, Owings Mills, Maryland. It featured good drink, bountiful food, and large doses of fraternalism. We were honored to have as our guests Supreme Directorum John Chin and his wife, Rosalie, National Auxiliary President. Frater Chin updated us on recent happenings at Supreme, as well as, leading us in the installation of our officers. Our other distinguished guest joining us was Dean Natalie Eddington, University of Maryland School of Pharmacy Dean, who spoke on the current state of pharmacy education and the School’s current challenges for the future.

I look forward to seeing everyone this July in Alexandria!

PF&BL,

Barry Bloom
Kappa Alumni Directorum

As the 2012-2013 academic year at the University of Maryland winds down, it is easy to think AZO is winding down along with it. For graduates and outgoing officers, it is in a way, but the AZO cycle will continue in renewal. As each chapter is yearly shaped by the values and actions of its Fraters, it will not, and it should not, be the same AZO Chapter semester in and out. Fresh faces mean fresh ideas and an ever-evolving AZO. But before that happens anew, let it be said that this year’s Kappa Chapter tried to be the best it could be.

In the fall semester the Kappa experience began for 10 new Fraters. Rush 2012 included the tried and true Ice Cream Social and Brew-B-Q that AZO has become known for here at Maryland, while Pledge events were capped off with our 3rd annual bowling night. With the new Fraters in tow, AZO held a successful raffle fundraiser for the American Diabetes Association, as well as tabling sale of University of Maryland paraphernalia to raise money for Kappa. On the philanthropy side, Fraters volunteered at the American Cancer Society’s Hope Lodge, Pickersgill Retirement Community, and donated holiday gifts via a local Adopt-a-Family program.

After a relaxing four days in sunny Orlando for Convention, the six attending Kappa Fraters were able to witness and engage in PFBL on the grand scale of the whole AZO family. How important it is to remember each Chapter is one part of a vast network of students and professionals who want to see each other succeed and just have fun. All in all, sharing the experience of the Convention with Kappa Chapter was a revitalizing way to kick off the spring semester, a semester which brought chances for collaboration with other professional organizations on campus, as well as more opportunities for volunteer work. For instance, numerous Fraters gave their time to help out at an area animal shelter in addition to help-
ing out with Kappa’s largest fundraiser of the year, the AZO White Coat Sale. Maryland Pharmacy students are always glad when springtime comes and AZO starts peddling brand new, clean, and personalized white coats. Because this money fuels the rush and pledging events of the fall, Kappa Fraters always come out in full force to make sales. This year was not any different with Kappa raising nearly $1000!

Thanks to a Chapter visit by Kappa Alumni Directorum Barry Bloom, Kappa students were again reminded of the fellowship and educational opportunities offered by the Kappa Alumni. We hope that in the coming years, a new crop of graduating Fraters will transition into Kappa at the next level. And with the admirable number of Kappa students that were inducted into the Rho Chi Honor society and PLS Leadership Society this year at Maryland, obviously our Fraters have the smarts and initiative to perform above and beyond expectations at any level.

Though Kappa has yet to hold our elections for the upcoming year’s officers, there is little doubt that a new, enduringly admirable class of Fraters will lead the helm of an eager group that will persist in their adaptive display of PF&BL.

Fraternally Submitted,

Taylor Woodroof
Kappa Chapter Directorum

Philadelphia Alumni

Philadelphia Alumni had a very successful year. The chapter continues to enhance the education of pharmacists by providing multiple ACPE accredited Morris Abrams Continuing Education Seminars. The seminars provide the opportunity to network with fellow pharmacists and to learn about innovations in healthcare and the practice of pharmacy. The chapter has continued its tradition of multiple dinner meetings at a variety of superior venues within the Philadelphia area. As we look into the future, the chapter is working with Supreme to reactivate an AZO chapter (Beta) at the University of the Sciences in Philadelphia (formerly known as Philadelphia College of Pharmacy & Science). The chapter is developing a website to promote AZO within the Philadelphia region and the CE seminars. We congratulate the new Supreme officers and look forward to an exciting new year.

Peace Friendship and Brotherly Love,

Richard B. Greene
Philadelphia Alumni Directorum

Theta Gamma Chapter

The Theta Gamma chapter has been very busy during its first full academic year after being established during spring of 2012. It is hard to believe that we were only inducted a year and a half ago and have already inducted many new Fraters into our AZO family. It has been a very rewarding experience for me to serve as the first Directorum of our chapter and see how it only takes a small vision to create something so great.

At the beginning of our academic year, our AZO chapter assisted our college’s experiential education department set up the annual pharmacy career fair which brings employers and pharmacy recruiters to campus for all of Findlay’s pharmacy students. We have been actively involved in four medication collection events throughout Findlay and Lima, Ohio where we have collectively gathered nearly 1,500 pounds of both prescription and non-prescription medications. This number is staggering considering that Findlay and Lima are both very small communities and are not big cities by any means. We have also organized two health care screenings at the Marathon Petroleum Headquarters located in downtown Findlay where we collectively saw 100 patients. During these events we took patients A1C’s, blood pressure, fasting lipid panels, and then counseled them on their results under the supervision of our faculty. As far as our community service project for this year, we have adopted the Reick Nature Center for Hancock County and were put in charge of cleaning and maintaining the facility for the community to enjoy.

Our major philanthropic event this year was co-sponsoring Dance Marathon in which we raised money for a Children’s Miracle Network Hospital in Toledo. This event provided our chapter a great opportunity to share our PF&BL, while raising money for a great cause. We had 12 Fraters attend Winter Convention in Orlando, Florida which tripled our number from Summer Convention in Baltimore, which allowed more of our chapter to gain the true meaning of Peace, Friendship, and Brotherly Love. As my term as Theta Gamma’s Directorum comes to a close, I could not have done it without the help and support of my fellow Fraters and officer members. I would like to thank my founding officer members of Craig Schutz, Nouran Salem, Chris Rossi, Johanna Potter, Jacob Vogel, and Brandy Lawrence. With a younger and passionate officer board taking the reins next school year, I am excited to see what’s in store for the Theta Gamma.

PF&BL,

Jonathan Labuhn
Theta Gamma Directorum
Rho Chapter

This year started off fantastic and busy for Rho chapter. In the fall we focused hard on recruiting, and we held our fraternity smoker at Buffalo Wild Wings. It paid off and 10 students at the St. Louis College of Pharmacy decided to accept bids for AZO. By the end of pledging, after losing one rushee, we are proud to have inducted nine new members into Rho chapter. During the member initiation period, actives and pledges got involved in helping the St. Louis community volunteering in the ‘PurpleStride’ Race for Pancreatic Cancer, Race to Cure Lymphoma, and Operation Treasures in the Attic, whereby we restored and renovated the Eugene Field House and St. Louis Toy Museum, a National Historic Landmark. In addition to these charity events, we helped at two family resource center events. Several Fraters and pledges made a trip to Toledo to join Sigma chapter’s Green Carpet Ceremony. Our pledges constructed an AZO-themed miniature golf, which we use for fundraising means.

After the induction of the new members, we delegated positions of responsibility to everyone in the Fraternity, and currently, all active members hold a chair position. During the fall semester, we raised money for the American Diabetes Association by taking pictures around campus holding a poster for Diabetes awareness. We uploaded fifty photos to the ADA website, which raised a dollar per photo for the association. Over Winter Break, we sent five members to winter convention. We attended Supreme fraternity meetings, and we learned how to progress our young chapter. This past spring, we found ways to stay active in the community and at STLCOP. On March 19th, our faculty advisor, Dr. Daly, gave a presentation on the importance of residencies. He answered questions about residencies for members of the Fraternity and several unaffiliated individuals. In addition, we had a recruitment event where we took a group of rushees to the St. Louis City Museum. We participated in ‘tab to the top’ at STLCOP where we competed with other organizations to see who can collect the most can tabs. The collected tabs go towards the Ronald McDonald House fundraiser, which helps families have a place to stay close by when their sick child is hospitalized. We arranged a booth for the outreach and advocacy day at our school, where we provided information on diabetes and prevention.

On April 14th, four fraters from Sigma chapter visited the St. Louis area, and they were able to meet some of the Rho fraters. On April 7th, several Fraters helped out with the ‘Go St. Louis Marathon’. For fundraising this spring semester, all of the Fraters filled out a survey on the ADA website, which gave $5 to the ADA for each completed survey. On May 2nd, Rho chapter hosted an arm wrestling tournament at STLCOP, in which the proceeds went towards ADA. Our chapter had the amazing opportunity to meet for lunch with Mr. Guenter Goldsmith, a holocaust survivor who helped start Rho chapter at our college. We had the special privilege of introducing him to our school before he spoke on his experience as a holocaust survivor.

For our first full year as a chapter, I’m pleased to report Rho chapter has made an impact on campus and in the community. We plan on continuing to increase our involvement and are excited for the future of our young chapter. I’m looking forward to seeing everyone this summer!

Jacob Beyer
Rho Directorum

Pi Rho Chapter

This past year I had the opportunity to be the Directorum of this amazing fraternity. I’m very proud of all the things that we have accomplished as a chapter this year and the many more to come. During the fall semester, we started with a mixer to show the meaning of the Alpha Zeta Omega to prospective members and encourage them to join us. As a result of our persistent efforts, we have inducted seven fraters to our chapter. Pi Rho fraters participated in a health fair by providing valuable information about the healthy control of illnesses such as Diabetes and Mental Health all while providing smiles and a good time to all those in attendance. Pi Rho also raised money for the Puerto Rico Diabetes Association and participated in a 5K to create awareness of this condition.

Pi Rho’s spirit of PF & BL is booming as many of our fraters, and inductees, either participated or cheered on our Women’s Pharmacy Volleyball Team towards their 2nd Championship and are now working on achieving our 1st Basketball Championship.

We have designed a Pi Rho webpage and we encourage all to visit us at: http://algasolange.wix.com/azopirho. Pi Rho will keep working to accomplish everything that is expected of us. As chapter Directorum, I had fun working with my officers in achieving our Chapter’s goals. Thank you to Pi Rho chapter for this opportunity and let’s keep on working to reach for the stars!

PF & BL.

Maria M. Jiménez López
Pi Rho Directorum
Psi Chapter

Psi Chapter had a successful fraternal year. We started off with a social at Duffy’s Bar and Grill with Florida Society of Health-System Pharmacists, which had a great turn out of students and fraters. We had a wonderful time at World of Beer and a great night out in West Palm Beach. We held a bowling rush event and met many fraters. Psi organized a bi-annual roadside clean up near campus for the Adopt-a-Highway program. Continuing to incorporate academics into our chapter, AZO fraters conducted a ‘How-to-Study’ rush event which included tips on studying, note-taking, test preparation and time management. Our next two events were a pool party and a field day including a beach BBQ. We are proud to have initiated 19 new fraters!

Along with welcoming the new pledges, AZO fraters participated in the AHA Heart Walk in West Palm Beach. Along with APhA we donated $500. We held a fundraiser for frater Paula Lopez, who was in a horrific car accident and hospitalized. We raised $150 for her medical bills. I can happily say Paula is doing well and plans to come back to school this fall.

AZO participated in a fundraiser at Duffy’s Bar and Grill for the Jamaica Medical Mission. We did a Spring Roll fundraiser with a bake sale and a jersey/jeans day at the campus.

We had a few presentations at the end of the first semester. First was an ALA Open Airways and training on how to use inhalers and what to do during an asthma attack. The second presentation was a clinical pharmacist, who talked about life as a clinical pharmacist and what to expect in a residency. The 2013 Winter convention in Orlando was a great networking and learning experience. We had a great time meeting members from the other chapters and alumni. The beginning of the second semester we did Habitat for Humanity in Lake Worth, Florida. We assisted in painting the inside of a home for a less fortunate family. We participated in the Juvenile Diabetes Walk in downtown West Palm Beach and our team raised over $200. Ending this semester we did ‘A Night at the Oscars’ themed banquet, it was a fun event for everyone. I’m excited to take the role of Directorum for 2013-2014 and congratulate the new officers: Doug Joffe (Sub-Directorum), Joel Garcia (Corresponding Signare), Marlene Calix (Recording Signare), Andrew Mahrer (Excheque), William Watson (Bellarum), Rennie Perez (Historian), Stacia Schaefer (Pledge Master), and Shannon Taylor (Directorum Elect). I look forward to strengthening Psi chapter and continue to carry on our values of peace, friendship, and brotherly love.

Amidst Therrien
Psi Directorum Elect

Sigma Chapter

The start of the year proved to be challenging for the Sigma chapter, but we ended the year prosperous and successful. Like most semesters, we started the fall semester with pledging led by Sam Pontera as our Pledge Master. We started the year with a pledge class of six. Very quickly the class dwindled down to only one pledge and finally, with much thought and consideration, he was let go at the end of the semester.

Regardless of the unsuccessful pledge class, the whole Sigma chapter applauds Sam Pontera for the amazing job that she did and the way she adapted and changed the pledging process to accommodate a one-member pledge class.

Frustrated throughout a tough fall semester, the chapter moved on. Courtney King arranged a very successful Karaoke Night to raise $502 for the American Diabetes Association. This idea of hers will hopefully become an annual event for Sigma. She planned other community service events that included trips to The Little Sisters of the Poor, Family House, Miracle League of Northwest Ohio, and many more.

Kelsey Johnson and Rachel Piccin headed a very successful fundraising committee throughout the year coming up with items to sell not only to our own chapter, but other AZO chapters, and the University of Toledo College of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences. Emily Whiten did a fantastic job and raised over $600 for Toys for Tots with Sigma’s annual raffle sale. Masa Karanovic planned the most successful Faculty Auction Sigma has ever seen; raising $7870 for mission trips that the Health Science Campus sponsors.

As always, our Bowl-a-Thon weekend was a blast thanks to Carl Buchwald and Jordan Hunt. Hopefully, everyone enjoyed themselves and we’ll see you all again next year.

With the help of our Spring Pledge Master, Adam Crnobrnja, we initiated 11 great fraters this past semester; some of who will be joining everyone at this summer’s convention.

Plans for Sigma are already underway for convention and we are excited to travel to Virginia this summer to make some Peace, Friendship, & Brotherly Love!

I would like to thank all the chairmen and my E-Board: Heather Hiszak, Lindsay Hazelden, Melanie Madorsky, Kincaid Csibi, and Adam Schweitzer. Because of them, the year was very successful and went as smoothly as possible. Sigma could not have asked for a better team of fraters.

BP&BL

Brennan Essex
Sigma Chapter Directorum
**Epsilon Chapter**

The Alpha Zeta Omega Epsilon Undergraduate Chapter has had a truly successful year! As always, our fall and spring semesters were launched with various rush events, of which totaled to over 19 events to bring in for this year 18 wonderful new Fraters. Congratulations to Former Pledge Master Neil Foglio and his fall 2012 pledge class: Amy Chen, Sungjae Lee, Resha Thakur, and Cecilia Wong! Congratulations to Former Pledge Master Gaby Ghobrial and his spring 2013 pledge class: Ian Berman, Tiffany Cheng, Min Sung Choy, Sumanth Inaganti, Nafisa Islam, Laura Higgins, Stella Kyaw-Soe, Alison Lieu, Kevin Ma, Ben Miao, Jasmine Patel, Eric Sadlier, Catherine Vu, Ira Yeung!

In addition to our slew of rush events, we have continued our focus on our philanthropic efforts. Headed by Fraters Jin Ah Jong and Mohini Singal, we attended the Pancreatic Cancer walk with our alumni, Frater Alka Bhatt’s Uveitis walk, Heel to Heal walk, Alzheimer’s Walk, Turkey Trot, Big Chill, and the annual Holiday Party sponsored by Embrace Kids held at the Robert Wood Johnson Hospital in the fall. We held ‘Embrace Kid’s night’ with Rho Chi and Chi Alpha Epsilon for our RU4Kid Peyton at the Rutgers Zone, an on campus arcade.

We continued our relationship with Peyton as Epsilon Fraters still find the time to visit her at the Cancer Institute of New Jersey. In the spring, 28 Fraters participated as dancers and volunteers in one of the largest philanthropic events on campus – Rutgers University Dance Marathon! Once again we were the top professional Fraternity fundraising bringing in $12,092.11! We wrapped up the year with the Parkinson’s Unity Walk we attended with our advisors and honorary Fraters, Dr. Gordon and Dr. Gerecke!

We have continued with our efforts to be seen as more professional by the school. In the fall, we kicked off with, “A Balancing Act: Staying Enrolled & Getting involved” as well as the school’s biannual involvement fair with flamboyant décor, including a self-made ‘plinko’ board and visually drawing PowerPoint presentations on two large flat screen TVs! Throughout the semester, we attended the Pharmacy Advocacy Kick Off event and even held an FDA panel session with APhA. The fall wrapped up with the annual RU4Kid’s Monster Mash and Mock Interview/CV Critique Workshop with ACCP. In the spring, the professional chairs, Fraters Dan Basoff and Binni Kunvarjee helped to host, “The Road to Graduation and Beyond,” and our fourth annual “Pharmacy Speed Networking Event,” which brought in over 60 pharmacists to network with over 100 students. We finished the year off with a “fiscal fitness” event, bioethics event, PHARMA informational session with DIA, and multicultural fair.

Socially, Fraters Bilal Azam and Sarah Zhang kicked off our year with the school’s yearly Mentoring Program Picnic and after-picnic BBQ. Rush events continued in the fall and spring such as ‘Meet the Fraters,’ and Blue Whale. We were lucky enough to enjoy Oktoberfest and Homecoming events with all visiting chapters! After an arduous week of enduring Hurricane Sandy, we still managed to enjoy our holiday season with a Thanksgiving feast and Year-End Social at the end of the semester! In the spring, we held one of the largest pharmacy social events of the semester – Mr. PharmD! In collaboration with LKS & PDC, we raised over $2500; many other Fraters also participated and Frater Corry Owen even won 3rd place! With a shift in chairs, Frater Nick Adams took on his new role as social chair to aid Frater Sarah Zhang in successfully planning the roast and AZO formal. We enjoyed the company of many chapters whether it be an impromptu visit to or from Nu, Tau, or Kappa, or a planned weekend such as Bowl-a-thon with our Fraters in Ohio, Epsilon can surely say that we had a wonderful year socially!

We continued our bake sales to raise money for our various events headed by Fraters Yefim Vexler and Angelique Pereira for fundraising. However, with new events such as a Dine to Donate at On the Border, and shot nights at the local Olive Branch bar, we have truly raised the bar with how much Epsilon can raise for our philanthropy organizations that we support! Finally, we will continue the sales of our AZO ties, graduation sashes, carabineers, and attire. Please email us at: azoepsilon@gmail.com if you are interested.

For patient outreach, while headway has been made on a school wide patient outreach initiative, time has its restraints and we hope to complete it by next year. Chaired by Fraters Anne Ficalora and Sweta Patel, we have continued community outreach events focusing on appropriate medication disposal. We have also hosted several alcohol awareness presentations to the classes of the pharmacy school. Finally, patient outreach activities were concluded with our 5th annual Multicultural Gala for the American Diabetes Association raising over $200 as well as more medication disposal presentations at the annual Rutgers Day event!

In terms of scholarship, Frater Jennifer Park has continued to set up recitations for harder courses for our fellow Fraters. Her efforts have been truly helpful as in the fall as we were the highest ranking pharmacy Greek organization for academics! Frater Glenn Young continues to manages our website: http://www.azoepsilon.com and twitter (@azoepsilon) as webmaster. Frater Erika Modh has done a wonderful job documenting our events as historian. Visit our website to see pictures and follow us on twitter!

Our alumni relations chair, Frater Christopher Thesing, has begun the process to reach out to alumni that have lost connection with the chapter by attending family day, homecoming, and the annual EMSOP Alumni Dinner. We have begun to work with the Rutgers University Pharmacy Alumni Association to expand our manpower and outreach! We have even landed on the front page of the Rutgers Pharmacy Website under “Student Focus.” After the school year ends,
As I look back on the past fraternal year I cannot help but think how lucky we are professionally, personally and most of all fraternally. A lot has happened to those of us in New Jersey since my last report in last year’s AZOAN. We have continued to nurture our strong ties with the undergraduate chapter, increase the diversity of events that we offer to our alumni fraters and start to prepare our next generation of Epsilon leaders.

On many fronts Epsilon had a strong year. Professionally, the chapter put together two CE programs, in February and September, that were presented by Frater Harjeet Caberwal on Novel Concepts in Anticoagulation and another in Hyperlipidemia. Both were well attended by fraters and non-fraters alike and we believe that this will continue to be an ongoing activity for the Epsilon Chapter. Philanthropically, we once again participated in the Lustgarten Pancreatic Cancer Walk in memory of Frater Jeff Levy along with fellow fraters and friends from New York Alumni and Tau. The walk last September was highlighted by our annual Family Day which provided the 50 or so attendees with more food and dessert for which they could ask. Thank you to Frater John Anciano for spearheading fundraising efforts as AZO was once again the top earning team in our region. Socially we kept up with our monthly get togethers, having chapter meetings at several restaurants in the New Brunswick area or our long time favorite, the AZO basement. Once again Epsilon made a strong showing at the convention in Orlando whether they got there by air or land. We finished the year off a couple of weeks ago with our closing affair. It was attended by over 100 fraters and guests and we thank those fraters from Kappa, Nu and Tau that made it to celebrate with us. Congratulations to Bhavini Parikh and Stephen Imperato as recipients of the Si Sless and Ephraim G. Sless Awards. Epsilon’s Robert Kirschner Undergraduate Service Award was awarded that evening to Fraters Jinah Jong and Shivam Patel.

The Epsilon family lost a couple of strong advocates from over the years as Frater Jules Resnick and Auxiliary member Dorris Ross passed away last year. It will not be the same without Doris winning another raffle for the Epsilon Coach purse. I want to welcome our future leaders as the chapter will be led by Frater Izzat Janajareh and his newly elected officers next year. The Epsilon Chapter will continue to be in good hands as this new generation of AZO fraters takes us through the next few years.

I would be naïve if I did not mention Hurricane (Superstorm) Sandy and its affects on fraters. Many lost power for several days, some sustained damage to property but these events showed the fraternal spirit amongst us. Whether it be housing other fraters at their homes until power came back or conditions improved, helping secure gasoline or other commodities or just calling to make sure everything was ok it was evident that the bonds that peace, friendship and brotherly love have left an indelible mark on those that experience it.

Peace, Friendship and Brotherly Love,

Brian Pinto, P.S.D.
Epsilon Alumni Directorum

As I look back on the past fraternal year I cannot help but think how lucky we are professionally, personally and most of all fraternally. A lot has happened to those of us in New Jersey since my last report in last year’s AZOAN. We have continued to nurture our strong ties with the undergraduate chapter, increase the diversity of events that we offer to our alumni fraters and start to prepare our next generation of Epsilon leaders.

On many fronts Epsilon had a strong year. Professionally, the chapter put together two CE programs, in February and September, that were presented by Frater Harjeet Caberwal on Novel Concepts in Anticoagulation and another in Hyperlipidemia. Both were well attended by fraters and non-fraters alike and we believe that this will continue to be an ongoing activity for the Epsilon Chapter. Philanthropically, we once again participated in the Lustgarten Pancreatic Cancer Walk in memory of Frater Jeff Levy along with fellow fraters and friends from New York Alumni and Tau. The walk last September was highlighted by our annual Family Day which provided the 50 or so attendees with more food and dessert for which they could ask. Thank you to Frater John Anciano for spearheading fundraising efforts as AZO was once again the top earning team in our region. Socially we kept up with our monthly get togethers, having chapter meetings at several restaurants in the New Brunswick area or our long time favorite, the AZO basement. Once again Epsilon made a strong showing at the convention in Orlando whether they got there by air or land. We finished the year off a couple of weeks ago with our closing affair. It was attended by over 100 fraters and guests and we thank those fraters from Kappa, Nu and Tau that made it to celebrate with us. Congratulations to Bhavini Parikh and Stephen Imperato as recipients of the Si Sless and Ephraim G. Sless Awards. Epsilon’s Robert Kirschner Undergraduate Service Award was awarded that evening to Fraters Jinah Jong and Shivam Patel.

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Delta Tau Chapter

The Western New England University College of Pharmacy Delta Tau Chapter has had a successful inaugural year. The chapter began with the initiation of our officers.

Members were inducted into the fraternity on December 1, 2012 at Salvatore’s Restaurant in Springfield, Massachusetts. In addition to the 31 student members inducted, Ronny Prieler was inducted as an alumni member. David Baker, originally from Beta was present as well.

The Delta Tau chapter has held several social events chaired by Shane Martineau. These events included: bar nights, a Halloween Social, a Christmas Social, Valentine’s Day Social and Taco night. Many more events are in the works including a semi-formal at the end of the year.

Chaired by fraters Samantha DeBiasio and Alyssa Lewis, our service committee has organized several activities. Delta Tau organized a Thanksgiving Anything Drive in which members of the college were encouraged to bring in ‘anything’ including school supplies, toiletries, and canned goods to be donated to the Springfield Rescue Mission. In December, we held a Toy Drive for Baystate Children’s Hospital. In addition, our members sent Christmas Cards to Dalton Dingus, a young boy who was terminally ill and attempting to break a world record for most Christmas cards received. Spring semester, the chapter organized a Diabetes Awareness week and participated in the Color Me WNE cancer walk.

Our fundraising committee, chaired by Heather Hartman, has been successful in raising funds for our chapter. Fundraising activities included selling syringe pens, beaker mugs, candy grams, Yankee Candles, and also holding a hibachi night.

On April 12, six new members were inducted into the Fraternity at our Semi-Formal event.

Delta Tau Fraters look forward to further developing this new chapter and to building our relationship with other chapters.

James Koch
Delta Tau Directorum

Eta Alumni

We continue to meet monthly and hold quarterly brunch meetings with our Auxiliary. Speaking about ETA’s Auxiliary, we were saddened by the loss of our Matriarch, Shirley Plotnick. Shirley was a Past ETA Auxiliary President and the wife of Frater Kalman and the mother of Frater Harry, both are Past Directorums of our chapter.

We just hosted our annual Ed and Lillian Reed Memorial Seminar presented by their son Frater Mike Reed. Jack Landman’s family was honored at University of Cincinnati’s Graduation as a three generation Pharmacy family when his granddaughter graduated. We are preparing for our Jurisprudence Seminar presented by Frater Harry Plotnick.

ETA is pleased to have just initiated Frater Alvin Wulefekuhl. It looks like we will continue with the same officers for the next Fraternal Year.

PF&BL,
Mike Seidenman, P.S.D.
Eta Chapter Directorum
AZO Welcomes The Delta Tau Chapter

I am excited to announce that on Saturday, December 1st, 2012 in Springfield, Massachusetts, the Delta Tau Chapter was inducted into Alpha Zeta Omega. Delta Tau is located at the newly opened Western New England University (WNEU) School of Pharmacy.

When looking at WNEU as a possible site for a new chapter the school was very receptive to the idea of having professional pharmaceutical fraternities, but they hadn’t had any fraternities on campus in many years. After several discussions with the administration, they were finally happy to announce that they were welcoming Alpha Zeta Omega to be one of the only two pharmaceutical fraternities on their campus. Not only were students eager to learn about AZO, but there was already a faculty member that wanted to be their advisor. Frater David Baker, of Beta origin, was extremely involved in generating the interest of students as well as helping develop the chapter roots within the school.

In the early fall, Frater Tiffany Puccia traveled to help me present AZO to interested students on campus. Using an informational PowerPoint she had developed, as well as the vivid and exciting video Frater Harjeet Caberwal had created, we were able to really show prospective fraters what AZO is all about.

When it came time for induction, a great variety of fraters traveled to be a part of the new chapter. I would like to thank Frater Lou Flacks, P.S.D., Gloria Flacks, P.N.P., Frater Diane Medeiros, Frater Izzat Janajreh, Frater Harjeet Caberwal, Frater Tiffany Puccia, Frater Shin Han, Frater Tri Le, and Frater Bilal Azam for all of their help with the induction.

Currently, Delta Tau is being led by Directorum James Koch through their first fraternal year being a part of AZO. Being located close to other thriving chapters such as Epsilon, Nu and Tau, I am looking forward to seeing them grow throughout the years. Congratulations to Directorum James Koch and the Fraters of Delta Tau!

Fraternally,

Lauren Young
AZO Direct Chair
The 92nd AZO National Convention was held at the beautiful Inner Harbor in Baltimore, Maryland at the Pier 5 Hotel. It was like having our own private party! The hotel was a small boutique one and except for literally a few other people, we took over the whole place and had a blast! Wednesday evening we honored Howard Schiff R.Ph., Executive Director of the Maryland Pharmacists’ Association and a member of our Kappa Chapter. He received the Alpha Zeta Omega Achievement Medal for his long time outstanding service and accomplishments to the profession of Pharmacy. Thursday, after the Fraternity and Auxiliary meetings, luncheon and Continuing Education program, we enjoyed a fun dinner right in the hotel at the famous McCormick and Schmick’s Restaurant. Afterwards while some went to explore the Inner Harbor, the rest of us went to chat away in the hospitality room. Friday we took a tour of Baltimore, which was highlighted by a trip to Fort McHenry (birthplace of the Star Spangled Banner). We were then dropped at Phillips Seafood Restaurant for lunch. Afterwards many of us had the opportunity to visit the incredible Maryland School of Pharmacy and others scattered to visit more of Baltimore’s history. Saturday evening we once again dressed to the nines for our Reception and Dinner Dance for the Installation of New Officers. After dinner, we overflowed into the lobby for dessert and pictures. It felt as if we were in the living room of a private mansion! Needless to say, “a great time was had by all.” In January we would be changing the pace as we explore Disney World!

Fraternally,

Gloria Flacks, P.N.P.
Lou Flacks, P.S.D.
Convention Co-Chairpersons

All in... 2012-13 AZO Supreme officers (left to right) Adam Schweitzer, Undergraduate Representative, Izzat Janajreh, Excheque, John Chin, Supreme Directorum, Steve Brooks, P.S.D., Sub-Directorum, Harjeet Caberwal, Associate Signare, Janee Whitner, Bellarum, and Diane Medeiros, Signare at the National Convention in Baltimore, Maryland.
P.S.D.’s Honor Incoming Supreme Directorum


Howard R. Schiff, R.Ph. the 2012 Achievement Medal recipient with Stephen Imperato, P.S.D.

Supreme Court Justices – John Anciano, P.S.D., Lenny Ortega, P.S.D. and Brian Pinto, P.S.D.

Lenny Ortega, P.S.D. presenting gravel to Stephen Imperato, P.S.D.

Kappa Alumni honoring Howard R. Schiff, R.Ph. the 2012 Achievement Medal recipient.
Fraters take a campus tour of the new University of Maryland School of Pharmacy.

Barry Bloom, Ernie Jacobson, P.S.D., and Paul R. Holly, P.S.D. with the book containing the names of all silent mortars since AZO’s inception.

Kappa Alumni and Howard R. Schiff, Achievement Award Recipient

Fraters enjoy the variety of shrimp at Bubba Gump’s.

Rosalie and John Chin, Supreme Directorum and National Auxiliary President

P.S.D.s Stephen Imperato assisting Steve Brooks in his photo ventures.
Orlando Regional Convention Report

This was certainly a ‘jaw dropping’ turnout! Almost 200 fraters and guests converged on the Lake Buena Vista Hilton to have fun at Disney World. After registration on Thursday, we all met at the Benihana Restaurant right in the hotel. This was not just dinner but dinner and a show, too, as we watched our meals being prepared by experienced Japanese chefs on hibachi tables. What a sight! After dinner we ‘followed the balloon trail’ that took us into the orientation room for dessert, fun goody bags (including winter scarves for Florida?) and a chance to get to meet and greet each other.

Friday we all enjoyed a fabulous breakfast buffet and then set out to the Disney Park of our choice. Saturday were our Fraternity and Auxiliary meetings followed by lunch and an informative Continuing Education Program delivered by our own Harjeet Caberwal. The highlight of the day was the evening’s reception, dinner and dance honoring the recipient of the Jay L. Pollock Undergraduate Award, Brooke Ruhland. Afterwards, the Hospitality Room opened where so many of us hung out until the wee hours, not wanting the party to end. Finally we all said our goodbyes looking forward to seeing each other again in July in Alexandria, Virginia. Washington D.C. here we come!

Fraternally,

Gloria Flacks, P.N.P.
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Save the dates and don’t miss out...
Regional Convention  Jan. 3-6, 2014
West Palm Beach, Florida
National Convention  July 16-20, 2014
Boston, Massachusetts
AZOans celebrating and having fun in Orlando


Harjeet Caberwal hopes Gloria Flacks will call him maybe.

Sheila Zive, Gloria Flacks, P.N.P., Rosalie Chin, National Auxiliary President, Tiffany Puccia and Lauren Young

Myron Krop, P.S.D. lets Izzy Janajreh know he is still the boss.

Everyone wants to be a part of Tau... including Mickey and Minnie.

Fraters enjoying the sun and fun in and out of the pool.
Supreme Directorum John Chin and the P.S.D.s

Standing: Maurice Williams, Alan Abrams, Mike Seidenman, Stephen Imperato, Shari Fine, Vince Paul, Mort Smith, Bruce Strell, Paul Holly, Ernie Jacobson, Steve Brooks, Lou Flacks and Lenny Ortega. seating: Myron Krop, Supreme Directorum John Chin and Herb Garde

John Chin having fun with Mickey.

Shari Fine, P.S.D. at EPCOT Center.

In Orlando... the hot tub is the place to be.

Nicole Saracino, Katelyn Parsons, Kenny Ha, Emma Danford, Janee Whitner, Jason Albrecht and Ken Lin

Gloria shares her fashion insights with the Ladies of Tau.
Jay L. Pollock
Supreme Undergraduate 2013 Recipients

An annual award presented to an Undergraduate Frater in recognition of his/her achievements in scholarship, leadership, extracurricular activities and service to the fraternity.

Frater Brooke Ashley Ruhland, Tau
RECIPIENT OF THE 2013 JAY L. POLLOCK UNDERGRADUATE AWARD

Brooke Ashley Ruhland was born on October 30th, 1989 in Shodack, New York. From a young age Brooke began to show commitment and leadership by joining the Girl Scouts of America, an organization which she would belong to through high school. At the age of seven, Brooke developed a love for horses and thus her competitive horseback riding career was born. Brooke attended Columbia High School where she played the violin and was a member of the track team. In her senior year, she was inducted into the National Honor Society and graduated with high honors in 2007. Brooke chose to attend the Massachusetts College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences to obtain a degree in Pharmacy.

In January of 2008 Brooke attended her first AZO rush event. That night at the rush event, Brooke found herself making connections to the Fraters of AZO. She was enthusiastic about the pledging process, and throughout pledging she proved herself to be a trustworthy, committed, and strong individual. On February 24th, 2008, Brooke along with four other pledge brothers was inducted into Alpha Zeta Omega. Brooke immediately knew she wanted to be involved when it came to AZO. After having just been inducted only a month before, she ran for the position of Fundraising Chair for the 2008-2009 Fraternal year. Brooke worked hard that year and through her fundraising efforts the Tau Chapter held many different fundraisers and totaled more than $4000.00 in fundraising.

After completing one of Tau’s most financially successful years, Brooke then went on to hold the position of Corresponding Signare.

When the Tau Chapter encountered a bump in the road, and MCPHS suspended the Fraternity in 2010, the Chapter knew it needed a dedicated leader during this time. There was really only one answer; Frater Brooke Ruhland. Brooke was elected and installed as Tau Chapter’s Directorum on April 16, 2010.

Brooke ran for the position because she has always made Alpha Zeta Omega her top priority. When the College took away the Chapter’s right to meet on campus, Brooke offered up her own home as the meeting location. Brooke held the meetings on days that worked best for other’s and never considered her own test or work schedule; but rather made the sacrifice to do what was in the Chapter’s best interest.

It is because of Brooke’s countless hours, devotion, enthusiasm, commitment, organization, and a sense of pure pride in the Fraternity that Tau Chapter was reinstated at MCPHS. After a stressful and trying year, Brooke continued to be there for her Chapter. Brooke continued her involvement by becoming the Chapter Undergraduate Representative.

Brooke has always gone above and beyond in her commitment to AZO. After Brooke’s lead as Directorum she was unanimously voted as the 2011 Tau recipient of the Simon Sless Award. Frater Brooke Ruhland is a trustworthy and loyal Frater who makes a positive influence and inspires leadership for the Tau Chapter as well as the fraternity as a whole. And it is because of her hard work and dedication that the Tau Chapter recognizes her as being a worthy candidate for the Jay L. Pollock Supreme Undergraduate Award.
AZO Undergraduate Award Recipients

James H. Ellis, Rho .......................... 1954
Howard Ansel, Sigma .......................... 1955
Leonard Rosenfield, Gamma .................. 1956
*Elliot Bohrer, Nu .............................. 1957
Harry Bass, Kappa ............................. 1958
Larry H. Pozanek, Kappa ...................... 1959
Gerald Essig, Xi ................................. 1960
*William Katz, Nu .............................. 1961
Donald A. Schumer, Pi ......................... 1962
Bruce M. Morse, Gamma ....................... 1963
Larry Michaels, Zeta ........................... 1964
David Stoller, Mu ............................... 1965
Alan Schneider, Rho ............................ 1965
Myron Weiner, Kappa ......................... 1966
Lloyd Fox, Iota ................................. 1967
Daniel J. Feuer, Rho ............................ 1969
Richard H. Siegal, Mu ......................... 1970
Bruce E. Strell, Epsilon ....................... 1971
Howard L. Rubenstein, Epsilon ............... 1972
Gregory Rhoa, Gamma ......................... 1973
C. David Stahl, Sigma ......................... 1975
Gary Ceretta, Rho .............................. 1976
Mark Shapiro, Beta ............................. 1976
Steve Jacober, Rho ............................. 1977
Cecily Victor, Nu ............................... 1977
Dennis S. Darling, Nu ......................... 1978
Robert B. Reidinger, Theta Alpha ............ 1979
Richard B. Greene, Beta ...................... 1980
Shari D. Fine, Nu ............................... 1981
Vincent Paul, Beta ............................. 1981
Glenn Myer, Mu ................................. 1982
Alan E. Bleznick, Beta ....................... 1983
Kenneth P. Horowitz, Epsilon ............... 1984
Leslie M. Liebowitz, Phi ..................... 1985
Wayne L. Cohen, Theta Beta ................. 1986
Steven J. Kravet, Epsilon ..................... 1987
Gary Sophia, Epsilon ......................... 1988
Rebecca Allyson Stewart, Theta Beta ....... 1989
Scott Myers, Beta .............................. 1990
Michael J. Lumia, Epsilon .................... 1990
Peter VanZile, Epsilon ....................... 1991
Jenny Seeram, Iota ............................ 1991
Steven J. Kataryniak, Epsilon ................ 1992
Anne Badas, Nu ................................. 1992
LeVan Gray, Epsilon ........................... 1993
Jane A. Wissuchek, Sigma .................... 1994
Christian Zimmer, Epsilon ................... 1994
Lori Marie Schuck, Sigma ..................... 1996
Nicole M. Parisi, Epsilon ..................... 1998
Gregory Malat, Epsilon ....................... 1999
Leonardo Ortega, Epsilon ..................... 2001
Robert J. Amend, Epsilon ..................... 2002
Audrey L. Peters, Sigma ...................... 2003
Brian Fong, Epsilon ............................ 2003
Stephen Imperato, Epsilon .................... 2004
Maricel DeJesus, Epsilon ..................... 2005
Taylor Hackett, Epsilon ....................... 2006
Andrea Pallotta, Sigma ....................... 2007
Matthew Gimbar, Epsilon ..................... 2007
Jessica Nicole Hill, Epsilon ................... 2008
Jared Stroud, Sigma ........................... 2009
Sharon Chan, Tau ............................... 2010
Tan Carlin, Sigma .............................. 2011
Taryn Nicole Merchant, Kappa .............. 2012
Katelyn Parsons, Nu ............................ 2012
Brooke Ashley Ruhland, Tau ............... 2013

*Deceased
AZO Meritorious Award Recipients

*Milford J. Harris, Theta ................1950
*David M. Leff, Gamma ..................1950
*David L. Dyen, Alpha ...................1951
*Isadore M. Ostrum, Gamma .............1951
*Maher Passamanec, Lambda .............1951
*Roy Scott, Theta .......................1951
*Henry E. Agin, Theta ...................1952
*Elder H. Stein, Mu .....................1954
*Morris Abrams, Beta ...................1955
*Zach C. Oppenheimer, Lambda ..........1956
*Jerome Boonshoft, Xi ...................1957
*Ephraim G. Sless, Alpha ................1958
*Henry G. Seidman, Kappa ...............1959
*Morris Shuman, Alpha ..................1960
*Max J. Hersh, Sigma ....................1962
*Hyman Goodman, Lambda ...............1963
*Oscar I. Roth, Mu ......................1964
*William A. Goodman, Iota .............1965
*Sidney Hillman, Eta ....................1966
*Harold M. Goldfeder, Pi ...............1967
*Robert Kirschner, Zeta ................1968
*Robert L. Byck, Iota ...................1969
*Norman Weintraub, Theta ...............1970
*Frank T. Smith, Gamma .................1971
David P. Rosenfeld, Mu ................1972
*Max Millman, Omicron ..................1973
*Paul Reznik, Pi .........................1974
*Samuel Breslow, Epsilon ...............1975
*Coleman Levin, Gamma ..................1976
*Gerald Cornblatt, Xi ...................1977
*A. Milton Cohen, Theta ................1978
*Lewis Fogel, Mu .......................1979

Myron M. Krop, Epsilon ................1980
Irving Goldberg, Pi ....................1981
*Jacob Chitlik, Lambda ..................1982
*Manuel Katzman, Omicron ...............1983
*William S. Katz, Nu ....................1984
*Aaron Masia, Xi .......................1985
Herbert S. Garde, Beta ................1986
Lloyd A. Fox, Iota ......................1987
Gary N. Helper, Phi ...................1988
Morris A. Morton, Omicron ..............1989
*Jay L. Pollock, Gamma .................1990
Maurice Williams, Rho ..................1991
*Irving Barron, Theta ...................1992
*Herbert Wasserman, Zeta ...............1993
Michael H. Seidenman, Eta .............1994
*Louis M. Kaplan, Beta Alpha ..........1995
Bruce Elliot Strell, Epsilon ..........1996
Alan Abrams, Theta .....................1997
*Edmund A. Keisman, Xi ................1998
Ernest Jacobson, Beta ..................1999
Sheldon Berson, Beta Alpha ............2000
*Herman Langer, Beta Alpha ..........2001
Woodrow M. Weinstein, Zeta ..........2002
Morton B. Smith, Gamma .................2003
Louis Flacks, Xi .......................2004
Shari D. Fine, Epsilon ..................2005
*Dr. Jeffrey M. Levy, Zeta .............2006
Irwin C. Feder, Miami Alumni ..........2008
Paul R. Holly, Kappa ..................2009
Steve Brooks, Iota .....................2010
Vincent J. Paul, Beta ...................2011

*Deceased
Immediately subsequent to the outstanding and impressively attended AZO Regional Meeting that concluded in Orlando, Florida on 6 January 2013, I proceeded south on the Florida Turnpike accompanying the fast-moving, divided highway traffic. The journey eventually terminated at the Port Everglades Cruise Terminal in Ft. Lauderdale, after having passed through the initial automobile security checkpoint and prior to my leaving the vehicle in the high-rise parking facility. Directly adjacent stood the waterfront structure where the elaborate and extensive passenger processing occurred. After standing in several long lines, and providing proof of identity, financial accountability, and a legitimate purpose for seeking access to the cruise ship, I was eventually permitted to climb the lengthy incline and finally enter the magnificent 122,400-ton, 16-deck Celebrity Silhouette. Each passenger was handed a stemmed glass of cold, bubbling champagne as a welcoming present, portending the gracious, exciting week to come.

Locating my assigned eighth-deck cabin for the first time aboard the 1047-foot ship required a particular sort of lengthy, trial-and-error, corridor decisions. Having eventually settled in the comfortable, well-designed stateroom, I proceeded to initiate the exploration of a 121-foot wide remarkable floating city. Among the extravagant dining accommodations were included a huge two-deck dining room, an extensive intercontinental buffet that continuously provided gourmet nourishment 14 hours daily, specialty restaurants, an actual grassy lawn and grill, select food counters throughout the ship and fine ice cream dispensed whenever requested. There was a plethora of elaborate and intimate bars and lounges throughout. In one comfortable tavern, the Baltimore contingent watched the playoffs, cheering the Ravens to a narrow victory over the Denver Broncos, later to convey honor on Charm City as the 2013 Super Bowl Champions.

A portion of the diverse shipboard facilities encompassed a shopping mall, casino, numerous pools and saunas, a well-equipped gymnasium, an art studio, spa, library, internet lounge, a performance theatre that presented musicals and exhibitions, meeting rooms, a tall atrium, varied music combos, interesting contemporary discussions, and a hideaway that featured “egg” chairs that were easy to descend into but all but impossible to arise from gracefully. How spectacular is a liner that provides entertainment, diversion and relaxation while traveling through the ocean at speeds up to 27 miles per hour! For this Chesapeake Bay sailor, floating across and witnessing the Caribbean Sea by daylight, twilight and in the moonlight were both exhilarating and serene.

Three ports-of-call were experienced, to the busy Old San Juan in Puerto Rico, the pristine St. Maarten shore, and the American island of St. Thomas. Each invited the disembarked passenger to explore, photograph, shop, and interact with the native population. Silhouette wanderers mingled with those of other cruise ships and the local islanders, forming a vastly dissimilar yet interconnected assemblage. Each island offered many duty-free luxury items and liquor choices.

The fundamental purpose of the cruise, aside from
the obvious allure of a Caribbean vacation, was the attainment of seven ACPE-approved continuing education credits. These were earned by each pharmacist’s arising early every morning and meeting in the Sky Conference Center to interact with University of Maryland Eastern Shore Pharmacy Assistant Professor Hoai-An Truong. Our attention was captured by the excellent, well-prepared and presented lectures of Dr. Truong. The inclusive topic of Medication Therapy Management permitted the attendees to peer through the window showcasing the future of the pharmacy profession. The related themes of public health initiatives, the balance of clinical and business concerns, immunization and vaccine opportunities, and long distance learning were taught, frequently utilizing the Jeopardy format.

This extraordinary Caribbean cruise was arranged and sponsored by the Maryland Pharmacists Association (MPhA) and was further promoted in the AZO Kappa Chapter, resulting in about half of the attendees being active Kappa fraters. I don’t recall where or when I have ever witnessed a more conclusive display of peace, friendship and brotherly love than throughout this exquisite ocean passage. I anxiously anticipate future nautical voyages with the MPhA and AZO membership, but for now, a recollection of sea breezes, international gourmet meals, superb and unique entertainment, erudite continuing education classes, a colossal and remarkable seafaring vessel, Caribbean Islands, and the companionship of old and new inspiring friends must suffice.

Melvin Lessing, Supreme Historian

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The Art of the Possible

How succinct and descriptive is that designation for the vocation of politics! Every office seeker comprehends that the means to a successful campaign is to promise the constituency anything that is even remotely possible, which will acquire votes for that candidate. Presenting oneself as being better than the other aspirant is often a useful ploy to disguise just how inept and often corrupt the nominee actually is. In the political year of 2012, the oft-repeated phrase at every civic level of “and if I’m elected” saturated the eardrums of even the most casually disinterested citizen. Gratefully, the obligatory political circus has concluded for one more election cycle.

The pharmacy profession also offers potentials and possibilities, but differs dramatically in that mere promises of a helpful outcome are useless and dangerous. Since drug treatment is based on pharmacology and real-world biological and physiological conditions, it is insufficient to assure a practitioner or an unhealthy person that a given pharmacological regimen is acceptable because of sincere belief, or the reputation of the drug provider. All healthcare practitioners are held to an ominously higher standard of care and treatment, in contrast to politicians and appointees.

And where do fraternities rank in the realm of the possible? Unmistakably, fraternal societies are historically and radically dissimilar from political or pharmaceutical organizations. It is unlikely that either domestic or international policy or declarations will be affected by the actions of a social or professional fraternity, and their nascent is through willful design, not through popular election. Fraternities exercise the right of refusal of inclusion, while the Constitution defends and demands universal suffrage. Looking inward, what is AZO’s basic significance?

Surpassing nine decades, AZO has provided a source of camaraderie, fun, pharmaceutical education, chapter and Supreme meetings, mentoring, respectful memorial services, sports, and intellectual, adult, conversational interchange. From admission to a pharmacy school, and then continuing throughout a lifetime, AZO can be a perpetual fragment of each frater’s social and professional lifestyle. The fraternity is greater than the sum of its parts in that each frater obtains more than he/she contributes in time and energy. This phenomenon is easily explained by the compounding effect of sharing the experiences of the activities and adventures with so many other diverse AZO members. Any person who scrutinizes the vast multitude of pharmaceutical fraternities inviting affiliation, who then ultimately chooses the extensive lifelong advantages of AZO, unquestionably demonstrates superior intelligence and discerningly sharp perception.

Participation in AZO doesn’t promise fraternal satisfaction; participation in AZO assures it.

Melvin Lessing, Supreme Historian
Greetings,

It is my pleasure to welcome the members of Alpha Zeta Omega Professional Pharmaceutical Fraternity to Alexandria for your annual National Summer Convention. I hope you enjoy your stay at the Westin Alexandria. You are minutes away from Old Town Alexandria.

Since its founding in 1919, Alpha Zeta Omega has worked diligently to promote excellence and nurture a body of professional men and women within the pharmaceutical profession. On behalf of the citizens of Alexandria, I want to thank your organization for your many years of service.

While you are here, I personally invite you to explore our historic city on the Potomac River. Take the time to visit our colorful neighborhoods, restaurants and shops, and most important, meet the people who make this city unique.

If you haven’t been to Alexandria before, you are in for a real treat. If you haven’t been here lately, I encourage you to go out and walk around to see all the changes taking place. You are our guest. Alexandria is ready to roll out the red carpet and provide you with a visit full of memories you won’t soon forget.

Best wishes for a great convention.

Sincerely,

William D. Euille,
Mayor

"Home Town of George Washington and Robert E. Lee"
Alpha Zeta Omega Pharmaceutical Fraternity

National Convention Agenda
July 17-21, 2013
THE WESTIN ALEXANDRIA
Alexandria, Virginia

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Co-Chairpersons
Lou and Gloria Flacks

Committee Members
Paul & Jeanne-Marie Holly
Jerry & Sheila Zive
John & Rosalie Chin
Steve & Agnes Brooks
Diane Medeiros
Izzy Janajreh
Harjeet Caberwal
Tiffany Puccia

Wednesday, July 17, 2013
12 Noon to 4:00 PM
Registration
in Hospitality Room
6:00 PM
Dinner at the Carlyle Club
(An Art-Deco Supper Club)
Hospitality
Opens After Dinner Event

Thursday, July 18, 2013
7:30 to 10:00 AM
Breakfast in Hotel (Jaimieson Grill)
9:00 AM to 12 Noon
Fraternity meeting in Edison Salons FG
9:30 AM to 12 Noon
Auxiliary meeting in Hospitality Room
12 Noon to 2:30 PM
Luncheon
Awards and Continuing Education
Program in Edison ABC Salon
5:30 PM
Memorial Service in Banneker Room
6:00 to 7:00 PM
Cocktail Reception in Edison Foyer EFG
7:00 to 11:00 PM
Achievement Award Dinner
in honor of Joy E. Pollock, Esq., P.N.P.
in Edison Salons EFG
Hospitality
Opens After Dinner Event
Friday, July 19, 2013

7:30 to 10:00 AM
Breakfast in Hotel (Jamieson Grill)

9:45 AM
Meet in main lobby to
board buses for Washington, D.C. tour
will return approximately 3:30 PM

Rest of the day free

Saturday, July 20, 2013

6:30 AM
Walk for American Diabetes Association
Meet in Lobby

7:30 to 10:00 AM
Breakfast in Hotel (Jamieson Grill)

8:00 AM
P.S.D. meeting at breakfast

9:00 AM to 12 Noon
Fraternity meeting in Edison Salons FG

9:30 AM
P.N.P. meeting at breakfast
Afternoon Free

6:00 to 7:00 PM
Cocktail Reception in Edison Foyer EFG

7:00 to 11:00 PM
Installation of Officers Dinner and Dance
in Edison Salon D
Hospitality Room
Opens After Dinner Dance

Sunday, July 21, 2013

Breakfast on your own

9:30 AM
Turnover meeting for
new officers in Hopkins Salon
All other meetings to be announced.

PLEASE REMEMBER TO BRING YOUR FOOD
AND DRINK COUPONS TO EACH MEAL

Safe journey home.
Hope to see everyone for our Winter Convention in West Palm Beach, Florida – January 3-6, 2014.

What should I wear?

Wednesday, July 17th
Dinner
Carlyle Club (Art Deco Supper Club)
Smart Casual ‘Gatsby Look’

Thursday, July 18th
Casual dress for lunch and CE
(please no jeans, shorts or t-shirts)
Memorial Service and Dinner
Smart Dress for women
Jacket and tie for men

Friday, July 19th
Tour – Very casual and comfortable dress
(t-shirts, shorts and jeans ok)

Saturday, July 20th
Installation Dinner
Dress – Head table formal; for all others
suit or jacket & tie for men, (formal optional)
Cocktail attire for women
Leadership has it’s rewards...

AZO’s National Auxiliary ladies at the Regional Convention in Orlando.

Rosalie Chin, Dottie Jacobson, Anne Kravitz, Greta Sobelson, Arlyne Garde and Marion Krop attended the mid-regional convention in Orlando.

Nicole Saracino and Brooke Ruhland

Supreme Directorum John Chin and Gloria Flacks, P.N.P.

Captain Mel Lessing & President Rosalie Chin

P.S.D.s... Ernie Jacobson, Lou Flacks and Maurice Williams

Tri Le, Izzat Janajreh, Brad Perry and Harjeet Caberwal bonding
A ‘couple’ of things you ought to know about AZO.

Supreme Directorum John Chin and National Auxiliary President Rosalie Chin with 2013 Undergraduate Recipient Brooke Ruhland.

Whose the boss?
AZOan Editor Tiffany Puccia or Excheque Izzy Janajreh?

P.N.P. Jeanne-Marie, AZOan’s professional proofreader and Paul Holly, P.S.D.

Sheila Zive’s personal bodyguards... Izzy Janajreh and Harjeet Caberwal.

The Co-Chairs: Gloria, P.N.P. and Lou Flacks, P.S.D. sharing a seat.

‘Photographer Mike’ and ‘Proofreader Lois’ Seidenman... a publisher’s delight!

Stephen Imperato, P.S.D. and Janelle Crabtree bounce ideas off of each other.
The 2013 Alpha Zeta Omega Achievement Medalist

This award, a bronze plaque, shall be presented to a dignitary of the profession of pharmacy. It shall be granted for long, meritorious and dignified service to the profession.

Joy E. Pollock, Esq., P.N.P.

Joy E. Pollock, Esq. of Meadowbrook, Pennsylvania, began her love affair with AZO in 1963 when she met her husband, Jay, on Labor Day weekend at Tamiment in the Poconos. Jay was accompanied by some of the Fraters of AZO who at the time were entering their 4th year of the 5-year Pharmacy program at Temple University School of Pharmacy. Joy accompanied Jay to the Gamma Chapter events until Jay graduated.

Joy and Jay married in December of 1965 and attended regional’s (because Nationally, one was held in the East and one in the West each year) and the National Conventions yearly, missing only a few during their 39 years of marriage.

In 1965, Joy and Jay started their volunteering with the Philadelphia Alumni Chapter. Joy served as Treasurer, Secretary, and Vice President of the Philadelphia Alumni Auxiliary, serving three years as President. At the same time in 1966, Joy started her activity in the National Auxiliary as the Tree Chairman. She has served as National Auxiliary Historian, Treasurer for six years, Corresponding Secretary, Recording Secretary, 2nd Vice President for two terms, 1st Vice President and President. Joy has served on numerous committees and has helped to revise the National Constitution three times. She was the first and thus far only woman appointed to the position of Legal Advisor and was appointed when Jay was appointed to his first position at the National level, AZOmedic. This was the first time a couple would hold Supreme appointments together.

Joy was born and raised in Philadelphia. She graduated from the Philadelphia High School for Girls where she was a class officer for her junior and senior years. She received two honorary scholarships to college. At Albright College she was an officer of various clubs, Chairman of the Homecoming Dance and elected to the Honorary Sorority and History Honorary Fraternity. She graduated summa cum laude with a Bachelor of Arts Degree. She attended the University of Pennsylvania Law School where she was secretary of the McKeen Law Club. After graduating in 1968, she worked for the Department of Housing and Urban Development and then as an associate with the firm of Astor, Weiss & Newman. Joy serves on the committee working on the 45th reunion from law school.
AZO Achievement Medalist Receipieints

**Alpha Zeta Omega National Auxiliary**

**Harry J. Anslinger**
Former U.S. Commissioner of Narcotics

**Dr. William S. Apple**
Executive Director, American Pharmaceutical Association

**Nick Avellone**
President, National Association of Retail Druggists

**Dr. Martin Barr**
Vice President, Wayne State University

**Dr. Leroy D. Beltz**
Dean, Ohio Northern University College of Pharmacy

**Dr. Joseph Bianculli**
Dean, University of Pittsburgh School of Pharmacy

**Dr. William L. Blockstein**
Edward Kremers Professor of Pharmacy, University of Wisconsin

**Dr. Paul Briggs**
Executive Director, American Foundation for Pharmaceutical Education

**Dr. Michael R. Cohen**
President, The Institute for Safe Medication Practices

**Dr. John L. Colaizzi**
Dean, Rutgers College of Pharmacy, New Jersey

**James D. Cope**
Former Executive Secretary, Ohio State Pharmaceutical Association

**Angel Carabillo D'Angelo**
Assistant Dean, St. John's Univ. College of Pharmacy, Vice-President APhA

**Sylvester H. Dretzka**
Former Treasurer, American Institute of the History of Pharmacy

**George H. Frates**
Past President, California Pharmaceutical Association; Former Washington Representative; N.A.R.D.

**Dr. Ivor Griffith**
Past President, Philadelphia College of Pharmacy and Science; Past President American Pharmaceutical Association

**Robert A. Hardt**
Past President, Armour Pharmaceutical

**Dr. Steven M. Gross**
Dean, Arnold and Marie Schwartz College of Pharmacy and Allied Sciences

**Philip A. Hart**
United States Senator, State of Michigan

**Hubert H. Humphrey**
United States Senator, State of Minnesota (subsequently served as Vice-President of the United States)

**Dr. Daniel A. Hussar**
Dean, Philadelphia College of Pharmacy and Science, Remington Prof. of Pharmacy

**Louis E. Kazin**
Editor, N.A.R.D. Journal

**William Katz**
President of N.A.R.D., P.S.D.

**Dr. Joseph F. Kowalewski**
Dean, University of Cincinnati College of Pharmacy

**Eli Lilly**
Honorary Chairman, Board of Directors, Eli Lilly and Company

**John C. MacFarlane**
President, Young Drug Products Corporation

**Frederick S. Mayer**
Pharmacists Planning Service, Inc.

**Dr. Daniel A. Nona**
Executive Director, American Council on Pharmaceutical Education

**Mary Rose Oaker**
Representative of the United States Congress for Cleveland, Ohio

**Joseph A. Oddis**
Executive Vice President of American Society of Health-System Pharmacists (ASHP)

**Dr. Lloyd M. Parks**
President, American Pharmaceutical Association

**Joy E. Pollock, Esq.**
Legal Advisor of Alpha Zeta Omega and AZO Past National President

**Paul A. Pumpian**
Secretary, Wisconsin State Board of Pharmacy (subsequently served as Secretary, New Jersey State Board of Pharmacy)

**Rho Chi Honor Society**

**Irving Rubin**
Editor, Pharmacy Times

**Schering-Plough Corporation**

**Howard R. Schiff**
Executive Director at Maryland Pharmacists Association, University of Maryland

**William B. Simmons**
Executive Secretary, National Association of Retail Druggists

**Dr. Glenn A. Sonnedecker**
Former Director of the American Institute of the History of Pharmacy

**Dr. Robert L. Swain**
Former Editor-in-Chief, Drug Topics Magazine

**John T. Toohy**
General Manager, E.R. Squibb & Son; Past Vice President, Olin Mathieson

**Dr. Charles M. West**
Executive Vice-President of N.A.R.D.

**William E. Woods**
Washington Representative, N.A.R.D.; Associate General Counsel, N.A.R.D.

*Stephen Imperato, P.S.D. congratulating Howard R. Schiff, R.Ph., the 2012 Achievement Medal recipient.*
2013 Achievement Award Recipient

Joy hard at work at the Del Ray Regional Convention in January 2011.

Joy at the Sanibel Regional Convention in January 2012.

Joy with Brooke A. Ruhland, the Jay L. Pollock Undergraduate Achievement Recipient at the Orlando Regional Convention in January 2013.


Joy with Supreme Directorum John Anciano at the Atlantic City National Convention in 2007.
Well-Deserved Words of Praise...

A Tribute to Joy Pollock

Paying tribute to a woman who has quietly performed duties for the Alpha Zeta Omega Fraternity and Auxiliary for more than 45 years is quite the accomplishment. Joy Pollock is deserving of this Achievement Medal, as she has spent decades of service for this organization. She is strong, vibrant, and brilliant in her field of law, and is one of the families in the AZO tradition. She not only knows the meaning of Peace, friendship and Brotherly Love, she lives it!

Lois Seidenman, P.N.P.

Joy has worked tirelessly for many years for both the fraternity and the auxiliary. Her legal advice has always been welcomed and on point. She should be considered one the fraternity’s finest assets.

Shari Fine, P.S.D.

Congratulations to Joy Pollock, the 2013 recipient of the Alpha Zeta Omega Achievement Medal. Joy has been a real leader and provided consistently dedicated support to both the Fraternity and Auxiliary. She has provided the history of the organizations when needed in order to help others make a decision or determine if a different direction might yield an outcome that is consistent with current goals. She is always willing to serve both organizations in any way she can. What a well-deserved honor for such a special person.

Again, congratulations on receiving such an honor.

Jeanne-Marie Holly, P.N.P.

Reflections on Joy, a woman of eloquent speech, strong, vivacious, knowledgeable and experience in AZO matters, ability to command leadership, and compassionate to the causes she believes in. As one of our own Past National Presidents is the recipient of this year’s Achievement Medal. Joy Pollock has been an integral part of this Fraternity and Auxiliary for many years and is always ready to help. Congratulations, Joy, we are so fortunate that you are truly AZO through and through.

Rosalie Chin, National Auxiliary President

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Joy is warm, loving, thoughtful, smart and a dear friend. Whatever project she is involved with, it will be done correctly and to AZO. We have been close AZO friends for almost 50 years.

Mike Seidenman, P.S.D.

Lois and I have known Joy for years. Personally, I love her – I love to try and get under her skin with political comments. As for AZO, whenever I asked a favor, Joy came through. Both years as Directorum, I used Joy as a sounding board many times. She always came through. Many of our best memories of AZO involved Joy and Jay.

Love, Marion and Myron Krop, P.S.D.

Nobody knows AZO like Joy! She’s always guiding us in the right direction at our meetings. Congratulations Joy on your well-deserved AZO Achievement Medal. All the best!

Love, Gloria Flacks, P.N.P.

Alan and I have known Joy since she and Jay first starting attending conventions, many years ago. Joy always stood with Jay for AZO and whatever they did for the group was a labor of love. Joy and her children have been giving a special award to the Jay Pollock undergraduate award winner since the award was named after Jay. She has also been the Legal Advisor for the fraternity for many years and obviously has kept them on the straight and narrow as they are still functioning beautifully. Joy is a dear friend and Alan and I regret that we cannot attend this momentous event in her life, but our daughter is having major surgery in Cleveland. However we will be there with her in spirit. The Fraternity definitely picked a worthy recipient for this award and Joy definitely deserves to receive it.

Edith Abrams, Direct Member, P.N.P.
Alpha Zeta Omega's
1977-1978
Presidential Couple

Philadelphia, the birthplace of AZO, has produced eleven Supreme Directorums. Jay Pollock, the 47th Supreme Directorum, joins an illustrious group of men who typify dedication to AZO, making the 12th Supreme Directorum from Philadelphia and the 5th from Gamma chapter. Though following a long list of other Philadelphia fraters, Jay can boast of being the first Philadelphian to serve concurrently with his wife, Joy, who was installed as the 29th Auxiliary President.

Jay was inducted into AZO, Gamma Chapter, in the spring of 1962, the second semester of his first year at Temple University School of Pharmacy. He attended the National Convention that summer and has been attending conventions ever since. During his years in school, he missed only one National Convention and three regions.

Born on June 15, 1943, Jay was raised in Philadelphia. He graduated from Northeast High School in January, 1961. While attending Northeast High, Jay was a representative to the Student Council and a member of the School's executive committee. He was then recognized for his business acumen and was continually asked to serve on school fund raising committees.

Since Frater Pollock was part of the first class of five year pharmacy graduates, he entered Temple University College of Liberal Arts that January. He completed his year at Temple by going the summer of 1961 and the summer of 1962, and entered Temple School of Pharmacy the fall of 1961. Jay graduated from Temple with a Bachelor of Science in Pharmacy in June, 1964, 4 1/2 years later.

During his undergraduate years, Jay served on various AZO committees working on pledging, social events, and inter-fraternity sports. Using his dancing talents, Jay danced and sang in the school shows.

In 1968, Jay, with his partner, Jack Cohen, an AZO frater, opened their first store. Since that time, they have acquired two more stores. Jay is licensed in the states of Pennsylvania, New Jersey and Florida. He is a member of the Philadelphia Association of Retail Druggists, holding the office of Board member of the Northeast Division, and the National Association of Retail Druggists. He has served on the Board of Directors of the Temple University School of Pharmacy Alumni, is a member of the Pharmacy Lodge of B'nai Brith, and is a co-chairman of the Pharmacy Division of the United Jewish Appeal.

After graduation, Frater Pollock's interest in AZO turned to the Philadelphia Alumni. He held the offices of Board Member, Excheque, Signare, Sub Directorum and Directorum, some for two years or more, including Directorum from 1971 to 1973. The two years as Directorum saw Philadelphia win two Directorum Cups. He was Chairman of the 1975 Philadelphia regional and Co-Chairman of the 1976 regional.

From the beginning of Jay's association with AZO, he attended regionals and conventions which encouraged his interest and activity in national. In 1969 Frater Pollock was appointed to the office of AZO medic. From that appointment, he held the elected offices of Eastern Bellarum, Board Member, Associate Signare, Signare, 2nd Subdirectorum, 1st Subdirectorum culminating in the office of Supreme Directorum for 1977-78 at age 34. With Coleman Levin and Morris Abrams, he revised the ritual.

Jay and Joy were married on December 25, 1965. They reside in Huntingdon Valley, a suburb of Philadelphia, with Jeffery, age 5 1/2, and Jessica, age 3 1/2.

Joy Kleiner was born in Philadelphia on August 3, 1943, and was raised there. She graduated from the Philadelphia High School for Girls where she had been a class officer for her junior and senior years. She received two honorary scholarships to college. At Albright College, Joy was an officer of various clubs, Chairman of the Homecoming Dance, and elected to the Honorary Sorority and the History Honorary Fraternity. In 1965 she graduated summa cum laude with a Bachelor of Arts Degree. Then she attended the University of Pennsylvania Law School where she was secretary of McKean Law Club. She graduated in 1968 and worked for the Department of Housing and Urban Development. Presently, she is an associate with the firm of Astor & Weiss. Joy is presently serving her second year as Ways and Means Vice President of the Henrietta Szold Group of Hadassah, having previously served as social secretary and education vice president. Joy is a member of the Philadelphia Bar Association, Pennsylvania Bar Association, American Bar Association and Women Lawyers' Association.

From the beginning of their association, AZO was a part of the lives of Jay and Joy. Due to Jay's love and interest in AZO, Joy, too, found that love, interest and friendship. Joy served as Treasurer, Secretary, Vice President and President of the Philadelphia Auxiliary. She served as President for three years.

In 1966, Joy was appointed National Ladies Auxiliary Tree Chairman. From that year to the present, she has served as Historian, Treasurer for two terms, Sergeant-at-Arms, Corresponding Secretary, Recording Secretary, 2nd Vice President for two terms, and 1st Vice President. She had the distinction of being appointed to the office of Supreme Legal Advisor. This appointment, coupled with Jay's appointment to AZO medic, was a first for AZO — the first couple to hold Supreme appointments together.

Over the years Jay and Joy have worked diligently for national and local AZO. They have found that the meaning of AZO can best be shown by dedication to AZO and its ideals. Though they may have been first and unique at times in AZO, they now hope with all your help to make this coming year unique — that is to all dedicate yourselves to the ideals of the fraternity and accomplish all the goals set.
2013 Ephraim G. Sless Award

Presented by the Supreme Directorum, the Ephraim G. Sless Award shall be given to those graduate Fraters who have preformed outstanding service to the Fraternity on a chapter level over a period of time.

Frater Stephen Imperato, P.S.D.
Epsilon Alumni

Frater Herb Pobiner
New York Alumni

Frater Harvey Seltzer
Connecticut Alumni
2013
Simon I. Sless Award

Presented by the **Supreme Directorum**, the Simon I. Sless Award shall be given to those **undergraduate Fraters** who have performed outstanding service to the **Fraternity** on a chapter level over a period of time.

Frater Jacob Beyer  
Rho Chapter

Frater Bridget Marie Cahill  
Tau Chapter

Frater Jennifer Crowley  
Nu Chapter

Frater Bhavini Parikh  
Epsilon Chapter

Frater Alexandra Marie Serafino  
Sigma Chapter

Frater April Thomas  
Kappa Chapter
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Ralph Pandolfi  Beta
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Charles Porawski, Jr.  Epsilon
Harvey Roth  Epsilon
Robert Tuvlin  Epsilon
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Arnold Lavender  New York Alumni
Randy Appel  Sigma
Mark Forgang  Sigma
Henry Rabin  Sigma
Howard Smith  Sigma
Oscar Colsky  Miami Alumni
Hilbert Beloff  Theta Alpha
Jerome Ginsberg  Theta Alpha
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Fraters inducted 75 years ago: 1937-38

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Frank Rice  Mu
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- Julia Bernas
- Joshua Bouffard
- Jennifer Cheevers
- Samantha DeBlasio
- Michael Derkits
- Matthew Desmarais
- Emily Eddy
- Steven Fiedler
- Christine Galinski
- Anthony Garone
- Nathan Harnois
- Heather Hartman
- Nina Hoang
- Patricia Horosz
- Jon Imeraj
- James Koch
- Aditiya Kumar
- John Le
- Boris Lemberg
- Alyssa Lewis
- Greg Lewis
- Shane Martineau
- Jennifer Marshall
- Amanda Pellant
- Ronny Priefer (Alumni Member)
- Maureen Riley
- Sumanth Inaganti
- Emmanuel Woghieren
- Neal Young

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- Ashley Camillo
- Jon Imeraj
- Maja Hodzic
- Mckenzie Custer
- Alana Ragan

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- Marlene Call

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- Michael Haare
- Phillip Lin
- William Brinkmann
- Neil Shah
- Sanjay Nakra
- Steve Lucido

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- Daljone Knuckle
- Kayla Maretich
- Caitly Mills
- Karleigh Newmister
- Robert Owens
- Kyle Rocco
- Tessa Rowlands
- Abby Schofield
- Laura Walsh
- Danyel Whitacre

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- Jasmine Patel
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- Nicole Williams
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“The Lord giveth and the Lord taketh away.
Blessed be the name of the Lord”.

It is my sad duty to report that the following Fraters have passed away during the past fraternal year:

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Harry Lichtman – Kappa
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“May the Father of peace send peace to all who mourn and comfort all who are bereaved”

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CPE Monitor: Information for Pharmacists and Pharmacy Technicians

What is CPE Monitor?
CPE Monitor is a national, collaborative effort by ACPE and the National Association of Boards of Pharmacy (NABP) to provide an electronic system for pharmacists and pharmacy technicians to track their completed continuing pharmacy education (CPE) credits. It will also offer boards of pharmacy the opportunity to electronically authenticate the CPE units completed by their licensees, rather than requiring pharmacists and pharmacy technicians to submit their proof of completion statements (i.e. statements of credit) upon request or for random audits.

How CPE Monitor Works
Pharmacists and pharmacy technicians will receive a unique identification number (ID) after setting up their e-Profile with NABP (see How to Register for CPE Monitor). Beginning in the latter part of 2011, pharmacist and pharmacy technician participants will provide their NABP e-Profile ID and date of birth (in MMDD format) to the ACPE-accredited provider when they register for a CPE activity or submit a request for credit. It will be the responsibility of the pharmacist or pharmacy technician to provide the correct information [i.e. ID and DOB (in MMDD format)] in order to receive credit for participating in a CPE activity.

CPE Monitor system will direct electronic data from ACPE-accredited providers to ACPE, then to NABP, ensuring CPE credit is officially verified by the providers. Once information is received by NABP, pharmacists and pharmacy technicians can log in to access information about their completed CPE activities.

How to Register for CPE Monitor
Pharmacists and pharmacy technicians are asked to obtain their NABP e-Profile ID at www.MyCPEmonitor.net to ensure their e-Profile is properly setup prior to implementation of CPE Monitor. Towards the end of 2011, e-Profile ID will be required to receive credit for any ACPE-accredited CPE activities.

Set up your NABP e-Profile to obtain your ID
SIGN UP AT: http://www.nabp.net/programs/cpe-monitor/cpe-monitor-service

Benefiting Pharmacists and Pharmacy Technicians
CPE Monitor will provide a secure, central system that maintains and tracks all ACPE-accredited CPE credits. This streamlined process will eliminate the need to file and maintain hard copy statements of credit for CPE activities taken from ACPE-accredited providers. Instead, online access to their inventory of completed credits will allow pharmacists and pharmacy technicians to easily monitor their compliance with the CPE requirements of the state or states where they hold a license or registration. Licensees of participating boards will no longer have to mail hard copy proof of CPE statements of credit to those boards.

The NABP e-Profile is available 24/7 for pharmacists and pharmacy technicians to view a comprehensive list of the ACPE-accredited CPE activities they have taken. Information will be maintained in a secure environment. ACPE and NABP do not distribute any personal information for commercial purposes without consent.

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