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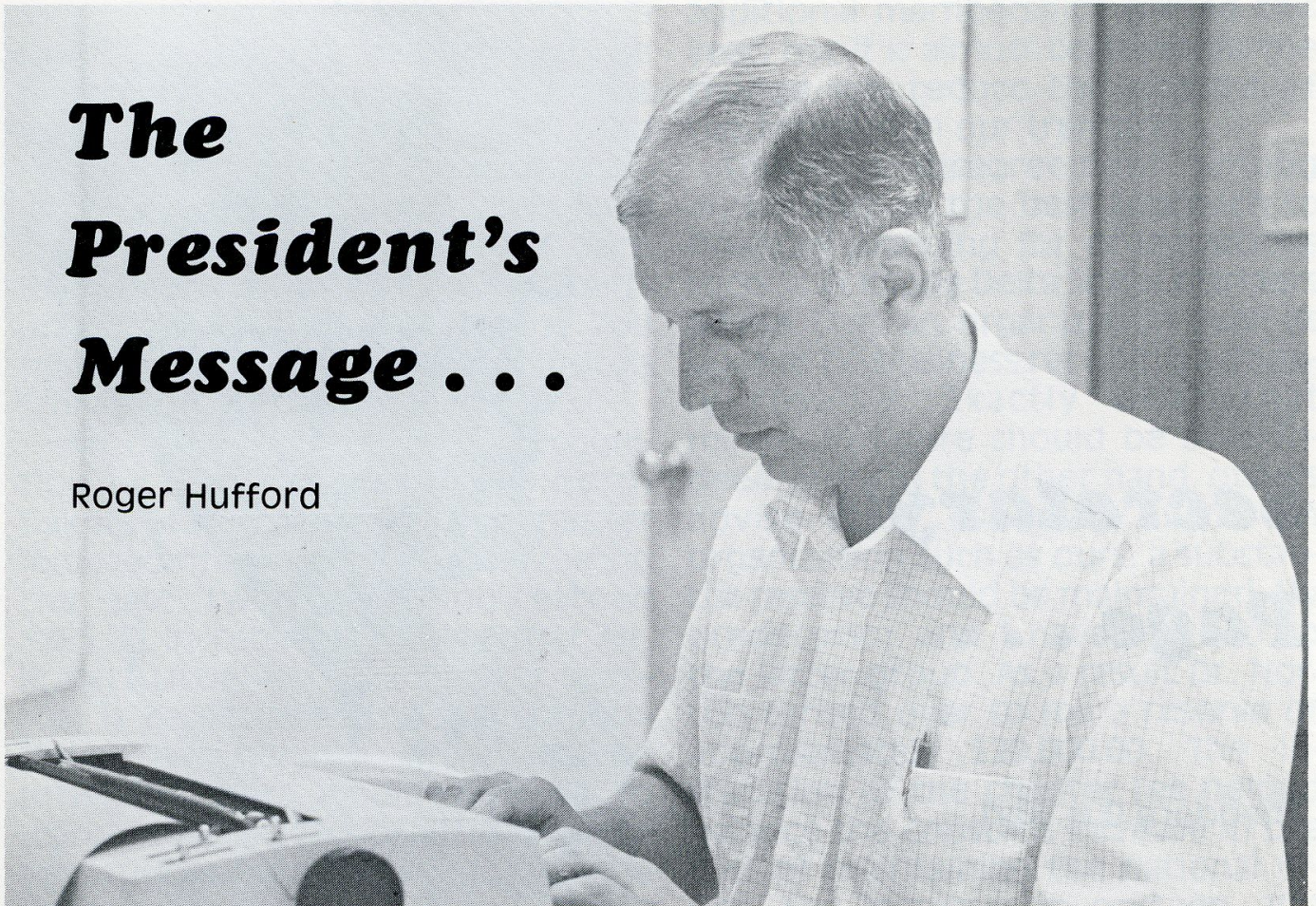
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# The President's Message . . .

Roger Hufford



## Doing the Tough Jobs

One thing Margaret Thatcher and David Stockman would certainly agree on: nobody prefers austerity. It is sometimes a necessary and unpleasant task to cut back in order to go forward. That has been Pi Kappa Delta's position for the last two years. Virtually every member of National Council has subsidized the organization from his own pocket, as even meal money was trimmed in a effort to offer our national convention at a price members would be able to pay.

Our efforts have been rewarded: convention attendance up approximately 30% over the last three Nationals, and membership up a good 50% over a year ago.

While all had to cooperate to make this possible, the greatest burden fell on Harold Widvey, editor of **Forensic**. Harold was confronted with what I believed at the time was

an impossible task: cut the costs of **Forensic** by 50% for the next two years. He met the goal. The money Harold saved made the rebate plan possible and allowed the transfer of summer meeting costs from the tournament budget to the operating budget. Sacrifice was necessary to achieve these objectives, and delays in the publication of the magazine were the most visible. I am sure Harold would have preferred a more luxurious approach. He did not complain, however, and he got the job done.

If you have a difficult job to do, and you can't get David Stockman, your organization is blessed if it can find a man like Harold Widvey to handle the task. It seems appropriate that his contribution should be acknowledged in the pages of the magazine we asked him to provide. We are all in his debt.



# **Secretary's Page . . .**

Theodore O.H. Karl



The editor has made suggestion that my page in this issue of **The Forensic**, the last of my term, be used to repeat in writing the oral report I gave at the Pi Kappa Delta Convention in Gatlinburg. That report is herewith presented with some slight editing and without the financial report which was included.

## **Secretary-Treasurer's Report to the Thirty-Second National Covention April 3, 1981, Gatlinburg, Tennessee**

As all of you will understand, this report, as it deals with certain aspects of the office, will be approximations, especially as it deals with financial matters. This is true, since the fiscal year of the fraternity extends until July 31, 1981, and it will be impossible to give you finite facts about convention finances until some time later.

Traditionally, the Secretary-Treasurer's report can be considered

almost totally dull. For that reason I hope to spice it up with facts and figures which may not be totally accurate but may hold the attention of devotees of such material. Let us hope that I have not guessed wrong.

Let me start by saying that we registered 672 students, coaches, and extra judges as of this meeting of the Thirty-Second Pi Kappa Delta Convention. An additional fifteen people registered as guests, a total of 686 people.

As of last Friday, my office had received 740 new memberships since August 1, 1980, and there are additional Form A's awaiting processing. By the end of July the number might well rise to 800 for this year alone. This is especially gratifying since it represents about 200 more memberships than we have received during the last six to eight years. Let me hasten to suggest, however, that before you give all of the credit to the rebate plan and conclude that it is the final answer—whether using



Toulmin or syllogistic logic—such a finite conclusion might well be misleading. We must also note that approximately \$1000.00 in earned rebates were not claimed at this convention by schools which could have claimed from \$30.00 to \$110.00 each in rebates. This figure represents about two hundred members. You may draw your own conclusions from this most pleasant report.

I would like to give special recognition to the chapter from North Dakota State University. This chapter initiated fifty-seven members during the last two years and earned \$285.00 in rebates. I judge that Mr. Robert Littlefield, the chapter sponsor, is responsible for this tremendous membership drive. Maybe other chapters would do well to learn his secret. This chapter brought ten students and three judges to the convention and paid a fee of \$20.00. This is the kind of success that turns the hair of the Treasurer even grayer than it is.

A few words and figures as the Treasurer sees the picture at this convention. Without the rebate the normal receipts of this convention through registration would have been \$16110.00. Rebates of \$4490.00 were credited. This resulted in a net amount of fees of \$11620.00. This seems to be a tidy sum, and it is. But our expenses for such a convention and tournament are also significant. It is possible that we may have to dip into our reserves to cover some costs.

Another decision of the National Council will also affect our financial condition. Last summer the Council decided that the expenses for the Summer Council meeting should not be included as convention expense, although that had been the practice for many years. This cost is now being charged to general operating expenses. This item is over \$3000.00 will nearly be offset by the two hundred

additional memberships gained this year, but it is almost certain that the change will reduce the amount of the reserves in our treasury.

There is disagreement among authorities on the best approach to financial planning for organizations such as Pi Kappa Delta. Some planners advise that an organization such as ours has no business retaining a goodly reserve. Exactly what that minimum figure should be does indeed vary. On the other hand, others advise that especially with an organization such as ours, a substantial reserve should be maintained. My predecessor and I have listened to the latter group. As a result Dr. Norton turned over to me a reserve of approximately \$20,000.00. The installation of the chapter fee helped balance the constant increase in the cost of maintaining the national office, the increases in postage, and the printing costs for **The Forensic** and for needed forms. An increase in the membership fees from \$10.00 to \$15.00 was also necessary to stay even with inflating costs. Thus, even with a decline of membership during my eight years, the reserves have remained about the same. It is my hope that when the books are turned over to the new Secretary-Treasurer, Tony Allison, the reserves will be nearly the same as when I took office. What new financial planning and adopted policies will be in the future will be determined by a new National Council and a new person in this office. They will only be possible with your approval. It is my hope that you have approved of the practices of recent years.

You should know that my retirement, as it is called, from this office is constitutionally induced. You have approved the nomination of the Council for two terms of four years each. There is provision for an additional two-year term, but I have

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# PROCEEDINGS OF THE THIRTY-SECOND BIENNIAL CONVENTION OF PI KAPPA DELTA

April 1-4, 1981, Gatlinburg, Tennessee

## First Business Meeting

The first business meeting of the convention was called to order by the president, Roger Hufford, at 8:06 p.m. on April 1, 1981.

The president led the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

The invocation was given by Bob Derryberry of Ouachita Baptist University.

The roll call of chapters was ordered and ninety-four chapters responded as present.

Gary Horn greeted the convention in behalf of the president of the American Forensic Association, Gerald Sanders.

Margaret Greynolds, our gracious host, welcomed the convention to the Province of the Southeast, and Gatlinburg.

An opportunity for the convention to remember those of our fraternity who have passed away, was presented by Roger Hufford, citing Marianne Hartman. Evan Ulrey reminded us of the years of service by Roy Murphy, and Larry Norton told us of the service to Pi Kappa Delta by John Randolph.

Announcements were made for the good of the convention by the chairman of various committees.

New chapters received their charters from President Roger Hufford and Tony Allison, Chairman of the Charter and Standards Committee. They include Oral Roberts University, Oklahoma PI, Tulsa, Oklahoma; School of the Ozarks, Missouri PHI, Point Lookout, Missouri, Muhlenberg College, Pennsylvania RHO, Allentown, Pennsylvania; Herbert Lehman College, New York ETA, Bronx, New York; and Bridgewater State College Alumni Chapter, Bridgewater, Massachusetts. Two schools—University of Montevallo, Alabama BETA, Montevallo, Alabama, and Sam Houston State University, Texas KAPPA, Huntsville, Texas—reactivated their chapters and received new charters.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:25 p.m.

## Second Business Meeting

The second business meeting of the convention was called to order at 7:35 p.m. on April 2, by the president, Roger Hufford.

Roll Call was ordered as balloting took place for president and vice president. The candidates were Jack Starr, Larry Richardson, and Gary Horn. These were the automatic nominees for the two offices. Tony Allison had resigned as Council Member to accept the nomination of the Council for the office of Secretary-Treasurer, a four-year term.

Also on the ballot were the names of Tony Allison for Secretary/Treasurer, four-year term, and Margaret Greynolds as Editor of the **FORENSIC**, for a two-year term. Both names were on the ballot as nominees of the Council and were approved as requested by the convention.

Tony Allison presented the report of the Site Selection Committee, and recommended Estes Park, Colorado, as the site for the 1983 convention.



It was moved, seconded, and passed, that Estes Park, Colorado, be the recommended site for the 1983 convention.

The report of the president was presented at this time. The major thrust of the report was an explanation of the membership fee amount and the rebate concept.

Walter Murrish presented the report of the Public Relations Committee. A suggested guideline report dealing with newspaper and year book articles was presented. A written report was also handed out to all chapters. The report by Walter Murrish also encouraged all delegates to see the prepared video tape on Pi Kappa Delta which was shown several times during the convention.

The Election Committee reported the results of the election. Jack Starr was elected president. Larry Richardson was named vice-president. The Convention approved the selection of Tony Allison as secretary-treasurer and Margaret Greynolds as editor of **The Forensic**.

The Nominating Committee reported the following nominations for positions on the National Council: Gary Horn, Terry Cole, Frank Lower, Harry Strine III, Penny Swisher, and Harold Widvey. Nominated from the floor were J.C. Hicks, Derrald Harris, and Roselyn Freedman. Nominating and seconding speeches were presented for all candidates.

The meeting adjourned at 9:25 p.m.

### **Third Business Meeting**

The third business meeting of the convention was called to order by President Roger Hufford at 8:32 p.m., April 3, 1981.

Balloting for the election of council members was ordered. During the balloting the Public Relations Committee slide presentation was shown.

Announcements were made by Walter Murrish, Dick Fenton, Margaret Greynolds, and Jack Starr.

The report of the Secretary-Treasurer was presented. As of the close of the convention, a total of 691 had attended the convention, either part of the time or the entire time. At convention time, 740 new memberships had been received during the year, and it is expected that additional memberships will be coming in before the end of the year, July 31. The report closed with a few comments of thanks to the convention and to individuals for the support given through the last eight years.

Action on the report of the Constitutional Revision Committee, as printed in the Winter issue of **The Forensic**, pages 11-12, brought several amendments before the Convention for adoption or rejection with these results: Amendment #1, adopted; Amendment #2, defeated; Amendment #3, adopted with amendments—on the bottom line of page 11, strike the word "nominated" and insert the word "appointed," and following the word "Council," line 2, page 12, add, "if the appointee is not a member of the Council;" Amendment #4, adopted; Amendment #5, adopted; Amendment #6, defeated unanimously; and Amendment #7, adopted. Amendments #8, #9, #10, and #11 failed to gain motions from the floor to secure consideration and were declared rejected by the Convention.

Gaylen Stanley, Student Member of the National Council, reported to the



convention the results of the meeting with the student lieutenant governors.

The Nominating Committee reported that five persons gained nominations for the final ballot for members of the National Council: Terry Cole, Gary Horn, Penny Swisher, Frank Lower, and Harold Widvey. The final balloting to choose council members was conducted immediately.

The meeting was declared adjourned at 9:47 p.m.

Following the adjournment, the committee returned to present the results of the election. Terry Cole, Gary Horn, and Penny Swisher were elected.

### **Fourth Business Meeting**

The fourth and final business meeting was called to order by President Roger Hufford at 5:01 p.m., April 4, 1981.

The report of the Charter and Standards Committee was presented by the chairman, Tony Allison. The report was divided into four parts for consideration by the convention. Three of the four parts were adopted. One was recommitted.

The report of the Resolutions Committee was presented and was adopted by the Convention.

The final roll call was ordered. Seventy-four chapters reported present.

The report of the Convention Evaluation Committee was presented by Carol Gaede, Chairperson, and was adopted with minor amendments.

A motion to require that debate judges provide written copies of their judging philosophies to the debaters was defeated.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
**Theodore O.H. Karl, Secretary-Treasurer**

## **Committee Reports**

### **REPORT OF THE RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE**

The resolutions presented by the Resolutions Committee were given unanimous approval by the Convention.

Upon the occasion of the completion of his terms as Secretary-Treasurer, be it resolved by the Convention assembled to honor Professor Theodore O.H. Karl for his devotion to students, his dedication to the world of forensics, his commitment to the ideals of Pi Kappa Delta, his perseverance in the furthering of those ideals, and his challenge to all of us to maintain those standards.

Be it resolved that we, Pi Kappa Delta in Convention assembled, express our appreciation to Roger Hufford and the members of the National Council for their unceasing efforts on our behalf.

Be it resolved that we, Pi Kappa Delta in Convention assembled, express our



grateful thanks to Margaret Greynolds, Terry Cole, Gaylen Stanley, Larry Blunt, James Holm, and those faculty and students who assisted in providing us their unique brand of southern hospitality.

Be it resolved that we, Pi Kappa Delta in convention assembled, express our admiration for a smoothly run tournament to Jack Starr, Tournament Director, and those people who coordinated the tab room, logistics, and contests.

## **REPORT OF THE CHARTER AND STANDARDS COMMITTEE**

The Committee recommends that the following chapters are to be removed from probation: Bradley University, Peoria, Illinois; Northern Illinois University, Dekalb, Illinois; Eastern New Mexico University, Portales, New Mexico; Defiance College, Defiance, Ohio; Thiel College, Greenville, Pennsylvania; Carson-Newman College, Jefferson City, Tennessee; Lamar University, Beaumont, Texas; Marshall University, Huntington, West Virginia; University of Wisconsin-Platteville, Platteville, Wisconsin; and Carthage College, Kenosha, Wisconsin. This recommendation was approved by the Convention.

The Committee recommends that the following chapters be granted their request for disaffiliation: California State University, Chico, California; Northwestern State University, Natchitoches, Louisiana; William Carey College, Hattiesburg, Mississippi; and University of Wisconsin-River Falls, River Falls, Wisconsin. This recommendation was approved by the Convention.

The Committee recommends that the following chapters are to be placed on probation for accumulating two consecutive unexcused absences from attendance at the National Convention: Arizona State University, Tempe, Arizona; University of the Pacific, Stockton, California; Fresno State University, Fresno, California; McNeese State University, Lake Charles, Louisiana; University of Maine, Orono, Main; Bethel College, St. Paul, Minnesota; Mississippi University for Women, Columbus, Mississippi; Delta State College, Cleveland, Mississippi; College of Great Falls, Great Falls, Montana; Carrol College, Helena, Montana; Montana College of Mineral Science, Butte, Montana; University of Nebraska-Omaha, Omaha, Nebraska; and East Stroudsburg State College, East Stroudsburg, Pennsylvania. This recommendation was referred back to the Committee.

The Constitution states in 504.2, "Any Undergraduate Chapter accumulating three consecutive unexcused absences from attendance at the National Convention shall forfeit its charter." After considerable attempts to communicate with the chapters on probation, the committee recommends that the following chapters forfeit their charters: Colorado State University, Ft. Collins, Colorado; University of Northern Colorado, Greeley, Colorado; Morningside College, Sioux City, Iowa; Emporia State University, Emporia, Kansas; Macalester College, St. Paul, Minnesota; Oklahoma State University, Stillwater, Oklahoma; Phillips University, Enid, Oklahoma; Panhandle State University, Goodwell, Oklahoma; Augustana College, Sioux Falls, South Dakota; Middle Tennessee State University, Murfreesboro, Tennessee; Howard Payne College, Brownwood, Texas; Baylor University, Waco, Texas; and Houston Baptist University, Houston, Texas. This recommendation was approved by the Convention.

Respectfully submitted,  
**Tony Allison**, Chairman



# REPORT OF THE CONSTITUTION REVISION COMMITTEE

This report presents the changes in the Constitution of Pi Kappa Delta approved at the National Convention in Gatlinburg, Tennessee, April 1-4, 1981. It does not include proposed amendments which were rejected. Chapters should place this material with their copies of the Constitution as printed in the March 1980 issue of **The Forensic**. The changes are listed in the order in which they occur in the Constitution. New sections are presented as they should appear in the Constitution. Sections which were modified by addition or substitution are presented in full with the changed wording in boldface type.

- 200** It shall be the purpose of this fraternity to stimulate progress in and to further the interest of intercollegiate speech activities and communication in an effort to provide functional leadership training for life, **to foster beneficial competition in intercollegiate speech and communication activities**, and at the same time encourage a spirit of fellowship, brotherly cooperation, and incentive to achievement.
- 503** Each Undergraduate Chapter shall provide itself with a constitution, shall meet regularly, shall initiate new members at least annually using the obligation and ceremony provided by the National Organization, shall report new members and changes in standing members to the National Secretary-Treasurer and shall collect **annually** membership fees and other assessments of the National Organization promptly and forward them to the National Secretary-Treasurer. All treasurers who are sending money for fees or keys must designate the person or persons for whom the money is being sent.
- 504** Deleted from the Constitution.
- 504.1** Deleted from the Constitution.
- 504.2** Deleted from the Constitution.
- 554** The Student Representatives shall be elected in the following manner: the Undergraduate Chapter which is to be host to the National Convention shall elect, not later than the first of May prior to the convention, a Student Representative on the National Council. The Second Student Representative who shall be of the opposite sex, shall be elected from one of the other Undergraduate Chapters in the host province, the election being held not later than the fifteenth of May following that of the first Student Representative. **Results of the above elections shall be reported promptly to the National President by the province governor of the host province. Should these provisions not be completed, the National President may appoint one female and one male Student Representative to the National Council.**
- 564** Delete the section as it appears in the Constitution and replace it with the new section.
- 564** The chairman of the following standing committee shall be appointed by the National President and approved by majority vote of the National Council if the appointee is not a member of the Council: Charter and Standards Committee, Committee on Public Relations,