

# *Alpha Chi Sigma Fraternity*

**Professional In Chemistry**

**Office of the  
GRAND MASTER ALCHEMIST**



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## **Annual Report of the Grand Master Alchemist December 31, 2012**

### **Overview**

The year of 2012 was a productive one for the Fraternity. We installed three new collegiate chapters and added a professional chapter and a professional group to our ranks. We also have several pre-colonies in the works and we expect some more collegiate colonies coming soon.

### **Goals**

There is one major goal for my term as GMA; that is growth. You have already seen this in the annual solicitation sent out this past fall. We want to improve our expansion efforts and discover new ways to create more collegiate chapters, more professional chapters, and more professional groups. Along the way we need to grow our financial resources. We need to develop and improve new fund raising efforts as well as generate efficiencies in operations to save costs. As we grow we will have more people and resources to offer more benefits to our members. You have already seen some of these benefits in the recent past. Some of them include reduced insurance rates from Gieco, new alcohol awareness training for all collegiate chapters and colonies, reduced rates at Gradspring for technical job opportunities, and a new and improved Wyvern Pin outreach policy.

### **Conclave**

Alpha Theta at the University of Iowa hosted an excellent 51<sup>st</sup> Biennial Conclave. Several motions came out of this event requiring actions by the SC or office.

Motion 15: Be it resolved that the Grand Chapter directs the Supreme Council to form a committee to evaluate the ratio of collegiate to professional representation in the Grand Chapter paying particular attention to the expectation of expansion in the professional branch. The committee should include a Professional Representative, a District Counselor, a professional chapter member and a collegiate chapter member. The committee should report back to the Grand Chapter before the 52nd Biennial Conclave. The report should also be presented to the Grand Chapter at the first Grand Chapter session of conclave. Actions: The committee will be formed in the next several months and will most likely be chaired by the GMA.

Motion 21: Be it resolved that Alpha Chi Sigma establish an outreach program to serve as a structured program targeting students at the primary and secondary education levels. The suggested outline of the program is detailed in the attached proposal. A committee shall be established to suggest and maintain a detailed curriculum for the program, to be used nationwide. Actions: The committee will be formed in the next several months and will most likely be chaired by the GCA

Motion 36: Second Object- The Grand Chapter shall have a Second Object Committee to encourage, explore, support, oversee and regularly assess the fraternity-wide impact of programs related to the second object. The committee shall consist of four active professional members and a representative from the most recent collegiate chapter recipient of the best professional activities award. Actions: The committee will be formed in the next several months and will most likely be chaired by the GPA

Motion 23: Be it resolved: That the audience age limitations be removed from the Wyvern Pin requirements to ensure all chemical outreach programs are recognized. Actions: completed.

Motion 24: Be it resolved that the mandatory Scouting requirement be removed from the Wyvern Pin Program due to the non-uniform availability of opportunities to work with scouts. Actions: completed.

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Motion 10: Be it resolved that the Grand Recorder is requested to publish and maintain lists on the National Website of the previous winners of the chapter awards presented each Conclave. (Stewart, Jonte, Hutchison, Schrenk, and Sedlak Awards). Actions: completed.

### **Committees**

As I settle into the role of GMA, there are a bunch of tasks ahead that will need the support and help of many others.

Alpha Chi Sigma Scholars: Stephen Schneider, Chair. Continue reviewing nominations and develop ways to attract more to apply for our awards.

DCs: Claudia Brodtkin, Chair. Continue to work with the DCs to help our chapters grow and prosper. Find common needs and set up resources to address them.

Expansion: Jennifer Schnippert, Chair. Continue working with our current contacts and precolonies. Develop new plan for increasing interest in the fraternity.

General Advisory: Jennifer Showerman, Chair. Continue giving general advice to the fraternity. Particular efforts at help with the office relocation assessment will be required.

House Chapter Advisory: Michael Quan, Chair. Continue working with housing corporations that provide living and meeting space to our members.

Kuebler Award: William Sandstrom, Chair

Social Media Guidelines: Eric Haas, Chair. Continue monitoring new forms of social media for any needs/adjustments

Nominations: Melissa Ward, Chair. Improve methods for vetting candidates

Special Needs: Cary Supalo, Chair. Continue examination of our processes and procedures.

Ritual: Jon Wenzel, Chair. Green and flameless initiatives.

Yours in the Double Bond,

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Grand Master Alchemist