

# Alpha Chi Sigma Fraternity

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## 2012 Annual Report of the Grand Professional Alchemist January 11, 2013

### 2012-2013 Annual Solicitation

As part of the previous Council, the Grand Recorder had pointed out that revenue from our annual solicitation was showing a decrease in recent years. Because this is critical to the efficient running of the organization, we had decided on working on the 2012-2013 campaign as a whole, instead of laying the burden on a newly elected GPA. Council came up with a path forward into the new biennium and the current Council adopted it.

Our goals were to have the solicitation reach our Brothers early in September, giving everyone a chance to recognize the importance and finding the time to donate to Alpha Chi Sigma. We showed solidarity by having all four members of Council sign the solicitation letter. The solicitation letters were approved by Mid-August and were sent out to the Brotherhood the week after Labor Day. Many thanks go out to all on the previous and current Council for helping with and approving this approach. As of this report, the final results of the solicitations are not available, but will be discussed at the January 2013 SC meeting.

### AXΣ Reserve Fund

Since this biennium began, already three Brothers have completed their obligations to becoming Reserve Fund members. We thank them for their financial donations to the Fraternity.

### Professional Representation

At Conclave, the Grand Chapter voted to set the number of Professional Representatives from ten to eight. As part of the Solicitation, elections took place to elect three Brothers to serve a term from January 2013 to December 2014. 367 votes were cast in this election to select these three from eight candidates. John Becker, Sandra Lukaszewski-Rose, and Susan Shuping were all reelected to office.

During and after Conclave, there has been discussion on the roles that the PR's should play as part of the Grand Chapter. Since August, 2012, I have had discussions with half of the current PR's in an effort to come up with tasks and realistic goals that can be reached to better the Fraternity. This will be a topic of discussion at the January SC meeting.

### Professional Chapters and Groups

In the previous biennium, the formation of Boston Professional Chapter was approved. A Charter was provided to Northeastern District Counselor Kerri Federico to present to "BoPro" at their next meeting.

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In this biennium, we have had inquiries for expansion from the Richmond, VA area to reactivate Richmond Pro from BX Chapter Advisor Herb Sipe. In addition, inquiries were made from Brothers living in the Las Vegas area about beginning a Chapter or Group there.

## Expansion

Already since Conclave, SC has met twice to install two Collegiate Chapters: Gamma Omega at Widener University in Chester, PA, and Delta Alpha Chapter at the University of Rhode Island in Kingston, RI. It was a privilege for me to attend both of these events and witness first hand the growth of the Fraternity.

## Professional Meetings

Alpha Chi Sigma sponsored a lunch for Brothers and guests at the ACS meeting in Philadelphia this past August, 2012 at the Marriott Downtown. In addition there was a social hour sponsored by Alpha Chi Sigma at the AIChE meeting held in Pittsburg, during the remnants of SuperStorm Sandy.

The next ACS meeting will be held in New Orleans, and I will consult with Brother Anderson about where we typically have lunch there.

## 2012 PFA Meetings

Lastly I was able to attend the annual meeting of the Professional Fraternity Association with GR Patrick, held in Rochester, New York. We got a chance to meet with OC Pete Yochim for a short while, and I was able to have breakfast with several of the active Brothers from my alma mater, Beta Sigma chapter, after the meeting was over. Congratulations to Pat for being elected to President-Elect during the meeting.

Respectively Submitted;

Yours in the Double Bond,

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