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PHI SIGMA

Founded in 1878

The Society of Phi Sigma is believed to be the oldest continuing group of its kind in Illinois. Its founders, young men who had been members of a high school debating society, wished to promote serious discussion of the national and world scene and related aspects of the social-ethical disciplines. and thus to reflect and satisfy the interests and concerns of alert minds striving for enlightenment through study and discourse.

The Greek letters Phi and Sigma are the initial letters of the ancient admonition, "Love Thou Wisdom."

Phi Sigma continues today very much in accordance with its long traditions. Membership is limited to fitfy persons, who gather together in each other's homes, where the presentation of papers serves as a basis for spirited questioning and interpretive comment.

Meetings are held once a month, on the second Friday, from October through May (except December), the last being the occasion for a festive party.

PHI SIGMA 1987-1988

OFFICERS

Secretary/Treasurer Claudette Zobel

President Pat Staszak
First Vice President Lyman Shepard
Second Vice President Katherine Trezevant
Claudette Zobel

THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The Officers and Don Peaslee
Beth Robinson

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

Betty Peaslee 1985-1987 Tom Ferguson 1986-1988 Tom Robinson 1987-1989

PHI SIGMA PROGRAM 1987-1988 AMERICAN ORIGINALS

October 9, 1987 SOME AMERICAN ORIGINALS

Don Peaslee

HOSTS: Beth and Tom Robinson CO-HOSTS: Anna and Lyman Shepard

November 13, 1987 A LONG WAY TO GO

Sandra Shimon

HOSTS: Claudette and Herb Zobel CO-HOSTS: Marie and Peter Lykos

January 8, 1988 CRESCENDO - ISADORA DUNCAN, CALIFORNIA'S

PIONEER OF DANCE

LYMAN SHEPARD

HOSTS: Patricia and William Staszak CO-HOSTS: Joe and Mary Jo Peterson

February 12, 1987 HST

Paul Oppenheim

HOSTS: Katherine and Robert Trezevant CO-HOSTS: Cynthia and Gerald Mungerson

TO HAVE AND TO FOLD March 11, 1987

Claudette Zobel

HOSTS: Barbara and Paul Oppenheim CO-HOSTS: Glen and Dorothy Stewart

April 8, 1987 THE VOICE

Tom Robinson

HOSTS: Joe and Mary Louise Stefanic CO-HOSTS: Robert and Shirley Hahn

May , 1987 Special Event - May Party - Down down

Host and Co-Host Duties

Host: --Provides home, seating arrangements, plates, silverware, glasses, napkins, etc.

--Coffee, tea, or other beverages, sugar, caream, lemon --Asks someone to pour coffee and tea

Co-Host: -- Provides dessert

-- Calls host about dessert being provided

-- Serves dessertables was also counsely destroy age

PHI SIGMA CONSTITUTION

- ARTICLE 1. This society shall be known as Phi Sigma.
- ARTICLE 2. The officers shall consist of a President, two Vice Presidents, and a Secretary/Treasurer. Officers may not succeed themselves. The duties of the President, Vice Presidents, and Secretary/Treasurer shall be as described in the by-laws.
- ARTICLE 3. There shall be an Executive Committee which shall consist of the President, the Vice Presidents, the Secretary/Treasurer and two others who shall be elected by the Society. It shall be the duty of the Executive Committee to prepare the annual program of the Society and to publish the Year Book. This shall be done for the ensuing year as soon as practicable after the April Annual Meeting. The Executive Committee shall also attend to such other matters as may be referred to it by the Society.
- ARTICLE 4. There shall be a Membership Committee which will consist of three members. One three-year member shall be nominated and elected each year at the same time and in the same manner as the officers. Retiring members shall not succeed themselves. Names of guests to be proposed for membership shall be submitted to the Memberhip Committee by active members within three months of their having visited Phi Sigma, whereupon the Membership Committee shall submit the proposed resumes by mail to all the voting members. If three written objections are received by the Membership Committee the names must be dropped from any further consideration. If three objections are not forthcoming from the membership the Membership Committee then votes. A majority is required for acceptance.
- ARTICLE 5. Fifteen members shall constitute a quorum to transact business.
- ARTICLE 6. Amendments to the Constitution and By-Laws may be proposed at any meeting of the Society. Such proposed amendments shall be submitted in writing in open meetings and then referred to the Executive Committee which shall report at the next regular meeting of the Society on the advisability of such changes. The amendments shall then be voted on by ballot, a two-thirds vote of all members present being necessary for adoption.
- ARTICLE 7. Active members in good standing for a continuous period of twenty five years shall be eligible for and may request automatic retirement from Active to Honorary Membership. No duties shall be required of Honorary Members and they shall not have a vote in the Society.
- ARTICLE 8. Active members who resign because of removal from the Chicago Area will, if they desire, be classified as Non-Resident Members. As such they have a standing invitation to attend any meeting when in the vicinity and will automatically be reinstated to Active Membership, should they again permanently return, subject to and as openings occur in the Acive Membership.

- ARTICLE 1. Phi Sigma shall hold meetings monthly from October to May, inclusive, the December meeting being optional. The meetings shall be held the second Friday of the month, subject to temporary change by the Executive Committee. Extra meetings may be called by the President or Executive Committee.
- ARTICLE 2. Meetings of the Society shall commence promptly at 8:00 P.M.
- ARTICLE 3. At the March meeting the President shall appoint a Nominating Committee of three members, none of whom shall be officers, to prepare a slate of candidates for the offices of the Society. Said Committee shall present its report at the meeting in April and election shall take place at that time. Other nominations may be made at the April meeting. If there is not more than one nomination for any office to be voted on, the Secretary shall cast a unanimous ballot for such nominee. Otherwise election shall be by written ballot.
- ARTICLE 4. The annual dues of the Society shall be recommended by the Executive Committee and presented at the October meeting. This shall be voted on and the dues shall be payable at that time.
- ARTICLE 5. The active membership of the Society shall be limited to fifty.
- ARTICLE 6. On the occasion of three consecutive absences or non payment of dues by a member, the Membership Committee shall contact the member and make a recommendation to the Society for action.

ARTICLE 7. Officers and Duties

- 1. The officers shall consist of a President, a First Vice President,
- a Second Vice President, and a Secretary/Treasurer.
- 2. The President shall preside at all meetings, shall chair the Executive Committee, and shall perform such duties as are incidental to the office.
- 3. The First Vice President shall exercise the functions of the President in the absence of the President and shall perform other duties as assigned by the President. The Nominating Committee shall give the First Vice President primary consideration for nomination to the succeeding presidency.
- 4. The Second Vice President shall arrange for meeting places and hosts and shall send notifications of meetings to the membership.
- 5. The Secretary/Treasurer shall record the minutes, prepare such correspondence as is properly required, exercise general supervision over the receipt, custody and disbursement of all funds, and make reports as are properly required.

ARTICLE 8. Archives

The President shall appoint a Historian who shall be responsible for keeping the permanent records of the Society. Historians may serve successive terms. The permanent records of the Society include the secretarial records from previous years, copies of all papers that are presented as programs, copies of all Voice programs, and any other records which may have historical value. Records may be written, recorded or filmed. It shall be the duty of each member who presents a program to provide a copy of that program to the Historian.

ARTICLE 9. Roberts Rules of Order shall govern the conduct of meetings.

ARTICLE 10. At meetings when guests for prospective membership are present, at the discretion of the President, the reading of the minutes and discussion of other confidential Society matters may be postponed or dispensed with.

Revised August 1987