THE ALPHA GAMMA PHI SONG

(To the tune of Auld Lang Syne)

If you should roam away from home,
And find nobody nigh,
Look up the men who are the men,
of ALPHA GAMMAPHI

REFRAIN:

Oh, Alpha Gamma Phi
Thy name sounds mighty true;
Here's to the class that tips the glass,
To ALPHA GAMMA PHI

If we should part, deep in our hearts,
Let brotherhood there be.
Fraternity and Constancy,
That's ALPHA GAMMA PHI.

REPEAT REFRAIN

On Land or sea, where ere you be,
you never find them shy,
To lend a hand to any man,
That's ALPHA GAMMA PHI.

REPEAT REFRAIN

by William Solonchak

Typed on April 2, 1962
by Nick R. Borrelli.....

Divine Aristotle

Historian's Copy

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS OF ALPHA GAMMA PHI

PREAMBLE

We the following: Walter Mooney, Fred Miller, Ralph Sweitzer, Sherman Horne, do hereby, on the 25th Day of February in the year of our Lord Nineteen Hundered Thirty, organize and establish, at Clarion State College, Clarion, Pennsylvania, the fraternity of the ancient Greek Philosophers, (Alpha Gamma Phi) to be governed and controlled by the following Constitution and By-Laws.

Constitution as amended by the following: Frank Miller, Dennis Preisser, Emilio Cipollone, Richard Pluto and John Beck, on the 21st day of February, in the year of our Lord, Nineteen hundred Sixty-Two.

CONSTITUTION

ARTICLE I. NAME

Section 1. This fraternity shall be known by the name of Alpha Gamma Phi.

Section II. The name of this fraternity shall at all times be referred to in Greek.

ARTICLE II. MOTTO

Section I. Our motto shall be "By Philosophy We Conquer."

Section II. This motto will only be used in meetings.

ARTICLE III. PURPOSE

Section I. The purpose of this fraternity shall be to promote the social, intellectual, spiritual, and physical development of its members.

ARTICLE IV. OFFICERS: DUTIES AND ELECTION

Section 1. The officers (who also make up the disciplinary board) of this organization shall consist of: President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, Historian, Parliamentarian, Chaplain, Sergeant-At-Arms, and Interfraternity Council Representatives.

Clause 1. Duties

President-----Devine Aristotle

Conduct the meetings and act on these things pertaining to the fraternity with the approval of the members of the fraternity.

Vice-President-----Exalted Plato

Take the place of the Devine Aristotle in his absence.

Secretary-----Grand Socrates

Keep an accurate account of all minutes, of all correspondence, a record of active and graduate members.

Treasurer-----Glorious Pythagorous

To keep anaccurate account of all money, the seal, and the payment of all bills.

Historian-----High Epistulus

Keep permanent records of the fraternity and to inform the alumni as to the welfare of the fraternity.

Parliamentarian-----Wise Democritus

Spontaneous expedient of Parliamentary Procedure.

Chaplain-----

Open and close the meetings with prayer and reading of the Holy Bible.

Sergeant-At-Arms-----Guard

Guard the meetings from intrusion and delay.

Interfraternity Council Representatives.

To represent the fraternity in all matters falling under the jurisdiction of that council.

Section 2. Election of Officers

Clause 1. Officers shall be elected at the end of each semester.

Clause 2. Election of officers shall be by secret ballot.

Clause 3. Only those persons who have been a member of the fraternity for two semesters, or part thereof, shall be entitled to hold office.

PAR. 1. The president (Devine Aristotle) must have at least an average of 2.5 or better.

PAR. 2. All subordinate officers must have an average of at least 2.0 or better.

ARTICLE V. MEMBERSHIP

Section 1. Membership in Alpha Gamma Phi shall be restricted to students and faculty members of Clarion State College.

Section 2. Scholastic ability, personality, and character shall be main considerations when searching for fraternity membership.

Section 3. Membership in this fraternity is subject to regulations by the Interfraternity Council in matters that fall under their jurisdiction.

Clause 1. The Interfraternity Council will set the required quality point average.

Section 4. Members shall be recognized by the following considerations.

Clause 1. Active Members

Active members are determined by:

1. Payment of initiation fee.
2. Payment of semi-annual dues.
3. Complying with the attendance laws as stated in the By-Laws of the fraternity.

Clause 2. Inactive Members

Inactive members are those who are graduate members of the fraternity. They shall have the right to attend all social functions of the fraternity.

Clause 3. Social Members

Social members are those who have paid their semi-annual dues (and the initiation fee)--- but have legal excuses for not attending meetings regularly. They shall have the right to attend all social functions of the fraternity.

Clause 4. Financial Obligations

Members who fail to meet the financial obligations as set forth in this Constitution will be subjected to a hearing before the disciplinary board to decide their future status.

PAR. 1. The disciplinary board shall be made up of the officers of the fraternity.

PAR. 2. Their decisions shall be binding in all matters.

PAR. 3. A 3/4 vote of the membersoof this disciplinary board who are present will be necessary for their decisions to be binding.

PAR. 4. The President will act as chairman of this disciplinary board.

PAR. 5. Before a vote can be taken by this disciplinary board, at least 8 members must be present.

Section 5. Total Membership

The maximum membership in the fraternity shall be no greater than 8% of the male population of Clarion State College.

Section 6.

All pledges must participate in the Initiation conceived by the fraternity to qualify for membership.

Section 7. Admittance of new members---Procedure

Clause 1. Any active member may sponsor one (1) Prospective Brother to the fraternity per Semester.

Clause 2. When the date has arrived for the active members to consider the admittance of new members, the brother who is responsible for his own new pledge shall personally present his desire to the vote of the entire fraternity. He should present such aspects of his pledge's desirability as: grades, extra-curricular activities, photographs, and any other information he deems desirable.

Clause 3. To select the number of new prospects for membership, the number of seniors that will have graduated by the opening of school of the next year will be subtracted from the total active membership. This remainder will be subtracted from the fraternity maximum of 8% of the male population and the number so attained will be considered eligible for membership.

Section 8. Selection of new members---Procedure

Clause 1. After presentation of all new candidates by the active brothers, a list will be drawn up with the names of these new candidates.

Clause 2. An informal introductory gathering shall be held for all interested, prospective persons at the discretion of the President.

Clause 3. Rushees will be secretly voted upon by ballot. There will be a minimum of conversation between the fraternity members. All totals of votes for and against will be withheld until all rushees have been voted upon.

Clause 4. A final vote to determine those accepted by the fraternity shall be taken on each individual separately and based on a point system.

PAR. 1. Under this point system, only active members shall cast a vote ranging in value from one to five points on each prospective member.

PAR. 2. A minimum of 2/3 of the total possible shall be required for acceptance.

PAR. 3. Where as if this total exceeds the maximum number of members set forth by this constitution, the prospective rushees who have received the highest number of the total possible points will be the ones accepted. (In the event of a tie at the cut off point, all prospectivemembers involved shall be rejected.)

BY-LAWS OF ALPHA GAMMA PHI

NUMBER 1. QUORUM

Two-thirds (2/3) of the active membership of this fraternity shall constitute a quorum.

NUMBER 2. MEETINGS

Section A. This fraternity shall meet once each week, on Monday evenings at 7:00 P.M., in Science Hall, unless otherwise specified.

Section B. Special meetings may be called by the order of three (3) officers.

Section C. No business of the fraternity may be conducted without a quorum and at least one of the faculty advisors present.

NUMBER 3. PROPERTY

Alpha Gamma Phi shall adopt suitable equipment for the proper execution of those things which are conductive to the welfare of the chapter.

NUMBER 4. SUSPENSIONS

Members who willfully fail to comply with the Constitution and the spirit of the fraternity may be expelled by the disciplinary board.

NUMBER 5. DUES, FINES

Section A. Initiation Fee

The fee for initiation into the membership in Alpha Gamma Phi will be Five dollars ($5.00). This fee must be paid on or before the third regular meeting after formal initiation.

Section B. Dues

There shall be a semi-annual dues of Four dollars ($4.00) for active members. This shall cover the expenses connected with the maintenance of the fraternity. The dates on which these dues shall be paid will be the third regular meeting after the first meeting of the semester.

Section C. Additional Assesments

Additional assesments may be authorized by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of a quorum.

NUMBER 6. RULES OF PROCEDURE

The rules contained in Roberts Rules of Order shall govern the processes of the fraternity.

NUMBER 7. AMENDING THE CONSTITUTION, BY-LAWS AND STANDING RULES

Section A. Amending the Constitution

This constitution may be amended by a Three-Fourths (3/4) vote of a quorum (as defined in Number 1 of the By-Laws).

Section B. Amending the By-Laws

The By-Laws may be amended, added or revoked bay a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the active members of the fraternity.

Section C. Amending Standing rules

Standing rules may be established by a majority vote of active members present.

NUMBER 8. ORAL AND WRITTEN OATHS

All pledges must take both an oral and a written oath when they are to become members of Alpha Gamma Phi.

Section A. Oral Pledge

"I,_____, do by this oath, pledge myself to become a member of Alpha Gamma Phi fraternity. I shall make this my bond until that time of my formal initiation. By this oath I pledge myself to abide by the constitution of the fraternity to respect the pledge of secrecy, to accept the responsibilities involved, and to promote the fraternal spirit between myself and my brothers. I bind myself with these words to the spirit, obligation, and brotherhood of the fraternity of ALPHA GAMMA PHI."

Section B. Written Pledge

"I hereby agree that I will abide by all the rules and regulations of the Alpha Gamma Phi fraternity, as stated in the Constitution."

NUMBER 9. ATTENDENCE

Members in order to remain in the fraternity shall not have more than three (3) unexcused abscences, the validity of which shall be determined by the disciplinary board.