



Important Events in the History of ALPHA CHI SIGMA {1902 - 2012}

1902 <i>Alpha Chi Sigma founded at the University of Wisconsin</i>	
<i>First initiation</i>	1903 <i>Badge first displayed</i>
1904 <i>Incorporation of Alpha Chi Sigma-the vision of a National Fraternity</i>	
<i>The ritual of initiation revised by J.Howard Matthews</i>	1906 <i>Gamma Chapter installed at Case School of Applied Sciences employing the ritual</i>
<i>The first truly national biennial Conclave held at Madison, Wis.</i>	1908 <i>Representatives from seven chapters elect J. Howard Mathews as Grand Master Alchemist.</i>
<i>Coat of Arms and pledge pin designs adopted.</i>	1909 <i>Revision of the ritual.</i>
<i>The HEXAGON of Alpha Chi Sigma is first published.</i>	1910 <i>First alumni chapter formed (Chicago). First chapter newsletter published (The Germ, Zeta Chapter).</i>
1911 <i>Alpha Chi Sigma expands from the Midwest to the East, with the installations of Mu, Nu and Xi Chapters.</i>	
1912 <i>Fraternity expands to the South with Rho Chapter.</i>	
<i>Fraternity expands to the West with Sigma Chapter.</i>	1913 <i>Scholarship Award instituted.</i>
1914 <i>Alpha Chi Sigma Toast written by members of the Chicago Alumni Chapter.</i>	
1916 <i>Double letters in chapter designation with Alpha Alpha installed at Stanford University.</i>	
1917 <i>Loyalty Fund established (eventually evolved into Reserve Fund).</i>	
1918 <i>No Conclave – all members of the Supreme Council in military service.</i>	
1919 <i>District Deputies (later called District Counselors) attend their first Conclave, the concept having been adopted in 1916.</i>	
<i>Restrictive membership requirements instituted.</i>	1922 <i>The professional branch established.</i>
1923 <i>“Hot Retorts” first appeared in The HEXAGON.</i>	
<i>Revision of the ritual.</i>	1924 <i>A Board of Trustees is appointed to manage reserve funds of the Fraternity.</i>
1926 <i>John R. Kuebler becomes Grand Recorder.</i>	
1927 <i>History of Alpha Chi Sigma Fraternity 1902-1927 published by Harry A. Curtis, Eta 1908 as a history of the first 25 years of the Fraternity.</i>	
<i>Third round of chapters began with Beta Alpha installed at Bucknell University.</i>	1932 <i>The Objects of the Fraternity approved in present-form at the 12th Biennial Conclave.</i>
1934 <i>Systematic study of alchemy as it pertains to Alpha Chi Sigma authorized.</i>	
<i>Grand Chapter approves publication of the Pledge Manual</i>	1936 <i>The T. Dale Stewart Awards for Best House and Non-House Chapters first awarded</i>
1939 <i>Support of ACS Award in Pure Chemistry instituted.</i>	
1940 <i>Supreme Council urges adoption of safety programs by chapters and appoints committee.</i>	
1946 <i>Alpha Chi Sigma flag adopted.</i>	

	1948	
		<i>Restrictive membership clause modified.</i>
	1952	
		<i>50th Biennial Conclave held in Madison, Wisc.</i>
	1954	
		<i>All restrictive clauses removed.</i>
	1958	
		<i>Alpha Chi Sigma Educational Foundation established.</i>
	1959	
		<i>John R. Kuebler retires as Grand Recorder and Grand Editor.</i>
	1961	
		<i>John R. Kuebler award established.</i>
<i>Professional Recognition Ceremony adopted.</i>	1964	<i>Boy Scout Activity Committee established.</i>
	1966	
		<i>Alpha Chi Sigma Award in Chemical Engineering Research established.</i>
<i>J.H. Mathews Memorial Scholarship Fund established.</i>	1970	<i>Admission of women into Alpha Chi Sigma approved at 30th Biennial Conclave.</i>
	1971	
		<i>First women initiated into Alpha Chi Sigma.</i>
	1975	
		<i>Alpha Chi Sigma is designated as an IRS 501(c)(3) charitable organization.</i>
<i>Fourth round of chapters begins with installation of Gamma Alpha at Johns Hopkins University.</i>	1977	<i>Ritual Committee formed.</i>
<i>Scholarship Award re-established.</i>	1978	<i>Revision of the ritual.</i>
		<i>First reactivation of a chapter since 1908 with Alpha Zeta at MIT.</i>
	1980	
		<i>Collegiate Activities Committee formed.</i>
<i>Revision of the ritual.</i>	1981	<i>Alpha Chi Sigma Hall of Fame instituted.</i>
<i>Professional Induction Ceremony approved for use.</i>	1982	<i>First Hall of Fame members elected.</i>
<i>First Clyde B. Hutichson Award presented for best professional activities by a collegiate chapter.</i>		<i>First Walter T. Schrenk Award presented to the best Conclave attendance by a collegiate chapter.</i>
	1983	
		<i>H.E. Minnerly Memorial Fund established.</i>
<i>Professional Representatives added to the Grand Chapter.</i>	1984	<i>First woman elected to Supreme Council.</i>
		<i>Edmund E. Dunlap Fund established.</i>
	1986	
		<i>Leadership Development Committee formed.</i>
<i>Star Chapter Award program started with first awardees at the 40th Biennial Conclave.</i>	1989	<i>Fraternity gets the toll free phone number 1-800-ALCHEMY</i>
	1992	
		<i>Ronald T. Pflaum Award for outstanding Chapter Advisor first awarded.</i>
	1995	
		<i>Alpha Chi Sigma national website created.</i>
	2000	
		<i>Best Professional Chapter Award re-established as the Vincent A. Sedlak Professional Chapter Award.</i>
<i>Alpha Chi Sigma Centennial Celebration.</i>	2002	<i>J. Haworth Jonte Award Established for Most Improved Collegiate Chapter with first awardee at the 47th Biennial Conclave.</i>
	2006	
		<i>First woman serves as Grand Master Alchemist.</i>
<i>Revision of the ritual.</i>	2008	<i>First woman inducted into the Order of Altotus.</i>
	2012	
		<i>Fraternity enters fifth round through the Greek alphabet with the installation of Delta Alpha at University of Rhode Island</i>