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Before reading these chapter histories you must be prepared for them. This brief introduction cannot tell the whole story. Believe me when I say the accumulation and shaping of these stories of Kappa's 111 chapters was no laughing matter . . . a smiling matter sometimes, often interesting, but *grim*. This is the work of volunteers, both amateur and professional, and is a joy, relief, and a near-miracle to see in print.

The 1870-1930 History of Kappa Kappa Gamma, published in 1932, was not written overnight, but it did appear as if by magic, and the magician was one woman, May Cynthia Whiting Westermann, Σ—Nebraska, Kappa historian from 1925 to 1942. "Only in name," said her successor, Almira Johnson McNaboe, H—Wisconsin, "can one succeed . . . to May C. Whiting Westermann."

Between 1932 and 1975 other histories have been seriously considered. Historians have appointed committees, work has been started, pages presented, but no new Fraternity history has resulted. If I had known in the summer of 1971 what I learned later, I would never have said yes so readily to Anne Harter, BT—Syracuse, Fraternity historian at the time.

I jumped joyfully to the job suggested, that of editing chapter histories as my part in the new history project. It sounded like the sort of thing I've always loved. The chapters, mentioned in a long-ago *Key* as those small platoons which engage our loyalty and interest, were large enough to offer variety, yet small enough to be grasped. Among my pastimes for years has been the reading of old *Keys*, the listing of improbable people who were Kappas, the recording of fantastic parties (ice-water teas, wigs and patches banquets), the enjoyment of evidence of the conflict between chapter pride and the facts ("We believe in quality not quantity and are delighted with our two pledges") . . . I can handle the chapters, I thought. My optimism and self-assurance should have been lumped under a single heading: naïveté.

It seemed to me in fall of 1971, after the first letter had gone out to advisory board chairmen asking for chapter historians, that any number of qualified alumnae would be honored to think of themselves in this light. How simple it would be, I thought, for bright, college-trained Kappa women to produce honest and readable documents. All I would have to do would be to make a few corrections in spelling and send the sheaf of historically significant reports to Columbus.

Even before the few first names began coming in I had done some reading which made me slightly uncomfortable. May Westermann had written of her predecessor Florence Burton Roth, BΔ—Michigan, "The first problem with which she wrestled was that of chapter histories—and it was the last", and "It was impossible for her to do what remained. The chapter histories had triumphed."

At the 1972 convention Nan Kretschmer Boyer, BM—Colorado, took me completely by surprise by offering to send me a box of chapter histories which had been turned over to her about ten years earlier. I had no idea what she was talking about. Before fall I knew, and the shock of the realization is still with me. All this had been lived through before—the letter writing, the slow, poor response, the heroic *try*. A history had been attempted in 1962, when La Rue Moss Schreib, IE—Pittsburgh, was historian, and the attempt had failed. A January, 1965, letter from Marian Handy Anderson, IK—William & Mary, who succeeded La Rue, mentioned that "Nan Boyer will work on chapter histories particularly . . . it really is a colossal job to get all these histories in shape—we do not want them to be stereotyped, but we do have to have a certain amount of conformity . . ." The wish was to have a history ready for the Centennial in 1970 but "both Nan and I feel it will be very difficult to get the chapter histories written and then have to add on to them, but if we set a deadline for the end of 1965 we could complete the project with time to do a good editing job . . ."

I felt as if I had become involved in a (more than) twice-told tale and I began to wonder why I had agreed to the involvement. Yet I knew why. I was still interested. I was still optimistic.

Margaret Easton Seney, PΔ—Ohio Wesleyan, once director of Kappa's Rehabilitation Services, was appointed Fraternity historian in 1973. "Peg" was under the aegis of Kappa Vice President Marjorie Matson Converse, ΓΔ—Purdue, and before long an editor-in-chief for the history had been appointed, Catherine Schroeder Graf, BN—Ohio State, chairman of fraternity publications.

Ed. note: A 25 page history was published in the Centennial issue of *The Key*, fall 1970, written by (Mildred) Ann Meuser Ritter, Θ—Missouri, editor.)



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Early in the game I had sent a long letter to chapter historians with suggestions and a list of resource material. This had frightened a few appointees away and illness, including Major Surgery (which slows things down) and Civic Commitment (which turns the committed into other channels) kept my card file in a state of constant change. I understand the emotion that prompts a resignation and I cry *hurrah* to those who fill the breach.

When months had passed and no historian had been appointed for a number of chapters, letters were written to alumnae presidents, province directors, writers whose names had appeared in *The Key*, and chapter presidents (which is why some of our historians are undergraduates). My activity for three years was letter writing—hundreds of letters. Before a chapter history can be written, rapport must be established, and nothing can be done until certain questions are answered, such as "How long should it be?" and "When is the deadline?" The fun of communicating, of keeping files, and of presenting an annual report was mine. The satisfaction of seeing finished histories was not mine—not yet.

When the chapter histories, which I had begun to call "chists", first came in there had not yet been a decision about the form the new history was to take, whether it would be a big book, or a number of paper backs, or part of *The Key*. Only when we knew that the chapter histories would be contained in one issue of *The Key* did we know that space was indeed limited. Writers who had not yet produced could now be told "Try to do it in 1000 words—1500 if you're an older chapter. Even then, one history from a well-qualified Kappa with a literary turn came to us in 37 pages of pasted-up paragraphs. It is easier to write long than short as well I know.

In the time it has taken these chapter histories to be written, rewritten, edited, researched, re-researched, re-edited by the original writer or writers, by me, by members of the CCC (the courageous Columbus Committee), a whole generation of college women have received degrees. I could have earned a Ph.D. in that time, I thought, and then, on second thought, we have all earned degrees. We are Masters of Minutiae, we are Doctors of Details.

For a year I stuck to my desk, surrounded by bound volumes of *The Key*, *Kappa Proceedings*, chapter files, and other volumes of reference, in a room which knows no season and in which the doorbell cannot be heard. I lived the lives of 111 chapters, open and closed. As I "finished" a chapter I checked off its name in red on a chronological list and watched the little red marks accumulating. My procedure was to rewrite with the original beside me, keeping the writing style and purpose of the research historian always in mind. Certain pearls had to be saved for my own files but not necessarily for the final draft.

Some histories as submitted were much too short and had to be lengthened with information from the 1870-1930 *History* or with material from *Key* stories. As these chists were worked over, picture possibilities presented themselves. This meant more letter-writing, and sometimes a response. Discrepancies in statement of fact were noted, and glaring mistakes rectified. The memory that a woman named "Roberta Skylark" was helpful to a young chapter carries a few charm but since the lady in question is Rheva Ott Shryock, BA—Pennsylvania, the whimsy will have to go. Large pictures were carefully protected. Usually I mailed out eight chists and related material at one time. Nothing was lost throughout this whole period—nothing from me to Kay Graf, that is. Some letters from chapter historians were never received, and in one case a chapter history for which no carbon had been made.

My involvement was only the beginning of the story and if I ever thought I could have done the job alone, the more fool I. In the beginning I remember worrying about what might happen at the hands of a committee. At the end I knew that without the committee there would have been no publication.

No one will sit down and read these chists straight through. Each member will read her own chapter history first. Favorite facts may be missing. The chapter research historians may have been troubled or reticent, influenced by loyalty or the desire to please. Some who began with the hope of doing a good job and then writing *finis* have ended by launching a whole chapter or alumnae project. Material unearthed by them will not be wasted no matter how many facts had to be snipped for space-saving reasons. When the project had just started I said to a Kappa in a high position, "What shall I do when unattractive facts present themselves?" . . . "Well, there is such a thing as truth," she said.

It was a ringing statement. It had a highly ethical tone. Kappas are not unfamiliar with the names of the Greek virtues. But I wonder. There are conjectures; there are viewpoints; there are stabs in the right direction; there is rationalization. But truth, my dear sisters, is locked in the closet along with Mrs. Potter-Brown (see Gamma Rho). Even the lost minutes of Alpha—and how much we should like to read them—must have been circumspect. To tell all is not the duty of the recording secretary. Lines must be read between. Motions are carried—or lost, twenty girls are bid—or not bid, a chapter is closed—or reinstated or admonished—or praised . . . and if the truth were known . . . !

Agnes Guthrie Favrot, BO—Tulane, was the first to submit her history, thereby giving me ungrounded hope. It arrived in February 1972, and Aggie's reason: "I wanted to be able to enjoy Mardi Gras!" Betty Waugh Carroll, A—Akron, was the first to get the idea of the sort of thing I'd hoped for—besides she did some creative digging and found treasures for Lambda chapter. Emily White Wilmarth, ΓA—Middlebury, wrote her closed chapter's history from across the country in Fort Collins, Colorado, when a number of other chapter historians were telling me how hard it was to get to the house "to look things up." Nan Boyer graciously took over for Beta Mu after a resignation (she represents a number in this category). Helen Snyder Andres, BII—Washington, wrote the history of a closed chapter (Delta Chi), not her own, and presented a short, to-the-point piece of work that left next to nothing for an editor to do.

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Charter Oath in handwriting of Tade Hartsuff.



Mary Louise Bennett (Boyd)



Anna Willits' badge (exact size) only original badge known to exist is on display at Fraternity Headquarters.



Mary Moore Stewart (Nelson, Field)



Old Main, Monmouth College—burned November 14, 1907. In the A.B.L. Hall KKT was organized and in various class rooms early members were admitted with simple ceremonies.



Hannah Jeannette Boyd



Anna Elizabeth Willits (Pattee)



Susan Burley Walker (Vincent)



Martha Louisa Stevenson (Miller)

This was written by Tade Hartsuff who was elected the first Grand President in 1881. In the (October 12, 1872), the oath was sent in cipher and this custom may have been followed

Charter Members:

Mary Louise Bennett, Hannah Jeannette Boyd, Mary (Minnie) Moore Stewart, Anna Elizabeth Willits, Susan Burley Walker, Martha Louisa Stevenson. The last two listed were initiated by the first four, but walked into chapel with them on October 13, 1870. Since that is considered the Fraternity's founding date, Susan Walker and Louisa Stevenson are also considered founders of KKT.

Alpha Deuteron Charter Members:

Sarah Louise Brownell, Helen Eugenia Christy, Dorothy May Field, Margaret Rhoda Lee, Mary Lucille Mack, Mary Elizabeth McClanahan, Frances Mills, Maxine Ditteau Moore, Dorothy May Murphy, Frances Carolyn Nelson, Margaret Jane Paull, Janet Randles, Martha Randles, Margaret Maxine Rathbun, Ruth Carolyn Swanson, Margaret Andrews Tubbs, Ruth Claire Wagner, Mary Jane Wilson, Emma Gibson Work, Jane Louise Zimmer.

"Anna Willits, Minnie Stewart,

Jennie Boyd and Louise Bennett!

Founders ye of Kappa Gamma . . .

Would that you had left more record

Of your life in Alpha Chapter . . ."

(from the report of Florence Burton Roth, BΔ—Michigan, historian, at the 1916 Convention, Ithaca, New York).

"Forty years is a long time to remember what did not seem too very important at the time . . ." (M. Louisa Stevenson Miller, A—Monmouth).

"We were just a happy, harmonious group of lively girls with a keen sense of loyalty to Kappa and to each other, with strict regard to the quality of membership and sacredness of our badge . . . there seemed little to record . . . as so many of us lived in Monmouth we clung together and held our meetings for some years after fraternities were banished . . . the chapter finally became only a memory." (Alice Pillsbury Shelley, Reesor A—Monmouth. *The Key*, October, 1929).

In September, 1856, Monmouth, a three year old academy, opened as a coeducational college, with the blessing of the Associate Reformed, later the United Presbyterian Church. Chapters of men's fraternities Beta Theta Pi and Delta Tau Delta appeared in 1865, and Phi Gamma Delta in 1866. The I.C. Sorosis, founded for women in 1867, had not yet become Pi Beta Phi when Kappa Kappa Gamma was created. M. Louise Bennett (Boyd) and her future sister-in-law, H. Jeannette Boyd, thought of organizing; considered first limiting membership to girls taking the classical course; but realized how much their choice of members would be narrowed; and "gave up that exclusive idea."

In January, 1870, Kappa Alpha Theta had been founded in Greencastle, Indiana, at Asbury (later DePauw) University. Baird's *American College Fraternities*, 1883, has it that "a proposition to establish a chapter of another fraternity suggested the idea of creating this new one" but Louise Bennett insisted, "We had not heard of any other Greek letter fraternity for girls at that time and always considered ourselves the first . . . If any girl came from Greencastle . . . to invite our girls to join Kappa Alpha Theta . . . I never heard of it."

This ignorance is reasonable. Between the time "two college girls . . . held a schoolgirls' conversation out of which grew the Kappa Kappa Gamma Fraternity" on that little wooden bridge made famous by a Monmouth College president, and the day when the six girls walked into chapel wearing their new keys, and announced themselves to a college population which already knew all about them, a matter of months must have passed. If they had known of any competition they would have

been eager to be on with the game—but no, they waited until their badges had been made up by the jeweler. *Then* they were ready.

The Monmouth College Courier waited too, and in October, 1870, wrote, "The long expected ship hove into sight some days ago . . . When the crew came ashore . . . the dignified mien and grace . . . evinced the residence of authority . . . they wear a little gold key, sometimes on their foreheads, sometimes on their little blue or red jackets . . . we have been able to count only six of them . . . they are on a voyage of discovery." The fact that both Thetas and Kappas announced themselves by marching proudly into chapel means only that chapel was the one sure place to catch the collective eye of the student body. It is recorded that "the Greek letter boys cheered and stamped . . . (it was) quite a while before Dr. Wallace (the college president) got them quieted down."

"We were so excited and proud," said Jennie Boyd of the day when the girls appeared wearing their keys. "Everything seemed different! Even the people, the buildings, the classrooms seemed changed. We had started something all by ourselves!"

"Alpha struck the keynote and planned the theme . . . chose the badge and the name . . . it seems quite certain that no attempt was made toward anything ritualistic." (Historian's report, 1933).

About 1873 the General Assembly of the United Presbyterian Church decided that no college under its jurisdiction should have Greek letter fraternities.

"Do you think this is going to finish us?" wrote a fiery Alice Pillsbury. "Do you think we are going to subside? Not by any means! It only puts us to the trouble of putting in our members before they enter college." Alice Pillsbury was initiated September, 1871; served as secretary 1874-75; was graduated 1873. She signed the charters of Delta, Epsilon, Eta, Iota, and Theta. She had to copy over the constitution for the new chapters, and she exchanged letters with their corresponding secretaries . . . ("our correspondence became . . . quite personal with exchange of photographs") . . . Her letters were full of facts and liveliness and in some cases those letters are all that remain to give life to a lost chapter. Her ". . . subside? Not by any means!" kept Alpha alive, albeit in rascally fashion, for a few extra years.

Until 1879 or 1880, when fraternities at Monmouth were ordered to disband entirely, pins were concealed, to be "flushed" for trusted friends.

In 1882, Minnie Stewart Nelson, Field, then Mrs. Nelson, was Alpha delegate to convention and gave a talk. "It was the desire of the Fraternity and the intention of Mrs. Nelson to have

prepared a complete history . . . but owing to the death of a sister Kappa who had in her possession the earlier chronicles she was unable to procure the necessary information." (*The Golden Key*, Volume I, Number 2).

In 1884 a letter from the chapter asked release, the request was granted, there seemed to be no charter to surrender, and Alpha died. A February 15, 1885, letter from Mrs. Nelson repeated the story of the secretary who took the record book to Kansas and died there. This must have been Mittie Merridith Love who died in Kansas in the spring of 1882 . . . and with her the Alpha minutes.

Kappa Historian May Whiting Westermann, Σ—Nebraska, searching for signs of Alpha members as real people made a pilgrimage to Monmouth, (*The Key*, April, 1931), and, while reading names in the cemetery was greeted by a student who said, "My grandmother, Margaret Pogue, was a member of Alpha Chapter of Kappa Kappa Gamma here." Margaret Pogue Ford died November 29, 1915, in Monmouth. Her daughter, Mary Jane, was married to Arthur G. Smith in 1907. Their daughter, Margaret Smith, who spoke to Mrs. Westermann that day became a member of Alpha Deuteron, and her daughter, Mary Hutchinson, (later Mrs. Frederick A. Tucker), is a member of Upsilon Chapter.

"How rich we are in daughters!" (Jeanette Boyd).

Excerpts from *The Golden Key*, Volume III, Number 3, March, 1886:

"The earliest records show that the chief business of our Alpha was to send its characteristic idea into every suitable place, and to make use of every advantageous method that it could originate or find. When faculty opposition to fraternities in general crushed that chapter, Epsilon had grown up in the practice of the same faith. Under it and under Delta the work went on." (Page 8)

"Do you believe that KKG occupies all places that are suitable to her? Get a list of the colleges in the United States . . . study them point by point and see if there is not some Kappa material left which is likely to come our way and should be provided for as a probable contingency." (Page 10)

"We are in the vanguard of a live idea — the new woman movement . . .

"These Monmouth girls, our founders, saw which way the second great procession of the age was tending, and they fell into an efficient place in line . . . When that procession—which is, indeed, rather a part of, than a successor to, the great labor question—shall have reached its destination and broken up, then we can quit hearing, telling, and planning new things and give ourselves up to plant hedges, dig grottoes, and exchange lotus-eating reminiscences of the time when we were alive; in short, to be highly conservative.

"When we try to think what would be suitable for (the conservative fraternities) to do, the only thing that ever occurs to us is: Buy an elegant monument and go and be a *hic jacet* . . ." (Page 11)

Minetta Taylor, I-DePauw,
Editor

Alpha Deuteron Chapter

Alpha Chapter returned as Alpha Deuteron 64 years after Kappa Kappa Gamma was founded at Monmouth College, and 50 years after Alpha officially ceased to exist. It was around 1880 that college authorities had prohibited Greek letter fraternities, and the Convention of 1884 had granted the sub rosa

chapter's request for release from Fraternity obligations. It was in 1922 that the Monmouth College Senate voted to permit national fraternities to return.

The movement to reestablish Alpha began in 1924 when Dorothy Buck Ettl, BM—Colorado, attended a Kappa national convention in California. She was also a member of Kappa Alpha Sigma, Monmouth local. At the 1928 Convention the group was represented by Orma Innis Smith, BA—Illinois, and four years later Myra Tubbs Ricketts, Y—Northwestern, when favorable action on reinstatement was taken. That fall, however, Council vetoed the application.

Recognition had been given to the founders by the establishment of a Monmouth Memorial during the 1930 Convention. The interest from this \$2500 endowment fund was to be used to purchase books of quality in the field of the fine arts for the college library. Announcement of the memorial was made during Monmouth's 75th anniversary year. The bookplate for the books was designed by Mary Albright (Giles), BN—Ohio State. The bookplates were presented to the college by members of Grand Council in the fall of 1932, during which visit they also inspected Kappa Alpha Sigma.

In 1934 the local sorority was permitted to petition, an act approved by the chapters. Throughout the years, in their efforts to win back Alpha Chapter, the local group had the support of Mrs. Ricketts. Before she and her niece, Margaret Tubbs Youngren, a member of Kappa Alpha Sigma, left for convention in 1934, they had gathered letters from many prominent Kappas, including Lou Henry Hoover, BH—Stanford, wife of the past President of the United States; Josephine Edmonds Young, BB—St. Lawrence. Others such as Albert N. Marquis, publisher of *Who's Who in America*; and Francis Shepardson, a leader in Beta Theta Pi, had also sent endorsements. Several members of Kappa Alpha Sigma had close ties with the founders.

Alpha Chapter was re-established October 13, 1934. The occasion was planned by the alumnae of Kappa Alpha Sigma; the Fraternity Council; and the installing chapter, Epsilon. Joyce Snider (Heaton), Y—Northwestern, was co-organizer for the new chapter.

Owl candlesticks, designed and made at Monmouth Pottery for many years, were a feature of the installation. The molds were later destroyed in a fire at the pottery.

All of the actives and 50 alumnae of Kappa Alpha Sigma were initiated as Kappas. A special pledging was held on October 12 for freshman Frances Pattee (Putnam), granddaughter of founder Anna Willets Pattee, and she was initiated the following day with her grandmother's gold key. In 1970 Mrs. Putnam presented this key to the Fraternity.



(L) Alpha's birthday cake 1934



(R) At the grave of Anna Willets Pattee at time of A³ installation. In the group are Pierce, Bower, Burt, and Wheeler.



Margaret Smith Hutchinson A^Δ, Mary Hutchinson Tucker, Y, granddaughter and great granddaughter of Margaret Jane Pogue Ford, A, 1874; all wearing the same shawl ... "How rich we are in daughters."

Among the many who sent messages or attended the re-instatement were Mabel and Georgie Pillsbury, early Alphas. Their badges, and that of their sister, Alice Pillsbury Shelly, Reesor, were later left to the chapter. The president of the Monmouth Alumnae Association wears Georgie's badge, and the other two are framed with the founders' pictures which hang in the chapter room.

Charlotte Barrell Ware wrote from Boston, "I am sending to you today the precious candlesticks . . . which I wish you to use at the installation . . . tomorrow I shall send along the candles to be used from my wedding candles. I want Alpha to have all that we can express of gratitude in her return to head our Fraternity roll."

Louise Bennett Boyd, the one living founder, wrote from Florida, ". . . A few of us who are left . . . are hoping . . . you will remember the humble little acorn from which the spreading oak has grown . . . We shall be happy in again finding ourselves at home side by side with our ancient good comrade I.C. . . . (now known as) Pi Beta Phi."

Alice Pillsbury Shelley, Reesor wrote, ". . . No question of finances or fear of fatigue could prevent me from coming, but a recent recurrence of an old nervous trouble would make it unsafe . . . it is with added regret that as my birthday is October 14 it would be a grand way to celebrate."

Louisa Stevenson Miller, now also listed as a founder, was present for all the installation ceremonies.

In 1935 the portrait of Tade Hartsuff Kuhns, M-Butler, painted in 1916 by Alpha's Elizabeth Gowdy Baker, was sent to the Monmouth College Art Gallery. Tade Kuhns had presented this aquarelle to the Fraternity on its 50th Anniversary. With the consent of Monmouth College and Alpha Deuteron, it is now in the Kappa Headquarters in Columbus.

In 1959, when Epsilon Province Convention was held in Monmouth, a silver baby cup was presented to the chapter by Jane Zimmer Swanson, A^Δ—Monmouth. It had been given by Alpha Chapter to Minnie Stewart Nelson, Fields when her son was born, engraved with the Kappa insignia and the baby's name. It is in the chapter room in Marshall Hall.

The Kappa room in Marshall Hall, where all sororities are located at Monmouth, is done in the 1870 period style, Victorian red draperies, crystal chandeliers, and a Victorian sofa upholstered in blue damask. Many of the accessories were given by friends and members of the Alpha Chapter. Josephine Watt Graham, A^Δ—Monmouth, was the decorator. The outstanding feature of the room is the gold framed picture of the founders, tinted on ivory, with their names and the original Pillsbury keys. These pictures were reproduced in color on the cover of the 1970 Centennial issue of *The Key*.

During the years preceding Kappa's Centennial celebration, Alpha Deuteron had pledged a sum of money to the Fraternity in honor of and in memory of Myra Tubbs Ricketts.

In April, 1970, President Louise Little Barbeck presented, in the name of Kappa Kappa Gamma, an oil painting, "A Winding Road and Cypress Tree, San Vigilio," by John Singer Sargent, to Monmouth College, as part of the Fraternity Centennial Celebration.

Mabel Martin McCoy was honored by her chapter in 1971, when its Senior Class dedicated an award to her, in recognition of her service and devotion. The McCoy Cup is presented annually to an outstanding senior in Alpha Deuteron.

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Founded 1871
Closed 1874
Initiates 2

Beta

St. Mary's School
Knoxville, Illinois

Charter Members:

Mary Winter, Alice Winter.

The charter members were the entire chapter, and the charter was revoked in 1874. In a letter written January 5, 1899, Louise Bennett Boyd, A—Monmouth, wrote, ". . . it occurred to us that we ought to be letting our light shine so the 'A' chapter deputized Minnie Stewart and Lou Bennett to go up to Knoxville, Illinois, and organize a chapter there among the students of St. Mary's Seminary. We met at the home of Miss Mary Winter, who was the first member named in the 'B' chapter. A severe storm and snow blockade interfered with the proceedings quite seriously . . . I never returned after that visit, but Minnie visited . . . frequently. . . ."

There was confusion at the time of the publication of the 1898 *Catalogue*. Knox College was listed as the site of Beta

Chapter. Additions and corrections noted: "As far as can be ascertained, no chapter ever existed at Knox College."

Judge Foster of San Francisco read a letter written to his wife, Mary Winter Foster, about her life as a Kappa, and he said she had died and that her sister Alice was living and teaching in Hawaii. Alice wrote, (1899), verifying their membership, and the name of St. Mary's School.

When the letters of Alice Pillsbury (Shelly, Reesor) A—Monmouth, came to light, one of June 21, 1875, read in part: "The Knoxville school has gone down and the chapter with it, I fear for good and all."

From 1881 until the 1890 Convention Beta Beta Chapter, St. Lawrence University, was known as Beta Chapter, certainly not to be confused with the first "B".



Founded 1873
Closed 1875
Initiates 2

Gamma

Smithson College
Logansport, Indiana

Charter Members:

Kate Beckwith, Ella C. Rittenhouse.

The 1898 catalogue mentions 1872 as the founding year for Gamma, but the chapter records say 1873. This discrepancy is explained by Marion "Minnie" Kendall, A—Monmouth, daughter of the president and the principal of Smithson College. She said that although she left her Alpha friends and went to Logansport in January, 1872, she did not get Gamma underway until the winter of 1873-74. (Her sisters, Flora and Gertrude, were initiated by Delta 1875; and a half-sister, Abbie Kendall, became an honorary Beta Beta in 1882). The fact that Gamma was named "Gamma" implies that it was planned for and became a short-lived chapter before Delta.

Smithson was a Universalist college on the Wabash River about 67 miles northwest of Indianapolis and 117 miles southwest of Chicago. It had perhaps a dozen graduates in all.

Minnie Kendall could remember the names of only two of the four or five members of Gamma: Kate Beckwith (Lee) and Ella Rittenhouse (Kilgour). Mrs. Kilgour agreed many years later that the approximate founding date was 1873, adding, "... the

chapter never grew very much." She was, she said, "... very proud to say I am a Kappa as it had become an influential college society ... Mary A. Livermore introduced herself to me years ago, going down the Hudson River, when she saw my little key."

Alice Pillsbury (Shelley, Reesor), A—Monmouth, whose letters have such documentary importance, wrote to Ida Woodburn (McMillan), Δ—Indiana, on July 13, 1875, "We did get somewhat out of patience with the Logansport girls for not taking in more members, but on hearing their reasons, we don't blame them. If they took the girls they wanted and left out the ones they did not want, it would be sure to raise a 'fuss.' Think it will be better next year." It was not; opposition to secret societies became strong and no new members were added after the spring of 1874.

The name Gamma was also given to the present Beta Gamma, University of Wooster, Wooster, Ohio, at a time when new chapters were given the names of dead chapters. Later, that policy was changed.



Founded October 12, 1872
Initiates 1938

Delta

Indiana University
Bloomington, Indiana
Established 1820

Charter Members:

Lena Margaret Adams, Anna Mary Buskirk, Lillie Buskirk, Anna McCord, Ida Woodburn, Agnes Wylie, Louise Wylie.

Delta, the oldest continuous chapter in the Fraternity, celebrated its centennial in October, 1972, marking 100 years of leadership standing at Indiana University.

Early in the autumn of 1872, two young girls at Indiana University formed a small group and applied to Alpha Chapter for a charter to Kappa Kappa Gamma. Lena Adams (Beck) and Anna Buskirk (Hill) invited four other girls to join them: Lillie Buskirk (Faulds); Ida Woodburn (McMillan); Agnes Wylie (Stuart); and Louise Wylie (Montgomery, Curry, Boisen); all of Bloomington. This group constituted the founders of Delta Chapter. The name of Anna McCord (Hays) also appears on the charter.

No members came from Alpha to install the new chapter; all arrangements were made by letter and the initiation was conducted by the same means. Great caution was observed in this correspondence to safeguard the secrets of the order. The oath was sent in cipher, followed by the key to the cipher. Then the Greek words and the Greek motto were sent in the same manner.

The first official business meeting was on January 2, 1873 at the home of Ida Woodburn. Anna Buskirk was elected president. On February 5, badges were worn in public for the first time. Women had been admitted to Indiana University just five years before and was the first state university to take this step.

In October, 1876, a general Fraternity meeting was convened in Greencastle, Indiana, under the auspices of Iota. This convention, commonly called the second, was really the first convention of the Fraternity. Anna Buskirk presided. Constitution and bylaws were reconstructed and an initiation ceremony, offered by Delta, adopted.

In 1881, Delta entertained the fourth convention. Other conventions entertained by Delta were in Indianapolis in 1892 with Iota and Mu, and in Bloomington in 1910. The Centennial Convention of the Fraternity was held at nearby French Lick.

Although there is some disagreement among the early chapters on the selection of the two blues for the Fraternity colors, history records that it was Delta who proposed the two blues, typical of the "true blue" character and the noble womanhood



Charter members Anna Buskirk Hill, Ida Woodburn McMillan, Lena Adams Beck, Louise Wylie Curry.

of Kappa, and that they were accepted nationally. Delta's design for the official seal, drawn by Gwynn Foster, a staunch and loyal supporter of Kappa, was accepted. Delta's "Greeting Song" is still sung, and its "Knocking Song" remains a part of the initiation service.

Members of Delta Chapter helped install Iota and Mu chapters, their Indiana neighbors.

Delta's growth parallels the university's expansion. The 190 students of 1872 had grown to nearly 31,000 by 1973, and all-regional campus enrollment made that number 67,488. During her first 100 years, 1,807 women were initiated into Delta Chapter.

Fraternity officers include Anna Buskirk (Hill), Kate Hight and Lillie Adams (Telfer), presidents; Anna Moosemiller (Harris), grand registrar; and Virginia Rodefer (Harris), vice president.

Through its first half century, Delta let housing needs dictate pledge class size. From a rented house (1892), to an owned house (1910), to a larger English Gothic building, (completed in 1925), through revisions and additions, the needs of the growing chapter have been met. Many new houses have been built in a fraternity subdivision, but Delta has remained in its excellent position near the heart of the campus. In 1933, the chapter received a gavel made from wood from its first owned house; and in December, 1934, oil portraits of charter members Lena Adams Beck and Anna Buskirk Hill were gifts of the house board.

Delta Chapter members have maintained a leadership role among sororities at Indiana University, and have served in various capacities in campus Panhellenic.



Kate Hight, Second Grand President
Delta chapter 1934

High scholarship has always marked Delta. Between 1951 and 1965, the chapter placed first, second, or third among sororities on campus for 28 out of 33 semesters. Through the years, 80 have made Mortar Board and 75, Phi Beta Kappa. In 1952, seven seniors made Phi Beta Kappa. Chapter records show continuous participation in campus activities. Two members, Judy Roberts (Morris), (1952), and Lesley Bush (Hickcox), (1964 and 1968), have represented the United States on the Olympic swimming teams.

"The Kappa Pickers", organized in 1968, are an established group performing for USO tours, television, Kappa conventions, and making recordings.

Nearly every Council president has visited Delta, but a high point was when six Fraternity officers were entertained in November, 1957, and Delta's 84-year-old Red Book and an 82-year-old key were presented to Headquarters. The priceless Red Book contains Delta minutes from the first meeting on January 2, 1873, to November 22, 1889. The badge was once worn by Kate Hight who was initiated in 1875. These treasures, as well as a hand-decorated ritual book and other chapter memorabilia, were on display at the Centennial Convention, and are now at Headquarters. The antique badges, formerly used as chapter award keys, have become so valuable that they are also at Headquarters, and modern keys and plaques are used as awards.

Delta members who have won Kappa Alumnae Achievement Awards are: Dr. Doris M. Seward, formerly dean of women, University of Kentucky, currently executive assistant to the president of Pennsylvania State University; Madelyn Pugh Martin, Davis, television and screen writer; and Mary Elizabeth Hendricks, a member of the staff of Eli Lilly & Company. Nellie Showers Teter was the first woman to be a member of the Indiana University Board of Trustees, and she and Madelyn Davis have received the university's Distinguished Alumni Award. Dr. Seward has served Kappa Kappa Gamma as chairman of the Centennial Scholar selection program and chairman of the committee to select the Fraternity philanthropy of rehabilitation services.

Delta writers include Cornelia Vos Christenson, author of a biography of Alfred Kinsey; and Catherine Lanham Miller, who wrote *How To Say Yes To Life*. Margaret Hillis, conductor and head of the choral department at Northwestern University, holds an honorary degree from Indiana University.

Beryl Showers Holland served as chapter adviser and house board chairman for nearly 50 years. In the late 1950s, a new living room was named for her, and in 1964, the advisory board established an award in her name to be given annually to the senior exemplifying Kappa standards and spirit.

Delta Association of Kappa Kappa Gamma, incorporated in 1909, is the house board which has done so much to keep Delta strong. Between 1921 and 1973, 50 Delta members have served, and Sally Duncan Hill was treasurer for 21 years. Delta alumnae always and everywhere have given loyal, personal and financial support. The Bloomington area alumnae play a special role, and the Delta Club of Indianapolis, made up entirely of Deltas, is a unique organization. They both help with advisers, furnishings, books, and scholarships.

In an article about Delta in *The Key*, 1955, Dr. Herman B. Wells, then university president, wrote about the chapter's traditionally high scholarship, its participation in extra-curricular activities, and its leadership on the campus. The associate dean of students mentioned Delta's participation, cooperation, and spirit.

The 1960s and 1970s were remarkable for student pressures and changes in attitude, including a changing attitude toward the Greek system. Although membership remained fairly stable, several houses left the campus, and Greek membership dropped to about 14 percent. In the spring, 1971, issue of *Your University*, sent to all Indiana University alumni, a feature article made these comments: "Returning alumni often find fraternity life unrecognizable. Hazing is a thing of the past, homecoming floats and queens are irrelevant The change in fraternities and sororities is not surprising, nor is it evidence . . . that the Greek System is facing its demise Changing times require that systems and institutions also change Today's students are more serious . . . correspondingly the trend now is toward shorter pledgeships, dealing with personal development and university orientation rather than fraternity history." In the same article Associate Dean of Students Virginia Hudelson Rogers, BA—Illinois, was quoted as saying, "Fraternities and sororities will not survive on fellowship alone. They must also have a life style which is complementary to the academic life of the university, and which is stimulating both culturally and academically."

Actives and alumnae joined over a year in advance to plan Delta's 100th birthday, October, 1972. Centennial activities were reported in *The Key*, Winter, 1972. At the banquet, a \$3,000 scholarship in rehabilitation was presented by Marjorie

Matson Converse, ΓΔ—Purdue, vice president of the Fraternity, on behalf of the Fraternity. It was accepted by John W. Ryan, president of the university, who noted, "the integral function Kappa Kappa Gamma has played in the history of this university." Other gifts of \$2,500 to the Indiana University Art Museum and \$1,500 to the Department of Speech and Audiology represented donations made by Delta members.

On this great occasion, attended by more than 200 actives and alumnae, Dr. Doris Seward was toastmistress. She wore her first college formal, a red velvet gown. At this banquet, which ended two days of activities honoring Kappa's oldest continuous chapter, appreciation plates for outstanding service were presented to Delta advisers Joanne Reed Darby, Cecilia Hendricks Wahl, and Fluerette McMillan Benckart; and to chapter President Patricia Haddock, who later became a field secretary. Memorabilia were presented to the Fraternity.

The 1972 Convention, held in Hollywood, Florida, opened with a special tribute to Delta, a sight-and-sound show arranged by Jean Hess Wells, ΔΥ—Georgia, director of chapters. At the close of convention, the chapter which had received the Efficiency Cup (1954), the Standards Cup (1936), and the Pledge Training Award (1972), again became the proud possessor of the May Whiting Westermann Efficiency Award. Delta's 1,807 initiates would have been so proud!

E

Founded November 25, 1873
Initiates 1081

Epsilon

Illinois Wesleyan University
Bloomington, Illinois
Established 1850

Charter Members:

Millie R. Clarke, Kate Rosetta Graves, Kate B. Ross.

Epsilon Chapter at Illinois Wesleyan University holds the oldest written charter (dated 1873) continuously in existence. Although Delta chapter was established before Epsilon, the charter was not received by Delta until February, 1875.

Illinois Wesleyan University, in the center of wealthy agricultural McLean County, was established in 1850 and admitted women in 1870. In 1873 there were 925 men and 36 women students, and a faculty of nine. In 1970 there were 925 men, 884 women, and a faculty of 170. Franklin Avenue, a mile long, connects Illinois Wesleyan with Illinois State University in Normal, Illinois. This is a unique fact and has probably had great significance in the histories of the two universities.

The first woman student at Illinois Wesleyan was Kate Ross. She was one of three charter members of Epsilon chapter, and served as its first treasurer.

Epsilon came about because in the summer of 1873 Millie Clark became interested in Kappa through a cousin at Monmouth College. Alpha then pledged Millie, but instead of going to Monmouth in the fall, she went to Wesleyan, and once there she, Kate Ross, and Kate Graves (Walter) petitioned Kappa. The petition was granted November 25, a meeting was held, and Millie was elected president.

At the second meeting three new members were initiated and a committee was appointed to draw up bylaws, to arrange for framing the charter, and to buy a secretary's book. There was

some discussion about the badge—Epsilon wanted a half-size key, but the chapter soon learned that the badge must be official and ordered from an official firm.

The new keys were worn first at a "social" in the spring of 1875, a party given by Professor Crow, whose wife Lizzie Kanaga Crow became an honorary member. The new badges created quite a stir at the party and some amusing young men came wearing huge imitation doorkeys sewn to their lapels.

Chapter meetings were literary, and debates were so popular that they were included in the chapter programs until the 1920s. Early Epsilon members won state and inter-state honors.

In 1876, the chapter taxed each member one dollar and sent Belle Sterling (Scott) to the Fraternity convention. That same year Kappa Alpha Theta had been established at Wesleyan and a Panhellenic banquet was held. In 1878, after having been the hostess chapter for the Kappa general convention, Epsilon was designated Grand Chapter and found itself filled with the spirit of expansion. In 1899, the whole chapter went to install Beta Lambda at the University of Illinois. Thirty-six years later the thrill was repeated when Alpha was reinstated at Monmouth, and Epsilon, installing chapter, moved in en masse for this inspiring occasion.

Chapter minutes, kept carefully from November 25, 1873, broke off February 10, 1881, and did not reappear until December 2, a mystery which has never been explained. It was a time of reconstruction and at the December 2 meeting a copy of the new constitution was requested by mail. Until its arrival, the chapter adopted the colors of pink and heliotrope!



Chapter room

When Epsilon entertained the Fraternity convention again in 1890, there were signs of increasing chapter sophistication: a reception, a tea, a formal dance, a dinner. The formerly simple initiations, too, had changed. Julia Holder hand-printed and decorated a parchment book which is used yearly and cherished by alumnae. The holding of mock initiations was abandoned in 1912 and Courtesy Week substituted.

Chapter meeting places were a problem for many years. Early meetings were held in Henrietta Hall, an old dormitory, followed by a small room in Old Main, classrooms, members' homes. In 1889, the college granted use of a room near the Chapel entrance, on the third floor of the main building. The room was higher than it was long, crowded, not beautiful, but it was Epsilon's home for 36 years. Everyone stopped by, going to or coming from chapel.

By 1927, the ban on houses for women's fraternities had been lifted and the home of former Congressman Frank H. Funk was rented. The next year the Funks returned from Washington and the chapter was again on the move. The house board was considering building when an elegant house came up for sale. A corporation was formed, the house was bought, and many dollars were spent in redecorating. 1401 North Main Street was ready in the fall of 1935 to be chapter home for 35 years. Many loyal alumnae devoted themselves to the new house.

Due to a fire in 1943, Epsilon offered the use of its recreation room and for several months classes were held there. The girls helped replace alumni records lost in the fire, and helped the Home Economics Department move in to new quarters.

During the 1950s, it was obvious that more room was needed. A new house was decided on, a lot was purchased, and personal letters were sent to all alumnae. The university agreed to help



Installing chapter for Alpha 1934

with the financing, Kappa Headquarters came forward with great help, and the work began. Ground was broken in the fall of 1964, and impressive ceremonies were held.

In September of 1965, the chapter moved into its new home: 105 East Graham Street, a block from the campus, a house of brick, Georgian, with iron grille work in a fleur de lis motif. The chapter proudly entertained the province convention there in 1967. The library is a memorial to Esther Hart Hawks, initiated in 1892, who had made the other house possible through her work and financial help. The library is also a trophy room. A committee has contributed albums containing photos of nearly all the alumnae from 1873 to the present. The house accommodates 45 girls. The active Epsilon members of the 1970s rank high in scholarship and leadership. A singing group, "The Blues," is becoming well known in the area.

Celebration of the chapter centennial was held at the Illinois Wesleyan Memorial Student Center on October 20, 1973. Charlotte FitzHenry Robling, first woman to receive a Nieman Fellowship at Harvard, was master of ceremonies. Fraternity Vice President Marjorie Matson Converse, $\Gamma\Delta$ —Purdue, was the speaker. At the close of her talk, she presented the university with a \$1,000 scholarship in honor of Epsilon Chapter.

A history would not be complete without remembering Nettie Greenlee Benjamin, initiated in 1884, the Annual Community Award winner in 1934, instrumental in starting the Home Bureau known to farm women everywhere. She is best remembered by Epsilon Kappas for the "Benjamin Picnic," held for almost all of 32 years at her country home at Commencement time. It was the longest-lived, the oldest and dearest of Epsilon traditions.

Z

Founded 1874
Closed 1878
Initiates 4

Zeta

Rockford Seminary
Now Rockford College
Rockford, Illinois
Established 1847

Charter Members:

Alice Davis, Flora Frazer, Carrie Preston, Kittie Shelley.

Rockford, Illinois, settled in 1834, chartered as a city in 1852, the county seat of Winnebago County, is about 85 miles northwest of Chicago. Rockford Seminary, which opened in 1849, became a non-sectarian college in 1892, devoted to the higher education of women.

Zeta! Ah, Zeta! It came and it went. Its life seems to have been at most one year long and its members a possible four. A chapter that size and age can be handled easily by the mind, but the mystery of its existence is tantalizing (not *very* tantalizing, just enough). We have the four who seem to have been the only members and that is all we know except that Kittie Shelley was sister of Frances 'Fannie' Shelley Mastin, A-Monmouth. Even the place of Zeta's founding was changed in an

old notebook from Galesburg to Rockford, Illinois, perhaps an indication that a Zeta chapter at Galesburg had been considered first.

On February 28, 1875, the redoubtable Alice Pillsbury (Shelley, Reeson) of Alpha wrote to the reliable Ida Woodburn (McMillan) of Delta, "We sent the charter to the Zetas yesterday enclosed in a box containing some trifles to help them celebrate, as girls shut up in a seminary sometimes have some difficulty in obtaining the essentials . . . the girls were all here . . . and we had a gay time packing the box."

The letters of Miss Pillsbury and the name and location in the early list are the facts which have been allowed to stand

against the memory of many that such a chapter never existed. There is not even any record that it went out of existence, for although Ida Moudy Estes, I—De Pauw, claimed that Zeta was "laid down" at the 1878 Convention, that fact is not in the minutes. The important facts are that the box with the charter was sent, that the contents were noted and enjoyed. In these facts of giving and receiving, fraternity existed between the givers and the receivers, and in the giving and receiving there existed enjoyment, affection, thoughtfulness, action. That was all there was to Zeta chapter, an early failure, but in its limited, mysterious way, a complete success!

H

Founded February 2, 1875
Initiates 1685

Eta

University of Wisconsin
Madison, Wisconsin
Established 1848

Charter Members:

Agnes Allis Haskell, Carrie (Caroline A.) Hobart, Elizabeth Antoinette Meyer, Juliet Meyer, Helen Remington, Helen Dougal Street, Fannie Walbridge, Fannie West.

A University of Wisconsin student, Juliet Meyer (Brown) received a letter from a Kappa Kappa Gamma at Indiana University in the fall of 1874, inviting her to form a chapter at Wisconsin. Juliet's name had been selected from the university catalogue, and she casually chose roommates and dormitory neighbors as chapter mates.

This was the first year that women had been officially integrated at Wisconsin. There were two men's fraternities, none for women, and faculty attitudes were reputedly hostile.

Juliet and seven friends signed the constitution and oath of initiation, which had been received in cipher, and the chapter was established February 2, 1875, by the Grand Chapter.

The first pledge was Mary Hill. She was relieved when the key to the cipher arrived, and wrote "great relief was felt when the really harmless nature of the dark deed was revealed to the founders of Eta."

From the beginning, regular meetings were held in the private rooms of members, and literary exercises were always a part of the program. Informal spreads, guarded with secrecy and mystery, occasionally took place in some bedroom reached through a parlor which acted as a buffer between the festive rites and inquisitive teachers and fellow-students.

It was not until the golden keys appeared that it began to be rumored that a secret society had been organized. Indignation was great in some quarters.

The college year 1875-76 was a stirring one in college history. Meetings began and ended in a row. New literary societies were formed from schisms in old ones, and members of Eta were leading members of the literary societies.

As soon as they became known as Kappas, they could do nothing without having their motives questioned. They were accused of using their influence to secure appointments and class offices for members, of forming a clique, and of being an aristocracy. The fraternities were all hated by the non-fraternity students, who formed themselves into an anti-secret society league that actually did what it was accusing the fraternities of doing.

In spite of adverse circumstances, Eta, strong in its seniors, flourished. But when the girls of 1876 were graduated, there was little left, and dark days began for Eta. Of the incoming Senior Class only two were Kappas, and there was only one in the Junior Class. In three years, membership dwindled to four. These four were determined to pledge only girls who embodied their ideals of Kappa or die as a chapter. They found their pledges and Eta flourished.

Mary Hill was secretary to the 1878 Biennial Convention. Eta was convention hostess in 1882.

By 1883 fraternities at Wisconsin were accepted. In 1884 Dr. John Bascon, president of the university, whose daughter was a Kappa, gave Eta the use of three rooms in South Hall. These rooms were needed for other uses in the spring of 1891, but happily, a professor going on a leave of absence rented Eta his home, completely furnished. The experiment was so successful that the chapter rented another house in the fall, and with the help of alumnae, found furniture to go in it. In 1894 the girls gave up the house and rented rooms in the home of Mrs. C. N. Brown. This also proved to be too expensive, so Eta was again without a chapter house.



Eta chapter when she was hostess to 1882 Convention
Mary Hill, charter pledge and faculty member who lived in house for 30 years. (Insert photo).

In 1901 Eta moved to 425 North Park Street, the second Kappa chapter and the first women's fraternity in Madison to build its own house.

Mary Hill, now a faculty member, moved into the new house with the girls and became the center of the household. She labored over the card catalogue, answered questions about early members of Eta, tutored in French and English, wound the Kappa clock, and beamed at banquets. She attended 114 initiation services, "which always seemed new and beautiful to me", and saw more than 470 girls become Kappas.

Life on North Park Street began uniquely when members were quarantined for two weeks during a smallpox scare. At first Kappas outside the house were sorry for their imprisoned sisters, but they soon began to envy them. None of the victims will ever forget the festivities of those two weeks . . . the White House Dinner, the Military Hop, the mock wedding. It brought members closer together.

In 1903 the chapter had its first death when Rosamund Parish, a freshman, died in the Iroquois Theater fire in Chicago. A sophomore and four young alumnae died in the influenza epidemic in 1918.



59 years old!

During World War I older men students and some of the girls left to do war work; those remaining knitted and worked for the Red Cross. Eta's dear home was requisitioned by the government. One Eta Kappa "felt as if she had a boy at the front" as she helped measure the rooms and estimate how many men could be quartered there. The chapter was patriotic enough to be thankful that they had something Uncle Sam wanted, but heartsick at the coming sacrifice. Then Eta rejoiced as word came that sororities were not to be disturbed.

In 1918 and 1919 Eta Chapter contributed \$584 to the Dorothy Canfield Fisher Fund for Meudon, \$1400 to the Memorial Union Fund, \$300 to the national scholarship fund, and \$150 to university scholarships, a yearly pledge that has always been met.

Eta's Golden Jubilee was celebrated February 14, 1925, as finals fell on the actual date. It was most rewarding for actives and alumnae alike. A charter member said, "What we began so long ago in secrecy and humility has proved very well worth while."

A quotation from an active of that time expresses the feeling of Eta toward the alumnae: "It is all very well to talk of Kappa and to sing of Kappa, but it is the lives of these women who have lived Kappa for fifty years that made an ineradicable impression upon those who are to follow them. In their dignity, in their grace, in their humility, we see the real Kappa."

The University Board of Regents bought the Park Street house in 1926, and plans for a new house to be built at 601 North Henry Street were made. Eta members moved into the old Phi Gamma Delta house, across the street from where the new dream house was being constructed.

In September of 1929, the chapter and Miss Hill moved into the new home. Moving into it also was Carrie Ruden, a young woman who had been born in Norway, and came to the Kappas as housekeeper. But she became much more than that. She listened to the girl's problems, rejoiced in their successes, and kept history alive through the years as she talked of earlier Etas.

The 1930s were years of happy harmony. Kappas were in Phi Beta Kappa, Mortar Board, and Crucible; active in Women's Student Government Association and Union Committees; and listed as prom queens and in courts of honor. Always stressing academic achievement as a primary goal, the chapter maintained a commendable scholastic record.

World War II brought many changes to campus. Military personnel were again housed in dormitory and fraternity houses, and Eta chapter gave half of its social budget toward the war effort. The girls sang Kappa songs or listened to the radio while knitting articles for Kappa's Nora Waln layette program for Norwegian babies. They adopted two "CARE" families. Dateless dances arrived. Students conducted a scrap drive in lieu of homecoming and the chapter donated all its trophies. The 1942 queen was called "Blue Jean Queen of Work Day."

During the 1940s chapter scholarship slipped. Three pertinent bylaws were passed in 1949 and five years later Eta was first in scholarship on the Madison campus. In the seven years after the new bylaws, Eta had more members elected to Phi Beta Kappa, Phi Kappa Phi, and Mortar Board than in the previous twenty years. Between 1952 and 1962 the chapter was first in scholarship among the Panhellenic groups for five successive times, and other years in second or third place.

In 1964 the university's Human Rights Committee issued two certificates to be signed by all university organizations. Eta at once stated that KKG's constitution had no discriminating policies. In 1970, Eta was able to say that the Fraternity and the university had the same requirements regulating recommendations. The chapter also established the elective position of human relations officer to bring related matters to the attention of members.

An addition to the house in 1964 was at first thought too small, but suddenly seemed a blessing when the number of pledges dropped by half, increased briefly, and then declined steadily in the 1970s. The house board found certain expenses difficult to meet, and by 1971 Eta was seriously facing the prospect of radical change.

The health of beloved Carrie Rude, who had gone into a nursing home, declined and it seemed to some as if Carrie and Eta would be leaving the world together. Carrie died in October, 1972, but not Eta. That fall Eta was renewed in the form of a large and talented pledge class and the renewal seems permanent.

Two hundred alumnae, actives, and pledges gathered at the chapter house February 2, 1975, to celebrate the 100th anniversary of Eta's founding. Husbands of members were also invited to attend this family birthday dinner party, beautifully organized by the actives. A continuous showing of slides made from pictures in the archives and those sent by alumnae around

the country, and a display of newspaper clippings and other historic photographs provided enjoyment and memories for the guests.

In honor of the Centennial, Eloise Ryder Pingry, ΓΔ—Purdue, Fraternity director of philanthropies, presented a scholarship for \$1000 from the Fraternity to Eta Chapter to be used during the 1975-76 academic year.

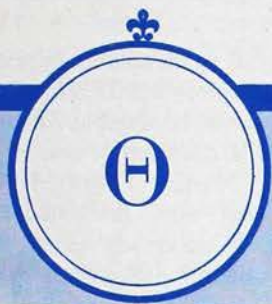
At Kappa's fourth biennial convention, held in Madison in August, 1882, Josephine Sarles (Simpson) was elected grand secretary, the first Eta member to serve on the Council. Flora Caroline Mosely was elected grand treasurer in 1888 at the ninth convention in Minneapolis. George Challoner Tracy, who served as grand secretary from 1904 to 1906 before her marriage, was re-elected to the Council as grand treasurer at the

18th convention in 1906, again hosted by Eta Chapter.

Georgia Hayden Lloyd-Jones was elected grand president of Kappa in 1926 and re-elected in 1928. Almira Johnson McNaboe served on the Grand Council from 1932 to 1940.

Eta members Nancy Olson Livingston, stage and screen star, and Gena Rowlands Cassavetes, screen and television actress, were named Achievement Award winners at the 1960 Fraternity Convention.

Eta has made significant contributions to the Fraternity, and shares with pride the honors her members have received. In the hustle and bustle of Wisconsin's ever-expanding campus, members of Eta Chapter find warmth and close friendship in the cordial, Georgian, grey-stone house on the corner of Langdon and North Henry Streets.



Founded April 2, 1875
Initiates 1761

Theta

University of Missouri
Columbia, Missouri
Established 1839

Charter Members:

Ida Dickson Aldrich, Sarah Eleanor Dimmitt, Nellie Gould, Mary Harbison, Laura Johnston, Laura Agnes Peters.

Six close friends from among 30 women students at the University of Missouri became Theta Chapter of Kappa Kappa Gamma April 2, 1875, with large flat keys and a charter from Grand Chapter Alpha as proof. The first woman student had been admitted to the university only five years before, and Greek letter organizations were as unfamiliar as the women.

Little is known about Theta Chapter's founding except that it was accomplished "through Delta by correspondence." Records probably were destroyed during five years of sub rosa existence, beginning in 1880 when the university banned secret societies. The Kappas continued to meet and initiate during these years, and there seems to have been a system of honorable dismissal with later reinstatement.

In 1876 charter member Sarah Eleanor "Ella" Dimmitt (Hoffman) was one of the first two women to be graduated with a degree, and she became the first woman to win the Stephen's Medal for oratory.

To walk among the four buildings on the campus, the early Thetas wore "walking suits," as well as hats, gloves, and veils. College life was serious, debates and literary programs enlivened the meetings.

In 1900 a daring idea struck the chapter—a house! Two years later one was rented and nine girls and a chaperone moved in. House rules ordered that bills must be paid; a budget must be kept; and social rules obeyed. The social rules, submitted for the dean's approval, stipulated: No riding in carriages after dark unless to a dance; only three parlor dates a week; and callers to leave before 10 o'clock. Lingering farewells provoked a chorus of heels beating on the upstairs floor.

Each year a larger house was moved into until 1913, when one was especially built for the chapter. Buying and furnishing the 10-room, Hitt Street house was a tremendous undertaking. The chapter was limited to 25; dues were \$1; and monthly board, \$20.

Increased enrollment resulted in the formation of the Women's Council and in 1909, Kappa called the first

Panhellenic meeting, as Kappa Alpha Theta, Alpha Phi, and Delta Gamma had joined Pi Beta Phi and Kappa on the campus.

Edith Stoner (Robinson), chapter president and financial watchdog, was in charge when the Kappa convention came to Columbia in 1904. She became grand president four years later, after serving as grand registrar and grand secretary.

Marie Bryden Macnaughtan, for many years a national officer and a Loyalty Award recipient, in 1956, describes her years in 1912-16 in college as years of gracious living in an orderly community.

The chapter was incorporated to finance a "permanent" chapter house, and in 1913, the brick and stucco house on the corner of Rollins and Richmond was ready for 25 girls.

World War I saw fraternity houses turned into barracks, days crowded with Red Cross work, bond drives, and nursing courses. A large jar of rock candy served as the only "refreshments" during rush. The city of Columbia was closed during the 1918 influenza epidemic, and when flu masks were discarded and the Armistice proclaimed, a coal shortage forced the closing of the university.

Theta diamond jubilee



The chapters of the 1920s were intimate groups on a self-contained campus. A student arrived in town on the "Wabash Cannonball" and stayed until vacation. A few cars appeared before rush week, but soon went back to the family garage. Everyone walked everywhere.

The "permanent" house became crowded, and by 1928, two annexes were in use. A decision to build was guided by Frances Bright, finance adviser, and two lots across the street were bought; a \$70,000 Georgian Colonial was built, decorated, and moved into . . . all in one year's time.

When the Depression came in, lavish entertaining went out. Some students had to leave, a few houses folded, and jobs were in demand.

The impact of December 7, 1941, was felt more by young alumnae than by the actives, but soon life changed drastically on the campus. Servicemen replaced fraternity men; party costs were donated to the Red Cross; and gas rationing eliminated Parents Weekend.

A milestone was reached in December, 1947, when Elizabeth Reid Vandiver burned the mortgage, the house paid for a full five years ahead of time. Elizabeth climaxed 25 years as finance adviser with the building of the new wing in 1968.

Four daughters of former university presidents were among the nearly 400 alumnae returning for the chapter's Diamond Jubilee in 1950. A Sunday coffee given by the actives ended the program of reunions, teas, and a formal banquet.

Then followed four straight years of chapter firsts: scholarship as well as Sorority Sing. Trophies crowded the sunparlor shelves, including the Fraternity Finance Award (1950) and the Standards Award (1954). There was rejoicing over the Fraternity Appreciation Award of 1962 and the prized Westermann Efficiency Award in 1964.

The house acquired a new Georgian front, a circular drive, and a patio in the 1950s. Panty raids hit the campus. It was an era of silliness, followed by community awareness and concern.

Worthwhile projects, such as painting the Cerebral Palsy Nursery in partnership with Sigma Alpha Epsilon, have continued ever since.

The Kappa Homecoming Queen was also a national chairman for the Young Democrats, an example of the political interest that marked the 1960s. Freak Week competed with Greek Week as anti-fraternity sentiment waxed then waned. Theta Chapter successfully adapted to the stresses common to the nation's colleges in the latter part of the decade.

Columbia Kappas explored ways to make the house more comfortable for the 52 girls squeezed into space planned for 36. The house next door was purchased, and in 1968, twelve new bedrooms, four baths, chaperone's quarters, kitchen, and dining room for 108 appeared; a proper setting for the Gracious Living Award in 1970.

Theta Chapter's long-awaited Centennial celebration and reunion took place the first weekend in April, 1975. There were campus and house tours and a formal banquet at which 50-year pins and chapter awards were distributed. Council greetings were expressed by Theta's Marian Klingbeil Williams, Fraternity director of personnel. She presented a \$1,000 rehabilitation scholarship to the university in the name of Kappa Kappa Gamma. The chapter announced that it had collected \$200 for the Rusk Rehabilitation Center in Columbia and that it was donating money for an overhead projector at Fraternity Headquarters in honor of its Centennial. The program included a light-hearted history, and misty-eyed seniors were recognized as Kappa alumnae for the first time. A Sunday brunch at the chapter house brought the festivities to a close.

The winds of a century of change have blown in Theta Chapter's bustles and blue jeans past. The University of Missouri's oldest fraternity for women can reflect upon an impressive history and look to the future with confidence.

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Founded November 13, 1875
Initiates 1775

Iota

DePauw University
Formerly Indiana Asbury University
Greencastle, Indiana
Established 1837

Charter Members:

Ida Anderson, Ada Oliver, Amy Cook Puett, Margaret Purviance, Finetta Victorene Wiggs, Lillian Albertine Wiggs.

On the morning of November 13, 1875, six Indiana Asbury coeds appeared at Sophomore Performance, an annual campus event, wearing Kappa keys received the day before in Bloomington, Indiana, pinned on by Delta Chapter members. Indiana Asbury University became DePauw University in 1884.

Women had been admitted to the Greencastle, Indiana, school in 1867. Kappa Alpha Theta was founded there in 1870, and now Kappa had arrived, and was called Iota even though it was installed a month before Theta chapter in Missouri.

Kappa Kappa Gamma was truly a secret organization during the first few years. Even the time and place of meetings were kept profound secrets from all but the members. Meeting information was passed along by word of mouth. Consequently, the minutes of those meetings often read, "Miss _____ failed to arrive because of a misunderstanding as to the place." So careful were they that the minutes of one meeting reported, "We did

not sing, because we were afraid we might be heard." Nothing of consequence ever appeared in the secretaries' notebooks; all that was said was, "Some important business transacted," or "Irregular business taken up." Names of officers were not recorded until 1888.

Chosen girls, from the academy (a preparatory school run by Indiana Asbury) or the college, were initiated immediately. Academy girls could not attend meetings, however, until enrolled in the college.

During these early years, Iota entertained the first convention in 1876. The convention meetings were all held in members' homes in Greencastle, as were the chapter meetings. Iota also gave *The Golden Key* its first editor, Minetta Taylor.

Men's fraternities rented rooms over stores in town and the Kappas tried this briefly. For 30 years after 1893 the chapter rented a series of 12 old Greencastle homes, the last a sprawl-



(L) Walker scholarship trophy

(R) Minnie Royse Walker, initiated 1887. Fraternity officer who presented her diamond/sapphire fleur-de-lis pin to the Fraternity to be worn by the President "on suitable occasions."

ing, undergrowth-surrounded old house with one bath and an annex a block away. The administration vetoed this site for a permanent home because it was so close to Sigma Chi.

Spring, 1924, saw initiation in the new chapter house, first to be built by any DePauw women's group. The ritual written by Sidelia Starr Donner for the dedication ceremony for the new house was adopted for national use. The house was an ample, three-story brick with covered porch stretching across the front, typical of the mid-twenties. It has since been enlarged to accommodate 65, and has survived many major and minor changes. Iota House Association, organized in 1920, has been responsible for management, maintenance and remodeling.

The DePauw administration has generally looked favorably on Greek letter societies, encouraging colonization to provide for a majority of students. There are 23 national fraternity and sorority groups, most of them sound financially. Only six of the 29 residence houses are university owned, and all freshmen women must live in dormitories. DePauw has a reputation for being fairly conservative and was troubled by only a few instances of turmoil during the period of demonstrations and riots in the late 1960s and early '70s.

Enrollment in the early 1970s was about 2,200, fairly evenly divided between men and women.

Because it is a Methodist school, entertainment at DePauw was a challenge in an era when the church forbade dancing. A "formal" meant a lavish dinner, often with professional musicians. Kappa Minstrels were originated, in which Kappa talent was organized in a sort of vaudeville routine. Guests from town and faculty came for afternoon dress rehearsals, but the main performance would be presented for dates, following dinner. The minstrel became a big event of each year, with invitations much in demand. Dancing, finally permitted in 1927, changed this pattern and further changes came with the 1951 opening of the student union.

Over the years many traditions have come and gone as interests changed: the skit given before Christmas by pledges (a few of their songs have survived); the Dad's Day football game with the Delta Gammas, played during the 1940s and 1950s; publication of the *Keyhole*; the inscription of initiates' names on the brick wall in the "Bum Room;" Kappa Pickers; and the more recent Benjamin Franklin Day event, in which Theta kite joins Kappa key (usually with dates).

There is continuing emphasis on scholarship, campus participation, good relationship with students and faculty, and philanthropic work within the community. Iota women have held important offices in campus organizations, have been elected to Phi Beta Kappa and Mortar Board, have seen a number of queens crowned.

Two outstanding women helped to mold the maturing chapter. Sidelia Starr (Donner) was graduated from DePauw in 1891

and was instructor at the academy and DePauw University before her 1897 marriage. Financially guided by her husband, and aided by loyal alumnae, she organized the Iota Chapter House Board, found a location and secured funds for building a permanent chapter house. She became the mentor and guardian angel of the chapter.

"Sidelia is out of her mind to put \$90,000 into a women's house," was the local comment; "they'll never get it paid for." Under her guidance they did. In 1941 she retired as House Board president against unanimous protest. As important as her house building role was her counseling availability, and she never insisted that her advice be followed, except in the area of finance. After her death in 1950, it was written in the *Keyhole*, "To every freshman she was the prototype of the ideal Kappa, to the senior the goal to be emulated, to the alumnae the unchanging heart of KKG."

Presiding over Iota's kitchen for 36 years was 4'11" "chef extraordinaire" Roxanna Miles, "Roxie" to generations of well-fed girls. For many years she reigned alone, prepared all food, humored waiters, cherished her girls, listened to their problems. Returning alumnae were recognized and embraced. Retirement was forced after an auto accident in 1965. At a banquet honoring her that October she said, "The Kappa girls are my children." Iota Kappas all over the world remember her with deep affection.

Iota has had many alumnae who have remained active in Kappa. Two Iota Kappas have served as president of the Fraternity Council: Jean Nelson Penfield and Frances Fatout Alexander.

Dr. Jean Nelson Penfield was a grand president, the title used in the early days of the organization. She was also prominent as a writer and spokesman in the suffrage campaign. She was listed in *Who's Who in America* and *Who's Who in Jurisprudence* for her work as a corporation lawyer, author and lecturer on legal subjects and parliamentary law.

Frances Fatout Alexander served as Fraternity president 1964-68. She made a visit to the chapter in 1964, and returned as speaker for the initiation banquet in 1969.

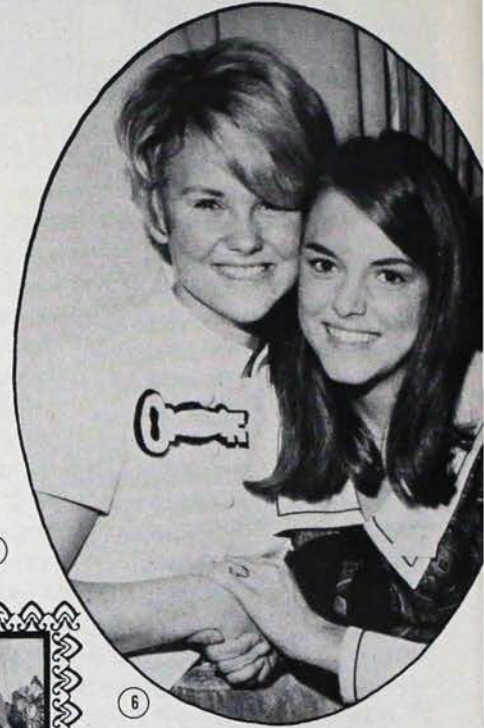
Minnie Royse Walker, deputy to three Fraternity presidents, was prominent as an antiques collector and authority on old English silver, pewter, and furniture. A silver tankard from her collection is awarded on a rotating basis at biennial conventions as the Fraternity's Scholarship Award for chapters on campuses where there are more than 10 Panhellenic groups competing for the top position. The diamond fleur-de-lis designed for her is worn now officially by presidents of Kappa Kappa Gamma. Mrs. Walker also wrote the first Fraternity history in 1903, *Kappa's Record*.

Iota authors include Grace Ruthenberg, Mary Montgomery Galliland, Annie Payne Ader, and Cora Bennett Burlingame. Mildred Trares Schaefer is an actress, Marjorie Call Salzado a concert harpist. Dr. Martha Travell compiled the *National Guide to Sunday School Lessons*. Active in education and public life are Mary Jorzick, Betty Lupton Fairchild Wood, and Carolyn Costin Tucker. Cora Effinghouse Wilson has received the Indiana Chamber of Commerce Distinguished Citizen Award. Dr. Alice Watts Hostetler, 1929 recipient of the DePauw Citation, is a journalist, business woman, speaker, politician, clubwoman.

Iota initiated three honorary members. The most famous was Mary Ashton Livermore, internationally known author, editor, and lecturer. She was a very prominent worker in the cause of woman's suffrage and temperance reform.



Essence of Kappa



- 7. BM discussion
- 8. BO alumnae honored at tea for pledges
- 9. ΔΠ pledges being happy

- 1. "Mom of the month", BN
- 2. BM receiving her pin
- 3. Π chapter members
- 4. BΞ working together
- 5. BZ rush skit "Annie Get Your K"
- 6. "Now she is a Kappa girl"-ΓN





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• we believe in the value of sisterhood based on friendship, mutual helpfulness and highest standard of womanhood •



BT

Founded May 15, 1876
Closed February 14, 1914
Initiates 264

Beta Gamma

University of Wooster
Now College of Wooster
Wooster, Ohio
Established 1866

Charter Members:

Ella Alexander, Ida Clara Bowman, Jennie M. Donnelly, Kittie Annie Parsons, Minna J. Scott, Carrie Edith Siegenthaler.

On March 1, 1913, Winona Hughes, dean of women at Wooster, wrote to Eva Powell, IInd California, Kappa's grand president, ". . . they (the Beta Gammas) have been large spirited and loyal, generous and absolutely lady-like, during the whole affair, and I am proud of them." Dean Hughes was a Beta Gamma herself, and she had put in some difficult days. The letter was the least she could do.

The final chapter letter to *The Key* appeared in the May, 1913, issue. By then it was too late for an emotional outpouring, so it merely stated: "The result (on the fraternity question) was anything but gratifying . . . we have been having little social gatherings . . . the new initiates gave us a most clever little play . . ." The seven new initiates had caused a severe penalty. A doomed chapter is usually allowed to die slowly, carrying on without new members until all old ones are graduated, and all fraternities at Wooster were doomed. ("In order to retain the support of one of Wooster's best friends who is not in sympathy with fraternities, the faculty asked us all to give up our charters." *The Key*, February, 1913) On Domesday, February 14, 1913, Beta Gamma (and the Pi Beta Phi and Kappa Alpha Theta chapters too) had hurriedly initiated girls whom it had bid and pledged that morning. The radical punishment for such insubordination was immediate surrender of charter, and on that busy day Winona Hughes had received Beta Gamma's charter, in trust. Until the next year, and the Fraternity's final acceptance of the surrender, the chapter would not be allowed to function.

Yet official eyes must have been averted because on June 10, 1913, Beta Gamma alumnae entertained the chapter at the annual Commencement luncheon, the alumnae association was organized to perpetuate Beta Gamma's name, and it was voted to send money earned from the sale of the contents of the chapter rooms to the Kappa Scholarship Fund.



Chapter house 1906

A much greater amount of money had, of course, been behind the ultimatum given the Wooster fraternity system. Simply put: Wooster needed money and the assistance of a Mr. L.H. Severance, assistance he would refuse if "the caste system" were maintained. Protests and efforts of the national fraternities failed.

Twelve years earlier Mr. Severance, and Mr. Andrew Carnegie to a greater extent, had come to the relief of Wooster at a time of disaster, and at that time Mr. Severance was thought of as a hero.

"The University is burned . . . Our all is gone!" It was the morning of December 11, 1900, and Wooster's president, the Reverend Dr. L.E. Holden, sent telegrams of alarm to everyone he could think of: "Our building is burned . . . let us stand together until we build a new one." In two and a half months nearly a half million was raised (Mr. Carnegie, \$100,000; Mr. Severance, \$75,000). Five buildings had escaped the fire, and five new ones, including Kauke Hall, containing lecture rooms and rooms suitable for social groups, were dedicated on the fire's anniversary, December 11, 1902. At this dedication of "A Greater Wooster" the only woman taking part was Frances Glenn (Brewer) a Beta Gamma, who sang (and beautifully) "I Will Extol Thee, O Lord!"

(It can be said now, parenthetically, that the name of Frances Glenn is only one of many Beta Gamma names to bring honor to Wooster and to the Fraternity. There is charter member Ella Alexander Boole who became president of the Women's Christian Temperance Union; Margaret Anna Frame, secretary of the China Council of the Presbyterian Church in Shanghai; Edith Reese Crabtree, president of Kappa Kappa Gamma, 1952-56; Edith Pennell, who was graduated *summa cum laude* in 1897, an honor never before conferred on one of its graduates in Wooster's history . . . there was Margaret Moore who decided that the girls' dormitory needed a library "and with her, to conceive a thing always means to take immediate measures to secure it, so that "we now possess a library charmingly furnished and well supplied." Margaret Moore was already known to the Fraternity because in 1908, while the chapter was being visited by Kappa Grand President Edith Stoner [Robinson], Θ - Missouri, the talented student had been appointed chairman of a committee to design a Kappa coat of arms.)

The first waves of anti-fraternity agitation had come to Wooster in the spring of 1908, but after "earnestness and eloquence" the groups had been spared. Anti-fraternity feeling and legislation was to be expected in a college founded on religious principles.

Wooster, under Presbyterian Church jurisdiction, had been opened in 1870 (chartered 1866) "for the promotion of sound

learning and education under religious influences." Beta Gamma, originally Gamma, the name being part of a confusing system of calling new chapters after closed chapters, was chartered in 1876, a year after the Kappa Alpha Theta chapter. It was lively and successful from the start, with a weekly paper and meetings in members' rooms—a literary meeting one week and a social meeting the next, "so that the members can get to know and like one another better."

Wooster girls were "high class" and "lady-like"; they took pleasure in whatever blessings came their way; they obeyed university rules. Sometimes they rebelled—slightly. There was an instance on October 3, 1884, when the faculty refused to let the chapter visit the Kappa chapter at Buchtel. "We think the decision severe, not to say unjust," wrote *The Key* correspondent. But the word of the faculty was the law, and the law was obeyed.

After the "Greater Wooster" dedication it was the faculty who could be thanked for the greatest pleasure Beta Gamma had ever had: its home. There had been a nice room earlier, papered in light blue with blue polka-dotted white curtains and a prized stuffed owl on the bookcase. But the room "which the faculty gave us for our little Kappa home;" on the second floor of Kauke Hall, was so lovely that it was almost impossible to describe. *The Key* correspondent did well though, and love is in every line: "... the predominant colors are rich red and green, as carried out by the wall paper and rugs. The paper is in three divisions, the lower is solid green, above a deep red border of conventional design, and above that solid yellow. The different colors harmonize well and give a rich air to the whole room." The precious white owl sat on a library table "of the Frisian style." The table was covered with song and school books and a guest book filled with witty sayings. "To snuggle down (in our great leather davenport) with Kappa pillows all around you is



Edith Reese Crabtree, Fraternity President.

comfort indeed." Another big chair and "some less imposing ones," a piano, a large mirror, another couch with cushions, lace curtains "swaying lazily back and forth", beautiful pictures and pennants, "old Kappa groups", a closet where "our mysteries are locked from public view" and the chafing dish on its little table "... the most important and popular thing in the room," made this "the dearest of all rooms".

Could the feeling of coziness, the aura of special privilege, have made itself felt beyond the described, yet indescribable room, could it have touched more than the hard heart of Mr. Severance to feelings of wistfulness and doubt? He could not have been the only listener-in as exuberant fraternity members shouted for joy on spring evenings and the lady-like Kappas, merrier than most, yelled their "fine fraternity yell": Ai ko, rai ko, ri, rai, ru, Beta Gamma, Kappa Gamma, Wooster U.! The "fine yell" should not have been allowed to grow so strong. It should have been stopped in the beginning by the conscientious churchmen and not 43 years later in the face of conditional demands.



Founded June 10, 1877
Initiates 1053

Lambda

University of Akron
Formerly Buchtel College
Akron, Ohio
Established 1870

Charter Members:

Mary B. Jewett, Harriet Evelyn Pardee, Elizabeth Undine Slade.

Generally speaking, Lambda Kappas at the University of Akron live at home with their families. Many members work to assist with their college expenses; they are active in the chapter and on campus, are community-minded and maintain high scholastic standing.

As individuals, chapter members have contributed much since Lambda's founding, June 10, 1877. The college was called Buchtel at the time, named for John R. Buchtel, and Kappa was the first women's fraternity to be placed there, and is the oldest continually active Greek letter organization on the Akron campus.

Buchtel College, founded in May, 1870, designated by the Universalist Church as its contribution to education in Ohio, was dedicated September 20, 1872, and nine days later 217 students became involved in a simple course of study with seven faculty members. Discipline was rigid; a certificate of good behavior was required for admission; abstention from tobacco and

liquor insisted upon for scholarship holders; daily chapel, (cut to three days a week in 1912 and finally ended as compulsory in 1934), was a firm rule.

In 1877, young J. Augustus Guthrie, a Buchtel Phi Delta Theta, told some Kappas at Indiana University about three Buchtel girls. Letters were exchanged, and on June 10, Mary B. Jewett, Elizabeth U. Slade (Voris), and Harriet E. Pardee (Parshall) signed Lambda's charter.

The first Kappa meeting was on January 14, 1878. Five honorary members were taken in, one the wife of the college president. Literary meetings and sponsored lectures were held in members' rooms and on the top floor of Buchtel Hall.

The first woman editor-in-chief of *The Buchtelite* was Elmie Warner (Mallory). The first YWCA president was Ethel Davies (Read), and the first five May Queens were Kappas. The first Panhellenic president was Rachel Fleming (Hertz) and the first woman to receive an honorary doctorate from the university was Evelyn Church Smith. The Lambdas were the first to wear rush outfits (1968) and by 1970 every sorority had followed their example.



Charter member Elizabeth Slade Voris and her Kappa daughters, (center) Lydia Voris Kolbe, Grand President, and (right) Elizabeth Voris Lawry, Editor *The Key*.

Lambda alumnae have become doctors, lawyers, artists, authors, educators. They have taught in Egypt, Okinawa, Pakistan . . . Patricia Rose Costello was a Rockette; Gretchen Bock is associate director of "Sesame Street;" Antonia Blacketter Nichols became head of the Red Cross volunteer program in the Far East. Three Lambdas have been president of the University of Akron Alumni Association: Lucy Danforth Felt (1893), Margaret Cruickshank Fleming (1944) and Lois Waltz Burgner (1959). Margaret ("Maggie") and Lois, as well as Evelyn Church Smith and Virginia Lyon Hardwick, have been honored by the university as outstanding alumnae.

Since Akron rubber companies send people all over the globe, Akron Kappas, with their husbands, are representing the United States in almost every country of the world.

A happy event mentioned in early minutes told of a visit in 1882 to the Wooster chapter (two years later the Wooster girls were refused a return visit by their rigid faculty), and the two groups celebrated Thanksgiving together with dinner, a reception, and, next morning, a sleighride.

Strawberry festivals, taffy pulls, and chestnut roasts were popular pastimes. A Lambda girl was fined \$2 for wearing "a gentleman's fraternity pin." Term dues to the Grand Chapter were \$1; personal dues, 25 cents; initiation fee, \$1.25; fines for absence, tardiness, and disorderly conduct, 25 cents, 10 cents, and 5 cents.

The most tragic event ever associated with Lambda was the fire of 1890, started at the praeceptress's party for birthday girls. A Mother Goose cap, made of paper and tufted with cotton, took fire from a gas light. Two girls died that night and another later; five others were badly burned. The whole college mourned.

Harriet Pardee-Parshall, charter member and her daughters Gladys and Inez.



Lambda's interest in the Fraternity at large was spurred by the election of Marion Bell Slade (Ransom) as grand marshal in 1884. The 1886 Convention was held in Akron, costing considerably less than \$75. Lambda presented another honorary member, Emma White Perkins, who sang at the convention. Mary Krenzke (Grandin) was grand secretary, 1886-1888, and from 1900 to 1920 Lambda had continuous representation on Council. Elmie Warner (Mallory) served four years as grand registrar and two as grand president after her marriage, 1904-1906; Elizabeth Voris Lawry was editor of *The Key* and then grand treasurer; Lydia Voris Kolbe was grand treasurer six years, business manager of *The Key* two years, and grand president, 1916-1920. She was also the first Gamma Province president. Helen Farst Wallace wrote the Lambda chapter report for the 1870-1930 *History of Kappa Kappa Gamma Fraternity*.

In 1901, after a period of fund raising and rebuilding following a serious campus fire, Dr. Augustus Church became college president. He was a man of many virtues and well acquainted with Kappas: his wife, a Beta Beta; their daughters, Evelyn and Dorothy, initiates of Lambda and Beta Beta; and two granddaughters initiates of Beta Beta^Δ and Gamma Chi. After his sudden death in 1912, Parke R. Kolbe became president, and Lydia, his Lambda wife, (whose mother, Elizabeth Slade Voris was a charter member), was often a gracious hostess to the chapter.

Under Dr. Kolbe's supervision the City Council of Akron accepted the land, buildings and endowment, and, with Buchtel college as a nucleus, established the University of Akron, September, 1914.

Hezzleton Simmons became president in 1933. Under him, Simmons Hall was built, and a student building, opened in 1939, was run by a student crew with a Kappa co-manager, Antonia Blacketter (Nichols). She was the first woman ever to hold such a position in the United States. President Simmons had three Kappa daughters and a Kappa daughter-in-law. He himself always presented Kappa bids to each new girl. Catherine Simmons Russell, who earned a graduate degree at Goucher College while she helped organize Delta Theta Chapter there, remembers her father's sense of humor . . . She mentions an instance when she was delegated to do the Kappa laundry which conflicted with a special "date." Her father, then a chemistry professor, sent her off on the date and did the laundry himself.

During the Depression many Kappas worked part time, dues were lowered, and the spring formal was cancelled. Song Fest took place for the first time in 1933.

World War II found Kappas knitting, wrapping bandages, selling savings stamps, writing letters to servicemen, working at the USO. Veterans flooded the campus after the war ended.

Mary Giddings Keating was named dean of women, responsible for counseling all women students.

In 1945, after years of rented rooms and houses, Lambda took the first step toward home ownership since 1900, when an unsuccessful attempt had been made. With Margaret Zink Brewster as chairman, the Lambda House Association was founded with 164 contributing charter members. In 1948 the move was made to 204 Spicer Street, a home which the chapter purchased.

During the early 1950s, all was not well with women's fraternities. The expected increase in enrollment was mostly men. An alumnae steering committee, headed by Lambda's Marion Barnes Zehnder helped pull the chapter back to its former level.

The actives worked hard to set up a tight budget, coordinate activities, and regulate studies. Results were good and morale rose, the common goal drawing the members into close harmony. The summer of 1957 found Lambda with membership up, finances under control, scholarship excellent. So it was with disbelief that the chapter read a letter from the Fraternity Council requesting a surrender of its charter "due to inadequate women's facilities on the campus." Chapter President Ann Whiting (Baldwin) called an emergency meeting of actives and alumnae. Result: a reply stating that the charter would not be voluntarily relinquished.

The *Akron Beacon-Journal* featured the situation on the front page, and university President Norman Auburn invited the Council to come to Akron. Accepting the invitation were Executive Secretary Clara O. Pierce, BN—Ohio State, Fraternity President Eleanore Goodridge Campbell, BM—Colorado, and Director of Chapters Frances Fatout Alexander, I—DePauw. The decision: the situation had been misconstrued. The committee was impressed with the university and was proud to have Lambda Chapter on the campus. Its delegate to the 1958 Convention returned to Akron with a large silver tray inscribed: First Place—Greatest Chapter Improvement Award—Lambda.

In 1959 a new award, given in the name of Jayne Pesar, a beloved member who died that spring, was offered to the Lambda member best exemplifying a Kappa woman. A senior, Janis Koehler (Wendelken), was the first recipient.

To encourage members to stay in school the Akron Alumnae Association inaugurated the Memorial Scholarship Fund, a no-interest loan fund through which alumnae can remember a

Kappa sister by temporarily easing the financial burdens of an active student.

Once again, in 1966, the Kappas found themselves in the path of an expanding university, and the Lambda House Association, led by Carol Aspell Messmore, bought three parcels of property, containing four houses. Two were then rented, one was razed, and one renovated to house 12 university students. Plans for a future chapter house for 40 members were drawn up, and a fund drive launched with hopes of building in 1971.

By 1968 the university no longer needed the housing, so the Kappa Annex came into being. The house on Spicer Street was sold to the school and the annex became the Kappa House. It was realized that Lambda would never need a structure to house all members and plans for a lodge-type house were made.

The realization of this dream came true in 1975 when a new lodge was dedicated. 1970 was a year of great change. Greek activities lost emphasis. The events at Kent State, so close to home, had a serious effect on Akron students. Lambda Kappas ranged from those who mourned the loss of traditional events to those who gladly turned their attention to national and political action.

The Kappa Centennial was celebrated on Founders Day, 1970, with 100 alumnae and 70 actives attending. Virginia Bader (McGuckin), named Outstanding Greek Woman of the Year and the Akron recipient of Kappa's Centennial Scholarship, was a featured guest.

From "Street Car College" to state university, from light-hearted social to serious community involvement, Akron University and its Lambda Kappas, growing and prospering, have come a long way together.



M

Founded January 2, 1878
Initiates 1406

Mu

Butler University
Indianapolis, Indiana
Established 1850

Charter Members:

Flora E. Frazier, Louise Landers, Letitia Laughlin, Jeanette Teeter, Minnie Tresslar.

"An excellent chapter of Kappa Kappa Gamma has been started here . . . They have the best wishes of the students . . ." So Mu Chapter was introduced to the world in the "Irvington Items" of the *Indianapolis Journal*, Saturday, January 12, 1878.

On January 2, Lillie Adams (Telfer) and Kate Hight came from Delta, Indiana University, to conduct the initiation at the home of Louise Landers (Neff), charter member of Mu. The initiates were students at Butler, then in Irvington, five miles east of downtown Indianapolis. The college had been in this "beautiful and healthful suburb" only three years. From the start this Kappa chapter was attached to a school which would continue to move and build new buildings as enrollment increased.

Northwestern Christian University was granted a charter by the Indiana State legislature in 1850, the first to admit men and women of all races, with students permitted to choose their courses. By 1877, the student body had grown from 113 to 345, the town of Irvington had offered inducements of land and

money, and building was begun. The name was changed to Butler University, honoring Ovid Butler, benefactor.

After World War I enrollment again increased and expansion was in order. Fairview Park was purchased in 1923 and classes opened in 1928 with an enrollment of 1500. In 1974 the official enrollment was 4363; the faculty, 275. About 1600 students live on campus in seven sorority houses, eight fraternity houses, and a men's and women's residence hall.

Mu gave the Fraternity two presidents, Tade Hartsuff (Kuhns) and Elizabeth Bogert Schofield, and Mu members, ardent supporters of Kappa policies, have been campus leaders in scholarship and activities.

Important in the lives of students in 1878 were the literary societies which studied the "arts of conversation, debating, and oratory." Mu meetings included literary programs and were held in members' homes or in dormitory rooms. Travel to meetings was by mule car and by foot, later by electric car.

In 1878 Tade Hartsuff (Kuhns) became the seventh initiate of Mu. When the 1881 Kappa Convention was held in Bloomington, Indiana, Mu was one of the nine chapters represented of the 17 then organized. *The Golden Key* later stated,

"Tade Hartsuff . . . rose and presented the plan of the Grand Council. Debate ensued and the new scheme was adopted" Tade had known that Phi Delta Theta had just changed to this form of government; she was anxious that Kappa be more efficient; she was prepared for discussion. It is not surprising that the vivacious Miss Hartsuff was elected the Fraternity's first grand president under the Grand Council system.

Mu was also prepared to propose a Fraternity publication at the convention and Lou Landers (Neff) made the motion that a magazine be called *The Golden Key*. She is listed as a member of the first staff.

Tade Hartsuff, at 23, was reelected grand president in 1882. In 1884 *The Golden Key* reported, "Honor to our first president . . . as a wise and active ruler." Eight chapters had been added and division into three provinces made during her term of office.

Bona Thompson, an 1897 graduate, died in 1899 of typhoid fever, and in 1901 her parents donated funds for a library in Bona's memory. This library was a meeting and studying spot during all the Irvington years. It is now one of the Headquarters buildings of the Christian Church of Disciples of Christ and the United Christian Missionary Society.

Jennie Armstrong Howe, an 1889 graduate, organized a Kappa alumnae club in Berlin, Germany. Her Butler professor husband, Dr. Thomas Carr Howe, was the university's president from 1907 to 1920. Their daughter Charlotte Howe, also of Mu, is a retired member of the Bryn Mawr College faculty.

In 1917, college men left for service and college women worked for the Red Cross and collected tin foil. Two war bonds bought with Mu foil became an investment which paid for the first rent on the chapter house.

Until 1921, there was a university ban on organizational housing. The chapter had longed for its own quarters, and quick action was taken when the ban was lifted. A house was rented, a house association formed and incorporated in November of 1921.

Two groups, the Kappa Mothers Club, organized in 1921, and Mu Club, have made important contributions to the chapter. Mu chapter has drawn the majority of its members from Indianapolis, and members have been able to serve both the alumnae association and the chapter.

On March 11, 1925, the first issue of *Mu Murmers* appeared. Honored by the Fraternity, *Mu Murmers* was given a first place award in 1962, and in 1970, honorable mention, for chapter publications. The mailing list for the fiftieth issue, in 1975, was about 1200 alumnae.



Mu's 75th anniversary birthday party.



Mu chapter house with Mary Liz Gordon (Wagers) chapter president, and Beth Schofield, Foundation president, preparing to burn the mortgage May 5, 1948.

Chapter finance was of utmost importance during the 1920s and budgets were studied and formed. In 1928 Elizabeth Bogert Schofield became Fraternity chairman of budgeting and book-keeping. It might be said that her Kappa career started when she was named delegate to the 1910 Convention "because she was going anyway." She was president of Delta Province in 1915, Indianapolis alumnae president in 1919, became the third president of the house association in 1923, held the office for 25 years, and was also finance adviser to the chapter. She was director of provinces from 1938 to 1940, and, at her 16th convention, in Sun Valley, she was elected Fraternity president. At the 1942 Convention she was reelected. Four chapters were added during her administration, which also had been concerned with Service Women's Centers and the Nora Waln Fund to aid refugee children.

In 1923, the student body at Butler had been taken across town by streetcar to view the intended campus at Fairview. May Day was celebrated there in 1926 and ground was broken for the Administration Building. In April of 1927, a lot was chosen by Mu for a new house and first payment made by the chapter from the savings fund. The old house corporation was dissolved and reincorporated as Mu Chapter Foundation of Kappa Kappa Gamma (November of 1929), and 15 board members were elected. On January 2, 1930, the 52nd anniversary of Mu's founding, ground was broken for the English Tudor chapter house at 821 West Hampton Drive, the first house on the new campus. The chapter was ready for its second 50 years. On May 5, 1948, a mortgage burning ceremony was held to celebrate the last payment on the mortgage contracted for in 1929.

Butler expansion continued. A men's and a women's residence were built in 1951 and 1955. All prior housing had been provided by the organized groups or from rented rooms. By that time more than a third of the student body was coming from outside the state, a third from the state, less than a third from the area.

Mu chapter found it would have to do some building too. After some inside remodeling, the university president was interviewed, visits were made to other houses, and finally the house board authorized the procuring of plans, and eventually estimates and a loan. By September of 1966, the addition was ready with 17 new bedrooms, new dining room, kitchen and pantry areas, house mother's suite, new heating system, and other accommodations.

Mu alumnae remember the traditions of their own eras. The pledge stunt and senior breakfast of the 1920s have given way to the pledge walkout and the senior banquet. "Geneva Stunts" and the Spring sing (YWCA sponsored) still inspire Kappa talents. Many remember the Christmas "Orphans Party."

There are cherished stories: the "solid gold keys" telegram sent to Beth Schofield performing in her 50th Civic Theater play, *The Solid Gold Cadillac*. The telegram she received read, "The girls with the solid gold teeth send love to Beth and the solid gold Cadillac." Later she admitted, "I couldn't quite figure it out." (There had been an error in transcription.)

Another story concerns a certain pledge class that didn't like the hard antique sofa in the upstairs hall so took it to the basement. The group was reproved, the sofa returned, and in 1952 it was presented to Headquarters. It had belonged to Tade Hartsuff Kuhns!

Beth Schofield organized a group of Mu alumnae who chartered a bus to go see Headquarters. On the way to Columbus, they stopped for lunch. Headquarters surprised the visitors with a beautifully laid table. Lunch was enjoyed for a second time and no one ever knew.

Mu is proud of a long list of individual and chapter honors. There are at least three Panhellenic Scholarship Cups that have been retired after three successive years of top rank. Mu was the first to receive the prestigious Westermann Efficiency Award in 1926.


Special badges are chapter awards: Lou Landers Neff's key, garnet set, was given by Tade Hartsuff Kuhns, and is awarded for top scholarship. The garnet set key of Jeanette Teeter Rit-

ter, another founder, is worn by the chapter president. The True Blue (junior) award key belonged to Cora Smith, an 1879 initiate. To honor Jennie Armstrong Howe, the house board purchased a sapphire key for the first vice president; the pearl and diamond key of Laurena McComb Fox, 1925 initiate who died while living in China, was presented by her parents, and goes to the "outstanding" pledge. The key of Marguerite Hubbard Coffee, initiated in 1908, was given by her family, and is worn by the house chairman.

In 1964, the Mu Advisory Board received first place recognition at convention and in 1966, Mu Advisory Board offered owl bookends to the chapter whose advisory board receives the award. This "traveling" gift was given in the name of Elizabeth Bogert Schofield, first adviser to Mu Chapter.

The chapter and the Fraternity were saddened in April of 1962 by Beth Schofield's death. Following her terms as president she had received the Loyalty Award (1958) and was Fraternity ritualist. Between 1908 and 1960 she had attended 25 General Kappa conventions. Interest on a special fund is given as a scholarship in her name to a Mu senior who has shown exceptional service and loyalty to the chapter.

This recounting of highlights of almost 100 years has been a familiar journey. Each person and event holds a special importance in Mu's history for each member of the chapter.



Nu

Founded January 31, 1879
Closed October 30, 1884
Initiates 41

Franklin College
Franklin, Indiana
Established 1834

Charter Members:

Jessie Evelyn Grubb, Isabel Douglas Hackett, Ida Hall, Alice Cinna Moore, Anna Pfendler, Marion Maud Tracey.

If Nu Chapter had been allowed to live beyond her five years, the whole philanthropic history of Kappa might have been changed, for the Nu member who promised to be the liveliest, Emma Harper Turner, begged honorable dismissal in 1888, became a member of Pi Beta Phi, and the originator of that fraternity's famous settlement work among the southern mountaineers. She became grand president of Pi Beta Phi in April, 1890.

It's a fact that she fought hard for Nu. The unpleasantness began before the 1884 Convention when the charter was revoked, in what seems to have been a clash of personalities, misunderstandings, some laxity, and a switch in Fraternity policy.

"It would be impossible to record the details," the *1870-1930 History of Kappa Kappa Gamma* relates, "without including unhappy personalities which should be forgotten and buried rather than perpetuated in a published history."

Nu Chapter was solicited by Iota—DePauw, Mary Ellen Owen (Wood) from that chapter initiated the six chapter members at Franklin College on January 31, 1879. During the next five years, 35 others were initiated, a few after the chapter was lost, but while Nu was pretending to Franklin College and the town of Franklin that Kappa was still on the campus.

The members, during those years in the early 1880s, were girls from prominent Franklin families. At the Commencement

week banquet they entertained out-of-towners and local society. No case of college discipline was ever directed against a woman of Nu, and during the Commencement of 1883, every prize but one was taken by a Nu Kappa.

"The chapter must have felt well satisfied with itself," its correspondent wrote on May 23, 1883, "for we have received very few members, but those whom we have initiated (are) . . . just splendid . . . good students and graduated from high school before entering college."

How shocking it must have been to such a chapter, "prosperous, peaceful, and happy," to learn that the 1884 Convention had leveled a fine of \$10 for not sending a delegate, or an excuse, to national convention; general disregard of constitutional requirements; and the low standard of Franklin College.



Mrs. Laura E. Dainty, popular elocutionist and actress, initiated 1879 as honorary member.



I—Belle Sterling (Scott), E 1877

H—Flora Meadows, E 1878



G—May Round (Abbott), E 1875

F—Kate Ross, founder E, first woman admitted to Illinois Wesleyan



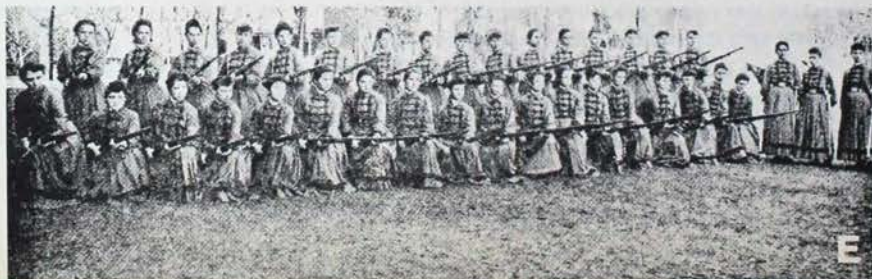
A—Psi Charter Members

B—Sigma's first chapter picture late 1884

C—Delta Chapter 1880s

D—Dr. Maria Dean initiated Eta, M.D. 1883 Boston U.

E—Company Q, U. Minnesota 1888-89 (6 members Chi in uniform)





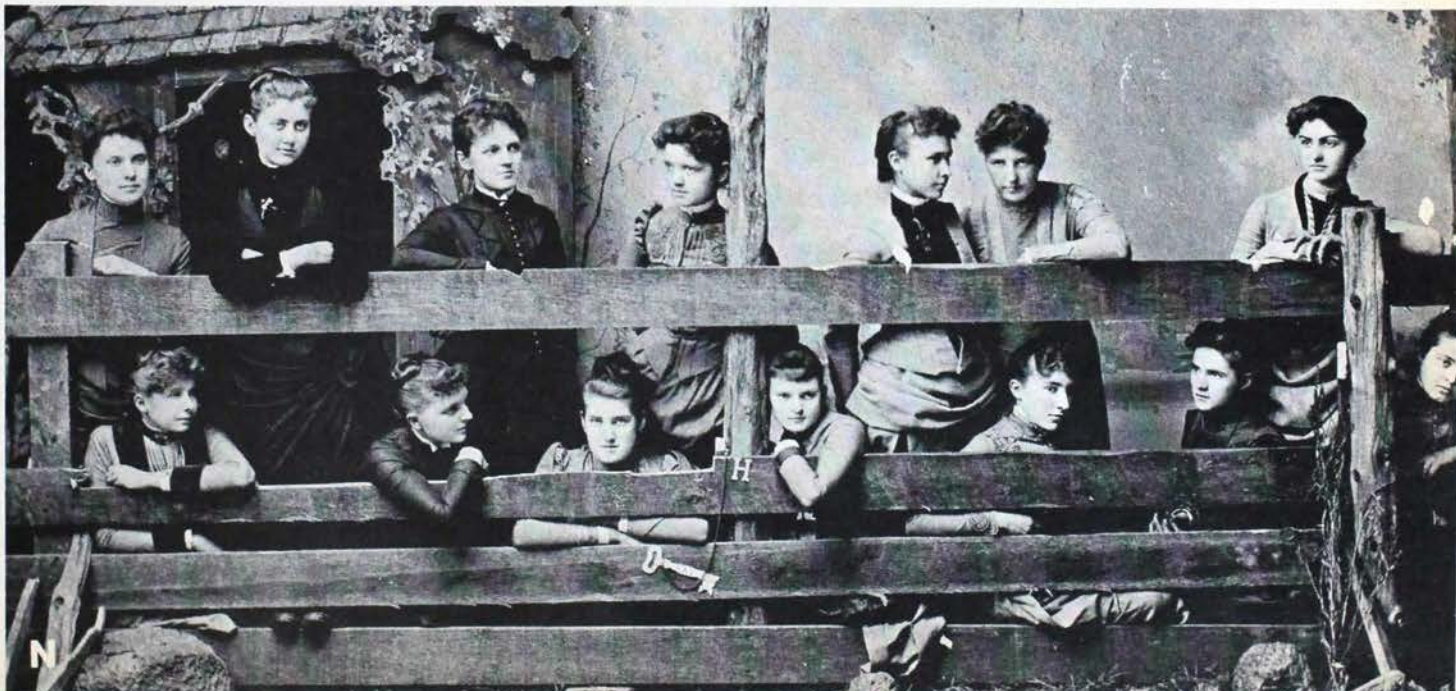
J—Chi chapter 1888

K—Rho chapter 1881

L—Eta chapter 1882

M—Tau's first chapter picture (BT) 1885

N—Eta chapter 1885



Shocked, Nu called a meeting of Indiana chapters for October 11, 1884, but no one showed up. An appeal was sent to Grand Council asking for renewal, or a temporary charter, until 1886. The president and faculty of Franklin College sent letters, but to no avail. The temporary charter was refused, but Nu continued to fight.

Friendly letters passed between the chapter and Charlotte Barrell Ware, Φ—Boston University, grand president, and in 1886, Emma Turner attended the convention in Akron to continue the battle. After an appeal by the Phi delegate in Miss Turner's behalf, it was moved that a chapter be placed in Franklin College. However, by then the feeling against the chapter had become a feeling against small colleges and the motion lost.

Nu became a local society for a couple of years and Miss Turner became a Pi Phi.

Franklin Nu Alumnae Association was formed on September 9, 1910, when, according to a story in the December issue of *The Key*, 14 members of Nu; "charter revoked . . . met on Franklin's beautiful campus for a reunion." Progress was reported in finding addresses for Mary Scattergood, BA—Pennsylvania, Kappa's director of catalogue; a report was given on the Bloomington Convention; the recognition accorded Nu by Edith Stoner (Robinson), Θ—Missouri, and the Grand Council was remarked upon; Kappa songs were sung; and "a sweet occasion, never to be forgotten" was over.

The organization lasted through 1922.

O

Founded April 10, 1880
Closed 1890
Initiates 72

Omicron

Simpson Centenary College
Now Simpson College
Indianola, Iowa
Established 1860

Charter Members:

Ida Alexander, Nellie Lydia Boyd, Edna Cooke, Jeannette Hastie, Mary L. Hastie, Laura Hoffman, Rose A. Kimball.

A quote from the Phi Gamma Delta quarterly appeared in the December, 1889, issue of *The Key*: "Kappa Kappa Gamma has revoked the charter of her Omicron . . . this chapter has existed for about 10 years and we can merely conjecture that the status of the institution failed to keep pace with the fraternity's advancement, and so representation there became undesirable. The fraternity, however, has made good its loss by placing a chapter in the University of Pennsylvania . . . the first order to organize in the newly-established Woman's Department. . . ."

The Omicron letter that month was as cheerful as ever: "Simpson opens this year with a new president and three additions to the faculty . . . the financial outlook of the school was never brighter—our chapter has eight active members." Omicron's June, 1889, letter reported 330 students in the college and a faculty of five . . . and that very little was accomplished by Omicron in the way of literary work "owing to the shortness of the term." A few years earlier, December, 1885, the chapter had complained of feeling isolated from her sister chapters and had mentioned attending the national convention. (Omicron did not send delegates in 1881 or 1884.) In June, 1883, *The Golden Key* carried the chapter's letter about the many chapter marriages . . . "What will we do with our girls?" This letter was signed "Bob Proudfoot."

If Omicron had acted diplomatically, the chapter might have been saved. But Omicron's next move was to ask to be excused from paying tax to the Fraternity because the girls had been paying for the new science hall at Simpson.

The Grand Council decided that Simpson was not an institution where a chapter should be, and the 1889-90 province vote resulted in the recall of Omicron's charter. Kate Cross, (Shenhon) then grand president, mentioned, "reports extending over a number of years as to the low standard of the college. . . ." Omicron's objection, stating that the college had improved since the chapter was placed, was true. The answer was that Kappa, too, had changed, and standards had been raised. Other reasons for withdrawal of the charter included "repeated statements by Omicron regarding faculty opposition" . . . and "a belief that Omicron was apart . . . in spirit." No Omicron delegates attended the 1881 and 1884 Conventions. Moreover, there had been a bad example in 1888 when the delegate arrived late, left early, and showed lack of interest. The Grand Council was sorry and said the decision to remove the charter was not personal but "a desire . . . to consolidate the Fraternity body so that it might work unitedly. . . ." This was done February 10, 1890, and the charter and archives were sent to the Grand Council on March 7. Omicron had had 10 years of relative insignificance.

However, the chapter had one shining star, a member born in Ireland September 25, 1865. This was Kate Shelly, a student at Simpson during 1882-1883. The May, 1883, issue of *The Golden Key* announced her initiation and referred to her as "our brave girl." Through her own efforts Kate had saved a train-load of people on the night of July 6, 1881. Kate Shelly came to Simpson as a nationally-known heroine . . . actually internationally known, for she had had letters from England, Scotland, and Ireland. She had a medal awarded by the legislature, a handsome gold watch and chain from the Burlington Road, and a beautiful silver lantern from the Chicago Northwestern.




Heroine Kate Shelly in front of her home; 1975 a park is being dedicated in her memory.

Kate Shelly became a Kappa as a member of soon-to-die Omicron chapter. She stayed at Simpson only a year. During this time as an active, she is described as "perhaps a little below medium height, with dark hair, blue eyes, small even teeth, a shapely figure, and a pretty hand and foot."

In the words of the Omicron correspondent to *The Golden Key*, "As an example of one of the highest aspects of courage,

we are glad and proud to record . . . Kate Shelly, the heroine who saved an express train at night under circumstances of great danger to herself, whose noble deed was chronicled throughout the country and perpetuated in the popular declamatory verses bearing her name . . . (is) a member of Kappa Kappa Gamma." It is good to remind ourselves that in Kate, Omicron had its moment of glory.



Founded April 21, 1880
Initiates 1499

Chi

University of Minnesota
Minneapolis, Minnesota
Established 1851

Charter Members:
Adaline Louise Camp, Grace Webster Curtis, Mary Ellen Goodrich, Augusta Marie Perkins, Addie Eva Pillsbury, Addie Anna Tidd, Lillian Wilber, Sarah Adelaide Wyman.

Minnesota Territory was created in 1849 and the university chartered by the Territorial Legislature. The population of the area, scarcely 6000, not including an estimated 5000 Chippewa and Sioux, hardly warranted this move, but the redoubtable Yankee settlers who forged Minnesota statehood were determined to establish a university second to none.

In 1856, two years before statehood, a fine building was contracted for, known as "Old Main" until it burned to the ground in 1904. In this three story building a school of sorts was conducted, but the panic of 1857, the Civil War, and the Sioux Wars took their toll. Old Main, overlooking the Falls of St. Anthony, was turned into apartments, used as a barn, and was not restored until fall, 1867, when it became a preparatory school with a faculty of three. Students had to be at least 13 years old and were required to pass exams in basic subjects. They paid \$6 per term—three terms a year, \$2 per term room rent, and \$1 per term fuel charge. Female students had to find rooms with nearby families.

In 1869, the Collegiate Department was opened. Until 1890, when the preparatory school was phased out, both departments were served in the same building, by the same faculty. The necessity of preparing students for college while striving to establish a university directed the growth of both the university and Chi Chapter. For, when the Collegiate Department was opened, it could not deny entrance to the girls who had been preparatory students. It was common to find among Chi initiates young ladies not yet qualified for the university.

Chi Psi, the first Greek organization on campus, was established in 1874. Kappa was the second—and the first female fraternity—in 1880. Between 1881 and 1904, six more women's and seventeen men's fraternities were chartered on campus—all of which remain active. Fewer than half of the 40 fraternities and sororities established since that time have survived.

During Chi's first decade, membership ranged each year from 5 to 20. The chapter met generally every week or so in the homes of members. Periodically, attempts were made to afford and locate a suitable chapter room, but this was not finally accomplished until the winter of 1889, when a room was rented near the school. It was furnished by the girls and alumnae with low benches upholstered in Kappa blue denim, a table, hanging bookshelves, a rug, and, of course, the ubiquitous owl in the corner. The girls thought it a snug and enticing retreat. Meetings were now held weekly, alternately in the afternoons and

evenings. In the afternoon, lunches were brought for a "picnic" in the room before the business meeting; evening meetings were reserved for social and literary concerns.

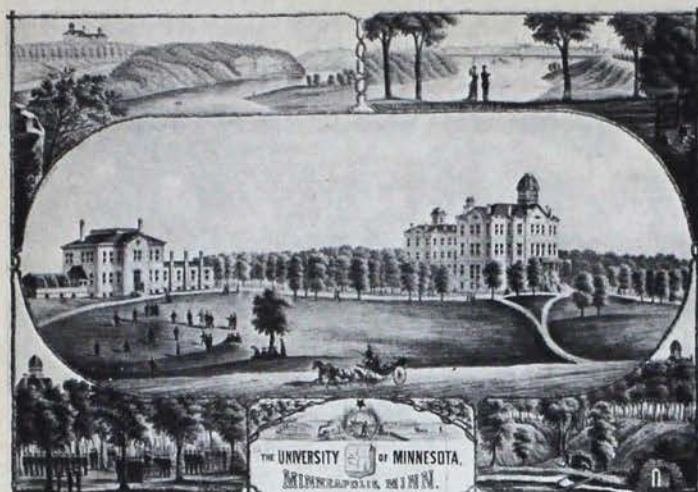
And what social concerns they had! Although the original bylaws specified that "literary exercises" be held at regular meetings, the record books disclaimed this. The tabularius of 1886 indicated that to be ostensibly a literary society was, in fact, very useful when it came to persuading one's parents to permit one to pledge Kappa!

In that same year the "new practice" was instituted of having each member answer roll call with a literary quotation. Throughout the early years such authors as Shakespeare, Macaulay, Hawthorne, and Browning were read aloud at meetings. In later years this pursuit gave way to the sponsoring of public lectures. In 1889, the historian wrote that the literary work was "much the same as last year . . . reading of light essays and reviews,—pleasant,—not too profitable, perhaps—but as much as can be done." Other comments give an insight to contemporary attitudes: ". . . literary exercises postponed . . . adjourned into a 'social'." (1886) ". . . The Literary (?) (God Save Them) Exercises!" (1886) "Our literary work . . . has been, it must be confessed, a failure; . . . our time has been so filled." (1889)

It was the social concerns that filled the pages of the early record books: receptions, teas, musicales, rushing, initiations, and parties. In some years, when the chapter roll (or the treasury) was slim, little entertaining was undertaken. In other years, parties proliferated.

Parties resulted in "a charming mixture of school boys and the young gentlemen who are full fledged—and in society—about three of this sex to every Kappa!" Obviously, young ladies of those days did not extend personal invitations to young gentlemen; rather, the entire chapter invited a "list" which included any special beaux.

The Yankees from Maine, Vermont, New Hampshire, New York, who came west to become financial, milling and lumber barons, built homes for their families on a scale that is scarcely known today. It was the daughters of these men—those who did not go "East" to school—who were members of Chi, and until that magnificent type of home and living went out of style after World War I (when entertainment in private clubs took precedence) Chis always had available ballrooms for dancing, dining halls for banquets, and parlors for musicales. There was little distinction between an alumna and an active. Chis who



Campus as it appeared between 1873 and 1884.

had either been graduated or left school continued as active participants in chapter functions. It was a close, intimate society which cannot be duplicated in today's world of widening opportunity and interests. And, aside from activities provided by the fraternities and sororities, college did not include the breadth of extracurricular and social opportunity that reached its peak between 1920 and 1950. Before the turn of the century, higher education for women was a rarity and a fully coeducational university was still the exception rather than the rule.

Expenses today preclude the kinds of celebrations the girls of yesteryear held on Founders' Day. Before 1900, banquets were often held in private homes. Menus were elaborate. At Sadie Miller's in 1894, 50 to 60 were present at a catered banquet where the tables were arranged in the shape of a key. The cost was 25 cents each. The following year, 50 were seated in the Brewer's dining room. By this time, however, the chapter roll was becoming so large that it began to be necessary to feast in local hotels and, later, in private clubs.

Considering the difficulty of transportation, it is astonishing that early Chi's traveled as much as they did. Most of the girls lived or boarded in the area near the university, but at least one hardy member in the 1880s traveled several miles by horseback each day to reach the school in time for the 8 a.m. chapel service. Strong bands of sisterhood were felt between Chi and other Kappa chapters; the girls always eagerly awaited the tales of those who had returned from conventions. With the advent of football as an intercollegiate sport and more efficient train travel in the mid-1890s, chapter members began to visit each other on game weekends. In the fall of 1901, 21 Kappas from Lincoln arrived for the Nebraska-Minnesota game. They came in a private Pullman car—adorned with a white canvas banner emblazoned "Sigma of KKG." That same year, Beta Zeta members came to Minnesota and several Chi's visited Eta. Always, parties honoring the visiting sisters were *de rigueur*.

It became customary for the chapter to entertain friends in their rooms after the football games. After the chapter house was built in 1916, these small gatherings developed into large open houses, with music, dancing and refreshment. This post-game practice was maintained generally—with the exception of the years of the two Great Wars—until the end of the 1950s.

Another traditional open house took place on New Year's Day. First held in the homes of alumnae or parents, later in the chapter house, this tradition persisted for 25 years after the turn of the century. Members of all Greek societies, the alumnae, the faculty, and special friends were usually invited to this reception. Often well over 200 arrived. It was a formal occasion,

replete with orchestra, dancing, receiving line—most of which today's students would find very strange, indeed.

Another custom foreign to Chi's of today was the German, or all-girl cotillion. Such occasions were usually reserved for rushing parties, for they entailed considerable preparation and planning. They took place in the ballrooms of members' homes, with music and dancing and refreshments served downstairs at intermission time. The girls spent weeks preparing favors, usually splendid tissue-paper contrivances, as gifts to their guests. The passing of the German after 1910 marked the end of an era.

Halloween parties and the Senior Picnic in the spring seem to be the only occasions that remain virtually unchanged from Chi's founding to this day. The chapter still celebrates Halloween, although the entertainment has altered in 90 years. The Senior Picnic seems not to have changed much at all, for the girls still enjoy skits, singing, baseball games, and occasional fortune-telling as their predecessors did. The picnic has customarily been held at the lake home of one of the active members, so from the earliest days, swimming and boating were enjoyed.

For 60 years—through the 1930s—an annual houseparty was the highlight of each year. During the heyday of the houseparty (1900-1920), it became a full week's sojourn at a resort near Prior Lake. One of the cottages was even named "Fleur-de-lis," honoring Chi's annual pilgrimage. Originally, both alumnae and actives (and chaperone, of course) went together for days of hiking, baseball, tennis, boating, bathing, and fun. The girls welcomed the arrival of their beaux for the final weekend, which was capped by dancing and hilarity. Alice Trimble (de Veau) recorded in 1908:

Chi has been an entrepreneur throughout the years. In 1890, the entire community was roused to support Kappa in its sponsorship of Locke Richardson's readings of Shakespeare—in that time quite an unprecedented undertaking for a small group of young ladies. But the astonishing profit of \$80 was realized, so well-patronized was the event. In 1891, Mr. Richardson's success was repeated, and in 1894 Chi sponsored a lecture by Swami Vive Kanadi, Member of the Parliament.

In 1914, a joint alumnae-active venture, the Kappa Christmas Bazaar, netted \$200 for the fund to begin a chapter house. The next year, a vaudeville was presented by the actives. This grew into a combination of the two: the Kappa Fair, with items for sale, vaudeville presentation in the afternoon, and dancing in the evening. In 1920, the fair netted \$1200, but by this time it was sponsored completely by the alumnae. The vaudeville, however, continued under chapter auspices. The 1924 version of these Follies was held at the Women's Club of Minneapolis. University men supported the Kappas in the production:

"Martin Koon Bovey and his choristers were deluged with cabbage and tomatoes in the first act, but the audience behaved nicely after that."

In 1916, Chi members were performing their skits before children at settlement houses, but by the mid-twenties chapter social service was assuming a more personal relationship. Chi participated in the Panhellenic-sponsored project of sewing flannel pajamas for "poor little boys and girls." The traditional Chi Christmas party became a party for children with gifts of toys, along with warm clothing collected from their families. The Depression years of the 1930s intensified these efforts: items for Christmas baskets were gathered and presented to needy families, along with gift bags of coal. Always, during these years, children were entertained at the chapter house at the Christmas party.

During both wars, Chi "pitched in" to the war effort. In 1917, favors given to rushees were items for a "Comfort Kit," and each freshman was asked to send hers to a soldier.

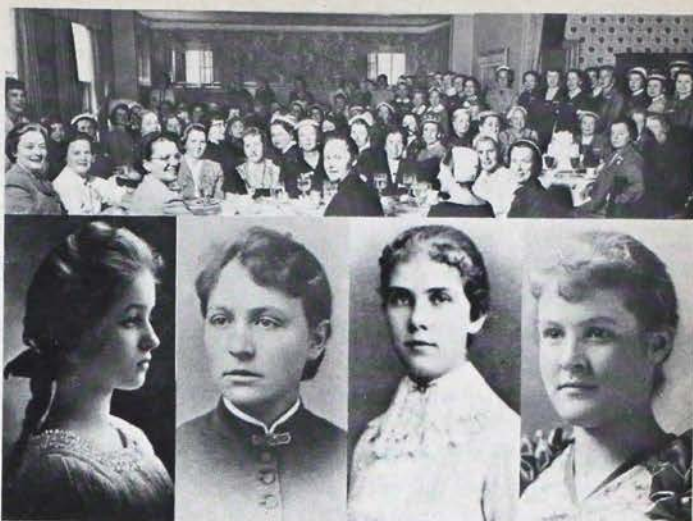
The chapter was asked to catalogue the cards for all nurses in Minnesota, a task which they accomplished with pride in just three weeks. They contributed to the Dorothy Canfield Fisher Fund for French war orphans; and they sewed chemises for those same orphans in the attic, which had been converted to a sewing room.

World War II brought similar emergency activities to the chapter, along with some more tangible necessities. Each girl was required to bring one cup of sugar to the house per month. Town girls were asked to eat at the house only twice weekly, due to the food shortage. Members were to bring fat and tin cans to the house for collections. Every Kappa signed up as a blood donor. Chi sold "warsages" (war stamp corsages) at the Homecoming football games.

After World War II, public awareness increased on campus, as it did across the nation. The university, itself, was bursting with new students, returning veterans, and new buildings. Organized activity reached its peak. There was Greek Week, during which all the Greek societies performed some sort of social service as well as had fun and entertainment. Homecoming activities greatly expanded, along with the university-sponsored Snow Week in the winter and Campus Carnival in the spring. "Formals," the housemother's tea, the dads' brunch and the mothers' tea were, by now, traditional. Annual chapter membership had grown during the war years to around 60. No longer were even the actives acquainted with each other in the intimate way that was possible earlier.

The chapter house was nearly 50 years old by the 1960s. Its capacity had been stretched to the limit. Strict rules of seniority determined which actives could live in. In 1962, a large house on an adjacent lot was purchased and remodeled for use as an annex, so that nearly half the chapter could be housed in the two buildings.

In the late 1960s, came the unrest caused by the Vietnam conflict and the drastically changing attitudes of students. This affected Chi, as it did the entire university community. Many students preferred to share an apartment off-campus than to live under the rules of the chapter house. It became difficult for the chapter to make ends meet financially. Not only had the influence of sororities and fraternities on the campus waned almost to the zero point over the past ten years, but those actives who remained faithful seemed to wish to conceal their loyalty. Keys were no longer worn as badges of honor and chapter rules were stretched in order to keep the chapter alive.



Top, diamond jubilee. Cleora Wheeler, Kate Bird Cross, Alice Hurd, and Mabel Fletcher Austin.

Alumnae, puzzled and distressed by the turn of events, watched and waited while other sororities were forced to rent their rooms to non-members—or disband altogether. There simply were not enough interested girls on the campus of 40,000 students to sustain 20 sororities. By 1972 only 14 remained.

Two years later, however, the tide turned. More quickly than the decline came the beginnings of a "Greek Revival." The desire for the kind of university life that sororities can offer had resurged. Traditional goals of friendship, unity and loyalty within the Fraternity were again actively being espoused.

It would appear that the future course of Chi will be a blending of the traditional and the adaptive. Begun by a small, socially-knit group of friends forming a club on a struggling, intimate campus, Chi must now provide a compatible and congenial fellowship for a comparatively few girls on an enormous campus of 300 buildings and over 41,000 students. Perhaps the Chi of old wanted and needed to establish their place in their world—a male-dominated community in which they, as intelligent women, were demanding an equal foothold. Today the university is a community in itself: its 70,000 students, faculty and personnel nearly equal the entire population of the Twin Cities in the spring of 1880 when Chi was chartered.

It may well be that Chi's existence is more viable today than ever before. It provides a commonality of spirit, a sisterhood, in which each member is able to preserve her individuality while seeking an identity among the multitude.

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Founded May 22, 1880
Closed Spring 1885
Reinstated August 5, 1897
Initiates 1299

Π_i

University of California at Berkeley
Berkeley, California
Established 1868

Charter Members:

Ella Florence Bailey, Belle Davis, Frances Mary Davis, Annie Caroline Edmonds, Anna Sevier Long, Nathaniel Northrup Ridge.

Pi Deuteron Charter Members:

Mary Elizabeth Bell, Edith Putnam Dart, Grace Esther Dibble, Elizabeth Florence Gray, Ella Aileen Guppy, Edith Valerie Henrici, Florence Elizabeth Mason, Ethelynd Harriet McClymonds, Alice Stuart Rising, Ruth Lawrence Rising, Gertrude May Scott, Blanche Roberta Terrill.

The parent university of the California complex was chartered by the state March 23, 1868. In 1880, at the time of Pi's founding, there were 213 men and 55 women students, and 36 on the faculty.

The 1930 *History of Kappa Kappa Gamma* records that Pi was established by Grand Charter from Epsilon, May 22, 1880, and in the spring of 1885 it came to an end. Its five years of life were marked by faculty and administration opposition; some lack of chapter harmony; difficulty in finding members among the few women enrolled; and complete isolation from other members and chapters of the Fraternity, as well as from Fraternity officers.

Before the charter was given up, and "reluctantly accepted" by the Council, 24 members had been initiated.

The chapter had been founded in an unorthodox fashion. Anna Long (Brehm) and Ella Bailey (Bruns), after a skim-through of *Baird's Manual*, applied to Kappa Alpha Theta for a charter which the Thetas refused to grant to a group with fewer than six members. The two girls acquired another foursome and then, after talking things over with some fraternity men, decided that a Kappa charter was what they wanted. The Theta charter arrived and was left in the express office for two weeks before it was returned. Then they applied for a Kappa Charter.

As if to contradict the impression that fraternity men had had anything to do with their decision, Pi's January, 1882, letter to *The Key* insisted, "We were aided by no counsels and urged forward by no promptings." The letter reported proudly that on June 2, 1880, the key was worn for the first time in California; that two seniors had been graduated; and that the four remaining members found themselves facing "strong, steady, quiet opposition."

The Golden Key of January, 1884, carried the only other Pi letter. The chapter sent greetings to all other chapters and expressed "wishes she could know them better." Better? Pi knew only Pi! The annual banquet had been held; Flora Beal had been chosen class essayist; and the first Pi wedding had been celebrated between Sarah Ellery and Fred Ostrander.

Although the ingredients were always available, it was more than 12 years later that a second Pi was produced on the Berkeley campus.

Pi Deuteron Chapter

Paradoxically the Kappa Alpha Theta charter which had gathered dust in the express office in 1880 when "Old Pi" was founded, returned to the Berkeley campus and was put to use seven years before Pi Deuteron was installed. It was 1893 when a group decided to apply for a Kappa charter and was approved by Beta Eta at Stanford University as well as original Pi

members, only to discover that another group had already applied. The second group persisted in its efforts, however, because of its Kappa sponsorship. While they waited, the girls formed a local society, called "Sorosis," under the patronage of the San Francisco Sorosis in 1894.

Grand Council was not eager to grant the new charter, thinking of convention expenses connected with far away California, and the former prejudices on the campus. In 1895 Bertha Richmond (Chevalier), Φ — Boston, grand secretary, wrote: "I feel that the increase in numbers would not add materially if at all to the strength of the Fraternity . . . I think that the Fraternity cannot afford another chapter in the Far West."

Two years later, as grand president, she reversed herself with: "I think that our Fraternity is neither so large, nor so strong, that it could not be benefited by the addition of a new strong chapter."

The installation and initiation provided joyous ceremonies for members of the first Pi, for sponsoring actives from Stanford, and for the charter members who had made Sorosis strong. Music by Schumann backed up the service which was conducted by Annabel Collins (Coe), BZ — Iowa, grand treasurer. Visitors, having been feted and taken up Mt. Tamalpais, were still surprised by the zeal of the rushing season in Berkeley, without the benefit of Panhellenic contract.

In October, 1897, *The Key* placed the good news of the reestablishment on its first page, and mentioned the University of California at Berkeley as "the great conservative college of the west."

In honesty, *The Key* mentioned that the nine college buildings on the beautiful site were "nothing of which to boast." But then the author, Mary Bell (Morwood), went on to boast of the 35 marble and stone buildings near completion and of the philanthropic woman, Mrs. Phoebe Hearst, who had just been added to the Board of Regents, who had established so many scholarships, and "who is about to give a large proportion of her fortune to us."

Students used the ferry to come over from San Francisco; other students lived in boarding and fraternity houses. It was easy to place the men students in their class rank. Freshmen carried new equipment; sophomores swung their canes; juniors wore battered white plug hats decorated with class and fraternity symbols; and the black silk hats of the seniors looked like "worn out accordions." They were often handed down from one class to the next.

Women's dress was less distinctive. In the beginning they had worn their mortar boards after their freshman year, but by 1897 this was outmoded. Some social events also were considered old fashioned. At the senior ball, which was still popular, the girls dressed in calling costumes and hats and danced only with "a few favored friends." The YMCA and the YWCA (a Pi member was a founder) were strong on campus. There was still feeling about coeducation, but popular girls could receive a number of invitations to men's fraternities on class day. White duck trousers and organdy dresses were everywhere and later there would be a general visit to Co-Ed Canyon for extemporaneous entertainment, then dinner and a glee club concert. Graduation was a let-down after the excitement of class day.

There was a marked difference between Stanford and the University of California. One was built on science and the other on the classic tradition, where Latin and Greek were common prerequisites and examinations were becoming more and more



(L) Helen Wills Moody (Roarke) and Hazel Hotchkiss Wightman teamed to win championship doubles as pictured in July 1931.

(R) Joan Draper and Patty Gooch at entrance to Pi chapter house 1960.

rigid. The women of Berkeley had been wearing their hats and gloves to class for 25 years — “as if they were visitors.” The Stanford girls were much amused. The Berkeley girls could relax only in the gymnasium or the ladies room.

In spite of their conservatism the Kappas of Pi Deuteron held important positions on the campus. And they had a three story house, owned by the patroness, the mother of a member. The house was known for two outstanding features, named for Sorosis members who did not live to see Kappa's reinstatement: the Alice Dewey Michaels Memorial Library and the Mabel Worthington Sullivan Memorial Art Collection. During their first term as a chapter a reception was given for Mrs. Hearst, and two members organized Prytanean, the women's honor society.

On April 18, 1906, at 5:13 a.m. the clocks and life of college, chapter, and homes stopped short. San Francisco was hit by an earthquake and fire. Students, released from classes, were active in relief work. This work continued into the summer, although the senior class came back for “quiet graduation exercises.”

Many chapter members lived at home and only a few lived in the house on Fulton Street. There was one move after another during the early years. One year there were no seniors; factions developed; scholarship and participation went down, although there were always a few outstanding members. Pi was lucky, too, in Kappa visitors and affiliates, girls like Cleora Wheeler, X — Minnesota, who was “like a chapter sister,” and Almira Johnson (McNaboe), H — Wisconsin, who many years later became a Fraternity vice president.

In 1912 a move was made to 2725 Channing Way, Pi's own house at last. It was the beginning of a turn for the better. Now there was harmony, unity, and accomplishment.

The 1920s were great years. The isolation of the early Pi was a thing of the past, distances were overcome. In 1925, 10 members went to Los Angeles to help install Gamma Xi.

Fraternity officers came from Pi regularly. Elizabeth Gray Potter was editor of *The Key* 1906 — 1910. She was also the librarian at Mills College and author of two books on San Francisco. Eva Powell and Eleanor V.V. Bennet were grand presidents and there were many province officers. Irene Hazard Gerlinger became a regent of the University of Oregon (1914-1929) and the women's building there was named in her honor.

Two members of Pi Deuteron were known the world over, and both were in the same field. One was Hazel Hotchkiss

Wightman, born in 1887 of pioneer California stock. She was a national tennis champion, donor of the Wightman Cup and several times captain of the team, author, and Kappa Achievement Award winner in 1947. The other was the Kappa she coached so successfully, Helen Wills Moody, Roarke, who won Kappa's Achievement Award in 1960. Together they won two Wightman Cup doubles matches, two U.S. championships, the tennis championship at the 1924 Olympic Games, and an all-England championship at Wimbledon. Helen Wills won the American championship each year from 1923-29 except 1926 when she didn't compete, and the Wimbledon title eight times. She wore white stockings in England because Queen Mary hated bare legs.

Much to the pleasure of California Kappas, the 1926 Convention took place at Mills College in Oakland. Nearly 700 attended the convention and those arriving on the special train from Chicago were given baskets of fruit and flowers as the train passed through Sacramento. Pi's Myrtle Sims Hamilton handled the funds so well that more than \$600 was turned over to the Fraternity Endowment Fund at the end of convention.

In 1925, at the time of the installation of Gamma Xi, there was an informal conference of the three California chapters, but the first real province convention was not until 1929 at Stanford.

In 1929, the chapter house was remodeled and refurnished downstairs. In 1949, the former home of Professor Gale on Piedmont Avenue became the chapter house. It was renovated and a two-story wing added.

In 1958, the Chicago Tribune announced that as the result of a survey the Berkeley campus was rated as one of the most distinguished in the nation. A report in *The Key*, Mid-Winter, 1960, stated, “The student at Berkeley has an ever-expanding, almost unlimited field of endeavor.” Said Tracy Innes (Stephenson) and Louise Dunlap, Pi actives and authors of the article, “A new student can be overwhelmed by the size and beauty of the campus . . . To be a student (here) is a wonderful privilege.”

It was not possible to obtain any history of Pi Deuteron after 1960. A note from the chapter public relations chairman said that she had consulted her adviser “. . . and she said that, though we have checked before, there isn't that much of which to speak . . . A newsletter is being planned to be sent to alumnae and parents,” she added.

Pi Deuteron was installing chapter for Epsilon Omicron Chapter at the University of California at Davis in February, 1975.



Founded November 25, 1880
Closed 1884
Reinstated May 1, 1925
Initiates 1205

Rho

Ohio Wesleyan University
Delaware, Ohio
Established 1842

Charter Members:

Belle Jane Allen, Harriet Ella Craig, Ida Eugenia Gard, Fannie Sands Glenn, Mary Temple Lawrence, Elizabeth Pinkerton, Bessie Rees, Isabella Runkle.

Rho Deuteron Charter Members:

Dorothy Rich Allen, Margaret Ketcham Anderson, Elizabeth Mary Ballard, Mary Kathryn Barnhart, Anne Kerns Booton, Augusta True Button, Kitty Cooper, Helen Louise Diehl, Martha Gertrude Dietrich, Frances Ellen Falke, Helen Hartinger, Justine Isabelle Heasley, Mary Stuart Hunt, Nila Gale Kirkpatrick, Kathryn McShane Kunkel, Louise Elizabeth Lynne, Mildred Sara Rideout, Edla Marion Scaife, Reland Schreel, Abigail Merrick Semans, Anne Newman Semans, Mary Emeline Spaulding, Ruth Leona Starr, Kathryn Agnes Thompson, Ruth Thorne.

Rho's story is one of remembering, of persistence in organizing and reorganizing, and of parallel organizations which finally got together.

In 1867 a group of young ladies attending Ohio Wesleyan Female College in Delaware, Ohio, started a society called Rho Sigma. This group, the only one of its kind, was strong enough and had sufficient backing to rent a room in the old American Hotel where its meetings and dances were held. Had this group survived and founded other chapters it would have been the first Greek letter fraternity for women, but it disappeared as two literary societies of the day grew in strength and prominence. Although not the direct forerunner of the original Rho Chapter, Rho Sigma was to play a part in the chapter's history later on.

It is not possible to accurately recount all the facts of the beginning of Rho Chapter. The accepted date of the actual establishment has long been November 25, 1880. Yet there is evidence that the chapter considered itself organized earlier than that. In the minutes of Epsilon, then Grand Chapter, it is noted that on April 23, 1880, the chapter voted to give permission "to the establishing of chapters at Oakland, California, and the Ohio Wesleyan." Also, the acceptance of an invitation to honorary membership in Rho Chapter from Lucy Webb Hayes, wife of United States President Rutherford B. Hayes, is dated December 1, 1880. Mary Lawrence Haviland's account of the story states: "When I went to Delaware they had a local chapter at Monnett Hall. Not being invited to join Delta Chi Alpha, I with the assistance of some others wrote to a chapter of Kappa Kappa Gamma for information and we finally received a charter. We did not have anyone come to install the chapter, but received papers and charter—I have forgotten what chapter we wrote to. At that time my father was Comptroller of the Treasury at Washington, and I conceived the idea of asking Mrs. Hayes to become an honorary member. So we wrote, and her secretary sent us her acceptance. Anything to get ahead of the other fraternity, and we certainly created some excitement."

A page from *The History of Kappa Alpha Theta* also dates the advent of Kappa Kappa Gamma on the Ohio Wesleyan campus to at least fall of 1880. It reads, "All went well until the fall of 1880, when the opening of college brought an unusual number of exceptional girls. Delta Chi Alpha, having no rival, calmly deliberated before bids were given, so it was a rude awakening when one winter day the exciting news was announced that Kappa Kappa Gamma had established a chapter at Ohio Wesleyan. Forthwith the Kappa key appeared on the stylish basques of 15 of the most promising girls."

Delta Chi Alpha petitioned and became a chapter of Kappa Alpha Theta, but the two nationals were short-lived on campus



May Day at Monnett Hall 1904.

for they monopolized the social life. This caused other students to threaten not to return to Wesleyan if the women's fraternities continued to exist. So the school faculty decided that no woman could belong to a secret society and both Kappa and Theta were forced to surrender their charters.

During its brief existence, Rho Chapter initiated 28 members. While these girls were in school a sub-rosa operation continued, with an initiation held even after the graduation of 1884. The Kappa convention that summer voted to withdraw Rho's charter, and the records were turned in.

For a number of years not even a local sorority existed at Wesleyan. Then in 1896 a group of eight girls who had just been graduated from Delaware High School decided to form a fraternity of their own rather than risk being separated by joining one of the two existing locals on the Wesleyan campus. The mother of Sally Humphreys, one of these girls, told them of the society to which she had belonged back in 1867 at the old Female College. The girls were intrigued with the tales and so, after thirty years, Rho Sigma came back to Ohio Wesleyan.

In the interval between old Rho Sigma and new Rho Sigma many interesting changes had taken place. The old Female College had joined the college proper, forming a coeducational institution, and many new buildings had been added to the campus. In this environment Rho Sigma flourished until in 1914 all social fraternities were voted out by the girls themselves.

Eight years passed before college sentiment changed. In February of 1922, the alumnae of three former groups returned and re-established their local fraternities. Lucile Leonard LeSourd, a member of Rho Sigma, was one of the most faithful workers for faculty recognition of these groups. Due largely to her efforts, the faculty consented to permit national fraternities for women to return to campus, thus lifting the ban of 1881. Mrs. LeSourd was one of 34 Rho Sigma alumnae who were later initiated into Kappa Kappa Gamma.

Within the three years from 1923 to 1926, 19 of the 21 Panhellenic Congress Fraternities installed chapters at Ohio Wesleyan.

The Kappa Convention of 1924 gave permission for Rho Sigma to present a formal petition. The petition was submitted January 10, 1925, and notification that the charter had been granted came on February 16. Initiation was delayed until May 1, so Rho Deuteron Chapter of Kappa Kappa Gamma was the 13th Panhellenic group installed at Ohio Wesleyan.

May Whiting Westermann, Σ —Nebraska, then national president, presided at the installation, with 170 Kappas present. The 25 charter members were made conscious of their relationship to the chapter of long ago when their new charter



Rho members at 1962 convention. Doll of Lucy Webb Hayes (Honorary P) donated by Elizabeth Volk (center top) and daughter Debbie (second from right row 1).

was handed by Mrs. Westermann to Fannie Glenn, a charter member of old Rho, who then presented it to Justine Heasley (Wagner), president of the new chapter.

In the early years the home of Sallie Reed Semans, mother of two chapter members, became Rho's headquarters. But by 1927 it was necessary for the chapter to rent rooms in town for their meetings and rush parties. The Kappas moved to various apartments until 1949, when a charming old stone house on West Winter Street was purchased with a loan from the Fraternity.

Since its re-establishment Rho has been concerned with building a close, congenial chapter. Classes often met for supper in the Kappa apartments, planned a variety of social functions, and even arranged house parties at summer cottages on Lake Erie.

Each decade presented different problems and challenges to the members. One of the hard problems of the thirties was the need for all sororities to retrench. The Depression affected all groups and many were forced to surrender their charters when their membership slipped dangerously low. Panhellenic proposed a strict pledge quota system, which helped some to equalize numbers. This pioneering action brought national recognition to the Ohio Wesleyan Panhellenic Council. Rho Chapter, though smaller in number as a result of the new system was able by frugal management to keep chapter dues at \$5.00 per girl per month. Actives were able to save from their own limited expense money the cost of a handsome blue and blue Kappa blazer. These Kappa jackets were introduced with great pride one spring morning at chapel, when the entire chapter inaugurated this campus first.

During the 1940s, as the country geared for war the campus experienced many changes. The Navy V12 program placed cadets at Wesleyan, and it became a familiar sight to see them march from their quarters in Stuyvesant Hall to classes on the main campus. Chapter life was more quiet and subdued. Rho members spent a great deal of time working with the recreational program at the Veteran's Hospital in nearby Chillicothe.

Following the war the campus experienced a construction boom as old buildings were replaced with more modern and up-to-date structures.

The chapter was growing too, and the house on West Winter Street was expanded with the aid of another loan from the Fraternity. A recreation-chapter room was added at the back of the house and the kitchen was remodeled. This beautiful addition and stunning redecorating made the house more suitable for chapter activities. Alumnae contributed funds for a woodburn-

ing fireplace in the chapter room dedicated "in loving memory of Sallie R. Semans—a loyal Kappa."

For fifty years Rho Deuteron Chapter has continued to be a vital part of the college community, winning its share of honors and distinctions. By 1970 Rho members could boast that more than 20 Kappas had served as president of the Association of Women Students; that the only two women editors of the campus newspaper, *The Transcript*, had been Kappas. Each year Kappas have been elected to honoraries and selected as beauty queens. One long-remembered year saw six Kappas "capped" Mortar Board—a proud moment.

Certain chapter traditions still continue. Among them are the annual Christmas party for faculty, the spring luncheon for mothers, and the "Poppa Poppa Gimmie" party on Dad's Day. Fun is combined with seriousness and Rho members continue to support the school in many ways. In 1974 Kappas participated in a telethon to alumni across the country in an effort to raise funds for the university.

It would be remiss not to mention the loyal, small band of Rho Deuteron alumnae who have served faithfully with the chapter: Sallie Reed Semans; Margaret "Skip" Leland Russell, who was membership adviser for more than 20 years; Edna Hall Russell; and Dorothy Welch May, who not only helped to furnish the house with her own possessions, but moved in as housemother on two occasions. Lola Warfel Manuel, I—De-Pauw, was another loyal adviser.

Members of Rho Deuteron who have served as field secretaries are Marilyn Newman, 1953-54; and Martha Galleher Cox, 1943-46.

Martha Cox has a distinguished record of Fraternity service. She was director of chapters, 1946-48 and 1970; chairman of graduate counselors, 1948-54; extension chairman, 1945-46; ritual chairman, 1956-66; and director of philanthropies, 1966-70.

Margaret Easton Seney, currently chairman of Kappa's History Committee, was Rehabilitation Services chairman, 1956-66; assistant chairman of the Centennial Committee, 1966-70; and director of philanthropies, 1970-72.

Even today there is a reminder of the past at the Rho Deuteron Chapter House. On the piano stands a beautiful antique doll, a replica of Lucy Webb Hayes, dressed like her counterpart in the Smithsonian in wine velvet ornamented with a tiny Kappa key. (The doll was presented to the chapter by two past presidents, Elizabeth Monaghan Volk and her daughter, Deborah Volk Cook.) She is a symbol of the past to the future of a fine chapter.

Nameless 17+

A chapter at Des Moines, Iowa, was early rumored, but not persistently enough to be called by a name and granted credence. The minutes of Delta, October 1, 1880, note: "Sister Lilly Adams was appointed to see about the Des Moines College." Early in 1881 Beta Gamma, Wooster, records: "It was moved that we lay the letter from Des Moines on the table." And in March, 1881, Wooster spoke again, "moved and carried that we grant the request to establish a chapter at Des Moines."

The 1882 Convention minutes: "voted to recall the charter

from Des Moines." From the report of Kappa Historian Elizabeth Gray Potter, II^A—California, 1904-1906 Proceedings: "In the minutes of an early convention (1882) we find that the motion was made and carried that the charter be withdrawn from the chapter at Des Moines. Was there really a Des Moines chapter? When was it established? How long did it exist? Who were the members? Letters were written . . . but in vain . . . we are still asking the question, 'Do you know anything about the Des Moines chapter?'"

A footnote (p. 29) in the *1870-1930 History* suggests that it may have been in Callanan College that Kappa attempted to establish a chapter. Callanan became part of Drake University in 1888, and I.C. Sorosis (Pi Beta Phi) had a chapter there from 1886-88.



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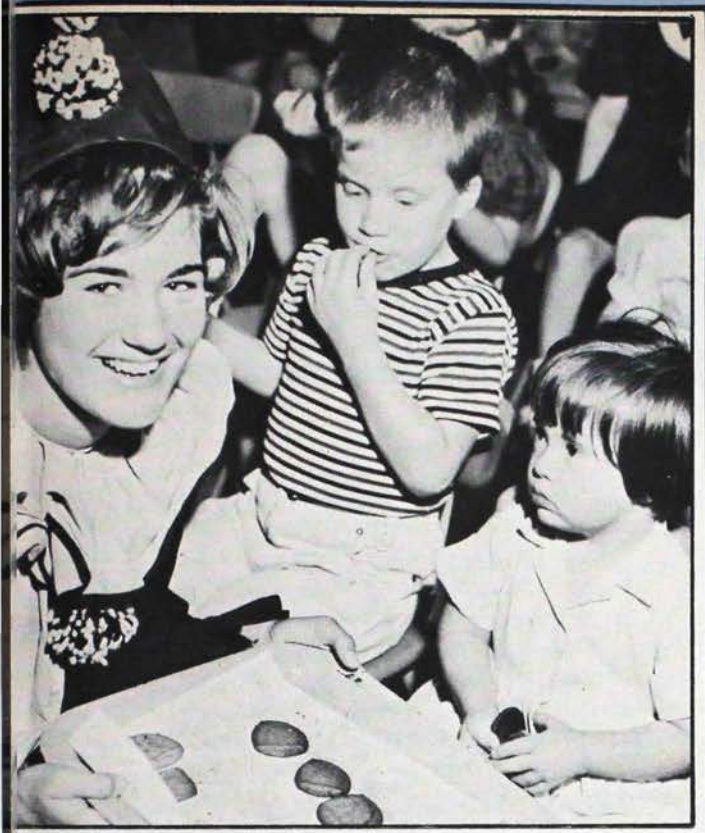


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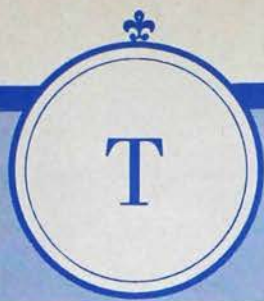


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6. BΨ War Work 1918 W.W.I.
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9. BIT's assist at CARE holiday booth

• we believe in the excellence

of human endeavor and the joy of serving •



Founded Fall 1881
Closed 1882 Convention
Initiates 6

Tau

Lasell Seminary
Now Lasell Junior College
Auburndale, Massachusetts
Established 1851

Charter Members:

Fannie L. Baker, Grace Woods Fibley, Jessie Joy MacMillan, Emily S. Peabody, Cora M. Putman, Carrie Helen Wallace.

Lasell was the last seminary in which the Fraternity placed a charter. Tau, so briefly there, was the first chapter east of Ohio. It is listed in the 1881 Convention. Mention of Tau is made in the minutes of a number of chapters, and its forfeited charter is in the national archives.

Epsilon, the Grand Chapter at that time, had granted the Tau charter. The 1880-1881 Annual Report lists the charter members and notes "This chapter was established in June, 1881, by Gamma Chapter" (renamed Beta Gamma).

One of the charter members, Carrie Wallace Hussey, wrote in 1898: "... while I was at school (we) thought it would be

nice to start such a club . . . The constitution of one of the Ohio chapters was sent to us and two or three pins . . . just to see the design . . . I have always felt guilty that . . . we let the matter drop. . . ." Jessie Macmillan wrote in 1908, "My remembrance . . . is rather vague . . . I do not recall being initiated." Grace Fibley Pennell wrote, "Expense and lack of enthusiasm . . . prevented the development of Tau chapter . . . after two meetings the charter was returned to Delaware, Ohio."

At the 1882 convention it was voted to recall the charter. The members were to wear their pins and remain Kappa Kappa Gammas, so the names on the charter are in the Kappa directory and Tau Chapter is recognized as having existed.



Founded June 9, 1881
Initiates 1209

Kappa

Hillsdale College
Hillsdale, Michigan
Established 1844

Charter Members:

Viola Juliet Augir, Harriet Knight, Maria Mills, Lora June Reynolds, Elizabeth Anna Rowley, Ella Van Aken.

Kappa chapter began June 9, 1881, at Hillsdale College, with six charter members. Curiously, there are two charters in the archives, one with the name Upsilon on it, crossed off, and Kappa written in. (The present Upsilon was chartered in 1882 at Northwestern University. When the Hillsdale chapter was named Kappa, it was "given the name of a chapter now deceased." There is no trace of the original Kappa; it might have been at Aledo, Illinois, a few miles from Monmouth.)

The Fraternity in 1881 was only 11 years old and had been diligently planting chapters, especially at church-related mid-west colleges, even though there was an unfavorable attitude toward the secret society. But where other chapters did not, Kappa chapter did survive, and gained in strength and respect. From the beginning, Hillsdale has accepted women as equal to men, and it was the first college in Michigan to grant a woman an academic degree. Life in this Free Will Baptist college was austere, lady principals were vigilant, and rules were strict; yet its tolerance and warmth made the early graduates recall their college years as "their happiest years."

The expressed purpose of the chapter was "to gain moral, spiritual, and social development commensurate with the intel-

lectual, and social development commensurate with the intellectual training supplied by the college." The faded ink and the scattered notes of the first meetings, in members' homes or rooms, tell of readings from Macauley, Shakespeare, George Eliot, and Elizabeth Barrett Browning. The programs were much like those offered by the Ladies Literary Union or the Germanae Sodales, the women's branches of the five literary societies, which for years had dominated the campuses.

At an early chapter meeting four friends were invited to be members, and at the next meeting they were pledged and initiated. There was no rush, no pledge training, and not until 1900 was there a time lapse between pledging and initiation.

The chapter archives are full of interest: the two charters, the minute books, the roster of initiates. A founder's key is worn by the chapter president, other officers wear other members' keys, and other badges are kept in the archives. Older members may be able to identify a slender "Shreve" key made in San Francisco and another one, the "Wright" key, made by Auld jewelers, as well as the familiar "Burr-Pat" badge. A parchment scroll beautifully inscribed by an alumna with the initiation ritual is a special treasure.

The small chapter was happy to acquire what it called "rooms" (one room and a closet) on the fourth floor of East

Hall, the girls' dormitory. The Pi Beta Phi had space there too, and both used an old square piano. Not until about 1915 was a house rented, and the present house, which is owned by the college, was not acquired till the 1920s, when the college bought two old houses and turned them over to the two sororities to put in good condition. Alumnae groups called on members all over the country for help, raised money locally, borrowed on collateral put up by the women themselves, struggled with plans, assembled furniture, and succeeded in establishing gracious, comfortable homes. Twenty-two girls live in the Kappa house, and it is the gathering place for the chapter of 50 or more.

There have been many changes, of course; the tempo of life has quickened. The actives have assumed their share of campus activities and keep pace academically, winning a gratifying number of awards for excellence in scholarship and leadership. Alumnae find the chapter in general mature and aware of the world off campus.

The forerunner of the province convention, the sub-convention, met at Hillsdale in May, 1885, with only Xi and Kappa chapters involved. Hillsdale was again hostess in 1901 to six Michigan and Ohio chapters. Now in Delta Province (then it was Beta), Hillsdale serves when her turn comes, each time enjoying working together and welcoming delegates and officers to the meeting. Earlier this had seemed a formidable task for a small group in a small town. Seven 50-year members were honored in 1955, and in 1967 the meeting space and living quarters of the Dow Leadership Center made preparations much easier.

Kappa chapter members who have served nationally are Mary Frances Ball Mauck and Harriette Rice (Bates), grand treasurers, and Harries Pasmore (Hiltabidle), co-organizer to Gamma Tau chapter.

Frances Mauck was the chapter's first initiate and its first delegate to the national convention which elected her grand treasurer. Her husband, Joseph W. Mauck, became president of Hillsdale in 1902, and many Kappa alumnae remember the Mauck home as the focal point of campus social activities, and especially the Kappa breakfasts at Commencement to honor the graduates and welcome returning alumnae. In time the three Mauck daughters became Kappas, and their son's wife wears the key. Many years later three granddaughters were initiated with the key which university President Mauck gave his wife after she lost her first one.

After Frances Mauck's death the Board of Women Commissioners of Hillsdale College raised funds for a residence hall for women named in her honor. Her daughter, Ruth Mauck Wolrath, gave time and counsel to the chapter until her death in 1947, and granddaughter Doris Wolrath Fried-



Kappa chapter 1887.

richs was honored with a memory book and an antique gold bracelet at the 1972 Homecoming for her many contributions to the chapter.

An addition is now being made to the beloved Kappa house, and the college, which holds title, is constantly helpful. The relationship between the college and its fraternities is an indication of the distinctive atmosphere on the Hillsdale campus. Visitors from huge universities would find this a different sort of world. Hillsdale is no longer a church-related college but some of the early atmosphere lingers on in the spare old buildings, facing a tree-shaded campus. The Victorian tower of Central Hall, which replaced an older burned building, has symbolized Hillsdale for a hundred years. On the other side of the old buildings are new ones around a quadrangle, providing a harmonious modern complex.

Hillsdale remains an independent private college, accepting no Federal aid, a stand which has received empathetic expressions from many individuals and foundations. The college has received several awards from the Freedoms Foundation, based in Valley Forge.

The enrollment in the early 1970s was about 1100 students. (There were approximately 475 in 1881). The trustees feel this is a desirable number for a small college in which students want to stand out as individuals in a college community. There is room for personal relationships with other students, with faculty, and with administration. Students come from the entire country to Hillsdale, and from other lands, for here they can receive individual attention, especially in English.

Kappa Chapter feels itself fortunate to be on a campus where it is accepted as a part of the fine institution and has flourished more than 90 years.

(L to R) A campus landmark. Chapter rooms before 1900. Banquet with Freshmen in back and upperclassmen in front. Chapter members before 1900.





Beta Beta

Founded September 26, 1881
Closed 1903
Reinstated October 16, 1915
Initiates 1175

St. Lawrence University
Canton, New York
Established 1856

Charter Members:

Harriet C. Bugbee, Adella Jerusha Church, Nellie E. Folsom, Campbellina Wood Gaines, Alice J. Grace, Georgetta Bacheller Hale, Lucia Heaton, Annette Homer, Florence Josephine Lee, Gertrude Lottie Lee, Isabel Maxwell, Evelyn Heaton Pink, Clara Weaver.

Beta Beta Deuteron Charter Members:

Dorothy Aldridge, Eleanor Aldrich, Ruth P. Atwood, Frances Bird, Helen G. Crisler, Adeline Drake, Madeline Gilchrist, Adelaide Jamieson, Marjorie McNish Laidlaw, Marie Lalone, Mildred Lalone, Marion Lauer, Elaine Manley, Adelaide McAllister, Caroline McAllister, Louise Osgood, Hazel Overacker, Doris Perry, Margie Potter, Marion Race, Esther Radcliffe, Alice Reynolds, Beatrice Reynolds, Louise M. Reynolds, Ida Singlehurst, Lottie Southworth, Maleska Spears, Mary Ruth Vilas.

"Between the hours of twelve and one on Monday, September 20, 1875, Misses Weeks, Weaver, Jones, Church, Stickles, and Bacheller met in Room 11, second floor College Hall and became the founders of the Browning Society."

Thus read the minutes of the first organized meeting of the first women's society at St. Lawrence University. The society took its name from the poet, Elizabeth Barrett Browning, and took for its aims self-improvement and demonstration of women's equal capacity and fitness for intellectual advancement. No men were allowed to take part in any strictly society enterprise.

The society first met at members' homes but soon felt the need for a permanent meeting place and applied for a room in a college building. When the request was not immediately granted, a small room was rented in one of the business blocks in town on March 4, 1876. It was not until 1880 that the society moved into a college building, so it was here that traditions and customs originated. Here the members formulated the earliest St. Lawrence University "honor code" embodied in a series of resolutions against cheating and started the custom of the May Breakfast, now called Strawberry Breakfast.

In 1881, at the unsolicited invitation of Kappa Kappa Gamma, the Browning Society became Beta Chapter of the Fraternity (given the name of the defunct Beta—St. Mary's School, Knoxville, Illinois), and Kappa soon found that it had added to its ranks a flourishing, original, and energetic chapter, rich in ritual, insignia, and songs. Athena, the goddess of the Brownings, with her owl, became the watchful guardian of the whole Fraternity. The Fraternity call, the heraldic shield, much of the ritual, and many songs were also adopted.

The seventh convention of the Fraternity is of special interest. It was held in Canton, New York, during August,

1884. Beta, already known for its original songs as "the singing chapter," was chosen to publish the first Kappa Kappa Gamma songbook.

Beta was again honored at the convention of 1890, in Bloomington, Illinois, when Lucy Evelyn Wight (Allan) was elected grand president while still a senior at St. Lawrence University. At this time, Beta was redesignated Beta Beta.

In 1898 the Fraternity, feeling that chapters of Kappa Kappa Gamma should be confined to large colleges and universities, began to put this policy into effect by voting to withdraw the Beta Beta charter. The members of the chapter objected, and, unable to convince the Grand Council of their right to continue operating under their charter, referred the matter to the courts. Much feeling resulted from the controversy, and in 1903 Beta Beta ceased to be known as an active chapter and was reorganized as Zeta Phi, a local fraternity.

The chapter continued to maintain its high standing. Members lived in their own club house, the first owned by a women's fraternity at St. Lawrence, occupied by them from the fall of 1900, and purchased by the St. Lawrence Alumnae of Kappa Kappa Gamma.

In May of 1914, Zeta Phi, wishing to enter a national organization and not wishing to give up the loyal Kappa alumnae, petitioned Kappa for a charter, and in April, 1915, the petition was granted by vote of the Grand Council, chapters, and alumnae associations. Installation took place the following October. In December of 1915 the chapter held its customary meeting with the alumnae, at which time the new active chapter was presented with the original charter of Beta. It had never been surrendered.

At the 1920 Convention of the Fraternity, Beta Beta Deuteron presented a petition asking special permission to initiate members who had joined the chapter, whatever its name, between the years 1898 and 1915. It was an unprecedented request but it was impressive. The strong appeal of the chapter was supported by the Grand Council and by letters from Charlotte Barrell Ware, Φ —Boston; Beta Beta's Lucy Evelyn Wight Allan; and Jean Nelson Penfield, I—DePauw; all former grand presidents. A stirring speech by Tade Hartsuff Kuhns, M—Butler, first grand president, brought about a favorable vote of the convention, and dispensation was granted.

In October, 1920, 26 Zeta Phis were initiated as Kappas and from time to time after that other Zeta Phis were also made Kappa members.



Winning 1960 Winter Carnival ice statue.

With the increase of student activities came a decidedly feminist feeling on the St. Lawrence campus. Largely responsible were four Kappas—Emily Eaton Hepburn, 1886; Lucia Heaton, 1879; Florence Lee Whitman, 1882; and Grace Lynd, 1893—the only women trustees of the university. A director of women's athletics was engaged in 1926 and since then all sports and play-days have been open to women.

During the next years St. Lawrence entered upon a period of expansion. New buildings were begun, the campus was landscaped. The Campbellina Pendleton Gaines Out-Door Theatre was erected by Owen D. Young, 1894, in honor of the chap-

ter's beloved alumna who had been interested in dramatics.

Extensive remodeling of the house, including front porch removal and extension of the wings, was begun in 1941. Final renovations were completed in 1967, which left the house as it is today.

The giving of Thanksgiving baskets to needy families started in 1949 is still continued.

In 1963 Alpha Province Convention saw Beta Beta⁴ as host chapter, and the spirit of the original, energetic chapter prevails today.

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Founded April 18, 1882
Initiates 1814

Upsilon

Northwestern University
Evanston, Illinois
Established 1851

Charter Members:

Anna M. Boyle, Grace Little, Minnie Louise Scott, Katharine Lucinda Sharp, Lucy Katharine Wood.

"In 1882 there was at Northwestern only one women's fraternity, Alpha Phi. During the winter several freshmen conceived the idea of starting a chapter of a rival fraternity, and the result was Upsilon chapter of Kappa Kappa Gamma." So wrote an early Upsilon historian. One of those freshmen, Anna Boyle Brown, had learned of fraternities through her brother, a Butler graduate, and together they wrote Kappa's Grand President Tade Hartsuff (Kuhns), M—Butler, a good friend of Clarence Boyle's, about forming a chapter at Northwestern.

The president wrote back: the Fraternity would be glad to enter Northwestern and she was satisfied with Anna's selection of members. The oath of secrecy was forwarded and on its return the constitution was sent. On the evening of April 18, 1882, Anna read the constitution and initiation ceremony to her chosen four and administered the oath of secrecy. The bylaws of Mu were read and taken as a model for Upsilon. Within a month four more girls were initiated.

By the end of the first decade membership was reported as 11 actives and 11 pledges. Meetings, which first took the form of literary and social gatherings, were held in private homes and later in "Upsilon Hall," rented space over a local drugstore. "At homes" and receptions were held, there was an annual spring party, and the first alumnae reunion took place during the 13th national convention in 1896, over which Katherine Sharp, Upsilon charter member, presided as grand president. Miss Sharp held two doctorates and a law degree.

In 1897 chapter meetings were held weekly in Woman's Hall on the campus. Upsilon member Carla Sargent (Fisk) was grand secretary 1896-1900, and during this time she designed the Sigma in Delta which later became the pledge pin.

The turn of the century minutes are full of participation in campus activities, selection for academic and social honors, annual dances and parties, and even trips to Urbana, Illinois, for the Northwestern-Illinois football game.

In those days of close ties and short distances, alumnae kept in touch. Time after time alumnae took part in initiations and chapter functions, and by 1904 there is mention of affairs planned for the chapter by the alumnae association. Nearby conventions were enthusiastically attended and in 1906 Upsilon

was represented by 19 actives and alumnae at the Madison, Wisconsin, convention. Places prominent today in Evanston social life were mentioned in the early years of the 20th century: chapter luncheons at Marshall Fields', Senior Farewells at Ravinia, parties at the Kenilworth Club, and a house party at Macatawa, Michigan. It took a whole page of the minutes book to record all the honors and chapter activities of 1906, and each marriage is duly registered along with an occasional athletic score.

During 1914-1918, World War I had an effect on chapter activities. The minutes record: a "clothing for Belgian children" drive, a "less expensive party so that money could be donated to worthy causes," . . . War Bond drives, and a donation to the Prisoners of War Fund . . . "Nancy Knight (Slight) is head of the Red Cross Shop of the University. Here many of us spend our leisure hours and find it quite worthwhile." However, a semi-normal campus life is indicated, with rushing parties, football games and summer house parties. After the Armistice in the fall of 1918 the influenza epidemic ground activities to a standstill. There were severe restrictions on campuses across the country for many weeks.

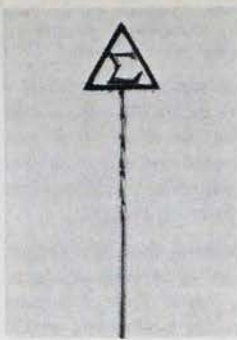
Another Upsilon Kappa, Sara Harris Rowe, was grand president 1920-1922. She had been the Fraternity's first grand vice president, charged with the supervision of alumnae interests. She was directly responsible for the Bas-Meudon



Upsilon about 1888.



Carla Sargent Fisk, designer of Greek words and form later adopted as pledge pin. Stick pin given to her by Katharine Sharp (also Y) 1894, grand president.



post-war Kappa project through her correspondence with Dorothy Canfield Fisher, BN—Ohio State, who was living in France during World War I.

Records of 1921 say that "future generations living in the house will find it hard to realize the thrill we all had when the battle to be allowed to build houses was at last won, and the enthusiasm with which we undertook money-raising activities." The next years were full of this effort, led by Isabel Drew Fowler, and in September 1927 the present chapter house, 1871 Orrington Avenue, was occupied by 27 girls. Mrs. Fowler, lifetime contributor to Northwestern, to Kappa, and to her community, died in 1973 at the age of 100.

The 1930s saw much campus participation, increasing success in academics, and the beginnings of large chapters with pledge classes of 30. Alpha at Monmouth was reestablished under the direction of Upsilon Joyce Snider (Heaton) who left Northwestern to head up the colonization.

World War II found most girls enrolled in defense courses. Campus events were cancelled, nearby military men were entertained, funds were raised for war bond purchases. Shortage of materials wiped out floats, decorations and campus theatricals. Nurses' aide duty was performed at Evanston Hospital, USO volunteer staffs were manned, blood banks were supplied.

After the war life returned to normal. The next years were full of success for Upsilon; the chapters on the campus grew

larger, their activities more diverse. By 1953 chapter elections were held by class caucus, a system still used successfully by Upsilon. By 1964, with a pledge class of 32 and 78 in the active chapter, a brand new addition allowed 60 girls to live in the house.

The late 1960s and early 1970s were characterized by comparatively abrupt and progressive change. The Greek system at Northwestern was under great pressure, its very existence in question. By 1970 only four sororities, Kappa included, were attaining pledge quota, and four others relinquished their charters. The over two-thirds of undergraduate women who had been sorority members diminished to less than one-third in the early 1970s. Local autonomy, the self-governing of each living unit, became the biggest issue at Northwestern, as the university withdrew all controls in university-owned housing. In addition, the university requested all Greek organizations to become fully self-governing, independent of alumnae and/or national control. Furthermore, each organization was asked to state in writing that no discriminatory practices concerning race, color or creed, were employed in membership selection. With the aid of the Kappa Fraternity Council, Upsilon chapter was able to satisfy each university request.

Life styles within the chapter house were naturally affected by the many changes witnessed throughout the campus. Complete internal harmony was not always possible as each active evaluated the relative meaningfulness of her fraternity affiliation. Fortunately Upsilon remained strong, emerging with an honorable mention award for chapter-Advisory Board relations in 1968, a best all-around chapter award at province convention in 1969, and a scholarship award at the 1970 Centennial Convention.

Current chapter minutes see Upsilon as more than holding its own, and the last registrar's notes have stated it well: "Upsilon is on the UP this year." Once again there is talk of campus participation for the fun of it. However, academic pressures at Northwestern make scholarship a prime concern of the chapter. Upsilon's average is 3.5 of a possible 4.0.

Upsilon looks forward to many more successful years of contribution to Northwestern and to Kappa.



Founded May 2, 1882
Initiates 1363

Beta Zeta

University of Iowa
Formerly State University of Iowa
Iowa City, Iowa
Established 1847

Charter Members:

Belle Ross Andrews, Flora Clapp, Lucia Goodwin, Jane Hanford, Agnes Louise Hatch, Sarah Loring, Imogene Mitchell, Mary Paine, Ellen Rawson, Anna Zoe Ross, Gertrude Wheaton.

The State University of Iowa, as it was then known, was in its 35th year when, in the spring of 1882, 11 girls petitioned for and received a charter from Kappa Kappa Gamma. The new chapter was given the name Zeta for the closed chapter at Rockford Seminary, and the prefix Beta was added in 1890 to indicate that the Iowa City group was the second chapter to be called Zeta.

It was the second sorority to appear on campus. The first was a chapter of I. C. Sorosis, later known as Pi Beta Phi.

Chancellor Ross, head of the law school and father of two Kappas, formally introduced the chapter at a large party in his home on March 2, 1883. It was called "the event of the season and reflected great credit on the Kappa girls."

Gertrude Wheaton (Reamer), the only Kappa graduating in 1883, ended a very successful year for the new chapter by being chosen a Commencement speaker. Those so honored "delighted their friends and relatives at the graduation exercises by their elegant endeavors, showing off the knowledge and general culture acquired at college."

In 1884 the chapter followed the initiative of a number of men's fraternities and rented a furnished room in one of the downtown office buildings. Soon "Kappa Parlor," as the meeting place was called, became too expensive to maintain. The Beta Zetas solved the problem by sharing a room with Phi Delta Theta. The Phi Deltas lighted the fire and put the rooms in order for Kappa meetings, and received in exchange the use of the furniture and \$15 annually toward the rent. This arrangement continued for about 10 years.

During the next decade, 1887-1897, university enrollment increased from 571 to 1,334 and membership in fraternities and sororities also grew. The Kappa chapter attempted to form a Panhellenic organization with Delta Gamma and Pi Beta Phi in 1888.

Beta Zeta morale was boosted when, at the 1894 Convention, Annabel Collins (Coe) was elected grand treasurer, an office she held until 1900.

A Phi Beta Kappa chapter was established at Iowa in 1896 and four Beta Zetas were elected to membership.

During the 1898-1899 school year, chapter houses appeared on the Iowa campus. The Kappa "house" consisted of the second floor of a boarding house, a separate table in the dining room, and another room downstairs used as a chapter room. It was not until 1909 that the chapter rented an old house. It held all but five members, who lived a block away at the Kappa Annex.

In 1904 a fourth sorority, Delta Delta Delta, arrived at Iowa and the four groups enjoyed many pleasant social exchanges. In 1910 other groups appeared and, after World War I, with a large increase in enrollment, sororities increased to the 17 chapters that continue today, 1975.

A custom was initiated during the 1913-14 school year when town alumnae were urged to attend at least one meeting a month. The first Monday of each month the president, treasurer, and one other member met with an Advisory Board of the alumnae. That same year, by incorporating itself, the chapter took the first step toward launching a campaign to finance a new chapter house.

The university adopted the policy in 1914 that freshmen women, with the exceptions of sisters of sorority members, could not be pledged before they had sophomore standing. So in the fall of 1914, sororities at Iowa prepared for an entire year of rushing without pledging. In 1915 the rule was changed to allow pledging at the end of the first semester.

Marjorie Coast (McLain), in a Beta Zeta history, describes the chapter's World War I activities: "Convention has been postponed . . . and the money . . . is to be given to the Kappa Relief Committee. Following the good example, we gave up the Founders Day Banquet and bought a Liberty Bond instead . . . Wednesday nights were spent in the Red Cross Shop making surgical dressings. Most of the girls have won crosses. We have adopted a French orphan of our own who addresses her letters to 'Monsieur Kappa Kappa Gamma' and we also have a share in the support of one adopted by Eta Province."

In the summer of 1925, after moving a number of times, the chapter built the present-day house on the corner of Washington and Lucas Streets, not far from the campus. Eight of the original 16 double rooms were later converted to triples, raising the house capacity to 40 girls.

By the 1930s many of the university's present-day activities and honor organizations had appeared. Kappas were active in all: Mortar Board, Phi Beta Kappa, Alpha Lambda Delta,

honorary professional fraternities, Orientation Council, Union Board, Highlanders, and Seals.

In addition, old traditions were continued. Anita Hopkins Mercer wrote in 1930, "The University Homecoming in the fall and Founders Day Banquet in May are the chief occasions for gathering back the 'old' girls, and in connection with the latter comes one of Beta Zeta's cherished customs . . . a Powder and Patch Banquet. The first mention . . . comes in 1902 when over 40 active and alumnae Kappas sat at the banquet table, making a very pretty sight, for the girls wore their hair powdered and had their cheeks rouged." "

Scholarship wasn't neglected. Beta Zeta, as hostess chapter to the 1937 Province Convention, could brag that it had won the scholarship cup for that year and expected to win it (and did) again in 1938. Jannes Savery (Westerfield), who had the only woman's role on the NBC program recognizing the 91st anniversary of the State of Iowa, was typical of the outstanding girls then in Beta Zeta Chapter.

Came the 1940s and Kappas were still campus leaders with girls like Barbara Kent (Greenleaf) who was Honorary Cadet Colonel, president of Mortar Board, chairman of Orientation Council, and secretary of the Union Board.



Kappa drummers and bagpipers of BZ 1956.

With Pearl Harbor, Iowa became a war school with an accelerated academic program. The chapter was active in the Double V Program of hospital and Red Cross, University Women's Association, and YWCA. There were few men on campus, but social life was not neglected. There were open-house events for pre-flight cadets, meteorologists, and faculty members.

Scholarship was high. In the 1944-1945 college year Beta Zeta received the distinguished Scholarship Cup for the highest point average, a 3.002, ever made by any sorority at Iowa. After three consecutive wins this cup became a permanent possession.

The first annual Greek Week Banquet was given in 1950-1951, and on the basis of scholarship, fraternity and campus leadership, and personality, Kappa Helen Hays (Lodwick) was selected the first "Most Outstanding Greek Woman of the Year."

Four years of first-place scholarship brought another cup to the trophy case.

In 1956 Iowa went to the Rose Bowl game, and the strains of "California Here I Come" floated through the Kappa house as many Kappas, spectators, rooters, and Highlanders packed to head for the West Coast.

Many Kappa beauty queens graced the campus during those years. The 1958-1959 year began with two Kappas as runners-up for Miss Perfect Profile. Homecoming weekend, Kappas reigned as Dolphin Queen and Miss SUI (State University of Iowa). During Greek Week, an attendant and the Interfraternity Pledge Queen were Kappas. Then a former Interfraternity Queen became an attendant to the Honorary Cadet Colonel. These lovelies, plus many fraternity sweethearts, helped earn the Beta Zetas a reputation for both beauty and brains.

In 1965, the Scholarship Cup was again won; the Kappas with the Sigma Nus took first place in University Sing; and plans were completed for an addition of ten rooms to the chapter house. Now 52 members could be housed.

Homecoming, 1967, brought numerous awards to the chapter with Ellen Wright (Gassin) crowned Dolphin Queen. Kappa and Sigma Pi earned the trophy for beautiful float-building.

There were additional honors in 1968 when Beta Zeta was named first scholastically, and Pat Henderson became "Most Outstanding Greek Woman of the Year." That spring the

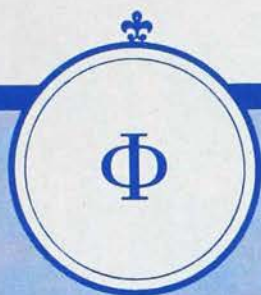


Chapter house of BZ.

chapter began what it hoped would become a tradition . . . a chapter retreat, "Spring Thing," at the city park . . . with a picnic, games, and a serious discussion on chapter unity.

The 1970s brought changes to the Iowa campus, including a resurgence of interest in the Greek system.

The Kappas of Beta Zeta Chapter remain campus leaders, and the spirit, loyalty, and sisterhood that began in 1882 continues today.



Founded May 10, 1882
Closed 1971
Initiates 853

Phi

Boston University
Boston, Massachusetts
Established 1869

Charter Members:

Mary Hammond, Helen Joy, Lucia Rosella Peabody, Lillian Price.

Lucia Peabody was Phi's first president and Jessica Mitchell the last. Jessica wrote in the fall, 1971, issue of *The Key*, "The decision to surrender the charter . . . serves to dramatize the problems many chapters all over the country are facing . . . the number of those going through rush declined at a steady rate while hostility toward the Greek system increased . . . the decision whether or not to continue had to be made . . . we had a responsibility to our heritage . . . and so we made the only decision we thought we could." A 50 year member said, "When I got the announcement saying Phi had died, I felt as if I had lost my oldest friend."

Boston University was founded in the historic city of Boston, Massachusetts, in 1869. Its first department was the Theological Seminary. Today most of the campus is located on the Charles River on Commonwealth Avenue. Just across the river are the campuses of Harvard and Massachusetts Institute of Technology. Boston University is one of the oldest and largest metropolitan universities in the country.

When Adelaide Dean (Child), Eta, left Madison, Wisconsin, for Boston, Massachusetts, she decided she must have a Kappa Kappa Gamma chapter there. On May 10, 1882, at 20 Beacon Street, the four charter members she selected heard her read the constitution and the oath of initiation. Social, literary, and business meetings held later at the Woman's Club at 5 Park Street, inspired a statement to *The Golden Key*: "A season of bliss over our new chapter room. The perfect delight of sitting under one's own vine and fig tree . . . the room has added much to our interest in society."

In 1884, Phi initiated its only honorary member, Julia Ward Howe, one of the country's most prominent women "who stood for educational and social progress of women and nobility of womankind." Her poem *The Battle Hymn of the Republic* was set to the music of *John Brown's Body* and remains today one of the nation's most patriotic songs. She spoke before many Kappas in her tours about the country, wrote a poem for the 1890 Convention and was an inspiration to the young women of the Fraternity.

When the 1886 Convention made publication of *The Key* Phi's duty, Emma Cooper (Adams) was editor-in-chief. Other Phi chief editors were Margaret Bradford (Hildreth), Margaret Dodge, Alexandrine Chisholm (Hager), Ella Titus, and Mary Kingsbury (Simkhovitch), the internationally famous social economist.

At the 1890 Convention, Mary Kingsbury (Simkhovitch) was made chairman of a planning committee for the first Panhellenic Convention. Called to order by Phi chapter on April 15, 1891, Lucy Evelyn Wight (Allan), BB—St. Lawrence, was elected the first president. Julia Ward Howe, Mary Kingsbury, and representatives from seven other women's fraternities received guests at the formal reception.

During World War I the chapter "adopted" a French war orphan, nursed at the Massachusetts General Hospital, bought Liberty Bonds, and knitted. In 1921, a French *soiree* was given and money raised for the European Aid Fund. A scholarship, to be held by a Phi member, was financed by Carlota Tirrell de Tomas.

A larger apartment was taken in 1921 and a permanent house fund was created in 1922.



(L to R) Charlotte Barrell Ware, Grand President 1884. Phi Chapter 1884. Bea Woodman, chapter adviser for years and recipient of French Legion of Honor Medal.

In 1922, Phi sponsored another chapter for New England, Gamma Lambda at Middlebury College in Middlebury, Vermont.

Sororities were no longer able to rent apartments during the Depression, membership dropped, and some gave up charters. Alumnae from a number of women's Greek letter groups rented a house at 131 Commonwealth Avenue from Boston University. Elsie Putney Ericson, a Kappa, was the first to step foot in the house that was proof for 35 years of the Panhellenic spirit thriving during the 1940s, 1950s and 1960s.

By 1967, the house was feeling the effects of student unrest. In the fall of 1970, the university's Panhellenic was in chaos, and in 1972 the house was sold by the university.

The pamphlet, *The House Across The Street*, which tells the touching, impressive success and failure story of 131 Commonwealth Avenue, ends, "Sororities had served the university well . . . and had helped generations of girls to become leaders and scholars . . . Today the sorority women of Boston University are probably its most loyal alumnae . . . Although it is doubtful that the values of sorority life will ever again be realized at this great, crowded, liberal university, the 131 Corporation cannot quite believe that there is not a possibility of revival, so it is leaving a door ajar . . . any time within the next 20 years . . . the house across the street was the scene of a noble experiment in Panhellenic endeavor . . ." This was written by Anne H. Rich, Sigma Kappa Fraternity, Boston University.

Early Phi members held responsible Kappa positions. Those elected grand president were Charlotte Barrell (Ware), 1884-88; Emily Bright (Burnham), 1892-94; Bertha Richmond (Chevalier), 1896-98. Other noted members of Phi were the chapter's 11th member, Anna Christy Fall, the first woman to plead a case before a Massachusetts jury and the first to argue a cause before the Massachusetts Supreme Court; her daughter, Emma Fall Schofield, one of the first two women judges appointed by the governor of Massachusetts; Priscilla Fairfield Bok, an astronomer; Emma Shipman, a president of the Christian Science Mother Church; and Mary Warren Ayars, the daughter of William Fairfield Warren, the first president of Boston University. Mrs. Ayars has been recognized by Kappa for her ritual contributions and her idea of the mother-daughter relationship.

Although there have been notable Phi Kappas of the past and the present, the lives of two members especially reflect some of the history and glory of this closed chapter.

Charlotte Barrell (Ware) went to the 1884 Convention at Canton, New York, as a delegate from Phi and went home as grand president to serve two terms.

When she married Robert Ware in 1895 and they moved to the family home, "Warelands," at Norfolk, Massachusetts, she expressed her love of the out-doors through her work with her husband. They set up a summer dairy school. Their educational and experimental emphasis brought about national and international recognition.

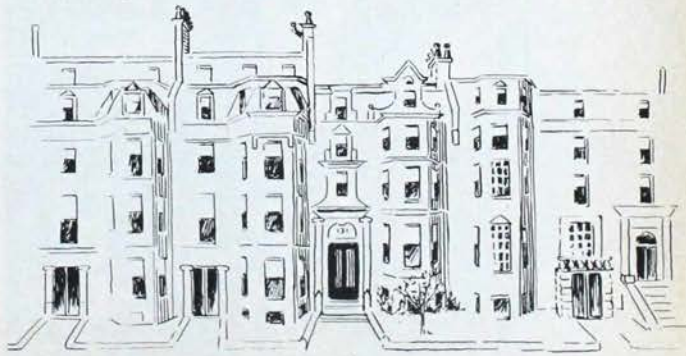
Organizations and governments honored Charlotte Ware; but her prized awards were the gold medal from the Belgian government in 1924 for her dairy work, one from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in 1929 to "a pioneer who has blazed many an agricultural trail," and the honorary degree of Doctor of Humanities from Boston University in 1937.

So great was her love for Warelands and Kappa, Charlotte and Robert A. Ware gave "Warelands" to Kappa Kappa Gamma for a second Hearthstone unit.

Two years before the closing of the chapter, another of Phi's last great public spirited members died. In 1967, Beatrice Stanton Woodman was made a fellow of the Boston University libraries, and gave the undergraduate reading room of the Mugar Memorial Library at Boston University. She was an advisor to Phi for 40 years, president of both Boston alumnae groups, and chairman of the Kappa Foreign Fellowships. As chairman of the Dorothy Canfield Fisher Fund for French Relief during World War II, she was awarded the Gold Medal of Honor of Foreign Affairs by the French government in 1948. Beatrice Woodman was given Kappa's highest personal honor, the Loyalty Award.

In 1971, Phi presented a table to the Fraternity in memory of Beatrice Woodman. It is in the Fraternity Headquarters in Columbus, Ohio. It holds early badges, Beatrice Woodman's carved emerald and diamond poison ring, her diamond and sapphire badge, her fifty year pin, and the Gold Medal of Honor presented by the French consul.

Panhellenic House—home of Phi from 1935-1970.





Xi

Founded May 17, 1882
Closed 1944
Initiates 381

Adrian College
Adrian, Michigan
Established 1859

Charter Members: Carrie Belle DeGraff, Lulu Elizabeth Mann, Cora Miller, Myrta Susannah Myers, May Varney, Martha Jane Walker.

Xi chapter (pronounced "zigh," whereas Beta Xi is pronounced "k-zee")* has the distinction of being the only listing under "X" in the 1870-1930 *History of Kappa Kappa Gamma Fraternity*. And since it bore the name which should have been Chi's, it may be said to reflect a bit of the glory. The mix-up occurred because: the "i" in "Xi" must have been very small or very light, so the "X" remained and the Minnesota chapter was never known by any other name (although archives pages from the Rho record book list the Minnesota chapter as "Xi"). The troublesome, hard to pronounce, easy to confuse "Xi" was held in abeyance while eight other chapters with a mish-mash of names were installed. Finally, it was used at Adrian, Michigan.

Adrian College, having evolved from a theological institute which had united itself with a seminary, was founded in 1859, with Dr. Asa Mahan (who had been Oberlin's first president), as its enterprising first president. That same year it was chartered as a degree-giving institution. In 1868 the trustees transferred sole ownership to the Methodist Protestant denomination.

Xi chapter was established through Kappa chapter (Hillsdale College), May 17, 1882. At that time there were 48 men students, 26 women, and 8 on the faculty. Four initiates joined the six charter members during the first year. When the chapter was closed 62 years later, a total of 381 members had been initiated.

The chapter was small and intimate. Meetings were held in the girls' rooms at first, but in 1884 the faculty offered a room, and by 1930, there were four adjoining rooms which had been redecorated often "to conform to the fashions of the times." The July, 1903, issue of *The Key* shows a picture of one of the "two pleasant rooms in the southeast corner of the third floor," with the couch where "our headaches have been soothed away and our misunderstandings straightened out" covered with cushions in its corner. Overhead, on the diagonal, jammed

Xi chapter 1923.



against the window frame and the entrance to the other room, appears an enormous key, probably eight feet long. The fleur-de-lis covered globe on the table lamp looks very much like the one at Kappa Headquarters. The tasseled portieres between the two rooms, "the dear old place," hang in careless asymmetry.

Xi members included the daughter of an early vice president of the college, Frances May McElroy, as well as the daughter of a past president, V. Ruth Anthony Gray. It was she (Mrs. Gray) who designed the cover used by *The Key* between 1913 and 1928. Lucy Bell Webster Caldwell was once president of the Woman's Club of Barcelona (Spain), and assistant director-general of the Pan-American Round Table in Mexico City. Mildred Moore Anderson was once parliamentarian for the Daughters of the American Revolution, and wrote a handbook of parliamentary law. Florence Crum Evemeyer was a writer and world traveler.

Ryll Spaur Clark, now a retired teacher, was the only "lone pledge" that Xi ever had, and she was the only pledge on the Adrian campus for nearly a year.

She writes, "I had been graduated from Glenville State Teachers College in West Virginia, I was only 18, and I had been earning my living for two years! It had never occurred to me that I would receive a bid from a fraternity . . . I did not know that upperclassmen could be asked . . . but that freshmen had to wait until the next year . . . I accepted the Kappa's bid simply because it rated so high in my own home town . . . Being a lone pledge was not all beer and skittles . . . it would have been so much fun if there had been a gang of us.

"I did not mind learning a Kappa song every week and singing it at the meeting . . . Naturally I had a lot of silly things to do because I was the only pledge: pressing, washing, making beds . . . life was made hard and I often wondered if it were worth it, but I guess it was! The things I had to do (shortly) before being initiated were *very* silly . . . I was supposed to write (a composition) on THE WHICHNESS OF WHAT.

"Adrian in my day was nothing like the present college. The president called me by my first name . . . I had a few good teachers, several who were mediocre. I still hear from my French teacher . . . The Kappas and Tri Deltas each had a suite of rooms . . . The ΣAEs and the ATOs had a small meager place. There were few well-off students.

"The chapter went to Hillsdale (to see the Kappas) a few times and to the University of Michigan . . . During my two years . . . we had lots of good social life. Dinner dances were especially nice. The fraternities would have them and invite us and we would do the same . . .

"Everyone knew everyone at Adrian. It was religiously oriented, much more than it is now. Presidents of colleges nowadays are not like the ones of my day. Then they were literary

*Both are acceptable pronunciations. In classical Greek the sound is probably an aspirated "k-s" somewhat like the "ks" in "quacks."

men. Now they are promoters. They have to be . . . to keep their institution going."

"I was not in on the surrendering of the charter. But even in my day, 1927-1929, the Kappa officers who visited us were not happy with the chapter. We were much too small (but) we usually held the Scholarship Cup. There were few campus buildings and they were old."

Ryll Clark was asked to be historian for Xi, but she had promised herself to "do no more writing for anyone"—so letters were exchanged, and she was writing, not for *anyone*, but for Xi, just as she did when she was correspondent for *The Key* nearly half a century ago.

In order to put together Xi's history before and after Mrs. Clark, it has been necessary to follow the chapter letters in *The Key*. There was need for a lot of reading between the lines.

There was an 1885 "convention" with Hillsdale; its theme: "our relation to each other, our relation to other fraternities, our relation to Kappa," and ending with "we met a number of fraternity gentlemen and passed a pleasant hour or two before train time." . . . the forget-me-not was adopted as chapter flower . . . the arrival of *The Key* was cause for excitement . . . "as long as the members are 'just what we want' we are contented to have only a moderately large chapter."

In February, 1927, the only rush party was almost an unqualified success: "Nothing happened to mar our fun unless one might call burnt bouillon disagreeable." That year the chapter president, Rachel Swift, "broke down under the strain of rushing" and went to the hospital. "Rae has never been real well,"

the correspondent to *The Key* confided. In April, Rae was still confined to her home, but her friends were allowed to visit. ". . . our sympathies are with anyone who has to stay in bed when spring becomes a reality." In October, *The Key* letter reported, "Xi chapter will greatly feel the loss of our loved sister and former president . . . whose untimely death deprived us of an influence which has meant much to us."

The chapter's death must also be recorded. In 1944, *The Key* reported four pledges and a "traditional pledge party for Tri Delt." On June 3, the chapter graduates were guests of the alumnae and were presented, in the name of Xi, with \$100 and two war bonds. A donation to the Rose McGill Fund was to be made in the name of Xi and the association. There was no talk of the chapter's closing, but a search of the *Proceedings of the Fraternity* for that period reveals the recommendation ". . . that Xi chapter be put on three months probation from the date of the president's visit May 4, 1944, and inasmuch as Xi chapter has voluntarily voted to surrender its charter at the close of the college year June, 1944, it is further recommended that Council follow the procedure for disbanding the chapter as set out in the bylaws, Article XIII, Section 8B."

"The history of every chapter depends upon its college, and the college depends upon the community in which it is located . . . We feel that we have added to the roll of Kappa Kappa Gamma many fine women, some of them brilliant, all of noble purpose." (The 1870-1930 *History of Kappa Kappa Gamma Fraternity*)



BT

Founded October 19, 1883
Initiates 1311

Beta Tau

Syracuse University
Syracuse, New York
Established 1870

Charter Members:

Ella S. Blakeslee, Harriett Amelia Blakeslee, Carrie Rouse Fisher, Ellen A. Ford, Ida E. Goldman, Ruth E. Guibault, Ida M. Steingrebe.

The charter members of the second Tau chapter were initiated October 19, 1883, by Florence J. Lee, BB—St. Lawrence, former grand treasurer, and members of Beta (Beta Beta) chapter. The Alpha chapters of Alpha Phi and Gamma Phi Beta preceded Beta Tau on the Syracuse campus.

Syracuse University, a non-sectarian institution which had 622 students and 43 faculty members in 1883, was founded by the New York State Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church in cooperation with the city of Syracuse.

In 1883 Ella Blakeslee and six close friends decided to organize themselves into a group. Professor Underwood suggested Kappa Kappa Gamma and wrote a letter to an "influential" Kappa; a charter was secured, and the second Tau was born.

Scholarly and literary activities, campus programs, and finally, around 1900, sports, occupied the members. A university medal, awarded to the senior woman who had exerted the most helpful influence on the campus, was first presented in 1922, to Kappa Ruth Eleanor Sweet.

In 1896, Beta Tau's short existence was threatened by a warning from the Grand Council to be "very careful in selecting members." A convention discussion had declared that

fine arts students were a "weakening" influence, because many took courses for certificates rather than for degrees. However, the nationally recognized John Crouse College of Fine Arts at Syracuse granted regular four-year degrees and about half of Beta Tau's members were fine arts students. The matter was not settled until 1900 when the convention voted that each chapter should limit its fine arts membership to 20 per cent of its total. Beta Tau was commended for its cooperation.

Beta Tau alumnae and their families, as well as members who wished to remember alumnae, gave the chapter gifts to be used as honors for outstanding members. Sometime shortly before 1907, the husband of a deceased young alumna, Elizann Hunter Melvin, gave the chapter a memorial bronze table for annual recognition of Beta Tau's outstanding senior. He also gave money, the interest from which was used to decorate, equip, and maintain the chapter rooms. The Class of 1907 presented a cup to honor the senior with the highest average in memory of Ella Wallace Wells, the author of "The Kappa Symphony." She was the daughter of Harriet Blakeslee Wallace. Mrs. Wallace had donated a set of Kappa china which she designed and had made in Syracuse. Mrs.



Harriet Blakeslee Wallace, charter member, and her daughter Ella Wallace Wells. Her short but beautiful life is perpetuated in The Symphony, dear to all Kappas.

Wallace continued in her devotion to the chapter and after her death in January, 1928, was made a Keystone Kappa by Beta Tau. In 1916 Ella Blakeslee, Beta Tau's founder, gave the chapter a scroll on which to inscribe annually the name of the chapter's most helpful sophomore, and the Syracuse alumnae bought a cup to be awarded to the sophomore with the highest average.

Early chapter meetings were in members' homes, in rented rooms, and, from 1898 to 1915, in a rented house "built according to our specifications." In 1915, a new home was found, and the chapter moved, in 1930, to 743 Comstock Avenue, Beta Tau's present address.

Beta Tau's activities centered around the prevailing social and political happenings of the times. During World War I the Kappa house was the university headquarters for Red Cross activities. The influenza epidemic of 1918 handicapped relief work, but Beta Tau's dessertless dinners helped support the Dorthy Canfield Fisher Fund and the Chinese Famine Fund. In 1934, a Beta Tau party was graced by the presence of a movie star, Buddy Rogers. In 1935, the chapter sang on a national radio show. When most of the Syracuse men left to fight in World War II, Beta Tau began working for the war effort. The year 1946 brought "normalcy at Syracuse—meaning change": Classes in pre-fabricated buildings, a liberalized curfew (10:15 for underclassmen, 11:15 for upperclassmen) and

the abolition of a drinking ban. "Kappas are in every phase of campus life," quoted the record from 1946 to 1952. Good scholarship, good leadership, good cooperation with other Greek houses, and good works filled the pages of the minutes.

In 1954, Beta Tau received the Gracious Living Award and won honorable mention for the same award in 1958. Beta Tau won honorable mention for overall chapter improvement at the 1962 Convention; this was the year Peggy Beeson (Heinisch), P³—Ohio Wesleyan, was the chapter's graduate counselor. The Advisory Board provided by the Syracuse Alumnae Association also won a first place that year.

Outstanding alumnae include Ida Gibson Gibbons, an associate editor of *Mademoiselle*, who also worked for Nettie Rosenstein; Mabel Potter Daggett, author; Anna Harbottle Whittic, political economist; and Caroline Romer, botanist.

Anne Harter served the Fraternity as director of philanthropies 1964-66. She was then appointed chairman of the Centennial Committee which formulated and directed the events of a memorable celebration of Kappa's first 100 years. Attainment of the half million dollar goal for the Centennial Fund, which provided grants for undergraduate and graduate work in rehabilitation, was the crowning achievement of the year.

Beta Tau faced a new challenge in the late 1960s and the early 1970s when students rebelled against the traditional "system." Beta Tau and other groups struggled to prove to the campus that individuals could preserve independence while still functioning as chapter members. Ritual and tradition became secondary as Kappas involved themselves in draft counseling and other Vietnam war-related activities. Sororities had to measure their housing rules against new campus standards of dormitory autonomy, unlimited visitation, and co-educational dormitories. Six sororities and ten fraternities closed during this period.

With the end of the war, students lost their overt concern for ideologies and reverted to the rock and roll of the 1950s, in dress, music and actions. The Greek system is gaining strength as social activities, philanthropic projects and the values of association with an identifiable group are coming back into vogue. The present Greeks hope to be an integral part of the Syracuse campus for many years to come.



Founded November 24, 1883
Closed October, 1969
Initiates 1128

Psi

Cornell University
Ithaca, New York
Established 1865

Charter Members:

Jessie Jane Cassidy, Annie Neale Curtis, Linnie Gambee, Helen Kittredge, Charlotte Smith.

Cornell University was chartered by the State of New York in 1865 and was opened to students on October 7, 1868. Its founder, Ezra Cornell, had said, "I would found an institution where any person can find instruction in any study," and although no housing arrangements had been made for women, and no women applied during the first few years, Trustee Henry W. Sage became so interested in women's admission to the university that he donated money for Sage College, dormitory and social center, and women students were admitted in 1871.

The university was highly endowed, its faculty was distinguished, admission standards were high, but a breeziness prevailed. Attitudes were fresh, and the first women had scholarship, courage, and character. In the fall of 1883 five women applied to Kappa Kappa Gamma for a charter (the year before, Kappa Alpha Theta had entered Cornell, and Theta Anna Botsford Comstock, later to become a professor of Botany, endorsed the application). Within three weeks the official papers had arrived and with them two members of Tau (later Beta Tau) at Syracuse to initiate Psi's charter members on November 27.

In 1885 Psi ardently discussed the question of an open rather than a secret constitution. The next year the chapter agitated for a new badge design. When this move was defeated at the Akron convention Psi tried, and failed, to develop a new initiation ceremony. When the chapter had to give up its room at Sage its sense of failure and discouragement became acute and a vote was taken (1888) to return the charter. Charlotte Barrell (Ware) then grand president, came to Ithaca and persuaded the group to carry on. At convention the following summer the Psi delegate, Mila Tupper (Maynard) later to become a Unitarian minister, was officially appointed with her chapter to revise and add to the initiation ceremony. Psi's rebels now had a legitimate outlet for vision and revision.

Cornell was non-sectarian and might not have been expected to oppose secret societies as so many church-based colleges did, but early in the 1890s there was strong and organized anti-fraternity feeling, by no means limited to Cornell: "A growing opposition to fraternities is noticed in many of our colleges . . . (it) demands the attention of the fraternity world." (*The Key*—December, 1891.) Forty years later Psi's historian, the famous Dr. Mary M. Crawford, wrote in the 1930 *History of Kappa Kappa Gamma*, "The Greek letter fraternity system is deeply imbedded in Cornell, both for men and women. It is an integral part of student life, and with all its obvious faults it adds much to the lives of its proponents. The privilege carries with it a high obligation to give back generously of the results of this privilege and it is the aim of all Psi Kappas to serve their University to the extent of their abilities. If Cornell spirit, and class spirit dwindle because of Kappa spirit, then the real object of the Fraternity has failed. . . ."

Cornell's attitude toward women had always been adult. There were a few rules of safety and decorum but never any attempt to stand *in loco parentis*. Career-oriented young women thrived in this atmosphere, there were no dropouts or "bustouts" (failures), and women of Psi have always been vigorous in their pursuit of professional careers.

No other chapter has received more Kappa Alumnae Achievement Awards. Margaret Cuthbert was the first, in 1946. At that time she was director of the women's division of NBC and was one of the three Kappas included in the Women's National Press Club of Washington, D.C., list of Ten Women of the Year. In 1949 Dr. Mary "Molly" Crawford (Schuster) was honored by Kappa as a Cornell trustee, as head of the Health Department of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, and as a pioneer woman ambulance surgeon. Dr. Emily Dunning Barringer, the first woman ambulance surgeon in New York, was honored in 1952. In 1962, two Psi members received the award: Lieutenant Colonel Emily Gorman, director of the Women's Army Corps, Washington, D.C., and Dr. Adelaide Romaine (Kinkele), specialist in industrial medicine. This record of achievement is no accident. Cornell has always demanded that its students be aggressive, questioning, independent—factors that make for outstanding alumnae performance.

It is a privilege to read the names of Psi members, once names known country-wide, and names which gave prestige and strength to Psi and to the Fraternity. The Balch Halls at Cornell were the gift of Janet Jacks Balch and her husband, and Balch Hall at Scripps College also carries her name; Grace Van Sweringen Baer was professor of Germanic Languages at the University of Colorado; Nora Blatch Barney

was well-known as a civil engineer, architect, contractor, and woman's suffrage leader; Bernice Andrews Fernow, Amy Otis, and Edna Huestis Simpson were artists; Elizabeth Rhodes Jackson, Martha Didson, and Lucy Mary Park (Clarke), writers and editors; Harriet Anthony was a pioneer woman in photography who went to Boston, hobnobbed with Phi members, and had her own studio. A recent outstanding member has been Dorothy Masterman McNeill who retired in 1973 as a Philadelphia newspaper executive. Province and Fraternity officers include the names of Jennie Angell (Mengel), grand treasurer, 1892-94; graduate counselor Doris Heath (Webster), 1938-39; Sally Schwartz Muzii, director of pledge training, 1972-75, currently Mu PDC; two editors of *The Key*, Mary Josephine Hull, 1894-95, and Elizabeth Rhodes Jackson, 1910-14; the founder of Beta Alpha chapter in 1890, Lois Otis; and Catherine Alt Schultz, past director of membership, 1956-60, and 1955-56 chairman of Rehabilitation Services for the Fraternity.

The chapter has always been proud of its outstanding members, but the chapter of 1902 and the readers of *The Key* took to their hearts the story of Gordon Fernow who had been basketball captain, treasurer of Sports and Pastimes, member of honoraries, and a professor's daughter. On January 3, 1902, she died suddenly, and was eulogized in the April issue of *The Key*. "The promise of a noble womanhood was disappointed in her death," and in memory of this beloved young person who had "rowed in the Sage boat," her parents gave a rowboat, "safe and well-made" for the use of the women of Cornell.

During the 1890s the meeting place for the chapter had shifted from Sage College to rooms in different parts of Ithaca. In the fall of 1917 a first house was rented and by 1921 sufficient funds had been raised to buy. Janet Balch gave \$5,000 "with her usual Kappa-Cornell generosity," and other alumnae contributed. The house, 508 Thurston Avenue, had been the home of Beverly Baines, romantic partner of early film idol Francis X. Bushman at a time when Ithaca had been the center of the motion picture industry (1912-20). This house was razed in 1936 and a modern brick house built on the site. It was opened in the fall of 1937 for the Alpha Province Convention, and was famed as the first Kappa house for which steel construction had been used. At this time Mary Geisler Phillips, BA—Pennsylvania, (see Beta Alpha history) was corporation president. Her usefulness to Psi might have been said to have balanced Beta Alpha's indebtedness to Psi, since Lois Otis had resigned from her own beloved chapter in order to found Beta Alpha while she did graduate work in Philadelphia.



Psi chapter between 1885-89.



(L) Members of Psi who appeared in *Ladies Home Journal* September 1948 in feature story.

Evelyn Wight Allan, BB, former grand president and Dr. Molly Merritt Crawford, Ψ, recipient of alumnae achievement award.

In 1957 at province convention in Ithaca plans were made to build a larger house for Psi and the ideal location of the existing building caused a decision to enlarge rather than rebuild. Many changes were made, including facilities for visitors and a new wing with a suite for the house director. Two-thirds of the chapter could be housed and the chapter grew more unified and aware of its responsibilities and the pleasures of group living. In 1961 the dean of students said of Psi, "The women of Psi chapter of Kappa Kappa Gamma have made the Panhellenic Creed a living reality on our campus and the student community has profited from their positive leadership. As a group they have shown thoughtful concern for others while preserving the uniqueness of the individual. Their sense of community responsibility and their positions of leadership in campus organizations have earned for them a place of respect on the Cornell campus."

The further report in *The Key* (Winter, 1961) by Lynn Schroeder included an account of a series of programs given by Psi featuring a travelogue, a concert, lectures on 20th century Russia, and a plan of meal exchanges and a Christmas party with foreign students. The year was marked by the positive presence of a graduate counselor (Martha Simmons [Murray], Λ—Akron) and an outstanding record in campus activities. Chapter president Margaret Farrell was elected to Mortar Board and Phi Beta Kappa and was accepted by the Yale Law School. A successful attempt had been made to approach a balance between social and cultural goals of the Fraternity, with an active responsibility in campus life and personal education and betterment. It was the stated opinion of the incoming president Barbara McNeill that "a fraternity must be more than a mere living unit or a group organized primarily for social activities." It was a statement she felt that had to be true in practice "if the fraternity system is to meet and overcome the increasing number of attacks being made on it." Long range planning, she knew, was necessary and the chapter was working together . . . it was her hope that Psi would continue to follow the example of its early members.

The 1960s were troublesome years on the campuses of the country. Student revolt was common, although Cornell, always liberal, had less "trouble" than many schools. To insure that there were no areas of discrimination or unfair practices on the campus, the trustees prepared a "report on residential environment" making strict demands in all university-approved housing, including fraternities. The demands included abolition of mandatory recommendations systems and of the unanimous vote for membership, and the surrender of rituals if charges were made that discrimination was suspected in these documents. The Council of Kappa Kappa Gamma decided that such local autonomy was contrary to Kappa constitutional procedure and could not be countenanced.

Certain irregularities had placed Psi on probation warning in 1967, and probation was voted by Council in January, 1968. That June Council voted to continue probation, a condition to be terminated in January 1969, either by a removal of probation or by dismissal proceedings. In January the Council voted unanimously to start dismissal proceedings and the chapter was so notified by Louise Little Barbeck, then Fraternity president. Kappa Psi, a local group, was immediately formed to preserve the existing chapter. A rushing program, which had been planned before the dismissal, was carried out, and the chapter life continued with Psi and Kappa Psi existing in one body until October, 1969, when the end of the 86-year-old chapter was marked. The last days were attended by cloudy rhetoric, personal grievances, misunderstandings, lack of communication, unfortunate timing. Psi had been an unusual chapter, with an interesting history. It had been of value to the Fraternity, and it is still difficult for members and other Kappas to be objective in considering it. It is interesting to note that even after the dismissal the Fraternity president wrote to the chapter president expressing deep interest in the outcome of the rushing period.

Dr. Molly Crawford wrote in the July, 1903, issue of *The Key*, "We have found that we can keep our high fraternity ideal and loyalty while losing not a jot of our class spirit and our college loyalty. The two aid each other instead of the one interest pulling away from the other. . . . We need the college interests, they need us; we stand or fall together."

An initiate of Psi during the 1960s recalls now in 1975 a relaxation of the bond between the chapter and the Fraternity, a detachment which she felt could have been caused by an increased individual self-absorption, fewer members to perform the necessary jobs, changing mores among college students with greater stress of action independent of parental and school guidance.

"I am and I was proud to be a Kappa," she says, "and I was very grieved when Psi chapter was dropped. It was a loss for both Kappa and Cornell and most especially for the girls attending Cornell."



Omega

Founded December 17, 1883
Initiates 1634

University of Kansas
Lawrence, Kansas
Established 1864

Charter Members:

Mabel Edith Gore, Eva Howe, Laura Bell Leach, Sallie Loveland, Evelyn Smith, Bertha Anna Starr, Rose Diana Wagner, Mabel Wemple.

The University of Kansas was opened in 1866, and when Omega chapter was founded in 1883, there were 16 faculty members and about 500 students, including the eight pioneer Kappas.

Chapter installation December 17 took place at the home of Mabel Wemple (Hutchings), who became the first chapter president and the first University of Kansas woman graduate in pharmacy.

Out in the yard stood a small group of members of Beta Theta Pi and Phi Kappa Psi who had helped the girls organize the chapter. After the ceremony, they were invited in and bountifully fed. They later escorted the girls home.

Meetings were on Saturday mornings in a rented room in an office building in Lawrence. Literary programs were given and professors lectured. In those days the chapter pledged girls before they came to the university, and Hortense Bowersock (Hill) had been pledged at the age of 12.

As early as 1893, Omega showed its cooperative spirit by setting an early closing hour for parties, which the university rewarded with a letter of commendation. Eight Kappa pledges were introduced February 14, 1894, at the largest social affair ever given at the university. A description of the party mentions the "graceful Gay Nineties costumes" and the "golosh-less maidens in the snowdrifts" afterwards.

The house association was formed in May, 1912, and the chapter moved into a new home the following November. The first party was a banquet after the Kansas-Missouri football game. The chapter gave dinners and a series of Wednesday "at homes" for fraternity men. That year the active chapter, all Kansas City Kappas, and the Lawrence alumnae were entertained by Ora Murray Hodges, M-Butler, the wife of the governor of Kansas.

About this time, requirements for initiation were raised to all A's and B's.

Due to the growth of the chapter, a new home site was purchased in 1927 from the Bowersock estate and the present home was built and named Gower Place in honor of Mary Gower Bowersock, in appreciation of her kindness and help to Omega.

Before World War II, there were few cars on campus except a rare family car for a weekend. There was a celebration in 1937 when Greek organizations combined to have the path to the campus paved.

Rushing was formal. Rushees wore bright red lipstick, shoulder-length hair, silk dresses, hats, gloves, and high-heeled slippers to the parties. Coeds wore white blouses, sweaters, skirts, bobby socks, and saddle shoes to classes. The dating game was a ritual, with boys asking in advance for dates that were carefully entered in a book. A "pinning" was announced with a box of candy presented to the housemother at dinner. She would open the box, read the names of the couple, and sorority sisters would kiss the boy and serenade the couple. Then the girl would be taken to the boy's fraternity house for her round of kisses. That night the fraternity would serenade the sorority girls after closing hours.

Dancing was a popular pastime in the big band era. Formal parties were given twice a year in the chapter house or student union, and varsity dances held at the union every weekend. Boys would "cut in," a fine way to meet new students. In the fall, Omega introduced new pledges at an "hour dance" at the chapter house for each fraternity. Actives were required to live in the house, and all students had to live in authorized dwellings.



Mary Carolyn Morrill Litchfield, wife of Chancellor of University of Pittsburgh, an outstanding Omega. Killed in plane crash 1968.

There were many Kappa queens. Sisters Doris Johnson (Hewins) and Helen Johnson (Littooy) were queens many times and appeared on the cover of *Life* magazine. They were also flown to Hollywood for screen tests. Katherine Hurd (Haughey), Deborah Fowler, and Narka Marie "Mim" Frink (Wickliff) represented the university as American Royal Queens in Kansas City. Mim was also "Miss Kansas" in 1966.

Mary Morrill (Litchfield) was an outstanding coed in the 1940s. She served two years as Omega president; was editor of the *Daily Kansan* and the *Jayhawker*; and was elected to Phi Beta Kappa and Mortar Board. She became the wife of Edward Litchfield, chancellor of the University of Pittsburg. In 1968 she, her husband, and two young sons were killed in an airplane crash. A \$150,000 scholarship in public administration was established at the University of Kansas in her memory.

Maude and May Landis and their brother Paul contributed \$36,000 through the University of Kansas Endowment Association to establish the Landis Scholarship Fund. Qualified Kappas are given first consideration for the Maude Landis Fund in Nursing, the May Landis Fund in Mathematics, and the Paul Landis Fund in Business Administration.

The first foreign exchange student, Ingrid Frestadius (Soderhjelm) of Stockholm, came to Kansas in 1939, and became a member of Kappa.

University enrollment was approximately 4,000 students during the Depression and World War II. The Kappa chapter had many outstanding coeds, and won the intramural cup for five consecutive years. Dress became more informal, study hall rules were relaxed, and personal independence was stressed.

Omega chapter 1890.



In the 1950s rushing changed, freshmen lived in dormitories, only upperclassmen were pledged, and community involvement became important with the chapter taking part in service projects.

As membership increased after the war, the house board expanded. A beautiful addition of 10 bedrooms, two bathrooms, a chapter room, a lounge, and three powder rooms were added and the old section reworked at a cost of \$160,000. Actives, alumnae, business associates, friends, and alumnae and mothers clubs contributed funds. The project took four years and was dedicated June 4, 1960. Helen Peck Zoellner, treasurer of the house board, contributed a great deal by handling all financial matters for this large project.

Funds were also given in memory of Omega Kappas Jane Irwin Brown, Lena Funk Southerland, and Frances Eddy Johnson.

Mrs. Johnson's daughter, Flaude Johnson Dahlene, presented her mother's diamond key to be worn by the chapter president. The keys of charter members Cora Kimball Melvin and Mabel Wemple Hutchings were donated and are framed and hung in the chapter house.

Omega chapter won the Efficiency Cup at the 1948 and 1960 Convention; was runner-up for the Standards Award and second for newsletter in 1962; and won the Gracious Living Award in 1970.

Omega Kappas have served the Fraternity in several capacities. Rebekah Thompson Eldridge was chairman of the Foreign Study-Foreign Student Scholarship Committee in 1969. Jeannette Greever Rustemeyer was director of philanthropies 1958-60, director of membership 1960-62, and chairman of the Finance Committee 1970-74. Patricia Piller Shelton was a graduate counselor in 1946 and chairman of the Housing Committee 1971-74.

Dorothy Bangs Goodpasture was elected to the Board of Directors of the National Association of School Boards in the 1960s. She was also president of both the Wichita Board of Education and the Kansas Association of School Boards.

During the past 40 years Omega has had 16 Phi Beta Kappas, 45 Mortar Board members, and many class officers elected by the student body.

The chapter has been and continues to be a vital part in the growth of the University of Nebraska that now has more than 20,000 students and more than 1,000 faculty members.



Founded May 19, 1884
Initiates 1578

Sigma

University of Nebraska
Lincoln, Nebraska
Established 1869

Charter Members:

Edith P. Doolittle, Cora Ellen Fisher, Mary Letitia Jones, Alla Lantz, Sophã Myers, Adella Eugenia Stratton.

The name, Sigma, has been assigned to several Kappa chapters and then recalled before it became permanently assigned, on May 19, 1884, to the new Kappa chapter at the University of Nebraska. Those former chapters included (then) Michigan State University at Ann Arbor; Lasell Seminary, Auburn-dale, Massachusetts; and Des Moines, Iowa.

The University of Nebraska was but 15 years old when Sigma Chapter was established through correspondence with Mu Chapter and members of Grand Council. The State Legislature had, in 1869, set aside four square blocks in the town of Lincoln for a campus, and had appropriated \$100,000 for a building, University Hall. This was the only college building when Sigma was founded. In 1915 land was condemned north and east of the city campus to make room for new buildings.

During the early years no honors or prizes were given, the expression "extra-curricular activities" was unknown, and athletics were slowly being organized. Even caps and gowns were not yet in the picture and the Class of 1890 was much concerned over the selection of senior robes. The black mortar board and gown of the East was finally the choice.

Sigma's early policy of initiating no preparatory students, its great desire to have its own hall, the organization within its own ranks of a Shakespeare Club, its strong sense of Fraternity, helped determine its character: "Our chapter is small now but of one heart, one soul."

Spring was usually a quiet time in Lincoln, but the spring of 1890 contained drama never to be forgotten. It began with the

decision on the part of the Kappas, Kappa Alpha Thetas, and Delta Gammas to plant a Greek letter flower bed. On Arbor Day, armed with the permission of chancellor, steward, and janitor, the young ladies set out 200 plants in the form of a kite, a key, and an anchor. The next morning the girls found all their work undone. Some cried; some "wished we were boys and could swear." The destructive "barbarians" or anti-Greeks explained that they would not have an advertisement for fraternities attract the attention of the delegates to the Interstate Oratorical Convention. This contest found the university "reasonably distracted," not only because of the episode of the flower bed (which neither a lawyer nor the authorities wanted to bother with) but because the Nebraska orator was being tried for plagiarism.

Such furious farce was not uncommon. The Sigma charter had been granted to a group emanating from one called TTT or "The Tempest Tossed," and September, 1884, saw the outbreak of the "Greek-Barbarian War," with the barbarians claiming that the sacrosanct literary societies would be supplanted by the Greeks. New bylaws were passed, forbidding Greeks to join these old societies, so a new one, Philodicean, was formed.

This unpleasant feud left its mark on all aspects of university life. When Phi Beta Kappa was founded in 1896 (May Whiting [Westermann] was one of the two women named first members), a conscientious "barb" was undecided about joining any organization with Greek letters in its name. That year the Nebraska legislature was preparing a bill to abolish fraternities in the state university.

In April, 1897, *The Key* contained suggestions from N.E.L. (who must have been Naamah Elizabeth Lowe) that elimination of the gulf between the groups would be accomplished if Greeks would "avoid an excessive exhibition of fraternal love in the presence of non-fraternity members" and if pins were worn "in some modest place so as not to remind non-members of the existing barrier."

Even so, it was considered a great triumph when Sigma's Anna Broady (Haggard) won the short story contest in the campus periodical while Willa Cather, prominent barb, was editor. Distinguished Louise Pound bridged the gap to some extent by becoming a Kappa after a brilliant student career as a barb. She later served the Fraternity as one of its first province presidents.

In 1891, Dr. James H. Canfield, who had been professor of history at the University of Kansas, became chancellor at Nebraska. The university had grown steadily but he popularized it in a remarkable way, and before he left in June, 1895, to become president of Ohio State University, he had the satisfaction of seeing students thronging to its gates. It had gates in those days, and a fence which has gone to the cemetery. Much might be written of Dr. Canfield as a brilliant scholar and an able executive but to Kappas the world over he is known as "the father of Dorothy." (Dorothy Canfield Fisher) How Sigma had watched Dorothy during her prep years and with what joy they heard of her initiation by Beta Nu Chapter when she entered Ohio State!

Dr. Canfield's interest in the small university library led to the erection of the present Library Building and to the appointment, in 1892, of one of Sigma's charter members, Mary Jones, as librarian.

In 1896, eight members of Sigma attended convention at Evanston, the first time that there had been a real delegation. So enthusiastic did the girls become that they invited the next convention to meet with Sigma. Now Lincoln at the end of August was hardly an ideal place for girls who had been summering in the mountains and at the seashore, but it was a convention long to be remembered (and long before air-conditioning), none the less. There were blue and blue decorations in the windows of the most important stores, a tribute to Kappa unknown before or since. Meetings were held in the old chapel in Uni Hall, and with the stars and stripes floated a huge pennant of Kappa colors. The Phi Kappa Psi gave their chapter house for the use of the Council, and the other fraternities vied in entertaining.

It was at this convention that May Whiting (Westermann) began her Fraternity career, as an assistant to the marshal.

During the spring vacation of 1901, 13 members of Sigma accompanied the grand secretary, May Whiting, to Boulder, to install Beta Mu Chapter at the University of Colorado. The fact that they all had railroad passes added to the pleasure of the occasion. The girls, in preparation for this event, tried song writing and fitting Fraternity words to popular tunes. They were delightfully entertained by the Boulder girls and the Denver alumnae.

Many years later, in 1927, two of Sigma's actives and half a dozen members living in Wyoming helped install Gamma Omicron Chapter at the University of Wyoming.

Early meetings were in members' homes, but in the fall of 1902 Sigma rented its first house. It was a little red cottage of seven rooms and was called Kappa Lodge. The most interesting memory of that first home is the chapter library which the girls began to build as a memorial to Grace Lem-

ing, the only active member who had died. Each girl gave a book to the little library on her own birthday, and Mrs. Leming gave a framed picture of Grace to be hung over the bookcases. After three years the house was given up as being too expensive.

By March, 1925, after a time in another rented property, a chapter house became a necessity, and ground was purchased for it. Construction began May first. The alumnae association negotiated the mortgage, and a loan was secured from the Fraternity Endowment Fund.

The Kappa house, of brick and in the English Style with gables and long, sloping roofs, is impressive. Two large additions have been made to the house, and now (1975) the first floor is being redecorated by Nancy Melchior Matt, H—Wisconsin (affiliated Σ).

Sigma has not allowed seniors to move into apartments, although other Greeks on campus have. The *avant garde* trend of the 1960s (Sigma was one of the groups taking part in psychological experimentation being carried out in Greek houses and dormitories) has died out in the 1970s.



Sigma chapter 1893.

Sigma was honored in 1974-75 because it provided chapter resources for the university's philanthropic drive. The chapter continues to supply campus leaders, members of honoraries, and governing committees. Actives and alumnae have been hostesses for two province conventions in recent years, 1961 and 1975. Sigma received the first scholarship cup awarded by Panhellenic. In 1954 the chapter had the highest all-around average for sororities and again won the cup. It has also won the Mortar Board cup for scholarship and activities.

The Key of July, 1896, reported a chapter dinner at which charter member Mary Jones told of the girls of 1884, the pioneers who bravely defied all kinds of opposition. "Had you heard it," goes the account, "you would have known what Sigma used to be, and had you heard May Whiting's toast, 'The Ideal Kappa,' you would know what Sigma hopes to be. . . ."

May Whiting Westermann, scholarly, loyal, gracious, "everything that was lovable," represented Sigma past and future at its best. What she was as an individual, Fraternity ritualist, historian, and three-term president should have been more than enough to serve as inspiration and incentive to the chapter throughout its lifetime.

There were, of course, others besides May Westermann who made Sigma's name a prestigious one. Louise Pound, Ph.D. (Heidelberg), professor of English literature, was a powerful influence in her faculty role at the University of Nebraska and won an Alumnae Achievement Award in 1951 as an educator.



Perry Brauch of Nebraska is presented with check by Fay Teel Wells, Jean Guenzel, and Ruth Kadel Seacrest, 1945.



Louise Pound.

Nellie-Lee Holt Bok, who became a Sigma as a graduate student, has described the impact Dr. Pound made in her academic life. Nellie-Lee Bok, lecturer, former dean of women at Stevens College, Columbia, Missouri, received an honorary degree from Lake Erie College in 1975.

Emma Parks Wilson, first dean of women at the University of Nebraska, was initiated into Kappa at the 1898 Convention.

Adele Lathrop was elected editor of *The Key* in 1904 and served as grand secretary, 1906-08.

Many years before her death Mary Jones, who had been the only woman graduate of 1885 and had a noteworthy career in library science, sent her Kappa badge to her chapter to be used as the president's key. Mariel Gere, 1895 fellow in chemistry, was the first Sigma and third woman to be bid by Sigma Xi honorary.

Ruth Kadel Seacrest was Sigma's other Fraternity president, 1944-48. An accomplished musician, she was the first woman to become an honorary member of Kosmet Klub, men's musical organization. The Seacrest Award, a Kappa Rehabilitation Scholarship, was granted in 1975 to Robin Darst, Sigma Chapter president, who will work in the field of mental health.

Helen Morrow Haggie is a feature writer and art editor on the Pulitzer prize-winning *Lincoln Journal*.

In 1965 Martha Burks Harley's special claim to fame, besides having been a founder of the Lincoln Alumnae Association and "probably Sigma's oldest member" (she was born in 1874 and initiated in 1891), was that she had "helped initiate May Whiting."

BP^Δ

Founded June 6, 1885
Closed 1885
Reinstated May 16, 1914
Initiates 1111

Beta Rho

University of Cincinnati
Cincinnati, Ohio
Established 1807

Charter Members:

Elizabeth Antoinette Ely, Amanda Frank, Carrie Elizabeth Joslin, Nettie Oskamp.

Beta Rho Deuteron Charter Members:

Clara Lucinda Ballentine, Eugenia Catherine Bardes, Hilda Christine Baum, Dorothy Davies Farrar, Freda Louise Gleason, Ruth Barbara Guhman, Elizabeth Charlotte Linnard, Anne Laurie McGregor, Alice Virginia Stephens, Helen Catherine Taylor, Alice Elizabeth Toms.

The University of Cincinnati, the second oldest and the second largest municipal university in the United States, was founded in 1807. This date represents the establishment of the Cincinnati College and the Medical College of Ohio. In 1870 the city, under a state act, absorbed these colleges and established the University of Cincinnati. In 1967, by statute and Cincinnati Charter amendment, the university became the country's first municipally sponsored, state affiliated university. Enrollment in 1974 was 30,332; faculty, 1,032; buildings, 110. In 1914, when Beta Rho Deuteron was chartered, these same statistics were: 2,298; 575; and 13.

The KKT charter granted to the second (Beta) Rho on June 6, 1885, had been mysteriously surrendered a few months later. Alpha Phi Psi, a local group, was organized in 1904 and immediately petitioned Kappa Kappa Gamma. Finally in March, 1914, after inspection by Florence Burton Roth, BD—Michigan, grand president, the petition was granted, and on May 19 the installation was announced in the Cincinnati papers.

The loyalty and devotion of the Alpha Phi Psi members were remarkable. When Beta Rho Deuteron became a reality, alumnae—often married, often busy mothers—registered for classes, became eligible for membership in Kappa, and were initiated. The Cincinnati Alumnae Association was quickly organized, and alumnae opened their homes for meetings, rush

parties, teas, even slumber parties. They remembered Alpha Phi Psi too, and one sentence from that ritual was incorporated in the Kappa ritual which is used today in Beta Rho Deuteron ceremonies.

Only three miles from Cincinnati's center, the university was a "street car university," but, after the coming of the "tin Lizzie" automobile, trolley cars disappeared. So did silver teas and high-laced shoes, which gave way to the flapper, the shingle haircut, and the Charleston.

"We need a house," the actives declared. And the alumnae supplied furnishings for a four-room apartment from funds earmarked "to be used for a house when the need arises." For \$15 rent per month in 1930, Beta Rhos stored their belongings, held meetings, and competed with Kappa Alpha Theta, until a larger apartment could be found. It was on Stratford Avenue. Then in 1938, the chapter moved to a house on Woodside Avenue. By 1949, the present home on Clifton Avenue, opposite McMicken Hall, became Beta Rho's home, financed through a second mortgage arranged by a Beta Rho Kappa and her husband, Oliver and Lillian Morris Thompson. It is a three-story red brick, close to campus. After three remodellings (1957, 1962, and 1967), thousands of dollars spent, and untold Beta Rho House Board anguish, it now presents a dignified Williamsburg-Colonial facade. Behind black wrought-iron gates, once part of a Paris elevator, a memorial to Pamela Woods from her parents, 30 (of 75) actives live and the business

of Beta Rho is conducted. The house is owned by the Beta Rho House Board Association.

Many changes have occurred throughout the chapter's history. Funds from the Beta Rho Mothers Club and the Cincinnati Alumnae Association to assist in the defrayment of convention expenses for a worthy undergraduate were at one time diverted to the use of the house board....Two separate Beta Rho Dads Clubs, both now extinct, were once joyous additions to chapter life with no noticeable generation gap. (Dads Day is now celebrated with lunch at the house followed by attendance at a football game) . . . A former January first open house still exists—with variations.

Once it was the custom for the whole chapter to journey to the bride's home on the wedding eve, with the bride joining the circle for a "last" sing together. Now the circle is formed at the wedding reception, and the groom is included. The bride's pin, a jeweled fleur-de-lis pin, was once worn and then returned to the chapter for the next wedding.

There are traditional keys used still by Beta Rho. The diamond key, with which Helen Shoemaker Damus was initiated in 1921, was given by her to the chapter as a president's key and was used first in 1945. The Bidlingmeyer key is worn by the sophomore who contributes the most to chapter and campus. The pledge bracelet is worn by the pledge with the highest scholastic standing. The Margaret Sanger key is worn by the most recently engaged member. It has a rapid turnover!

A highlight in chapter history was the celebration of Kappa's 75th birthday, October 13, 1945. More than 650 parents, husbands, alumnae, actives, and friends attended the banquet in the Pavillion Caprice at the Hotel Netherland Plaza. A large committee had planned the evening which included a dramatic musical pageant, with a cast of 100. Alumnae conceived, wrote, and directed the historical production. The chorus of actives was trained by Dorothy Cleaver Hall, who, with Lois Taylor Gahr, made up the two-piano team. Bernice Williams Foley narrated the script and Elsie Shewman Hayes was costume committee chairman.

The strength of Beta Rho is reflected in its participation in local, national, and Fraternity affairs. Chapter members and alumnae have aided in French war relief, the Red Cross, USO, blood donations, and hospital service. They have also knitted many items for service people and war victims. In peace time, Thanksgiving baskets, children's parties, hospital visits, work in youth and rehabilitation centers have been part of the chapter and alumnae programs. The university's Endowment Fund and the Dean's Emergency Fund have been special interests of the alumnae association.

Academically, Beta Rho has been first in scholarship among National Panhellenic Conference groups 17 times, and has permanent possession of the Scholarship Cup earned in four consecutive years. Phi Beta Kappa has the names of 32 Beta Rhos in its files, and Beta Rho names are included in the rolls of the 18 other scholarly honoraries. Two members, Marguerite Wykoff Zapoleon and Virginia Taylor Hampton, have received Geneva Scholarships. Richard and Mary Turner Whitney have endowed a scholarship, as have Dr. Kenneth and Helen Wehman Gould, a memorial to her sister, Edith Wehman.

The annual Interfraternity Sing on Mother's Day began in 1923. Beta Rho earned its first win that year, and many other firsts and seconds have been won since. Permanent possession of the sing trophy came in 1945 after three consecutive wins. The "singing chapter" was performing on WLW radio, December 4, 1941, when the concert was interrupted with the



BP^Δ in dramatic musical pageant of KKT history to celebrate 75th anniversary.

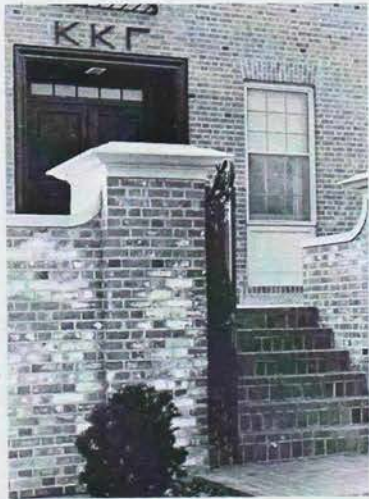
news of Pearl Harbor. Original songs by Beta Rhos are in the Kappa song book, and local musical comedy productions have claimed members' talents. In 1949 Vaughn Monroe, of big band fame, chose a Beta Rho original song, "The Toast," by Helen Beiderwelle Hanselman, in his "Salute to KKG" in a national broadcast. The words of Helen Hanselman's "Toast" are as follows:

Here's to all who wear a golden key,
 Whoe'er they are, whate'er they be,
 Here's to ev'ry Kappa in the land,
 To ev'ry member of our band.
 Here's to ev'ry chapter in the east or in the west,
 Here's to that Fraternity of them all the best,
 Kappa Kappa Gamma, here's to you,
 Here's to your dark and to your light blue,
 Here's to friendship great and true, Oh Kappa,
 Here's our toast to you!

An impressive number of sweethearts, queens, dream girls, and goddesses, including the Missouri Valley Conference Queen, and Homecoming Queens from 1957-1961 (inclusive) have been members of Beta Rho. Mystic 13 Chapter of Mortar Board has 110 Beta Rho members. Two Alpha Phi Psis, Bertha Baehr Homan and Alice Stephens Minor, later initiated into Beta Rho, founded the Mystic 13, in 1913. In 1926, it became the name of the Cincinnati chapter of Mortar Board, and all alumnae automatically became members.

Beta Rho received the Fraternity Scholarship Award in 1956, a scholarship plaque in 1958, and the Efficiency Award in 1942.

Beta Rho alumnae have served the Fraternity well. Seventeen have been officers of Gamma province. Others have held appointive offices. Mary Turner Whitney served in many



BP^Δ chapter house shows iron gates (from Paris elevator) given as memorial to Pamela Wood by her parents.



capacities before becoming Fraternity president (1960-64). The chapter takes great pride in her achievements, her love of Kappa, and her capacity for friendship. The entire Fraternity has benefited from her devotion and loyalty. She is now past chairman of the Ritual Committee.

The Cincinnati Alumnae Association was largely a graduate Beta Rho Chapter for many years. With a presently lost insularity, there are both gains and losses. The close relationship between chapter and association has lessened, and no longer does a chapter president assume the same role as an alumna, sooner or later. The association gives annually to the house board, arranges the Founders' Day celebration (which includes the active chapter), holds an "Over Forty" luncheon, meets once a year at the house, contributes time and money to a selected philanthropy, and offers programs of general interest. The group is well represented in civic affairs. Kappas, whose leadership was developed during undergraduate days in chapters across the country, are holding offices and are on the boards of such organizations as the Woman's Club, the College Club, the Summer Opera Association, the Women's Symphony Committee, the League of Women Voters, YWCA, Girl Scouts,

the Garden Center, and the Junior League.

Beta Rho Kappas of note (besides Mary Turner Whitney) include: Aria Parke Schawe, Honorary Consul of Mexico and Dean of the Consular Corps of Cincinnati, member of the Century Travelers Club, photographer, lecturer, teacher, editor, and producer of films; Bernice Williams Foley, writer and lecturer, director of the State of Ohio library on "Ohioiana", 1974 Kappa Achievement Award recipient; Marguerite Wykoff Zapoleon, exceptional achievement in mathematics, 1968 Kappa Achievement Award recipient; Nan Fuldner Walker, oboist, composer, arranger; Eugenia Remelin Whitridge, poet, teacher, past president Ohio Valley Poetry Society; Nancy Carpenter Storch, mayor of Milford, Ohio (1974); Lila Mueller Bishop, lecturer, photographer; Dr. Susan Rockwood, professor of microbiology, Miami University (Oxford, Ohio), active in Fraternity affairs and Achievement Award recipient, 1968; Clara Zinke Judd, former tennis champion.

Many wonderful friendships, formed within the ever widening circle of Kappa, prove enriching and rewarding. A bond and a warm understanding exist within this large membership. May the magic of this Kappa circle continue.

ΓΡ

Founded February 13, 1888
Initiates 1109

Gamma Rho

Allegheny College
Meadville, Pennsylvania
Established 1815

Charter Members:

Kate Christy, Mary Eliza Christy, Carrie Frances Mount, Bessie Lucina Putnam, Jessie Wilhelmina Smith.

The first president of Allegheny College was a descendent of John and Priscilla Alden, a Harvard graduate, Timothy Alden. Even though the college opened in 1815, women were not admitted until 1870. Since they were refused membership in the men's literary societies, the Margaret Fuller Ossoli Society was founded for women. Men's fraternities began to appear during the mid 1850s and 1860s. In 1876, three of the seven women on campus received a Kappa Alpha Theta charter, soon surrendered, and regained in 1881.

In the fall of 1887 nine women students organized themselves through correspondence and became the nucleus of Rho chapter of Kappa Kappa Gamma. The designation "Rho" had first been given to the chapter at Ohio Wesleyan. When the college administration forced that chapter to disband, the name was given to the chapter at the University of Cin-

cinnati, which existed only briefly. The chapter at Allegheny became the third Rho. When Fraternity policy changed in 1890, and names of closed chapters were no longer reassigned, "Gamma" was prefixed to Allegheny's Rho, to indicate it was the third of that name.

Minnie Barney (Wilson), T (BT in 1890)—Syracuse, editor of the *Chautauquean*, published in Meadville, initiated the five charter members February 13, 1888.

Within a few months rooms in Hulings Hall were found, and they remained the chapter home until 1905. The uncle of two 1889 initiates, Lillian Manett (Morgan) and Eula Manett (Hill), presented the chapter with a well formed skeleton, named Mrs. Potter-Brown. For years the gift was an important part of the chapter's pre-initiation rites and it was mentioned in the September, 1890, issue of *The Key*.

The Gamma Rho story is filled with the delicious adventures of Mrs. P-B, her theft, her recovery, her desecration—at one time she was discovered on the Phi Gamma Delta mantel, holding a beer bottle and a cigarette! One year she became a Gamma Rho Christmas tree. It is stated that she has "given much enjoyment and an air of excitement to many years of Gamma Rho activities."

The thrill of living in Meadville in the 1890s is evident in *The Key* letters: "We went on many chestnutting expeditions and risked our lives behind nervous horses." (December, 1891) . . . "Our newsletter would not be complete without a catastrophe to relate . . . the week following Commencement a boat containing two of our girls was overturned just



Mrs. Potter Brown is integral part of ΓΡ even in 1906.

at the pump-house in the 'old canal'. The current into the pump was very strong but they were rescued with no injury save the wetting.", (October, 1892) . . . and (January, 1893) "We are not making history at a very rapid rate . . . and in writing chapter letters have to be careful not to say too much and exhaust our resources, else when the next quarter comes we are lost."

In August, 1908, the Fraternity convention was held at Allegheny. Men's chapter houses were thrown open, Alpha Chi Omega gave a musical, a reception for the Grand Council was held, and the assembled Kappas were presented to the townspeople at a lawn fete. There would never be enough space for it to happen again.

The centennial of the college was celebrated in 1915 and an historical pageant involving every student put all other matters aside. Gamma Rhos played roles involved with Meadville's founding. Several children taking part later became Kappas and the slanted observation of the 1930 chapter historian was that these tots had "attentively noticed the golden keys so prominent on the campus."

An addition had been built to Hulings Hall in 1905 and a move made to the fourth floor, women's dormitory section. The women's fraternities were quartered there with a living room and kitchenette, apiece. A Panhellenism not possible in separate houses was possible in this cozy arrangement. The girls lent or borrowed ingredients for recipes, in a spirit of affectionate reciprocity.

From 1888 to 1930 there were 30 Phi Beta Kappas among the Gamma Rhos. Other prominent members included writers and editors Bessie Lucine Putnam, Katherine Dewey Wilson and Edna Yost. Louise Bollard More was the dean of women at Ohio Wesleyan and Helen McCormick Sprague held the same position at Geneva College.

More recent Gamma Rhos of note include Hildegard Dolson (Lockridge), writer; Jane Beranice Eckert, educator; Jean Risser Aiken, assistant dean, University of Pittsburgh; Marian Whieldon Bell and Sara McQuiston Clark, civic workers; Joan Martin Douglas, clubwoman; Gladys Haddad, assistant professor of education and director of the new office of College Community Field Studies, Lake Erie College; Marguerite Kift Pritchard, artist; Dorothy Allen Wischart, business executive. All of these alumnae are included in *Who's Who of American Women*.

Other alumnae are Dawn Dwight Bouse, an IBM executive in Dayton; Joanne Bochel Carroll, director of Cambria County Welfare Services; Carol Sholle Schupp, director of student activities, University of Maryland Munich, Germany, campus; and Donna Marie Guenter (Baillere), who received a Kappa Fellowship in Medicine. Jane Davis Schaefer, wife of the Governor of Pennsylvania, is a Gamma Rho.

At Allegheny freshmen rushing was abolished in 1936 and sophomore rushing was limited by quota and preferential bidding. Plans for the "New Allegheny" were formulated in 1938. This meant that the old Hulings Hall would be incorporated in a new women's dormitory. The chapter newsletter, *Gamma Rho*, was started in 1936.

Gamma Rho felt the influence of World War II during the 1940s. The chapter began a philanthropy program and members broadened their interests to include cultural meetings, an accelerated scholastic program, knitting, rolling bandages, selling bonds, and clothing babies in Norway. During this time there was no May Day celebration and serenades were eliminated.



GP chapter of Allegheny in early 1900s.



Kappa cheerleaders of GP 1958.

The Kappa library was improved, redecorating, and Saturday night socials were resumed as times allowed during the 1940s. Permission hours for Monday through Thursday were set at 1:00 a.m. and 2:00 a.m. for weekends. Boys had to be out of the house by midnight and drinking was not permitted, nor were overnight guests.

In the 1950s, the Kappas were stressing public relations and an increase in personal philanthropy. However, as outside involvements progressed, scholastic achievements regressed, and the scholarship program had to be reemphasized. Gamma Rho hosted the Beta Province Convention, supported several war orphans, collected and reconditioned old toys and clothing, and pledges volunteered at a hospital for crippled children.

Changes and unrest, as well as Viet Nam involvement marked the 1960s. Major issues at Gamma Rho were chapter integration and efficiency. The Fraternity faced self examination concerning "relevance" from the national to local level. The Kappas were first in Panhellenic scholarship on campus several times. Phyllis Leslie Brooks (Cox) became graduate counselor at Auburn University. "Ask not what Kappa can do for you, but what you can do for Kappa" was the slogan.

Motivators such as the Kappa of the Month pillow and Fleur of the Week were begun. Suzanne Kidervatter was Allegheny's student Ambassador to Ceylon. The Fraternity approved the first pledging of a girl after she had been out of the chapter for more than a year. Kappa Kalendar and Kappa Klutz Award were introduced as Elsie Etiquette was eliminated. Mary Lou Lehman (McGee) became a graduate counselor at West Virginia in 1968. Allegheny tried some pass-fail courses and disputed women's permission hours.

There were open houses in the dormitories twice a week and the university allowed 18-hour dorm visitations. Alpha Xi Delta disbanded and Panhellenic lowered the cumulative average requirement for pledging to 2.0. An alumna donated an opal key which the chapter president wears.

Kappa Alpha Theta and Alpha Chi Omega temporarily disbanded in the early 1970s. Some Gamma Rhos resigned and the chapter had a reevaluation. Talk sessions led to new goals and aims as well as its elimination of some offices, but chapter unity was strengthened through personal awards and buddy activities. Kappa's strength in unity and spirit precipitated a new Panhellenic quota of 64 in a chapter and a guaranteed pledge class of 16.

The Kappas and the Phi Gams staged many battles over the years for the possession of the treasured skeleton, Mrs.

Potter-Brown. An unwritten pledge between these two houses terminated the shenanigans in 1959. The Kappas, feeling that they should put Mrs. P. B. carefully away, packed her in a laundry box, and as the story goes, mailed her to a "caretaker" in Pittsburgh for safekeeping in 1963. Following this, the Gamma Rhos lost track of Mrs. P. B. Suddenly, she turned up in the attic of a Kappa. In 1966 she participated with the Gamma Rhos in a party during rush week. While she was on display, several Phi Gam pledges loudly disrupted the

party in a brave attempt to steal Mrs. P. B. They failed, and the Phi Gams were placed on probation by the college.

Since that time Mrs. P. B. has only come out on special and rare occasions. The remainder of the time she stays securely packed away in a comfortable spot, known only to two members of the chapter. Mrs. P. B. has given much enjoyment and an air of excitement to many years of Gamma Rho actives and Gamma Rho hopes to keep her for many years to come.



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Founded October 12, 1888
Initiates 1621

Beta Nu

Ohio State University
Columbus, Ohio
Established 1870

Charter Members:

Fanny Elizabeth Bancroft, Alberta Donnezetti Garber, Alice Hynes Moodie, Carrie Adelia Pocock, Alla Berta Rickey, Ellen Bliss Talbot.

Beta Nu Chapter of Kappa Kappa Gamma was the first women's fraternity founded at Ohio State University. A Columbus newspaper dated October 12, 1888, reported: "The organization was perfected at the residence of Miss Bell Slade on Hamilton Avenue . . . 'Nu' is the name of the chapter and the pin is a small enameled gold key inlaid with stones. The ladies believe they have good prospects for a flourishing chapter." The "Nu" was changed to Beta Nu by vote of the 1890 Convention, to distinguish this Nu from the Nu of Franklin College, Indiana, which had lived briefly from 1879 to 1894.

Ohio State University was founded as a result of the Land Grant Act of Congress approved by President Lincoln in 1862. It has grown from its original 311 acres and one building to a campus of 2,555 acres with more than 123 buildings.

In 1888 the university enrollment was 225 including 30 women. Men's fraternal organizations had appeared as early as 1878. Chapters of other sororities were established following the installation of the Kappa chapter, and in 1903 the first Panhellenic meeting was called by Kappa and a Kappa, Edna Pratt (Brown), was elected president.

Location of the first chapter meetings is not known, but records show that in 1891 the girls were gathering in the home of a member, Sarah Elizabeth O'Kane (Raymond) at 215 West Tenth Avenue.

In 1916, a small apartment was rented above Long's Book Store on North High Street and furniture was donated by Columbus Kappas. During World War I male students who had not joined the service were required, as members of the ROTC (Reserve Officers Training Corps), to live in temporary barracks erected on the campus. Rather than close the Phi Gamma Delta house, the president offered it to the Kappas. The few out-of-town members had already made arrangements to live in dormitories, so the house was used as a meeting place and for entertaining.

The war period was one of unrest on the campus. Many girls left school to fill positions left open by men who had enlisted, and others were on call for nurses's training. Beta Nu and the Columbus alumnae collected clothing for chapter member Dorothy Canfield Fisher's *Dispensaire* in France in addition to rolling bandages and knitting socks. The chapter pledged \$500 to the YWCA. To raise the money the chapter made and sold

sandwiches to the fraternities after Monday night meetings, sold flowers at football games, gave subscription dances, and performed many other small jobs.

After the war, the Kappas and Delta Gammas leased and shared an apartment at Sixteenth Avenue and High Street. In 1920, a six-room apartment was rented at 24 Fifteenth Avenue. It was occupied by four out-of-town members and a chaperone. A cook was hired and lunches served to town girls.

The Beta Nu Building Association was formed in 1921 and in September, 1922, a house was purchased for \$12,360 at 90 Thirteenth Avenue, the first to be owned by a women's fraternity at Ohio State. It had three bedrooms and a third-floor "dormitory." It was occupied by eight girls and a housemother.

With the increase in the number of out-of-town girls a larger house was soon needed and one was purchased in 1926 at 84 Fifteenth Avenue, the street which has always been known as "the gate to the campus." The purchase price of \$30,000 was raised with the help of a loan from the Fraternity. Ten girls and a housemother used its one family-sized bathroom. A third floor with a chapter room and smaller rooms for initiation was considered to be very "posh," although fainting in the heat of initiation was standard procedure.

In 1936, " . . . with the mortgage reduced and the income increased," to quote from the January, 1937, *Banta's Greek Exchange*, the work of remodeling this former family home into a sorority house was accomplished. Once again, Kappa was first with a "real" sorority house. An addition provided housing for 15 girls, larger bathroom facilities, a housemother's suite with bath, a large living room, larger kitchen and dining facilities, a basement chapter room, and, in tune with the times, a parking lot in the rear.

The World War II years brought dramatic changes of scene to the Ohio State campus. Class ranks were drastically disrupted as men elected to enter various branches of the armed forces or were drafted into the service. Joe College, with his broad-brimmed, flat top "pork pie" hat and "zoot suit" (featuring pegged trousers, long jacket with padded shoulders) was replaced by a man in uniform, as the university geared to specialized training programs for the Army and the Navy.

Many coeds chose to enlist, also, as WAVES (Women Accepted for Volunteer Emergency Service-Navy), WASPS (Women's Airforce Service Pilots), WACS (Women's Army Corps). Some, like Jane Emig (Ford) who served with the Red Cross in Burma and India, were sent overseas. The chapter house buzzed with excitement whenever a member on official leave returned for a visit.

Beta Nu who chose to continue their college careers filled their extra-curricular hours with letter-writing to friends and sweethearts in the service, knitting items in drab green which were requested by the government, tending Victory Gardens which sprang up in unlikely places in a civilian attempt to replace rationed and hard-to-get food products. Several Kappas participated on the War Entertainment Board, an organization of collegians who wrote and produced, sang and danced in a variety show that entertained ASTP (Army Specialized Training Program), Navy V-12, and Lockbourne Airbase trainees. Others were active in SWAVes (a branch of the Student War Bond Board), which sold war stamps, registered blood donors, sponsored classes for nurses aid and first aid.

College women wore knee-length skirts and "sloppy Joe" sweaters, many of which had been spirited away from the closets of absent service-bound brothers and boyfriends. Not only did coeds borrow the men's clothing, they also took over as officers of organizations that traditionally had been headed by men. The 1944 *Makio* (yearbook) asked "Will they (the women) be willing to turn things back to the men when they return?"

Ohio State's wartime classes kept up their morale by contributing to a fund for a Victory Bell, which would hang in a tower of the stadium and be rung in celebration of future football victories at the Big Ten school.

Kappa actives and alumnae also volunteered at USO (United Service Organization) canteens and the Kappa Service Women's Center in the Chittenden Hotel. It was one of 14 Fraternity-sponsored centers sprinkled across the country. Nola Dysle Havens was chairman of the Columbus suite, which provided a lounge area for servicewomen to rest and relax as they passed through Ohio's capital city. Kappa projects supported the Nora Waln Fund for bombed-out families in England, and Columbus women spent countless hours creating baby clothes for layettes which were sent to Norway through the fund.

More growing pains brought about the purchase of an old house at 55 Fifteenth Avenue to be used for an annex until money could be raised to build the Kappa "Dream House" on the new site. A goal of \$30,000 was set by the alumnae association and the struggle began. Through rummage sales, bake sales, bridge and bingo parties, redemption of state sales tax stamps, the compilation of a Beta Nu Directory, and many other projects the goal was reached. A loan from Hazel Zeller Nesbitt gave a boost to the project. The interest was donated to the chapter later. The house was started in 1950 and ready for occupancy in the fall of 1952 at a cost of \$225,000, including furnishing and landscaping. The house at 84 Fifteenth Avenue was sold to Zeta Tau Alpha for \$57,000.

An alumnae association was first given public mention March 16, 1901. By 1930, about 75 percent of the 150 alumnae living in Columbus were active members. Mary Blakiston Guild, first initiate of Beta Nu Chapter, was the organizer of the group and served as its first president in 1901 and again in 1922. Upon her death her badge was given to the chapter to be worn by the president.

The presence of the Fraternity Headquarters in Columbus is important to Beta Nu Chapter. The spirit and loyalty of the chapter is fostered by visits to Headquarters and members are happy to be hostesses to visiting officers and Headquarters staff. Beta Nus spent many hours helping sort and dry out valuable papers and cleaning up after the 1965 fire which partially destroyed the Headquarters building.

Beta Nu has been hostess to a number of Fraternity and province conventions and meetings. The second Beta Province Convention met in Columbus with Beta Nu as hostess May 26-28, 1897. Business meetings were in the home of Dorothy Canfield (Fisher), whose father was president of the university. Fraternity conventions have been scheduled in Columbus in 1900, 1968, and 1974.

The first Gamma Province Convention took place in 1923 at the Maple Grove Hotel near Chillicothe with Beta Nu as hostess. Beta Nu was hostess to the province again in 1933, this time at home. The convention was held during spring vacation so that the Beta Theta Pi house could be borrowed to provide additional space for meetings and to house the delegates.

Christine Conaway, one-time dean of women at Ohio State, once said "... (Kappa) has always maintained high standards in scholarship, personal conduct, and participation in campus affairs. Their house is a friendly one where hospitality is always found . . ."

High standards in scholarship have always been stressed. Study buddies, files of old tests, and a quiet chapter room are available. In 1943, Beta Nu was awarded a handsome silver coffee urn for top scholarship for three consecutive years. In 1964, the chapter took first place in three out of the possible six scholarship awards at the annual Panhellenic Scholarship Banquet. In 1967, Beta Nu gained permanent possession of a scholarship trophy and in 1970, was leader in scholarship among the women's fraternities at Ohio State. In 1973 the chapter was again at the top winning the Panhellenic active chapter award and the pledge class award.

High standards in personal conduct were recognized in 1966 when Beta Nu received the Gracious Living Award. Good habits and manners are stressed through informal skits and discussions, frequent house meetings, telephone hostesses, house rules and quiet hours.

Participation in campus affairs can be seen in the numerous activities involving Beta Nus. There have been many queens, cheerleaders, activity leaders, and committee members. Beta Nu has given volunteer service to the Ohio State University Speech and Hearing Clinic, participated in the annual Heart Fund Drive, and given seasonal parties for handicapped children.



(L) Dorothy Canfield Fisher taken 1912.

(R) Clara O. Pierce at beginning of her Fraternity career.



BN chapter 1957 in front of house.

Columbus alumnae adopted Huckleberry House as a philanthropy in 1972. Huckleberry House is a home near the campus for runaway teenagers, which endeavors to provide resources and alternatives to youths before they get deeply into trouble. It offers emergency housing and individual and family counseling on a voluntary basis.

Clara O. Pierce stands at the top of Beta Nu's list of outstanding members. She served as executive secretary from January 1, 1929, until January 1, 1969. The Gracious Living Award is given in her honor at Fraternity conventions and a memorial fellowship for graduate study has been established in her name. A significant event of the 1954 Convention was the ceremony marking her 25th year in office. The ceremony was conducted by Beta Nus.

Katharine Wade Pennell was executive secretary-treasurer from 1969 to 1970 and executive secretary from 1970 until her retirement in 1972. Betty Sanor Cameron is executive secretary at the present time.

Many members of Beta Nu have been province officers. Many have held positions of leadership within the Fraternity. Sally Moore Nitschke served as chairman of pledge training; was the first editor of *Speak Up*; is a past director of field representatives; and is currently a member of Council as director of membership. Betsy Molsberry Prior is director of alumnae. Ruth Bullock Chastang has served as chairman of the Hearthstone and of Fraternity extension, director of personnel, and national Panhellenic delegate for the Fraternity. She is currently Fraternity research chairman. The Columbus City

Panhellenic presented the Fraternity Woman of the Year Award to her in 1971.

Isabel Hatton Simmons was editor of *The Key* for many years, a position held now by Diane Miller Selby. Juliana Fraser Wales, a past field secretary, is chairman of Fraternity education for chapter programs. Jill Eversole was a field secretary, 1974-75. Jane Emig Ford has planned and supervised convention photography for many years.

Ann Scott Morningstar, Achievement Award winner in 1958, was the first national scholarship chairman and chairman of public relations for many years. Catherine Schroeder Graf is a past chairman of Fraternity publications and is editor of the 1975-76 *History of Kappa Kappa Gamma*.

Among the many Beta Nus who have held Fraternity posts in the past are Mignon Talbot, who was grand registrar, 1894-1900, and Lucy Allen Smart, who was editor of *The Key*, 1900-1904.

Chapter traditions are held dear: initiation with a banquet at noon; a formal dance every year, "Thank God it's Friday" parties, the annual Kappa-Kappa Alpha Theta party, after-the-game open houses, entertainment of campus officials and alumnae. The pinning ceremony is a favorite Ohio State tradition. Pinning serenades by Greek letter groups are held at night, usually after an exciting "candle-passing" in which the girl announces her pinning or engagement. During the ceremony fraternity men arrive to sing and exchange songs with the girls who stand on the porch holding lighted candles..

Beta Nu helped install Rho Deuteron Chapter at Ohio Wesleyan in 1925 and Gamma Omega Chapter at Denison in 1929.

Beta Nu celebrated its first 50 years in October, 1938. The festivities began on Friday with a concert by Beta Nu's soprano Margaret Speaks (Pearl), and a reception at the chapter house. There were luncheons for 10-year groups and a banquet on Saturday. Three of the founders returned for the celebration: Alice Moodie Hartwell, Alla Berta Rickey Cless, and Carrie Pocock Ward.

The chapter's 75th anniversary was celebrated on an Ohio State football weekend in 1963, beginning with a banquet on Friday night and ending with an open house at the Beta Nu house after the Homecoming game on Saturday. Eleanor Penniman Boardman was banquet toastmistress at both the 50th and 75th anniversaries.

Beta Nu looks forward now to its 100th anniversary with pride in the past and the knowledge that college lifestyles may change, but all that has made Kappa great will remain steadfast.

BA

Founded March 20, 1890
Initiates 908

Beta Alpha

University of Pennsylvania
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
Established 1779

Charter Members:

Josephine Feger Ancona, Rose Ancona, Martha Bunting, Kathleen Ryder Carter, Jessie Lippincott Colson. Lois Macy Otis was honorably discharged from Psi to become a founder and charter member of BA.

A Beta Alpha Chapter from founding, March, 1890, to June, 1975, has had two "permanent" (loosely speaking) ADDRESSES (see HOUSE HUNTING) (see ZIP). . .

ABBREVIATION: UP refers to the University of Pennsylvania. . . ADVERTISEMENT: ASK ABOUT the ALL-encompassing Beta Alpha ALPHABET to be AVAILABLE at some future date.....ASK.

"ATTENTION is called to two important ACTIONS of the fraternity: the charter of Omicron is . . . null and void . . . A charter has been granted for a chapter at the Pennsylvania State University (sic!) . . . few chapters have been established under such favorable conditions . . . success (is) almost inevitable . . ." (*The Key*, December, 1889) . . . The Philadelphia ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION, founded 1900, supplies ADVISERS, AID, AMITY to the chapter . . . The ASSOCIATION of ALUMNAE, UP, promoted by ACTIVIST Catherine Beekley (Yocum), has elected six Beta Alpha presidents: Catherine Bohlen, Doris Ruwell Bolger, Dorothy Buckley Crawford, Louise Horner, Dr. Geneva Groth, Rheva Ott Shryock . . . UP ALUMNI AWARDS of Merit have gone to Doris Bolger, Dorothy Crawford, Helen Keim, Ruth Branning Molloy, Rheva Shryock . . . Kappa ALUMNAE ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS to Sarah Lee Lippincott, Mary Geisler Phillips, Rheva Shryock, Jane Stokes Wallace . . . Joan Todd Robinette is a past president, Philadelphia ALUMNAE Club, UP (see FATHERS, HEXAGON, SPECIAL, etc. AWARDS)

B The BETA ALPHA BLUES, newsletter, born 1929, dies, and returns . . . its 25th anniversary was celebrated with a picnic in the UP Shakespeare garden. . .

C A "true COPY" of the (lost) original CHARTER was issued in 1899 . . . Lois Macy Otis (who resigned from Psi to found Beta Alpha) describes CHARTER members in her essay "Birth of Beta Alpha": Jessie "pale, slender, lovely", Kathleen "deep science student", Rose and Josephine "musical, gifted," Martha . . . (see IMPOSITION!) . . . Lois, herself, has been described as "not lovable." Does a founder have to be lovable? . . . "Does a CHAPTER room have to be blue and blue?" (Question in house board minutes) . . . Fraternity CATALOGUER (1904-1916) was Mary Scattergood . . . The complete chapter CATALOGUER, careful, conscientious, concise, was Louise Horner . . . The CRISIS of 1970 was successfully countered by Rheva Shryock, who announced at the April 30, 1970, conclave of loyal actives and interested alumnae, "You still have a charter" after she had determined that the April 21 vote to return the charter was invalid. She saved the CHAPTER.

D DRAMATIC DENOUEMENT: "Two of our fraternity pins which had been lost, one in Colorado, one in Atlantic City, were recently recovered in extremely interesting ways." (*The Key*, December, 1910) . . . The DIAMOND Anniversary program, March 6, 1965, listed a coffee hour, an exhibition, films, lunch (with many awards), campus tour, open house (see PUNCHBOWL) . . . A DISPUTED DISPLAY of 75 years of memorabilia (including Rheva Shryock's collection of badges and miniature gavels) was mounted at the UP library during 1965. Rheva's DECISION saved the exhibition.

E The EFFICIENCY Cup was won at the 1932 Convention (see PROOF of PRIDE) . . . Carol Ann Trimble (Weisenfeld) provides an EXTRAORDINARY EXAMPLE OF EXTRA-curricular activity: only UP woman to have held offices of EDITOR-IN-CHIEF, *Pennsylvania News*; president, Women's Student Government; president, chapter (1959-60).

F FIRST woman for whom doors of Houston Hall (student union) were opened, 1906, was Mary D. Griffith Canby . . . a reception honored her as grand president, Kappa Kappa Gamma . . . Lillian Zimmerman FLIGG, legendary house board president, gave complete devotion (see X) . . . The



Charter members BA 1890 on steps of biological hall.

1974-75 chapter.

FATHERS trophy "for outstanding participation in athletic events and programs, contribution to the campus community, and an above average academic standing" was won (in one instance) by Elizabeth Anne "Lizanne" Kelly (LeVine), 1955 . . . No Beta Alpha has been a FIELD secretary.

G Nor has any Beta Alpha been a GRADUATE counselor (the chapter has profited by three) . . . The Shryock GAVELS awarded for advisory board excellence were brought into being by the Philadelphia Alumnae Association . . . GOLDEN anniversary chairman, Jane Bennett (Southoron), issued invitation in the form of a summons, planned speakers for each decade, displayed memorabilia (March 16, 1940) . . . GRIFFITH (see FIRST, see X).

H Beta Alpha won the UP 1968 HEXAGON Award, given to the fraternity which, based on a point system, has the highest overall leadership, scholarship, and participation in campus activities . . . Fannie R.M. HITCHCOCK, pioneer woman scientist, was UP's first director of the Women's Department (1897-1901) . . . (see PHILANTHROPY) . . . The almost annual HOUSE HUNTING and the occupation of rooms and apartments ended, 1921, with the acquisition of 3323 Walnut Street (see YEATMAN) . . . UP control was arranged, and when the house was lost, 1959, to Redevelopment, UP, by agreement, offered the HISTORIC mansion at 225 South 39th Street (occupied by Beta Alpha September, 1959-June, 1970) . . . (see WHAT HAPPENED). A cellar, a room, rented space at St. Anthony Hall (Delta Psi) and (1974-1975) St. Elmo (Delta Phi) followed the 1970 decision . . . HOUSE-PARTIES were once enjoyed in New Jersey resort towns (Wildwood, Ocean City, Avalon) . . . The HOUSE Board, previously part of the advisory board, became an entity May 25, 1944.

I In the winter of 1890 an IDEA came to Jessie, and "Jessie came to Lois with a confidence. She, with Rose and Josephine, Martha and Kathleen, wanted to have a fraternity . . . Lois belonged to Psi Chapter of Kappa Kappa Gamma at Cornell . . . it was all put through in March. No officer came, which seemed a little strange, but Lois initiated the girls . . ." (from *The Birth of Beta Alpha*, by Lois Macy Otis). An IMPOSITION was what Martha Bunting, first chapter president, called the quartering of a Fraternity officer in her home . . . Martha resigned! . . . Was the IDENTITY of UP as a private INSTITUTION mistaken by the Fraternity (see ATTENTION), eager in 1890 to INVOLVE ITSELF with large state

universities? If the truth had been known, that women were forcing their way to a male realm, that it would be years before anything like equal opportunity would be achieved, that women's fraternities would never be encouraged although allowed to exist, would Kappa have been so happy about that 1890 announcement?

JUDGMENT was passed on the chapter in 1932 by Helen Snyder (Andres), first field secretary: "Such a rollicking, enthusiastic, and lovable chapter we have here in this grand old city."

KA list of KEY features, pertinent to Beta Alpha, can be acquired from the Resource Department, Kappa Headquarters . . . A former housemother writes (1974), "How is everything going with KKK?"!!!

LA concerted wail greeted the reading of the preferential rush LIST (the 1950s): "But it's just a LIST of all nice girls!" . . . A Kappa LOYALTY Award went to Rheva Shryock, 1968 . . . and a Kappa Fellowship, 1953, to SARAH LEE LIPPINCOTT, director, Sproul Observatory, Swarthmore, Pennsylvania, discoverer of the star of smallest known mass (see ACHIEVEMENT).

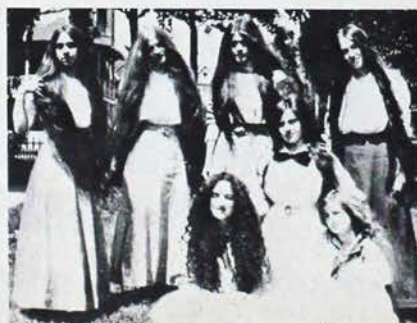
MTHE MEMBERSHIP of the chapter circa 1915 produced seven doctors, a dentist, a revered grand president, a finance adviser extraordinary, a beloved house board chairman, an affiliate with five degrees, an editor, administrators, educators, a province president ("No one has put more fun and good humor and yet more effort into the work" was said of Florence Pumyea McCARTHY, *The Key*, 1935). "If it doesn't mean more (than an . . . invitation to mixers) then a MEMBERSHIP is being wasted." (Carolyn Thayer [Ross], 1968 *Blues*).

NAt the Convention of 1890 it was voted "that all active chapters designated by the same Greek letters formerly borne by suspended chapters, be further distinguished by prefixing Beta." In voting the establishment and the NAME of Beta Alpha six years after the death of Alpha an "apparent reluctance to use the name of the mother chapter a second time," (May Whiting Westermann, Σ —Nebraska) was overcome. . . Louise Butts NEELY devoted almost all her volunteer time from 1919 till her death in 1968 to her Kappa interests, especially chapter finance. She loved—and possessed—her job.

OAware of the OCCASION (banquet, Beta Province Convention, April 18, 1953), charter member Jessie Colson said to Jean Fry Stauffer, "I wish it would never be over." . . . OTT (see SHRYOCK, see REFERENCES) . . . OH, there are too many OMISSIONS in this history! (see ADVERTISEMENT).



Mary Engle Pennington.



Houseparty Wildwood 1913.

PTHE PRIZE of a table at Woods Hole, Massachusetts, was offered annually, and, prompted by Fannie Hitchcock became, in 1902, the first PHILANTHROPY accepted by the Fraternity as a program . . . from it developed the present Student Aid Fund . . . Dr. Mary Engle PENNINGTON, "this country's supreme authority on matters connected with the refrigeration of perishable foodstuffs," (the *New Yorker*, "Ice Woman", September 6, 1941), was grand treasurer (1900-1902) . . . (see X) . . . Mary Geisler PHILLIPS, editor, writer, represents many Beta Alphas who have been of service to other chapters (long time adviser, honored by Psi 1948) . . . (see ACHIEVEMENT) . . . PROOF of PRIDE, after the 1932 Westermann Award, was the gift of a davenport from the PHILADELPHIA Alumnae! . . . PARLIAMENTARIAN (see Shryock) . . . The most successful and longest-lived chapter PARTY was the hunt breakfast . . . Many Beta Alphas were members of PI LAMBDA THETA, education honorary, and, after its 1935 installation, of the UP women's chapter of PHI BETA KAPPA . . . Beta Alpha developed PRESTIGE and POWER during its years as the only women's organization at UP (1890-1914), and an ego that did not fail it for a long time ("Why are we always being told we're so terrible", asked an active of the 1960s, "When we're the best there is?") . . . The PUNCHBOWL, presented by the PHILADELPHIA alumnae in memory of Louise McCollum Lehman, Gamma Psi, loyal and loved adviser, was used first at the 75th anniversary open house . . .

QUESTION—"If you were an incoming freshman of the '70s would you choose to become a member of a co-ed living arrangement . . . or would you join a fraternity?" (Anne Whitman, Kappa Fellow, Dallas, Texas, Alumnae Award, 1973, anthropology) . . . QUOTES—"The girls are just as nice but the courses are harder" (an affiliate of the 1960s) . . . "I believe heart and soul in the fraternity" (Mary D. G. Canby) . . . "Many (things) are too intangible to ever put words together about them aptly enough to be understandable" (C.A.T.W., *The Key*, Winter, 1959). . . QUEENS have never been an essential part of the UP atmosphere . . . most noted (for a while) was Josephine Caldwell (Barron, Harkins, Johnson), May QUEEN, Phi Beta Kappa, Mortar Board, chapter president, "most beautiful college girl in America", "most beautiful bookworm in the country", Miss Fashion Futures, 1941 . . . she cut the ribbon which opened the UP Bicentennial, 1940, and died in an auto accident, 1962, aged 42.

RA ROUND ROBIN letter went its rounds for more than 50 years (a RECORD?) RIVALS, through the years: other fraternities, independence, the Christian conscience, apathy, lack of incentive, men! . . . RECEPTIONS given monthly by Beta Alpha were, for many years, the only social events available to UP's women students . . . a REST ROOM was furnished by Beta Alpha for women students when it had not occurred to the university to arrange for one . . . REFERENCES were not required at the time, but in 1915 the Philadelphia Alumnae Association minutes recorded, "We are informing the chapter that Rheva Ott is the sort of girl we want to see bid" . . . ! RESIGNATIONS (see ULTIMATUM).

SSTATISTICS (December, 1970, *Gazette*): . . . fall, 1960, rush provided 11 women's houses with 190 pledges . . . fall, 1970, three (of five) houses took 15 pledges . . . (1975 open rush, Beta Alpha had four pledges.) . . . A SPECIAL award, Beta Province Meeting, 1973, "to Beta Alpha for hanging on when it would have been much easier to give up." . . .

Natalie Huston, president, receives award for the chapter . . . Rheva Ott SHRYOCK, last of the grand presidents, past KKT parliamentarian, recipient of many awards, most honored of Beta Alphas, will be given a full biography in this History's SPECIAL SECTION (fall, 1976) (see REFERENCES, see AWARDS, see LOYALTY, see X)

TOnce there were TRADITIONS and TEA CLUB was one in the 1920s with tea taken at the old round TABLE at 3323 Walnut Street, and questions from *Ask Me Another*, asked and answered . . . A 10 per cent increase in TUITION for 1975-1976 (up to \$3790) has been announced by UP . . . TESTIMONIAL: "I look back . . . with much greater feeling having been part of the great come-back . . . such a TRANSITION has proved the real strength of our organization . . ." (Eleanor Peterkin, 1971).

UBeta Alpha is UNIQUE . . . It has initiated (through 1975) 888 members, and one of them is Rheva Ott Shryock . . . no other chapter can make that claim! . . . from Wendy Wick, chapter president (May 1, 1970), an ULTIMATUM: "We expect you to be an active member . . . if (you are) not . . . you must formally resign from our Fraternity . . ."

VThe Beta Alpha flower was the VIOLET . . . to honor the Red and Blue of UP and the Tri Deltas, installed in 1904, selected the red rose . . . Hurrah for the Rose and the Violet! . . . A VERSATILE woman is Ellen Brandt, Ph.D. 1973, publishing scholar in early American cultural history, musician, former fashion model, linguist, member WEAL, NOW, NWPC, MLA, SAMLA, ASA, SEASA, PCA, WCML, AFTRA, SAG, and other organizations.

WJane Stokes WALLACE, Phi Beta Kappa, Mortar Board, president Bowling Green dramatic society, recipient special Bicentennial UP award for outstanding service and leadership (1940) (see ACHIEVEMENT), became an executive of Celanese, and is (1975) executive director Mountain Artisans . . . The WILL of Adeline Jacobs (1959): "To Beta Alpha, my gold key . . ." The WILL of Sophie Foell Cope (1969): ". . . To Beta Alpha, a silver tray and one-sixth of my estate for scholarships." (\$19,000) The principle will be sent to Headquarters and interest will be used for Fraternity scholarships and fellowships, with preference to qualified Beta Alphas. . . . WHAT HAPPENED? The relinquishing of the chapter house in 1970 was triggered by the required installation of an expensive sprinkler system and by the diminished number of

tenant members after UP relaxation on apartment living . . . loss of membership had to do with the "relevancy" of fraternities, steadily rising tuition costs, a decrease in interest in all campus memberships, the loss of the house, the trauma of the 1960s.

XX MARKS THE SPOT: the Up Van Pelt library (Adeline Jacobs willed her diary!) Hill Hall (suite named for Mary E. Pennington, double room named for Mary D. G. Canby, Hitchcock portrait in board room, Fraternity name and names of many Beta Alphas on contributors' plaque); Rehabilitation Center, H.U.P., (Fraternity name on the contributor's plaque, financial contributions, and thousands of hours given by actives and alumnae during the 1950s); Weightman Hall (athletic trophies); Kappa Headquarters (an 1890 dress hand-worked by Mary E. Pennington; a shadow box of charter members, the work and gift of Lillian Fligg; the Mary Griffith (Canby) pledge pin, gift of Rheva Shryock . . . X does not mark the many spots where rooms, apartments, and the Walnut Street house stood . . . all demolished to make way for UP redevelopment.

YThe house at 3323 Walnut Street was acquired "through the kindness of Mrs. Pope YEATMAN, mother of Beta Alpha Georgina YEATMAN (former city architect, North Carolina conservationist) . . . Mrs. Yeatman held the mortgage which she cancelled in 1928 . . . "Words are inadequate to express our appreciation," wrote the 1930 chapter historian—so Georgina was made a life member of the Philadelphia Alumnae Association! . . . "I've never known girls like these before," said Jane Brautigam, graduate counselor to Beta Alpha, 1973-1974 . . . "Do you like them?" . . . "Oh, YES!"

ZIP—Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, 19174 . . . Anita Shollenberger (died July 4, 1974) first president of the women students organization which preceded WSGA (Women's Self Government Association) disliked the ZIP code, and said, "I can't approve of people writing 'Phila.' and 'Pa.' when 'Philadelphia' and 'Pennsylvania' are both such beautiful words." . . . That brings us back to A (see ADDRESS, ABBREVIATIONS)!

& . . . OR ETCETERA . . . A HOUSE FOR BETA ALPHA HAS BEEN ACQUIRED AS OF JUNE, 1975 . . . THE ADDRESS IS 3952 PINE STREET, PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA . . . MEMBERS ARE FEW . . . MORALE IS HIGH!

ΒΔ

Founded October 2, 1890
Initiates 1383

Beta Delta

University of Michigan
Ann Arbor, Michigan
Established 1817

Charter Members:

Lucy Durfee Clark, Alice Harper Damon, Mildred Hinsdale, Helen Maude McGregor, Caroline Crosby Penny, Jessica Vaughn Penny, Bertha Edna Pritchard, Blanche Skinner, Laura Eunice Sprague.

In the spring of 1890, two rival groups at the University of Michigan petitioning the Grand Council of Kappa Kappa Gamma were brought together harmoniously, and nine persons from the two groups were listed on the Beta Delta charter.

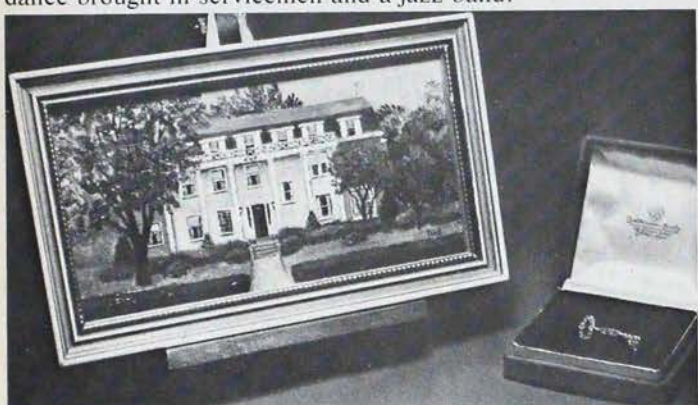
Six returned to college for a fall initiation at the home of one of the initiates—the other three were initiated later—and the first golden keys caused a campus sensation.

Three faculty wives (the patroness custom was continued

at Ann Arbor until about 1950) became loyal friends and sponsors of the young chapter. In the spring of 1893 a series of Sunday patroness teas enabled the girls to plan for chapter headquarters, established that fall. Other early chapter events included the establishment of a Panhellenic, a Beta Delta Alumnae Association informally organized during 1894-1895, a June 1895 reunion, and the entertainment of the 1902 National Convention.

In the fall of 1895 six Kappas moved to Beta Delta's first chapter house at Washington and Ingalls Streets. There were six more moves before the \$19,000 house was built at 1204 Hill Street. Ground had been broken April 1910, and 22 girls were housed in the unfinished building that fall. Beta Delta's Grand President Florence Burton Roth was guest of honor at the housewarming.

World War I brought meatless, wheatless days of sacrifice and service, Red Cross knitting, farmerette duties and many forms of thrift. On Armistice Day an impromptu Kappa dance brought in servicemen and a jazz band.



Award key given for service & loyalty in honor of Catherine Kelder Walz.

A highlight of the year 1924 was the wedding of Theodosia Burton Stewart, X—Minnesota, daughter of the university president. The entire chapter, dressed in pastel formal gowns, adorned the balcony of the elegant new Clements Library where the ceremony took place. They also attended, with such luminaries as Henry Ford, the reception that followed in the president's residence next door.

Visits from Dorothy Canfield Fisher, BN—Ohio State, and Robert Frost, while he was the university's Poet-in-Residence, were also of great interest to the chapter.

Outstanding Beta Deltas of the 1920s include three honored in architecture: Marion Frances Blood, awarded the Booth Scholarship in Architecture; Ruth Goodhew Chastaney, editor of *Architectural Forum* magazine; Frances Sutton Schmitz, first woman architect registered in the State of Michigan, a long term member of the Fraternity Housing Committee, and recipient of a Kappa Distinguished Alumnae Award. Phyllis Laughton Seaton became the first Michigan coed to direct the Junior Girls Play, later a leading drama coach in Hollywood, California, and a mayor of Beverly Hills.

The paramount interest of Michigan women during this period was the planning and financing of a Women's League building as a campus activities headquarters. At that time women were not allowed to enter the men's Michigan Union by the front door, or use the building for meetings. In 1923 Beta Delta stood first in contributions among organized houses, and in 1929 the beautiful million dollar Michigan League made the university the first and only campus with two student buildings.

The *Kappa Kronicle*, chapter financed, which appeared in the spring of 1931, has been continuously published and has

received many Fraternity awards. It chronicles the times for Beta Delta Alumnae. The Depression years note such items as the addition of a water softener, linoleum in the attic dorm ("no more splinters"), and electrical equipment in the pantry. ("Now we can have hot toast and even an egg in the morning if we pay a nickel.")

In spite of the Depression, the Kappas entertained: at high teas; at dinners honoring faculty, patronesses, or alumnae; and in 1930 at a tea introducing their new chaperone to the campus. The inimitable Mrs. Louis Doggett, white hair piled high, black velvet band at throat, lent her grace, dignity, and friendship to the chapter for seven years.

After the Depression came lighter, happier times. Initiates of 1937 were required to skip, rather than walk, and to bow when encountering an active. Beta Delta's Helen Bower, star reporter for the *Detroit Free Press* and editor of *The Key* from 1930 to 1946, often came to initiation banquets, delighting each new class with her rendition of "The Midnight Ride of Paul Revere," complete with gallops across the dining room floor. This was the Big Band era. Kappas danced to the music of Jimmy Dorsey at one end of the Intramural Building and Kay Keyser at the other at the "U Hop" in 1938. In the late 1930s dressy Michigan coeds no longer strolled down the "Diag," the main walk on campus, in high heels, gloves, and hats. Instead, they wore saddle shoes, skirts, and cardigans (preferably Braemars) buttoned down the back, and always with pearls.

The high point of 1940 was the celebration of fifty golden years of Beta Delta. Two charter members, Mildred Hinsdale and Lucy Clark Terry, and two Kappa presidents, Elizabeth Bogert Schofield, M—Butler, and Florence Burton Roth, were honored guests. Over 100 attended the reunion and formal banquet with Helen Bower as toastmistress.

The December 7, 1941, attack on Pearl Harbor drew excited Kappas to their radios, concerned for men in service and those subject to call. The campus theme again became sacrifice on the home front. Kappas danced to records at the spring formal and donated their band money to the Bomber Scholarship Fund. The *Michigan Daily* praised Kappa for being the first sorority to give up "the frills." Nightly exercises for fitness became part of life at 1204 Hill. The Michigan League Council became the Women's War Council and traditional activities were out for "the duration." The Sophmores served as hospital volunteers, the Juniors took on a stamp and bond drive, and the Seniors made surgical dressings. As men on the labor force left for service, women filled in at the university laundry, in food service, and even on campus groundskeeping, uniformed in plaid shirts and jeans, saddle shoes, and hairbows!

The term "chaperone" had disappeared, and even "house-mother" was on the wane when the gracious Mrs. John Owen arrived in 1942 as house director. Her sense of humor carried the chapter (and herself) over rough times of rationing and shortages. Stories of "rabbit-chicken" and Kappas serving as maids, cooks, and waitresses attest to her ingenuity. She stayed until 1954, proof of her durability, too.

The chapter house, built in 1910, had met the needs of the group until growing enrollment required annexes for additional members. There were happy times in those modest homes, but there was also an unsatisfactory separation of members. In 1938 property adjacent to the chapter house had been purchased for \$13,500 and, in spite of the war, the addition was almost finished by fall, 1942. Again members

returned to an unfinished house, rushees walked over planks to the front door, but a large class of 26 was pledged. The remodeling costs of \$46,000 which transformed the house into one with white Georgian columns were considered well spent.

Many campus customs were revived with the war's end. The Kappa house abounded with happiness, sisterhood, campus activity, achievement, and tradition. A full social life included the cherished weekends for mothers and fathers, exchange dinners, serenades, and T.G.I.F. (Thank God It's Friday) parties. Drinking was not allowed on campus and curfew was enforced. Twenty-first birthdays were celebrated at the "Pretzel Bell" with names etched on its wooden table tops. Kappa, with Kappa Sigma, won first place honors for the booth at "Michigras," the biennial carnival.

During this period of years when the chapter was repeatedly bringing home first place awards for scholarship, activities, and athletic participation locally, the Fraternity recognized Beta Delta with the Westermann Efficiency Award (1944), the Standards Award (1946), and the Finance Efficiency Award (1948).

A Sunday round table of advisers and new and outgoing chapter officers was instituted, a practice giving greater continuity to chapter programs, later to be recommended by the Fraternity to other chapters. The year 1942 had marked the last spring initiation to be held for a decade. There followed constant revision and re-evaluation of the rushing system, forcing continual change in the chapter social and financial patterns, culminating in 1949, in a quota system designed to spread membership to all houses, but never succeeding.

Seniors emerged as secure and dedicated young women in the 1950s, aspiring to assume their roles in the world. Nancy Watkins Osius became the first woman president of the Literary College senior class and was selected by *McCall's Magazine* as the outstanding 21-year-old woman in the country. She later received a Rotary scholarship to study in Scotland. Gloria James Kerry chose a career in dentistry and became a leading periodontist. She received a Kappa Alumnae Achievement Award some years later.

More housing space was needed by 1954. The university administration recommended that the capacity be increased to 45 so the beloved back porch was rebuilt into a wing which also provided study rooms, a lounge, and a new chapter room at a cost of \$75,000. By using every remaining inch of property, and spending \$110,000 on another addition in 1959, it became possible to house the entire chapter of 64 under one roof.

Student Government Council began to interest itself in sorority rushing procedures and membership clauses. In 1957 it dictated a return to deferred rushing, which marked the beginning of significant changes in student attitudes, and presented constant challenges to keep the sorority system alive and healthy.

In 1960, Beta Delta marked its 50th year as a corporation, and in 1965, the 75th anniversary of its founding. At the celebration luncheon "diamonds" were everywhere, even glued on the euonymus sprays massed on the tables. Once again Mildred Hinsdale, now 95, delighted the more than 200 guests with reminiscences.

Interest in foreign and cultural affairs brought two exchange students to live in the house at two different times. In 1961 the chapter instituted an "awareness program" which received first place in the Fraternity's national ratings and was much discussed at the 1962 Convention.

The typical student of the 1960s seriously questioned society's ethical standards. Students became the center of na-

tional interest, and the university a focal point. President John F. Kennedy launched the Peace Corps on the Michigan Union steps in October, 1960, and at the 1964 Commencement President Lyndon B. Johnson voiced his first statement on "The Great Society."

Along with the emphasis on intellectual involvement came greater freedom for women. University restrictions on women's hours were relaxed and senior women were permitted to live in apartments. Beta Delta issued door keys to seniors in 1964, and to juniors and sophomores the following year. "Sign-in" was no longer required, in accordance with university policy. Beta Delta required parental approval for "key privileges," and stiff penalties accompanied the loss or misuse of a house key.

In 1968, after a period of frequent change of house directors, Mrs. Renee Kelley, with her French accent and flair, arrived.

In the period of unrest in the late sixties, the *Michigan Daily* championed Gay Liberation, Black Action, and sexual freedom while degrading the administration, local merchants, and the Greek system. Sororities were termed shallow, super-



(L) Catherine Kelder Walz, 44 years treasurer House Board.

(Center) Madge Brooke DeJong, secretary House Board.

(R) Phyllis Loughton Seaton, mayor of Beverly Hills and alumnae achievement award winner.

ficial, and strictly social. Panhellenic restructured, unstructured, and again revised rushing procedures to be more appealing and less demanding of the individual, but the number of chapters on campus dropped from 22 to 15.

Kappas everywhere can be proud of Beta Delta. In spite of the general questioning of fraternity worth, the girls have been able to communicate their happy enthusiasm for Kappas, and the feeling that one can join a group without losing individuality. The house has been filled every year with Beta Deltas, not boarders, as has been the case with many other houses on campus.

The full house enabled the Beta Delta Association to pay off the \$110,000 mortgage in the fall of 1974. During the 15 year term of the mortgage a much larger sum had been spent for taxes, interest, repairs, and improvements to house and furnishings in addition to payments on the principal. Over 70 alumnae gathered with the chapter for a champagne luncheon at 1204 Hill Street for the celebration. The mortgage was burned as Catherine Kelder Walz touched it with a lighted candle set in an owl lantern.

Beta Delta Chapter and its House Board have benefited greatly from the enthusiasm and experience of "Kay" Walz, who served as chairman of the Fraternity Housing Committee for 30 years. The Ann Arbor Alumnae Association has established a loan fund in her name, and in 1965 founded the Catherine Kelder Walz Diamond Key Award in appreciation of her devoted guidance and wise financial management over four decades. She received, not only her fifty-year pin, but a lovely miniature painting of "the house that Kay built" at the time of the mortgage burning.



Upsilon chapter 1895

1893 initiation, Phi (?)



A & B

A & B—Omega chapter
1896-97

C—Beta Nu 1897-1901

D—Beta Zeta 1892

E—Eta chapter 1890s



C



D



Theta chapter 1899-1900

Kappa chapter mid-1890s



E





BE

Beta Epsilon

Founded January 16, 1891
Closed June 28, 1917
Initiates 137

Barnard College
New York, New York
Established 1889

Charter Members:

Lulu Grace Farrant, Jessica Boyne Garretson, Alice Maplesden Keys, Clarita Mercedes Knight, Alice Kohn, Laura Grace Levy, Mary Stuart Pullman, Louise Merritt Stabler.

The year 1889-1890 was an exciting one in the history of higher education for women. The University of Pennsylvania had "declared for co-education" (see Beta Alpha); three women had had remarkable success at Cambridge, Paris, and "our own Harvard University." Barnard College in New York City, "the Columbia Annex" (which it was not, as *The Key* correspondent had to explain), had opened with fourteen women as regular students. There were no "specials" (Barnard was perhaps the only college in the country which could make this claim) and every applicant had to take the whole examination, including Latin and Greek.

On June 14, 1893, Barnard College graduated its first class, and every member of the class was a member of Kappa Kappa Gamma. Eight graduates were the chapter's charter members; the ninth, Jeannette Clenen, was its first pledge.

"The Barnard girls," according to the *New York Tribune* (1891), "are an enterprising set The object of the college is not to attract students from other institutions . . . but for New York girls who appreciate (its) advantages The courses of study are identical with those of Columbia, and Columbia College professors do the teaching"

Jessica B. Garretson (Finch, Cosgrave) entered Barnard in its first year and in her junior year a Boston acquaintance wrote to her asking about organizing a Kappa chapter at the new college. The class decided that a fraternity would be welcome if the class could all be members, and if, in turn, the whole next class could be initiated also.

Mary Kingsbury (Simkhovitch), Phi—Boston, was a guest at the Garretson home at the time of Beta Epsilon's installation and Lucy Evelyn Wight (Allen), BB—St. Lawrence, grand president, officiated at the January 16, 1891, ceremonies, assisted by Lucia Heaton (a charter member of Beta Beta), then a medical student in New York.

A pride in the new and interesting college, a pride in the great metropolis which was home to most of its students, a pride in the non-exclusive nature of the first chapter, and the interest shown it by the grand president (less than a year before Beta Alpha charter members thought it "rather strange" that no one turned up for its installation), led in a few years to another prideful boast which Beta Epsilon was to make: "We have been fortunate in never having received a refusal to join our chapter." Other chapters found this statement hard to believe!

A sophomore pledge day and the careful issuing of invitations to women whose scholarship, personalities, and abilities were well known, accounted for this unvarying affirmative. The Fraternity was well aware of Beta Epsilon's superiority. Kappa's stress on high scholarship, positive action and alumnae progress, was received by Beta Epsilon as if scholarship, action, and progress were the most natural demands in the world.

In its 25 years of life, with a total chapter roll of 137, Beta Epsilon had seen 32 members taken into Phi Beta Kappa, and its catalogue contained card after card naming brilliant women active in professions and the arts. Many years after the chapter's dissolution May Whiting Westermann, Σ —Nebraska, Fraternity historian, said, "We should not let younger members grow up in ignorance of that splendid chapter There is no chapter which has so large a proportion of unusual and distinguished women."

The long list includes Alice Duer Miller, prolific and successful writer; Elsie Clews Parsons, Ph.D., anthropologist; Juliet Stuart Poyntz, who received the first scholarship (1910) given to an American woman under the exact forms of competition by which Rhodes scholars are chosen; Elizabeth Fox (DeCou), early dean of women at the University of Oregon; Katherine Gay, ceramist-sculptor; Nathalie Henderson Swan, trustee, Teachers' College, Columbia, and organizer of the Board of Trustees of Bennington College; Katharine Swift Doty, Kappa historian and assistant to the dean, Barnard.

Jessica Garretson Finch, Cosgrave, founder and head of Finch Junior College, N.Y., received an alumnae achievement award in 1948. The formal presentation of this award marked the first Kappa event ever televised. Artist Josephine Paddock received the same award the following year.

The most distinguished of all Beta Epsilon members, Virginia C. Gildersleeve, Ph. D., received an achievement award in 1946. She is also the best known of all Barnard alumnae: Dean of Barnard, 1911-1947; one of the founders of the International Federation of University Women and its president, 1924-26 and 1936-39; only woman delegate from the United States to the 1945 conference to draft the United Nations Charter; first American woman to receive an honorary LL.D. from Princeton, "sound scholar, able administrator, lifelong student of international affairs, and militant advocate of world peace." Her name is kept alive throughout the world in the Virginia Gildersleeve Fund for University Women, Inc., a project supported by foundations and individuals.

In the fall of 1897, Barnard moved from Madison Avenue to Morningside Heights and goodbye was said to the "small room," the "modest little snuggery." A room with a view was assigned to it in a spacious college building with "twice the respectability and half the independence."

In 1901 the college needed the space and an apartment was acquired. It was given up in 1905 when a dormitory for girls was built. A house-party tradition started in 1901 and became a most significant part of chapter life, for the city headquarters, was always changing.

The chapter, as a service to the Fraternity, edited a new song book, published in 1897, and as a service to the women of Barnard, presented an annual play which from the first to the



Beta Epsilon chapter.



Virginia Gildersleeve,
Delegate to United Nations Conference.

last (1893-1902) "went with considerable 'go'" as the main feature of an entertainment, complete with programs, favors, dancing, and refreshments.

Achievements and pleasant times continued but a "deepening gloom" was settling on Barnard fraternities. The rushing policy was abolished in 1909, and Panhellenic rules were found destructive in 1911.

At a faculty meeting May 26, 1913, a resolution was made stating that for the three-year term starting October, 1913, no society at Barnard of which the organization, the emblems, and the rites were in any way secret, and which had national affiliations, should be allowed to elect new members.

Anti-fraternity feeling caused Beta Epsilon to abandon the idea of becoming a local group. In the spring of 1914 Barnard's fraternities proposed certain reforms within their groups but the petition was refused by the faculty.

On April 25, 1916, Beta Epsilon announced that, although it was convinced of the advantages of fraternities, "we do not wish to reorganize . . . under the system in force three years ago," and on May 29 a committee recommended the adoption of a resolution against reorganization. This was the end of Greek social groups at Barnard. The Fraternity mourned, "As a chapter she had always borne the Kappa standards high, and in all matters . . . served faithfully."

In a list of charges and conclusions put together by the student-faculty committee, the first mentioned was that "fraternities cause snobbishness by overemphasizing lines of social cleavage, especially race lines" with the conclusion: "There is considerable truth in this and it is important."

The poisonous presence of anti-Semitism and the fact that some Greek letter fraternities were indeed discriminatory was openly acknowledged. A suggestion made by Beta Epsilon,

West Virginia, at the 1914 Convention that "Jewesses be excluded from membership" was not approved by Kappa's Council. The Fraternity was not, in theory, discriminatory, and in practice Beta Epsilon was not. Its members were judged for "individual fineness" and the chapter was proud to be able to say that "Kappa has no constitutional rulings against Jewesses and Beta Epsilon boasts several among its present members."

The proudest day in the life of Beta Epsilon, with its many proud days and its many reasons for pride, was the day that Dean Gildersleeve was installed. In her acceptance speech she said, "If I fail to render such service . . . as at this moment my gratitude and affection for Barnard make me long to give, it will be because my own powers are inadequate, not because . . . of any lack of noble inspiration in the traditions that Barnard . . . has already created . . ."

Beta Epsilon maintained its strength over 25 years, and it was not with a thought of a weakening of her own chapter that Dr. Gildersleeve helped bring about the decisions that were finally made. Nor did the Fraternity, true to its policy of non-interference between chapters and the institutions to which they owed their existence, ever suggest that Beta Epsilon was anything less than exemplary. The Fraternity had lived through the birth and death of chapters before.

On November 27, 1896, when "Miss Gildersleeve" was one of six initiates of Beta Epsilon, the chapter correspondent to *The Key* wrote, "What is Kappa Kappa Gamma to be to them . . .? Is it to be a small room and some good times? . . . We ask for them that (they) may feel themselves part of a larger world than the chapter they are just beginning to know."

Virginia Gildersleeve, the dean of Barnard, had become "part of the larger world."

BH

Founded June 10, 1892
Closed 1944
Initiates 500

Beta Eta

Stanford University
Formerly The Leland Stanford Junior University
Stanford, California
Established 1891

Charter Members:

Harriet Augusta Buck, Bonnie May Burckhalter, Bertha Louise Chapman, Elizabeth Corinne Chapman, Mabel Hyde Cory, Florence Mable Holsclaw, Edith Eleanor Liliencrantz, Alberta Lois Merritt, Maude Evangeline Stinson, Olivia Rose Vogel, Jessie Palen Wood.

Beta Eta Chapter of Kappa Kappa Gamma at Stanford University, Palo Alto, California, survived an earthquake; the chapter house was twice ravaged by fire; and members adjusted

to the changes of two World Wars.

But suddenly, in 1944, Beta Eta Chapter was gone, removed with all other women's fraternities from the Stanford campus.

By a special act of the California Legislature, the act of endowment embodying the charter of the institution, and a gift, 80,000 acres of land was made public in November, 1885. The Leland Stanford Jr. University, endowed by Senator and Mrs. Stanford as a memorial to their only son, was formally opened October 1, 1891. It was the opinion of many persons that California already had its university so why have another? But attracted by its possibilities, 465 students, many older than the average, arrived that first year from all over the world.

Beta Eta was established June 10, 1892, six months after a chapter of Kappa Alpha Theta. The two fraternities, in an agreement about bidding procedures, set the stage for the Panhellenic organization.

Lou Henry (Hoover) was a sophomore and not yet a Kappa when Lucy Evelyn Wight (Allan), BB—St. Lawrence, grand president in 1890-1892, went to Stanford for graduate study. The two women became close friends. Evelyn Wight became Stanford's first dean of women, and Lou Henry was initiated in 1896 when the chapter was four years old.

Initiations had taken place in the music room of Roble Hall, and the chapter met in members' rooms. Later a second-floor apartment was rented, and then a house on campus. By the spring of 1899, business arrangements had been made for building on the west side of Lasuen Street where the only other structure was the Phi Delta Theta house.

Kappas made daily trips to watch the progress of construction, and the move was made in January, 1900.

Beta Eta was the first Kappa chapter to build its own house and the first to own a house.

The beloved house was described in the July, 1900 issue of *The Key* as having "sloping moss green roofs, pointed gables, dormer windows. The wrought iron lattice over the door bears the letters KKT and the art glass windows with the fleur-de-lis embedded in the cardinal, form an artistic entrance . . . the third floor, the abode of the freshmen, and familiarly known as 'the attic' is one large room . . . the most delightful place for initiation and informal spreads, while from its many windows one gains the best view of the surrounding hills covered with oak trees and, in the spring, ablaze with the glorious California poppies . . . From its setting of green foothills, (the house) looks across the level fields, over the treetops of the Arboretum to the narrow line of bay and the hazy blue mountains beyond."

The earthquake of April 18, 1906, brought normal college life to a halt. There was great damage on the Stanford campus. When the chapter returned to school in September, members found that the house had remained untouched during the summer, rather than repaired, since labor and materials were so scarce. A luncheon for freshmen had been scheduled for registration day. Because their dishes were broken and the plaster down, the resourceful Kappas partied on the porch.

Early in September, 1918, the house was badly damaged by fire; and again during summer quarter of 1927 there was a fire and chapter members returned to find the roof gone. By January, 1928, aware of the difficulties of separation, the chapter was able to get back together. The alumnae corporation and the Fraternity had made it possible to repair the damages, and the Mother's Club had raised a considerable fund to help refurbish the house. In 1934 the house association constructed a much-needed wing to provide additional bedrooms, a chapter room, and a lounge.

Field Secretary Helen Snyder (Andres), BII—Washington,



Lou Henry Hoover.



First house built and owned by a Kappa chapter.

wrote in the February, 1933, issue of *The Key*, after her first visit to Stanford, ". . . my fondest expectations realized in its fine students, beautiful buildings with arcades, quadrangles, magnificent memorial chapel, palm trees, and landscaped grounds . . . long a fine chapter . . . scholastic and activity honors are many . . . a congenial chapter." Her first official act as grand president in June, 1935, was to call for ratification of the appointment of Beta Eta's Emily Caskey Johnson as director of standards. Emily's ability, energy, and a frequently changing address made her the best-known Kappa in the northwest. The Palo Alto alumnae loved to have an excuse to bring Emily into the conversation.

The relationship between Beta Eta, II—California, and the alumnae was good, with a common meeting ground in the annual fashion show in which the actives modeled. Although proceeds of the fashion show were usually marked for scholarships, in 1942 they were earmarked for national defense. The show was given in the daytime because of rules against off-campus night parties, and the possibility of blackouts.

During World War II several rooms in the chapter house were blacked out so the girls could study, and there were changes in their living habits. The girls squeezed their own orange juice for breakfast, when oranges were available; did their own house cleaning; and skipped an occasional meal "to humor the cook." And they understood "It is a very little part of war's reality . . . These changes show that life on a college campus need not be as carefree as 'the good old days' in order to be one of the most wonderful times in our lives."

During World War II, social affairs and volunteer work were often combined, taking the form of benefits. The chapter was interested in Belgian War Relief, and the plans of the food administration. The chairman of the Stanford Women's Red Cross Unit was a Kappa, and there were regular Red Cross hours and much knitting. Three actives left for service in France.



1944—last Beta Eta chapter.



1896 chapter.

Lou Henry Hoover, wife of the ex-president of the United States, herself a scholar and adventurer as well as the devoted patron of the Girl Scouts of America, died suddenly January 7, 1944, in New York. Four days later Ann Claire Brokaw, daughter of Claire Booth Luce, a senior majoring in political science, was killed in an automobile accident.

Although Beta Eta had acquired new pledges early in 1944, and initiation was conducted that spring, by the term's end, Beta Eta too was gone, removed with all the other women's houses from the Stanford campus. The administration and the dean of women, a fraternity woman herself, had shown a consistent disapproval of the fraternity system and for 20 years sororities and their alumnae fought a losing battle against the final outcome. (In 1923 a vote had been taken to discover the feeling of sororities concerning "the justification of their existence," and from 1925 Panhellenic, with Beta Eta taking a leading part, had tried to prove to the university that sororities had a definite place in the life of a university woman.)

By fall of 1944 the chapter house had become a university residence, and the December, 1944, letter from the Palo Alto alumnae mentions that three of the no-longer-active chapter members had been guests at an alumnae meeting and "the

alumnae regretted losing the inspiration of the actives."

The chapter was known for its interesting, active women. Among them were Barbara Griffith Dolfini, whose miniature rooms were displayed at the Golden Gate Fair; Dr. Florence Mable Holsclaw, directing head of Babies Aid, San Francisco; Bertha L. Chapman Cady, Ph.D., botanist and author; Ethel Wallace Bryant, dean of the Castilleja School; Harriet Ford Griswold, civic worker for rehabilitation of cripples; and Jean Henry Large, author of Girl Scout books. Anna Henrietta Martin was a writer, an associate of Jane Adams in the International League for Peace, and chairman of the National Women's Party. Before the turn of the century she had been chairman of the Beta Eta committee that compiled the Fraternity Catalogue, giving the name and record of each of the 3000 members. "Edited by Beta Eta" is on the title page of that 1898 volume. And of course there was Mrs. Hoover, Beta Eta's "proudest possession," even though she refused to have a Kappa key placed on her effigy's bosom in the Smithsonian.

In the last chapter picture of Beta Eta members ever taken, all but two are smiling, because smiling is what is done for pictures. It might almost be thought that 1944 had been another good year in the history of "an alive and stimulating chapter."

BI

Founded June 3, 1893
Closed May 12, 1934
Initiates 280

Beta Iota

Swarthmore College
Swarthmore, Pennsylvania
Established 1864

Charter Members:

Lydia Biddle, Emma Chambers, Frances Whitney Cheairs, Mary A. Hayes, Mary Booth Janvier, Frances Stevenson, Eliza Keese Willets.

On January 9, 1934, the Board of Managers of Swarthmore College received from the women students a recommendation that women's fraternities be abolished from that campus. National representatives, in a joint meeting in Philadelphia, recognizing the fact that the policy of National Panhellenic Congress fraternities had always been one of cooperation with college administrations, unanimously, but with regret, accepted this decision.

On June 3, 1893, Beta Iota chapter of Kappa Kappa Gamma was installed at Swarthmore College. Officiating were grand president, Emily Bright Burnham, Φ-Boston; the grand treasurer, Jennie Angell (Mengel), Ψ-Cornell; and members of Beta Alpha chapter. The seven charter members had waited a year and a half for their charter. In 1892, the unnamed group had been refused a charter since Swarthmore, a college established in 1864 under the auspices of the Society of Friends, was considered too small. This group turned down an offer from Pi Beta Phi in order to petition Kappa Kappa Gamma a second time. Lydia Biddle was the first president of Beta Iota chapter.

The archives contain notebooks dating from 1893 through 1909. These small writing tablets are filled with the "Round Robin" letters passed around among the members during the summer. There are reports of sailing, partying, dressmaking, and the concocting of jelly. There was competition as to who would bring back the best jelly in the fall to whet the appetites of the Phi Kappa Psi gentlemen on campus, who,

incidentally, had been instrumental in helping these Swarthmore girls decide on Kappa Kappa Gamma as their goal.

Beta Iotas, ladies from the start, decided that nicknames were unladylike, and agreed to abolish "swaps," (an exchange of compliments), because this showed vanity. One of them inadvertently wrote something nice to Lydia Biddle, and thereupon apologized. Their interest in expanding the chapter was evident in these letters. They looked forward to initiating incoming freshmen, one of whom was Lucretia Blankenburg (Malcolm), whose father was later mayor of Philadelphia.

As these early chapter members became alumnae, their interest in Beta Iota never waned, and they became enthusiastic members of the Beta Iota Alumnae Association, formed in 1900. At first dues were 25 cents. At one time the treasurer reported a balance of \$2.79. In 1906, the balance showed \$14.34, and it was voted to send \$5.00 to the California Kappas to help them after "the disaster," the San Francisco earthquake.

In the summer of 1894, Beta Iota held its first houseparty, in Roslyn, Long Island, following a "coeducational cottage party" at Point Pleasant, New Jersey. One house guest was Lucy Evelyn Wight Allan, BB-St. Lawrence, ex-grand president. Later house parties were held in Ocean City, New Jersey.

Founders' Day was first celebrated by this chapter in 1895, when everyone went to the theatre to see "Rob Roy." Later



Nora Waln (second from left) with Philadelphia alumnae.

such occasions were observed by a dinner or luncheon at Whitman's in Philadelphia.

During World War I, Lydia Biddle, Victoria Lesley (Steigelman) and Elizabeth Sellers served overseas with the Red Cross. After the war, Beta Iota shared in a project under the aegis of Dorothy Canfield Fisher, BN-Ohio State, whose daughter, Sally, was later to become a Beta Iota. It was called "Bellevue Babies," and its purpose was to send money and clothing to the people of Meudon, France. After 1921, when such help was no longer needed, the association turned to another philanthropy which was the seed of the present day "Kappa Sewing." Beta Iotas still meet (1975) and make layettes which are distributed by the American Friends Committee where the need is greatest in the world. During World War II, Beta Iotas made 60 layettes for the Nora Waln project.

During the 1920s, it was customary for an active Beta Iota to attend alumnae meetings and report on scholarship and the needs of the active chapter. Scholarship was high. Of the six women's fraternities, Beta Iota Kappas were never below second place and they were often first. The alumnae helped considerably by providing money to finance a number of active Beta Iotas. Records show how faithfully the money was repaid with deep appreciation. For many years graduating Kappas were invited to a spring luncheon at the Strathaven Inn in Swarthmore, and welcomed into the alumnae association.

Present day Beta Iotas have happy memories of Kappa May Queens and maids of honor, of sports and dramatic stars, of busy members in women's student government and other college activities. Many Beta Iotas were elected to Phi Beta Kappa and Mortar Board. The Efficiency Cup was awarded to Beta Iota in 1928. Several members received the Lucretia

Mott Fellowship, and seven were president of the Somerville, a literary society of importance in Swarthmore College history.

In those days when Beta Iota lived as an active chapter, one dressed for dinner and sat at a table equipped with napery and fraternity men. The Kappas were popular with all the men's fraternities, but from the beginning it was Phi Kappa Psi which seems to have adopted them at Swarthmore. The gavel used at all alumnae meetings today was given by members of Phi Psi. After dinner "fussing" was the custom. This meant meeting in the two parlors in Parrish Hall with the gentleman of one's choice till 9 o'clock.

Two Beta Iotas, Martha Willetts and Gertrude Wood Thatcher, have been Fraternity grand treasurers. A list of distinguished Beta Iotas includes Sarah Pratt Brock; Marie Sellers, Alumnae Achievement Award, 1956; Eleanor Runk Reppert; and Nora Waln (Osland-Hill), Alumnae Achievement Award, 1946.

Several years after the closing of the chapter, Beta Iota alumnae set up a Kappa Kappa Gamma Scholarship Fund at Swarthmore College, so that the chapter which had had such an excellent reputation on this beautiful campus would not be forgotten. The fund is increased constantly by gifts in memory of deceased Beta Iotas. In the administration of the fund, the relative of a Kappa receives first consideration. Thus Beta Iotas, no longer young and with their chapter roll dwindling, remember their chapter, their college, and their own descendents.



(Top) 1902 Beta Iota chapter.

(L) Last chapter picture of BI.

(R) Almira McNaboe receives charter from Elizabeth Blessing.

BA

Founded April 28, 1899
Initiates 1289

Beta Lambda

University of Illinois
Urbana, Illinois
Established 1867

Charter Members:

Florence Maria Beck, Georgetta Haven, Cecilia McConnel, Adele Cooper Reed, Lucy Bertha Ely Willcox.



Beta Lambda 1945 chapter.

Katharine Lucinda Sharp, past grand president, first director of the library school at the University of Illinois, and Frances Simpson, a student at the new school, wished there could be a Kappa chapter at Illinois. They had both been members of Upsilon Chapter at Northwestern University.

Secrecy about plans was maintained till 1899, when six students were approached. A second petition to university officials was heartily approved, covering material was sent to Grand Council, and the waiting period brought the group close in spirit.

In April, 1899, the charter was granted, with installation on the 28th. Carla Fern Sargent (Fisk), Upsilon—Northwestern, grand secretary, and Epsilon chapter officiated. An article in *The Key*, 1899, gives the full account, commenting on the "fine new library building, the most ornamental structure on the campus." Gifts included a Bible, a guest book, archives chest (from Miss Sharp), pillows, pictures (*Knocking and Hope*), candy, calendar, crumb tray, teapot, gong, fern dish, vases—and money.

At first meetings were held in Miss Sharp's home. The first house, purchased 1900, was at 903 West California, Urbana. A 1902 move was made to 404 East John Street, Champaign. Meals could be served there, and in 1905 an addition was built to accommodate 18 girls.

The next few years saw a series of Kappa houses as the number of actives grew. Records of 1913 show how each girl earned \$10 for the newest house by making curtains, canning fruit, "hiring out to family," and "calling on Methodist girls."

Two other moves were made before the final one to the present house at 1102 South Lincoln Avenue, Urbana, February, 1928. After remodeling and additions, the house can accommodate 63. When parking problems became acute a drive was cut, and in 1973 bicycle racks were built.

HEADLINES and other notes:

1929

KAPPAS BLOWN OUT OF HOUSE DURING BLIZZARD; Defective gasket on furnace causes explosion . . . SCARLET FEVER EPIDEMIC BEGINS WITH A KAPPA; Valentine's Day celebrated in quarantine; all Kappas receive candy . . . KAPPAS BUY VICTROLA . . . SCHOLARSHIP JUMPS TO THIRD . . . CHAPTER HISTORY PLANNED . . .

The 1930s

KAPPA BOILER BURSTS . . . MOTHERS' CLUB FORMED . . . HOLLY WREATH SALE BUYS LINEN NAPKINS . . . ALUMNAE GIVE SILVER PITCHER FOR NAMES OF GIRLS WITH MOST IMPROVED SCHOLARSHIP . . .

Margaret Carnahan Maxwell wrote that she had been married in a small London chapel built for Anne Boleyn by Henry VIII (1937) . . . Lorama Wiese (Boggs) left for Hollywood after a scout had seen her in a University of Illinois production . . . The chapter library was started with donations, showers, alumnae help . . . Radio tea dances were popular . . . The spring dinner dance was BIG . . .

The 1940s

SON BORN TO LORAMA WIESE BOGGS, Mishawaka, Indiana . . . PAINTING BY MIRIAM KNOWLTON CORRIE ACCEPTED FOR ALL ILLINOIS SOCIETY OF FINE ARTS . . . SADIE HAWKINS DAY BECOMES "ANNUAL TRADITION FOR A TIME" . . . WARTIME SHORTAGES . . . BASKETS FILLED FOR NEEDY FAMILIES . . . RAG DOLLS MADE FOR YWCA DOLL SHOW; Kappas win Doll Show with Mrs. O'Leary, stableboy, and cow just before the Chicago fire . . . BETTIE TEETOR (Andron) FIRST BETA LAMBDA TO PRESENT THESIS BEFORE ILLINOIS ACADEMY OF SCIENCE . . . CHAPTER HOUSE SCENE OF WEDDING; Susan Boggs to Lt. Robert Miller (1942) . . .

Homecoming, November 1, 1941, featured dedication of new student union (Homecoming activities had origin at University of Illinois) . . . Note from frustrated male who couldn't reach his date by phone: "Please make your conversations shorter (to be read in meeting)" . . . Live music a war casualty; radio-victrola used instead . . . Red Cross and USO popular with volunteers . . . First aid widely taught and practiced . . . The chapter newsletter was printed on newsprint because of the paper shortage . . .

From the *Illio* (1945) "Ever since the establishment in 1899, Beta Lambda chapter . . . has remained active . . . KKG has retained an outstanding position on the campus for 45 years!"

April, 1945, saw story in *The Key* about Eleanor Taylor Moore, her photography, her poetry, and a children's book in preparation . . . Report on scholarship was not encouraging; pledges not enthusiastic about studying . . . Beta Lambda was placed on social probation; rushing allowed but no male-attended functions . . . House Board reorganized; became Beta Lambda House and Advisory Board (1946) . . .

Announcements: No dates in house before 4 p.m. . . . Girls are not to carry on conversations from the upstairs with boys who are downstairs . . . Quiet hours start when the sandwich man comes . . . No smoking in either formal or informal chapter meetings . . . Dress for dinner Wednesdays . . .

JUIN WHIPPLE (Foresman) GIVEN WARNER BROTHERS CONTRACT; She was "Miss Ohio State" for the track meet . . . MANY VETERANS BACK ON CAMPUS (1948) . . . "BETA LAMBDA'S GOLDEN YEARS"; Fiftieth anniversary marked by two-day reunion . . . CHAPTER RECEIVES SCHOLARSHIP IMPROVEMENT AWARD AT SUN VALLEY (1948) . . .

The 1950s

SCHOLARSHIP HONORS EARNED; First place over 27 other houses; 3.916 on a 5. system . . . DADS CONTRIBUTE TO UNFURNISHED DINING ROOM . . . MANY OUTSTANDING GIRLS HONORED IN THE '50s . . .

HIGHEST SCHOLARSHIP; Chapter honored at University of Illinois Panhellenic Council dessert (1958) . . . ONLY LIVING CHARTER MEMBER, LUCY WILLCOX WALLACE, PRESENTS PLAQUE IN MEMORY OF KATHERINE SHARP (1959); The pledge pin of Maude Straight (Carman), first Beta Lambda pledge, had been designed by Miss Sharp and the design adopted by the Fraternity; plaque to be hung in room furnished by chapter in Miss Sharp's memory) . . .

The 1960s

BETH DOHME (Wallin) NAMED OUTSTANDING GRADUATE IN HOME ECONOMICS, 1961 (Later she wrote weekly articles, had TV show, served on Massachusetts State Advisory Board on Home Economics, was instructor at University of Michigan. She and her husband among 38 lost in crash in Pacific, 1969. Her picture hangs in the chapter house [She had been pledge adviser]. A memorial in her name for outstanding pledge has been established.) . . . DIFFICULTIES WITHIN FRATERNITY SYSTEM REFLECT NATIONAL TREND; Many houses decrease in membership . . . BETA LAMBDA (nearly always) HAS FULL HOUSE . . . GRADUATE COUNSELOR, MARY DAILEY (Metzger), BG—SYRACUSE, ARRIVES FALL, 1961 . . .

Kappas began unique honorary, "The Squatty Bodies"—membership based on peculiarities of bone structure (1962) . . . Beta Lambda established a new memorial scholarship award—Mary Ann Clark Dazey Award for greatest scholastic improvement in sophomore year . . . Broad scholarship program at Beta Lambda; top scholarship rewarded by \$100 prize.

BETA LAMBDA CHAPTER HOST TO EPSILON PROVINCE CONVENTION (1963) . . . JUDY SCHLIEPER (Bower) MISS ILLINOIS AT ATLANTIC CITY . . . LORANA WIESE BOGGS IS HONORED BY WOMENS PRESS CLUB OF INDIANA WITH FIRST PLACE EDITORIAL AWARD FOR WEEKLY NEWSPAPER, *The Country Cousin* . . .

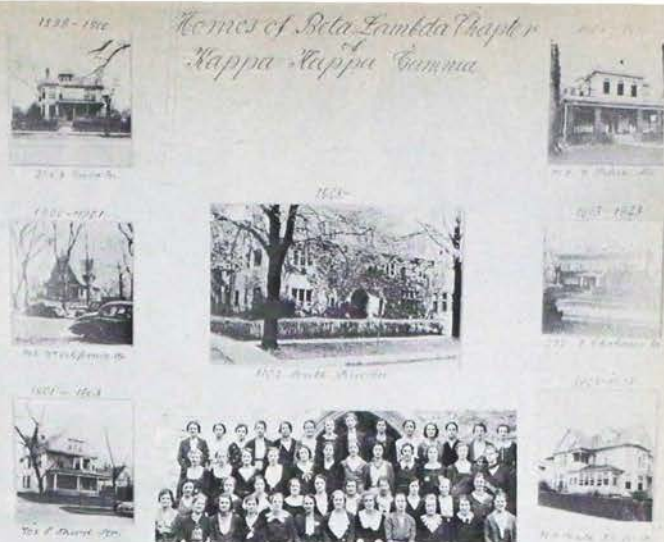
1963 first year of deferred rush . . . A cultural program (1964) placed emphasis on current events . . . There were talks on religious beliefs, Fraternity goals, etiquette . . . Emma Rhoads Nickoley presented rare copper vase to chapter. Initiated in 1899, she had been the only woman on the American University, Beirut, faculty, and general secretary of the Beirut YWCA. (Died 1972) . . . Kappa and Phi Kappa Psi volunteered at Champaign County Nursing Home; waxed floors, refinished dresser drawers in spring clean-up . . .

TWO FIRE ENGINES RUSH TO KAPPA HOUSE. FIREMAN BREAK DOWN KITCHEN DOOR, OPEN OVEN; "Somebody burned the supper!" (1966) . . . ADVISORY BOARD IS AWARDED FOR EXCELLENCE AT CONVENTION (1968) . . . CRIES OF ANGUISH HEARD FOR MILES; Mix - up in processing affects 280 rushees later notified they had been invited by mistake. (1969) . . .



Beta Lambda 1949.

THE KEY/FALL 1975



1931-32 chapter with house composites.

The 1970s

HOMECOMING NOT QUITE . . . HOOPLA (1970): Five months ago the campus was surrounded by the National Guard and state police. Students were marching against the Cambodian involvement, Illiac, Kent State, and the death of Edgar Foults. Many of those same students are now busy constructing house decorations and preparing for the return of alumni . . . President of KKG sorority, a varsity cheerleader, said, "I think if something is fun it is not always nice to analyze its relevance." . . .

By 1970 each girl had her own phone number (Champaign-Urbana is one of the four communities in the United States having more telephones than people) . . . By 1972 each girl had her own door key . . . There is 24-hour university visitation and relaxation of alcohol regulations . . . Dress for dinner may mean slacks but not blue jeans with holes and patches . . . No more closet space needed for petticoats and formals and trunks for off-season clothing, but still there are space problems . . . The dorm remains cold, but there is now a sun deck and TV in the rec room . . . Men are allowed in the public portions of the house from 11 a.m. to 6 a.m. . . .

BETA LAMBDA KKG CENTENNIAL HELD AT CHAMPAIGN COUNTRY CLUB . . . KAPPA PICKERS ENTERTAIN AT MANY SPECIAL EVENTS . . . ANONYMOUS MALE CALLER PHONES WITH BOMB THREAT; Police find nothing (1971) . . .

In the early years the library science school played a big part. By 1970 there wasn't one student in the library school . . . The date of Beta Lambda founding coincides with the date of required physical education for all women students.. Women, admitted to Illinois in 1870, were offered calisthenics by 1874, and played basketball nine years before the men did . . . PLEDGES, ACTIVES, ALUMNAE TAKE PART IN ROSE MCGILL SHARING PROGRAM (1973) . . . PARTICIPATION BY 1100 GIRLS IN 1972 RUSH WITH 480 PLEDGING . . . ILLINOIS HAS ONE OF LARGEST AND STRONGEST GREEK SYSTEMS IN THE COUNTRY . . .

There have been Beta Lambdas from many backgrounds. The university is large; traditions begin and die out and are sometimes revived, but precious to every chapter generation are the memories shared. Some voices will echo, some of the same thoughts return, as songs are sung and ritual words spoken. Often events recorded are not events remembered. There is hope for the future, based on the past, and the present can be seen more clearly now for having had to look back.



A—Iota chapter minstrel show 1904

B—Beta Epsilon chapter 1903



C—An early member of local that became Beta Upsilon 1906

D—First initiates Beta Upsilon 1906

E—Mildred Adele Fleming, Theta 1906

F—Beta Zeta chapter 1900s

G—Beta Iota chapter 1904

H—Psi chapter June 1902





Beta Sigma chapter



The pleasures at
Prior Lake house-
party, Chi 1907

Beta Epsilon 1904



L—Carolyn Stoner, Theta 1903

M—Beta Lambda 1900-1901

N—Beta Beta chapter members 1902

O—Chi houseparty—pose on a fence-stile
1908

P—Beta Xi chapter room 1902

Q—a Beta Mu waiting for train early 1900s



L



M



N



O



P



Q



BM

Founded April 5, 1901
Initiates 1830

Beta Mu

University of Colorado
Boulder, Colorado
Established 1861

Charter Members:

Harriet Virginia Allen, Alberta Mabel Carey, Mabel Mae Carroll, Neata Clark, Eva Beatrice Corley, Jeanne Coulter, Edith Delong, Della Gardner, Theophania Huntington, Mary Edna Snodgrass Keyser, Carrie Elizabeth Orton, Harriet Emma Pollard, Willabelle Royce, Nettie Jannette Schwer, Era Edna Sweeney, Katherine Sharrard Todd, Nellie Williams, Daisie Huntington Wood, Mary Ella Wood.

The frontier mining settlement of Boulder was still grazing land for wild game and hunting ground for the Arapahoe Indians when an act of the territorial legislature established the University of Colorado in 1861. It was not until 1877 that the university became a reality.

No state university could claim more humble beginnings. On the windswept plain of sage and buffalo grass a lone four-story brick structure rose incongruously to mark the campus. Two instructors, one of them the new president, and 44 students assembled that fall of 1877. It is significant that among the goals restated each year by that first class, none was more urgent than a sidewalk to town to escape the sea of mud. The goal was realized for the first Commencement.

Colorado has become a major university in a magnificent setting. Colorful sheer rock forms a backdrop for the buildings of Colorado sandstone in Italian Provincial architecture. "Old Main" still stands at the center.

By 1901 the campus had grown to a half dozen buildings, including a "Cottage Number One for Women, with Boarding Table". There were four national men's fraternities and two women's. A local group, the Althea Society, rejected by Kappa Kappa Gamma in an early petition, was inspired to two more years of work to meet requirements, and finally was so enthusiastically endorsed by the Denver Alumnae Association that the usual inspection by Grand Council was waived—the history of Beta Mu had begun.

On April 5, 1901, 19 young women in long woolen skirts walked to the tiny train station on the prairie, nearly swooning with excitement as the train pulled in, bringing members of Sigma. Kappa's grand secretary, May Whiting (Westermann), Σ -Nebraska, was among the 20 who were to initiate Beta Mu's charter members.

It was a glorious occasion. The other campus Greeks had an afternoon reception, and there was a banquet at the Brown Palace in Denver. Initiation was at the home of Edith Delong (Jarmuth, Smith), a new member with a Pi Beta Phi mother. In 1974 a remarkable lady in Denver recalled clearly the events of the installation. Nettie Schwer Freed at 93 was Beta Mu's only living charter member. She was a two-year president of the early chapter, and continued all her life to bring honor to Beta Mu. Another initiate, (Mabel) Mae Carroll (Fry), first president, was to figure long and prominently in chapter history. First meetings were held in her room at the cottage, or at the Delong home, but by 1905 the chapter was able to rent a house at 1221 University Avenue, which was to be the Kappa house for nearly two decades.

Beta Mu's development paralleled that of the campus Panhellenic Society, founded in 1903 as a member of the National Panhellenic Congress. For a time it was possible to pledge in September and initiate in October; then pledges were required to pass the number of hours necessary to stay in school. Finally Kappa and other national sororities set their own requirements for initiation, in line with those established by the campus Panhellenic.

In 1914 Beta Mu was hostess to the general convention at Estes Park and Estelle Kyle (Kemp) was made grand registrar . . . later she became grand secretary and grand vice president and served as delegate to the National Panhellenic Congress.

Routine and traditions were swept away by World War I. Fraternity houses became barracks and coeds volunteered daily hours of work. By Commencement, 1918, all able-bodied men students had been called to arms and the class history was delivered for the first time by a woman, Beta Mu's Katherine Knisell (Cunningham).

Despite curtailed activities the chapter was to play a major part in Kappa expansion in the west, helping with the installation of Gamma Beta in 1918. In time, Beta Mu played a part in the establishment of Gamma Omicron, Delta Zeta, Delta Eta, and Epsilon Beta Chapters.

Dreams of a permanent home began to take shape by 1920 when lots were purchased and plans made for the present house at 1134 University Avenue at a cost of \$21,000. Mae Fry, at one time a member of the Colorado legislature, was president of the newly formed Building Committee, supervised house construction and furnishing, and continued her interest in the chapter for many years.

Others brought distinction at this time. Pattie Field was United States vice consul to the Netherlands (the second woman and the first from Colorado to be accepted in the diplomatic corps). Lucia Cassell Patton, illustrator, and Estelle Rust Dinwoodey, etcher, gained national recognition. Poet and



BM house and chapter 1910.

1975 BM house.

scholar Irene McKeehan, Ph.D., was a distinguished professor of English at the University of Colorado for over 30 years. Boulder resident Margaret Read has had a long and eminent career as an architect and was the Fraternity architect when property in Florida became Kappa's Hearthstone in 1938.

Close to 75 per cent of Beta Mu's membership at this time was from Denver, the rest mainly from Colorado towns, providing a strong base in rush. Nearly every rush plan had been tried during Beta Mu's first 25 years and by the 1930s it had become a complicated system of summer parties and formal calls preceding the fall week of teas and dinners. Expensive decorations, costumes, and entertainment were required, and rivalry was bitter.

Increasing membership called for a house addition in 1939, a large recreation room which brought new informality to the Colonial structure. The Building Committee was now incorporated as the Beta Mu Building and Alumnae Association, and included dedicated Boulder alumnae (association chartered in 1937) among House Board officers.

In 1939 Dr. Robert L. Stearns became the University's sixth president and brought inspired leadership for 13 years. His Beta Mu family included wife (Amy Pitkin Stearns) and four daughters (Judith Stearns Caughey, Amy Stearns Goodell, Marion Stearns White, and Barbara Stearns Wooten). Dr. Stearns was keynote speaker at the 1940 Sun Valley Convention, and Beta Mu enjoyed one of its finest hours by winning the Standards Cup.

During World War II years Beta Mu instigated the equipping of all sorority houses as Red Cross relief stations, and limited social functions to buy war bonds. House decorations and Homecoming floats were discarded in favor of patriotic decorations for the student union. To provide for the new Colorado University Navy Schools an accelerated program was inaugurated. Students returned the end of October with a weekend for rush and the second day of classes for pledge day. Beta Mu sent gift boxes overseas and to Fitzsimmons Army Hospital in Denver, and during the campus drive for supplies for war-torn Europeans, assembled the largest contribution.

In 1946 Nettie Schwer Freed, after long service as a county superintendent of schools, was, at 65, elected Colorado State superintendent of public instruction. She served until the age of 70 when she received a special citation from the governor.

During the 1940s Dorothy Martin, Ph.D., began a distinguished career, becoming professor and chairman of the Psychology Department. In 1962 she received the Robert L. Stearns medal for superior teaching and exceptional service to the university.

Enrollment had soared at the end of the war and Beta Mu membership changed to 49 per cent out-of-state girls. Numbers forced a simpler rush — ice water teas replaced elaborate entertaining. Panhellenic urged affiliation and chapters grew top-heavy with pledges. Increased officer and adviser vigilance were called for. A special upperclassman retreat for evaluation began then and became a tradition. It was a difficult period but the chapter learned the art of assimilation.

During this time the Fraternity Council acquired two more Beta Mus. Eleanore Goodrich Campbell served as director of Alumnae 1948-52; and director of membership 1952-56. Josephine Yantis Eberspacher was Fraternity vice president 1952-54.

By Spring, 1956, the chapter was back on top, winning both the campus and Denver area Panhellenic Scholarship Cups, with the highest average ever attained by an organized group at



KKT convention train stops at Boulder, Colorado on way to Estes Park, 1914.

Colorado University. At the 1956 Convention, Beta Mu was runner-up for pledge training, and two years later won the top award. The 1956 Convention brought the chapter its finest honor: Eleanore Goodridge Campbell was named Fraternity president.

By now the chapter was providing room and board for its first foreign student, from Norway. Since then others from Sweden, Hungary, Austria, Finland, Germany, Greece, and the Netherlands have made Beta Mu their home for a year.

With two rented annexes space was needed again, and by the sale of debentures to alumnae, another addition was made possible. Once again the house board was commended. The dedicated Boulder advisers, the two alumnae groups, and the Mothers' Club have together met every need of the chapter. Alumnae are kept abreast of active news by the news sheet, the *Beta Mews*.

Beta Mu is versatile, represented always in class honoraries, campus productions and publications, and class and university offices. Four have been president of the Associated Women Students, four have been named outstanding senior woman. Prizes fill the trophy case, with grand prize for Homecoming house decorations three successive times. With 14 queens and attendants in one year, Kappa's yearbook page was titled "Home of Royalty."

Beta Mu won the first Fraternity Appreciation Award at the 1960 Convention. Another winner that year was Wilfreda Heald Lytle who received an Alumnae Achievement Award for her work in civil defense. Earlier she had been named outstanding woman of Delaware and had been a member of the state legislature. By now four Beta Mus had been graduate counselors: Elizabeth Irvin (Farris), Marjorie Cross (Bird), Elizabeth Nelson (Hutchinson), and Colleen Jacobsen (Voshall). Three had been field secretaries: Marjorie Cross (Bird), Ruth Wierman (Hamilton), and Judith Ann McCleary (Jones). Marj Bird has given outstanding service as scholarship chairman and worked as assistant to the director of chapters for advisers. Anna Mitchell Hiatt Pflugh is Fraternity chairman of the chapter public relations program, chairman of chapter newsletters, and active chapter editor of *The Key*.

In the face of ever crowded conditions a final house addition was made in 1962 which included 19 double bedrooms. Eighty-two members could now be provided for.

The changing climate of the 1960s was by now apparent and such factors as the war in Vietnam, the new student life style, and the end of restrictions on university housing combined to create the chapter's greatest challenge. Within five years a decrease in chapter membership had created a house maintenance problem.

Since 1960 the Denver Alumnae Association has given an annual \$500 graduate fellowship in honor of "Goodie" Campbell. Recently the association has donated \$1,000 to the

philanthropy program for undergraduate scholarships, in honor of Marion Smith Bishop, a Beta Mu with a long-time record of devoted service.

In 1968 Phyllis Brinton Pryor was elected vice president. She became Kappa's delegate to National Panhellenic Conference in 1971. She was the first recipient of the Denver area's Panhellenic Woman of the Year Award for community and fraternity service. Nan Kretschmer Boyer served during that period as Kappa's extension chairman, was nominating chairman 1974, and is currently Fraternity Ritualist.

Recent years have brought recognition to such Denver-based Beta Mus as Jean Knight Bain who completed 12 years in the Colorado House of Representatives. She was succeeded in office in 1972 by Carol Packard Tempest, another Beta Mu. At

Homecoming that year Besse Low Ireland, 50 year member, and her husband, Clarence L. Ireland, received an Alumnae Recognition Award for loyalty and service — the only couple ever to receive this honor. Their daughter, Betty Ireland Naugle, had earlier received the same award for her years on the Board of Trustees of Colorado State colleges. Another daughter, Edith Ireland Morris, is also a Beta Mu.

Despite the financial problems of a large house, the immediate future is bright. Renewed interest and fast increasing membership may signal a swing back to fraternity and the obvious advantages of congenial group living. A new unity and spirit pervades the chapter, and once again actives and alumnae share common goals of excellence.

BE

Founded May 12, 1902
Initiates 2214

Beta Xi

University of Texas at Austin
Austin, Texas
Established 1883

Charter Members:

Olatia Crane, Helen Olive Devine, Fanny West Harris, Alma Keturah Jones, Minnie Avelyn Petty, Marian Leigh Rather, Katherine Andrews Searcy, Eva Miriam Sodekson, Josephine Lucile Wathen.

Texas won its independence in April, 1836, and 18 months later a bill was introduced in the Congress of the Republic of Texas to incorporate the University of Texas. However, the act that finally established the university was not passed until 1881. Two years later classes were opened in the incompletd west wing of the Old Main Building, with 221 enrolled in that first class of 1883.

Only 19 years later Kappa Kappa Gamma established its first southern chapter by granting a charter to Beta Xi on May 12, 1902. Interesting events led directly to the colonization.

In 1898 a local organization (Delta Delta Delta) was organized by a group of girls in Grace Hall. Soon men friends of this group, by this time known as Delta Zeta, advised the petitioning of Kappa, and in the spring of 1899 the group sent its first formal petition. Refusal came the following fall.

Another local, Tri Sigma, also petitioned Kappa, and it, too, was refused. Matters seemed hopeless. The Fraternity did not want them and the university authorities did not want the Fraternity. Worse still, a crowd of town students who had twice petitioned Kappa and twice been refused, seemed to have finally secured a charter and were planning to enter the university. For one week the Tri Sigmas and the Delta Zetas grieved in secret, feeling that it was a Kappa charter these other girls had won, but it was Pi Beta Phi.



BE chapter 1902.

In the fall of 1901, the two locals joined forces and wrote to the grand secretary of Kappa. Petition blanks arrived late in January and were sent off the next day. This time the decision was unanimously in favor, and on May 12, 1902, Beta Xi chapter was formally installed, followed by a grand banquet at the Driskill Hotel, the height of glory in those days.

At first the new chapter met in a single rented room furnished with a small table, three chairs, a tiny stove, and a piano. In 1903 the first house was rented. Only actives could live there by university rule. The chapter moved six times in 19 years.

In 1920-1921 a corporation of Kappa alumnae in Texas was organized, and each member signed a note for \$100, payable in 10 years. Thus, a home was bought at 2400 Rio Grande Street, and in September, 1924, the Beta Xis moved in. It was in this house that the chapter became noted for its "Hedge Test" — rumor having it that if a rushee did not touch the hedge on the south side of the Kappa house with both hips as she went through, she was not "Kappa material!"

In the early 1930s, the House Association of Beta Xi received its charter and notified all members of Beta Xi who had paid \$25 or more to the (now) defunct Texas Association that they were automatically members of the new association. All other Beta Xis in good standing were notified that they could become members by paying \$25. From then on all new Beta Xis were asked to sign \$100 notes. It is significant that there have been only three treasurers of the house association in 37 years: Evelyn Calhoun Miller, Eleanor Niggli Tyler, and Ruth Woolery Bybee, Δ—Indiana.

The house on Rio Grande could hold only 15-20 girls, and the Fraternity had agreed to 100 girls, including pledges, so the "Brown Lot" was purchased in the fall of 1936; the old house was sold for \$15,000 in December, 1938; and the new Georgian Colonial home at 2001 University Avenue was occupied in September, 1939, with room for forty. Today in the 1970s, 58 Beta Xi actives live in this home.

At one time additional housing space was acquired and a house just behind the main house was bought, renovated, and

completed in 1965. But in 1966, this annex was bought by the university, spreading far beyond its original 40 acres.

Beta Xi has made outstanding contributions to the Fraternity. Della Lawrence (Burt) was elected grand secretary at the 1920 Convention, and in 1922 was made the first executive secretary when the office was created at the convention in Glacier National Park.

The chapter had the honor of having one of its charter members, Helen Olive Divine, become the first president of Theta Province. In 1917 another charter member, Katherine Andrews Searcy, succeeded her. Beta Xi hosted the second province convention in May, 1927, during which the chapter celebrated its 25th anniversary. The *Key Ring*, the province newspaper, was begun during Katherine Peers ("K.P.") Wooldridge's term as province president, 1925-27.

A change came about with the entry of the United States in World War II. Social and campus activities were replaced with war work and defense projects. Many hours were devoted to layette sewing for the Nora Waln project, and weekly schedules included bandage rolling, hospital and nurses aide work, canteen duty, and assistance with bond drives. For two successive years, Beta Xi made the largest pledge of any campus organization to the War Chest.

Social and campus life returned to its customary place as the war drew to a close, but many old patterns changed. Norma Ruth Stratton Delehanty was elected University Sweetheart at the annual Round-Up, and the introduction of touch football into the intramural program gave birth to a colorful extra-intramural private contest between Pi Phi and Kappa—the Powder Bowl.

The chapter received the Standards Cup in 1950, and Helen Knox was given an Alumnae Achievement Award for banking in 1952.

It was with great pride that the 50th anniversary of Beta Xi was celebrated in May, 1952, with a riverboat ride and a picnic at Green Shores. Kappas came from far and wide, and the occasion was climaxed by a historical pageant and the presentation of fleur-de-lis pins to eight of the nine founders. For this Golden Anniversary, Katherine Wooldridge had put together a Beta Xi directory which she sold at \$1 each. The money was used to establish the Beta Xi Scholarship Fund.

The passage of civil rights legislation during the 1960s prompted major changes on the campus. In the spring of 1965 the university discontinued all control of student housing, except that actually owned and operated by the school. Therefore, with all sorority houses individually owned by their corporation boards, the Panhellenic Council voted in 1967 to dissolve itself as a recognized student organization, hence no longer subject to university regulations or eligible to use university facilities.



Northcott receives Ware Standards cup for BM from Mrs. Ware in presence of cup's donor Mrs. Wortham.



BE pledges 1960 hold car wash.

At this point, Panhellenic became incorporated. Eloise Moore Netherton and Catherine Terry Jennings have served continuously on the seven-member Board of Trustees.

For more than three decades, Beta Xi had a special friend and supporter, Margaret Peck, ΓΛ — Middlebury, who was first assistant dean of women, then dean of women, then dean of students, before her retirement. In October 1973, Beta Xi proudly presented her with her 50-year pin.

Through Kappa leadership in Panhellenic in 1971, the Referral Counseling Program was initiated in cooperation with the university and Student Health Center. This program trains key actives, alumnae, and housemothers in each sorority to be mental health resource persons, to help with chapter education, and to be equipped to refer girls to the proper sources for help with any problem.

There have been many chapter philanthropy projects. Most recently in "A Run for Their Lives" Beta Xi met the challenge of Beta Theta of the University of Oklahoma in a fund-raising football marathon run to the Cotton Bowl. The joint Kappa venture raised \$12,000 for muscular dystrophy.

Houston-Austin Beta Xis are active and loyal women, distinguished in many fields. One of the youngest, Susan Schuhmacher was chosen "Outstanding Teenager in America" in 1968. She lived with families in Spain and Switzerland, and is a volunteer at San Jose Clinic as an interpreter.

Paula Holland Schuhmacher is a Lady in the Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulchre, a Papal honor. Jane Bothwell Waddill, artist with portraits in college libraries in three states, has received the Houston Panhellenic Citation for long, outstanding service.

Lyndall Finley Wortham gave the Charlotte Barrell Ware Standards Cups in 1934, and when it was retired in 1970, because all available engraving space had filled, Mrs. Wortham replaced the original award with a beautiful silver punch bowl, tray, ladle, and cups. She has long been a generous supporter of the Rose McGill Fund. She was the first woman member of the Board of Regents of the University of Houston, and received the Matrix Award of Theta Sigma Phi (Women in Journalism). She is mentor and president of Girlstown, USA. In 1958 she and her husband established the Wortham Foundation to give financial support to medical research, education, and cultural advancement. The Fraternity awarded a silver tray to Mrs. Wortham in 1974 as "recognition for her devotion and service to Kappa Kappa Gamma."

In 1977 Beta Xi will celebrate three-quarters of a century of existence. At such anniversaries it is natural to reminisce. Beta Xis will look back with tears of pride in their past and forward in the anticipation of achievement to come.

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Beta Omicron

Founded May 11, 1904
Initiates 1123

Newcomb College of Tulane University
New Orleans, Louisiana
Established 1886

Charter Members:

Hilda Margaretta Blount, Maria Eugenia Breazeale, Hester Isabel Craig, Hazel Ellis, Adele Ford, Florence Ford, Mary Minor, Gertrude Monroe, Kate Adair Monroe, Charlotte Prentiss, Pamela Robertson, Lucile Reynolds Vardell, Phoebe Nixon Williams.

The story of how Beta Omicron began has two versions, one in the 1930 *History of Kappa Kappa Gamma Fraternity*, and this one, told by charter members.

Pi Beta Phi was well established on the Sophie Newcomb campus. At a party in 1902, a Pi Phi's brother, dressed as a girl, had the audacity to kiss one of the pledges. Her father made her break her pledge, so she gathered some friends together to form a new group. After consultation with prominent New Orleanians, Kappa was petitioned; and, the group was turned down. The reason given was that well-bred southern girls did not go to college, but had governesses and tutors in their own homes. So back went another petition. This time an officer was sent to look over the group. Sponsors and families did all they could to entertain and impress, yet the group was rejected again. No one could believe it. This time the reason was that they were too social-minded. Yet they continued to want to be a part of the "best Fraternity." They tried once more, and this time they were accepted.

On May 11, 1904, 13 girls became charter members of Beta Omicron, with one initiate and one pledge.

At first the chapter members were mostly New Orleans girls; but, as the college grew, more out-of-town girls were pledged. During those early years, the alumnae worked tirelessly. One charter member in particular, Lucile Vardell Gillican, was especially generous, inviting chapter and rushees for weekends in her Gulf Coast home, supplying much of the wherewithal for chapter room furnishings, taking care of other expenses, and giving of her love and interest. Several charter members are still vitally interested in "their" chapter. It is a real treat to have any one of them attend a Kappa function and show the actives what a vital force in their lives Kappa still is.

From 1904 through 1970, Beta Omicron has initiated 996 girls, affiliated 28, and accepted the resignations of nine. Members have been listed in *Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities*, in Phi Beta Kappa and Mortar Board. There have been class and student body presidents and officers; dormitory officers; honor society members; Homecoming Queens; "Miss Pauline Tulane"; Homecoming decoration honors; and beauties in the year book, *Jambalaya*. Two seniors received the coveted 1909 prize for most outstanding girl on campus all four years of their college careers, and three have been awarded Woodrow Wilson Scholarships. Many girls have taken their junior year abroad.

When the Newcomb campus moved from Washington Avenue in 1918, the Kappas were without a chapter room. Until two rooms were rented above the Newcomb tea room in 1930, the chapter used a garage or a room in a member's home. In 1945, these rooms were lost, and an attic space

above them was rented, only to be condemned by the fire marshall. He agreed to let the space be used if a hole were cut through to the second floor and a ladder was placed through the hole; and, if an alumna, with a flashlight to guide the chapter to the ladder, would be present at all gatherings. In 1953, a house on Freret Street was acquired with the aid of alumnae and the Fraternity. Newcomb didn't allow girls to live in a sorority house but the house could be used for meetings and parties.

The chapter had tried to acquire a property at 1033 Audubon Street at the time the Freret Street house was purchased. Later, it became available and was bought. The Fraternity architect and the finance adviser helped make it a perfect lodge, with a house mother's apartment and two rooms to rent for income. Although the work was not finished in the house, and there were torrential rains and an influenza epidemic when rush started, a quota of 26 was pledged. The chapter still uses 1033 Audubon.

For years Newcomb has barely tolerated the sorority groups. Beta Omicron often has thought their time was up but somehow the chapter has managed to remain, to function, and to be of value.

Panhellenic seems to change rules yearly, with rush coming at different times. At one time chapters could bid as many as they pleased. Then the preferential system was installed and a quota was added. With something like 150 recommended girls and a small quota it often became hard to explain to alumnae that all those recommended could not be bid. House parties to discuss rush plans were held at members' summer homes and later in hotels. There, recommendations were studied and evaluated, rush skits planned, decorations made, and songs practiced.



BO actives 1940.

In 1948 the Mothers Club was formed. Also, a weekly luncheon was inaugurated at the house, at first for Kappas only. Later, friends from other groups were included. Sometimes as many as 200 young folks are fed a free meal on Tuesdays.

At one time, in 1951, the Fraternity deemed Beta Omicron so lacking in efficiency and Kappa spirit that, short of probation, a steering committee was made up, with advisers given authority to require action from chapter officers. It was a valuable experience.

The Monmouth Duo with our long-time rival Pi Beta Phi is usually held annually. It has been cancelled several times to save money for the House Fund, and also during wartime.

Margaret Ann Gill, a beloved active was killed in an automobile accident in 1955. Each year since then the chapter has given a silver tray to the outstanding junior at Newcomb in her memory.

The chapter philanthropy varies with the interest of the group: rolling Red Cross bandages, or working at the Fink House for elderly ladies, the Crippled Children's Hospital, the Kingsley House, and other organizations. Each year a Christmas party for underprivileged children is given with one of the men's fraternities.

The chapter started a cultural program of talks and displays of art at the chapter house in 1965. The whole college is invited. For this program, Beta Omicron received an honorable mention at the next convention. Foreign students are entertained every year in an effort to get to know them better and help them feel at home.

At Beta Omicron's 50th year celebration in 1954, seven charter members and six of their Kappa daughters were present. A tableau was presented, representing the 13 charter members, with actives dressed in the clothes of 1904. Pictures, torn from old albums and flashed on a screen, were a part of the program.

Chapter prized possessions include candlesticks; a punch ladle; a silver bowl in memory of two charter members, Adele Ford and Florence Ford (Weeks); silver candlestick from the Shreveport alumnae in memory of Beta Omicron's second pledge, Irene Drake (Burch); a fleur-de-lis tray; a serving tray; and Mothers' Club gifts. The chapter has been given five Kappa keys to be worn by special chapter people.

Yet, traditions seem to be going out of style. Once it was customary at the banquet for all engaged girls to run around the table, and each fiance had to send a five-pound box of candy to the chapter. That has gone, as has the Fleur-de-Lis Book, always on display and read at banquets, with serious and funny articles written by actives. In 1966 a new tradition was started. A party is given for all actives engaged, pinned, or dropped. "Dropped" means that a girl has been given a pendant of her initials by her boy friend.

At the 1966 Convention, Beta Omicron received honorable mention for unhoused chapters, for improvement in efficiency and for gracious living. Beta Omicron has also received honorable mention for scholarship improvement.

Since New Orleans is such a Mardi Gras conscious city some mention must be made of Kappa queens and maids of Carnival balls. There are about 80 Carnival organizations or balls, each having its own queen and maids. The highest honor is Queen of Carnival, for the Rex Ball. Since 1930 seven Beta Omicrons have been so honored.

Active-alumnae relationships are excellent. Advisers are interested and are proud of the chapter. In the fall of 1970, the



Charter members honored at 50th anniversary.

chapter was helped by Patricia Ann Nealon, a graduate counsellor. In 1971, the chapter decided that it was mature enough to handle house matters without a house mother. Permission was given, and there were no major problems.

One of the outstanding members of Beta Omicron is Agnes Guthrie Favrot. Agnes Guthrie Favrot has been personnel, pledge, and catalog adviser for Beta Omicron over the years, except for the eight years she was Fraternity Rose McGill Fund chairman.

"I do believe," she says, "I know as much about our chapter, or more, than any other single person. And I am very proud of being a Kappa." "Aunt Aggie," with four sons and no daughters, took the chapter into her heart and life. The Kappas, she said, filled a real need, and she does everything she can to make Beta Omicron a happy, successful chapter. Her portrait is one of the chapter's prized possessions. She received the Loyalty Award in 1966.

At the time of the Fraternity's Centennial Convention in 1970, when the financial goal for the Centennial scholarships had been nearly reached, it was Agnes Favrot who offered the balance and put the campaign over the top.

Two more outstanding members are Mary Seago Brooke, who received the Achievement Award in 1964 for her contribution in social work and Elizabeth Aldrich Bridgeman, who received the Achievement Award in 1962 for her work in petroleum technology.

Of course, the turmoil on the campus, the modern day problems and the desire of the girls for more self-expression and freedom have made an impression and changed the chapter character somewhat. Many students began to feel that fraternities had no real place and served no good purpose. Many chose not to join, and a number resigned. There have been more resignations during the last few years than in all of the other years combined. But Kappa, with its tradition of promoting character, friendliness, and studiousness, is coming through and is being reinstated in the lives of the students.

Wearing original gowns of 1904 pageant celebrates 1954 anniversary.



BPI

Founded February 4, 1905
Initiates 1584

Beta Pi

University of Washington
Seattle, Washington
Established 1861

Charter Members:

Ottie Armstrong, Marion Rose Blethen, Hazel Bragdon, Ethel Janet Brown, Jessamine Garrett, Edna Tileston Gullixson, Maud McMicken, Celia Dexter Shelton.

Nearly three quarters of a century ago, the wife of the president of the pioneer university of the northwest, the University of Washington, gathered around her a small group of girls from the student body and began to instill into them the ideals of a national fraternity. Helen H. Wadsworth Graves was herself a Kappa from Boston University, and, of course, the aims which she was trying to make these girls understand, were Kappa aims and ideals.

The university of that day was a crude, raw, small institution. Sororities at that time were unknown.

The girls whom she had selected as seeming to her best suited as material for Kappa formed a local sorority called Alpha Kappa Gamma.

In due course of time, two other organizations petitioned national sororities for charters, Delta Gamma and Kappa Alpha Theta. The Thetas took the petitioning of their group with sufficient seriousness—and considering the size of the university it was small wonder that they did not take it as a laughing matter—and sent a delegate to investigate. This group was doomed to disappointment. The delegate, before she left, however, allowed it to become known that if the Alpha Kappa Gammas, who were then striving vainly for some recognition from Kappa Kappa Gamma, would join with them, a Theta chapter would be granted. But the girls whose eyes were full of keys, could not see a kite. They clung to their original hope, undaunted that the nearest Kappa chapters, those in California, were the ones most bitterly opposed to their becoming Kappas.

At last, on February 4, 1905, they saw success crown their efforts and their dreams realized. They were admitted to the Kappa sisterhood. In that year, which was the 44th in the age of the university, only 72 persons made up the graduating class.

To attempt to divorce the history of Beta Pi from that of the university from that time forward is impossible. The growth of the chapter so wholly depended upon the amazing growth of the little outpost of culture which was almost lost among its 352 acres of tangled underbrush and giant firs. At that time the University of Washington was entirely housed in three

buildings, linked together by a footpath through the woods.

It was not until 1909, with the building of the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific Exposition on the southern end of the campus that the university began really to step into its own as a state university. When the gates of the exposition closed in October, the university automatically gained all the buildings erected on its campus. While all of them were supposedly transient—built like motion picture lot sets, with imposing fronts and the flimsiest of stucco rears—many of these buildings were used for at least ten years.

In the fall of 1912, the problems of a large chapter confronted the amazed members of Beta Pi—amazed because heretofore their chapters had averaged between 20 and 25 girls. But when that rushing season was half finished they discovered that they wanted an appallingly large freshman class. Consternation reigned. Even with the strictest of enee-menee-minee-moes they wanted 16 girls. A special dispensation was hastily wired for. It arrived, just in time, and year by year since then, Beta Pi has overflowed the usual chapter limit.

It was in that year, 1912, that the Kappas laid their first plans for a new home. The most conservative of seniors admitted that not another person could be crowded into the swarming hives on the third floor, and the chapter moved to a new but temporary house as soon as rushing was over.

However, when college opened in 1913, the Kappas had moved into their own home. In 1919, they signed the ownership papers for this lovely, white Colonial house. It was paid for by the time it was outgrown.

The Board of Directors of Beta Pi Association announced in 1925 that when it had accumulated \$10,000 in cash definite plans for a new house could be made. All of the various branches of Beta Pi—the long suffering board, actives, alumnae, mothers and fathers clubs—having duly struggled and saved, brought about the realization of Beta Pi's fond hopes. The house that had been the pride of 1913 was uprooted from its corner lot and deposited a few blocks away, while a beautiful brick building of the Norman-English type rose in its place.

The general convention of 1930 provided funds for a full-time traveling secretary. Helen Snyder (Andres), Beta Pi, who had been a graduate counselor in 1929, received the first appointment. During her 3 years as field secretary she helped Clara O. Pierce, BN—Ohio State, write the first *Pledge Hand Book* and *Instructions for Pledge Training*. After serving as director of standards Mrs. Andres became grand president 1935-36. She has continued to serve the Fraternity as Panhellenic delegate, director of chapters, and chairman of many fraternity committees.

Some new ideas were introduced in the early 1930s to improve the chapter. The Mothers Club and the housegirls redecorated the town girls' room. Attractive furnishings were



A new sport—skydivers of BPI 1974.

provided by the Beta Pi House Board. Another change was brought about when it was decided to have the freshmen live in the house for three days during their first quarter. The purpose of this experiment was to achieve unity.

Kappa's tradition for scholarship continued, and in 1937, Kappa ranked first scholastically for the second consecutive year. Kappas also held campus offices and numerous girls were pledged to different honoraries including Mortar Board, Totem Club, Matrix Table, W—Key, dramatic, art, educational and political science honoraries.

Kappa activities were drastically affected by the start of World War II. The Christmas party and serenading were cut short by rumors of approaching enemy planes, and an impending blackout. Bedlam reigned while the older girls tried to hang blackout curtains. The war threat made the remaining ten days of the quarter a nightmare.

The Kappa Kappa Gamma house was popular in the decade, 1950-60. The smallest pledge class was 24 (1954), while the largest numbered 32 (1950; 1957).

For the Kappas these were years of strong scholastic and extra-curricular participation. It was often written by Beta Pi recording secretaries, "There is hardly a committee or activity that doesn't have a Kappa on it."

In sports, the Kappas were also active, participating in volleyball, badminton, basketball, tennis and swimming. In 1957, the chapter received the Sportsmanship and Participation Trophy for their efforts.

The chapter also received various honors in the academic area: Mortar Board; honoraries for German, sociology, speech; highest scholastic average of sorority pledge class (1958-59). The Scholarship Trophy was granted consecutively for three years and then permanently (1957-60). High credit was given to members in the areas of music and journalism.

Social life was well coordinated. A fall pledge dance began social activities. A traditional roller skating party followed at Christmastime. The formal winter ball was always a highlight. Occasionally a dance and picnic were held during the spring quarter, and the year always ended with the Senior Breakfast.

The Kappas were involved in their share of fraternity pranks. One occurred in 1950 on pledge night, when the Phi Gamma Deltas floured the house. This resulted in press headlines and large cleaning bills sent to the fraternity, of course. Another, occurring in 1951, was a panty raid. Kappa was the only sorority to have a tape recording of the housemother "defending" the house. To the chuckles of the girls, this recording was broadcast locally and nationally. Good relations existed between Kappas and the fraternities, as shown by the large number of Sigma Chi Sweethearts, Pi Kappa Alpha Dream Girls, and Moonlight Girls. The scholastic activities of Beta Pi were matched, if not surpassed by its social life.

The 1960s were years marked by many changes at the University of Washington; and Beta Pi Chapter was caught up in this spirit of change. Dress codes, for instance, were liberalized or eliminated when blue jeans became the uniform of the age. Curfews, too, were liberalized. In fact, with parental consent, it was a girl's own responsibility to determine what time she arrived home at night. As independence was becoming one of the major goals of students, the change in the rules of the chapter reflected this.

Tradition, however, still remained an important force, uniting the sisters of the chapter. Holidays especially showed this to be true. Halloweens were celebrated by annual parties with the local chapter of Kappa Alpha Theta, Every Thanksgiving



Athletes of house 1949.



Denny Hall, first building on campus.

Beta Pi joined with the members of Chi Psi fraternity to sponsor a turkey dinner for a group of under-privileged children in the Seattle area.

Though the 1960s seemed to show a "generation gap," the alumnae and mothers of Beta Pi continued to be welcome advisors and confidantes to a group of girls, who, although more independently minded, remained spiritually united.

The 1970s brought increased involvement in politics, community projects and extra-curricular activities. A dozen members of Beta Pi participated in STAY/Neighborhood House Tutors, and one girl was in Renton Intern Program, an educational project. One Kappa was a Republican convention delegate; and seven girls studied abroad in England and France in the university program.

Some new programs introduced in the 1970s included the Kappa Aunt Project, through which the mothers club and Eastside alumnae provided the freshmen with "foster aunts," a very popular program. To help meet the cost of living in the house, chapter members could work in the kitchen as house girls. During the fall quarter of 1971, the senior-live-out policy came into effect, allowing seniors the opportunity to move out for a quarter.

There were also some changes in standards such as abolishing study table, campus hours, bed hours. With parental consent, girls could obtain "21" keys after their first quarter.

The number of girls participating in rush began to increase from 343 to 470 in 1972. Panhellenic started an uphill trend by striving for more positive publicity and for seeking a relevant place in society.

Some of the outstanding alumnae include: Achievement Award Winners Claire Drew Walker (1956) and Aryness Joy Wickens (1958); Catherine Burnside Piper, Grand Registrar 1920-22; F. Marie Leghorn, Registrar 1922-24; Emily Peirce Sheafe, editor 1926-30; Lora Harvey George, director chapter organization 1944-46; Claire Drew Walker, director alumnae 1956-58; Mary Carolyn Shuford (Johnson), field secretary 1955; and Kay Smith Larson, director of membership 1970-74, director of field representatives 1974-76.

All these activities plus more were accomplished by many young, enthusiastic and outgoing women. Kappa's contributions to the University of Washington and to the community are worthy of praise and have been remembered through the years.



BΣ

Founded May 20, 1905
Closed April, 1954
Initiates 421

Beta Sigma

Adelphi College
Now Adelphi University
Garden City, New York
Established 1896

Charter Members:

Grace Adele Broadhurst, Elizabeth Miller Brown, Mary Kirk Flagler, Ethel Harnet Gauvran, Juliette Geneva Hollenbach, Katherine Fitzpatrick Tobin, Edna Jessie Wakefield, Edith Belle Wall.

When Katharine Tobin Mullin wrote the history of Beta Sigma in 1930, she ended with . . . "In about thirty years one of those Beta Sigmas of the future will be asked to write something about the years of Beta Sigma in the 'new *Adelphi*'." It is somewhat eerie to read those words forty years later and to attempt to continue the history she lovingly and carefully compiled, especially since the chapter is no longer active.

Adelphi began as a young ladies' academy in Brooklyn, New York, in 1869; became a college in 1896; moved to suburban Garden City, New York, in 1929; and attained university status in 1960. The rough days of the Depression years were overcome and the three original buildings have grown to 10 buildings filling the wide expanses of lawns. Although dormitories are among these new buildings, Adelphi is still largely a commuting school and draws most of its students from the suburban communities of Long Island.

The hope that became Beta Sigma Chapter began with Ethel Gauvran (Smith) in 1903. She and a few special friends formed a little group called "Question Mark," meaning "When will we be Kappas?" There was never any other thought in their hearts, and in 1905, their dream was realized when the chapter was installed.

The young chapter made a good start and later, from 1910 to 1926, Beta Sigma was represented on the Council. Juliette Hollenbach was elected grand registrar in 1910 and Grace Broadhurst (Robinson) succeeded her in 1912. Katharine Tobin Mullin was editor of *The Key* from 1914 until 1922 and Rosalie B. Geer Parker succeeded her from 1922 until 1926.

Among the outstanding women who are Beta Sigma alumnae are Ruth Fanshaw Waldo, advertising executive and recipient of the Alumnae Achievement Award in 1952; Marie Beynon Lyons Ray author and editor of *Vogue*; Ida Poole Brown Patrick, civic worker; Betty Ann White Selby, chemist; and Rosalie B. Geer Parker, who was also active in civic work as well as serving as editor of *The Key*.

Beta Sigma was known as "the singing chapter" and contributed songs that are still sung: "Kappa All Hail to Thee," "Kappa Memories," and "Not Thy Key, O Kappa."

House party weekend was a chapter tradition. The members stayed at the country home of one of the girls and always enjoyed the opportunity to live and work together more closely. Senior Supper and Parents Tea were other annual events and supper meetings in the faculty dining room provided great opportunities for sisterhood, even if the culinary results were sometimes doubtful.



Katherine Tobin Mullin.



Rosalie Geer Parker.

During the years of World War II, the chapter actively participated in service activities and fund-raising, as well as contributing knitted articles to Nora Waln's collections for war orphans.

Participation in May Day activities was a must and there were always Kappas among the queen's court, if not actually reigning over the day's festivities and competitions among the Greeks.

Beta Sigmas served as class presidents; were active in women's sports; were on the yearbook staff; presided over Panhellenic; worked in the student association; were members and officers in many college clubs; were elected to various honorary scholastic fraternities; were elected to *Who's Who In American Colleges And Universities*; and served as Adelphi Alumnae Association officers and on the board of trustees of the school.

Despite the many varied and outstanding contributions of its members, the chapter found it increasingly difficult to function properly on the Adelphi campus. The alumnae found it difficult to support the chapter actively after its move to Garden City. Campus development did little to provide facilities, especially for women, after the school became coeducational in 1945.



1904 chapter including charter members.

Several school programs offered limited time on campus and lack of administrative planning for extracurricular activities in the overall college program eventually caused a lack of time, place, and opportunity to meet and work together.

Application to surrender the charter was made in April, 1954, and final acceptance came in September, 1955.

Although the history of the Fraternity is only beginning its second century, the history of Beta Sigma as a chapter is complete. However, that does not mean that Beta Sigmas have

disappeared from the scene. Since many bound volumes of *The Key* were damaged in the fire at headquarters, the issues for 1905-1928 stamped with Beta Sigma are now on display in the resource office. On the Adelphi campus, Waldo Hall is a visible reminder of the many Kappas who have contributed to the college and later to the world.

The charter may be gone but the feeling, the beliefs, and the sisterhood that the members of Beta Sigma Chapter have felt over the years will continue.

BY

Founded December 22, 1906
Initiates 1032

Beta Upsilon

West Virginia University
Morgantown, West Virginia
Established 1867

Charter Members:

Margaret Buchanan, Evelyn Sage Burns, Mary Dorothy Edwards, Bertha Sterling Hawley, Laura Frances Lewis, Mary Purinton, Cilda Langfitt Smith, Harriet Talbott Stalmaker, Eleanor Victoria Steele, Ida Katherine Sutherland, Linnie Vance, Lucy Chilton Wilson.

The seven members of the local, Kappa Delta, at West Virginia University in Morgantown were pioneers. They conceived the idea of petitioning a national fraternity even though there was much opposition and indifference to fraternities for women by the faculty.

Progress was slow, but Willa Butcher (Lehman) never gave up. With the aid of three resident Kappas, Ethel Finnicum Moreland, Ξ—Adrian, Adelaide Dovey Church, Ψ—Cornell, and Leanna Donley Brown, ΓP—Allegheny, and the untiring efforts of Alta A. Floyd, ΒΓ—Wooster, they finally succeeded in getting a charter from Kappa Kappa Gamma.

Beta Upsilon Chapter was installed on December 22, 1906, by Grand President Mary Griffith (Canby), ΒΑ—Pennsylvania, at the home of Mrs. Moreland in East Morgantown, who felt privileged to open her new home to her new Kappa sisters.

After the installation of the 12 charter members, the baby chapter met for the first time, using the new gavel presented by Beta Gamma, Wooster, the sponsoring chapter. Two new members were promptly initiated.

Phi Kappa Psi Fraternity opened its house for the initiation banquet and a "house party," as the 13 visiting Kappas stayed there. The large living-hall of the Phi Psi house presented a beautiful picture. Logs gave forth a cheery blaze in the great brick fireplace wreathed in holly, and Christmas greens hung everywhere. Red candles in crystal candlesticks accented the long banquet table, and bunches of dark red carnations, the flower of the Kappa Deltas, marked each place.

At the time of installation, West Virginia had been a degree-granting institution for 30 years, but had been open to women for only 16. During those years enrollment for women had increased from three in 1890 to 230 in 1906. Alpha Xi Delta and Chi Omega had been installed on campus the preceding spring.

In the fall of 1907, Beta Upsilon attempted to find a permanent meeting place. A dormitory room was rented for \$10 a month, but proved to be too expensive, so the chapter met in the homes of town girls.

Beta Upsilon was the pioneer in starting the movement for fraternity houses in 1914, but it was not until 1917 that the university finally gave its approval. The chapter rented a house at 120 High Street . . . a big undertaking with only \$30 in the bank and not a rug, a pan, or even a can opener to start housekeeping with. Alumnae donated or loaned furniture . . . even a piano . . . or sent money. Margaret Buchanan Cole was the financier who managed the affair.

The Kappas lived happily here until the property was sold, although the lease had two more years to run. Miss Jessie Byers, the chaperone, and the girls lived on under the new landlord's strict rules until they longed for a house of their own. During the next four years the chapter spent \$8000 in rent for a house at 230 Kirk Street, worrying all the time that it might be sold out from under them.

After being the first of the women's fraternities at West Virginia to rent a house, Beta Upsilon now became the first to own one. With a loan from the Fraternity Endowment Fund, pledges from alumnae, and the chapter savings account, a \$16,000 house was purchased at 247 Prospect Street, just a block from campus. Chapter members lived here from 1930 to 1939.

In 1937 Clara O. Pierce, ΒΝ—Ohio State, executive secretary, and Margaret Reed Baker, Λ—Akron, Kappa architect, came to Morgantown to look into the possibility of building a new and modern home for the chapter. In 1938 a lot was purchased across the street from the house they owned. The alum-



From scholarship to queens, 1958 BY took honors in every court.



Shown with painting of chapter house are alumnae president and chapter president, artist, and honored guest.

nae were very involved and interested. Pearl Reiner Hennen insisted that it be built of native stone, and Margaret Cole was equally insistent that the money be borrowed from the Fraternity. Just as construction started, the man in charge of the stone work met with an accident. At the insistence of the Morgantown architect, Kathryn Alger Rogers, BΨ—Toronto, promised to oversee the work and took a course in stone masonry in Pittsburgh. She practically lived at the new building site, supervising every bit of the construction.

Again Beta Upsilon was first—the first sorority to build a chapter house. Members moved into the upper floors September 15, 1939, while the lower floor was being finished. Everyone shared the excitement of getting the workmen out and the decorators in with the furnishings in time to carry out plans for a formal housewarming on Founders Day. They proudly welcomed 300 guests to the new three-story Colonial house with the Kappa coat of arms beautifully displayed on a chimney above the side porch.

The chapter's financial problems were many, but Margaret Cole bravely carried on by renting and finally selling the old house, and seeing that alumnae members paid their pledges.

Alumnae living in Morgantown have always had a good relationship with the active chapter, and are very loyal. The alumnae and active chapter occasionally meet together, and in the early years the alumnae were always welcomed to special Sunday teas. The Kappa mothers in Morgantown have also been most helpful. Mother's Day is always celebrated with a tea for in-town and out-of-town mothers.

Another early tradition that keeps Kappa ties unbroken is the annual breakfast at the beginning of the commencement season. Alumnae gather to reminisce and exchange news, and the seniors are their guests.

The chapter has always held a prominent place on the campus in college activities, and ranks high in scholarship. Beta Upsilon is the permanent possessor of the Aaron Arkin Scholarship Cup, which has to be won five consecutive times before retiring it. It also twice won the Alfred Jarrett Hare Cup which replaced the Arkin Cup.

Just as Beta Upsilon developed, so did West Virginia University. From 12 Kappas in 1906 to 237 in 1930, the chapter grew to 981 in 1973. The university had 930 students in 1906; 3554 in 1930; and approximately 15,000 in 1973. The ten-block 1930 campus had grown to a three-way divided campus covering 610 acres in 1973. There were approximately 3000 faculty members.

Beta Upsilon Chapter has also contributed to the Fraternity. Joann Dodds Richardson, Susan Brown Hardesty, and Doris Stoetzer Smith have been field secretaries; and Jean Bowling (Quenon), Margaret Ellen Copeland, Lynda Troeller, Nancy Van Gilst (Rice), Constance Bailey (McLaughlin), and Mary Ellen Lindsay (Woofert) have been graduate counselors.

Louise Keener, who was comptroller at West Virginia, was the second woman to be made a member of Vandalia, an outstanding honor in West Virginia. She received the Fraternity Alumnae Achievement Award for the field of business in 1956.

Edna Arnold was dean of women at West Virginia for 16 years; and Harriett French, a graduate of the Law School, received the Order of the Coif and was a professor of law at Miami University. Lynda Troller was a UPI photographer covering the Olympic sailing events in Kiel, Germany.

Margaret Buchanan Cole received her Ph.D. from Bryn Mawr and retired after serving many years as associate professor of mathematics at the university. She has the distinction of being the only woman who has ever been president of the West Virginia University Alumni Association.

Beta Upsilon Kappas are still being chosen for membership in honor societies, elected to Phi Beta Kappa, and winning honors in dancing, swimming, speech pathology, and audiology. Many go on to post-graduate degrees.

So it is that the Kappas of the seventies are upholding the goals of the past, and meeting the challenges of the future.

BΦ

Founded March 20, 1909
Initiates 1201

Beta Phi

University of Montana
Formerly University of Montana;
State University of Montana;
Montana State University
Missoula, Montana
Established 1893

Charter Members:

Eva M. Coffee, Mary J. Elrod, Ethel Evans, Edna T. Fox, Frances M. Jones, Abbie Catherine Lucy, Margaret Mary Lucy, Maude Brooks McCullough, Mildred Alene McGregor, May Elizabeth Murphy, Mary F. Rankin, Isabel Ronan, Marjorie Lee Ross, Ruth Lenore Smith, Helen M. Whitaker, Lucy Dora Alexandria Whitaker, Ethel Marion Wilkinson.

The University of Montana was chartered February 17, 1893, by an act of the third legislative assembly. Later legislation changed the name to the State University of Montana, and then to Montana State University. On July 1, 1965, it again became the University of Montana.

Montana, then the third largest state geographically, had a

population of 376,053, and the city of Missoula, 5,000. Today Missoula has ten times as many residents.

Classes began in 1895 in a rented school house. By 1899 four buildings were completed on forty acres of donated land at the base of 2,000 foot Mount Sentinel and adjacent to the narrow mountain pass called "Hellgate" by the British, "Port-d-Enfor" by the French Canadians, and "Im-i-sul-etiku", (from

which the name Missoula is derived), by the Swalish Indians. A faculty of 27 gathered to teach a student body of 178.

Kappa Kappa Gamma established Beta Phi chapter on March 20, 1909, indicating great confidence in a school so young and in a group affiliation so remote. From 21 petitioning groups, Beta Phi was the single charter granted in almost four years.

Delta Sigma, organized February 24, 1904, the first women's group on the campus, began when Fay Murray (Gillie), re-enrolled at Montana from Butler, sat with her friend Roxanne Howell (Derge) on the turnstile of a fence to tell about her life at Butler. "Roxy" exclaimed, "Oh, Fay, let us start a sorority here!" Thula Toole (Weisel), Maude Evans, Ted Welch, and Jessie Hailsbach were invited to join in the local venture.

Women's Hall provided a six-room suite, and Delta Sigma began its life by petitioning Kappa Kappa Gamma. Ruth Worden, Φ —Boston, daughter of a founder of Missoula, gave encouragement, as did Jane Evans (Gaylord), BH—Stanford, sister of Maude. Other Kappa friends assured endorsement. The university president wrote to the grand secretary saying that the chapter was strong in everything that gives strength. Mary Griffith Canby, BA—University of Pennsylvania, having moved from Philadelphia to Oregon, made the inspection. On January 22, 1909, she notified the local group that it was to become Beta Phi, with installation set for March 20. The *Missoulian* announced the happy event.

Mrs. Canby brought with her Kappa badges of Montana nugget gold for the 17 charter members, golden keys for girls of the "Treasure State". In 1914 seven members moved into a rented residence. Up to 1924, 10 subsequent moves were made. When the Building Corporation was organized December, 1920, the first steps were taken to purchase a chapter house. This dwelling, 434 East Beckwith Avenue, was too small, and was sold in 1928. After another period of renting, the present permanent home at 1005 Gerald Avenue was purchased from the Toole family. It was a Depression year, only nine actives returned to school in the fall, but 29 were pledged to ensure a continuing chapter.

For 22 years Beta Phi was guided by Mrs. Frank P. Keith, whose three daughters and two granddaughters are on the Beta Phi roll. She was saluted on her retirement as the house mother with the longest tenure on Kappa records.

Remodeling and additions ended in 1969 with a house holding more than 40. One-third more footage was added at 10 times the cost of the original edifice. This spacious, gracious house was built by pioneer John B. Toole; father of Thula Toole Weisel; grandfather of Thula Virginia Weisel Johnson, author of distinction and past House Board president; and great grandfather of Thula (Tex) Johnson.

The Montana Alumnae Association, chartered in 1906, has held monthly meetings ever since, providing advisers and officers of the Building Corporation. Four other alumnae groups are also active in Montana, and keep in close touch with Beta Phi and the Missoula alumnae.

Beta Phi has enjoyed a strong association with the community and the state. Daughters of pioneers, of early faculty members, and of five governors have become Kappas. There is a sense of interdependence and affection. The present campus of 201 acres has a nine hole golf course, baseball diamond, track and football field, the magnificent student center, and a \$3,000,000 library, besides 56 buildings including space for 2,500 students and 397 apartments for married students.

Kappa related names are found all over the campus: Brantly Hall, named for the grandmother of Lois Hazelbaker Town-



Some of the charter members.

send; Elrod Hall, named for the father of Mary Elrod Ferguson, a charter member and former dean of women; Miller Hall, named for the father of Patsy Ann Miller Jewell; Jesse Hall, named for the husband of Lucille Leyda Jesse, Σ —Nebraska, and father of Margaret Jesse Fanning; and the science complex named in honor of a former president of the university, father of Lucie Clapp Hagens and Margaret Clapp Smurr.

No history of Beta Phi would be complete without mention of the 50 year contribution of Mary Rodes Leaphart, BX—Kentucky, whose husband was dean of the Montana School of Law for 34 years. She served as alumnae president, chapter adviser, and warm and loving counselor to many generations of Beta Phis. Her two daughters are members of Beta Phi.

Beta Phi was hostess to the Fraternity convention of 1922, and co-hostess with Beta Kappa at Sun Valley in 1940, 1948, and 1964, and with Gamma Omicron in 1934. Four Iota province conventions have been held in Missoula: 1925, 1939, and 1959, during the observance of the chapter's golden anniversary, and 1975.

The active-alumnae project, the Missoula Opportunity School for the mentally retarded children of the area, has helped to provide space, volunteer teachers, and special needs of the program. Much time and money has been donated to this appealing project, inspired by Adelle Beaman Forbis, physical therapist, in 1948-1949.

Throughout the life of the chapter its members have contributed to a splendid record of scholarship, leadership and service to campus and Fraternity. Through two World Wars and the troubles of the past, Kappas have met the challenges and the needs, maintained standards, and supported programs, including the support of a foreign student in 1951-52.

Beta Phi Kappas have received many campus honors and awards. Honors include honorable mention for the Charlotte Barrell Ware Standards Cup, (1940); the Clara O. Pierce Gracious Living Award, (1962); runner-up for chapter news letter,



Chapter house before addition of 1969.

(*The Key*, 1961). The Missoula alumnae received the Almira McNaboe Award (1960). Hulda Miller Fields was Fraternity director of membership, and Marian Schroeder Graham has been director of membership, personnel, and chapters, and is now Fraternity president. Marlys Jo Nelson Barrett was a field secretary. Florence Horsky Wertz has served on the Fraternity Finance Committee; and Judith Latta, on the Rehabilitation Fellowship Committee.

Among outstanding Beta Phis are: Grace Barnett and Olive Barnett Rice, writers of juveniles; Thula Virginia Weisel Johnson, writer, (*The Unregimented General* was a Book of the Month alternate in the historical division); and Brenda Farrell Wilson, professor in the Business Administration School for 35 years, (who served as acting dean at one time, the only woman on the university faculty to have held a position of this rank).

During the early 1970s the climate on the University of Montana campus was not propitious for women's social groups. Adequate dormitory space and the university sanction

of apartment living off campus meant empty rooms in sorority houses. However, Beta Phi has been a leader in women's Greek groups and on the campus as a whole, and the situation is improving.

In May, 1974, Beta Phi held a joint senior-honors-initiates dinner: "Almost a hundred members of Beta Phi were present, and dear Mary Leaphart gave a little talk, saying in her lovely Kentucky accent, 'Sisters, I have been a Kappa for 63 years, and from girls in their long gowns to you wearing pretty little ruffles for skirts, have known so many dear and true. If you all love Kappa and keep to her ideals, your lives will be enriched as mine has, and you will be strengthened for any task.'

"The 17 initiates were greeted and the seniors bid adieu, the officers were installed, and the seniors inducted into the alumnae association. It was really a concentrated evening. The reaction of the girls was marvelous and the evening gave promise of a real return to the old values." (from a letter by Hulda Miller Fields)



Founded February 12, 1910
Initiates 1345

Beta Chi

University of Kentucky
Lexington, Kentucky
Established 1865

Charter Members:

Sara McEachin Carter, Mattie Virginia Cary, Aubyn Chinn, Helen Lucile Daugherty, Sarah Rossetter Marshall, Mary McEachin Rhodes, Mary Barrett Smith, Alice Cary Williams.

The University of Kentucky came into existence February 22, 1865, when the General Assembly chartered the Agricultural and Mechanical College and made it a part of the older Kentucky University, now Transylvania University.

In the mid-1960s, *The Key* "visited" Beta Chi chapter at the University of Kentucky, and the word from university President John W. Oswald was, "The university is proud to have this chapter on our campus." He mentioned three Beta Chi alumnae who had recently been in the ranks of seven women to receive Distinguished Alumnae Centennial Awards. These three were Sarah Gibson Blanding, president emeritus of Vassar College; Nancy Duke Lewis, Dean of Pembroke College and director of the National Merit Scholarship Program; and Mary E. Sweeney, noted home economist and former director of the American Economics Association.

President Oswald's observation at that time was, "Unless they (fraternities) materially and vitally add to an individual's total growth in accord with the university's purposes and aspirations, they will not survive because the college student of tomorrow will not be interested. . . . If they continue to strive for academic attainment, if they seek ways and means to help the university achieve its purposes, and if they will help the individual member find himself in these days of larger and larger institutions, their prospects have never been brighter, and they will continue to be an integral and important part of the academic world. . . ." The dean of women at that time, who pronounced Beta Chi a "welcome asset," was Delta's Doris M. Seward.

Full enrollment at the University of Kentucky in 1972 was 34,216. This number included the Lexington campus, the

community college system, and the evening and extension class. At the time of Beta Chi's 1910 installation there were 566 students.

Beta Chi chapter evolved from a local club, Chi Epsilon Chi, and was born two years after the Agricultural and Mechanical College became State University. James K. Patterson had just resigned the presidency and "an epoch in the life of the institution had come to an end, a new era begun, and the brightest years lay ahead" (*The University of Kentucky: Origins and Early Years*). Kappa became, at Beta Chi's installation, the third national sorority on this campus, preceded by Alpha Gamma Delta and Alpha Xi Delta. Eight Chi Epsilon Chi girls became charter members. Grand President Edith Stoner (Robinson), Θ — Missouri, was installing officer, and Delta, sponsoring chapter.

During the following years many members of the local returned to school and took enough class work to be initiated.

Records show that the first few years of the chapter's life were filled with problems to do with housing, frequent initiations, and an ailing treasury. By 1930, with Beta Chi having developed from a sturdy child to a young energetic adult, Frank L. McVey, father of two chapter members, was president of the university, and Sarah Blanding was dean of women. Beta Chi members were serving as president of the Women's Administrative Council and as class officers. There were 17 fraternities and 10 sororities on the campus and Beta Chi boasted 41 active members.

In true Kentucky style it was written of Kappas in the 1934 yearbook *Kentuckian*: "Traditionally a very high class stable, always a goodly number of nifty thoroughbreds." The next



1918 Convention
cancelled . . .
Funds sent
for war work . . .



A—Virginia McRae, BK 1918
B—Beta Mu 1915
C—Dorothy Canfield Fisher, BN, with
her children
D—Xi chapter 1920
E—Beta Epsilon 1915
F—BM chapter house Convention 1914
G—WWI orphans aided by KKT
H—Chi chapter house built 1916
I—Xi chapter 1918
J—South end BK house 1916-1919
K & L—Eta chapter 1918 celebrating
WWI victory





Dignitaries of BX 50th anniversary.

year's entry read: "The Kappa Gams manage to pledge a beauty queen every so often . . . they also manage to grab a share of the military sponsors without the aid of campus politicians. They suffered very little opposition with their rushees this year and walked off with a number of nifty thoroughbreds."

In 1939 Beta Chi had its first College of Law graduate, Bettie Gilbert (Wiglesworth), who was also a member of Phi Beta Kappa, Phi Delta Phi, and editor of the *Kentucky Law Journal*. During the 1930s, intramural sports were begun on the campus "to strengthen ties between sororities," a new student union building was created, and the chapter was host to Mu province convention (during cold and wet weather, and a robbery to add to the excitement).

During the economic crisis of the 1930s, sorority expansion halted at the University of Kentucky, but Beta Chi weathered the Depression and managed to establish itself in a new house at 179 East Maxwell Street. It has been estimated that in the more than 63 years since its founding, Beta Chi has owned, occupied, or met in 26 different sites in Lexington. The fondly remembered "little white house" on Maxwell represented one of its longest tenancies.

During World War II, Beta Chi, eager to serve on a campus where only 10 percent of the student body consisted of civilian men, contributed its iron grille fence to the scrap metal drive. The Maxwell house was sold and the Delta Tau Delta house on Audubon Park was rented. During the War men's fraternities were vacant. Many Kappas, victims of gas rationing, thumbed their way in and out from the main campus.

After the War, the house at 232 East Maxwell was bought and lived in for the next 10 years. In the 1950s, plans were developed for a chapter house, lots were purchased, but complications arose, and another house was bought—238 East Maxwell. By the fall of 1960, the chapter moved into the renovated mansion.

The achievements of Beta Chi's honored member Sarah Blanding, (recipient of the Alumnae Achievement Award in 1947), are nationally known, but perhaps only Beta Chis remember that she was honored as an undergraduate in 1922 by



Sarah Gibson Blanding (left) and Mary Rodes Leaphart.

being unanimously elected to play Santa Claus for the annual Christmas party.

The first sorority woman to be elected president of the Women's Student Government Association was Eugenia Harrington (Green). Elizabeth Kimbrough Park was honored on Alumni Day, 1965, for her outstanding contribution over the years. She was Fraternity vice president in 1940 and chairman of undergraduate scholarships in 1936 and 1937. Ridgely Park retired in 1965 as undergraduate scholarship chairman. Fan Ratliff (Mathews) edited an etiquette book distributed by the Fraternity to all chapters. Mary Rodes (Leaphart) was the Fraternity's grand secretary 1912-16, and grand registrar 1916-20, after her marriage.

June Moore (Parrish) has been a field secretary, 1962-63, and a province director. She and other Beta Chis have worn the crown of Mountain Laurel Queen. Curtis Buehler was general convention chairman, 1958-66. In 1958 the Sullivan Medal, most outstanding of all University of Kentucky awards, was won by Mary Kauffman (Vaughn), and to balance this honor, a year later one of the Beta Chis out-ate all the rest in the pie-eating contest of the Sigma Chi derby.

The early members of Beta Chi gave themselves to settlement work, filled stockings for a mountain school, and dressed and educated a Kentucky mountain girl. Later a French war orphan was supported, and during World War I Beta Chis knit, bought Liberty Bonds, and contributed to Belgian relief. The chapter has an annual Patty Lebus Berryman Award in honor of this deceased member. In 1965, with Pi Beta Phi, a first Monmouth scholarship was given in lieu of a Homecoming display. A group of orphans was invited to share a Blue Grass Tour of historical and cultural parts of Lexington. The tour was part of a chapter cultural program, initiated in 1965.

1960-70 was an era of involvement in the social services and volunteerism outside the campus. It was also a decade of unrest, a feeling of frustration, and wanting to do one's own thing. No doubt because of Kappa's fine heritage, Beta Chi made it through the 1960s and into a new decade where the pendulum seems to be swinging back to sanity and peace once more.

BΨ

Founded May 24, 1911
Initiates 734

Beta Psi

University of Toronto
Toronto, Ontario, Canada
Established 1827

Charter Members:

Beatrice Maud Barry, Vera Davidson, Alexandrina Denne, Laura Denton, Lily Denton, Dora Forsythe, Grace Isabel Grange, Elsa Horning, Madeline Mary Jenner, Jessie Logie Keagey, Grace Winnifred MacLaren, Josephine McConnell, Lenora Porte, May Cecelia Shorey, Ethel Tait.

(Chapter installed at Victoria College, Toronto, Ontario. Transferred to University of Toronto, May 1925.)

If there is a certain fervor in the voices of members of Beta Psi Chapter of Kappa Kappa Gamma at the University of Toronto when they repeat the ritual words "I will support my chapter in prosperity and peril" there is good reason. Indeed, looking back over 63 years it is difficult not to see that history as a kind of continuing "Perils of Pauline" with a new crisis arising in every episode and periods of prosperity all too frequently interrupted by setbacks and threats to the chapter's continued existence.

To understand many of Beta Psi's problems it is necessary to understand the history and structure of the University of Toronto itself. This first university in Ontario, then "Upper Canada", was chartered in 1827 under the name of "King's College" and with a formal affiliation with the Church of England or Anglican Church. This affiliation continued until 1857 when a new charter was issued providing for a nonsectarian university under the name of the University of Toronto and confining its teaching to the arts, science, and the humanities.

As the years passed, the University of Toronto expanded to include all the professional and other faculties found in a modern university with the original arts and humanities core becoming University College of the University of Toronto. Eventually, as expansion continued, the university entered into federation with a number of church affiliated universities. Trinity College, Anglican; Victoria College, Methodist from Coburg, Ontario; and St. Michael's College, Roman Catholic, all moved to the University of Toronto campus. This federated structure has proved to be a great source of strength and diversity in the university, but because the present university is a federation rather than an amalgamation each college maintains considerable independence in the setting of policy.

Although international women's fraternities were established at the University of Toronto early in the 20th century, they operated only at University College. In 1906 a group of undergraduates at Victoria College decided to form a local sorority, Xi Zeta Gamma. As a private and unofficial club the group flourished until in 1909 several members met a group of Kappas at a Y.W.C.A. Convention. Fired with enthusiasm for the international fraternity movement, Xi Zeta Gamma petitioned to become a chapter of Kappa Kappa Gamma. After an inspection by Florence Burton Roth, BΔ—Michigan, grand president, Mrs. Roth and members of Beta Tau, Psi and Gamma Rho installed the fledgling chapter on May 24, 1911.

The situation of Beta Psi Chapter in those early years was enviable. As the only women's fraternity at Victoria College it had no need of Panhellenic, no formal rushing, no rushing rules and no competition. The only restriction on its membership policies was an informal arrangement with the dean of women which adopted the principle of sophomore pledging. Beta Psi did not have a chapter house, and meetings were held in the homes of members and alumnae who lived in the city.

This halcyon period was short-lived. Anti-fraternity feeling which began smoldering on the campus in 1913 flared up during the term 1914-15, and it appeared that the senate of Victoria College would legislate the group out of existence. Only through the intervention of alumnae who worked tirelessly to influence husbands, fathers, and friends on the senate was it possible for Beta Psi to continue.

Canada was already heavily involved in the Great War and members directed all their energies to combining academic excellence with a heavy commitment to "war work". In the chaos of world conflict, fraternity took on a new meaning and so, in 1916, the chapter decided it should establish its first independent "home", one room in a picturesque old house close to the Victoria campus.



Rose McGill, BΨ at houseparty 1920 (middle back row, dark sweater).

In 1925, the chapter membership had passed the hundred mark with 70 enthusiastic alumnae offering their support from the four corners of the globe and 30 actives continuing to attract outstanding new members. It was an appropriate time for a memorable event—the first convention of Kappa ever held in Canada. The location was Bigwin Inn in Ontario's Lake of Bays resort area and Beta Psis were overjoyed to welcome their sisters from the United States.

A more sombre event with far-reaching effects grew out of the illness of a much-loved young chapter member, Rose McGill. Rose joined Beta Psi in her freshman year, in 1920. As she was an orphan, she was forced to withdraw after her first year because of financial difficulties. Nevertheless her fraternity ties remained strong and it was a blow to the entire chapter when she suffered an attack of pleurisy which quickly developed into tuberculosis. In the early years of Rose's illness chapter members and their families attempted to supply the personal and financial support which she so desperately needed. Although their love and attention continued until her death in 1927, it was only through the prompt action of the Fraternity in establishing the Rose McGill Fund that adequate money was made available. Small wonder that even 50 years later support of the Rose McGill Fund has a very high priority with all Beta Psi Kappas. It is a matter of pride for Toronto alumnae that they have led consistently in the magazine sales which support the Rose McGill Fund.

This private tragedy coincided with a new threat to the chapter. During 1925 another local sorority was established at Victoria and all the anti-fraternity feeling of 1915 revived. By the end of the year, it became apparent that a victory would split the college and result in damage to Victoria that could not easily be repaired. An unselfish but extremely difficult decision was made. Beta Psi decided to withdraw from Victoria College, join Panhellenic and transfer to University College where, from a modest base in the apartment of four of its members it would attempt to rush in competition with six strongly entrenched



Initiates of BΨ with Florence Burton Roth, BA, former Fraternity President who installed the chapter.

international groups. This abrupt upheaval was made particularly difficult because all but four of the actives remained Victoria College students with little opportunity to know, much less attract, potential members in University College.

By 1927, the chapter was strong enough to rent an apartment of its own and by 1928 was ranked highest in scholarship among the nine women's fraternities at University College. In addition Beta Psis found time to work at the University Settlement House, to work as volunteers in a local hospital and to mount successful money-raising projects for both the Endowment Fund and the Women's Building Fund of University College.

The thirties began with another first for Beta Psi. In September, 1931, the chapter welcomed Alpha Province delegates to the first province convention held in Canada at the Muskoka Lakes resort area in Ontario.

The thirties might be described as Beta Psi's "nomadic period". In the space of a decade the chapter occupied five separate off-campus apartments. This was an inevitable consequence of the fact that fraternities have never been recognized at the university so that on-campus housing was not available and, at that period, neither the chapter nor its members were able to afford permanent quarters.

Far from recalling those Depression days as "hard times", members of the thirties remember their various homes with a good deal of affection. With budgets stretched to the breaking point, "gourmet" dinners, featuring sausages and mashed potatoes or macaroni and cheese, were greeted with enthusiasm. A flourishing mothers' club earned everyone's gratitude for the help they provided when each temporary "home" had to be furnished.

The grimness of the economic climate was certainly not reflected in chapter life where creativity was substituted for cash; and, social events included formal rushing parties, progressive dinners and "Scrip Dances" after football games. The chapter used the Scrip Dances to raise money for its philanthropies. When engagements were announced and fiances were expected to honour the Beta Psi custom of presenting the chapter with five pounds of chocolates, then about \$2.50, it was often the chapter member who slipped her hard-pressed future husband the necessary cash.

In 1936 another Fraternity convention was held in Canada. The location this time was the Seigniory Club, a luxurious private resort in Quebec. The same location was chosen for the Convention of 1942.

The end of the Great Depression brought the start of World War II and campus life was soon a far cry from the innocent good times of the thirties. Both men and women left the university to enlist; all intercollegiate sports were suspended; men remaining on the campus spent their leisure hours drilling with the C.O.T.C. and women students were required to complete

100 hours a year of voluntary service as nurses or food service aides, Red Cross Volunteers, or day nursery assistants. Many members of Beta Psi continued at college while fiances and husbands left for overseas. The chapter rooms resounded to the scratch of pens on overseas mail forms and the click of knitting needles creating not only much needed comforts for Canadian servicemen, but also, producing the first of a veritable mountain of baby clothes for Nora Waln's and the Fraternity's magnificent efforts on behalf of European children.

Since all expenses of the chapter were borne by actives, financial disaster was always just around the corner and various ingenious cost-cutting measures were undertaken. These included not only subletting the chapter apartment for the summer but doing most of the maintenance and repair work for which workmen, now in the armed forces, and money were unavailable. The shortage of domestic help was overcome by ordering daily box lunches from local department stores for the sum of 25 cents.

Fraternity life was not made easier by the dean of women at University College who was militantly anti-fraternity. In these days when "in loco parentis" sounds like an archaic Victorian disease, it is hard to remember that, even though fraternities were not recognized, it was possible for an unsympathetic dean to forbid women undergraduates the right to live in their fraternity houses and, in addition, to exercise a great deal of control over the timing, form, and content of rushing.

As is often the case in difficult times the warmth and support of fraternity life were important to women college students of the forties and the fraternity system flourished. By the spring of 1943, when a house became vacant on the university's unofficial "Fraternity Row", it was finally possible for Beta Psi to acquire a "home of its own". Kappa Kappa Gamma House Corporation was formed and, by means of donations, the selling of shares, and a much appreciated loan from the Fraternity, 134 St. George Street became Kappa's address. During the summer of 1943, members acquired a virtually lifelong aversion to painting, wallpapering and rubbish removal. By fall, 12 alumnae and other boarders, the first house mother, and a wildly enthusiastic active chapter were settled and ready for bigger and better things.

By the end of the decade, campus life was again in full swing. The university had successfully managed an expansion from about 10,000 to more than 28,000 students to accommodate those returning from the services.

In the fifties, Canadian Kappas enjoyed almost an embarrassment of riches with two conventions—1950 at Murray Bay, Quebec and 1954 at Jasper Park Lodge in Alberta's beautiful Rockies.

In the relative calm of this period, scholarship, always a major concern of Beta Psi, became a positive passion. Study charts were kept and conscientiously filled in. Informal tutoring of lagging sisters was encouraged and the scholastic achievements of members were reflected in a gratifying number of college, university, national and international awards. Chapter officers were required to maintain a better than average standing to retain their positions. During the year two full meetings were devoted to scholarship and four more to cultural enrichment. In 1956 a Theatre Night raised money for three scholarships at University College and two in Physio and Occupational Therapy. Throughout the decade Beta Psi retained its standing at or near the top in scholarship standings.

However, members were not one sided drones. They also increased their participation in college organizations and uni-

versity athletics and awards for achievement were a continuing source of pride.

Social service was also emphasized and through a variety of fund raising activities, including a mammoth bazaar opened by alumna Maryon Moody Pearson, BΨ, wife of Prime Minister Lester B. Pearson, and volunteer work the chapter gave substantial support to the Inter-Fraternity Cerebral Palsy Clinic.

Social activities flourished and there were frequent exchange parties with men's fraternities, chapter "formals", and end-of-year house parties. In 1957, the chapter won the snow sculpture contest during Winter Carnival.

In spite of this record of achievement, certain disquieting trends were beginning to be felt. Although the Beta Psi alumnae were honored at the Alpha Province Convention in 1955, active chapter records show a declining performance in administration. Reports were often late, parliamentary procedure grew sloppy, so that by the late fifties a determined effort was required to bring the chapter back to its former efficiency.

More alarming was a small but steady annual decrease in the number of women electing to go through rushing. Both Panhellenic and Beta Psi itself made a determined effort to eliminate some of the rushing abuses which were providing ammunition for anti-fraternity feeling, but the decline in membership in women's fraternities continued. Finally, in spite of considerable opposition from official quarters, it was decided to extend rushing beyond University College and relief was felt when no issue was made of the expansion. In spite of, or perhaps partly because of this extended community, numbers continued to decline.

Although women's fraternities had once supplied a high percentage of college and university leaders, by the end of the fifties students in general and even some Beta Psis were perceiving fraternity life as interfering with participation in the wider university community.

These small but disquieting clouds on the fraternity horizon seemed to diminish in the early sixties. Although official recognition was still withheld, professors accepted invitations to dinner and discussion. The chapter and other fraternities gave substantial support to the newly formed "Varsity (Alumni) Fund" and other university fund-raising activities and it appeared that fraternities had finally been accepted as a valid part of university life.

1961 was a particularly happy year since Beta Psi celebrated its golden anniversary by welcoming a most successful Alpha Province Convention to Toronto in September. This happy year proved to be the calm before the storm. By the mid-sixties the University of Toronto had become a strong link in what one harassed official described as "a radical chain stretching from Berkeley to Chicago to Toronto to Columbia to Harvard". Student agitation for greater participation in university government, the student peace movement, a drive for relevance in courses and radical social action resulted in a sharp drop in interest in fraternities, and the suspicion of "elitism" created a wave of anti-fraternity agitation.

1967 was a year of celebration for all Canadians as the country marked the centennial of its Confederation but with this celebration came a much more vocal and emotional commitment to nationalism. A French table, where only French was spoken, was a feature of chapter dinners. Traditional skits and songs were played down in rushing and national and cultural themes of a more serious nature took their place. Unfortunately, this overdue "coming of age" for Canadians was accompanied by a backlash of student feeling against what was perceived as American "imperialism" operating in Canadian



BΨ charter members at reunion 1947.

cultural and economic life and international fraternities fell into further disrepute.

To add to Beta Psi's problems Kappa's "permanent home" and a number of other fraternity houses were expropriated for university expansion. "Fraternity Row" became a thing of the past and new houses had to be purchased at a much greater distance from the centre of the campus. With strong alumnae support, Beta Psi was able to buy a fine old house on Madison Avenue and both actives and alumnae took considerable pride in the renovations planned by architect Martha Stewart Leitch, a Beta Psi alumna.

Of course, the news was not all bad. Those who did elect to join fraternities found welcome friendship and strength in a university community that was suffering acutely from the depersonalization which seems to be an inevitable part of the modern multiversity. In addition, a new spirit of community responsibility resulted in an upsurge of philanthropic activity centering on such community services as St. Christopher House, a multinational settlement house, and work with disturbed and underprivileged children. An annual alumnae project was the Christmas decoration of the Thistle town Hospital for disturbed children.

For Beta Psi, as for all chapters, 1970 was a special time of celebration, Kappa Kappa Gamma's Centennial celebration. Beta Psis enjoyed a formal banquet at the Granite Club in Toronto. The ballroom overflowed, and everyone, from beloved founding sisters to greenest pledges, renewed the bonds that had become so precious.

Although the virulence of the opposition decreased, membership decline continued to plague Toronto fraternities in the early seventies and Beta Psi reached its lowest ebb in the rushing season of 1973. Common sense dictated that the trend to apartment living for students which made it difficult to finance the house, a failure to attract new members in sufficient numbers for a healthy active chapter, and a hostile attitude on campus should mark the end of Beta Psi chapter at the University of Toronto. Fortunately, common sense did not prevail.

The alumnae group remained strong and supportive, and the small active membership proved once again that quality can surmount difficulties even though quantity declined. Alumnae agreed to increase their financial support of the house, the house board made heroic and successful efforts to fill rooms with paying boarders, and enthusiasm and hard work were substituted for numbers in the 1974 rush season. It was heartening to report that the pledge class of 1974 was more than four times the size of the class of 1973.

This is only one step in what promises to be a difficult uphill climb. The chapter's future is brighter but far from secure. If enthusiasm, determination, and mutual affection between actives and alumnae are the prerequisites for a resurgence of fraternity strength then it is fair to hope that Beta Psi has come through another period of "peril" and that "prosperity" lies ahead.

Where Kappas Meet



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1. Two BN members at house
2. ΔΠ Mortar Board members
3. Seniors pose in front of ΔE house
4. Members of faculty lecture at ΔP



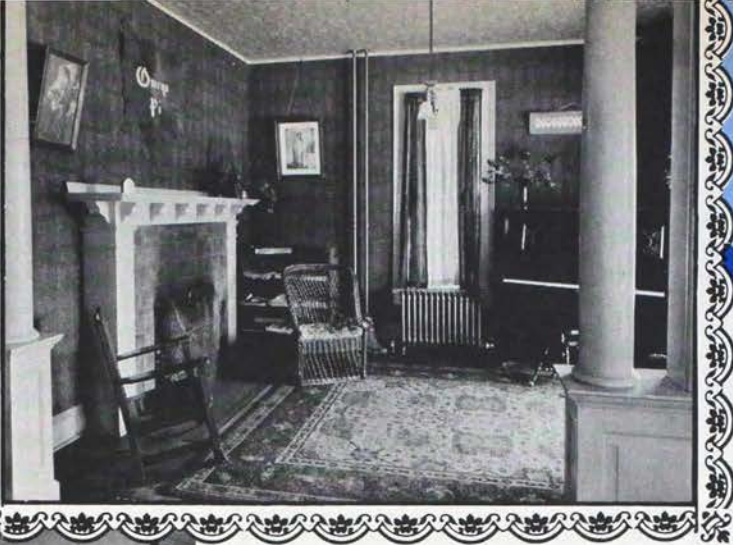
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- 5. ΔΦ of KΚΓ vs. ΔΔΔ in powder-puff game
- 6. ΔP chapter house
- 7. Living room at Kappa Chapter house
- 8. Λ actives meet on steps to enjoy winter
- 9. North end of original ΩΠ house—BK 1916-18
- 10. ΓE members look at chapter house plans
- 11. ΔΛ bench commemorates KΚΓ Centennial on campus
- 12. ΔT pep rally for Stanford-USC game
- 13. Raking leaves in fellowship of BBΔ

Quality of life guided by wisdom and love •

• we believe in the nurture of a gracious, sensitive,

**BΩ**

Founded January 11, 1913
Initiates 1161

Beta Omega

University of Oregon
Eugene, Oregon
Established 1872

Charter Members:

Neta Bartlett, Clementene Cutler, Olive Starr Donnell, Carolyn Leach Dunston, Ruth Claire Hardie, Lilla Irvin, Alice Edith Larsen, Loretta Showers, Hazel Emaline Wightman, Frances Packard Young.

In 1913, the year of Beta Omega's installation, the University of Oregon was 41 years old, it had a student body of 691, and a faculty of 65.

The five girls who had taken the name of Gamma Delta Gamma applied informally for a Kappa charter in 1909. They had been inspired by their house mother, Agnes Leach Dunstan, O—Simpson, mother of one of the five, to make Kappa their goal.

For four years the group maintained strength on the campus, and a second house mother, Maude Stinson, BH—Stanford, helped to keep the thought of a Kappa charter before them. In the spring of 1912 a formal petition was approved by Fraternity officials and sent on for chapter vote. On January 11, 1913, Beta Omega was installed by the grand president, Eva Powell, Π^Δ—California, assisted by Beta Pi Chapter. By that time four national women's fraternities had been established at Oregon but only one, Gamma Phi Beta, had been installed earlier than the local, Gamma Delta Gamma.

Although the group had had the security of a rented house near the campus from 1910 to 1925, the years before and after the installation were difficult. Early members of Beta Omega have been described as "vigorous-minded individual girls of active and varied interests," distinguished by "strength and self-reliance."

Although the Kappa Alumnae Association in Eugene was small, these 20 members were of great service to the young chapter. There was help with house rent and expenses, assistance to the chapter adviser, and January 11 birthday parties for the group. Portland mothers also stepped in, presenting furniture and rugs.

Beta Omega developed in a stimulating atmosphere, inspired by the university president, Prince L. Campbell, a man of many virtues, including a respect for scholarship, and a feeling for

beauty. Most of the girls in the early chapter came from Portland and Eugene. They majored in education, journalism, art, or music. Their scholarship, to quote Sally Elliott Allen, H—Wisconsin, the 1930 history chronicler for Beta Omega, "has been creditable and often superior, and they have always stood for a sincere and unaffected womanliness."

A member of Π^Δ Chapter, Irene Hazard Gerlinger, was a regent of the University of Oregon between 1914-1929. She was in charge of the campaign for the women's building which was dedicated in 1920 and named in her honor. She was the only woman on the Board of Regents.

The independent spirit of the house was seen in a number of interesting ways. There was no brass nameplate on the door; the telephone was answered by a repetition of the number "204", not "Kappa Kappa Gamma"; every Tuesday "outside girls" were invited for dinner; and many girls who were campus leaders did not wear their keys.

One year the chapter was so small that it appeared that only two girls would be back in the fall. Those two came to be known as Beta and Omega.

Financial conditions were often poor; but these conditions improved steadily. By the fall of 1925, a new house at 15th and Alder Streets had been built at a cost of about \$37,000, for the lot, house, furnishings and landscaping. This original building has been remodeled three times. In 1974, new additions doubled the size of the kitchen, provided an apartment for the housemother, increased the sleeping porch area, and included a sun porch. Fifty-eight members can live in the house very comfortably.

During World War I, spare time was devoted to Red Cross work. During World War II, blood was donated and scrap metal was collected. A German war orphan was adopted and sent letters and gift boxes. During the 1960s community service in Eugene was considered more relevant and fund drives and parties for underprivileged children were co-sponsored, usually with a men's fraternity. In 1965 the chapter won the Oregon Citizenship Cup given to the organization outstanding in scholarship, leadership, and service to the university, community, state and national government.

Some of the chapter's recent community work has been with underprivileged children and working at the senior citizen center.

In 1942, five of the six seniors in the house were elected to Phi Beta Kappa. The 3.003 grade average in 1965 was the highest ever achieved by an Oregon group. The chapter has received many scholarship trophies.

By the middle 1960s a choice of 48 graduate and undergraduate degrees was offered at Eugene. The medical and related schools were on the Portland campus. Superior students



BΩs entertaining actor William Holden in 1948 at chapter house.

were given the opportunity to take part in the "Honors College," a unique program offering the advantages of a small school, with seminars and research programs. In May, 1965, President Lyndon B. Johnson and the National Science Foundation awarded a grant of four million dollars to the university. Oregon was the first state university to receive a large federal grant to aid in its development as a top educational center.

Some chapter traditions have been lost, such as the joint Founders' Day celebration with Gamma Mu, and the Christmas Serenade with white candles, white collars, and sacred songs. Apple Polishing, a party for favorite teachers; a Kappa-Pi Beta Phi dinner when keys were worn slanted and arrows straight; activity paddles for active freshmen; the blown-out candle to announce an engagement; and the spring awards banquet were continued into the mid-1960s.

A revolving Emergency Loan Fund was started by the Eugene alumnae in 1945 in memory of Hazel Prutsman Schwering, Oregon's dean of women, who was a Beta Omega. These alumnae contribute greatly to the house and to the morale of the chapter. The mothers' clubs of Eugene and Portland and the Portland alumnae also continue to make utilitarian and decorative contributions.

Prominent members have included Louise Allen Holmes, an advertising executive; Nancy Wilson Ross, a novelist; and



Gerlinger Hall—named in honor of Irene Hazard Gerlinger, II, for many years the only woman on the Board of Regents in Oregon.

Dorothy Duniway Ryan, a free lance journalist. Other outstanding Beta Omegas include botanist Lilla Irvin Leach, fashion coordinator Cathleen Tharaldsen Catlin, pediatrician Dr. Margaret Tingle, and educator Hazel Schwering.

The stamina which enabled Beta Omega to find boarders and to keep the chapter going when it was thought that only two girls would be making up the entire group, and the independence of spirit which has characterized the chapter from the start, can be seen today.

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Founded August 25, 1914
Initiates 1741

Beta Theta

University of Oklahoma
Norman, Oklahoma
Established 1890

Charter Members:

Avis Caroline Barbour, Nellie Jane McFerron, Perrill Elizabeth Munch, Stella Cécilia Ostenberg, Florence Nellie Van Buskirk, Lillian Ethel White.

In 1912 six girls at the University of Oklahoma formed a local organization, Sigma Tau Omega, with the idea of petitioning Kappa Kappa Gamma. Other campus groups had petitioned unsuccessfully, but these girls had a quiet determination, and by the spring of 1913 were ready to reveal their plans. With the help of three faculty wives who had resigned as patronesses of other sororities, five leather-bound petitions were compiled; a Kappa national officer, Mary Rodes Leaphart, inspected the chapter; and at the 1914 Convention in Estes Park, Colorado, Beta Theta was installed. Beta Mu was the installing chapter.

The new chapter, having first rented the home of a professor on leave of absence, moved into a larger house in 1915. During the World War I years members of the chapter did Red Cross hospital work; worked at the Food Administration whose headquarters were at the university; and sent gifts and money to the Kappa project in France.

In 1918 the chapter won the Panhellenic Scholarship Cup for the third consecutive year. Shortly after that the Kappa furnace blew up and other Greek groups invited the Kappas to meals until the house was restored.

A few years later, after a four-year rental of the old Sigma Nu house, a new Kappa house was built at 519 Boulevard. From 1923 to 1939 that was Beta Theta's address.

In the fall of 1926 the chapter was cited for a rush violation, but the penalties imposed by the local Panhellenic were declared unjust by the national Panhellenic, and reduced to a

single restriction—that the Kappas should not be permitted to attend any Fraternity affairs for one year.

There was much controversy about cigarette smoking in 1928 and Beta Theta went into action with the first university-approved smoking room. Other houses followed quickly.

The Hoover-Smith presidential race brought excitement to the Kappa kitchen and Herbert Hoover, who had been a KKB, was officially invited by the Kappa Kitchen Boys to become an honorary Beta Theta KKB.

The chapter was host to a smashingly successful state convention in the spring of 1929, its purpose to arouse alumnae support.

A large pledge class of 37 in the fall of 1929 meant remodeling the third floor of the house, lovingly called thereafter, "Seventh Heaven."

Many girls could not return to school during the Depression, but Beta Theta continued to pledge in the high 20s.

Some traditions begun in the 1920s have lasted. Faculty tea became faculty dessert in 1970. Kappas won on campus stunt night time and again. The first two Engineers Queens were Kappas and there have been many winners since. Homecomings, Moms Day and Dads Day began in the 1920s.

In 1932 a new kind of rush, the party system, was adopted, and the Kappa Monte Carlo Party was the best of all. In 1932 the dean ordered no more walkouts. (In the early 1970s the



1939 pledge class.

Greeks were having their own walkouts with Panhellenic approval and guidelines.) Walkouts are similar to class sneaks . . . a bus is rented and a cabin in the country or at a lake is the destination for a weekend of fraternity lore, group closeness, and song composition (both serious and foolish).

The social life of 1934 had the added attraction of an evening with the university president, his wife, and his mother, and two evenings with the dean of women. For the first year the chapter *dansante* was held outside the chapter house.

The chapter newsletter, *A Peek in Beta Theta's Keyhole*, was started in 1935, and was first a fortnightly, now an annual publication. "Blind Dates" for pledges were started in 1935, a custom which has varied from actual dates nightly for several consecutive nights to several 30-minute mixers in an evening. "Blind Dates" live on!

The excitement of 1936 was placing third in a radio sorority singing contest. Another highlight of the year was planning a new chapter house. Kappa architect Margaret Read, BM—Colorado, helped local architects, and in 1939 the Kappas moved into a new house. Although there will be an addition and occasional redecorating, this will remain the chapter house for years to come.

The talk of the entire campus in the spring of 1939 was over the fact that singer Jeannette McDonald had stayed in the Kappa house when she came to Norman for a concert.

With the 1940s came World War II. There was a naval base in Norman and Kappa philanthropic activities were centered there. It was a time of entertainment at the Naval hospital, of blind dates with cadets, open houses, and present-filled Christmas stockings. Knitting for the Red Cross was part of the war effort.

Frontier Week highlighted the 1945-1946 school year. Everyone wore blue jeans to class. Second semester started with a bang . . . a dance . . . and the boys were back on campus!

Beta Theta was proud in 1947 when it helped install Delta Sigma Chapter at Oklahoma A&M (now Oklahoma State Uni-



Mortar Board 1974.



Mortar Board 1965.

versity). The scholarship point system was inaugurated and members without a certain number of points could not vote. A scholarship fund was started and each girl donated \$1 for a student in financial need. Beta Theta won the Panhellenic Scholarship Cup seven times between 1947 and 1953.

A change in chapter organization took place in 1948, when the standards chairman became the vice-president. This was also a big football year at the university. A listening party, that is a party held in an especially decorated basement or "rec" room to listen to an out-of-town game, was a happy event. In 1948 the Oklahoma Sooners smashed North Carolina in the Sugar Bowl and many Kappa listeners cheered the Big Red team.

By 1950 the university carnival had become the Sooner Scandals. Competing acts satirized university life, and Kappa Doll House took first place. Being first was no news . . . there is a long-standing tradition of leadership in the chapter. In 1951 one girl stands out: Nadine Norton (Holloway) was elected president of the Senior Class—an honor for her and for Kappa.

In 1952 Beta Theta received the Standards Cup at convention and in 1955 the silver service for the highest average at Kappa's State Day. Kappas won second place at the Sooner Scandals in 1956, and seven intramural trophies in 1958-1959. That year several bedrooms, an enlarged dining room, and a remodeled kitchen helped care for a growing number of Beta Thetas.

In the 1960s Homecoming was full of excitement. Not only were there queens, there were extravagant house decorations. One was a huge, revolving, musical birthday cake. When a Daily Oklahoman photographer asked to have the cake's motor turned off so he could snap a picture, he was surprised to see it stop on its own; a move inspired by the 20 Sigma Alpha Epsilon pledges and 10 Kappa actives inside the cake!

Three annual dances of the 1960's were the Bar-b-que, the Christmas Formal, and the Monmouth Duo with the Pi Beta Phis. This was begun in 1960 as the annual spring party. The annual philanthropy became a Christmas party for mission children which was given with Delta Upsilon. There was much social activity among the Greeks: the Chi Omega pizza party (which became an annual Owl-o-ween celebration) and dinner exchanges. Greek Week was exciting, with exchanges, Greek Games, and an awards banquet.

In 1963 lending a hand to neighbors became a social affair. Early that fall the ΣAE house next door burned nearly to the ground and the Kappas did the neighborly thing and invited the guys-next-door to lunch. Kappas made lovely houseboys!

The campus turned in the 1960s to philanthropic involvement through Campus Chest. The chapter was cited several times for the best booth, and in 1964 the pledges' marriage cave within a mountain took the honors.

Having fun while helping others is one matter; there was also fun for fun's sake. Fraternities developed contests for the afternoons of big spring parties and all sororities took part. Egg hunts (raw eggs), tricycle relays, pie-eating, tugs of war, pillow fights over mud pits, and later, beer-drinking contests were just a few. Nearly all involved slime and grime for the contestants. Kappas often won a muddy prize. It was all fun!

Cars on the campus were growing in number and there was a parking problem, so in 1962 a parking lot was finished behind the house. After a "lot warming" members of Beta Theta Pi decided to share this wonderful facility. Finally the problem was remedied with a fence, a guard, and a few towed-away cars. The Kappa lot was called the meanest and most exclusive on campus!

In 1960 a record-breaking class of 53 was pledged. These were days of Panhellenic concern over scholarship and girls were required to stay in their rooms studying, with no talking, no music, no television, for nearly every hour that they were not in class. Such campusing lasted for one week before finals.


A Landmark Year was 1964-1965, Beta Theta's 50th Anniversary. There was a splendid banquet with all the remaining founders as guests of honor. The program telling of the chapter's founding stirred pride in everyone there.

It was quite a year. One dark, stormy night there was a two-hour power failure and word came by special messenger that the chapter had won the Kappa Sigma trophy for "Sorority of the Year". Everyone gathered for a spirit session with songs and cheering despite the storm.

A young Kappa made history in 1965 for the University of Oklahoma, as well as for her chapter. Vicki Gotcher was elected the second woman Student Senate president in the country. She was the first woman president at Oklahoma.

And so, the 1960s rolled along. The chapter continued in campus leadership; social events crowded study time; scholarship awards were won, with more Kappas in Mortar Board and honoraries than any other group. One year the presidents of three major honoraries were all Beta Thetas.

The Centennial Year of the Fraternity was entered into with pride as Beta Theta alumnae, old and young, joined actives for a banquet and heritage program. Those new to Kappa were awakened to the knowledge that they stood on the threshold of a second century with the challenge of making the second one hundred years as outstanding as the first.



Beta Kappa

Founded February 26, 1916
Initiates 1049

University of Idaho
Moscow, Idaho
Established 1889

Charter Members:
Helga Anderson, Signa Anderson, Frances Bailey, Marjorie Balch, Mildred Brown, Mary Louise Clambey, Vesta Cornwall, Norma Dow, Alice Hartley, Kathryn Keane, Teresa Keane, Valborg Margrethe Kjosness, Lesetta Lubkin, Norma Virginia Martin, Edna Mellison, Mary Mellison, Anne Mullin, Helen Patten, Gertrude Mary Stephenson, Dorothea Wenz, Charlotte Works.

Omega Pi, the nucleus of Beta Kappa chapter, was officially recognized by the University of Idaho faculty on February 10, 1911. Gamma Phi Beta and Delta Gamma were already established and Omega Pi soon decided on Kappa as its goal. The faculty adviser arranged for the purchase of property, a 125 foot lot with a comfortable house, and by fall the group had moved in. Pictures of the living room from the 1916-1918 era reveal wicker and mission furniture, cushions in the window seat, the hanging flower baskets on either side, "Omega Pi" on an animal skin over the mantel, college pennants, an upright piano, and the pure, familiar Galahad to keep company with the chapter composites. The deed to this property is held by the incorporated alumnae association of the old local.

A unique and excellent finance system, put in action by the faculty adviser, controlled the early fortunes of this chapter. Business was divided into four funds, each fund to be controlled by four members of the organization working under a chairman, so that each girl shared responsibility and was familiar with all sides of the financial situation. Reports were checked monthly by the faculty adviser. Within a few years this system became so efficient that other campus organizations patterned their accounting from it and in 1915 it was considered by Kappa's Grand Council for use in all chapters. Considered, yes, but the budget system was selected.

Two Kappas, Alice Ankeney Von Ende and Ann DeSelle Griffith, both of Beta Zeta, were Omega Pi patronesses. They, with Mrs. S. E. Hutton, another patroness, were untiring in helping the girls to build a strong organization.

Not until March, 1915, did an official inspector, Mary Rodes Leaphart BX-Kentucky, then grand secretary, visit the chapter. She charmed the girls, who were convinced more than ever that a Kappa charter was their desire. The following

summer Council gave Omega Pi its unanimous favorable vote, and November 15, 1915 brought the news of the granted charter. Installation was held, with Grand President Eva Powell, II^A-California, presiding, February 26, 1916. A large reception in the gymnasium followed. Next day initiation was held for those who had joined the group after the petition was signed, and that evening a banquet honored 48 new Kappas.

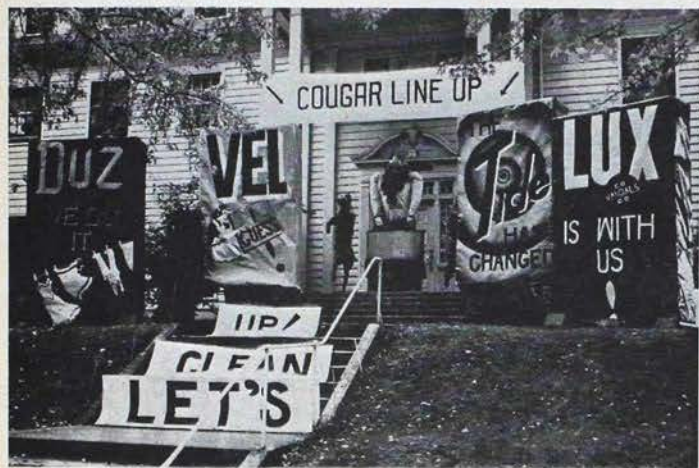
Just two years later Beta Kappa served as "mother chapter" for Gamma Gamma in Walla Walla, Washington; and again, in 1919 helped install Gamma Eta in Pullman, Washington. Since 1920 Beta Kappa has been fortunate in having the strong alumnae group in Boise, Idaho, giving interest and support, financial and otherwise. An early gift was a fine baby grand piano. One member was Nellie Johnson Davis, K-Hillsdale, whose husband was governor of Idaho from 1919 to 1923. In 1919 a Kappa Club and a Mothers Club were organized in Moscow. Clubs also exist in Idaho Falls and Twin Falls, and a Mothers Club in Lewiston. All have been of great value to Beta Kappa, and the alumnae association of Spokane has made scholarship awards and gifts.



(L) 1917-18 yearbook page featuring BK.
(R) Anne Bollinger, concert soprano.

A new house, which utilized part of the old house on the old site, was erected in 1923. The Colonial style building accommodated 35 girls and a housemother. In the spring of 1945 a special ceremony was held to burn the mortgage. Then plans were begun for enlarging the house. By February, 1955, the new wing was completed, and 60-65 girls could be accommodated. A remodeled basement in 1965 magically changed a dark storage area into study rooms with wood paneling, carpeted stairs, desks, and good lighting.

The Beta Kappa house is a three-story plus basement structure, a gracious and comfortable college home. The dining room is of such size and shape that one long table holds the entire chapter. With housemother at one end and house president at the other, mealtime fosters a spirit of special unity. A \$1,000 gift, bequeathed by Charlotte Works, a loving



1st prize homecoming decorations 1950.

charter member, was used to redecorate the ground floor television room in 1961.

Beta Kappa has been hostess to Iota province conventions in 1927 and 1955, and to province meeting in 1973.

The long-awaited 50th anniversary celebration in 1966 was attended by nearly 90 alumnae, some coming from as far away as Florida. Events included a fireside, a luncheon, a formal banquet. The golden anniversary gift of nearly \$1,800 was presented to the university in the form of art for the student union building.

Early records of chapter scholarship are vague, but top grades were noted in 1919, and there is mention of 15 years when Beta Kappa led the campus. (Between 1933 and 1948 there were yearly elections to Phi Beta Kappa, and one year six chapter members received this honor). For 27 of the years between 1933 and 1970 Beta Kappas made the freshman women's honorary, Alpha Lambda Delta. The chapter has often received national scholarship awards and awards from area alumnae groups. Mortar Board membership was first noted in 1923 and for at least 30 years of chapter history Beta Kappas have been tapped. Kappas have been members of Spurs (the sophomore womens' honorary) for at least 33 years since 1931, and Beta Kappas in many other honoraries have been a source of pride to the chapter (Phi Kappa Phi, Sigma Alpha Iota, Cardinal Key [not presently on this campus], Phi Upsilon Omicron, Pi Beta Lambda, I Club, Curtain Club, Orchesis, Helldivers, Vandalettes, Phi Sigma, and Sigma Xi).

In seven years between 1960 and 1967 four Kappas served as president of Associated Women Students, and many have been elected officers of campus and class organizations. Mem-

bers have been honored as queens, fraternity sweethearts, ROTC sponsors, Navy Corvettes, and in Angel Flight and various fraternity little sister organizations.

Beta Kappa has had the good fortune to exist on a campus which has always encouraged the Greek system, and the National Panhellenic Conference groups have yet to feel the lack of interest in Greek living that has been noted in larger campuses, and in larger metropolitan areas. The 15 buildings at the university of 1916 now number 65, and 92 faculty members are now 650, and the undergraduate body (including summer session) of 864 has grown to 7,110. Beta Kappa's lifetime has seen many changes.

The University of Idaho was established by territorial act in January, 1889, and there were six in the first class of 1892. Located in the heart of the Palouse hills in a setting of great beauty, the university has inspired thousands of Idahoans since that time. Colleges of Letters and Science, Agriculture, Engineering, Mines, Forestry, Education, Business, and Law are included in the complex. The graduate program dates from 1913, the doctoral from 1959.

Chapter traditions are important in Beta Kappa life—the annual pledge dance, spring dance, Christmas fireside, Valentine fireside; the special dress dinner held each winter honoring Kappa sons and brothers on the Idaho campus; the diamond key worn by the member showing greatest grade improvement; and, of course, the traditional "Mrs. Borgberg" who visits Beta Kappa Chapter every fall to meet the new pledges. A special dress dinner is held in her honor, (the actives come casually dressed while the pledges are in their best after a last minute cram session with pledge manuals). Mrs. B. produces laughter-provoking tid-bits about each pledge—she is always played to perfection by the "hammiest" active. Mrs. B. is an intimate friend of Fraternity officers.

There are high points and firsts in chapter history to remember: 1916 when the university quartet was 100 percent Kappa, 1917 when Dorothy Forch was the first woman on the university debate team, and Frances Bailey (Jackson) the first Beta Kappa May Queen and highest honor student; 1919 when Beta Kappas had the presidency of every woman's organization on campus, (top grades besides); 1964 when Janice Rieman Gisler was the first woman to be graduated from the university with a 4.0 accumulative grade point average; and 1969 when Mary Thomas Peavey, Brooks was appointed director of the United States Mint.

Chapter members who became field secretaries for Kappa include Joan Wallington (Old) and Katharine Caples. "Kit" Caples was also Beta Kappa's first graduate counselor.

Among Fulbright Fellows are the names of Rosanna Chambers, Karen Lee Hurdstrom, and Karen Stedtfeld (Offen). Karen Longeteig is a Junior Foreign Service officer. Karen Dreizenbeck Archer has served as program chairman for the American Women's Club in True des Primenerer Bel Air, Grand Duchy of Luxembourg.

In 1968 Carol Sternberg Lafferty received the Ballard, (Seattle, Washington), Exchange Club "Book of Golden Deeds" for her long, successful and expanding business career; Sally Ann Mace Gallagher is the author of *Aims* (study guide), and producer of *Aims* films; Nina Louise Varian, under the professional name of Nina Jones, serves as director of the Rockefeller family public relations office; Helen Patten Miller has directed the American Cancer Society in San Luis Obispo County for a number of years.

There is a special place in Beta Kappa's memory for singer Anne Elizabeth "Betty" Bollinger Nielson whose brilliant concert and operatic career in Europe and the United States was ended when she died of cancer in July, 1962. . . .

Loyal Beta Kappa sisters, so many of them, have given generously of their talents while they were active, and continue to support Kappa in various ways in the communities in which they live.

ΓΑ

Founded September 23, 1916
Initiates 1315

Gamma Alpha

Kansas State University
Formerly Kansas State Agricultural College
Manhattan, Kansas
Established 1863

Charter Members:

Jessie Althea Alexander, Clara Merle Beeman, Mildred Branson, Frances Ewalt, Helen Fearl, Louise Fielding, Teresa Goodwyn, Hazel Groff, Gladys Grove, Rembert Harshbarger, Vivian Herron, Ruth Lucile Hill Hobbs, Adelaide Julia Holmes, Ann Howard, Edna Hope Klein, Emily Lofinck, Nina Mae Powell, Juanita Reynolds, Meta Viola Sheaff, Ruth Simpson, Mary Belle Van Derveer.

Kansas State Agricultural College was established in 1863 in Manhattan under the authorization of an Act of Congress.

A group of coeds which had begun as "The Witches" had organized itself into a local fraternity, Lambda Lambda Theta, by 1906. Lambda members stressed scholarship and participation in college activities. They were campus leaders. In 1909 the local moved into its first house, and later into a larger home known as the "Lambda Farm," where a cinder path led to the campus. This posed a problem because of the high heeled shoes, which were a must with the currently popular hobble skirts, cart wheel hats, and high coiffures.

In 1913 the college paved the way for national organizations, and the three local clubs became Kappa Kappa Gamma, Pi Beta Phi, and Delta Delta Delta.

Lambda's first attempt at affiliation with Kappa was discouraged because the Fraternity frowned on agricultural colleges. In 1915 the Kappa policy was changed and a second petition brought a charter in the spring of 1916.

Grand President Lydia Voris Kolbe, A—Akron, conducted the installation September 23, 1916. She was assisted by 14 members of Omega, the sponsoring chapter at the University of Kansas in Lawrence; two members from Sigma at the University of Nebraska; and Kappas who lived in Manhattan.

This was the height of rushing season and the Omegas helped rush at a dance given the night before installation. After the ceremony, and a short business meeting, there was another initiation for the nine girls who had joined the group since the 21 charter members who had signed the petition.

There was a reception given for the townspeople and faculty members, followed by a banquet for the Kappas. A golden key, gleaming with electric lights, adorned one wall of the banquet hall.

Gamma Alpha's first year was crowned with success. The chapter led in scholarship, and placed first at Aggie Pop Night, an annual stunt competition sponsored by the YWCA. Gamma Alpha also won a silver coffee urn presented by Panhellenic for being first in scholarship three consecutive years.

Gamma Alpha's first permanent home was purchased in July, 1918, from a former president of the college. That 1917-1918 college year was a trying one due to the influenza epidemic and World War I. The Kappas were active in Red Cross work and at Camp Funston.

As is customary with the establishment of new chapters buying houses and furniture, Gamma Alpha had accumulated

debts. In 1920 all debts were paid and in 1930 the chapter was able to finance a new house without placing heavy financial burdens on the chapter or the alumnae. An imposing new house was completed at 517 North Delaware Avenue in time for fall rushing in 1930.

During the first 14 years of Gamma Alpha's history, the chapter was represented regularly in Purple Masque, glee clubs and orchestras, class offices, YWCA presidencies, and Mortar Board. Kappas were elected to home economic, music, science, forensic, and journalism honorary societies as well as Phi Beta Kappa. Members were chosen Homecoming Queens, Royal Purple Queens, and Regimental Commanders.

In 1939, 17 pledges began a revolt against hazing after a particularly bad night. They had believed that "Kappa was above all that" and expressed disappointment to the active chapter. From then on, there never again was embarrassing or unconventional hazing . . . just fun things like lock-outs and sneaks.

The same pledge class was creative and economical too. They decorated for the "Winter Wonderland" formal with fir branches, stars, blue streamers, and a replica of the Kappa house with lighted windows, with an expenditure of only \$5.

Of course things were cheaper then. When the Henry Busse Band played in Junction City, tickets were 98 cents plus tax, and "slack suits" cost from \$1.50 to \$7.95.

Shirley Karns (Johnson) was winning everything in 1940. . . . Military Cadet Colonel, Barnwarmer Princess, and Miss St. Patricia. Jeanne Jaccard (Parker) was a beauty queen, and Paula Kelly had the honor of singing with the Glenn Miller orchestra.



Reunion 1960 of charter members and early initiates.



50th anniversary.

During the 1950s Gamma Alphas traditionally entertained alumnae at special weekends; gave a tea for faculty at Christmas; had big little sister parties; sang carols for the hospitalized at Fort Riley; and collected toys for needy children at Christmas.

Gamma Alpha Chapter was named runner-up for the Efficiency Cup at the 1952 Fraternity Convention.

In the fall of 1961, chapter members moved to the Gillett Hotel in downtown Manhattan with great expectations of adventure, while the chapter house was completely remodeled. But the next fall the house was still not ready for occupancy. The Kappas met this crisis with humor and aplomb, and moved into the empty St. Mary Hospital.

More than 200 Kappa alumnae returned for the 50-year celebration of Gamma Alpha. A buffet dinner at the house was followed by rushing skits and an evening of melody and reminiscing as actives and alumnae traded songs from their chapter days. The banquet the next night was at Kansas State Union. Early days were recalled, charter members honored, and 50-year pins presented.



Kappa Pickers 1974 won the Blue Grass Contest.

In 1916, when Gamma Alpha Chapter was chartered, there were 3,340 students, 350 faculty members, and 17 buildings on Kansas State's campus. In 1973 there were approximately 15,000 students, 3,000 faculty, and 70 buildings.

ΓΒ

Founded April 5, 1918
Initiates 1081

Gamma Beta

University of New Mexico
Albuquerque, New Mexico
Established 1889.

Charter Members:

Louise Bell, Irene Boldt, Catherine Conway, Lois Davis, Margaret Flournoy, Hazel Katherine Hawkins, Myrl Hope, Katherine Keleher, Kathren Little, Evalyne Long, Kathleen Long, Margaret McCanna, Lillian Spickard, Evelyn Trotter, Helen Wilson.

The University of New Mexico, home of Gamma Beta chapter, is located in Albuquerque, a beautiful city which enjoys ever clear and bright blue skies and is bounded by mountain ranges and inert volcanoes. Below these lie fertile valleys, yielding an abundance of fruit and vegetables. Sunsets are masterpieces, and the evening skyline is unsurpassed in brilliance. Albuquerque is a blend of Spanish, Mexican, and Indian traditions.

The University of New Mexico was created by an act of the Territorial Legislature in 1889 and began full term instruction in 1892, almost 10 years before New Mexico became the 47th State in January, 1912.

A local sorority, Alpha Gamma, was organized in 1914, and in 1917 when its members expressed an interest in becoming a Kappa chapter Catherine Conway (White) wrote to a Kappa friend in Syracuse, New York, asking for endorsement from Beta Tau chapter. Grand Secretary Estelle Kyle Kemp, BM—Colorado, came from Denver to inspect the group and the Fraternity soon made plans for an April 5, 1918, installation, with Beta Mu, Colorado, as sponsoring chapter. Gamma Beta became the 51st chapter of the second national sorority at the University of New Mexico. (Phi Mu had installed a chapter in 1911.) Grand President Lydia Voris Kolbe, Λ — Akron, and three Kappas from Boulder came for the installation. Seventeen charter members were initiated and 13 girls pledged with Louise Bell (Wigely) serving as first chapter president.

The first chapter house, built in 1931, was an Indian pueblo-style structure, in keeping with the campus architectural style. The cost of this hacienda, which housed 26 Kappas, was

approximately \$29,000. The mortgage-burning ceremony took place at the Founders' Day banquet, 1948.

The campus had grown from 20 acres in 1892 to over 500 in 1966, and the enrollment had increased proportionately. Gamma Beta found it needed more space. A new chapter house at 1620 Mesa Vista Road NE was completed November 14, 1966. An affectionate demonstration was staged by civil engineering students carrying placards of protest because the Kappas, who had been their across-the-street neighbors at 221 University NE for 30 years, were moving. There were tears as Gamma Beta left the hacienda but the new \$325,444 multi-level, white brick house offered Spanish spaciousness of 19,000 square feet, and was built to house 58 members.

Since April 6, 1918, the chain reaction of Gamma Beta's accomplishments, small and large, personal and professional, continues to be felt.



1933 ΓBs.

Rosalie Furry Doolittle is a nationally known rosarian and gardener, a recipient of the Outstanding Rosarian Award for the Pacific Southwest district of the American Rose Society. Her book, *Southwest Gardening*, received a national literary award from the Council of State Garden Clubs. Lucile Lattanner Reid, Brock, whose paintings are in collections in 20 States and four foreign countries, is listed in *Who's Who of American Women*, 1968-69; *Who's Who in the Arts*, 1972; and in *2000 Women of Achievement*, Devon, England, 1971-72.

The accomplishments of Harvena Richter, author of *The Human Shore* and *Virginia Woolf: The Inward Voyage*, are enumerated in *Authors' and Writers' Who's Who*; *2000 Women of Achievement*; and *Who's Who of American Women*, 1964-65.

Many Gamma Beta alumnae have remained in New Mexico to give of their time, effort, and monies. As nurses, dental hygienists, hospital volunteers, and members of state and local hospital boards, Gamma Betas have shown a constant interest in meeting community health needs. They have been officers and volunteers for the New Mexico Rehabilitation Center Auxiliary and have raised funds necessary to purchase all the equipment for the Center's Cleft Palate Clinic through the Albuquerque Alumnae Association. Alumnae contributions also aided in purchasing a bus for patient transport. Gamma Betas present dental health puppet programs to audiences of school children and give Christmas parties for indigent children in a day-care center. They are an ever-present helping hand in the All Faiths Receiving Home, take part in urban renewal programs, and Albuquerque's cultural programs. The alumnae association assumed the delightful task of furnishing the Brides' Room of the University Memorial Chapel, built in 1963 to honor the deceased of World War II, and completed the project in 1972.

In an effort to maintain high educational standards, Gamma Betas have served not only as members of the University's Board of Regents but as instructors from kindergarten to university level. The Albuquerque Alumnae Association contributes \$200 annually to the Kappa Memorial Scholarship



500 acres 1974 campus.

20 acres University of New Mexico 1903. (Insert Photo).

Fund, which was started in 1950 as the Irene Fee Lighton Memorial Fund with a donation from her husband and two Kappa sisters. It has grown through the years and in 1957 the name was changed as there had been many donations in memory of other Kappas, as well. The fund has helped many Kappas complete work toward degrees. It is interest-free while the girls are in school with interest of 4 per cent starting at time of graduation. Panhellenic awards for outstanding scholarship dominate Gamma Beta trophy cases.

The educational atmosphere on this campus today is definitely space age, although there are reminders of the past. Current courses of study, chosen by today's chapter, include nuclear medicine and communicative disorders.

The First International World Hot Air Balloon Championship took place in Albuquerque February 11-17, 1973. A yellow balloon carried New Mexico's first licensed women commercial hot air balloon pilots, Joan Stromberg Florance and Beverly Ream Grady, both Gamma Beta alumnae.

Looking at Albuquerque's skyline, Kappas can reflect upon the many accomplishments of Gamma Betas since 1918. Through the example of so many members the surroundings have become better and more beautiful. Gamma Beta has helped to achieve a more lasting skyline!

ΓΓ

Founded April 29, 1918
Initiates 968

Gamma Gamma

Whitman College
Walla Walla, Washington
Established 1859

Charter Members:

Jessie Virginia Baltezare, Roberta Bleakney, Amy Madeline Brown, Ethel Cornwell, Edith Helen Day, Hazel Maude Fisher, Naomi Barnes George, Madeline N. C. Gilchrist, Gertrude Goodspeed, Mildred Harriet Kershaw, Phebe Teresa Kimball, Ruth Jane Knott, Lottie Long, Nita J. May, Helen Howard Miller, Marie Eggleston Miller, Ruth Frances Osgood, Margaret Reynolds, Frances Paulene Rice, Alma Anna Smith, Mildred Jessie Smith, Miriam Claudia Smith, Sylvia Van Hollebeke, Marjorie Rebecca Wray.

The beginnings of Gamma Gamma chapter go back to about 1910 when the group was a local sorority known as Beta Sigma. The group was urged by four local Kappa Alpha Theta alumnae to petition that fraternity for membership. At that time, between 1910 and 1918, Whitman was a small college and most of its students came from the inland Northwest, east of the Cascade Mountains. Perhaps Whitman students were considered by some people on the more heavily populated western part of the state as unsophisticated, or perhaps they were thought of as country cousins, totally unsuitable for

membership in a national sorority. For whatever reason, the Theta charter was opposed by the nearest chapter on the western side of the state, and the petition for membership in Kappa Alpha Theta was denied. Beta Sigma then decided to petition Kappa Kappa Gamma, and with better results. The charter was granted in the spring of 1918.

Whitman College began as a monument to Marcus Whitman, who had served as a missionary to the Indians of the Columbia Valley for 12 years. In 1847, he was massacred by Cayuse Indians at his mission Wailatpu, only five miles from



FT color cover *The Key* April 46.

Walla Walla. Cushing Eels, one of Whitman's associates, secured a charter for Whitman Seminary.

In 1883, the school was rechartered as Whitman College. In 1915, Whitman was one of seven institutions west of the Rockies rated in Class One by the United States Department of Education. The campus occupies about 30 acres of land almost in the center of Walla Walla.

At the time of the petition Whitman had between 230 and 250 students, most of them from the area surrounding Walla Walla.

In 1917 or 1918, when Beta Sigma submitted its petition to Kappa Kappa Gamma, the Greek population at Whitman was 111.

The Whitman College *Pioneer* reported April 12, 1918: "Prominent Fraternity to Install Chapter at Whitman—The national fraternity, Kappa Kappa Gamma, has granted a charter to the Beta Sigma fraternity . . . Beta Sigma, the local which will become Gamma Gamma Chapter of Kappa Kappa Gamma was founded in 1910 . . . Beta Sigma has always been one of the leading organizations in the college and her members have been represented in almost every line of college activities. With the exception of one semester, Beta Sigma has outstripped other organizations in scholarship. The members are to be most warmly congratulated for the great honor which they have brought upon themselves and upon the college."

Several weeks later, on May 13, 1918, the *Pioneer* carried the following account and comment: "The formal installation of Kappa Kappa Gamma was held Monday evening, April 29, 1918, at the home of Ethel Cornwell on Boyer Avenue. Mrs. Parke R. Kolbe, grand president, acted as installing officer. She was assisted by members of Beta Kappa, University of Idaho, who acted as sponsors to Gamma Gamma . . . The entrance of Kappa Kappa Gamma into Whitman College forms yet another bond which unites not only the members of Gamma Gamma Chapter, but the college as well, to other institutions of learning, and should do much to give Whitman a still higher place in the collegiate world." A picture of the founders appeared on the front page of the paper.

For many years after Kappa Kappa Gamma was established at Whitman, the group met in private homes. The chapter did not have any space at Whitman until 1926, when the first dormitories were built. To this day, Gamma Gamma members are still housed in Prentiss Hall, where they also maintain a chapter room.

Anecdotes told by alumnae of Gamma Gamma show how their standards and ideas of propriety have changed since Gamma Gamma's beginnings. In the early days of Kappas at Whitman all students had to wear hats and gloves off campus.

In 1914 one Kappa active was ordered out of the swimming pool in Spokane for being improperly dressed—she wore no stockings. During one of the first years there was a very serious discussion in chapter meeting about putting a girl on probation because she didn't wear a girdle to class.

There are so many outstanding members of Gamma Gamma Chapter it would be impossible to name them all without doing an injustice to someone not named. Authors, Iota Province presidents, professors and civic leaders are a few of



50 year members 1968.

the positions held by Gamma Gamma members. Ruth Reynolds was librarian at Whitman's Penrose Library 42 years.

Gamma Gamma was hostess to Iota Province Conventions in 1929, 1951, and 1967.

1968 found Gamma Gamma chapter greeting its 50th year. The toastmistress for the banquet, on April 27, at the Royal Motor Inn at Walla Walla, was Henrietta Baker Kennedy. Her topic was "And the Circle Comes Round Again." Present at the banquet were Gamma Gamma actives, alumnae and guests. Lulu Holmes, prominent educator and former dean of women at Washington State and Columbia Universities, received a 50-year pin from the Fraternity with special recognition. She had served on General Douglas MacArthur's staff as adviser on women's education, 1946-47, and had received the Alumnae Achievement Award in 1948. Fifty-year pins were also awarded to Gamma Gamma alumnae Henrietta Baker Kennedy; Carrie, Margaret, and Charlotte Reynolds; Fay Hamm; Florence Long; and Mary Elizabeth Jones.

There are many Gamma Gamma traditions. One of them has been the June Breakfast for graduating seniors, their mothers, and visiting alumnae. The breakfast began as a gathering at the Reynolds sisters' country home just outside Walla Walla, and for many years fresh Walla Walla strawberries, dipped in powdered sugar, were featured. In 1937, one of the active Kappas commented in the chapter scrapbook, "Each year it seems better than the last and is a fitting way of saying bon voyage to the seniors."

For years, chapter officers have sent May baskets to their alumnae advisers. These have been personally delivered by the girls. The Walla Walla alumnae sponsored a Kappa Style Show for many years as a money-making project for the benefit of the active chapter.

Gamma Gamma's contribution to the community is noteworthy. The chapter has given volunteer time for the women prisoners at the Washington State Penitentiary, the Sequim School for retarded children, the local nursing home, and provided boots and shoes for 50 children of immigrant Mexican families.

On campus the chapter started an inter-sorority "coffee exchange." Gamma Gamma chapter has had innumerable honors—from scholarship and athletic trophies to campus queens. The high regard which Whitman and its students have for Gamma Gamma Chapter can be expressed best by the words of Mrs. S. B. L. Penrose, wife of an early Whit-

man president: "the aims and ideals of the fraternity have always been high and the girls have faithfully endeavored to live up to them." It can also be expressed in the words of Miss Helen L. Burr, former dean of women at Whitman: "The members have always been girls of high ideals and good scholarship and their loyalty to Whitman and its standards are unchallenged."



ΓΔ

Founded January 24, 1919
Initiates 1295

Gamma Delta

Purdue University
West Lafayette, Indiana
Established 1865

Charter Members:

Leona Alta Burkle, Emma Maude Loveless Collings, Leone D. Decker, Catherine Dorner, Juanita Martha Follett, Effie F. Shilling Johnston, Leota Jordan, Edith Ione Kem, Mabel Leaming, Margaret Murphy, Emily F. Nelson, Dorothy Olive Orr, Glen Pletcher, Hazel Irene Plummer, Marie E. Schrass, Velma Tilla Schug, Maude Ura Felknor Smith, Louise Spake, Gladys Juanita Sproat, Martha I. Westfall.

Purdue University, the Land Grant College of Indiana, was established by the legislature in 1865 following the signing of the Morrill Act in 1862 by President Lincoln. Not until 1869, when the Board of Trustees accepted a gift of land and money from John Purdue and Tippecanoe County, was the site of the university permanently chosen and the building program begun.

Classes began September 16, 1874, with six instructors and 39 students. At the time of the chapter's founding in 1919 there were approximately 300 faculty and 1,600 students. In 1973 this number had multiplied to 2,200 faculty and 28,000 students, with regional campuses making a total of 37,000. In 1875 the university admitted women but enrollment did not grow rapidly.

An anti-fraternity rule was adopted in 1877 which prohibited students connecting themselves with or organizing societies not approved by the faculty. This caused trouble which was not adjusted until after 1883. Friends of the fraternities had been working through the legislature and a "rider" attached to the Appropriation Bill was intended to prevent payment of the appropriation to Purdue unless the rule against secret societies was rescinded. When the bill was finally passed, university President Emerson E. White resigned. Later the House reconsidered its vote and the session expired without an appropriation bill being passed. Purdue was thus left without a president, without an appropriation, and with a burden of ill-will that required years to overcome. Although fraternities were finally admitted, the question of university control over them was definitely settled in the affirmative, a control that removed many of the objections formerly urged against them.

A Kappa key first appeared on the campus in 1885, worn by Rose Wagner, who previously had been enrolled at the University of Kansas. Two Purdue girls visited Butler and were initiated into Kappa Alpha Theta, but a local fostered by girls of Ladies' Hall was rejected. Two locals eventually were successfully established. One became Kappa Alpha Theta and the other, made up of the girls living in the Marsteller Street Annex, became Mu Sigma Alpha, and finally Kappa.

In 1914 sorority houses were unknown at Purdue, but Mu Sigma Alpha gained President Stone's consent to try such a project. The house which was rented on Russell Street was managed so well that the way was paved for other sororities to acquire houses.

In January of 1919, Mu Sigma Alpha's petition to the Grand Council of Kappa was accepted, and Gamma Delta chapter was installed. Twenty charter members were initiated on January 24. Mu chapter from Butler was the installing group and three national officers were present.

A highlight of Gamma Delta's early years was the initiation of Dean of Women Caroline E. Shoemaker. At first she had felt she was needed as dean to give advice and support to all the fledgling national organizations, but a few years later when sororities were on more substantial footing, she accepted Gamma Delta's invitation. She was pledged on June 3 and initiated June 6, 1921. A loyal and tireless worker for Purdue, she had been instrumental in gaining the consent of the president and faculty for the admission of national sororities.

The site of the present chapter house was obtained in 1929. The minutes of May 20, 1928, read, "It was passed we buy the lot back of the ATO House." . . . No mention of the street, the size of the lot, or boundaries—just "back of the ATO house." The house on Waldron Street became a reality in 1936-37. In the 1940s the mortgage was burned with appropriate but wartime-curtailed activities.

In the mid-1950s the Kappas and the Delta Gammas purchased the lot between them and made plans to enlarge their houses. The Gamma Deltas moved into their addition in the fall of 1958. However, since the kitchen was not finished by the opening of school, they were forced (!) to eat at the various fraternities. The new chapter room was dedicated to Inez Richardson Canan, who had been both province president and vice president and who was the author of the Gamma Delta history which appeared in the 1930 *History of Kappa Kappa Gamma Fraternity*.

At about the time of the opening of the Waldron Street house, Mother Mac, Mrs. Lena McDougale, became housemother, a position she held 23 years. She contributed so much, not only to Gamma Delta, but to all the other sororities, sharing her knowledge of management, delegating responsibilities, teaching the art of living graciously. Gamma Delta alumnae and other friends established the Mother Mac Fund in her honor to help actives in financial trouble.

Social functions have always been of importance in chapter life; and members, entertaining at faculty teas, Homecoming

and Gala Week affairs, trade dinners, wartime servicemen's teas, and post football game coffees, made the phrase "gracious living" synonymous with Gamma Delta. The minutes of April 22, 1920, casually mention what must have been an important function: "Decided to entertain Jane Addams (the renowned social worker of Hull House in Chicago) for tea on May 2." The Gamma Ball with neighbor Delta Gamma has been a highlight social affair, as well as the Monmouth with Pi Beta Phi, and a slumber party with the Kappa Alpha Thetas. Each fall for many years the fraternities and sororities bordering the common alley opened the Purdue social season with an all-campus Alley Party, bringing Greeks and non-Greeks together.

Gamma Delta celebrated its 50th anniversary in 1960 with a weekend of festivities. From contributions of alumnae all over the country a silver coffee urn was purchased and presented to the house, and plans made for an outdoor courtyard to be built in 1973.

From the very beginning Kappas at Purdue have been leaders on campus. In 1916 when women were first admitted to the student council, Ada Decker (Malott), a Mu Sigma Alpha, and later a Kappa, was the first woman to be granted voting power. In the 1950s Kappas were leaders in mock political conventions. All campus plays, musicals, and variety shows have had Kappa participation, and any activity requiring dramatic ability has found Kappas taking part. Skits were given such names as "Rumpus on Olympus", "Down the Mississippi in Song", and "How're Ya Gonna Keep 'Em Down on the Farm After They've Seen Purdue."

Gamma Delta has had three Olympic swimming contenders: Jeanne Wilson (Vaughan), Y—Northwestern, who affiliated with the chapter in 1948; Joan Rosazza; and Edith Elizabeth "Beth" Whittall (Couvrette), who was also voted Canada's most outstanding athlete of 1955.

End of school year activities have been highlighted by the May Day pageants of the 1920s and the University Sing for the last 30 years. Grand Prix weekend, to raise money for scholarships, has ended the school year in the 1960s and 1970s.

Gamma Delta has often been first in scholarship among the Panhellenic groups. The Dean Shoemaker Scholarship Cup was permanently awarded to the chapter in 1936, and in 1958 and 1964 the Kappa Scholarship Trophy was won by Gamma Delta, with an honorable mention in 1962. A fourth consecutive year of first in campus scholarship was recognized in 1961. (The active chapter average was a "B" in 1960.) Five Mortar Boards that year and again in 1967, with at least one girl tapped nearly



ΓΔ members join pep parade 1952.

every year, attest to Gamma Delta's pursuit of excellence.

Gamma Delta won the Fraternity Efficiency Cup in 1952 and the Gracious Living Award in 1954.

The chapter is proud of its contribution of Fraternity officers and personnel. Kathryn Bourne Pearse was director of membership 1948-50. Marjorie Matson (Converse) was a graduate counselor to Delta Alpha, 1945-46, and a field secretary, 1946-47. Mrs. Converse served as director of field representatives, 1970-72, and was chosen Fraternity vice president in 1972 and 1974. Eloise Ryder Pingry was elected director of philanthropies, 1972 and 1974.

The administration and faculty at Purdue University have always looked to the Kappas of Gamma Delta for outstanding scholarship and leadership in campus affairs. Students regard Gamma Delta as an outstanding chapter and throughout its history the members have consistently maintained the standards expressed in the ideals of the Fraternity.



(L) 1968 pledge class boasts that 1/3 of ΑΔΔ members are Kappas.



(R) Beth Whittall represented USA in Australian Olympics.

ΓΕ

Founded February 21, 1919
Initiates 787

Gamma Epsilon

University of Pittsburgh
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania
Established 1787

Charter Members:

Irene Garrison Cramblet, Ruth Brown Crawford, Helena Kathryn Flinn, Thelma Marie Herron, Emma Irene Hopkins, Sarah Hudson, Katherine Ruth Johnson, Mary Alma Barton Johnson, Margaret Davis Loomis, Janet McDonald, Anna Marshall, Vera Leone Neish, Laura Elizabeth Niebaum, Harriet Elizabeth Smith, Elsie May Young.

Gamma Epsilon Chapter received its charter in 1919 and since then has stood for continuity and innovative change in fraternity life at the University of Pittsburgh. A Panhellenic first

in housing is listed among the innovative changes.

Epsilon Rho Omicron was formed February 22, 1916, with the purpose of petitioning Kappa Kappa Gamma for

membership. On February, 1919, this dream came true when Grand President Lydia Voris Kolbe, A—Akron, conducted installation ceremonies for the fifteen charter members.

Home for Epsilon Rho Omicron had been a room in Carnegie Library, or a member's house. As Kappas, meetings were held in Heinz House which is a building given by H. J. Heinz as a place of recreation for the women of the university. In 1921 Kappas shared their first house at 4633 Center Avenue with the Chi Omegas. Neither could have managed alone. Gamma Epsilon moved into its first home, 272 Bellefield Avenue, on May 13, 1922. The chapter loved this house but soon knew it needed a larger one, so in 1929 a move was made to 401 Neville Street, next door to the Theta chapter. These were happy years, but as the chapter continued to grow, the desire grew to own a house. The fall of 1938 found the group at 165 North Dithridge Street, a house that was bought later. The move was celebrated with a party for all Greeks on the campus and a visit from Grand President Elizabeth Bogert Schofield, M—Butler.

All the women's fraternity houses at Pitt were also student houses. There were many commuters and not enough Kappas living on campus to fill a house. Any woman student who was approved by the dean of women could live there. It was not until the 1959-60 school year that the house became all-Kappa. By that time the mortgage burning celebration had been held for the house which twenty years before had been described as "the most beautifully decorated woman's fraternity house on campus" and the future looked promising.

A bitter blow was struck in 1959. The university condemned the third floors of all the women's houses as unsuitable for occupancy because of fire code violations. This made operation of the houses economically unsound. And so began the story of the building of the present Kappa house at 4401 Bayard Street, which is also the Kappa Alpha Theta house on Bellefield.

The first meeting of the Pittsburgh Kappas and Thetas took place at the suggestion of Executive Secretary Clara O. Pierce, BN—Ohio State, on April 14, 1959. The decision of both groups was that they did not want to move their chapters into the dormitory suites offered by the university, so they chose to build together.

What seemed like hundreds of meetings later, money was raised by a joint Building Fund Committee. A Building Committee met with architects, builders and lawyers and the informal partnership became legal, establishing a Theta-Kappa Board of Management. Selling the Kappa house and tearing down the Theta house enabled the cornerstone to be laid in January, 1964.

On September 8, 1964, the two chapters moved into "their house." It marked a Panhellenic first: the housing of two fraternity chapters in one building, financed by monies given by alumnae and actives of the two groups from all over the world.

The Kappa-Theta duplex provides identical, but separate units. Each unit contains a living room, chapter room—dining room, kitchen, ten bedrooms which house twenty girls, a house director's room and bath, the usual storage rooms, powder rooms and bathrooms. The chapters share a central fire tower which separates one unit from the other, as well as the mechanical rooms, laundry rooms, sunken patio, roof, and driveway. Inside, except for the size, the rooms bear no resemblance to one another, for each group decorates according to its own wishes. From the outside the pink brick building has a "town house" appearance. The house's rectangular shape and the corner lot enabled the Thetas to retain the old Bellefield address, while the Kappa entrance is on Bayard Street.

Even Dedication Day, October 4, 1964, was a joint Kappa-Theta affair, with each fraternity holding its own service, and then joining with an open house for all fraternity and university friends. Now, more than ten years later Kappas and Thetas continue to live happily in "their house."

Through the years Gamma Epsilon has striven to maintain a chapter of which the Fraternity could be proud. There are members in Phi Beta Kappa, Mortar Board, Cwens, and many other honorary fraternities. Gamma Epsilon members have worn the Homecoming Queen crown often, have been fraternity sweethearts many times, have been elected Senior Queen, and have served as president of the Women's Self Government Association, Student Congress and Panhellenic



FE winner of finance award 1946.

members. Many editors of student publications have been Gamma Epsilons. Pitt's Hall of Fame lists many Kappas, and each year it is evident that Kappa keys are worn by student leaders. The chapter has taken first place in Greek Week, Greek Sing, and Homecoming, as well as other events. Gamma Epsilon has won both Fraternity and Beta Province awards for program and scholarship, including the Fraternity Finance Award and the Province Royalty Award.

Visits of Fraternity officers through the years have highlighted chapter meetings. A tea was given in honor of Helena Flinn Ege, Gamma Epsilon's own charter member and former chapter president, when she became Fraternity president in 1948. Excitement, joy, and pride on such festive occasions were happily recorded.

The shape of the times is evident in the yearly chapter histories. They tell of banquets in the 1920s in the Schenley Hotel and the custom of making toasts. Members sold Fab soap to earn money to wallpaper a room. An influenza epidemic in 1928 forced cancellation of a formal dance. They tell of The Doll Cabaret used during rush in 1929 when rushees were given French dolls made and stuffed by Kappas. Today owls are made for rushees.

The Kappas sponsored Sychor Club at Penn State, assisted in the installation of Delta Alpha in 1930 and in 1931, agonized over the Panhellenic ruling of "rushing without men." The Gamma Epsilons purchased a baby grand piano in 1932, installed the first payphone in 1933, and christened it with a bottle of Coke.

The first annual Kappa-Delt reception for faculty took place in 1941. The Kappas sold Defense Bonds in 1942 and worked on benefit committees to earn money for the dean of women's 12th floor.



House Board president gives key to chapter president at house dedication of KKT-KAΘ duplex 1964.

On its 25th anniversary in February, 1944, Gamma Epsilon helped install Delta Xi Chapter at Carnegie Institute of Technology (renamed Carnegie - Mellon University in 1967). Chapter members attended the installation of Delta Phi Chapter at Bucknell University in 1948.

Pitt adjusted to the trimester plan in 1959 and the KKT's lived in a dormitory suite while their house was being built in 1963. They rejoiced because the chapter limit was raised from 30 to 50 members and watched the demise of women's self government and the establishment of student government.

Gamma Epsilon hosted Beta Province Convention in 1969 and celebrated Gamma Epsilon's 50th anniversary at the same time, saying "thank you" to the wonderful alumnae who worked with the chapter as advisers and house board members through the years.

A Kappa was selected as the first "Pitt Woman" in 1972 and there was pride in the fact that the chapter president of 1969-70, Patricia Nealon, was chosen to be a graduate counselor.

The University of Pittsburgh was chartered in 1787 as the Pittsburgh Academy. It became Western University of Pennsylvania in 1819, and in 1908 was named the University of Pittsburgh. The Cathedral of Learning, focal point of the university, is a 42 story building occupying two acres. It contains the famed Commons Room, which is modeled after an English castle great hall, and the nationality classrooms, which are furnished with materials and decorations from the respective countries. The nationalities represented are those to be found in the make - up of the diverse people who built Pittsburgh.

Women students are important in the life of the university today, although it was not until 1895 that Pitt became coeducational. Today women are admitted to every school, and Gamma Epsilon members are currently enrolled in the schools of medicine, pharmacy, dentistry, and law, in addition to those working for undergraduate and other graduate degrees. Today women are members of the faculty, administration, and even Board of Trustees. In 1971 for the first time, a member of the student body was appointed to the university's Board of Trustees. The student was a woman, a member of Gamma Epsilon. It is the hope of the chapter that it will continue to contribute much to the University of Pittsburgh, and that it will continue to instill into the lives of its members the high standards of Kappa Kappa Gamma.

ΓΖ

Gamma Zeta

Founded January 3, 1920
Initiates 1289

University of Arizona
Tucson, Arizona
Established 1885

Charter Members:

Bess Louise Alexander, Dorothy Galpin Andrews, Ruth Sinclair Bird, Grace Coralie Chatham, Kathryn Vinson Haga, Edith Isabelle Harrison, Clara Bess Hildebrandt, Hazel Hodges, Isabelle Annette Irvine, Dorothy Elinor Knox, Frances Louise Leeson, Margaret Drucille Loflin, Zella Temple Jay Mathews, Anne Beatrice Pace, Eva Cathrine Prina, Ruth Prina, Florence Shelby, Lucy Anne Stanton, Mildred Margarite Stark, La Verna Stevens, Lois Augusta Wendell, Helen Louise Equen Westover, Helen Willits, Lillian Grouse Wood.

The story of Gamma Zeta's growth is also the story of the growth of the University of Arizona from the small 1,088 student Land Grant school of the 1920s to the fine university of over 27,000 students which it is today. The few university buildings of the past and the simply-structured student government have resulted in the complex campus of the 1970s.

Several Tucson women not then attending college organized Alpha Sigma, a local sorority, in the fall of 1916 for the purpose of "obtaining a chapter of Kappa Kappa Gamma, also to derive social and scholastic benefits, and to promote college spirit as an organized society." The following year only one member, Norma Brazee (Sexton), returned to the university. Two other local groups existing then were receiving charters from Kappa Alpha Theta and Pi Beta Phi so it was important to reorganize Alpha Sigma quickly. Eight freshmen were pledged who became the core members of the reorganized Alpha Sigma.

In 1918-1919 Alpha Sigma petitioned Kappa, and on January 3, 1920, Grand President Lydia Voris Kolbe, A—Akron, and members of Gamma Beta (New Mexico) installed Gamma Zeta

Chapter and its 24 charter members. Norma Brazee, whose "History of Alpha Sigma" is part of Gamma Zeta's archives, was not able to be initiated.

The chapter's first decade was one of varied activities and a distinct social pattern. Teas, dinner dances, house dances (girls only), and powdered wig banquets were the order. Early records refer to wedding and baby gifts for members, notably silver card trays and silver salt and pepper shakers.

Decorous behaviour was the rule: no smoking in public, no smoking together of actives and pledges, no smoking by men in the Gamma Zeta house. Pledges could not date before 4:30 p.m. nor during weekday nights. Juniors and seniors were allowed week night dates between 9:30 and 10:00 after which the house was locked for the night.

Intersorority tournaments were big campus events. Gamma Zeta teams won many basketball and hockey games. Individuals excelled in horseshows and other sports, dramatic presentations, and work on the *Desert* yearbook and *Wildcat* newspaper. YWCA also made up a busy program for the Arizona Kappas.

Special note is made in early chapter records of three non-related events: a 1921 pledge-sponsored Christmas formal (which continues today as a pledge sponsored Christmas activity); the sudden death in 1922 of charter member Dorothy Andrews, who was "so lively and enthusiastic and . . . very talented in music and athletics and a brilliant student who was loved and admired by every student and faculty member"; and a house fund started in 1923 into which every active, pledge, and alumna put \$25.

When a larger chapter house became necessary (a small house had been bought in 1923) a lot was purchased with a Fraternity loan and ground was broken on Founders' Day, 1934. The chapter moved into the new house on February 10, 1935. The "Kappa Kottage," a house on an adjacent lot, was remodeled and first used in 1956-1957. In 1963-64 a complex of apartments adjacent to the Kottage was used for the first time after having been purchased by the Gamma Zeta Building Association. During 1966-67 the house was completed with the addition of the Dorothy Musser room, a large recreation room which connects the apartments and the west wing (formerly the Kottage).

The second decade started off slowly socially, but well scholastically. All national sororities at Arizona were denied social privileges during the first semester for rush irregularities, and Gamma Zeta lost its social privileges in the spring because of failure to keep a sign-out book. Eventually parties resumed which included mother-daughter banquets, scavenger hunts, brother and sweetheart dinners, "intellectual hours" and serenade, slumber and roller skating parties. Social life was maintained "in spite of the Depression."

Kappas were busy with campus activities: drama, athletics, Associated Women Students. Rush was conducted for a few girls at a time, and swim parties, shows, and spring teas for high school girls were common. Freshmen and pledges were required to attend all football games, chewing gum was not allowed in public, pledges could smoke only in the basement, and had to be in bed by 11:00. Secret marriages were in vogue. During this time it seemed perfectly natural that two members of Delta Delta Delta had their meals for a year at the Kappa house since there was as yet no Tri Delt chapter on the Arizona campus.

The excellent grades of the early 1930s began to drop by the mid-1930s. The initiation average was lowered, and scholarship seemed to hit a new low in 1940 when the requirement for initiation was lowered again, yet ten out of 28 pledges still did not make their grades.

At this time World War II was a reality for most of the world and the University of Arizona felt its impact. Girls gave dances for officers at Davis Monthan Air Base and for the Cavalry Post. Victory Fund dances and War Bond contests were waged between sororities and fraternities. Kappas worked in canteens and rolled bandages. Gamma Zeta adopted an English war orphan and decided that house fines would purchase bonds. Girls saved their razor blades, magazines, and old clothes, and turned their ration books in to the house director. However, the house director was given an alligator purse and a sterling silver compact for Christmas.

With men so scarce, the girls concentrated on rodeos, swimming, and volleyball. In November, 1941, they were shocked to learn that a member had been thrown while riding and was dead. In the spring of 1945 another death occurred, that of President Franklin D. Roosevelt, and the spring formal was cancelled in respect of mourning traditions.



ΓΖ house reflects country of palm trees and tile roofs.

The late 1940s found Gamma Zetas excelling in journalism and by 1949 they were dominating many activities. They built shiny whales, pink elephants, "Arks of Triumph," and storks "expecting expansion." The chapter won top honors and took Sweepstakes prizes with these constructions. There were pledge classes of 40. Individual and team honors were won in golf, swimming, tennis, rifle, and fencing. Gamma Zetas were officers of Associated Women Students, Student Government, and drama organizations. Repeatedly they took scholarship trophies among living groups (dormitories, sororities, fraternities). There were several queens and a Miss Alaska. Near the decade's end the chapter was delighted to pledge daughters of two film stars, the cowboy idol Johnny Mack Brown and the versatile Anthony Quinn.

In 1956 the chapter began its foreign student program by inviting a young student from Denmark to live in the house. Since then the girls have enjoyed guests from Uruguay, Holland, Argentina, Peru, Germany, and Norway.

The Gamma Zetas of the 1960s didn't rest on past laurels. Scholarship was of paramount importance, and members were in almost every honorary. There were many queens, many hostesses, recognition in swimming and dance groups. In 1963-1964 the presidents of all four class levels of women's honoraries (Mortar Board, Chimes, Spurs, and Alpha Lambda Delta) were Kappas. They excelled individually and as a group, but perhaps in reaction to the war years seemed unconscious of the outside world, turning away from interest in or participation in anything beyond the campus.

At the end of the 1960s and the beginning of the 1970s social concerns again began to be of importance to members of Gamma Zeta. They participated in voter registration drives, political campaigns, and stepped up their philanthropy concerns. The Vietnam War divided the house as it did the American people, but the girls were able to resolve their differences peacefully and respect each other's rights to differing opinions.



1962 members all tapped for Spurs honorary.



"Ye Freshman Days", Iota

Marjorie Waddell Long, I 19



C—Phi chapter 1926-27

D—Beta Omicron chapter mid-twenties



—Beta Mu house & girls 1928



F—Iota chapter early 20s

G—Beta Alpha chapter 1929

H—Eta freshmen stunt 1921

I, J, K—Snap shots from Iota—"swim-suited rascals", "Queen of the May", "just talking".



Across the country the legal age of maturity was being lowered, in Arizona to 18, and the University of Arizona Regents debated whether drinking on campus could legally be prohibited any longer. The university dropped the "in loco parentis" concept and began to stress individual rights and privacy. House keys were now issued to each girl, her hours were hers to decide, her grades were to be given to her alone (not even to her parents). The scholastic rank of a house could be found out but not the names of houses above or below. Individuality and "doing your own thing" held sway. Apprehension arose among the alumnae concerning scholarship, almost always Gamma

Zeta's outstanding quality. Fears ceased when, in the spring of 1972, 22 pledges out of 22 were initiated and a Kappa won one of the two awards for outstanding senior women.

"You're a university woman," the statement made to pledges, implies dignity, personal responsibility, and promise for the years to come for Gamma Zeta.

Gamma Zeta members who have given special service to the Fraternity include graduate counselors Sue Forster (Vincent), 1959-60; Molly Roller (Spingler), 1958-59; Mary Hendershott (Itani), 1969-70; and Natalie Graff; and field secretary Ellen (Missy) Jester Ruth, 1971.



Founded May 7, 1920
Initiates 1032

Gamma Eta

Washington State University
Formerly State College of Washington
Pullman, Washington
Established 1890

Charter Members:

Ione Anderson, Margaret Louise Beinhart, Ruth Agnes Brockway, Kathleen Marsh Kidder Buckland, Beulah Mae Burkett, Avis Carey, Ruth Marion Cresswell, Esther Mae Eiffert, Helen Jennie Fenn, Roberta Claire Houchens, Hazel Margaret Huffman, Dorothy Lucille Jacobs, Marguerite Louise Jones, Elizabeth S. LaRue, Edith Alice McBride, Gertrude Eloise Morfitt, Carrie Margarite Ott, Wilma Elyne Porter, Della Louise Prell, Ina Craig Sartorius, Anna Eleanor Scott, Mary Emily Sever, Bessie Evelyn Simmons, Zora May Springer, Annabel Wells, Belle Wenz, Dorothy Bethene Zaring.

In a lonely, 36 by 80 brick structure standing atop a bleak and windswept hill, with prairie and the rolling Palouse hills stretching as far as eye can see, the Washington Agricultural College opened its doors, January 13, 1892, at Pullman. Enrollment consisted of 23 students, and there were six faculty members.

The town of Pullman had 350 residents; and the entire state of Washington had 350,000. Chartered in 1890, the beginnings of the land grant, coeducational college were humble indeed. In 1905, the name of the institution was changed to Washington State College. Effective September 1, 1959, the name officially became Washington State University. The University of Idaho campus in Moscow is just nine miles away.

In 1916, Dr. Ernest O. Holland became the third president of Washington State College. A local sorority, Zeta Phi, was organized, and immediately began working toward its goal of petitioning Kappa Kappa Gamma for membership. Several months later, on April 6, 1917, the United States entered World War I. This had its inevitable effect upon the college, as the young men marched off to war. Hundreds of soldiers were brought to the college for military training under the Student Army Training Corps (SATC). The trials of the influenza epidemic in the fall of 1918, when church and campus buildings became emergency hospitals, are vivid memories.

The girls of Zeta Phi did their full share in serving as volunteer nurses and doing Red Cross work. They worked hard and established a place of leadership on the campus. All this time the girls were petitioning Kappa. Exhausted, they welcomed spring vacation of 1920, as never before. And then came the happy news.

"SUSIE'S WELL!" A wonderful meaning was packed into those two words which swiftly went by telephone, telegram and word of mouth to some 30 girls who had scattered throughout the state of Washington. When they left Pullman, their house president was waiting to hear from the officers of Kappa, telling them whether the petition from Zeta Phi would be accepted or rejected. If the decision was a rejection, the code message would be the doleful words: "SUSIE'S DEAD"; if the group was accepted: "SUSIE'S WELL."

On May 7, 1920, the long awaited initiation arrived when 27 eager and happy girls became charter members of Kappa Kappa Gamma. Fourteen others were initiated the next day. The installing officer was Estelle Kyle Kemp, grand secretary, BM—Colorado, and Anna Scott (King) was the first president.

Belle Ware Waller, K—Hillsdale, wife of Dr. O. L. Waller, longtime vice president of Washington State College, worked tirelessly to help the local Zeta Phi group organize and petition Kappa Kappa Gamma, and long served as one of its advisers. The first Gamma Eta chapter house at 614 Campus Avenue was purchased with the aid of Professor C. A. Isaacs, who, with his wife, helped the chapter through many difficult years of organization.

The thriving chapter soon outgrew its first home. In 1929, a beautiful new \$35,000 chapter house, designated to accommodate 35 members, was built on the same site as the original house. Of Colonial design with tall, stately columns, it is a most outstanding house. To celebrate the final payment on the house, large numbers of alumnae came to Pullman. They helped burn the mortgage on October 12, 1947.

"Shall I bring a match?" inquired one alumna.

During World War II, 1941-45, actives and Pullman alumnae again gave their wholehearted efforts toward victory—entering into Red Cross bandage rolling, USO activities, War Bond drives, and numerous other war activities. They helped solve the critical wartime food problem by going to the Pullman Canning Center en masse and canning over 800 cans of tomato juice, hundreds of cans of plums, and a year's supply of grape conserve—during a single weekend!

Jeanne Norbeck, WASP lieutenant who was killed in 1944 in line of duty, was the first Kappa in the United States to give her life in the service of her country during World War II. WAVES, WACS, SPARS, WASPS, Red Cross and USO workers from Gamma Eta chapter saw service in Burma, Hawaii, the South Pacific, Italy, France, England and Germany. Joy Johnson Wright, a senior staff assistant served with the American Red Cross in Europe.

Immediately following the war, Irene Kruegel Van der Meulen, a member of Gamma Eta, who, with her husband and children had returned to The Hague, Holland, sent a plea to the Pullman actives and alumnae for used clothing for Dutch Relief. For several years, Pullman Kappas sent boxes of used clothing to Mrs. Van der Meulen for distribution to needy Dutch whose joy and appreciation were indeed gratifying.

Scholarship has always been emphasized by Gamma Eta, but actives and alumnae alike were joyously surprised when the chapter received the Fraternity's Scholarship Award at the 1946 Biennial Kappa Convention, Mackinac Island, Michigan.

In tribute, the December, 1946 issue of *The Key* featured Gamma Eta Chapter and Washington State University. In 1956 Gamma Eta received the biennial convention runnerup Scholarship Award; and again, in 1972, received the honorable mention large campus Scholarship Award.

Year after year, throughout its history, Gamma Eta has maintained high scholastic standards. In the 1950s, City Panhellenic awarded permanent possession of a Scholarship Cup to the women's living group which placed first in scholarship for three consecutive semesters. After Gamma Eta placed first for eight consecutive semesters and won permanent possession of not only one, but two cups, City Panhellenic decided to make the cup a traveling trophy—to keep from going broke buying new award cups for the Kappas.

In 1957, Gamma Etas also topped the women's living groups for the quantity of blood donated in the annual campus blood drive.

"If it isn't grades, it's blood!" quipped the girls.

Throughout the years, many Gamma Eta undergraduates and graduate students have been recipients of numerous scholarships and fellowships, have held high campus offices and editorships, and have been campus queens. Chapter members have been appointed to Phi Beta Kappa, Phi Kappa Phi, Pi Lambda Theta, Alpha Lambda Delta (freshman scholastic honorary), Mortar Board, Spurs, and many other national honoraries.

On several occasions, foreign students have been invited to live in the chapter house for a year and given room and board.

Among Gamma Eta's most treasured traditions are: the scholarship banquet, the senior banquet, the pledge semi-formal, the pledge sneak, the Christmas party, the Big-Little-Sis program, Founders' Day observance, spaghetti dinner,

and initiation banquet.

As enrollment at the university grew, the need for a larger chapter house became imperative. In 1961, a large new addition was added to the chapter house at a cost of over \$100,000. The house is ideally located near the campus and just across the street from the university president's home. Well over a hundred alumnae returned for the open house and dedication ceremonies, and more than 600 guests attended the tea on Sunday, March 18, 1962.

The centennial year of Kappa and the Golden Anniversary of Gamma Eta chapter were incentives for a never-to-be-forgotten weekend April 17-18-19, 1970. Eighteen of Gamma Eta's 36 "Young at Heart" charter and 50-year members came to Pullman from a dozen states, including Hawaii. Young and old alike enjoyed the festivities, from the opening Fireside on Friday evening, through the Anniversary Tea on Sunday afternoon at the chapter house. Typical "squeal day" scenes prevailed as Kappas who hadn't seen each other for untold years, eagerly embraced and started right in reminiscing where they left off last time - 10, 15, 25, or even 50 years before.

"Tribute to Kappa Kappa Gamma's Centennial" was the subject of an inspiring address by Marian Schroeder Graham, BΦ—Montana, Fraternity director of membership.

Over 160 Kappas attended the Saturday evening banquet, Belle Wenz Dirstine, Gamma Eta charter member and former Iota province president, was toastmistress. She appeared in a glamorous gown she had worn as an undergraduate, including a showy fur neckpiece of yesteryear and her 1920 horn-rimmed glasses.

"Gamma Eta Reminiscences" by Wilma Porter Yoder, charter member, drew many chuckles. Anna Scott King, first president of Gamma Eta chapter introduced the guests by decade. Fifty-year pins were presented by Louise Ott Webb, a member of the first fall pledge class.

The \$3,000 Kappa Kappa Gamma Centennial Rehabilitation Graduate Fellowship was awarded to Barbara Hebbert Jesson, a Washington State graduate student in the Child and Family Studies Department.

At Kappa's Centennial Convention, French Lick, Indiana, June, 1970, the Pullman Alumnae Association with a membership of 25 was awarded the coveted McNaboe Silver Cup Award for excelling as the top alumnae association of 50 members and under. In 1966, the Pullman Association won honorable mention at the Biennial Convention for its assistance to Gamma Eta chapter.

In 1950 and 1960, Gamma Eta received honorable mention for its chapter publication, and in 1972 it was named one of the top five chapter publications.

Perhaps one of the many factors that has helped to keep Gamma Eta chapter vigorous and alert throughout its 53 years of existence, has been the tireless work and inspiration of its advisers and house board corporation officers. Since the very beginning, too, Gamma Eta chapter and its house board corporation have always taken pride in maintaining a high credit rating and have never failed to meet obligations on time, although it has sometimes been a struggle.

Lulu Holmes, ΓΓ—Whitman, always an inspiration to actives and alumnae alike, came to the Washington State campus in 1936, as dean of women and remained there 20 years. Recipient of Kappa's Alumnae Achievement Award at Sun Valley in 1948, for her outstanding work in the field of education, Lulu Holmes served on the staff of General Douglas MacArthur in Tokyo, Japan, in 1946, as adviser on women's education.



(L) ΣN serenade.

(Top Right) Charter and 50 year members at 50th anniversary.

(Bottom Right) All ΓH mothers and daughters 1970.

Ann Fletcher (Colvin) served as Fraternity field secretary in 1963, and as Fraternity chairman of chapter programs and pledge training, 1970-72.

Chapter member Audrey Owen McCall became first lady of the state of Oregon in 1967. Her husband, Governor Thomas McCall, continues in office today, (1975).

Washington State University has grown by leaps and bounds. From its small and humble beginning of 23 students in 1892, enrollment is now over 14,000. The campus covers some 2,000 acres. Thus from the horse and buggy age of 1892, through the era of the railroads, the automobile, the airplane, and the beginning of the atomic age in 1945, the changes in the world during Kappa Kappa Gamma's first century have been vast indeed.



Chapter (TH) 1970-71.



Founded April 30, 1921
Initiates 1042

Gamma Theta

Drake University
Des Moines, Iowa
Established 1881

Charter Members:

Bernice Bramhall, Agnes Buchanan, Isobel Helen Carothers, Isabel Childs, Anna Laura Clark, Margaret O. Clark, Anna Laura Copeland, Marian E. Kerr Devine, Doris Dickinson, Agnes Flach, Agnes Henderson, Dorothy Rosemary Kirk, Eleanor MacRae, Mary Martin, Eleanor Morning, Elizabeth Morning, Maxine Van Meter, Gretchen Winterrowd.

The foundations of Drake University, Des Moines, Iowa, were laid by men of broad vision and liberal culture. When General Francis Marion Drake was appealed to for an initial gift of \$20,000, he replied that he could and would do it and to go ahead with the building. A modest frame building was erected, followed immediately by Old Main, which stood at the center of the group of first buildings.

The day Gamma Theta Chapter was installed at Drake University by Sarah B. Harris (Rowe), Y—Northwestern, Grand President of Kappa Kappa Gamma, was one of the most momentous days in the annals of fraternity history. The date was April 30, 1921. On that day the chapters of Kappa Kappa Gamma, Kappa Alpha Theta, Delta Gamma and Chi Omega were established on the Drake campus.

Epsilon Tau Sigma, the petitioning local sorority which had been organized at Drake in February, 1903, was the first of the petitioning groups at the school to receive an answer to its petition. Word had been received on March 14 that Kappa Kappa Gamma had granted it a charter. Inasmuch as charters were soon granted to the other three local sororities, the national councils of the four fraternities conferred and decided to enter the university on the same day, thereby giving each group an equal start on the campus. This decision doubtless accomplished much in promoting congeniality and a true Panhellenic spirit.

When one looks through the archives and reads through the reports of each year's activities and the honors won by the chapter and by individual members, it is difficult to decide whether Gamma Thetas are athletes, beauties, activity girls, or bookworms.

In its first year, Gamma Theta won first place in scholarship, and since then the scholarship trophy has often been at the Kappa house.

The Kappas have had, perhaps, more than their share of the homecoming queens, princesses, queen's attendants, D Club sweethearts and *Quax* beauties.

When outstanding representative Drake women are elected, Kappas again are winners. In 1924, out of the three girls chosen as "Representative Drakes," two were Kappas. In 1943, Jean Wendlandt (Moritz) was elected Miss Drake and then caused a great sensation on campus when she was chosen "Drake Relays Queen" — the first time a Drake woman had been given the honor. Gamma Theta contributed a winner to the Miss Iowa contest when Connie Ver Hoef (Denton) won the title in 1953. Fraternity sweethearts, too, are common in the chapter.

The athletic awards captured by the chapter read like something from the sports pages. They are good sports, and good "at" sports also.

Each year many Gamma Thetas are elected to the honorary organizations on the campus in recognition of their abilities. Long lists of Kappas' names are on the membership rolls of Sieve and Shears, Margaret Fuller Club, Phi Beta Kappa, Mortar Board, *Who's Who Among Colleges and Universities*, as well as music, drama, education and other such organizations.

Gamma Theta leadership has been shown through the work done on the campus publications. The *Quax* has at times been edited by Kappas, and other Gamma Thetas have served as business managers. The weekly edition of the *Times-Delphic* has had Kappas on the staff nearly every year. Kappawise, Gamma Theta's chapter news publication won the award for the best mimeographed paper at the Fraternity convention in 1958, when Julia Brower (Lyon) was editor.

All years have not been a gay round of social activities mixed in with the academic endeavors. The war years found the Kappas at Drake doing their share of war work and going without. To read their accounts, they went without almost everything—



Θ pictured while winning first place in sweetheart sing spring 1958.

including men. Social activities were limited to small house dances and inter-sorority exchanges. Kappas won some degree of fame, however, through serenades to Army Air-Corps students.

During the 1942-43 school year, the chapter voted to donate all but their three most recently won trophy cups to the metal salvage drive. That was the year that Gamma Theta had the

honor of having Miss Drake, the Relays Queen and the Editor of the *Quax*.

A French student, Marthe Thomas, from Algeria, entered Drake as a Kappa exchange student in 1939. Europe's war and the Atlantic's submarine peril prevented Josephine Stalmaker (Hosman) from being Drake's exchange student to the University of Toulouse, France.

Gamma Theta claimed "Mrs. America of 1960," Margaret King Priebe of Des Moines.

The Revitalization Corps in Des Moines, Iowa, had the participation of 12 Gamma Theta Kappas, in 1971. They volunteered to work with the underprivileged of Des Moines tutoring, serving free meals, counseling former mental patients and supervising youth recreation.

The story of Gamma Theta would not be complete without telling of the fine, active Alumnae Association which has existed during all the years the chapter has been at Drake. The hard-working alumnae of the local sorority, Epsilon Tau Sigma, were responsible in a great measure for the inception of the chapter and for successful rushing in the early days. The formation of the Des Moines Alumnae Association of Kappa Kappa Gamma forged one more link in the ever-growing chain of loyal sisters.

ΓΙ

Founded September 10, 1921
Initiates 872

Gamma Iota

Washington University
St. Louis, Missouri
Established 1853

Charter Members:

Grace Shafer Able, Marceline Emma Alexander, Katherine Marshall Atwood, Eleanor Ann Becker, Deborah Catlin, Marion Octavia Gerhart, Martha Lillian Gerhart, Elizabeth Hart, Louise Landers, Mary Louise McRoberts, Mildred Udell Michaels, Bernice Amanda Read, Anita Page Weakley.

When in the spring of 1903 six Kappas, representing five chapters, organized the St. Louis Alumnae Association, it was with the idea that organization at that time might be the means of bringing about pleasant meetings between resident and visiting Kappas during the months of the Louisiana Purchase Exposition. The Kappa corner in the "Anchorage" on the exposition grounds proved a convenient meeting place, and the convention in the summer of 1904, entertained by Theta Chapter at Columbia, Missouri, brought Kappa enthusiasm to white heat.

It was impossible to see the beautiful—but obtrusively new-looking—Administration Building of Washington University, out there on the edge of the city, without feeling a desire to mother a Kappa chapter there. But those were conservative days. No fraternity for women had yet entered the university and Kappa seemed to have lost her pioneering spirit. So the St. Louis Kappas merely wished and hoped. Then in 1906 Kappa Alpha Theta entered, and a year later Pi Beta Phi, and it seemed too late. But there were girls at the university who wanted Kappa, for the *Grand President's Report*, 1906-08, records that on October 10, 1907, a formal petition was received, signed by five girls. This was refused by a unanimous negative vote of the Grand Council, the reasons given being the proximity to Theta Chapter and the lack of material to support another chapter at the university. It is interesting to note that while this petition

was in the hands of the Grand Council, an informal petition had been received on February 11, 1908, from an entirely different group.

Apparently the attitude of succeeding administrations was not favorable to Washington University as a field for extension. The year 1914 saw Delta Gamma enter and two years later came Gamma Phi Beta. The St. Louis Alumnae Association began to bestir itself. There must be material for a chapter of Kappa Kappa Gamma there. What followed has erroneously been called "colonization." It was not that, but rather "selection," an interesting and novel piece of work undertaken by an alumnae association for the good of the Fraternity.

In the spring of 1920 the St. Louis Alumnae Association of Kappa Kappa Gamma decided to take steps to establish a chapter at Washington University. At this time eight girls were selected and pledged. In July of the same year, at the convention at Mackinac Island, Margaret Anderson Johnston, Θ—Missouri, representing the St. Louis Alumnae Association, told what had been done and pleaded for interest in the university and the group.

In the fall, the alumnae association, with the aid of the group of eight girls, rushed and pledged seven more girls. The group was inspected February 11, 1921, by the grand secretary, Della Lawrence (Burt), ΒΞ—Texas, after which petition booklets were sent out and on May 27, 1921, a charter was granted by the unanimous consent of the active chapters and one dissenting

vote of the alumnae associations. Each member of the group was formally pledged to Kappa Kappa Gamma on June 6, 1921.

On September 10, 1921, Gamma Iota Chapter was installed by the grand president, Sarah Harris Rowe, Y—Northwestern and Theta Chapter. At a banquet the same evening the alumnae association presented the chapter with a beautiful silver service and Theta Chapter gave a *Book of Ritual*. On November 19, Gamma Iota Chapter was introduced to the faculty and friends of Washington University at a reception given by the alumnae association at the home of Gertrude McLain Stewart, Θ—Missouri.

During this first year the honor of having the only Phi Beta Kappa among fraternity girls belonged to Kappa. At Christmas, in order to raise money to furnish its rooms, the chapter gave a bazaar at the home of two charter members, Marion Gerhart (Luyties) and Martha Gerhart (Lewis), and raised over two hundred dollars. An attempt was made to please the most exacting of housewives, casual shoppers, and curious children with a few pennies.

The year of 1921-22 was an eventful one, not only for Gamma Iota but for the university itself. The \$100,000 swimming pool was completed and ground was broken for a new law building, which brought the number of buildings on the campus to 12—not to mention the schools of medicine, dentistry and fine arts.

Washington University was indeed expanding and broadening, and in the year 1923 a campaign for a women's building was started. Fraternity women were especially interested in this project because the building was to include attractive living rooms and comfortably large sorority rooms. In the following fall the campaign was vigorously renewed under the leadership of Kappa Margaret McCandless. The women on the campus pledged over \$25,000.

In September, 1924, Gamma Iota was informed that it had won the Woman's Panhellenic Scholarship Cup of Washington University for the previous year. This was the first time Kappa had held the cup and the St. Louis Alumnae Association was so delighted that it presented the chapter with two silver sandwich trays.

In the year of 1926-27, Gamma Iota excelled in campus activities, in scholarship, leadership, and athletics, going so far as to win the silver loving cup for its prowess in baseball. Harriet Chaplin (Price) was an outstanding figure of the chapter in this year, for she excelled in athletics. In the two succeeding years she was elected to the presidency of W. S. G. A., the Athletic Association and Mortar Board, and held offices in several other campus organizations.

This year the Kappa Kappa Gamma Mothers' Club was formed, and through the years they have helped in every conceivable way, including the establishment of a loan fund for members of Gamma Iota in financial need.

An unusual event of 1927 was a Fiftieth Anniversary Founders' Day program presented by Gamma Iota over radio station KMOX which drew telegrams and messages from Kappas in various parts of the country. The program featured musical numbers by university singing groups, and a short address by National President Georgia Hayden Lloyd-Jones, H—Wisconsin. Also appearing on the program were (Katherine) Jane Rodgers and Virginia "Gingy" Rodgers (Keating), Θ—Missouri, popular singers on the Keith and Orpheum circuits. These are the girls who wrote "Kappa Blues" which is sung in almost every Kappa house in the country.

In the fall of 1928 the Woman's Building was completed. Gamma Iota was quite prepared to move from its cramped



Nora Waln, BI, greeting Eleanor Wright Harts, I, champion of chapter and Dorothy Evans Israel, FI president 1946 at silver anniversary.

quarters in McMillan Hall. Soon the suite was well and handsomely furnished, thanks to the Mothers' Club, which had a large and successful benefit bridge to raise money for furnishings.

The Zeta Province Convention met in St. Louis in the spring of 1929, and most of the meetings were conducted in the Kappa section of the Woman's Building.

Gamma Iota celebrated its 25th anniversary the year of Kappa Kappa Gamma's Diamond Jubilee. By happy chance the initiation banquet that year coincided with a visit from Nora Waln, BI—Swarthmore, on tour with a lecture bureau. On a busy schedule, she managed to find time to appear as guest speaker when more than 160 Kappas assembled in the main dining room of the University Club to celebrate Gamma Iota's 25th and Kappa's 75th birthday. Miss Waln talked about her experiences in Europe during the years of World War II—experiences which led to the establishment of the Nora Waln Fund. The other guest of honor that evening was Eleanor Wright Houts, I—DePauw, leader of supporting members who guided the early days of Gamma Iota and an honorary member of the St. Louis Alumnae Association. At the conclusion of Mrs. Hout's brief talk the actives surprised her by singing a song which she had written for Gamma Iota at the time of its installation.

Through the years the chapter has enjoyed tremendous encouragement and support from the St. Louis Alumnae Association. Its members have graciously offered their homes for rush parties, and annually give a Christmas party for the actives. At this time they present the chapter with money to help with the purchase of needed equipment.

During the initiation luncheon in 1962 another tradition was started in Gamma Iota when Pamela "Pam" Tremayne (Marcus), recipient of the outstanding pledge award, presented the chapter with a special ruby key which was to be known as the Friendship Key. That year Cynthia "Cindy" Reynolds (Kirk), voted by the chapter as the most friendly on campus, was the first to wear it.



FI philanthropic service includes Halloween party at children's convalescent home.

Gamma Iota was 42 years old when Washington University celebrated its 100th birthday in 1963. On the occasion of the Centennial celebration Thomas H. Eliot, Chancellor, said: "The sorority or fraternity that enthusiastically encourages the spirit of learning is playing a valuable part on the college campus. I am glad that the Gamma Iota chapter of Kappa Kappa Gamma appears, from the record, to be taking this seriously and thus contributing to the life of the university."

Gamma Iota's contributions and interests have extended beyond sorority and university activities. During the Viet Nam War the chapter subscribed to the newsletter distributed periodically by the Friends of the Children of Vietnam, an organization to provide food and clothing for needy Vietnamese children. Gamma Iota's donations went to the Providence Orphanage in Sa Deo.

On Halloween the pledge class has "trick-or-treated" for UNICEF. The chapter has participated in a phonathon sponsored by the Student Alumni Relations Committee to raise

money for the university and has helped with Christmas parties for children from the Evangelical Children's Home in St. Louis.

There have been many awards and accomplishments for Gamma Iota Chapter through the years and for the hard-working St. Louis Alumnae Association. Most recently, at the Convention of 1974, the awards ceremony brought grateful surprise to both the active and the alumnae delegates of Gamma Iota. The St. Louis Alumnae Association was recognized for its fine programs and money raising activities. The traveling silver bowl, first prize for Best Chapter Advisory Board Relations, was awarded to the active chapter of Gamma Iota, as well as a permanent silver cup, the Efficiency Award for unhoused chapters.

Today Gamma Iota chapter reflects on past achievements, glories in the growth and development of its great university, and sets its aims and goals high, confident that on this campus it will continue to be a worthy representative of Kappa Kappa Gamma Fraternity.

ΓΚ

Founded February 16, 1923
Initiates 1008

Gamma Kappa

College of William and Mary
Williamsburg, Virginia
Established 1693

Charter Members:

Elizabeth Thomas Bland, Katrine van Vliet deWitt, Anna Bell Dennis, Edna Moomaw Gibbons, Frances Louise Gibbons, Caroline Greer Hill, Betty Sue Jessup, Mary Elizabeth Kent, Anita Rucker, Dorothy Louise Terrill, Mildred Vaiden, Dorothy Lamb Zirkle.

When Gamma Kappa was installed on February 16, 1923, the state of Virginia was in Beta Province. The convention at the Grand Hotel, Mackinac Island, created Lambda Province to include Maryland, District of Columbia, West Virginia, Virginia, and North Carolina.

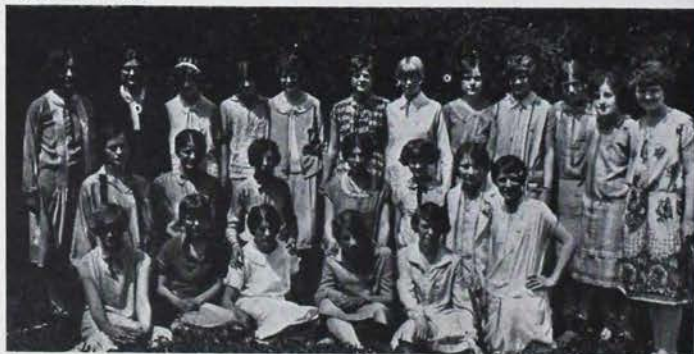
Upsilon Delta Beta, a local group formed by four William and Mary girls in September, 1920, enjoyed a vigorous life of three years, aimed early for a Kappa charter, and achieved it after very little initial encouragement. Success was announced in the form of a telegram which arrived during a college basketball game, and exulting Upsilon Delta Betas sat through it to the end because they didn't want to be conspicuous. Their last meeting was held on January 22, 1923, and their minutes read: "The meeting closed with the customary ritual and the singing of the Upsilon Delta Beta song, after which the members adjourned to eat apples and to talk of the joys of fraternity life."

The chapter is fortunate in its Williamsburg location. The college is surrounded by interesting 17th and 18th century buildings and presents varied programs. Colonial Williamsburg is said to be more an experience than a museum and it presents a variety of subjects for study: history, architecture, gardens, plant material, design, antiques, and decorating. Many students work part-time in the Williamsburg program, gaining invaluable experience. In October, 1931, on the occasion of the 150th anniversary of the surrender of Cornwallis, a Sesquicentennial celebration was held in which students participated. They helped seat the honored guests, among whom were President Hoover, General Pershing, and Marshal Petain. They also took part in the entertainment, which included an historical pageant.

Campus elections have drawn Kappas into important student government offices, and yearbook and other publication's staffs. Some have sung with the choir and glee club, and many have taken part in theatrical productions. The chapter, of course, has had its share of sponsors, beauty queens, and May Court members.

In 1950, Gamma Kappa began working with patients at Eastern Hospital for the mentally ill. Four or five girls go out for an evening a week, with cookies and drinks, to play games with the children and read to them. Dr. Davis Y. Paschall, William and Mary president, presented in 1964, the first place scholarship award to Gamma Kappa. The chapter has held that place 10 of the last 15 semesters—6 consecutively.

When the National Panhellenic Conference met at the Williamsburg Lodge October, 1966, the entire Kappa Council was invited to attend. The actives of Gamma Kappa were honored one afternoon when the whole Council came to the house for tea.



ΓΚ chapter 1926.



(L) Many ΓKs work as costumed hostesses at Williamsburg.

(R) Virginia Tucker Jones Heiss, organized Army and Navy Wives Association out of which grew Service Women's Centers of WWII.

The Sesquicentennial of Phi Beta Kappa, the first Greek letter fraternity, (founded by William and Mary students in 1776), was held in Williamsburg in 1926. Four prominent Kappas were present at the festivities: Emily Eaton Hepburn, BB—St. Lawrence; Mabel Clarke Smith, Φ—Boston; Anna Lane Lingelbach, Δ—Indiana; and May Whiting Westermann, Σ—Nebraska. Up to 1974, 52 members of Gamma Kappa have been elected to Phi Beta Kappa membership. There have been 73 members of Mortar Board from Gamma Kappa.

This sort of leadership continues after graduation. Kappas are found on the Board of Directors of the Society of the Alumni and on the Board of Visitors.

Others have had distinguished Kappa careers. Marian Handy (Anderson) became an undergraduate counselor, then a co-organizer, later a field secretary. In 1938 she was director of standards, in 1940 chairman of undergraduate scholarships. Three times she was convention chairman.

During World War II, Virginia Jones Heiss organized the Army and Navy Association, a group aiding servicemen's wives, serving as chairman. Out of this grew one of Kappa's most important World War II projects, the service women's centers in 14 cities throughout the United States. Later Margaret Baughman Craig became chairman.

Five Gamma Kappas have been graduate counselors: Anne Rixey (Ayres), Karen Thomas (Liske), Carol Lee Sykes (Dickinson), Marilyn Krider (Delano), and Dale Brubeck; four have been field secretaries: Marian Handy (Anderson), Anne Rixey (Ayres), Barbara Koch (Murphy) and Dale

Brubeck. Four have served on Associate Council and two helped colonize Epsilon Gamma at the University of North Carolina. Janet Dickerson Sanford is currently chairman of chapter programs.

In the 1960s Susan Strong (Cardozo) made a name for herself as an announcer, actress, and weather programmer. She now occasionally does television commercials. Virginia Farinholt retired as a commander after Naval Reserve service. She studied in Mexico under a Virginia Gildersleeve Fellowship, and taught Spanish literature at the University of North Carolina until her 1965 retirement.

Mary Horton Black is the artist for both Heinz and Gerber baby food jars. She has illustrated children's books and has done illustrations for Westinghouse and General Electric advertisements. She teaches book illustration and figure drawing at the Ivy School of Art, Pittsburgh.

Virginia Anding La Charité, current Lambda Province Director of Chapters, holds a Ph.D. from the University of Pennsylvania, (B.A. and M.A. from William and Mary). A Phi Beta Kappa, she studied in France on a Fulbright Scholarship. She received the Outstanding Faculty Woman Award (1970-71) at the University of Kentucky where she is a professor of French.

At the time of Gamma Kappa's founding there were 72 on the William and Mary faculty; in 1973 there were 426. The 16 buildings of 1923 have become 106; and the 854 students, 5,558.

On February 17, 1973, nearly 100 Gamma Kappas gathered at the Kappa house to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the chapter's installation. Three of the five alumnae who were given fifty-year pins were charter members; two had been initiated later that same year. Those honored five recalled interesting, isolated facts of chapter history, such as the year the old Debtors' Prison in Williamsburg was used for chapter meetings, the season the dean of women's office was in the Kappa house, the first chapter home of yellow stone with an old-fashioned porch and a zig-zag roof. They must have remembered, too, the thrill of seeing Gertrude Wood (Thatcher), BI—Swarthmore, Kappa's national treasurer, when she came to inspect the local Upsilon Delta Beta—the first live Kappa they had ever seen—and of passing her Kappa key from hand to hand, thinking of the future and a chapter of Kappa Kappa Gamma at William and Mary.



Gamma Lambda

Founded June 1, 1923
Closed March, 1969
Initiates 789

Middlebury College
Middlebury, Vermont
Established 1800

Charter Members:

Florence Gregg Clarke, Ruth Mary Collins, Harriet Fitch Fillmore, Madelene Hayward Fletcher, Margaret Bradley Harriman, Emily Pond Hobbs, Marion Jeannette Janes, Agnes Marguerite Loukes, Reba Veronica Maxfield, Beatrice Annette Mills, Katherine Mix, Florence Noble, Margaret Peck, Marion Elizabeth Pellett, Marion Louise Potts, Ruth Elizabeth Quigley, Eleanor Margaret Sprague, Mildred Grace Stewart, Dorothy Victoria Taylor, Geraldine Catherine Wimmatt, Marian Miner Wolcott.

"The strength of the hills is His also" are the words of the Psalmist engraved above the portals of Meade Memorial Chapel dominating the campus of Middlebury College, and such strength permeated the spirit of this college established in 1800, the 25th institution of higher learning in the United States. Its

simple, solid buildings of Vermont granite stand firmly between the Alleghenies and the Green Mountains.

Middlebury first admitted women in 1883. Six years later the first sorority was organized and every Middlebury woman was a member of Alpha Chi. In its 34 years as a strong local, 265 members were initiated.

This group, and the Monmouth fraternity Kappa Kappa Gamma, founded 19 years earlier, were basically similar in aspiration, and in focus on "literary works". In 1923, the transition from Alpha Chi to Gamma Lambda of Kappa Kappa Gamma was indeed "far more like a marriage than a conversion." Once the decision was made "at a very serious meeting" in 1922, the year of preparation, of voting, of learning "national ways" seemed an eternity.

May Whiting Westermann, Σ -Nebraska, made a visit in 1923 and "we all fell in love with her . . . for she was so lovely and stood for such high ideals." But emotions must have been mixed. Fifty years later an alumna remembered "Eight freshmen were not enthusiastic about transferring their loyalty . . . Alpha Chi ties were strong," and these ties continued throughout Gamma Lambda's 46 years. There are still those who remember that June 1, 1923, in Breadloaf Inn when 21 petitioning members, eight freshmen, and 35 alumnae became Kappas. An initiate wrote later, "I remember sitting blind-folded with my friends . . . the windows were open and across the road the sheep pastured would from time to time let out a loud 'baa-aa-aa.' It did not seem so serious as it had when we joined Alpha Chi."

Many of the traditions of the local became those of Gamma Lambda. Alpha Chi night was annually honored and perpetuated the original group. Greek names indicating an outstanding characteristic continued to be given each initiate and were used in all formal meetings and recorded in minutes until May, 1945. By 1950, these names were no longer used in roll call. Some parts of the Alpha Chi ritual were kept and a dearly loved song became the processional of the Fraternity: "We Look to Thee, Kappa Gamma."

There was a tradition of high scholarship and, during the first decade, approximately one third of the members were Phi Beta Kappas. Four times the chapter won the campus scholarship cup and once a Fraternity award for greatest improvement.

A focus on cultural activities was evident with talks by faculty, the entertainment of visiting lecturers, reports on the arts by chapter members, intersorority debates, support of campus events, and books for the chapter library.

There were Christmas parties for community needy, Easter parties for faculty children, and Homecoming festivities for alumnae and parents on weekends. There was no lack of fun on this campus in its rural setting, but the attention to philanthropic services increased: Community chest donations, contributions to the blood bank, scholarships support, world service funds, participation in the local elementary school program, and the creation of hospital tray favors. During World War II, Gamma Lambdas made afghans and rolled bandages for the Red Cross, and raised money for the Nora Waln Fund.

In the fall of 1952, the Brandon School for mentally retarded children and adults became the center of chapter service involvement and remained so until 1968, with many woman hours of dedicated service. Girls were taught to cook, to become maids, to care for themselves, to make clothing, and to give permanents. For many years, each Kappa gave a "little sister" individual attention. *The Key*, fall, 1958, reported "Organizing the trips to Brandon is a masterly piece of scheduling The project is fundamentally one born of sympathy and the wish to help"

Service came to characterize the chapter, but Panhellenic spirit was strong, too. Although Middlebury grew, it remained a small rural college. The size of the campus contributed to inclusion rather than exclusion. There were annual parties with

independents and with other Greek groups. Rush skits and ideas were shared. There were all - Greek sings and campus projects such as scholarships, war orphans, and sports events. Gamma Lambda initiated the Junior Panhellenic Council in 1942. There were combined open houses for rushees and Sunday night suppers for all groups.

The chapter produced campus leaders and was recognized twice with the Westermann Efficiency Cup. At the 1956 Convention, the chapter performed a model initiation service. One portion of "Kappas on Campus", a movie produced by Kappa, showed scenes of Gamma Lambdas and the Middlebury Winter Carnival.

Middlebury maintained a policy of unhoused sororities. The Kappas inherited from Alpha Chi the Little White House as a rented meeting place until it was sold in 1946. The chapter then moved to rooms in the village.

In March, 1969, when *The Key* carried the notice that the Gamma Lambda charter had been surrendered, many who rated this chapter among the best were shocked and puzzled. But it was not a sudden demise.

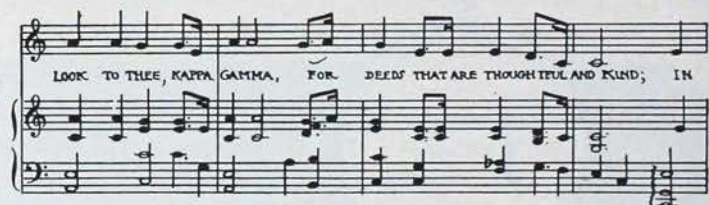
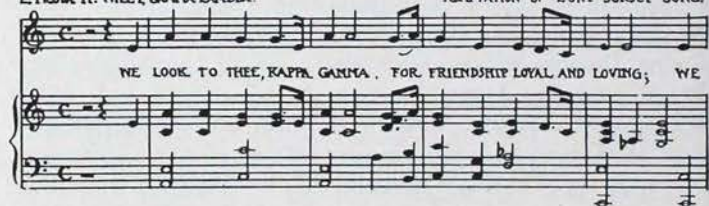
As early as January, 1932, influenced by Depression years, anti-sorority feeling was evident, and the chapter drew up a petition to abolish sororities at Middlebury. Advisers received the petition "sympathetically." In the spring of 1932, a moratorium was declared and fraternities were suspended. There were infrequent meetings and no rushing. Scholarship dropped. The following year, with the question still unsettled, five Kappas resigned, then one reconsidered. In February, 1934, Gamma Lambda began to function again, with back dues and pledge fees paid by the alumnae. Normal rushing, pledging, and initiation services were reestablished.

Again in 1945-46, after the war years, rushing was deferred because of campus unrest. Once more, the value of sororities

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ADAPTATION OF ZUNI SUNSET SONG.



was debated. In 1949, a letter to Headquarters suggested a more relaxed policy on recommendations. However, the chapter survived and even gained strength during the 1950s.

In the early 1960s, there were occasional resignations, concern about attendance at meetings and the use of fines, problems in performance of duties, and a need for chapter unity. As the student revolution grew on all campuses, the governing body of the college decreed that mandatory recommendations be eliminated from charters. Many resignations from Gamma Lambda and other sororities

resulted. The resolution to withdraw became imminent. A letter to Headquarters mentioned the matters inherent in the chapter's history of no on-campus housing, the small size of the college, the present sorority form being incompatible with democratic principles, and the fact that all Panhellenic groups were leaving Middlebury. With the approval of one third of the Gamma Lambda alumnae, the Fraternity Council reluctantly granted the withdrawal request, March, 1969. The undergraduates who wished to become Kappa alumnae were granted this privilege.



Founded June 7, 1924
Initiates 1135

Gamma Mu

Oregon State University
Formerly Oregon State Agricultural College
Corvallis, Oregon
Established 1868

Charter Members:

Louise Arnold, Enid Beal, Flossie Mae Blackburn, Ruth Cleland, Edna Belle Cobbledick, Wava Farley, Ida Granberg, Cleda Hilderbrand, Frances Jones, Ann H. Karlson, Dolores Kelsey, Doris Elnor Lake, Helen Leonard, Ruth Lyon, Jessie McDonald, Vida McKern, Marie McNair, Helen Edythe Miller, Thelma Jean Miller, Edna Morback, Ruth Price, Mary May Swarm, Eleanor Thomas, Irma Van Hollebeke, Mildred Wallace, Kathryn Wightman, Zelia Zigler.

At the end of World War I when servicemen returned to Oregon State University, Corvallis, in the heart of the Willamette Valley, there was a major housing problem.

Small groups of men and women were encouraged to organize. One such group of coeds, living in Waldo Hall, carefully studied *Baird's Manual* and *Banta's Greek Exchange*. They decided to work toward the goal of becoming a Kappa Kappa Gamma Chapter, regardless of the time and effort required. They pledged themselves to accept no other affiliation, if Kappa did not accept them.

It was in 1917 that this group took the name Gamma Iota. Gamma for the Gamma of the Fraternity and Iota for Iota Province, the province in which Oregon State was located.

Lorna Collamore Jessup, who gave the fledgling group her wisdom, enthusiasm, and help, found a house for them to rent. They floored the attic, which was then filled with two rows of cots to be a dormitory for 20 girls.

Gamma Iota members were especially active in debate, music, and dancing. From the beginning, emphasis was on scholarship and character.

On Homecoming Weekend in 1921, when the big football game between Oregon Agricultural College and the University of Washington was played, the group was at home to visiting Kappas and alumnae. The house was in perfect order, the girls gracious and poised, and the guests impressed. They wondered how this small group in a modest house could carry out an extensive program of after-game courtesies, dinner, overnight guests, and breakfast without flurry or confusion. The answer was that the members of Gamma Iota were making every effort to show the visitors how hard they were working toward their goal of receiving a Kappa charter.

In 1922 the College Committee on Student Housing approved plans for Gamma Iota to purchase a \$24,459 house, using \$1000 the girls saved as a down payment. It took courage to sign on the dotted line. This house was in use at the time the charter was acquired and remained the Kappa house until 1935 when the "Castle" was purchased.

The petition was presented to the Fraternity in March, 1924,

and in June of that same year word came that Gamma Iota would become Gamma Mu of Kappa Kappa Gamma.

F. Marie Leghorn, BII—Washington, was the installing officer and Beta Omega, University of Oregon, the installing chapter. Twenty-seven charter members were initiated.

Gamma Mu moved to the "Castle," a much-loved house, in 1935. Often renovated, it is still the house today. In the chapter's selection of Mrs. George Leekley as house director in the fall of 1938, the board demonstrated remarkable insight for she stayed for 14 rewarding years. Her name became synonymous with good taste and graciousness. Her warmth and competence seemed to personify Kappa ideals to everyone who entered the Kappa "Castle." Her hallmark of perfection showed in the lovely teas and the "touch-of-home trimmings" for holiday dinners. She was always compassionate and knew the perfect time for a treat of hot cocoa. With the help of finance advisers Fern McCroskey Price, Peggy Mulligan Blackledge, and Mrs. Leekley's wise management, the mortgage was ceremoniously burned on March 23, 1944.

War risk insurance was discussed during the early months of World War II, and desserts replaced dinners during rush. Elaine Kollins Sewell (Jones) and a Gamma Phi Beta friend co-edited a newsletter for all Oregon State servicemen.

The Kappas won second place in the 1947 Homecoming contest with the theme "Reunion After Tokyo," which treated all the years to follow as post-war years.

The Kappas were the first chapter at Oregon State to install a dishwasher when the outdated kitchen was remodeled in 1950. The dining room's capacity was increased to 90, and Mrs. Leekley's suite was made more desirable.

A reception to "show our appreciation" was given for Mrs. Leekley in 1953. A check was presented to her, and a fund for small emergency loans to individuals was set aside and named for her.

The years 1940-1958 have been called Gamma Mu's Golden Age. During those years the chapter scholastically ranked first, seven times; second, five times; and third, four times. High grades were emphasized at banquets each term with



ΓM President Mary Lou McKay with Father, Governor Douglas McKay on Dad's Day November 1948.



Top three in graduating class and alumnae tapped them "Hoo's Hoo."



Nine charter members at 50th anniversary 1974.

presentation of awards and a cup honoring Blanche Hinman Smith, BT—Syracuse, scholarship adviser for many, many years.

Carrie Case (Dully), Zelma Reed (Long) and Nancy Austin (McCoy) were scholastically the top three women in the 1965 graduating class. All three were Mortar Board; Zelma was chapter president; Nancy was president of AWS; and Carrie was the only coed ever to win both the coveted Chi Omega and Drusilla Shepard Awards. To recognize this trio, the alumnae tapped them for "Hoo's Hoo" and presented them with scrolls, sterling silver owl charms, and owl glasses. These members sound exceptional, yet the whole chapter was of similar caliber, sharing honors such as Mortar Board, Girls of Achievement, student leaders, scholars, fraternity sweethearts, and Homecoming attendants.

Busy Kappas always find time for fun . . . whether at a Friday afternoon exchange or a solemn initiation ceremony. Black paint, applied to the big engine at Avery Park, good food, and helping hands turned a service project into a date dinner. The chapter maintains a "Rush Closet" . . . a small room where members can leave outdated clothes. Before a house dance with a "Fifties" theme, eager girls rummaged through it, asking with a laugh "Did they really wear these?"

One time a love letter was found from one of the long-gone Kappas to her swain. The contents of the closet are a lasting source of delight and are used to dress up for a rushing skit, a fun scholarship dinner, or a special date.

The chapter celebrated its golden anniversary on October 5, 1974, with a luncheon and program. Nine of the original 27 members appeared for a picture, and two others arrived too late. More than 900 Gamma Mus of the 1100 initiated members were still living then. Mary Lou McKay Green was chairman and Heloise Lee Stewart was toastmistress. Charter members sat at the head table. Gladys Miller spoke of Gamma Iota's origin and presented the original petition to the chapter for its archives. Jessie McDonald Acklen, first chapter president, read from the Gamma Mu history, revealing the emotions of the day Gamma Mu was chartered. Fashions from 1924 to 1974 were modeled with Eleanor Francis Fouch as commentator. Special honor awards were presented to Peggy Mulligan Blackledge, Fern McCroskey Price, Mary Kollins Reed, and Irene Hazlett Saling for their long service to the chapter.

These members leave a heritage of stability and a sense of purpose which make it possible for present and future chapters to cope with the complexities of this age.

ΓN

Founded April 9, 1925
Initiates 1216

Gamma Nu

University of Arkansas
Fayetteville, Arkansas
Established 1871

Charter Members:

Geneva Anderson, Marie Cherry, Alice Crenshaw, Dorothy Farrior, Amanda Elizabeth Harms, Hazel Hinds, Hazel Holder, Nina Holder, Lilian Kirby, Cecilia Mulrenin, Ada Phillips, Jeanne Porter, Jimmie Porter, Elizabeth Smith, Emmah Smith.

The history of Gamma Nu of Kappa Kappa Gamma began on April 9, 1925, when this chapter was installed by Georgia Hayden Lloyd-Jones, H — Wisconsin, then director of provinces. The installation in Fayetteville, in the heart of the Ozark Mountains, was unique in that apple blossoms were used instead of more formal flowers.

Gamma Nu was the outgrowth of a local sorority, Kappa Kappa Kappa, founded April 14, 1916, for the purpose of developing friendships among girls of similar aims and ideals.

An installation procession honoring the chapter was composed by its good friend, Dr. Henry Tovey, head of the Fine

Arts Department of the university. This gave an ever-to-be-remembered distinction to the occasion. The music was played by Dr. Tovey from an advantageous but secluded spot at both the installation and the initiation ceremony.

Rush in the fall of 1925 was a busy and exciting experience with Kappas eagerly meeting every train to escort rushees to the nearby campus. Highlights that year included winning first place in scholarship. The Kappa float also received the top award in the Homecoming parade.

The chapter house has had five different locations. In 1930, when the present site was purchased, remodeling began,

converting a nondescript ten-room house into a structure with Colonial facade and housing 18 girls. By 1940, as the need for more space was felt, the house was enlarged to accommodate 40 members. A large three-story wing, which included a new kitchen, dining room and bedroom-bath area, was added to the original structure in 1956. This house, which had been painted gray and was fondly referred to as "Old Gray," accommodated 75 girls, and was always filled to overflowing. Finally it was admitted that "Old Gray" had outlived her usefulness. In 1964, the house was torn down, except for the 1956 wing. This provided space for the beautiful new white colonial mansion which graces the grounds today. This three story, traditional white brick building, trimmed with charcoal grey shutters, houses Kappa's quota of 75 members comfortably.

During World War II, Gamma Nu initiated the first supportive movement on campus by investing money in defense stamps rather than house decorations. Each girl chipped in to buy a bond, and the entire chapter was signed up to roll Red Cross bandages. Gamma Nu raised \$7800 in the 1944-45 War Loan Drive, three times the quota set for the whole campus.

Kappa's scholarship record has always been excellent. In the spring semester, 1951, Gamma Nu made the highest grade point ever achieved by an organized house. Scholarship rivalry usually centers around Kappa and Chi Omega, whose mother chapter is at this university. In 1962, Gamma Nu again brought home the scholarship trophy which had been in Chi Omega territory for 13 consecutive semesters. The spring scholarship banquet, at which dinners descend from steak, chicken, hamburger, to beans for the lowest grade point, is an annual tradition. A diamond key is worn by the active with the highest grade point.

Since 1956, there has been a "Granny" Gamma Nu legend. Granny is a rather portly old gal who appears twice a year at the strangest times to announce the initiation date to pledges. Her presence is always a complete surprise to everyone, pledges and actives alike. Granny is really an active dressed in some outlandish garb which, when not in use, is hidden away in a dark, mysterious closet of the chapter room.

Gamma Nu has received the Gracious Living award several times at Fraternity conventions. Credit was due the much-loved Laura Jennings, house director 1947-62. Her pleasing personality and gracious manner were drawing cards to friends, dates, the girls, and to everyone she met.

In 1970, the chapter received the Fraternity award for best pledge program.

Gamma Nus have continued to live up to the high standards



Gamma Nu members display trophies 1958.

set by earlier members. All told, the chapter has produced 25 members in *Who's Who In American Colleges and Universities*, 32 in Mortar Board, and 6 Phi Beta Kappas. Kappa scholars from this chapter were on the General Electric TV College Bowl team and the A and M College Bowl team. There have been many Homecoming Maids and at least one queen. There have been four Miss University of Arkansas winners and one Miss Arkansas. In recent years the Kappas have claimed two out of three Miss Sorority Pledge Queens. Gamma Nus are active as cheerleaders, Associated Women Students officers, Panhellenic officers, majorettes, and student body senators and officers.

Deferred rush, meaning that girls do not pledge until they are at least sophomores, started in 1950 and is being re-evaluated.



Rush party skit which produced many laughs in 1971.

Kappa, Pi Beta Phi, Tri Delta, and Chi Omega have largely dominated campus activities at Arkansas over the past 30 years. With the help of the outstanding girls who continue to be pledged, Gamma Nu, with its ideals and traditions, will continue to prosper.



Founded May 8, 1925
Initiates 1065

Gamma Xi

University of California at Los Angeles
Los Angeles, California
Established 1919

Charter Members:

Marion Roberta Adams, Ruth Allison Cannon, Marian Cooper, Helen Strothers Davenport, Helen Gwendolyn Davies, Jane Elizabeth Farish, Okla Alice Glass, Marian Barbara Henshall, Kathryn Chenalls Hocking, Frances Hockmeyer, Isabel Mushet, Elizabeth Barbara Park, Pauline Peipers, Miriam Reid, Beryl Alla Souder, Lucile Elspeth Stone, Norma Grace Stoner, Evelyn Mae Temple.

Webster would have us believe that a sorority is, "A club of girls or women, as in a college." To the Gamma Xi Kappas

at the University of California at Los Angeles, this definition lacks much. It tells nothing about the human qualities that had made Kappa so special to so many women.

To the founding sister it was seeing the chapter's beginnings back in 1925. Originally, she had been a member of a local group, Phi Delta Pi, established in 1918, but on February 14, 1925, received the news that Kappa Kappa Gamma had accepted the petition of the local group. Phi Delta Pi had just concluded a most successful rushing season, and was entertaining the prospective pledges with a formal dinner at the Los Angeles Athletic Club. The president, Betty Park (Drake) announced, after all the toasts were over, that she had been given a wonderful valentine that afternoon from Kappa. Gamma Xi was installed as Kappa's newest chapter on May 8 by Georgia Hayden Lloyd-Jones, H-Wisconsin, then Fraternity director of provinces, and Pi Chapter, assisted by Beta Eta.

Gamma Xi became the first chapter in the history of the Fraternity to attend as hostess chapter its initial convention at Mills College in Oakland the summer of 1926.

The chapter's first major problem was finding adequate housing. In 1929, when UCLA moved to its present site, the fledgling sisters left the rented house on the original downtown campus. With the permanent location established for the university, the Kappas entered into a round of fund-raising projects, enlisted help from alumnae, and the Mothers Club to garner the necessary funds for a chapter house. With a loan from the Endowment Fund to supplement the money already raised, ground was broken in June of that year.

A Kappa alumna from those days remembers, "We were so fortunate to purchase perhaps the most ideal corner site on Sorority Row. It was decided that our beautiful new home would be Mediterranean in style to blend with the new UCLA buildings. What fun we had establishing and developing new traditions. Among the most enduring have been pledge presents, Dad's Dinner, and a breakfast to honor graduating sisters. We established a fine tradition of academic excellence. First on the Row."

"The mood of Gamma Xi changed as our men left for Europe and Asia in the 1940s," reflects another sister. "Our activities focused on the war effort. Along with the university, we revamped and accelerated our goals to adapt to war time conditions. Now, we emphasized our philanthropic aims. I remember that each member contributed in her own way—whether it was as chairman of a paper drive, or knitting, or packing Red Cross boxes. We blackened our windows, wrote 'V' letters and waited for the postman to bring us news of our men. The war seemed to foster even closer bonds of sisterhood."



ΓΞ chapter house 1968.



Chapter chosen to promote men's week on UCLA campus.

The Key, February, 1942, stated that Roxana Jackson, ΔΖ-Colorado College, United Services Organization director at Long Beach, had sent word that the members of Gamma Xi had been "very generous and cooperative with the USO of Los Angeles and nearby military posts . . . Reports regarding the Sunday afternoon activities which have come back to me from individuals who have attended these parties have been very glowing . . ."

Gamma Xi's Jean Bartel (Hogue) became "Miss America, 1943." *The Key* recorded: "The 1943 winner had to be the kind of girl the American servicemen think of as the ideal young woman, with talent, intelligence, poise, personality, as well as beauty." *PM* magazine reported that: ". . . she really does look like the average American mother's idea of a perfect daughter. She doesn't smoke or drink, of course . . . during her first year at UCLA she joined Kappa Kappa Gamma sorority and is very proud of golden key, fleur-de-lis, etc. In fact she is particularly eager not to do or say anything in her new role that would embarrass KKT." Miss Bartel sold two and one-half million dollars worth of war bonds on a tour of 33 key cities for the Third War Loan Drive that fall.

During what the historians called "the silent '50s," Gamma Xi was anything but quiet. A sister from those days ponders on their activities: "Our chapter was the most active ever/while I was at UCLA. We had good times! There was the annual Kappa-Fiji Formal, Kappa-Beta Formal, and each year we had two formal initiation dances. We continued a recent tradition of a University of Southern California and University of California at Los Angeles Kappa breakfast following the cross-town football game. We had fun helping our USC Kappa sisters with their newly founded chapter, ΔΤ. We were the busiest house on the Row. We were a house of boomers! Every school organization had at least one sister on its roster. We had the president of Red Cross Productions, editor of our school year book, Rally Committee chairman and so many more. We had the Homecoming Queen three years in a row, and we won first place in the Panhellenic Parade staged before the USC-UCLA football game. Those years reflected the Greek supremacy on campus."

An excerpt from *The Key*, October, 1953, states: "Highlighting the year are the bi-annual scholarship banquets. A diamond Key rewards the highest average; a silver ashtray, the greatest improvement; and silver spoons are presented to all those making a minimum C+ average and improving averages of a .3 grade raise."

A Kappa sister of the 1960s has a far different view of what Gamma Xi means. "I remember my four years at UCLA as ones of retrenchment and revaluation of traditional values."

The house reflected the world in miniature. Generally, there was little interest in the Greek on campus. "We never wore our keys to class. The Greek news section in the *Daily Bruin* withered and vanished."

Among the Kappas themselves, there was dissension. Rush meetings became mandatory. Those not attending the spring dance were fined five dollars. Dress standards were reviewed and changed, but not until many meetings were devoted to discussion.

A "no lock-out policy" was refused by the Mothers Club. Gradually, as the number of actives dwindled it became clear that the Gamma Xis must insist that all members live in. The Greeks were losing out to UCLA's new coed dorms and apartment living. Many Kappa sisters were distressed to see other sororities close their doors. One charter after another was revoked.

UCLA was spared some of the more violent forms of anti-Establishment activities. A more recent alumna reflects,

"Kappa has always shown an interest and concern for the welfare of others. It was through Kappa and Gamma Xi that I truly found a mode for service. I shall always be grateful to my Kappa training and proud to associate myself with Gamma Xi."

Fortunately, for this generation of Kappas, Gamma Xi traditions are alive and well. With a renewed interest in sororities, all the houses that weathered the lean years filled their quotas last rush. "We even had to have eight pledges room elsewhere. Unheard of!" the chapter president exclaimed.

The house still has the best location on Sorority Row. There are problems accommodating the members' cars and the beautiful house has been redecorated and modernized many times. In the almost fifty years that Gamma Xi has been at UCLA, the University has grown and prospered from a small enclave in the bean fields of Westwood Hills to a fine university. And with the university, Gamma Xi has prospered and grown, continuing its fine social, educational, and philanthropic traditions.

ΓΟ

Founded February 25, 1927
Initiates 977

Gamma Omicron

University of Wyoming
Laramie, Wyoming
Established 1886

Charter Members:

Bess Bell Burris, Frances Elise Hays, Lillian Helsberg Hubbard, Patricia Lynch Jensen, Marie Mathew, Margaret Matilda Moudy, Eileen Elizabeth O'Mara, Kathleen McLaughlin O'Mara, Patricia Molly O'Mara, Ruth Prout, Catherine Helen Shicora, Doris Villers Spencer, Oselia Louise Stendahl, Etta Winnona Weaver, Auril Carmen Williams.

The University of Wyoming, founded in 1886, four years before Wyoming was admitted to statehood, is unique in that it is the state's only four-year institution of higher learning. Wyoming was the first state to give women the vote, the first to have a woman governor, many of the university's first students were women, and Wyoming women and women students then and now have been outstanding leaders in their fields. On November 9, 1920, Gamma Zeta, a local group, was established on the campus with the hope from the beginning of becoming a Kappa chapter, living up to all Kappa standards, and observing Panhellenic regulations. A strong and active organization was developed, entering every phase of university life and twice winning the Panhellenic scholarship cup. A strong supporter was Anna Broady Haggard, Σ—Nebraska, member of the university's Board of Trustees. Patroness Frances Longan Arnold, Θ—Missouri, gave much support and interest. Kappa alumnae from Cheyenne, Wyoming, and Denver, Colorado, were much involved in spite of the great distances between them and Laramie.

In 1926 Georgia Hayden Lloyd-Jones, H—Wisconsin, then Fraternity director of provinces and chairman of extension, visited Gamma Zeta, liked what she saw, and that summer at convention a permission was given for a formal petition. The petition was favorably received and on February 25, 1927, Gamma Omicron Chapter was installed. Mrs. Lloyd-Jones, by then Fraternity president, was installing officer. Representatives from Beta Mu—Colorado, assisted. Members from Sigma-Nebraska, were also present. There was initiation of charter members and of Gamma Zeta alumnae who held degrees from the university. There was a formal banquet and a break-

fast given by the other women's fraternities in honor of Gamma Omicron.

In 1924 Gamma Zeta had purchased a house at 605 Grand Avenue in Laramie. The present house was built in 1940 to house 34 members - a few more could be squeezed in. In 1963 girls returning after summer vacation were greeted by a fine addition containing a much enlarged dining room and kitchen, large study and chapter room, three new bedrooms, bath and laundry room. The "old" part of the house had been redecorated and Gamma Omicron had the house on Fraternity Row.

In 1973-1974 Gamma Omicron was first in scholarship among the Greek houses, with the highest average ever recorded for an active chapter on the Wyoming campus. That year six out of 21 Mortar Board members were Kappas, there were two Phi Beta Kappas and three Phi Kappa Phis. Spring, 1974, saw 16 Gamma Omicrons as graduating seniors, the highest percentage of a pledge class to be graduated in the chapter's history.



House of ΓΟ and some grads of 1953 at 20 year reunion.

That same year Panhellenic had offered a new "All Greek House" Award, based on points for girls receiving honors, chosen as queens, for scholarship, leadership, service to community and university, and general campus participation. Gamma Omicron was proud to be the first to win this new award. Through the years many campus and chapter leaders have gone on to national recognition. Gamma Omicron has claimed three Miss Wyomings who have placed in the top ten in Miss America finals, and one runner-up. Karen Morris reigned as America's Junior Miss 1974-75. Margaret Simson (Curry) was a member of journalism honoraries while in school and wrote for and edited campus publications. She has been an instructor in creative writing at Casper College and has published articles, poetry, short stories, novels and children's books.

Just as the women of Wyoming were the first to vote, so were the Kappas of Gamma Omicron leaders in other matters. When the famous contralto Marian Anderson came to the university for a scheduled concert none of the local hotels would

give her lodging. The Kappas were proud to have her as their honored guest. Gamma Omicron was the first NPC chapter on campus to sponsor a foreign student. Elizabeth Scott, an exchange student from London, stayed at the house during 1950-51. Sally Shotgun, an Indian student, lived at the house 1957-58 and added much to the chapter although she was not a Kappa.

The World War II years were interesting for Gamma Omicron as well as sad. The large chapter became very close and family-like due to the lack of social life. In 1946 the Kappa spring dinner-dance was held for the first time in four years. Spring 1949 saw a 100 percent initiation of a pledge class—a first for Gamma Omicron.

Like so many other Greek groups, Gamma Omicron hit a low spot between 1965 and 1970. It was a hard fight to remain afloat, but with third generation Gamma Omicrons coming to a larger and better university, and outstanding Wyoming women becoming Kappas, the chapter will continue its leadership on the campus.

ΓΠ

Founded June 2, 1927
Initiates 1060

Gamma Pi

University of Alabama
Tuscaloosa, Alabama
Established 1831

Charter Members:

Margaret Cora Allman, Alberta Inge Austin, Mildred Gaston Beale, Dorothy Ellen Curtis, Alexina Anderson Demouy, Ruth Judson Elliott, Alice Adeline Gardiner, Katie Nell Holmes, Ninette Huffman, Margarita Lopez-Trelles, Estella Keith Masters, Edna Lee McDonald, Mary George Smith Robinson, Susye Katherine Wilkins.

On June 2-3, 1927, Gamma Pi chapter was installed at the University of Alabama, with a charter membership of 14 and 11 returned alumnae initiated the second day. Installing officers were Georgia Hayden Lloyd-Jones, H — Wisconsin, grand president; Virginia Rodefer Harris, Δ — Indiana, vice president; and Minnie Royce Walker, I — DePauw, president's deputy. Beta Omicron was installing chapter, and alumnae and actives from other chapters assisted.

A firmly organized local, Pi Alpha had, from its inception in June, 1922, the goal of Kappa affiliation. A lone faculty wife, Aline Pelphrey Christian, BΘ — Oklahoma, was a wise guide. With her help the Pi Alphas gained the interest of other Alabama Kappas. By 1926 this outstanding local, which had held the Panhellenic Scholarship Cup for three years, was allowed to petition formally. Among the first initiates of the chapter were eight members of Phi Beta Kappa, and for 15

uninterrupted years the Panhellenic cup was a chapter achievement.

Sponsoring the petition was Esther C. Freeman (Masters), Δ — Indiana. Her future mother-in-law, Estella Keith Masters, a law faculty wife, had become an active member of the petitioning group and had interested Esther in Pi Alpha. Estella Masters became a charter member of Gamma Pi, and later served as finance adviser and as house building chairman for over two decades. Other faculty wives gradually arrived on the campus and formed the nucleus of the Advisory Board. Jessie McCulloch Kaufman, BA — Pennsylvania, gave particular interest and inspiration. There were no Kappas among the townspeople at this period.

The capable and helpful Hazel Scott Mauck, Δ — Indiana, was first house director, in a quaint, temporary rented house on Caplewood Terrace. It had a precipitous stairway and a sloping attic ceiling which collapsed during the midnight solemnities of one initiation. Its basement rooms, known as "The Cavity," were accessible to both animal and human prowlers. These hazards must have influenced the visiting young executive secretary, Clara O. Pierce, BN — Ohio State, who decided that the chapter must have a house of its own. Later she admitted that she had been over-bold to launch a penniless chapter on a staggering building project.

A handsome white Colonial house was built with \$18,000 of borrowed money, and was semi-ready for fall, 1929. Some features had been economized on, and the president remarked that the columns needed fattening up on a cream diet.

Rushes that fall were entertained in tea rooms, but by Founders' Day a formal dedication and a reception were held,



ΓΠ sold war bonds, 1945, and the results are on blackboard!

followed by a tea dance during which the new floors were so badly marred that they required refinishing. At first 20 girls were accommodated; two more rooms were completed in 1937; and a new chapter room installed in 1941. Gamma Pi was first on campus to provide meals for all pledges and other girls unable to live in, and this continuing practice helped build chapter unity.

Mildred Gaston Beale, president of Pi Alpha as a sophomore, was the remarkable first president of Gamma Pi, and continued to hold office for four years, through her graduate year. To her strong leadership, perception, and charm, Gamma Pi owes much of its early and continuing strength.

Over 60 members of Phi Beta Kappa and an even larger number of Mortar Board members attest to the chapter's reputation for leadership and scholarship. During 1933-34, five of the nine presidents of campus leadership organizations, and the Honorary Cadet Colonel, were members of Gamma Pi.

Very early the chapter began to receive recognition at biennial conventions: Fraternity Scholarship Award, 1934; first recipient of the Minnie Royce Walker Scholarship Award, 1936, and again in 1944; twice recipient of the Clara O. Pierce Gracious Living Award; Georgia Hayden Lloyd-Jones Scholarship Improvement Award, 1958; Charlotte Barrell Ware Standards Award, 1968; Fraternity Appreciation Award, 1970. In 1937 one of the six newly established undergraduate scholarships came to Phebe Bibb (Thomas), and since then a number of members have held scholarship and fellowship awards.

Gamma Pi has been installing chapter for Delta Upsilon, Epsilon Eta, and Epsilon Nu. It has assisted at installation and rush at Delta Rho and at Epsilon Zeta. Annie Laurie Ragsdale (Parker) went to Georgia as graduate counselor and helped establish the chapter there, serving as first president. Mary Constance Schmid (Cobb), graduate counselor and field secretary, established the nucleus for Epsilon Epsilon at Emory, and Angelyn Sanders (Chandler), also a graduate counselor and field secretary, joined her the following year. Other Gamma Pi field secretaries have been Carolyn Carlisle Phelan and Margaret Hayes, former chapter president and daughter of a chapter president. (Her two sisters are also Gamma Pi).

Gamma Pi entertained at the Province Conventions of 1931, 1941, 1945, and 1947. The House Corporation was set up during a visit of Rheva Ott Shryock, BA—Pennsylvania, grand president, in 1937. The Tuscaloosa Alumnae Club was formally chartered during the 1941 Province Convention. Gamma Pi members have been active officers in alumnae groups from Philadelphia to Dallas, and from Pasadena to Miami.

Gamma Pi has maintained a strong Panhellenic spirit, lending its house to other groups for such occasions as installations and rush parties. All campus pledges are entertained at an annual Halloween party. Since 1929 there have been Christmas parties for underprivileged children. Most recently patients from a local institution for mentally disturbed and retarded children have been entertained as a cooperative fraternity venture.

The Gamma Pi pre-Christmas faculty reception was for many years one of the most heralded social events of the city. During years just past the chapter has entertained alumnae and their children at a holiday party. Advisers enjoy many chapter courtesies. This has preserved and developed active-alumnae relationships. For many years parents have come from afar for the famous parents weekend, scheduled often to coincide with a special sports event or following Sigma Chi derby.



Holding letter of congratulations on mortgage burning are Mrs. Van Brown, house corporation treasurer, and Dr. Miriam Locke, house corporation chairman.

During World War II there was USO entertaining and the visiting of wounded servicemen, there were nurses aide courses, blood drives, house dances for service personnel enrolled on the campus. In 1945, Gamma Pi won a war bond drive by selling \$23,000 of the \$60,000 in bonds sold by the entire student body. During this same period scholarship was above a 2 point or B, bringing commendation from officials of the university and Fraternity.

As the university expanded and the enrollment of women increased, the old houses became inadequate and an impressive building program emerged in the 1950s. After long planning, saving, and effort, Gamma Pi moved into a new red brick Colonial style house during the icy January of 1963. Delays, disappointments and unexpected expenses had tried the wits and patience of the Housing Committee. Only Fraternity encouragement and the visits of the Kappa official architects, Herbert and Frances Sutton Schmitz, BA—Michigan, enabled the local committee to realize its plans.

The chapter had moved out of the old house the morning after fall pledging in 1961, and for a year and a half 20 members occupied a rented university-owned house with inadequate facilities, peeling wallpaper, and leaky pipes. The entire chapter trudged a long distance to take meals together under conditions defying all rules for "gracious living." Meals were served buffet style and trays were carried to empty spots. Pre-school rush in Alabama's September heat in the Presbyterian Center next door did not daunt the good spirits or the ingenuity of the chapter, and the rush season was unexpectedly successful—two pledges above the quota because of a Panhellenic computer error.

Never was there such enthusiasm and such cooperation as in this rush of 1962. Hiring a bus to carry the rushees was later imitated by other groups. Never were there happier girls than those who returned after Christmas to a beautiful new house—and never was there a wearier Housing Committee.

Formal dedication was October 15, 1963, with Clara Pierce, Catherine Kelder Walz, BA—Michigan, and Frances Schmitz present. In the fall of 1973, the last payment was made on the loan, and Gamma Pi burned the mortgage while receiving commendation from university officials for being the first group to remove indebtedness on a new house.

Another major event of fall, 1973, was the Cancer Run-a-thon with Kappa Alpha Fraternity in competition with Epsilon Eta Kappas and Delta Chi Fraternity at Auburn. Together the groups raised over \$25,000.

Gamma Pi's Miriam Austin Locke has accumulated many stars for Kappa good behavior. Besides being Mu Province president from 1940-43, she has been national Panhellenic alternate, 1947-51; national Panhellenic delegate 1951-54;

Fraternity Fellowships chairman since 1954; recipient of the Loyalty Award, 1974. In 1965, a faculty reception was given in Miriam Locke's honor, and a large silver tray was presented to her. It was announced at convention in 1968 that a \$500 graduate fellowship in her name would be given by Gamma Pi members from all over Alabama. Then at the Centennial Founders' Day celebration at Gamma Pi, the chapter unveiled a life-size head

and shoulder portrait of her to hang in the chapter living room. She had been chairman of the Building Committee for the chapter house which was occupied in 1963.

Gamma Pi looks back on a past full of intriguing and often inspiring memories, and looks forward to its golden anniversary in 1977.

ΓΣ

Founded June 25, 1928
Initiates 517

Gamma Sigma

University of Manitoba
Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada
Established 1877

Charter Members:

Genevieve Lorraine Corrigan, Frances Louise Dingle, Eleanor Marjoribanks Fletcher, Olyve Mae Hogan, Helen Agnes Laing, Georgina Young Macdonald, Ruth Sylista Mackenzie, Muriel Frances McLean, Genevieve Metcalfe, Edith Anne Pitblado, Enid Roberta Russell.

Gamma Sigma had its beginnings as a local sorority, Lambda Theta, organized on June 4, 1925, at the University of Manitoba in Winnipeg. It was not until April, 1928, that Lambda Theta was received into the international sisterhood of Kappa Kappa Gamma. The long awaited acceptance was worded: "Lambda Theta's petition has been granted and Kappa Kappa Gamma will be happy to welcome you as its newest chapter." Eleven young women were installed as charter members in June, 1928, and since that time Gamma Sigma has touched the hearts of hundreds of members.

The University of Manitoba is the largest of the three Provincial universities. It was the first university to be established in Western Canada and from its founding has added seven colleges to its corporate and associate body. The University of Winnipeg was an associate college until 1967, at which time it was granted its own university status. These two universities offer 24 degree conferring programs to its 20,000 students. Gamma Sigma draws its membership from these two universities.

Since Gamma Sigma's founding, it has been felt that fraternity life has advantages which no other form of club or association can offer. The chapter's primary purpose has been focused on the promotion of good fellowship, the growth of each individual member, and better scholastic standing.

Fraternity life has grown significantly on the campus since Gamma Sigma's installation. There were four national sororities in 1928, with a total membership of 78. Today, there are seven national sororities with a membership approaching 200, as well as 12 fraternities. At the time Kappa granted Gamma Sigma's charter, there were four international sororities on campus, which necessitated a change from the Inter-Sorority Council to the Panhellenic Council. This has continued ever since, with representation today from Alpha Delta Pi, Alpha Gamma Delta, Alpha Phi, Gamma Phi Beta, Pi Beta Phi, and Zeta Tau Alpha, in addition to Kappa Kappa Gamma.

Panhellenic sponsors many activities on campus. In the early fall there is the traditional "Panhellenic Formal," the culmination of the hectic rush weeks. Other annual Panhellenic events include philanthropic fund-raising activities, inter-sorority athletic events, and the Scholarship and Awards Banquet.

A new organization known as the Greek Council was formed in 1972, developing from the recognition that fraternity life could be stronger if sororities and fraternities worked together. So far, this has been tremendously successful in promoting inter-Greek relations, and in making prospective and present students aware of the opportunities for campus involvement.

Gamma Sigma remains unhoused today, as sororities here have never attained the size or strength to warrant houses. As a result, the chapter has had a transient look, with meetings over the years in chapter rooms, university facilities, in a rented Panhellenic House, in the homes of parents and alumnae, and lately in an apartment. This has been far from ideal in regards to maintaining chapter records and possessions, but demonstrates the patience and spirit of each member of Gamma Sigma Chapter.

Philanthropic work began in 1929 when the chapter started occupational therapy at the Children's Hospital. This interest grew and later made possible the endowment of a Kappa Kappa Gamma Ward at the Children's Hospital. Two memorial scholarships, presented to a local high school graduate and a university student, were soon added to the growing list of endeavours by the efforts of alumnae and the Mothers Club. Gamma Sigma Chapter and Alpha Phi Sorority donated a trophy in 1959, which has been used to encourage participation in the university's annual Red Cross Blood Drive. Recently, Gamma Sigma has been able to sponsor a foster child, a young girl in South America.



20th anniversary with six charter members present at Founders' Day 1948.



IΣ and their "Foster Boys"

Although there are no scholastic honorary fraternities in Canadian universities, recognition for excellence in scholarship is given by individual faculties, Panhellenic, and the chapter. The best known of university awards is the Dean's Honor List, on which those in the top five percent of their year are placed. Individual faculty and private scholarships are also awarded, and hardly a year has gone by when one of the Kappa actives has not been so honored. In an effort to promote chapter scholarship, a statue of "Hortense," later

renamed "Minerva," was purchased. Every year Kappa challenges Pi Beta Phi for that statue.

An annual retreat began in 1929, which has managed to weather itself through the chapter's 45 years on campus.

One of the high points of 1937 was the house party with the Fargo, North Dakota, chapter, Gamma Tau, at Detroit Lakes.

The World War II years saw the dawn of the Snow Ball, a charity dance, with its catchy slogan, "Help Kappas Help Kinsmen Help Kiddies."

At the Fraternity Convention in 1950, the chapter won a scroll for standards. Since there are very few awards given, this was considered a great honor.

Gamma Sigma's 1953 fund-raising events were so successful that four scholarships were presented to high school students.

On the lighter side, Kappas in Winnipeg, with the help of the Phi Delta Theta Fraternity, won the university's Snow Sculpturing Contest in 1959.

Kappa and Alpha Gamma Delta held the first Grey Cup party in 1965. The Grey Cup is received by the champions of the Canadian Football League. This is now an annual event.

Gamma Sigma was featured in *The Key* in 1972, with a description of the philanthropic work the actives were doing with foster children living in group homes.



Founded May 3, 1929
Initiates 802

Gamma Tau

North Dakota State University
Formerly North Dakota State College of
Agriculture and Mechanic Arts
Fargo, North Dakota
Established 1890

Charter Members:

Camille Alfred, Dorothea Anderson, Alta B. Berg, Adda Evelyn Blakeslee, Ruth Boerth, Genevieve Boise, Mary Alice Boyle, Betty Farnham, Ruth Marion Frost, Gwendolyn Raxanna Margarite Gregg, Charlotte Nancy Howland, Ethel Rose McEssy, Miriam Morrow, Mary Ellen Parker, Alice Putney, Margaret Virginia Richardson, Frances Lucille Ross, Elsa Marie Simmons, Ruby Irene Steedsman, Jane Sudro, Margaret Marie Zimmerman.

Delta Phi Beta, a local sorority, began in the winter of 1908. It had, says the 1911 *Agassiz*, a college publication, "a desperate struggle for existence . . . As hammering tempers steel and gives it strength and a clear ring, so petty persecution welded the sorority into a unit and made its members into a body of staunch friends who are loyal to one another; to help and protect, to encourage and aid others as true sisters in developing every noble and really womanly virtue."

"They have," added the *Agassiz*, "passwords, signs, and grips, also a signal of distress which may be given when they are short a carfare, a lesson, or a fellow. The rest is secret. The colors are black and white, the flower, the white rose, which so beautifully represents the emblem of purity."

On May 3, 1929, Delta Phi Beta became Gamma Tau Chapter of Kappa Kappa Gamma. Nine Kappa alumnae living in Fargo called the attention of the Fraternity to the respected 23-year-old local, the oldest on the North Dakota State campus. Installation was decided upon. Fraternity President Georgia Hayden Lloyd-Jones, H—Wisconsin, and Fraternity Vice President Alice Tillotson Barney, X—Minnesota, were the installing officers, and members of Chi—Minnesota, came to Fargo for the installation. Dr. John Lee Coulter, president of the college, gave the ball which helped to celebrate the event.

Many alumnae members of Delta Phi Beta were made Kappas in two special initiations held in 1929 and 1930. In many cases these were daughters of Dakota pioneers. That pioneering spirit, they felt, had helped them in their efforts in petitioning Kappa.

Included in this number were such women as Esther Calkins, whose great grandfather was Lord Brassington of Manchester, England, and whose father was one of the oldest automobile dealers in the state of North Dakota; Myrtle Adams, a direct descendent of John Quincy Adams; Louise Rusch Hale, daughter of Harry Rusch, outstanding pioneer financier and legislator; Bertha Everhart Sterling, whose father established a Fargo candy business in the early days; and Iva McCracken Fillebroun, whose parents pioneered in North Dakota's religious development. The Reverend Mr. McCracken was superintendent of the Associated Charities and established the Glad Tidings Mission on Front Street.

Another daughter of pioneers was Hedvig Sand Leifson, whose parents came from Norway. Her father, a prominent surgeon, founded the Fargo Clinic, and her mother was a descendent of St. Olaf.

Outstanding in the list of loyal Kappa alumnae who helped so much in advancing the cause of Delta Phi Beta was Mary H. Darrow Weible, H—Wisconsin, who died March 4, 1965, five



Pearl Dinan, Matilda Thompson, and Mary Darrow Weible; all have buildings named after them (all are I'T).

years after receiving the university's Outstanding Achievement Award. She devoted a lifetime of service to the Fargo community and to the state. Weible Hall, on the Fargo campus, is named for her, and her portrait hangs in this building. Dean Alba Bales of the School of Home Economics, an honorary member of Delta Phi Beta, whose encouragement was appreciated by the aspiring chapter, later became manager of the Kappa Hearthstone.

Gamma Tau history really begins with the name of Pearl Dinan, another Delta Phi Beta honorary member, dean of women at the then North Dakota Agricultural College. For thirty years she inspired not only Kappas, but all other women students, with her friendliness, fairness, and dedication to her role. Pearl served as a member of the Fraternity Fellowship Committee and then as chairman of the Foreign Fellowship Committee. She was honored by the college and the people of North Dakota when a women's dormitory, Dinan Hall, was named for her. Because of Pearl, chapter archives are in excellent order. Her maintained interest in Kappa has been a source of inspiration to actives and alumnae.

Mathilda Thompson has been the chapter's most active member nationally. She has been chairman of the Graduate Scholarship Committee and was from 1941-1947 an Epsilon province director. In this capacity she was responsible for installing alumnae chapters in St. Paul and Rochester, Minnesota. Mathilda Thompson, as an outstanding professor of

mathematics, gave many a Fargo area businessman the mathematics background necessary for success. After retirement as a teacher, "Til" became dean of women and in 1969 a beautiful high rise dormitory was dedicated as Thompson Hall.

Gamma Tau's chapter role includes such names as:

—Jean Mason Guy, North Dakota's first lady between 1960 and 1972. A gracious hostess and ambassador for our state, she was a source of pride to all Kappas.

—Delores Shanks Gunkelman, Fargo's Woman of the Year, 1962. Her numerous community activities included the presidency of the state PTA. Three of her daughters have been Gamma Tau Kappas and she is unstinting in Kappa service.

—Ruth Barrett Dunn, recipient of an North Dakota State Achievement Award in 1965. She has designed hundreds of stained glass windows, was San Antonio's 1957 local artist of the year, has exhibited her paintings, and is a textile designer and designer of murals in public buildings in the southwest.

—Florence Dinwoodie Bjornson, member of the West Fargo Board of Education and the Alumnae Board, of North Dakota State University.

—Mary Willming Andrews, wife of the North Dakota congressman, president of the 88th Congressional Wives.

Gamma Tau Chapter was first housed in one big room in the basement of the YWCA-YMCA building. From 1943-1955 a two-story duplex across from the library became home. In 1955 a beautiful brick lodge was built. With future housing in mind a lot was purchased in 1969, but because of climbing building costs it was decided to sell to the university and keep the lodge. Improvements to the kitchen and remodeling the back have given the chapter adequate dining and living space.

Gamma Tau chapter has been active in every organization on the campus, and each year finds Kappas as queens, *Who's Who* candidates, and members of Mortar Board and other honoraries. An annual event is a party entertaining children from the Opportunity School for the Handicapped. For the last 20 years the outstanding style show of the community has been presented by Kappa. Proceeds provide an annual scholarship for a North Dakota State woman showing high scholarship, leadership and need.

The zeal of the Kappa Alumnae Association at Fargo-Moorhead speaks well for the type of Kappas developed at North Dakota State University; a great university, world renowned for plant breeding and paint chemistry, grown in size and prestige in these 85 years since its beginnings as a small prairie college.

ΓΥ

Founded May 11, 1929
Initiates 630

Gamma Upsilon

University of British Columbia
Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada
Established 1912

Charter Members:

Doris Isabel Crompton, Isobel Gertrude Douglass, Jean Margaret Dowler, Hilary Rowena Bainbridge Helliwell, Elizabeth Deinstadt Killam, Cecilia Millicent Maria Agnes Garesche Lauder, Mary Kathleen Lyle Mathers, Louise Dorothy McDonald, Dorothy Craig McKay, Katherine Hay Farris Robson, Kathleen Purvis Solloway, Helen Margaret C. Sutherland, Mary Hamilton Watts, Alice Margaret Geddes White.

"We, at the University of British Columbia, are proud and happy to be part of Kappa Kappa Gamma Fraternity. We are

not so well known as some of the American chapters, but we have been going strong since 1929." So writes the research historian for Gamma Upsilon Chapter.

The University of British Columbia had opened in September, 1915, "cradled in wartime," with few buildings and very little equipment. The relationship of the faculty and students contributed in no small measure to the development of the university on the edge of the Empire in Vancouver, Canada. The faculty helped formulate student policies and stood loyally by student government through all its vicissitudes.

The part which seven women students had in the evolution of student government led, through this by-path, to the founding of Delta Phi, a local sorority, in the spring of 1919. Its purpose was "to bind together in friendship, a group of graduates and undergraduates of the university in a closer way than may be accomplished in the alumni association."

The year following the founding of Delta Phi two more sororities appeared on the campus. Two years later, at the call of the Delta Phi president, representatives of the three sororities organized the Inter-Sorority Board. This step led to official recognition of sororities by Student Council, and later by the University Senate. From that time on more groups appeared and became increasingly interested in linking themselves with international fraternities and sororities. A summary of Delta Phi meetings for a number of years might have been, "To be or not to be, that is the question."

The year 1925 was an important one in the history of the university. It was then that the big switch-over was made to the permanent site at Point Grey.

Delta Phi became Gamma Upsilon of Kappa Kappa Gamma May 11, 1929, after the long debate over the question of affiliation had ended. The chapter was installed by Georgia Hayden Lloyd-Jones, H—Wisconsin, and Beta Pi Chapter, University of Washington. Actives and alumnae were initiated together in an impressive ceremony.

Gamma Upsilon, following the tradition established by the local sorority, continued to take a leading role in university life, as well as carrying on projects away from the campus.

During World War II the girls took part in money-raising events for the Canadian Red Cross. Mary Frances Trumbull (Tuck), Panhellenic president, was "convenor," or chairman, of the 1945 Red Cross Ball, which netted \$4000. Members of Gamma Upsilon made up 20 percent of the university's Red Cross Corps. They also paid regular visits to military hospitals and provided Christmas gifts and music for pensioners in an old people's home.

One of these wartime members was Audrey Reifel, who demonstrated outstanding leadership and gave unselfishly to Gamma Upsilon until her sudden death. In 1950, the chapter established the Reifel Award, to be presented to an active making outstanding contributions to the well-being of the chapter. The Reifel family generously donated to the chapter three paintings by two of Canada's foremost artists, in memory of their daughter.

The Kappas have always been involved in many activities. Helen Hope Leeming (Salmond) and Marjorie Hope Leeming were championship tennis players in the 1930s. Sue Rich (Jameson) received one of the most prestigious University of British Columbia athletic awards two consecutive years.

Although a woman becoming a minister is not unusual today, the chapter is especially proud of The Reverend Elseth Alley, one of the best known ministers in Vancouver. She brought up three children before she entered this profession.

Katherine Avis Pumphrey is a social worker, winner of 1964 Kappa Achievement Award, and a 50 year pin holder.



Pledge Party 1935.

Until 1952, except for a brief period in the late 1920s when an unsuccessful attempt was made to maintain a house, the Kappas on the University of British Columbia campus had been meeting in private homes. In that year, however, a cooperative effort on the part of nine sororities and their alumnae built a Panhellenic house, which continues today as the campus center for the women's fraternities.

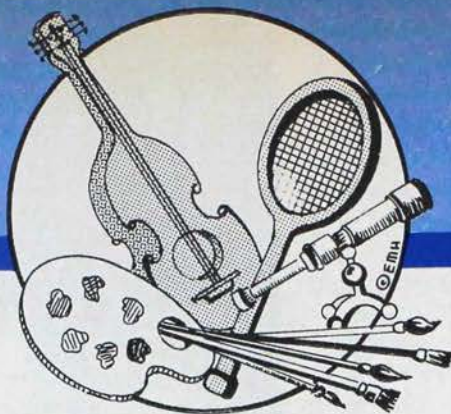
Among the most popular campus activities are Mardi Gras and Songfest. Mardi Gras formerly combined carnival, pep meets and raffle. It generated wide excitement and involvement. Ending three gala days was a costume ball with a floor show. Today Mardi Gras is a campus game night, and all proceeds, up to \$10,000 a year, are given to charity. Songfest seems to grow every year, with sororities and fraternities competing in song and dance for the prized Songfest Cup. Although Kappas have not been successful at winning this cup, we have great fun presenting our show. Maybe *this* year. . .!



Homecoming float salutes UBC 50th birthday, 1959.
Fraternity exchange party.



Chapter 1954.



Hads and Hares



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7. Kappas come in all sizes and shapes
8. Front view shows, "Friendship . . . just the perfect blendship"
9. 1960 & 1961 Miss Montanas were both Kappas of BΦ

1. BH of 1906
2. ΔΔ Officers—Fleur-de-lis gr
3. "The Capital Kappas" of ΓΧ
4. All 1st place trophies be members
5. Clare Canham, BΔ-Michi leader & chapter president
6. First New Mexico women two ΓBs





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• we believe in the worth of, unity in diversity, and development of uniqueness •

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1. Chandler Roosevelt, BM 1957
2. Helen Kirk, BΨ, 1918
3. Front-porch-sitting is timeless!
4. Rita Payne, ΔΠ, 1961 All A Majorette
5. Ω Stairway Serenade 1948
6. EB-Colorado State Kappa Pickers
7. Phoebe Holmes, ΓK, variety show
8. BΘ's installing chapter congressional ΔΣ's
9. Nan Boyer (foreground) BM



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10. ΓΩ Kappa Krooners (madras blouses 1964)
11. Clown, Tina Farmatino, ΓE president 1974
12. "Styles" of friendship!
13. Marcee Merrill, BZ, at bat 1965
14. ΓZ's tennis champs 1956

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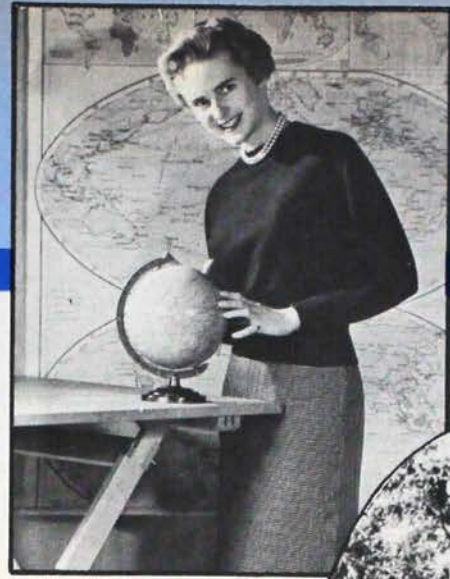


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Gamma Phi

Founded May 17, 1929
Initiates 1338

Southern Methodist University
Dallas, Texas
Established 1911

Charter Members:

Janet Andrews, Allie Angell, Nancy Ann Baker, Julia Bernice Ballard, Will Anne Ballard, Jane Etheridge, Martha Virginia Harrell, Virginia Haynie, Mildred Rancamp Iford, Joel Estes Lichte, Arlane Parker, Julia DeRoosette Presnall, Lo Rene Taliaferro, Louise Alice Williams, Alice Dolling Wrather.

Gamma Phi Chapter began October 15, 1928, on the campus of Southern Methodist University in Dallas, Texas, when a group of three colonizers and 24 pledges became the local group, Gamma Kappa. The Dallas Alumnae Association was firmly behind the colony, and a number of its members assumed advisory board responsibilities.

Kappa Grand President Georgia Hayden Lloyd-Jones, H—Wisconsin, visited in January, 1929, and gave her approval. On April 15, word came from Clara O. Pierce, BN—Ohio State, "Charter granted, SMU. Congratulations."

Gamma Phi was installed May 17, 1929, by Clara Pierce, BN—Ohio State, assisted by Beta Xi, University of Texas, and the Dallas alumnae.

Southern Methodist University, which was opened to students in September, 1915, had been established by charter in April, 1911, under the auspices of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South.

At the time of the installation of the Kappa chapter there were 1,371 men students, 1,121 women students, and 152 faculty members. Thirteen fraternities had already been installed. The 11 buildings of 1929 had become 80 by 1973, and there were 8,000 students and 500 faculty.

The first 33 years of Gamma Phi were notable for student activities, honoraries, "overwhelmingly successful parties," and sweethearts and queens.

Ruth Pollock (McCloud) was Southern Methodist University Sweetheart at the 1933 Texas Roundup, and the chapter won athletic trophies in basketball, baseball, and swimming and diving. In 1937 Florence Allen (Roseborough) collaborated on the script for the Southern Methodist University Pontiac Varsity Show coast-to-coast broadcast. Anna Ruth Baker (McCall) was named one of the five "most exotic girls on campus" in an all-school election in 1939, and the chapter float in the Homecoming Parade was named "most beautiful." Peggy Wallace (Reinke) received an "M" Award during the 1940-41 school year for being the co-founder of COGS. (College Organi-

zation for General Service), a group that claimed more significance and interest than any other on campus. The chapter sponsored informal parties for cadets at Hensley Field in Dallas, in keeping with wartime activities.

During the decade of the 1940s, every outstanding organization at Southern Methodist seemed to have been headed by Kappas: Kirkos; COGS; YWCA; Zeta Phi Eta; the *Rotunda* (yearbook); and officers of the Freshman, Sophomore, Junior and Senior Classes. Jo Neal (Cleaver), chapter president and Mortar Board member, was chosen a *Rotunda* beauty by Cecil B. DeMille. Eleanor Maclay was one of the seven original members of the Southern Methodist chapter of Phi Beta Kappa.

Gamma Phi was second highest on the campus in scholarship in 1950-51, but the most important event was the groundbreaking for a chapter house. Sororities had at last been given permission to erect houses, and all eleven built simultaneously in the university's Georgian-style architecture. In December, the chapter was spotlighted in *The Key*.

The year 1951-52 was the first in the new house, and the chapter achieved first in scholarship. The following year Gamma Phi was the installing chapter of Delta Psi, Texas Tech University, at Lubbock, and in 1954-55 members fostered the formation of Epsilon Alpha at Texas Christian University in



Fort Worth. Members of Kappa and Sigma Alpha Epsilon were featured in a color picture on the fraternity-sorority title page of the yearbook. In 1958, the chapter won the Charlotte Barrell Ware Standard Cup at convention, and again was first in scholarship.

The years between 1962 and 1973 saw a re-examination of Greek life, and the future of the system looked rather grim. However, Gamma Phi members continued to achieve high scholarship, show interest in campus life and the community, and concern for each other. The chapter won the Standards Award again in 1970.

Gamma Phi has enjoyed a very friendly relationship with Dallas alumnae, who have always generously supported the active chapter with time and money.



Twelve of fourteen charter members.

Well-known Gamma Phi alumnae include: charter member Joel Estes Lichte Tate, wife of the chancellor of Southern Methodist University; Louise Little Barbeck, Kappa Fraternity

president 1968-72; Gail Griffin Thomas, dean of the University of Dallas; and Mary Ellen Mitchell Jericho, voted the outstanding Kappa in the area at the Fraternity's Centennial year Founders Day banquet in Dallas.

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Founded June 7, 1929
Initiates 725

Gamma Chi

George Washington University
Washington, D. C.
Established 1821

Charter Members:

Myrtle Vines Crouch, Naomi Crumley, Winifred M. Faunce, Alice Archer Graham, Jean van Loan Jackson, Merla Glenn Mathews, Charlotte Frances Louise Murphy, Sally McCormick Osborn, Margaret Elizabeth Selvig, Roberta Shewmaker, Mary Thornton Sproul, Caroline Dodge Willcox.

Gamma Chi at the George Washington University and Gamma Psi at the University of Maryland have the distinction of being the only two chapters of Kappa installed at the same time, June 7, 1929; and in the same place, the College Park house of the Maryland local, Sigma Delta. They were known as "The Heavenly Twins."

The George Washington University, chartered as The Columbian College of the District of Columbia in 1821 by the Congress, was a Baptist college for its first 75 years. In 1873 the name was changed to Columbian University. In 1904, by Act of Congress, it was removed from denominational control, placed under a self-perpetuating Board of Trustees, and called The George Washington University. It is the only university in the United States whose charter is signed by a United States President (James Monroe). President Monroe attended the first Commencement, along with several cabinet members and the Marquis de Lafayette.

The university plays an unusual role in the city's educational system since, from early years, its night classes have given daytime employees opportunities for professional advancement. Because of the university's location, national and international events are significant to its students who are offered the greatest resource material available in the United States. It is not surprising that many students work in this matrix of governmental institutions while attending school.

The campus is Washington, D.C. The university does not have rolling hills and playing fields, but academic buildings amid town houses. Women's groups usually have suites of rooms in university buildings. Gamma Chi has had four, starting with the one rented in 1922 by Gamma Beta Pi, the local sorority which later became a Kappa chapter. During the 1960s the groups were moved to "Sorority Hall" on F Street, the present location.

On March 6, 1920, six girls, feeling that four women's fraternities on the campus did not adequately provide for the increasing number of women students, established a local organization called the Coalition Club and immediately wrote Kappa Kappa Gamma asking to be put on record as a petitioning group. Within a few months the name was changed to Gamma Beta Pi, in order to conform to Panhellenic rules.

Real interest was not shown until the 1923 formation of the Kappa Washington D.C. Alumnae Association, and the first formal request to petition was presented to the Extension Committee in 1926. At that time the group was neither discouraged nor given permission to petition, and it was only after the 1928

Convention that Gamma Beta Pi was to be allowed to petition formally. In April, 1929, it was learned that the local would become a new Kappa chapter. The winter of uncertainty was over and ended in a night of celebration with congratulations from the university president, other fraternal groups, and the student body.

One week before installation the chapter's vice president, a young public school teacher, was drowned, but her name, Merla Glenn Mathews, is on the charter as a founding member. In her honor her mother presented the new chapter with a hand illuminated and lettered *Book of Rituals*, a highly prized possession, always used for chapter ceremonies.

On June 7 and 8, 1929, Florence Tomlinson (Myers, Wallace), ΓΘ—Drake, and May Whiting Westermann, Σ—Nebraska, installed the two new chapters. Beta Iota sponsored Gamma Chi, actives from Beta Alpha and Gamma Kappa took part, and the Washington alumnae assisted. Over 200 attended the banquet at the historic Willard Hotel and heard the address of the Fraternity president, Georgia Hayden Lloyd-Jones, H—Wisconsin.

During its nine years as a local, Gamma Beta Pi had successfully rushed against the national groups on the campus, developing inwardly and gaining strength. The group was outstanding in athletics, publications, and dramatics, and the scholarship cup was almost a fixture in the Gamma Beta Pi rooms.

The chapter has recorded many "firsts" during its 45 years. It claimed the first woman president of a graduating class, first recipient of a Ph.D. in psychology, and the first woman editor of the student paper, the *Hatchet*. The first year there were



1957 cheerleaders, five out of nine were ΓΧs.



Actives are proud of their 1962 trophies.

(R) Mary Freeman Kelly—swimmer, coach, and achievement award winner.

women cheerleaders, three were Kappas. In the early 1970s a Kappa became the first Panhellenic woman to serve on the university Board of Trustees. Since the chartering of Phi Beta Kappa and Mortar Board at George Washington, scarcely a year has gone by without at least one Kappa being elected. The earlier organizations, Sphinx and Hour Glass, honored many members of Gamma Beta Pi and Kappa.

The Washington, D.C.-Suburban Maryland Alumnae Association and the Northern Virginia Alumnae Association are keenly interested in the Capital Kappas' activities, and supply Advisory and House Board members. Joint meetings, especially on Founders' Day, gifts, food for rush, supportive activities, even actual financial help, have made the word "alumna" synonymous with "friend" in Gamma Chi vocabulary. Advisory board relationships have always been strong, and generally warm and close.

As the 1960s opened, the university had a strong Greek system. As late as the fall of 1967 it was a privilege, an honor, and fun to be a Greek at George Washington. It remained a privilege and an honor to be a Kappa, but as national and international events threw Washington into turmoil it became less and less fun. The seeds of protest and change had been germinated. A President, a presidential candidate, and a civil rights leader had been assassinated. Washington led the nation in the rise of delinquency and the use of narcotics. The "group" approach and the Establishment were challenged. The Civil Rights Movement exploded into violence when Martin Luther King, Jr. was slain in the spring of 1968. The Peace Movement against U.S. military intervention in southeast Asia became another revolution of protest. Confrontation took place in the

streets, in organizations, and on campuses.

How did this affect Greek life at the George Washington University? On January 5, 1968, the student newspaper began to interview sorority women to determine their views on "chapter discrimination and related policies." In April, pre-school rush was vetoed by the administration as interfering with university orientation. (It is more likely that the university did not want to appear to be favoring Greek activities.) By late spring the Black Students Union called for a Human Relations Act to guarantee that "no group or organization, recognized by the university, discriminate on the grounds of race, religion, or national origin through its policies or in fact." By the fall of 1968, one-third of the Greek organizations (one-half of the women's organizations) had left campus, either because they could not comply or because they felt the atmosphere was stifling. Gamma Chi's chapter president, Stephanie Stewart (Hillebrand), provided a bridge of understanding and negotiation and maintained a note of conciliation and civility in an extremely hostile and frenetic atmosphere.

In the winter of 1970 a Panhellenic meeting was called so that the seven remaining groups could determine a course: to stay, or to recommend general withdrawal. The then Gamma Chi president, Carol ("Cookie") Snow (Kroboth), was the next to last speaker. The entire tenor had been, "It's no use . . . we don't have fun or even like each other . . . what are we here for? . . . Greeks are no longer wanted on campus." "Cookie," with a few careful words, brought the entire meeting to a reappraisal. She declared in part, "Something must be wrong with Kappa. We love our pledges, we love each other and our alums. We are staying. When you have left we shall be here. We'll welcome you back, and we'll be the oldest and only continuous chapter on campus." Six of the seven decided to remain. By the fall, however, only three groups were left: Kappa, Delta Gamma, and Kappa Alpha Theta.

Throughout this trying period there was inestimable support from the Fraternity and Headquarters as well as the chapter's Advisory Board. The next three years were hard but Gamma Chi weathered the storm. Rush numbers dropped from 300 to under 30. Chapter size dwindled from 45 to as low as eight. Gamma Chi's council is the chapter; Gamma Chi's committee operations are chapter meetings. Each member doubles or triples in her offices.

And today Gamma Chi remains a chapter mighty in spirit.

ΓΨ

Founded June 7, 1929
Initiates 962

Gamma Psi

University of Maryland
College Park, Maryland
Established 1807

Charter Members:

Katharine Reeme Appleman, Catherine Douglas Barnsley, Eleanor Natalie Baumel, Mena Rubina Edmonds, Reba Virginia Ensor, Sarah Virginia Fooks, Eleanor Parker Freeny, Dorathea Sophia Freseman, Emily Catherine Herzog, Roberta Dyer Howard, Margaret Karr, Ann Rasin Matthews, Florence Clarissa McLeod, Margaret Meigs, Alice Curry Nourse, Geraldine Parry, Anna Loleta Price, Catherine Audrey Ryon, Elsie Elizabeth Ryon, Lois Christine Simmonds, Virginia Miller Sturgis, Isabel Matilda Symons, Louise Scarborough Townsend, Margaret Wisner.

Sigma Delta, the Greek letters of Kappa's pledge pin, that was the name and Kappa Kappa Gamma was the goal of a group of nine Maryland college women who, on February 20, 1920, formed this first women's organization on the College Park

campus. These pioneers wrote the constitution, bylaws, and ritual used throughout Sigma Delta's existence. That same year by an act of the state legislature, the University of Maryland in Baltimore was merged with the Maryland State College of Agriculture in College Park, as the University of Maryland.

Sigma Delta, with the aid of Marie Mount, Δ—Indiana, then serving as dean of the College of Home Economics, and the faculty wives as patronesses, accomplished much during the next few years. A financial coup showed remarkable foresight: Dr. H. J. Patterson, dean of the College of Agriculture and Sigma Delta's finance adviser, suggested that each girl take out a life insurance policy and immediately borrow on it. With this money a large lot on College Avenue was purchased. (That land is now the center and choice spot of Sorority Row). On July 8, 1926, ground was broken and the house was moved into that December. It was the first house to be built by a women's fraternity at the university. Furniture from Montgomery Ward was bought with the little money remaining, and the first meal was prepared by a cook who was to remain with the chapter for almost 40 years.

The women of Sigma Delta were outstanding. For the first six years the Women's Citizenship Award, offered at commencement to "the woman member of the senior class who during her collegiate career has most nearly typified the model citizen and has done the most for the general advancement of the interest of the university" went to a Sigma Delta.

Early records tell of happy times, of agreement on organizational matters, and of the firm decision to work for a Kappa charter. The Fraternity's national reputation was well known, but it was admiration for Marie Mount which kept the goal always in the Sigma Delta mind. Although other fraternities encouraged the group, Kappa was always the goal.

On June 6 and 7, 1929, the dream was realized, and Sigma Delta became Gamma Psi chapter of Kappa Kappa Gamma. Gamma Psi and the sister chapter, Gamma Chi at George Washington University, were installed at the Sigma Delta house by Florence Tomlinson (Myers, Wallace), ΓΘ — Drake, Fraternity registrar; May Whiting Westermann, Σ—Nebraska, historian; and three chapters: Beta Alpha, University of Pennsylvania; Beta Iota, Swarthmore College; and Gamma Kappa, College of William and Mary. It was the only occasion of a two chapter installation at one time and in the same place. On June 8, 20 alumnae members and, after pledging, 11 additional undergraduates, were initiated and joined the 24 charter members.

Kappa was the second national women's fraternity to be installed on the Maryland campus, following Alpha Omicron Pi. At the time of installation almost half of the 276 women students were members of the university's four Greek letter organizations, two local and two national.

New faces and the joys of fraternity living filled the 1929-1937 years. The mothers' club was founded in 1934 and the alumnae association was founded in 1937. Both groups remain active in their support of the chapter. By 1936, the chapter had outgrown the Sigma Delta house. By the fall of 1937, Gamma Psi had a new but unfinished house, planned by Kappa architect Margaret Read, BM — Colorado. The girls were given rooms with College Park friends as the old house was already occupied by another sorority.

"We walked our rushees over boards and tar paper," reads the chapter history. "Past saw horses, down the steps to the recreation room for our supper parties . . . the faithful cook . . . was right on hand in the unfinished kitchen cooking over little electric burners . . . it worked . . . and we got the usual good crop of pledges."

The move was finally made after Thanksgiving, 1937. The chapter slept on mattresses on the floor until beds and springs



ΓΨ chapter installation

arrived a week later. The following year brought Mrs. John Hill, the dearly loved "Miss Anne," to Gamma Psi, and she served as house director until 1951. Her kindness, her gracious ways, her devotion to her girls, made Miss Anne a cherished part of the lives of a generation of Maryland Kappas.

During the late 1930s, a group of the first graduates formed the College Park Alumnae Association, with a charter granted February 24, 1938. Helen Parrington Larner was the first president. In 1958, the name was changed to Suburban Washington (Maryland) Alumnae Association. Further growth led to another change in 1965 and a merger with the Washington D.C. Alumnae forming the Washington, D.C. — Suburban Maryland Association.

These alumnae give much time and attention to Gamma Psi, supplying advisers and house board members, assisting with initiations, sending flowers and baskets of fruit, presenting small gifts to initiates, and giving the chapter a Christmas gift. Initiation robes have recently been furnished. The pledge with the highest average is given her badge at initiation. This group also gives an Omicron Nu pin each year to the university student with the highest average, an award in honor of Marie Mount. At graduation, a year's membership in the alumnae association is offered to all seniors.

During World War II many Gamma Psis joined women's service groups, the Nurse Corps, and USO units. In 1943, when the university lacked manpower, girls of the active chapter laid a do-it-yourself brick sidewalk in front of the Kappa house. Only 150 civilian men were registered at that time, although 1000 course-taking servicemen were bivouacked in men's dormitories. The Kappas took the lead on campus by assuming extra-curricular posts customarily held by men students: editorships of publications, positions in student government, and numerous class offices.

The student boom began at the end of the war and Maryland expanded rapidly. Due to the rapid growth of the university, it



Chapter house and under portrait of Marie Mount, Δ, (founder of ΓΨ) long-time dean of college of Home Economics are board members all ΓΨs.

was decreed in the 1960s that all Greek groups must house their own members. The Kappa house was doubled in size, the new wing being constructed on land purchased by the Sigma Deltas in 1926, and 55 members were accommodated.

Gamma Psi has always been near the top of the campus scholarship list and the late 1940s and early 1950s found the chapter often in possession of the scholarship cup. Mortar Board, established at Maryland in 1934, has had many Kappa members. A domination of the cheerleading squad continues today. The chapter has had frequent wins of the Interfraternity Sing and Harmony Hall, both spring traditions on the Maryland campus.

During its almost 50 years of Kappa life, Gamma Psi has contributed PDCs and PDAs and two field secretaries. Nationally the chapter's best known member is Jane Cahill,

first woman to be named a vice president of International Business Machines (IBM).

Other prominent alumnae include juvenile author Elizabeth Harrover Johnson; artist Virginia Bradford Burton; assistant to the hostess of Blair House, Mary Moran Schenke; Connie Cornell Stuart, Mrs. Richard Nixon's former aide; fashion designers; pediatricians; and a specialist in geriatrics, Virginia Truitt Sherr. The chapter, for geographical reasons, has produced many Congressional secretaries and administrative aides, as well as wives of diplomats and military men.

Chapter traditions come and go—the tea dances of the 1930s, the Spinster Skips of the 1940s, the Triad Dances and Powder Puff football of the 1950s—the pledge skit night and pumpkin carving of the 1960s have given way to the new activities of the 1970s . . . but Kappa spirit and loyalties remain as Gamma Psi looks forward to its 50th birthday.

ΓΩ

Founded December 6, 1929
Initiates 1253

Gamma Omega

Denison University
Granville, Ohio
Established 1831

Charter Members:

Marjorie Lea Achen, Sarah Elizabeth Amos, Marie Harriet Bigelow, Mildred Irene Bigelow, Eleanor Chesnutt, Jane Frances Colby, Mary Elizabeth Connolly, Eugenia Christy Couden, Catharine Caraway Dixon, Miriam Leavitt Duling, Margaret Mary Gilchrist, Lorraine Grace Hartig, Dorothea Elizabeth Hiehle, Helen Elizabeth Hodell, Harriet Marcella Mons, Ruth Louise Mullen, Charlotte Christine Olson, Mary Marie Pigman, Helen Scarritt, Emily Jean Spencer, Eleanor Stutler, Virginia Davisson Wilson.

In June of 1928, the trustees of Denison University at Granville, Ohio gave permission to the local sororities to petition the nationals. Kappa Phi, the oldest local on campus was allowed first selection of a national sorority and chose Kappa Kappa Gamma. The petition was granted in November, 1929, with installation planned for December 6.

Kappa Phi, at the time of petitioning, was 31 years old and, according to Baird's Manual, the second oldest local sorority in the United States. Kappa Phi was founded in 1898 by six girls of Shepardson College (the women's college, distinct from Denison at that time) who wished to form a "closer bond for friendship and mutual benefit." For a year the local sorority existed sub-rosa, meeting outdoors and keeping minutes in cipher. Kappa Phi flourished from its beginning, designing a badge, writing songs, and composing brief but dignified rituals for initiation and chapter meetings.



ΓΩ juniors 1963.

In 1901 the Denison trustees gave Kappa Phi and Chi Psi Delta (which later became Kappa Alpha Theta) official recognition as campus organizations. The Kappa Phis immediately presented an informal petition for membership to Kappa, their first and only choice among women's national fraternities. Shortly thereafter, learning that national affiliations were being contemplated, and believing it better to maintain the status quo, the university trustees forbade such affiliations. This ban was renewed several times until it was finally lifted in June, 1928.

Denied the opportunity to become a part of Kappa, the Kappa Phis contented themselves with establishing a place of leadership on the Denison campus. Feeling the need for a house of their own to take the place of rooms which they were renting in town, the 40 active and alumnae members of Kappa Phi raised the money necessary to purchase a lot on Cherry Street. For the purpose of owning property, Kappa Phi Sorority was incorporated under the laws of the State of Ohio in 1905. Fortunately at that time Mr. John S. Jones, uncle of two of the Kappa Phis and interested in seeing the girls prove themselves as good business women, loaned them the money necessary to build a lodge on the lot they had purchased. The loan was to be paid in regular yearly payments over a ten-year period. At the end of the eighth year Mr. Jones was so impressed with the way the girls had met their obligation that he generously canceled the notes for the remaining two years.

The new house was completed in the fall of 1906, the first sorority house at Denison. The attractive white frame lodge served as the center of chapter activity and site of social affairs for the members, who all lived in college dormitories. It was known as the "wee white house."

The local group maintained a strong alumnae association, published a biennial bulletin which went to all alumnae, and held annual June reunions. From time to time the Kappa Phis reopened the question of national affiliation with the college trustees and maintained their deep interest in Kappa Kappa Gamma. During this period the first Panhellenic Association was formed among the three locals and rules were established for rushing and bidding.

Finally, when the ban against national sororities was removed, Gamma Omega Chapter was installed by Florence Tomlinson (Myers, Wallace), ΓΘ—Drake, Fraternity registrar; and Clara O. Pierce, BN—Ohio State, executive secretary; assisted by members of Beta Nu, Ohio State, and Rho Deuteron, Ohio Wesleyan. One notable aspect of the installation was the initiation of nearly half of the 300 alumnae members of Kappa Phi. Altogether some 200 of these alumnae have become members of Kappa, through additional initiation ceremonies. Marian Handy (Anderson), ΓK—William and Mary, served as co-organizer (equivalent of graduate counselor) to assist the new chapter.

The transition from Kappa Phi to Kappa Kappa Gamma was easier because of the many common goals and ideals the members of each shared. Perhaps the most serious problem was indicated by one of the newly installed Gamma Omegas who was heard to muse wistfully, "How do you ever suppose I'll get the pin holes in my dress to go across instead of up and down!"

By 1930, there were four other NPC fraternities: Chi Omega, Kappa Alpha Theta, Delta Delta Delta, and Alpha Phi. Later Delta Gamma, Alpha Omicron Pi, Pi Beta Phi, and Alpha Chi Omega were granted charters at Denison as the number of women students increased.

The advent of national sororities on the Denison campus brought changes to sorority life. Pledging, which had not taken place until the beginning of the student's sophomore year, was moved back to the freshman year as the groups experimented with different rushing systems. The number of chapter members more than doubled over the years from under thirty at the time of installation.

By 1931, the little Kappa lodge had become too small for the growing chapter, and a major remodeling project greatly increased the floor space. Well aware that even this enlargement would not serve indefinitely, the trustees of the alumnae association, aided by the generosity of Jean Moore Montgomery, eventually acquired a choice lot on Broadway at the entrance to Sorority Circle. Construction of the present Kappa house was begun in 1950, with the aid of a loan from the Fraternity, and in the spring of 1951 Gamma Omega moved into its new home, built of Williamsburg rose brick with white trim. Even this house proved inadequate to accommodate the growing membership. In 1964 a large chapter and recreation room, kitchen, powder room and porch were added. The house serves the important function of unifying a chapter whose members are scattered throughout six separate college dormitories.

Many Gamma Omega traditions have their roots in the local sorority, but some have been established since the installation of the chapter. Incorporated into formal pledging and into the ceremony of the initiation banquet are some of Kappa Phi's traditions; many of the old songs are still sung in the chapter, with only slight alterations. Active-alumnae relations are kept warm and friendly by several annual events: the buffet supper at which the pledges are entertained by Newark-Granville alumnae and, in turn, present entertainment for their hostesses; the senior breakfast with the seniors as guests of the alumnae,



Lodge and "chefs" mixing up batch of pancakes for sale as their part in charity drive "Bonds of Friendship".

an occasion for their induction into the ranks of Kappa alumnae; the initiation breakfast, when local alumnae entertain initiates immediately after the ceremony; the Christmas party at which the actives are hostesses to the Newark-Granville alumnae and both present gifts to the Kappa house.

Yearly chapter events include the Dad's Day luncheon, with a luncheon taking place simultaneously for Kappa mothers who accompany Kappa dads to the campus, and the May Day-Mothers' Weekend with its luncheon honoring mothers. Kappa enjoys social events with other sororities in a variety of ways. For example, for many years the Kappa-Delta Gamma touch football game has brought enthusiastic rooters to the field on a fall Saturday morning and exhausted players and supporters back to the Kappa house afterwards for food and fun. The Kappas and Pi Phis join for the Monmouth Duo each spring, and usually at least one other major party a year is held jointly with another group.

A long list of Gamma Omega May Queens, Homecoming Queens, *Adytum* (Denison's yearbook) Queens, and Military Ball Queens gives evidence of the fact that Denison Kappas combine beauty with brains. In fact, even the Kappas themselves were impressed when Kappa queens reigned supreme from Homecoming to Junior Prom to May Day in 1954-55.

Denison Kappas have had as their particular social service project the entertainment of children from the Newark Children's Home. Kappas regularly go to the home for games and story-telling or bring some of the children to Granville to attend football and basketball games or to be entertained at the Kappa house. Kappas also aid in other service projects sponsored by the Denison Christian Association.

Scholastically, Denison Kappas have usually rated near the top, although it is difficult to try to maintain or to top the record established by the chapter in 1959 when six Kappas were elected to Phi Beta Kappa.

Gamma Omega has been hostess for the Gamma Province Convention several times since it first entertained other chapters in the province with fear and trembling in 1932, just three years after its installation. In June of 1948 the Kappa Jubilee, a reunion to celebrate the fiftieth anniversary of the founding of Kappa Phi, was a rousing success, bringing about 75 Kappas back for a three-day stay on campus.

Many Kappas have served and continue to serve Denison from positions of leadership in campus organizations such as Denison Campus Government, Denison Christian Association, WRA, Mortar Board, Crossed Keys (junior honorary), publication staffs, Denison Theatre, and departmental clubs and honoraries. Each year Kappas are among those chosen as junior advisers in freshman dormitories.

Members of Gamma Omega who have won Graduate Counselor Scholarships are: Rebecca Galloway (Clark), 1940-41; Margery Lawrence (Hetherington) 1948-49; Martha Jones (Phillips), 1949-50; Jessie Pflager, 1974-75. Martha Jones became a field secretary the year after she had gone to Delta Beta, as a graduate counselor.

In 1971 faced with the problem of not being able to find a new house director, Gamma Omega asked for and received permission to allow two senior girls to occupy the housemother's apartment and fulfill her duties. The chapter was the first to try this practice and found it to work well with the assistance of

local alumnae. Gamma Omega was also first to submit a plan to the Fraternity Council for liquor privileges in the house after passage of the new policy at the 1974 Convention. The chapter has always been eager to accept new responsibility.

In an academic atmosphere where there is keen competition and a living situation that sometimes makes it easier to know one's suite-mates better than one's sorority sisters, Kappa Kappa Gamma fills the need for lasting friendships, provides a place for development of the individual's talents and distinctiveness, and serves as a home where its members find stimulation, loyalty, and understanding during their college days.



Founded October 3, 1930
Initiates 912

Delta Alpha

Pennsylvania State University
Formerly Pennsylvania State College
University Park, Pennsylvania
Established 1855

Charter Members:

Elizabeth Cordelia Bell, Doris Buckalew Bidlack, Mary Elizabeth Crozier, Mary Trescott Davenport, Velma Mae Egolf, Elizabeth Everett, Rosemary Forbes, Helen Elizabeth Fowler, Fern Edvina Harmon, Margaret Scott Hopwood, Rachel Sara Anne Johnson, Helen Strickler Keepers, Sue Kern, Helen Lambert Kinsloe, Margaret Frances Knoll, Josephine Shannon La Barre, Marjorie Elizabeth Lyons, Anne Elizabeth Mellinger, Marjorie Elizabeth Stitt, Margaret Tschann, Isabelle Jayne Wieland, Margaret Anna Yotter.

When Pennsylvania State trustees authorized the organization of women's social groups in 1922, six girls met in a campus oak grove and founded Sychor. The plan was to petition Kappa Kappa Gamma as soon as national affiliations were permitted.

Sychor, Pennsylvania State's second women's local, became Delta Alpha chapter of Kappa in 1930, the sixth women's national sorority on campus. Sychor's green and gold colors and its little gold acorn badge were replaced by Kappa's light and dark blue and the key October 3 at the Wesley Foundation Hall of the State College Methodist Church.

Fraternity President Florence Tomlinson Myers, (Wallace), ΓΘ—Drake, conducted the service with Fraternity Director of Provinces Eleanor V. V. Bennett, Π^Δ—California, and Kappa's new executive secretary, Clara O. Pierce, BN—Ohio State, officiating for the first of many times. Province officers and University of Pittsburgh Gamma Epsilon actively assisted.

The reception was given in Beta Theta Pi's new chapter house. The next day the chapter's first president Margaret Knoll (Oliver) conducted initiation for 28 Sychor alumnae including two founders, Elsie Kohler Moore and Ruthanna Sharpless Ely. Founders' Day dinner was in the Centre Hills Country Club.

Chartered in 1855 to provide a scientific agricultural education, the so-called Farmers High School, a misleading title, became the Agricultural College of Pennsylvania in 1862. This experimental college was designated the commonwealth's representative in the national system of state land-grant colleges in 1863. Benefits from this innovative, federal-state contract to support higher education came slowly to Penn State, but in 1871 the first women were admitted, and in 1874 the name became Pennsylvania State College. In 1930 the college celebrated its 75th anniversary by dedicating a newly rebuilt "Old Main" on the site of the building which had been the

entire campus when the first students arrived in 1859. Since 1953 it has been Pennsylvania State University.

The non-university locality is still State College, Pennsylvania, and the Kappa Alumnae Association is the State College Alumnae.

The first coeds, occupying part of an upper floor dormitory in "Old Main," followed strictly enforced rules for "association with the opposite sex." Separate housing began after the first state appropriation for buildings. Maintenance was granted in 1887, a milestone year, when intercollegiate and extra-curricular activities were added, national affiliations for men's clubs developed, and campus buildings were constructed. Faculty, enrollment, and curricula grew steadily, checked only by the two world wars and the Depression.

With dormitory space at a premium in the 1920s, women's social organizations enjoyed the use of former faculty residences, but had all meals in the McAllister Hall dining commons. The three-story frame Willard Cottage became the Sychor and later the Kappa house, and was operated as a dormitory. When it was moved slightly west in 1938 for the building of Pattee Library, Delta Alpha had the one and only private chapter room in the new basement. Moves to McElwain Hall in 1949 and to Cooper Hall in 1958 were to suites in the large residence hall complexes that Penn State had begun to build. Each group rents a living room, kitchenette, and storage closet unit; occupies adjacent dormitory rooms; and shares larger facilities for meetings and initiations. The old Kappa house, renamed Moffat Cottage, was torn down in 1964 to make way for the west addition of the library.

Sensing problems which might arise in an unhoused (by Kappa definition) chapter bound by the local Panhellenic policy of sophomore pledging, the Fraternity assigned a graduate co-organizer, Marion Cheyne (Felton), ΓΚ—William and Mary, to live with the Delta Alphas during 1931-32. Marjorie Matson (Converse), ΓΔ—Purdue, was Delta Alpha's graduate counselor 1945-46.



(L) Charter members.

(Center) Chapter "house" 1920-1950.

(R) Emma Jane (Deanie) Hosmer Miller, ΔA, and daughter Jody Miller, president ΔA 1959.



Delta Alpha's small group of State College alumnae acted as advisers and formed an association in 1933, with Margaret Oliver again as first president. The chapter and association were hostesses for Beta Province Conventions in 1933, 1955, and 1967.

Anne Riley was Delta Alpha's first field secretary, 1964-66. She was followed by Marjorie Gohn (Felsburg), 1970-71, and Beth Sharp, 1973-74; Ella Louise Williams (Bassett), was sent to Beta Phi, Montana State University, 1951-52; Silvia Brown (Swiss) was the graduate counselor for the College of Puget Sound colony, and Beth Sharp was graduate counselor at the University of Arizona in 1973-74.

Helen Kinsloe, charter member and notable Kappa personality, has been honored by the chapter's only memorial award for Fraternity loyalty and scholarship. It was established by Delta Alpha alumnae and State College Kappas in 1963 after her death, which deprived the Fraternity of a dynamic leader whose rapport with the active chapter was enhanced by her faculty position as student adviser and teacher of bacteriology.

A Kappa memorial scholarship for graduate study abroad, in languages, was endowed in 1966 by the husband of Susanna Stover Root, a Sychor alumna. The chapter supports a university scholarship in memory of Alona Williams, who died of leukemia in 1969, her junior year.

Individual interests give a chapter its personality. Delta Alphas are recognized for scholarship, student leadership, and government. There have been members outstanding in the arts, in publications, and in athletics. Before beauty and talent queens were out of fashion, Kappas frequently wore their crowns, including that of Miss Penn State. Delta Alphas

were among the charter members when Phi Beta Kappa, Mortar Board, Alpha Lambda Delta, Cwens, and other honor societies were installed.

In 1972, Rhonda Egidio was one of the two first women elected to Lion's Paw, prestigious senior "men's" honorary.

A Sychor-Delta Alpha, Dr. Mary R. Freer Keeler, was an early recipient of the university's Distinguished Alumni Award. She was Penn State "Woman of the Year" in 1959 for academic achievement and as dean of faculty of Hood College. When the title of "Dean of Women" was abolished, Jane E. McCormick, ΔA, became head woman administrator in the university's student affairs office. Donna Symonds Clemson, associate editor of all Penn State Alumni publications, now limits her Kappa activity to chapter advising. Another good friend to Delta Alpha is Doris M. Seward Δ—Indiana, executive assistant to the president of Pennsylvania State and professor of human development.

Consistently high rating among Penn State's Panhellenic groups strengthened Delta Alpha for survival during the partial eclipse of the Greeks in the late 1960s, and membership quotas were maintained. By 1970 sorority chapters on the campus were in the low 20s, with smaller memberships, after peaking at nearly 30 in the early 1960s.

Firmly established chapters are coping with changes in campus situations, and playing a vital role on campuses where liberalized housing creates problems.

By exerting Panhellenic leadership in the 1970s, Delta Alpha hopes to become free of the unstructured disunity of the chaotic 1960s, and to combine recognition of individuality with Kappa's traditional values of honor through group organization and the loyalty of members.

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Delta Beta

Founded October 25, 1930
Initiates 904

Duke University
Durham, North Carolina
Established 1823

Charter Members:

Janie Elizabeth Carlton, Mary Elizabeth Craven, Frances Lelia Currin, Florence Roney Dailey, Katherine E. Mary Davies, Edna Kilgo Elias, Mildred Moore Guthrie, Virginia Lucille Hobgood, Martha Howie, Dorothy Cornell Leary, Katherine Markham, Nancy Elizabeth Roberson, Margaret Rogers, Nellie Louise Sellers, Erma Elizabeth Williams.

The history of Delta Beta chapter, now in its fifth decade, can be seen as a microcosm of the history of the Women's College of Duke University. As the college women changed, so changed the lifestyle of the Kappas.

In 1897, Washington Duke, a pioneer tobacco manufacturer, established an endowment for Trinity College, Durham, with the condition that women be admitted "on equal footing." The next year a small dormitory for women was completed,



1940 chapter.

but it was not until World War I, when men were scarce, that women's enrollment increased significantly.

The year in the history of Duke was 1924, for it was in that year that James Buchanan Duke's famous Duke Endowment was announced, with 40 million dollars going to education, charity, and the relief of human suffering. The tobacco king considered the Duke Endowment his greatest achievement. In time the value of the fund multiplied several times.

The greatly expanded institution became Duke University, and the name Trinity College was retained for the undergraduate men's division of the university. A new campus, West, or Men's Campus, designed and built in Gothic style, was ready for occupancy in 1930.

Some of the Trinity College buildings were remodeled, and new ones constructed in Georgian architecture for East, or Women's Campus. The two areas were one mile apart, joined by a private boulevard. The Women's College became a coordinate of Trinity in 1930.

Between 1930 and 1972, women at Duke had an autonomous student government, a Y.W.C.A., and all lived on East Campus. Today students share living experiences on both campuses and there is one student government.

Under the four deans of the Women's College, the complexion of Duke women gradually changed as did the sorority system, and Delta Beta in particular. Under Dean Alice M. Baldwin, 1930-1937, women freshmen and sophomores had classes separate from the men. Enrollment doubled from 506 to over 1000 in that period.

During Florence Brickley's tenure, 1947-1962, enrollment increased slightly, and admissions standards rose. During the 1950s there was a shift to university-wide activities. Interest in class organization declined. The first two years became coeducational.

Efforts were made by M. Margaret Ball, 1963-1969, to revitalize the Women's College. Intellectual activities, liberalized regulations, emphasis on living-learning dormitories put substance into the college.

Dean Juanita Kreps, 1969-1972, administered the first women's move to the men's campus and vice versa. Women were allowed to live off campus for the first time. In 1972 the colleges were officially closed, and by fall all students returned as students of Duke University.

By 1928 there were four national sororities and several local groups at Duke. That year the local, Sigma Beta, was added to the Panhellenic Council and remained local for two years. With the help of sponsors Miss Eva Malone (Ellis)

and Mrs. Clarence Pemberton and under the guidance of Rheva Ott Shryock, BA—Pennsylvania, the girls decided to petition Kappa Kappa Gamma. The request for a charter, accompanied by a film prepared by the members, was granted at the 1930 Convention.

Installation, October 25, 1930, was attended by Clara O. Pierce, BN—Ohio State, province officers, alumnae and actives from 12 eastern chapters. The celebration included a tea, a formal reception, a dance, and a banquet.

Although there was a national Depression and strict rules on campus, locally, the Kappa mood was busy and fun-loving. Members of the new chapter were active on campus and Ruth Phillips (Polack), president of her senior class, was responsible for getting decent restroom facilities in the West Campus library.

Monday nights were "closed nights"—no phone calls, no men in "East," no women off campus. Meetings were held on Monday—there was no excuse for missing a meeting! Throughout the 1930s there was participation but as yet no chapter-sponsored philanthropy. The 1937 *Chanticleer*, (yearbook), said . . . "and so with a dash and a smash, you have the Kappas—possessors of happiness and beauty, and the essential elements which make a good chapter."

From the beginning of the Women's College each sorority had a wing of a dormitory and the rooms at the end as its chapter home. By fall, 1935, Crowell Hall, rebuilt as a Panhellenic building, provided suites for ten sororities.

The early 1940s were clouded by World War II. "It was practically like a girls' school with a Navy base a mile away," remembers a Delta Beta of those days. "The Kappas were a very close chapter—probably because so many of our boy-friends were far away."

The girls kept busy. The dean of women had organized COGS, (College Organization for General Service) in 1943, to encourage coeducational war effort participation. Dotty Chorpene (Bevan) served as its second chairman in 1944. Many Kappas rolled bandages and entertained soldiers at the nearby Navy base.

Women for the first time assumed posts previously held by men. Ann Heffner (McTier) was the first full-time woman editor of the *Chanticleer*, Carolyn Brimberry (Orr) managing editor of the *Chronicle* (student newspaper), and Dee Dee Gentner (Volkman) advertising manager of the *Archive* (literary magazine). During the 1950s there were two *Chanticleer* editors, eight White Duchy, two Womens' Student Government presidents, three Judicial Board presidents.

By the late 1950s Delta Betas were helping at the Cystic Fibrosis Clinic and holding an annual Christmas party with Alpha Tau Omega, for needy children at Edgemont Center.

Some Delta Beta traditions have included the presentation of a framed copy of "The Kappa Symphony" by a Kappa "mother" to her "daughter" before initiation. This was a custom of the late 1930s through the 1940s. Blue and Blue Days have been celebrated throughout the years by the wearing of blue and blue on important days such as pledging and initiation. On Monmouth Duo Day Kappas wear blue and wine and keys slanted, while Pi Beta Phis wear blue and blue and straight arrows. Delta Betas have established an enviable record by winning the Sigma Chi Derby every other year. Red roses are given to all members with 3.0 and better averages, and white roses to all those with 3.5 and over at scholarship banquets.

Another tradition is the awarding of the Standards Key each semester to the senior who best exemplifies Kappa. This key

was formerly worn by Rheva Shryock. She presented it to the chapter in 1948.

Sorority life at Duke in the early 1960s can best be described as a period of adjustment. In September, 1959, when the Panhellenic building had been condemned as a fire hazard, the change to the classrooms of the Carr Building was accepted, yet the move was a shock to many sororities which had just finished extensive redecorating, as had the Kappas. Reason and cheerfulness prevailed. National Headquarters purchased Delta Beta's removable furniture, and rush schedules were rearranged. Everyone seemed to feel that this change would be only temporary.

All sororities were threatened by a loss of spirit and lack of communication, because members saw each other regularly only once a week. Delta Beta made use of "dorm reps," dorm parties, "secret buddies," the big-little sister program, and planned to eat together. At a time when everyone was predicting the demise of the Greek system, chapter spirit suddenly was high.

Sorority life, as always, had serious and light sides. At a seminar program in 1960 faculty and administration members spoke on issues related to their fields. Besides the Cystic Fibrosis Clinic and Edgemont Center parties and projects, there were parties for faculty children, block tickets to the campus concert-lecture series, and required study hall for pledges and low-average upper classmen.

There were also cabin parties (with chaperones and no drinking), and trips to the beach at year's end. There were two eagerly anticipated events—the Inter-Fraternity-Sorority Sing and the Joe College Float Contest. Delta Beta placed in the top three each year and was often first. Joe College Weekend was the spring highlight, and preparation was as much fun as the weekend itself. Each group was given a spot in the tobacco warehouses. For three nights before the parade music blared, there were dance breaks, coke and beer, and frantic preparations as everyone stuffed crepe paper into chicken wire.

The overnight retreat, a time for serious discussion, officer workshops, games and singing, was held each spring and fall at Spruce Pine Lodge. It was a valuable part of sorority life and everyone left feeling a close and warm friendship. Kappa was strong on the Duke campus, but sororities in general were assailed and asked to justify their existence. Criticism, brought to a head by the closing of the Panhellenic building, centered around the theory that since sororities had no meeting place their functions could easily be taken over by other organizations.

By the 1967-68 school year, criticism reached a peak. The president of Panhellenic resigned from her office and her sorority in the middle of fall rush. Isolated student involvement grew into great student participation in political and social concerns. Sorority life seemed more irrelevant than ever to many, and one group dropped its national affiliation because of the rules which bound its members in this increasingly liberal institution.

The Delta Beta president advocated that Delta Beta also "go local" to the shock of many members. During the next school year 10 or 12 Kappas resigned in protest, calling Delta Beta an irrelevant, social, and selective group.

To survive these difficult times, Delta Beta had to redefine its goals. Officers planned activities which combined fun and intellectual stimulation; efforts were made to get together frequently. Often meetings became forums for invited speakers.

Since 1968 the chapter has bought blocks of concert tickets. In 1969, with Sigma Nu, it set up its first symposium course



1953 winner Joe College Parade.

with university credit for 20 members of each group, an idea soon adopted by other campus organizations. Delta Beta was the first to hang its coat of arms in the men's dining hall and establish a Kappa table. With alumnae cooperation, Delta Beta was granted permission by Headquarters to use part of its housing fund to rent a beach house for two weeks during and after spring exams.

By the time of Kappa's Centennial and Delta Beta's 40th birthday, morale had been regained, and Kappa was recognized as the most high-spirited and close-knit group on campus. The Kappas were often kidded as too "gung-ho." Eight Delta Betas have served as graduate counselors and Ann Wescott traveled as field secretary 1958-59.

One can see then that the increased female involvement in campus activities during the late 1940s and early 1950s led to a university rather than a college focus by Women's College students. This broadened perspective, the stiffened admission requirements and increased social consciousness of today's Duke women have led inevitably to involvement in community, state, and national affairs. These attitudes of concern, combined with the facts of integration of the campuses, more women living off campus, more night classes, and no central meeting place, provide a challenge to Kappa to spur interest and sustain morale. Both the sorority and fraternity systems are challenged to continue to adapt and offer new ways to provide the much needed warmth of friendship on the campus of Duke University.



1959 ΔB seniors.



A—Eta chapter victorious over ΔΓ's

B—Beta Tau rushing party 1938

C—Epsilon chapter actives 1939



D—Gamma Phi chapter 1933

E—Kappa chapter 1933

F—Gamma Pi 1938 Christmas Party

G—Beta Delta pledge class 1935

H—Pi chapter Derby entrants 1934

I—Gamma Psi 1935





J—Beta Tau pledges 1937

K—Gamma Sigma rush skit 1936 convention

L—pledges of Beta Beta



M—Beta Nu 50th Anniversary 1938

N—Beta Chi pledges 1935

O—"A Kappa Toast" Rho Deuteron 1934

P—Gamma Kappa 1933

Q—Gamma Sigma Band Leaders



Delta Gamma

Founded November 7, 1930
Initiates 1123

Michigan State University
East Lansing, Michigan
Established 1855

Charter Members:

Beryl Emeline Abbey, Virginia Ruth Adams, Jean Marian Carruthers, Katherine Louise Cookerly, Josephine Carrel Dean, Margaret Christine Goodenow, Katherine Elizabeth Gordon, Rheta Helen Hullinger, Wilma Graham Kinney, Anna Jean Murphy, Virginia Lucile Palmer, Mary Elizabeth Pangborn, Kathryn Veronica Patterson, Mary Louise Sharer, Helen Laverne Shoesmith, Ann Anderson Shook, Natallia Geraldine Sutterby, Dorothy Charlotte Wickstrom.

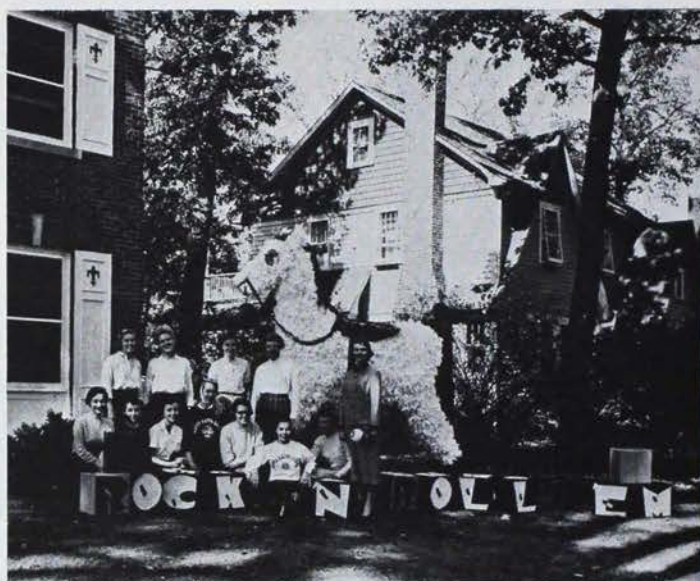
Chapter history unfolds with the first meeting of 11 enthusiastic girls as members of Delphian January 8, 1898, in the Y.M.C.A. in East Lansing. There was some dissatisfaction at the time with the name and the charter, so the following fall the name was changed to Themian Literary Society and a new charter adopted. The name came from Themis, Goddess of Justice. Membership increased to 13, who are regarded as charter members. The constitutional object of the society was to promote the literary and social culture of its members and to develop human fellowship, stressing loyalty and friendship.

Consequently, what started 32 years earlier became Delta Gamma Chapter of Kappa Kappa Gamma November 7, 1930. The chapter was installed by Alice Tillotson Barney, X—Minnesota, grand president, and Clara O. Pierce, BN—Ohio State, executive secretary. Members of Beta Delta Chapter, University of Michigan, helped with the installation.

Delta Gamma Kappas have a chapter house of which to be proud. A drive down M.A.C. Avenue reveals a lovely red brick Georgian Colonial house with white shutters that catch the eye with their fleur-de-lis motif. This warm inviting house has been home for the chapter since 1931.

A beautiful addition, which enhanced its graciousness and nearly doubled its size, was built in the back of the house in the spring of 1956. This project brought actives and alumnae close together as plans were made, changed and finalized.

Worth mentioning are some of the novel ideas incorporated into the addition, admired and copied by some of the other houses on campus. In addition to four more bedrooms and bath, a combination sewing-pressing room was added to the



Prize winning homecoming display.

second floor. This room, equipped with a studio couch, easy chair, and long mirror, can also be used as a guest room. The ironing board and sewing machine can be stored out of sight in an adjacent closet. A third floor storage space includes a 40 foot pole which holds garment bags and accessories. A feature of the bedrooms are built-in chests, dressing tables, wardrobes and book shelves, which contribute to the neatness of the rooms.

A spacious dining room opens out to a lounge and terrace—great for rush affairs and mixed parties.

Adjoining property has been purchased and houses the overflow of girls. Eventually this property (which has much historical interest in that the house on it was moved to its present location from the campus long ago) may be utilized for additional parking spaces, as required by local ordinance.

Astute financial management has enabled the chapter to burn mortgages in 1947 and 1974.

Delta Gamma philanthropies have always been in the field of rehabilitation. At present and in years past, members have worked at an extended care facility in Okemos. Members of the active chapter and alumnae also do volunteer service in the local hospitals at Christmas time.

On this campus of approximately 45,000 students, one of the spring, 1975, highlights was a style show and luncheon given by alumnae of Kappa, Kappa Alpha Theta, and Pi Beta Phi, evidence of the camaraderie that exists at Michigan State.



Officers 1957 gather in one of the bedrooms.



Delta Delta

Founded November 21, 1930
Initiates 572

McGill University
Montreal, Quebec, Canada
Established 1821

Charter Members:

Janet Ellen Baillie, Marion Lyle Brisbane, Phyllis Edith Brooks, Margaret Stuart Burris, Margaret Elizabeth Cameron, Jean Gertrude Campbell, Mary Lodivia Campbell, Winifred Marion Harris, Margaret Russell Hay, Helen Church Hendery, Marjorie Gertrude Lynch, Eleanor Caroline McBride.

The secret society Omicron Sigma Theta was founded at McGill University in the college year of 1926-1927. As the group enlarged, it became interested in affiliating with a national or international fraternity and petitioned Kappa Kappa Gamma. The petition was approved at the 1930 Convention.

Installation took place November 21 at the Windsor Hotel with Alice Tillotson Barney, X—Minnesota, Fraternity vice president, who would become president in a few weeks, and Marie Bryden Macnaughtan, Ø—Missouri, grand register, presiding. The official installing chapter was Beta Psi from the University of Toronto, and Kappas from Middlebury and St. Lawrence assisted.

Twelve charter members were installed, and a tea followed the ceremony. That evening the charter members took part in the initiation of six alumnae, and the next morning there was a pledging service for 12 coeds.

At this time the newly formed Delta Delta chapter met in one room on Shuter Street, and it was with great rejoicing that the chapter finally acquired its present site on Sherbrooke Street in 1933.

Among the early activities were a fall weekend in the Laurentians for the pledges to ease them into routine; teas for brothers, fathers, and mothers; and a Christmas party for underprivileged Montreal children given by all the Greek groups on campus.

Delta Delta was never destined to be a large chapter, but it grew during those first years in spite of the Depression that swept the land. Most of the members were town girls, and they gathered to study together and plan activities that were fun.

At the 1936 and 1942 Fraternity Conventions at the Seignory Club in Montebello, Quebec, and also at Murray Bay in 1950, the actives were hostesses and enthusiastically welcomed their sisters from across the border.

In 1949 the McGill Women's Ski Team consisted of all Kappas. Joanne Hewson (Rees) and Rosemarie Schutz (Asch) were also on the Canadian Women's Team that competed at Lake Placid, and the next year Rosie represented Canada in the World Championship at Aspen, Colorado. Daintry Chisholm was runner-up in both the Quebec Provincial Golf Championships and the Invitational Golf Tournament in Jasper, Alberta. Patricia Carson (Claxton) was the Provincial Fencing Champion. Cynthia Powell (Dobell), another Kappa skier, was runner-up for Carnival Queen.

Four Delta Delta members were in the 1957 production of McGill's annual Red and White Revue, the oldest college show in Canada. The revue, "My Fur Lady," had two runs on campus and also toured Canada giving 150 performances.

Community affairs have always been an important part of chapter activities. In 1961 chapter members joined 700 fraternity men and women to canvas 30,000 homes in a two-hour blitz that opened a very successful United Appeal Campaign of the

Montreal Welfare Federation. Debbie Huston, a pledge, won a prize for collecting the most money. The event was given a boost by the appearance of John Wayne, who met many of the Kappas. This project is still supported by McGill Panhellenic groups.

Delta Delta was recognized again in 1965 when Panhellenic selected the chapter to portray "Rush Week at McGill" in a feature story in the *Montreal Gazette*. This resulted in favorable response from many areas and effectively promoted all campus groups.

However, the next time the Greeks made news in a Montreal publication it was to reflect a changing trend.

A story in the *Montreal Star* in 1972 described fraternities and sororities as the "last gasp of elitist society" and claimed that they reflected apathetic and anti-Establishment feelings which had set in on many North American campuses.

Although there was support from the McGill administration, by this time many groups had left campus. There were only four of the 15 sororities remaining, and fraternities suffered a similar fate.

Delta Delta Chapter, one of the survivors, had decreased greatly in size due to lack of interest of women students. This resulted in financial problems and the chapter was forced to curtail activities. In an effort to combat the downward trend, new informal one-to-one rush techniques were tried with each member trying to interest an incoming student in joining.

Small philanthropies combined with fun and fellowship kept the chapter going.

There is a real attitude of determination to survive among the remaining actives. With the continued loyal support of the alumnae, and this optimistic attitude, the future of Delta Delta looks bright.



ΔΔ actives with John Wayne as they helped publicize United Appeals drive in Montreal 1961.



Delta Epsilon

Founded January 8, 1932
Initiates 675

Rollins College
Winter Park, Florida
Established 1885

Charter Members:

Jeanne Durant Carter, Sarah Look Dickinson, Kathleen Charlotte Hara, Georgianna Hill, Louise Bowen Howes, Aurora McKay, Lucille Tolson Moore, Elizabeth Mabel Rathbone, Nancy Dickinson Shrewsbury, Virginia Mary Stelle, Charlotte Marie Stienhans, Myra Amelia Thomas, Eleanor Gager Wright.

The Delta Epsilon chapter of Kappa Kappa Gamma was founded at Rollins College in Winter Park, Florida, January 8, 1932. Grand President Alice Tillotson Barney, X—Minnesota, officiated at the installation services which were held in the Winter Park Women's Club.

Delta Epsilon does not own its own house. Pugsley Hall is owned by the college and is loaned to the chapter so that all actives may live together. However, the members have the good fortune of owning a lodge behind the house, purchased by the alumnae, for all chapter functions and social gatherings.

The history of Delta Epsilon has been one of scholarship, campus leadership, and athletic achievement. During the 1930s Delta Epsilon members were honored in Libra, Mortar Board, Phi Beta Kappa, Rollins Key Society, Pi Gamma Mu, and theater and music honorary societies. In 1935-1936 and 1936-1937 Delta Epsilon won the Rollins Scholarship Cup and actively participated in several all-school fund-raising drives. Volleyball and swim trophies were brought home to begin a continuing collection of athletic awards.

The next decade brought more awards for individual members as well as for the chapter. Once again Delta Epsilon won the Scholarship Cup (1942-1943), and golf, tennis, and basketball trophies were captured. The chapter retired the golf trophy after three successive wins and went on to place first again the following year.

High scholastic standards continued during the 1950s. During 1950-1951 the Fraternity named Delta Epsilon the chapter showing the most improvement. Many members held campus offices, and many made the Dean's List. It was also a decade that brought more athletic trophies to the chapter showcase.

In 1955-1956 Delta Epsilon captured the college Scholarship Trophy, and in 1958-1959 won the Scholarship Trophy for the sorority with the highest over-all average—an award established by Delta Epsilon that very year. In 1958-59 chapter President Joan Abendroth (Pratt) received the Algernon Sydney Sullivan medallion, the highest individual honor awarded by the college upon graduation.



ΔE home in Pugsley Hall.

Delta Epsilon had many campus and scholastic leaders during the next decade. In 1961 the chapter hosted the Mu Province Convention which was attended by Fraternity President Mary Turner Whitney, BP^Δ—Cincinnati, and Vice President Frances Fatout Alexander, I—DePauw, as well as other noted Kappas.

The O'Brien Trophy, which is the overall intramural award, was captured in 1963 and, with the exception of 1965, was won every year until 1970. Another overall trophy won during that period was the Nina O. Dean Libra Leadership Trophy (1967 and 1968).

The Algernon Sydney Sullivan medallion was presented to Barbara Snyder and Judith Ehle (Hruska) in 1964 and to Susan Thompson in 1968.

Delta Epsilon Kappas excelled not only in scholarship but in athletics during the 1960s, particularly in golf and tennis, with varsity teams largely composed of girls from the chapter. Wendy Overton and Mona Schallau played in the Forest Hills tennis tournament in 1969.

The early 1970s continued to bring awards and honors. Many members of Delta Epsilon were on the Dean's List and the President's List; a number held positions of leadership in campus organizations and activities.

Among those honored for athletic achievements were Hollis Stacy, three-time U.S. Junior Golf Champion (1969, 1970, and 1971) and a member of the 1972 Curtis Cup team; Cissie Collins (Catherine), named one of the outstanding athletes in America; and Beverly Buckley, a nationally ranked tennis player and doubles champion in the Women's Satellite Tournament in Raleigh, North Carolina.

It would be impossible to list all those who have contributed to the strength of Delta Epsilon, for every girl in Kappa offers something worthwhile to the school and to her sorority. Looking back over the years, Delta Epsilon has produced many noteworthy girls.



Original members 1901



Delta Zeta

Founded November 4, 1932
Initiates 1030

Colorado College
Colorado Springs, Colorado
Established 1874

Charter Members:

Margaret Beatrice Bradfield, Betty Britain, Margaret Josephine Campbell, Dorothy Mabel Chamberlin, Isabel Gladys Conroy, Katherine Mary Herbert, Martha Hester Herbert, Ruth Laughlin, Georgia Charles Lindley, Dorothy Pauline Smith Pomeroy, Constance Postlethwaite, Adda Whaite Smith, Marion Ellen Tibbs, Eleanor Watts.

For years people said there would be no sororities on the Colorado College campus. When Alice Taylor Bemis donated the money for the women's dormitory, Bemis Hall, she stipulated "no sorority houses." In 1932, consultants on the reorganization of the college recommended national sororities, and the faculty unanimously approved, if "there be no change in the dormitory system." Sororities came on campus, with lodges instead of houses, and all girls live in the dormitories.

"It all started when" the literary societies appeared on this campus. A very special women's literary group, the third oldest, Hypatia, was organized in 1903. Its activities, character, and offices were in such form in the early 1930s, that an easy transition to national society was permitted.

Lucile Pattison Esmiol, BM—Colorado, living in Colorado Springs, was approached by the college administration. She contacted Clara O. Pierce, BN—Ohio State. Soon Marie Bryden Macnaughtan, Θ—Missouri, came to check the situation. Mrs. Esmiol, with a three-weeks-old baby at home, left for the Swampscott Convention to present the petition. On November 4, 1932, installation of Delta Zeta chapter took place in the Broadmoor Art Academy. The next day, there was a pledge service in the Shove Memorial Chapel. Festivities marked the weekend.

Mrs. Esmiol organized plans for an addition to the Hypatia clubhouse. The alumnae association raised money; and, with the help of a spring fashion show, more money was raised for the furniture fund. In September, 1933, open house for rushees took place in the roofless, new lodge. One year after installation, at a dedication ceremony and open house for the completed lodge, it was hailed as one of the most impressive sorority houses in the state. It was designed by C. Truman St. Clair and was described as "picturesque English stucco architecture . . . along 18th century lines."

The honors bestowed on Delta Zeta that first year were to set the standard of general excellence which future Kappas would strive to equal or surpass. Leonna Dorlac (Lilljeberg) accepted on behalf of the chapter a loving cup from Denver's Panhellenic, an honor to be repeated through the years. In 1935, permanent possession of the cup was won, and the chapter continued to lead the campus in grade point average. Kappas were in Phi Beta Kappa, Alpha Lambda Delta, Mortar Board, and won Fulbright Fellowships.

Delta Zetas were honored as queens of homecoming, Miami Triad, and of the Sigma Chi "Watermelon Bust." Delta Zetas have consistently been recognized as campus leaders with many class commissioners, council members, staff members of *Tiger* and *Catalyst*, and president of the student body. Several Kappas were voted "Most Outstanding Senior Woman."

There have been moments of elation over a surprise win of

the annual song fest, and victory celebrations over winning grand prize for a homecoming float. There have been many occasions when the rewards were good times together, strengthened friendships, and loyalties.

The first of many annual baseball games with the Phi Delta Thetas began in 1933. The girls wore overalls and the boys wore dresses; the mayor of Colorado Springs threw out the first ball; 750 fans cheered. The Phi Delta Thetas won 36-33; the loser supplied the food for a picnic the next day.

The fortunes of the Delta Zetas as athletes fluctuated greatly. First place honors in the annual horse show were generally a sure thing in the 1930s. Later there were swimming meets, ice skating, archery, bowling, basketball, volleyball, and baseball. The chapter won some and lost some.

Campus life was never the same after the 1940s and World War II. "Minute Maids" was organized in the fall of 1941 and sorority girls sold war stamps at civic meetings and sporting events. They made war-stamp corsages to display in downtown store windows. Delta Zetas took first aid courses, knit for the Red Cross, served as nurses' aides, were USO hostesses, and scheduled regular open house for Navy and Marine trainees.

During the transition time of 1946, the Navy V-12 unit left and veterans began to return. Fraternities were reactivated and social life picked up. Tiger Town, quonset huts for married students, was built. Freshman "dinkies", freshman-sophomore fights, and the Kappa-Phi Delt baseball games were resumed. There was much stealing back and forth of the milkcan trophy. That year the honor system was tried at the college and has lasted to the present day.

In 1950, the year of the forest fire which started on Cheyenne Mountain and threatened Camp Carson, Kappas joined with the Red Cross and handed out coffee and doughnuts to the fire fighters. Many of the fire fighters were college men.



ΔΖ actives ski on Pikes Peak.



ΔZ winning skit in stunt show 1935.

In 1957, the silver anniversary of Delta Zeta was celebrated. On October 14, 1957, it was announced at a scholarship dinner that the chapter had won the Panhellenic award for highest fraternity scholarship for the eighth straight year. The following evening at a dessert at the lodge, alumnae and charter members recalled the early days of the chapter.

February 13 and 14, 1959, was the first Greek weekend on campus. Every waking hour was filled. The unlucky Kappa team came in last in the donkey race.

The system of deferred rush began in 1963. There were no new pledges from the spring of 1962 to January, 1963. This was part of a recognized scholastic program and calendar at Colorado College in order that first semester could be completed before Christmas vacation. Deferred rushing took place

between semesters during the long vacation.

Through the next years, although the Greek system was slowly being deemphasized on the campus, Delta Zeta held staunchly to their values and to the importance of Kappa in their lives. It was no easy task to enter the turbulent late 1960s, when revolutionary changes were occurring in campuses all over the country. Traditions were being overthrown and academic programs were made more relevant. Mathias Hall became coeducational.

Along with the overturning of tradition came inevitable attacks on the Greek system. Delta Zeta listened and decided that some attacks were true, but that Kappa ideals would stand the test of time. The girls decided not to throw out Kappa ideals but to give them new focus through individual and collective action.

The new community involvement was evident in 1971 and 1972 when Delta Zetas began to tutor students at the Brockhurst Boys Ranch in Green Mountain Falls. The ranch is a home for boys who have been in trouble. There they may receive help in a homelike atmosphere.

Fall 1972, marked the beginning of fall rushing for the first time in six years.

The Kappas of the 1970s, taking the best of tradition, and the best of change, are trying to become a more relevant chapter.



Founded November 11, 1932
Initiates 1163

Delta Eta

University of Utah
Salt Lake City, Utah
Established 1850

Charter Members:

Donnetta Bennion, Carol Brain, Patty Martha Cracroft, LaVon Crane, Eleanor Dawson, Dorothy Flandro, Dorothy W. Hanford, Margaret Mary Hummer, Jean Kirtley, Jeanette Murdoch, Virginia Otterstrom, Annette Ray, Helen Genevieve Rogers, Hellen Roselynn Roland, Annie Ross, Mary Mabel Sawyer, Madge Ethel Scalley, Fayette Shepherd, Ellen Smith, Grace Smith, Helen Taggart, Margaret Eleanor Thomas, Mary Diana Thomas, Frances Eleanor Wherry, Mary Helene Worlton.

The nine founders of Lambda Phi Lambda local chose as their pin an hourglass to mark time until Kappa Kappa Gamma would accept their petition. In 1932, after 13 years of hard work and high hopes the sands of the Lambda hourglass ran out and 235 actives and alumnae became members of Delta Eta Chapter at the University of Utah. The petition had been accepted at the Colorado Springs Convention of 1932.

Installation ceremonies were conducted on November 11, 1932, by Grand President Alice Tillotson Barney, X—Minnesota, and Field Secretary Helen Snyder (Andres), BII—Washington, in the Prudential Life building on South Temple Street. Patrons, two of whom were initiated, and Kappa alumnae shared the happy occasion. The alumnae included two, Carrie Sappington Friendly, BE—Barnard, and Lillian Arnold Means, E—Illinois Wesleyan, who had taken the petition to the convention. A song, composed by Lambda Phi Lambda's Gladys Rich and Phyllis McGinley (Hayden) was part of the petition. Known as "The Garden Gate Song," it was later adopted as a Kappa song.

Five other Delta Eta songs appear in the Fraternity songbook: "Kappa Maid," by Phyllis McGinley and Gladys Rich; "Kappa Rhapsodie," by Marie Barker Nelson and Frances Johnson Darger; "Panhellenic Song," by Phyllis McGinley;

and "We Are The KKGs" and "I Love Your Blue" by Delta Eta chapter.

The Kappa house is at 33 South Wolcott Street. The Lambdas had owned or rented several houses before the 1929 acquisition (for \$8000) of the eight room red brick bungalow, located close to the campus and other fraternity houses. The chapter



Phyllis McGinley, poet, achievement award winner of Kappa.

was installed there. The house was remodeled at the cost of \$15,000 in 1939. In 1963, a large \$53,000 addition included five new bedrooms, large kitchen, dining room, TV and card room, three bathrooms, chapter and archives room, utility room, and much more storage space.

Delta Eta scholarship has seen its ups and downs, from first place in early years, to a slump in the 1940s, then back to first place throughout the 1950s, with special awards, and a repeated retirement of the Panhellenic Trophy. Another slump in the 1960s was followed by stringent measures, with bylaws prohibiting pledging under a 2.7 high school average or initiation under 2.5. Officers must maintain a 2.5 overall average. Study tables, tutors, and advisers paid off in the 1970s with the chapter average reaching as high as 3.6 in 1972, and one seventh of the chapter receiving a 4.0 for spring quarter in 1973. Panhellenic no longer awards a trophy because of the passage of "credit-no credit" classes and of withdrawals the last week of school if one is failing a course.

During the chapter's first ten years a community chest drive had Kappa cooperation; Kappas sold opera tickets and entertained underprivileged children at Christmas time. During World War II Red Cross activities included rolling bandages. The USO exchange was manned by Kappas, and dues were raised to buy war stamps and bonds. After the war the chapter aided in a cancer drive, a Sub-for-Santa project, and fund raising for the Utah State Prison.

In 1952, a project was begun which lasted until 1964—Kappa and Kappa Sigma joined annually to give a party for Salt Lake City underprivileged children with gifts, refreshments, and decorations. In 1965, the Vietnam War interrupted this project. The project continued in 1968 for one year. Then the girls began diverse activities: tutoring slow learners, reading to the blind, and making gifts for Sub-for-Santa. In 1970 there was a central city swim party for underprivileged children and gifts for rest home residents. In 1971 the chapter sponsored a Christmas party for orphans with the Sigma Chis. In 1973 the actives and alumnae raised funds with a Christmas bazaar for promotion of a "Special Olympics" held for handicapped children in the spring at the university stadium. This was a very successful and meaningful project.

Hanging on the living room wall is a Kappa crest created by Marie Floor, mother of a Delta Eta, Andrea Rebecca Floor Hanson. Rebecca was rush chairman in 1963, and her mother made the lovely 3 x 5 foot wall hanging as a special surprise and morale-builder. The background is on a cream-colored piece of wool, lined with satin and edged with gold fringe. In the bottom right hand corner is a large gold Delta Eta. The chapter is very proud of this unusual piece.

Delta Eta is honored to own the Maude Gorham key donated by Vilate Crane Shaffer, loyal Delta Eta and past Eta province officer, Maude Smith Gorham, Y—Northwestern, was a graduate student when Kappa was petitioned, and she helped secure the charter. The most outstanding junior receives this large antique gold badge each year. In 1963, the original was lost and the chapter appropriated funds for another, exactly the same but a little bit brighter. This key is loved in a special way by Delta Etas. Maude Gorham, a Phi Beta Kappa, taught math, was president of the State Federation of Women's Clubs, and was a member of many boards. The University of Utah was the first state university in Utah to admit women, but 100 years passed before it granted a woman an honorary Doctor of Laws degree. That woman was Maude Gorham in 1950.

In 1967, the chapter received the key and 50-year pin



Outstanding members of ΔH.

long-time adviser and Founders' Day dinner speaker, Lillian Means. She helped present the petition. Beginning in 1974, the senior graduated with the highest average has her name engraved on a plaque holding Lillian Means' key.

The Loyalty Key, given by the advisory board, is awarded each Founders' Day to an upperclassman who had shown that the welfare of the chapter is of utmost importance to her, that she has had to make personal sacrifices to remain active, or that she has grown visibly in Kappa loyalty during her active years.

A large gold wooden key marks the Kappa house, so that it is easily recognized.

Delta Eta Alumnae Association had adopted as its Bicentennial project the writing of the history of the chapter. Funds have been appropriated for framing and reproducing pictures and the comparative history chart to hang in the chapter room, which also serves as its history room. A printed history will be placed in the university library and the chapter archives.

To many Kappas the name of Phyllis McGinley (Hayden), poet, stands out in Delta Eta's membership list. She has received the Pulitzer Prize, the Laetare Medal, and the Fraternity's Alumnae Achievement Award. Another Delta Eta Achievement Award winner in 1974 was Diana Devine Felt, the director of the Great Salt Lake County Mental Health Board. Gayle Olson Gittings is a renowned anthropologist and a producer and writer of "#7 Sunny Street," a television program in Salt Lake City.



Charter members of ΔH.



Delta Theta

Founded September 22, 1933
Closed 1943
Initiates 161

Goucher College
Baltimore, Maryland
Established 1885

Charter Members:

Marion Jennie Barbur, Amelia Dodson Bielaski, Jane Bielaski, Mary Rebecca Brown, Isabel Rebecca Colvin, Helen Margaret Draper, Mary Elizabeth Draper, Barbara Elberfeld, Katherine Thomas Flory, Addaline Wallace Gillespie, Catherine Grauel, Cecile Ethel Hansen, Martha Warren Hetzel, Clarissa Rinaker Howe, Margaret Graham Kaestner, Alice Hester Nye, Lucy Margaret Nye, Mary Chester Philips, Florence Louise Reich, Jean Elizabeth Sanders, Elsa Frederick Sharp, Katherine Shaw, Catherine George Tracey, Janice Laura Young.

Goucher College, chartered in 1885 as the Women's College of Baltimore, was established in commemoration of the 100th anniversary of the founding of the Methodist Church. It was formally opened in 1888 and became known as independent and nondenominational. The interest in the education of women and the gifts of Dr. and Mrs. John L. Goucher caused the college to be renamed in 1910.

The history of Delta Theta as a chapter of Kappa Kappa Gamma was short-lived, a mere 10 years.

Its history as a local, Tau Kappa Phi, was distinguished. Founded as a literary society of the Women's College of Baltimore, Tau Kap, as it was affectionately known, was the oldest fraternity in a long list of women's groups. Approached by several nationals, it chose to retain its local identity, was chartered as a fraternity, and never lost its Panhellenic vote.

The first five women to be graduated from the college were members of this outstanding local. Throughout its existence the members assumed positions of campus leadership and, after graduation, served as trustees and faculty members.

In 1932 the group decided it was time to become national and, having been approved by various officers and committees of Kappa, petitioned for membership and was installed September 21-24, 1933.



Installation ceremonies were conducted by Grand President Alice Tillotson Barney, X—Minnesota. Catherine Simmons (Russell), A—Akron, was awarded a co-organizer scholarship to the chapter for 1933-34.

Delta Theta Chapter was always a small group. It started life during the Depression when girls were becoming less interested in fraternities. Chapter members, however, continued to hold office and to exert an effective influence on campus.

During World War II the small chapter was almost wiped out as members joined the armed forces or left college to marry and be with their husbands as long as possible.

The college had already shown a growing lack of enthusiasm for the Greek system and the end of fraternities at Goucher was inevitable. Faced with this knowledge and the fact that local alumnae would have to support the chapter financially, it was decided to withdraw the chapter from campus in 1943.

Delta Theta's major accomplishment, and one scarcely known, was the stand taken in favor of the initiation of a Japanese student, a brilliant American-born daughter of a professor, in the period just before the U.S. entered the war against Japan. She was opposed by some Kappas, but backed by the Baltimore Alumnae Association, the chapter determined that Kappa's constitution makes no denial of membership because of race, creed, or color. Eventually the chapter position won. It was a proud moment for Delta Theta.

Early in 1942 the chapter received the scholarship cup for the 1941 fall term.

In April, 1943, *The Key* letter began, "Delta Theta chapter has had an extremely active year." Members had redecorated the rooms, there had been many active-alumnae meetings, and a tea was being planned in honor of Panhellenic, pledges, and initiates.

In the October, 1943, issue of *The Key*, the chapter was not mentioned in the directory of chapters, and in December there was no directory mention and no chapter letter. So, unsung, a chapter died.

Goucher, ΔΘ installation 1933.



ΔI

Delta Iota

Founded December 7, 1935
Initiates 1160

Louisiana State University
Baton Rouge, Louisiana
Established 1860

Charter Members:

Virginia Marie Coyle, Charlie Holcombe, Martha Gertrude Lindsay, Miriam Ivy Morris, Ruth Mather Robinson, Ruth Havard Shepard.

The opening words of the chapter history, as written by one of the first pledges, Martha Lindsay, describe the joy felt on September 26, 1934, when from the simple, twilight pledging ceremony at the home of Louise Kirtley Lant, M—Butler, there grew Delta Iota Chapter, from the original three pledges.

Working through 1934 and 1935, and meeting around the Louisiana State University campus, including the directors' board room, the pledge group grew to six. In the fall of 1935, six more pledges were added. With the help of four co-organizers: Esther Collicott (Surlington), BN—Ohio State; Leonna Dorlac (Lilljeberg), ΔZ—Colorado College; Mai Van Deren (Van Arsdall), ΔB—Duke; and Marguerite Jenkins (Long), ΓB—New Mexico, these charter-members-to-be felt themselves ready for installation.

On December 7, 1935, Kappa Fraternity officers came south for a Panhellenic Council meeting in Biloxi, Mississippi; and, at this time, they initiated the six charter members as the proud alumnae and co-organizers watched. At this same time Martha Enochs of Jackson, Mississippi, was initiated by proxy for Delta Theta, Goucher College.

A cozy chapter room was furnished with a \$500 gift from the Fraternity. Purchased for this sum were maple furniture, rugs, china and silverware. The room was in the basement of Smith Hall, a women's dormitory. Its low ceilings, overhead pipes, cement floors and barred windows were left behind when the chapter moved to a large upstairs room in the Panhellenic Building, built in 1938.

Minutes of 1940 mention "throwing prudence to the wind" in decorating. Much to the chapter's horror, the decor was all in Pi Beta Phi colors, (wine red and silver blue). During the following years, "shades of blue" atoned for this lapse. With the university's surprise 1958 announcement allowing sorority houses, the chapter planned for a house. Ground was broken March 14, 1965, "in the name of the alumnae who have striven so hard through the years to make this day possible The actives promise to do their Kappa best to make this house an abode of beauty."

Twelve sorority houses were constructed along University Lake, representing an investment of more than \$4,000,000 of private funds in university housing. On Dedication Day, March 20, 1966, the dream founded on goals of "elegance, practicality, and permanence" had, through great effort and generosity, become a reality.

Sororities had shared the Panhellenic Building for 25 years. Camaraderie and friendly competition were well established. In 1936-37, Kappa helped inaugurate an annual scholarship banquet sponsored by Panhellenic. Two important events are the Kappa-Delta Kappa Epsilon Christmas party for underprivileged children, a 30 year old tradition; and the Monmouth Duo, begun in 1961, and shared by Kappa and Pi

Phi. Every spring the Greek houses participate in Jambalaya Jambilee, an elaborate carnival; and Sigma Chi annually sponsors an all-sorority field day.

Scholarship in Delta Iota has had highs and lows, with averages fluctuating from first to twelfth place among 16 sororities. However, the chapter has always rallied when it needs to improve. In the late 1960's, the chapter received a campus Panhellenic Award for the greatest improvement during two consecutive terms, and the Province Award in 1969. The pledge class has been first in scholarship at least five times.

Chapter honors include the Gracious Living Award for unhoused chapters, 1960; first in scholarship for the second semester of 1972-73; and three awards for its newsletter.

Delta Iota has always campaigned actively in campus elections. It is an unusual year when campus or dormitory council positions do not include a number of Delta Iotas. The chapter has provided the university with campus favorites, and with members in beauty courts. The chapter is also well represented in scholastic organizations, averaging two members a year in Alpha Lambda Delta, freshman honorary, and several Phi Kappa Phis. Four members were recognized by Mortar Board in one year, and since founding, about 30 Kappas have become members. The Delta Iota bookshelves in the Kappa lounge are lined with trophies won by the chapter in such events as campus field day, homecoming decorations, songfests and skit programs.

In sports, Delta Iota swimmers have added four first-place trophies to the house collection, and awards have been won for tennis and volleyball.

In 1962, Delta Iota won the Women's Recreation Association's second place for overall sports achievement. During 1946-47, Delta Iota sponsored the newly formed Delta Rho, Mississippi, chapter, helped during rush week and



attended the installation ceremonies, just as Beta Omicron at Newcomb (Tulane) had assisted in Baton Rouge some 11 years earlier.

Delta Iota has produced many loyal and tireless alumnae, but grateful acknowledgment should be made, also, to advisers from other chapters. Foremost are the three who worked as organizers and who were advisers during the first ten years; Louise Lant, M—Butler, Dr. Margaret Herdman, BA—Illinois, and the late Dr. Joan Miller, BO—Tulane, professor of English at Louisiana State. Joan Chaffe Miller Hall, a dormitory for women, was dedicated in her memory in 1969. Her key was given to the chapter and is worn by the president. Other cherished possessions include the gavel presented by the four co-organizers, and the key of deceased member Catherine Bean, awarded to the outstanding pledge. Two other annual awards are given in memory of deceased members: the Elizabeth Sterling "Beth" Blanche Loyalty Award, and the Patricia "Patty" Pugsley King Service Award.

Delta Iotas who have given special service to the Fraternity are Field Secretaries Janet Mahaffey (Postell), 1964-65, and Amelia Bean (Prevost), 1955-57. Lynn Latham (Chaney) was graduate counselor at the University of Georgia in 1948.

Dr. Rowena Spencer is a Clinical Association professor of surgery at Tulane. Dr. Fay Murray Norton is a psychologist, adjunct professor at Mershon Center, Ohio State University and consultant for Battelle Memorial Institute, Columbus.

Kathryn Hall Proby is former editor and publisher of the Village Post and author of *Audubon in Florida*. Sue Wilbert Turner is a member of the National Steering Committee of the Trustees Committee of the American Association of Museums, Beta Sigma Phi Woman of the Year, 1970 Mad Hatters Distinguished Lady of 1974 (both awards for outstanding community service, Baton Rouge). Margaret Taylor Lane, LL.B and M.S. in Library Science, is recorder of documents for the state of Louisiana. Charlie Holcombe Pitcher, LL.B. was third assistant district attorney in charge of family court division, 1961-72, in Baton Rouge. Elizabeth Claire deGravelles Cloninger, founder of the Acadiana Opera Society and Vermillion River Theatrical company starred in many musical productions in Lafayette, Indiana. Mary Sue Berry Hauck had roles in Broadway musicals and recorded children's and educational music in New York. She had been the recipient of a Kappa Fellowship, 1955-56. Frances Holcombe was director of the West Baton Rouge Parish Welfare Department, 1957-68, and the State Welfare Department, Quality Control Division, 1968-73, in Baton Rouge. Linwood Gisclard (Findley) was Maid of Cotton in 1944, and 14 years later became Mrs. America.

Delta Iota Chapter has contributed much to campus activities, and in return has received gratifying rewards. The chapter's hopes and intentions are ever to increase the excellence of its endeavors.



Founded November 18, 1938
Initiates 651

Delta Kappa

University of Miami
Coral Gables, Florida
Established 1925

Charter Members:

Dorothy Rose Ashe, Ruth LaVerne Diestelhorst, Inze Helene Fripp, Elizabeth Maude Hayes, Valerie Louise Howitt, Jane Elizabeth Johnsen, Mary Ellen Kimball, Mary Jane Lineaweaver, Virginia Eloise Miles, Aileen Moira Murphy, Martha Ousley, Doris Ruth Page, Rebekah Rossignol Parham, Marie Henrietta Reichard, Elaine Alexandria Rheney, Nancy Elizabeth Shepherd, Margaret Shillington, Margaret Tallman, Margaret Winifred Wood.

The University of Miami, founded in 1925, began to build south of Coral Gables in 1926. The incomplete structure was severely damaged by a hurricane that September, and another building was found closer to Coral Gables. It was only partly finished, had no partitions, and classrooms were made with huge sheets of wallboard. The name "Cardboard College" stuck for years.

In 1947, the site was changed and the university, tremendously grown, is now situated on a large, beautifully landscaped campus.

Seven girls on the Miami campus were selected in 1927 by Kappa alumnae to be the nucleus of a local group, Lambda Phi, that would some day become a Kappa chapter.

In 1938 Lambda Phi's petition was accepted and Delta Kappa Chapter of Kappa Kappa Gamma was formally installed that year on November 17, 18, and 19. Nineteen charter members were initiated. Actives from Rollins and Alabama aided in the 1938 installation. Lambda Phi alumnae had the privilege of becoming Kappas at regular initiation services for the next five years.

An interesting feature of the installation banquet was the showing of movies of the newly built Kappa Hearthstone at

Winter Park, the 33rd convention at Hot Springs, and the film that Lambda Phi sent with its petition.

Clara O. Pierce, BN—Ohio State, conducted the model meeting November 20, 1938. Chapter officers were installed, talks were given on standards and responsibilities, and the contents of the archives chest were displayed.

Dr. Bowman F. Ashe, president of the university, was host at a tea March 1, 1939, at his home for distinguished writer Dorothy Canfield Fisher, BN—Ohio State, attended by actives and alumnae. Mrs. Ashe was one of the original members of the Kappa Mothers' Club of Miami. Her daughter Dorothy Ashe (Dunn) was the first initiate of Delta Kappa.

The Mothers' Club was formed in the fall of 1940 and has always been a great help to the chapter. The club has contributed a silver tea and coffee service, the scholarship punch bowl, dishes and stainless flatware, the installation of a terrazzo floor in the Kappa suite, an annual \$50 bond for highest scholarship and another for greatest improvement, a Christmas tree and holiday dinner, a champagne brunch for graduates plus a gift for each senior.

The chapter rented its first house in September, 1939. In 1942 sorority houses were no longer sanctioned by the university and the chapter returned to a room. By the chapter's

20th anniversary Delta Kappa was housed in the Panhellenic Building with all the other sororities. The suite of a large living room, conference room, kitchen and bath was in the prize location on the first floor next to the entrance.

The custom of chapter members wearing light and dark blue dresses started with the first rush and proved to be a fine way of identifying Kappas to the rushees during the silent period.

That first year ended with a good report after winning the scholarship cup, the athletic trophy, and the trophy for the best decorated house during homecoming. Chapter members were in varied activities and garnered trophies and honors through the years.

During 1940, the "Powder Puff Bowl," a football game between the Kappas and Chi Omegas, became a tradition; the chapter won two of three awards at Mu Province Convention; and Mary Elizabeth Moore was voted outstanding senior in the province.

The chapter purchased a \$500 War Bond in 1943. Pledges won the scholarship cup and Kappas were elected to every senior class office but one in 1945-46. Delta Kappa won the Song Fest, and three Kappas were on the university's All-American Girls Volleyball Team in 1947-48.

The chapter had many beauty queens: Mildred Lunaas (Bain), chapter president, was chosen to represent the U.S.A. at the Lima, Peru Fair; Mary Davison (Mills) was 1951 Orange Bowl Queen; Jo Ann Pflug (Woolery), the actress who received the Kappa Alumnae Achievement Award in 1972, was a Miami queen in 1960 and the first president of College Board; nine members were selected as "best dressed" at the 1961 Greek Week; and there were 12 Kappas in the 1969 Homecoming queen contest. Delta Kappa also had a national title winner in 1970, Deborah Shelton (Castro), "Miss U.S.A."

Kappa teams won athletic trophies and had national sports figures too. Doris Hart was the third-ranking national women's tennis player in 1947-48 and was an Alumnae Achievement Award winner in 1958. Judy Eller (Street) played on the Curtis Cup Golf Team in Nottinghamshire, England, in 1959-60.

Many scholastic honors have come to the chapter and its members. In 1951 Kappas were graduated magna cum laude, summa cum laude, and cum laude. In 1964-65 five Kappas were named to *Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities*, setting a record at Miami.

The highlight of 1971-72 was the chapter's philanthropy—special education classes and contributions to the drug rehabilitation center.



Charter members.

Among the many alumnae who helped Delta Kappa, Carol Engels Harmon, who served as Mu Province director, 1963-1967, and Fraternity director of alumnae, 1966-1970, received an award from the Miami Alumnae Association in appreciation of her services.

One of Delta Kappa's favorite songs with words by Randy Mebane (McDonald), a member of the first pledge class, is sung to the tune of "Till We Meet Again." It ends "Let us pledge each other that we'll keep, Kappa friendships strong and deep, 'till we meet again." Delta Kappa's spirit has always been "strong and deep."



Actives and pledges 1948.



Delta Lambda

Founded November 9, 1940
Initiates 877

Miami University
Oxford, Ohio
Established 1809

Charter Members:

Louise Cora Bath, Nancy Grey Biltz, Helen Elizabeth Cavanagh, Shirley Haughton Cordes, Anna Louise Elwell, Harriet Sheldon Hall, Jane Kathryn Hart, Ruth Leona Heuer, Marion Bruce Hubach, Ruth Mary Hughey, Dorothy Elizabeth McCoy, Shirley Leona Parker, Ruthanna Jeane Rudolph, Jane Elizabeth Storer, Betty von Schrenk, Virginia Elizabeth Wolfe.

An earlier history of Delta Lambda was written by Ethel Russell Wickenden, ΓΩ—Denison, who had been instrumental

in establishing the chapter. For 22 years she was a devoted and enthusiastic worker and adviser.



ΔΔ members and pledges at time of installation.

The Wickenden history opened with a statement about the university, the second oldest collegiate institution west of the Alleghenies. It was established under Land Grant provisions made in the Northwest Territory Act of 1787, incorporated in 1809, achieved collegiate standing in 1824, and grew until the outbreak of the Civil War when financial and enrollment problems caused it to be closed.

The college reopened in 1885. Women were admitted in the 1890s.

The Miami Triad of fraternities was founded here. Delta Zeta and Delta Sigma Epsilon were founded on the Miami campus in 1902 and 1914. Kappa interest began when a local group wanted to petition and Fraternity officers visited them in 1935.

"A local Kappa alumna," writes Ethel modestly, "made illustrative charts to go to the convention along with information about the university."

Eight nearby alumnae signed a petition in the spring of 1939, which was presented by Frances Kimbrough, BX—Kentucky, a Miami faculty member. A group of Fraternity officers, actives, and alumnae from a number of Ohio cities met on November 18, 1939. Ethel and Frances were there, of course. The situation was "canvassed," and it was suggested that these two women organize a group for colonization with Harriet S. Hall (Bennett), niece of a Beta Nu, and two others as nucleus. Later a letter from a Lambda introduced her freshman granddaughter, Marian Huback (Workman). This was followed by their recommendations, and so the foundations of Delta Lambda were laid.

An important tea was given January 14, 1940, for actives and alumnae from Cincinnati. About 30 Miami faculty, administration including the president's wife, members from Ohio State, Denison, and Ohio Wesleyan were invited to meet the dozen Delta Lambda Colony girls. Weekly meetings followed. The group was already active on campus and would have won the scholarship cup but was not eligible to compete. Material and credentials were shown at the Sun Valley Convention. By unanimous vote Delta Lambda's petition was accepted.

Installation was November 9, 1940, with Fraternity President Elizabeth Bogert Schofield, M—Butler, presiding, and Beta Rho Deuteron the installing chapter. Assisting were Elizabeth Kimbrough Park, BX—Kentucky; Edith Reese Crabtree, BG—Wooster; Clara O. Pierce, BN—Ohio State; Martha Combs Kennedy, Ω—Kansas; Nora Wilson Tomkinson, Δ—Akron; Gem Craig Reasoner, Y—Northwestern. There were 16 charter members and two other initiates. Mrs. Harry Williams, a Pi Beta Phi, is listed as financial adviser on the first advisory board.

At the time of installation Miami enrollment was a little over 3,000, with 240 faculty members and 44 buildings. By 1973, Miami was a three-campus institution, with 16,591 students on all three campuses (13,208 at Oxford alone), 782 faculty (many teaching on two or more campuses), and 110 buildings (96 on the Oxford campus.)

"Old Harrison Hall," where the Kappas held many early meetings, was torn down in 1957 and "new" Harrison Hall is on the site. The suite, decorated for the chapter's use in 1940, was soon outgrown and meetings took place in Wells Hall as well as Harrison. In February, 1952, a move was made to a larger suite in Richard Hall—and word was awaited for permission to move to a larger suite. It was almost impossible to have rush parties, even with all the furniture removed.

At one time men's fraternity houses were used for parties, allocation determined by a drawing. In the fall of 1965 the Delta Lambdas drew the Delta Kappa Epsilon house, one known for unconventional behavior. A pet iguana was let loose, and Dr. Susan Rockwood, BPΔ—Cincinnati, chapter council adviser, saved the evening by holding the creature at bay with a broom. Her report to Panhellenic read in part: "The specific episode in question concerns the deliberate unleashing of a living lizard (very closely resembling an iguana) of light green and yellow coloration, measuring approximately 18 to 20 inches in length with a girth of nearly six inches. . . ."

For this and other reasons the campus sororities voted to rush in their own suites. . . . For Homecoming that year the Dekes entitled their huge lizard-like construction "The Night of the Iguana."

The Fraternity has recognized Delta Lambda often: 1950-honorable mention, Standards; 1956-Gracious Living; 1964-Efficiency for Unhoused Chapter; 1968-Outstanding Pledge Program. . . twice the Fraternity Scholarship Cup. More awards: 1960-second place, Standards; also 1960-honorable mention for Efficiency (Unhoused). A pewter pitcher for Gamma Province efficiency, the Toledo Alumnae Award, was retired by the chapter in 1971—it had won the award every year but one.

The pages of Delta Lambda's history are full of accounts of rushing, initiation, Dads' Day, Mothers' Tea, Pumpkin Walks, Sigma Chi Melon Mess, Greek Week, Homecoming, Founders Day, Miss Miami Pageant, May Day retreats at Camp Hook, Pi Phi cozy, Monmouth Duo, Christmas parties, New Year parties, spaghetti-bean dinners (for scholarship), and Powder Puff Bowls (football between sororities).

There are also pages filled with campus honors: Cwens, Spurs, Mortar Board, Phi Beta Kappa, Air Force Angels, dormitory counselors, queens, outstanding junior, senior, etc. With all the activities, scholarship is maintained and the campus trophy has been won 19 times during the chapter's first 23 years.



1952 members ready for formal.

To celebrate the 20th year, funds for an annual scholarship award were deposited in 1960. In 1967, plans were begun for a circular bench to commemorate the Kappa Centennial, an idea initiated by Dr. Susan Rockwood. The arrangement is on Slant Walk, the middle oval bench surrounded by smaller curved benches. A large bronze plaque with the Kappa crest is embedded in the stone seat, and the whole area is complete with paving and landscaping, making a lovely addition to Miami's campus.

There was often discussion of scholarship and grades during early chapter meetings. A bylaw of February 25, 1942, states, "Girls in the semi-professional course will definitely not be considered for pledgship. If pledges enter (this) course after being pledged their pledgship will be automatically broken, and they will not be initiated on the basis of grades made in the semi-professional course. No exceptions" Later on it is recorded that lowering of initiation requirements caused a great discussion. Reasons pro: the stress of war, the amount of time required for war work, and the fact that "scholarship is not necessarily indicative of character and ability" were balanced with the reasons con: Kappa stands for high scholarship, the importance in wartime of getting as much as possible out of academic work, and the dangerous precedent which might weaken the chapter and lead to laxness Initiation requirement remained at 2.3 Later it was lowered to 2.1 but now has returned to 2.3.

During the formative years there were special programs for strengthening scholarship: in 1941, no dates for pledges on

week nights; 1942, actives below 2.3 to keep time charts and no dates on week nights; 1943, "all with a 2.0 and below must spend all free time Monday-Friday in the library. . . ." Standards must have been an issue in 1945: "On May 14, 1945, at a regular meeting. . . Mrs. Wickenden spoke to us. . . of the moral tone of the campus. . . It was decided that a large scale show of public opinion against it would be helpful and it was suggested that AMI, the fraternities, and Panhellenic take action. . . ."

By the end of 1972 Delta Lambda had initiated 800 members. An item of December 11, 1946, reads, "It was announced that a 50 cent fine will be imposed on those members who do not attend initiation or who do not help in setting up and taking down the frameworks. To avoid extra expense, it was decided to collect greenery for decorations from the surrounding countryside."

Following the Kent State Tragedy May 1970, the university closed for 10 days when students were sent home because of administration apprehension about riots. At province convention in April, 1971, an Undergraduate Council was formed by the Fraternity Council in an attempt to give undergraduate Kappas more voice in the Fraternity. Delta Lambda's Lynda Green (McDermott), who represented Gamma Province, was selected to be first president of the Undergraduate Council.

Ethel Wickenden's 1943 history at Delta Lambda ended on a high note of optimism about the three-year-old chapter's future. Her feelings have been substantiated throughout Delta Lambda's first 35 years. The chapter shares Ethel Wickenden's optimism as it anticipates its next 35 years.



Founded December 5, 1942
Initiates 839

Delta Mu

University of Connecticut
Storrs, Connecticut
Established 1881

Charter Members:

Louise Frances Bradford, Grace Frances Chapman, Jean Russell Clarke, Margaret Josephine Dykstra, Betty Jeanne Gray, Jeanne Isabelle Hinman, Norma Dorothy Johnson, Mary Dilys Rees Jones, Carolyn Elise Moe, Shirley Ida Mullins, Helen Virginia Rogers, Helen Margaret Safin, Bettina Maria Siegel, Leslie Chandler Terani, Jane Shirley Washburn, Edith Elizabeth Wollenberg.

It was amidst the gas rationing, sugar, and coffee rationing, and the cold winter days of 1942 that Delta Mu was founded at the University of Connecticut in December 1942. To save its guests gas and extra traveling the new chapter installed extra cots in its dormitories for the girls to use when visiting Kappas stayed overnight. Amid good times and bad, Kappa has remained strong at the University of Connecticut, and Delta Mu's history is proudly related.

In the winter, 1964, issue of *The Key* Janet Beroth, I—De Pauw, who was toastmistress at the installation banquet, tells about the chapter's founding: "On January 14, 1932, a group of girls presented to the administration of the Connecticut Agricultural College a petition to be known as the Delphian Club. . . . On November 2, 1933, the Delphian Club was recognized as the Delta Chi Omega Sorority. . . . It was in 1939 that the group first considered national fraternities, when the college was reorganized as a university. They voted to center their attention on Kappa Kappa Gamma. . . . At the 1942 Seignior Club Convention, this group was accepted as the future Delta Mu chapter."

The aims, as stated in the petition, were "to promote good scholastic standing, to promote participation in extra-curricular activities, and to promote a feeling of friendliness to all."

In 1942, when Delta Mu was installed, there were 2400 students at the University of Connecticut, and the university plant was valued at \$6,000,000. In 1974 there are 15,359 students and 85 permanent buildings. The university was founded in 1881 as Storrs Agricultural School, named for Charles and Augustus Storrs who had given money and acreage for the experiment. Priscilla Storrs (Tasker), one of the first Delta Mu initiates, and Cynthia Storrs Morehouse, initiated as an alumna, were descendants of Samuel Storrs, founder of the American branch of the family.

"In 1893," writes Janet Beroth, "the Connecticut General Assembly changed the name to Storrs Agricultural College and declared it the Connecticut Land-Grant institution. Women were admitted and the curriculum enlarged. In 1933, it became the Connecticut State College, and by 1939 . . . the Governor signed a bill changing the name to the University of Connecticut. Since that date the university has experienced



(L) Kappas compose cheering squad 1963.
(R) Charter members 1942.

a spectacular growth. It has always been dedicated to providing equal opportunity for all students, covering a broad range of social and economic backgrounds."

Sisters of Delta Mu have distinguished themselves in such diversified campus activities as the Dolphinettes, a swimming team; Pershing Rifles; Block and Bridle Club; Horticulture Club; Glee Club; *Nutmeg*, the yearbook; *Connecticut Daily Campus* staff; and various clubs, including the Commuters. There has been membership on the university's Board of Governors, and there have been up to seven cheerleaders at one time.

Delta Mus also have been involved in the Peace Corps.

The chapter has been known for scholastic achievement since its founding. There have been Mortar Board members, a University Scholar, and a number of scholarship awards, the last at the 1972 Convention. There has been a Chapter Loyalty Award, and an honorable mention for gracious living in 1962 and 1964.

The true spirit of Delta Mu is not found in awards but in the individual personality of each member who has given some of herself to Kappa and to her chapter. In some of the songs and traditions can be found the spirit which has kept Delta Mu alive through some difficult times on the University of Connecticut campus.

Problems to do with wartime and rationing and the cold weather, faced at the time of the chapter's installation were overcome, and many Kappa executives and officers, as well as actives from the installing chapter, Beta Sigma, Adelphi College and Phi Chapter, Boston University, made the ceremonies at the Congregational Community House and the Sunday tea for students and faculty, happy and successful.

A housing problem was imminent. The chapter realized that with university expansion a move would have to be made from the old house on Mirror Lake which had been theirs since 1936. The university initiated a plan for fraternity housing. This plan consisted of buildings, university-owned and furnished, treated as dormitories and identical to the dormitory buildings for independent students. Only the lounges were to be unfurnished, a job undertaken by the Hartford Kappa alumnae for the Delta Mu quarters. Each unit held 66 girls, and non-members were to be moved in in case fewer than that number needed accommodation. Besides the Hartford alumnae, the chapter was helped by Eastern Connecticut Club and the Fairfield County Association.

The men's fraternities had similar campus arrangements, and during the 1960s abuse of campus housing privileges,



Blue and blue house 1974.

and conflict with the administration, caused Greek organizations on the campus to be banned. Kappa, along with the other sororities and fraternities, lost the official, centrally located campus site, and slowly the interest in Greek organizations began to decline. Membership slackened and many groups disbanded under social and financial pressure.

Delta Mu has had to change its address several times, with its present (1973-74) base in Merrow, a few miles from the campus. It has survived the trauma of this decline because of Kappa-spirited, dedicated members. Membership is small, but recent encouraging rush periods show a renewal of interest in sororities at the University of Connecticut. In fact the 1973-74 rush was so successful that the chapter was asked to present a program at the 1974 Convention, a request that made Delta Mu very proud.

The large old three story house in Merrow is painted in appropriate colors, but there is no blue mood in the present chapter and its loyal members, who hope to keep the history of Kappa at a continuing, vital force for friendship.



Founded December 12, 1942
Initiates 784

Delta Nu

University of Massachusetts
Formerly Massachusetts State College
Amherst, Massachusetts
Established 1863

Charter Members:

Mary Elizabeth Bartlett, Jean Ellen Brown, Jean Burleigh Carlisle, Beatrice Emma Carnall, Florence Mary Daub, Norma May Deacon, Mary Francis Fitzgerald, Margaret Roberts Gale, Norma Florence Gibson, Blanche Anne Gutfinski, Mary Evelyn Holton, Claire Dorothy Horton, Elizabeth Marie Huban, June Marie Kenney, Lucille Bridge Lawrence, Avis Mary Ryan, Priscilla Scott, Doris Jeanette Sheldon, May Marle Thayer, Martha Abbott Trembl.

Before a sorority system existed on the campus of Massachusetts State College, Delta Phi Gamma, open to all women of

the college, served as a social organization. In the fall of 1931, this Greek letter society was divided into three closed groups,

one of which was Alpha chapter of Sigma Beta Chi, founded February, 1932. In the fall of 1933, nineteen members moved into a house at 314 Lincoln Avenue. It was rented and was run on a cooperative plan.

In the fall of 1941, Sigma Beta Chi became interested in affiliating itself with a national fraternity and began negotiations with Kappa Kappa Gamma. In July, 1942, the members of Sigma Beta Chi were informed that the group had been granted a charter at the Kappa convention in Canada.

That fall a graduate counselor, Alice Anne Longley (Roberts), I—DePauw, introduced the chapter to Kappa ways, instructing the girls in sorority lore, and preparing them for their big days in December when the new Kappa chapter, Delta Nu, would be officially installed.

Kappa dignitaries arrived on campus for the installation weekend. Initiation for 33 was held on Saturday, December 12, 1942, and Delta Nu chapter of Kappa Kappa Gamma had become a fact. Much festivity followed with a candlelight banquet that night. A campus reception was held in the home of the college dean, William Machmer, the following day.

Members were active on campus, scholarship held high priority, and progress was made during that first year as Delta Nu members tried to achieve Kappa standards.

The war years affected the chapter. During 1944 and 1945, Delta Nu was housed at Alpha chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa while the brothers were serving in the armed forces. In the fall of 1943, sisters campaigned by setting up a booth in Stockbridge Hall where war bonds and stamps were sold. In

As the years progressed, members of Delta Nu achieved many honors, scholastic and social. A luncheon, in the Lord Jeffrey Inn on December 13, 1952, celebrated Delta Nu's 10th anniversary as a member of the "Kappa family." Alpha province members joined in the festivities.

In the spring of 1954, there were rumors of new housing for the chapter. Requests to President Jean Mather had taken effect. A joint sorority drive was led by Delta Nu to improve sorority housing. It was not until 1960-1961 that the house corporation began planning a new house. Three lots were purchased in 1962 and in the spring of 1964, Delta Nu moved to 32 Nutting Avenue. The dream was approaching reality. The move was so exciting. No one minded as the plumbers and carpenters continued to work. A cement mixer in the middle of the formal living room was a commonplace thing.

At last the painting and papering were completed and the furnishings were in place. Delta Nu's house was the first to be newly built for a campus sorority. With devoted alumnae help, the dream was realized.

In September, 1965, Delta Nu was host to the Alpha province convention. The new house was formally dedicated that weekend. The three story brick structure is located at the end of one of Amherst's quaint, characteristic streets and is ideally near the campus. Frances Fatout Alexander, I—DePauw, Fraternity president, and Virginia Parker Blanchard, Φ—Boston, her assistant, were present at the house dedication.

Two years later, on December 10, 1967, a buffet, fraternity appreciation program, and gifts to charter members made a lively 25th anniversary party for Delta Nu.

Each of the past 32 years has brought recognition of achievement of members of the chapter. There have been nominations to *Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities*, elections to Phi Kappa Phi, Phi Beta Kappa, Scrolls, and Mortar Board. In 1968, Kathy Koumjian won the Miss University title and that same year Delta Nu won first prize for its homecoming float. The first graduate counselor from the chapter was Wilma Winberg Johnson in 1945. Janice Persson Williams went to the University of Nebraska in 1972 to share her Kappa experience. In 1974 Monica Young served her graduate counselorship at the University of Pittsburgh.



Prize winning float 1954.



Members hard at work in living room.

the spring of 1946, Delta Nu alumnae were incorporated and purchased a new home at 314 Lincoln Avenue, the house once used by Sigma Beta Chi. Delta Nu had a permanent home; the boys would be back soon to take over the Phi Sigma Kappa house; a peacetime campus had returned.

Agitation to change the name of the college from Massachusetts State to the University of Massachusetts mounted during the 1946-1947 school year. Several members of Delta Nu were outstanding in their efforts to effect such a change. Meetings with the legislature in Boston and on campus were attended. The effort was successful in the fall of 1947.



Banquet for ΔN installation.



- A—Colonizers Delta Sigma 1946
- B—Gamma Eta pledges 1941
- C—Gamma Gamma set for picnic
- D—Jacksonville alums at installation Delta Rho
- E—Gamma Gamma chapter 1946
- F—Gamma Nu 1942
- G—Delta Rho 1946
- H—Gamma Gamma winner of Standards Cup 1944
- I—Beta Theta entertaining actor Van Heflin
- J—Omega wins intramural trophy 1948 3rd year
- K—Beta Tau rush skit 1946
- L—Delta Iota knitting "bundles for Britain"
- M—Beta Rho going to class via street car 1948





—Delta Xi charter members (heavy lipstick era)

—Gamma Upsilon Rhumba Chorus Red Cross Ball, Vancouver

—Beta Rhos at Kappa table Univ. grill

—Delta Nu 1946

—Delta Tau charter members 1948

—Gamma Delta's mortgage burning

—Gamma Mu's mortgage burning

—Delta Theta "1940ish"

—Beta Mu queens

—Delta Rho chapter room 1947

—Delta Pi Installation Banquet 1946

—Gamma Chi hostess for Siamese Embassy tour





Founded February 17, 1944
Initiates 570

Delta Xi

Carnegie-Mellon University
Formerly Carnegie Institute of
Technology
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania
Established 1900

Charter Members:

Janet Adele Armstrong, Phillis Gean Baber, Elizabeth Anne Beall, Ruth Essie Beall, Mary Jane Dickson, Mary Jane Forman, Lois Frishkorn, Dorothy Hortense Greiner, Thalia Jean Harmany, Helen Elisabeth Harrison, Dorothy Patricia Houlihan, Helen Louise Johnston, Catherine Ring Kinley, Helen Jean Macdonald, Billie Wallace McIlrath, Helen Wright Robinson, Ann McDonald Rodgers, Virginia Ann Sheppard, Dorothy Lucille Stauff, Marie Gloria Sunseri, Mary Kathryn Truxell, Mary Patricia Weakland, Dorothy Louise Willison, Marjorie Greta Woodburn.

The history of Delta Xi at Carnegie - Mellon University covers a 30-year period—the five years of early organization between 1944 and 1949, the fabulous 50s and the struggling 60s.

Andrew Carnegie, in an agreement with the city of Pittsburgh, founded Carnegie Technical Schools in 1904 on the edge of a large city park. In 1912, renamed Carnegie Institute of Technology, it included the College of Engineering and Science, the College of Fine Arts, and Margaret Morrison Carnegie College. This was "Tech" when Kappa Phi Delta, the oldest sorority in the women's college of Margaret Morrison Carnegie, petitioned Kappa.

At this local's founding in 1929 there was an agreement not to petition a national fraternity for ten years. At the time of the petition, Beta Pi, a sorority in the Fine Arts College, elected to join with Kappa Phi Delta, and together they became Delta Xi Chapter of Kappa Kappa Gamma. It was agreed that women from engineering and science were to be included in membership selection although not many were available.

The installation February, 1944, coincided with the 25th anniversary of Gamma Epsilon, University of Pittsburgh. Initiation was held February 18 at the Carnegie Student Union, and all but one of the Fraternity officers were present as 24 charter members and 11 pledges joined to form Delta Xi Chapter. Gamma Epsilon actives and nearby alumnae and representatives of many other chapters heightened the new group's awareness of becoming part of an international fraternity.

The active chapter, with scholastic interests varying from secretarial, home economics, and social studies to science, art, music, and architecture, met for its first formal meeting, called to order by first chapter president Helen Robinson Rhodes, on February 20, 1944. The place of meeting was the so-called

activities room of the Carnegie Student Union, an old mansion with large rooms and spacious closets, which was to be the center of Kappa activities until the new student union "Skibo" was built in 1960. Skibo's closets were smaller and the storing of archives and supplies became a real problem. The meeting rooms were rather like classrooms and lacked privacy.

During the early years most Delta Xi members commuted, but after 1948 when a large apartment building was remodeled for women students there were many more residents and many Kappas became roommates or floormates. Group spirit was strong and accomplishments many during the 1950s and early 1960s.

In early spring of 1965 Delta Xi drafted an appeal, through Panhellenic, to be presented to the incoming Carnegie Tech president, that each sorority be given a floor assignment in Morewood Gardens, the women's dorm. Permission was granted and in the summer of 1965 advisers and other interested alumnae and actives furnished the lounge area of 3D Morewood. It was a great feeling to know where to find a Kappa. Now the chapter could plan initiations and other activities more easily. . . . Delta Xi had a home.

Unfortunately as the 1960s continued the interest in sorority life and traditional values held appeal for fewer women students and Delta Xi suffered as did the other national Panhellenic groups. In spite of the long-awaited "place of our own" which should have bound the chapter together, unity and cohesiveness were lacking, and after a period of disorganization a graduate counselor was assigned. Rush and other areas improved, but only temporarily.

Council issued warnings, followed by probation, then a probation extension. A whole college generation of Kappas lived with the feeling of failure in living up to Fraternity obligations.

With all the other unrest in the world and increased pressures for academic achievement there seemed just not enough benefit from fraternity membership for women on the Carnegie campus.

Another graduate counselor was sent to try to restore order from chaos. Scholarship improved, organization improved, rush was still poor. A small chapter, however, when forced to question itself, can sometimes appreciate fundamentals more than one at its height.

Fortunately for Delta Xi the pledge class of 1969-70, although limited in numbers, was strong in appreciation of friendship, scholarship, and Kappa ideals. This group reasoned successfully with Council members that if the Fraternity itself had grown from a membership of six, a small chapter need not be considered irresponsible. Some reorganization of priorities



ΔΞ charter members 1944.

was undertaken to accommodate the chapter's size and the Delta Xis relaxed at last in the knowledge that their dedication was as sincere as that of any other chapter.

While Delta Xi was reorganizing, so was the Carnegie campus. In 1967 this private college was merged with Mellon Institute, a nearby private research facility. The result was Carnegie-Mellon University and, as such, the administration sought to widen the scope of academic disciplines offered. Margaret Morrison Carnegie College first became coeducational, and then was phased out entirely to be replaced by the College of Humanities and Social Studies. The character of student applications changed too, and now many chapter members are enrolled in the College of Engineering and Science. The Margaret Morrison Carnegie College home economics members with their cooking and sewing abilities are missed, but the engineers are great at booth design and construction for Spring Carnival!

Spring Carnival is an event of long tradition at Carnegie. The greatest impetus comes from the Greek organizations on campus and for one weekend, the student body plays hard to balance the hard work of the academic year. Greek Sing and Swing is another exciting event on the calendar, and Homecoming in the fall allows the chapter to roll out the welcome mat for returning alumnae. At other times during the



Installation banquet.

year Delta Xi displays community awareness and concern by collecting for Unicef at Halloween and by entertaining underprivileged children at Christmas.

A consideration of Delta Xi's 30 years reveals a stable organization, with its original spirit not overpowered by crises and change. Ideals of friendship, loyalty, and excellence appealed to the Kappa Phi Deltas and Beta Pis who petitioned Kappa in the early 1940s. Now, as each pledge class comes along it is evident that the Fraternity holds appeal, even though academic orientation and social orders have been transformed.



Delta Omicron

Founded May 18, 1946
Initiates 638

Iowa State University of
Science and Technology
Formerly Iowa State College of
Agriculture and Mechanic Arts Ames, Iowa
Established 1858

Charter Members:

Dorothy Elizabeth Bonnell, Elizabeth Faye Collins, Dorothy M. Crawford, Barbara Ferguson, Lorraine Lee Guernsey, Betty Lou Hall, Patricia Ann Hedge, Helen Marie Hochriem, Myrllin Lee Huff, Eleanor Anne Lagoni, Carolyn Ann Mitchell, Nancy Nix, Ethelyn Julia Scott, Evelyn Marie Scott, Virginia Sharp, Rosalie Ferguson Thomas, June Marie Welch, Ruth Noi Wright.

Delta Omicron's history seems to bring simultaneous memories of national officers, three Kappa graduate counselors, a small group of unchartered Ames alumnae, the effects of World War II, Iowa State College President Charles E. Friley, and the Panhellenic spirit on Iowa State's campus.

The first recorded Kappa Kappa Gamma event was a tea held at the Pi Beta Phi house in honor of Graduate Counselor Wilma Winberg (Johnson), ΔN—Massachusetts on September 23, 1945. Wilma was sent to Iowa State by the Fraternity with the idea of starting a chapter there. Among the honored guests were the members of the Extension Committee; Fraternity President Ruth Kadel Seacrest, Σ—Nebraska; former field secretary and Extension Chairman Martha Galleher (Cox), PΔ—Ohio Wesleyan; and Frances De Puydt, BZ—Iowa. Residence directors, presidents of all organized houses on campus, and faculty members also attended.

Obviously impressed with the situation at Iowa State, the extension committee unanimously recommended that active chapters vote for the colonization of a new Kappa chapter at Iowa State. The Grand Council endorsed the colonization and work was started in the fall of 1945.

Two more graduate counselors had been sent to Iowa State by winter quarter, 1946. They were Patricia Pillar (Shelton), Ω—Kansas, and Arma Jo Smith (Northup), ΓA—Kansas State.

The first rush party was on January 3, 1946, at the home of Ruth Shaw Gilman, ΓΘ—Drake. The Ames alumnae, girls from Beta Zeta at Iowa, and Gamma Theta at Drake assisted the graduate counselors.

Seventeen girls were rushed and pledged. The pledge pin was a gold "ΔO." The new pledges continued to live in various dormitories on campus and they met at the Memorial Union. Delta Omicron was now a reality and finding housing was the next goal.

World War II was over, but the effects were still very evident. Most of the men between 20 and 44 had been eligible for military service. Lumber, scrap metal and all building materials had been rationed. Therefore, labor and materials for construction were non-existent, certain food items were limited, and the college enrollment was low. However, between 1944 and 1946 military men started to return to school and Iowa State's enrollment tripled.

The start of winter quarter, 1946, was delayed a few days because more than 500 unexpected students overloaded the administrative machinery. Virtually overnight the college faced a critical shortage of classrooms and housing. It was at this time that the KKT alumnae started to look for chapter housing.

Installation took place in 1946 with the Grand Council and members of Nebraska, Drake and Iowa University chapters



State University of Iowa.

attending. A banquet certainly was in order even though some food rationing was still in effect. A place to seat that many people also presented a problem. President Charles E. Friley, personally came to the rescue. He made sure that the Memorial Union was available for the banquet and adequate food was served.

The initiation for the 18 charter members (one girl pledged after the original 17) took place in the Memorial Union. Executive Secretary Clara O. Pierce, BN—Ohio State, presided over the initiation and Gamma Theta was the installing chapter. It would be hard to say which event was the highlight of the installation weekend: the silver punch bowl presented to the chapter by Interfraternity Council, the silver dish presented by Panhellenic Council or the cake made with rationed butter and sugar. It was at the same time that Wilma Winberg presented a scholarship ring to the girl who showed the greatest scholarship improvement. This tradition is still being carried out.

Installation was over and all efforts could be aimed at the housing problem. Again, President Friley came to the rescue and made available an old house that the college owned at 128 Lynn Avenue. Delta Omicron could rent the house for \$200 a month. The house had been used for graduate students, but now the Kappas could call it home for a few years. Beds and study desks were provided with the house, but all of the kitchen equipment had to be purchased. Dishes and glassware were easily acquired, but when a stove and refrigerator had to be obtained, the effects of World War II were again felt. The Kappas were able to purchase a used refrigerator from the ΣAEs for \$300. Records show that the kitchen was equipped for less than \$550.

In the fall of 1946, rush was conducted in this temporary house. The physical aspects of the house were certainly no help in rushing. The carpeting in the house was so bad that one rushee caught her heel and fell.

The search for permanent housing continued and in the fall of 1947 the lot at Ash and Sunset was purchased for \$13,500. The



ΔO charter members and transfers 1946.

Fraternity architect drew plans for the new house and in the fall of 1948, these plans were presented to the active chapter. However, the lot, which was next door to the Tau Kappa Epsilon house, was later sold to the Tekes for their expansion program.

Meanwhile, life continued at 128 Lynn and that year Kappa Alpha Theta came to the campus. The Kappas invited the Thetas to combine spring formals for a "Kite and Key" dance.

In 1949 Iowa State's Panhellenic Council invited national officers of eleven national sororities to gather on campus. Delta Omicron's president, (Doris) Jeanne Hudson (McElroy) was elected president of the conference.

After the plans for the chapter house at Sunset and Ash had been changed, the decision was made to purchase the Roger Williams Baptist Student Center at 120 Lynn Avenue in May, 1949. Remodeling was to begin as soon as school was out. Again the Kappa architect and interior decorator made all the plans for the remodeling and sizeable addition.

Remodeling began before the new Baptist Church was completed, so the minister and his family moved to 128 Lynn and the Kappas moved to Oak Hall for fall quarter of 1949. Rush was held at the Memorial Union and the church was completed by the end of fall quarter. The girls moved back to 128 Lynn until the remodeling was finished. Mother's Day, 1949, was "Move Day" and this time the move was permanent.

Even though the decorating was done by an interior decorator, it was several years before she saw the end result. In the meantime, the KKT house was frequently visited by Iowa State's interior design classes as an example in the "utmost of poor taste." Delta Omicron had been sent the wrong living room furniture.

It appeared that a temporary move might again have to be made in May, 1971. The City Building Inspector asked that five rooms in the northeast corner of the house not be used due to structural weakness in the corner of the building. The girls doubled up, but continued to live at 120 Lynn until major repair was done to the corner of the house.

Delta Omicron's history includes a letter written in 1970 by Dr. E. W. Peterson, professor of political science, who had lived on Lynn Avenue and had watched the Kappas come and go since 1946. He had always been an "adopted Dad" and attended the Dads' Weekends. The letter was full of his appreciation for the thoughtfulness of the Kappa chapter, of his high opinion of the girls' abilities in class and on campus, and of the other neighbors' enjoyment of Delta Omicron. The page was called, "A Brief History of the Kappas as Seen Through the Eyes of Appreciative Neighbors" and it ended, "... from the whole neighborhood I bring thanks"

Dr. Peterson pointed out that the chapter had always been active in campus affairs. In 1955 there were so many Delta Omicrons in key Veishea (all campus event) positions that the Veishea Central Committee installed a special Veishea phone at the Kappa house.

The alumnae of the chapter also have been outstanding in activities. In 1970 Iowa State University awarded the Outstanding Young Alumnus award to Jane Armstrong (Byrne). Colleen Wood (Shaw) was named to a special Iowa Governor's Committee, and in 1973 Carol Campbell was the first woman to pass the Air Force Survival test.

At the 1972 Fraternity Convention Delta Omicron received the Edith Reece Crabtree Panhellenic Award and the Rheva Ott Shryock gavel was presented to the alumnae club for its work with the chapter. Without the Ames Alumnae Club and its loyal members it is doubtful that either Delta Omicron or the written history of Delta Omicron would be a reality.



ΔΠ

Delta Pi

Founded November 2, 1946
Initiates 596

University of Tulsa
Tulsa, Oklahoma
Established 1894

Charter Members: Patricia Sue Avey, Lillian Ruth Broad, Margaret Jane Carl, Rosemary Chancey, Floranne Cross, Jessie Beatrice Denton, Wilma Jean Denton, Norma Sue Francis Evans, Alma Jean Jernigan, Margy Rebecca Jernigan, Patricia Ann Kohn, Mary Reeves McLendon, Kathryn Jo Melinder, Marisue Meyer, Helen Patricia Morsani, Cora Ernestine Price, Jean Grant Reames, Edna Insch Sesow, Bettye Ree Shrewsbury, Mary Catherine Stoppard.

The University of Tulsa traces its ancestry to the government schools for Indians established in Oklahoma and Indian territories in 1816. The resources of three of these were combined in Muskogee, Oklahoma, in 1894, as the Henry Kendall College, with the support of the Board of Missions of the Presbyterian Church, U.S.A. In 1907 the college moved to Tulsa and a year later occupied its present site and first new building. In 1920 it became the University of Tulsa. The name, Henry Kendall, was retained for its College of Arts and Sciences.

The University of Tulsa has become established as one of the finest schools in the Southwest, and because of its excellent petroleum engineering courses and advanced science program, it always has more men than women in its student body.

At the close of World War II, former servicemen thronged to universities to receive the benefits of the G.I. Bill and expansion was inevitable. Then, as now, the girls would go where the boys were. There were four sororities on the Tulsa campus: Chi Omega, Delta Delta Delta, Kappa Delta, and Phi Mu. Another was needed.

By coincidence the day in 1945 on which the Panhellenic Council of Tulsa invited 15 girls to organize for the purpose of petitioning a national group of their choice was October 13, Kappa's Founders' Day. The group chose Alpha Pi Theta for its name and, after a study of the Greek system, chose to petition Kappa Kappa Gamma for membership. In March, 1946, Eleanore Goodridge Campbell, BM—Colorado, assistant director of alumnae, and Mary Singleton Wamsley, I—De Pauw, Theta Province president, inspected the local and approved the proposal to petition at the Diamond Jubilee Convention on Mackinac Island.

At a garden party in the home of Jane Randolph Dunkin, BZ—Iowa, the members of Alpha Pi Theta met the Tulsa alumnae in the spring of 1946. Dorothy Lemaster Carter, BA—Illinois, president of the Tulsa Alumnae Association, sent a jubilant wire from the Fraternity convention announcing the affirmation of Delta Pi Chapter. The charter was granted July 6, 1946.

Much planning and organization went on in Tulsa that summer. Fall rush parties were held in the university's music building, Tyrell Hall, and 13 girls were pledged.

Delta Pi Chapter was installed on November 1, 2, and 3, with Fraternity President Ruth Kadel Seacrest, Σ—Nebraska, as installing officer; assisted by Executive Secretary Clara O. Pierce, BN—Ohio State; Director of Chapters Martha Galleher Cox, P^A—Ohio Wesleyan; Field Secretary Mary Agnes Graham (Roberts), Y—Northwestern; and province officers Sarah Brown Army, ΓΔ—Purdue, and Mary Wamsley. Gamma Nu, Arkansas, was the sponsoring group, and the colonizers from Oklahoma A. & M. College attended, as well as members from Beta Theta, Oklahoma. Fireside service was at the home

of former Fraternity President Georgia Hayden Lloyd-Jones, H—Wisconsin. Installation and pledge services were held at the University Bookstore on campus. Georgia Lloyd-Jones presided at the banquet in the Junior League Tearoom. Representatives from more than 25 chapters were present.

The first year was strenuous and exciting, with Kappas entering all activities. The dynamic first president, Edna Insch (Sesow), gave the chapter a fine start. Usually formal meetings were held on the second floor of the College Book Store and pledge-active dinners and initiations took place in the homes of alumnae. Pledge meetings were in the homes of pledges or the adviser.

In the fall of 1947, Delta Pi pledged 25 girls, the only group to pledge its quota. Open houses were held at the Student Union, practice for "Singphony" was at the home of Marisue Meyer (Van Zant) initiation banquet was at the Twin Oaks Tearoom, and the dance after finals at the home of Ruth Edkin (Pitcher).

Ground-breaking for the Kappa lodge provided the biggest thrill of 1947. In the presence of Dr. C. I. Pontius, university president; Mary Clay Williams, dean of girls; Florence Jones Barnett, H—Wisconsin, daughter of Georgia Lloyd-Jones; Lorna Troup Stenger, ΓA—Kansas State, house corporation president; and the whole chapter; Edna Sesow turned the first spade of earth on the Kappa lot with the golden spade of the university.

In the fall of 1948, 20 pledges were welcomed to the new lodge. None of them lived there, but they gloried in having a place for their parties, and their more frequent contacts strengthened their sisterhood. There were post-war restrictions, but having a home was wonderful. In 1968, the university provided dormitories at the rear of the seven lodges, and Delta Pi became a housed chapter with accommodations for 34. The pledges live in the Lottie Mabee Dormitories.

In 1950, Mortar Board established a chapter at Tulsa; and during the next 20 years, 65 members of Delta Pi were tapped.

Ground breaking ceremony for ΔΠ lodge October 1947.





1963 chapter sings "I am so happy that I am a Kappa Kappa Gamma".

There has never been a year without a Mortar Board member. By 1970, Lantern, the little sister of Mortar Board, had 101 Delta Pi members. The chapter has had 35 members in Phi Gamma Kappa, a scholastic honorary. By 1970, in the six years of Angel Flight at Tulsa, 26 girls of Delta Pi have been honorary officers.

In 1950, Panhellenic at Tulsa began its awards banquets. Kappa has won the chapter scholarship eight times, the pledge scholarship seven times, and the Kappa Sigma Sorority of the Year Award three times. In 1953, Delta Pi presented to Panhellenic a Standards Cup in memory of Martha Hood, who had been an ardent Panhellenic worker. Delta Pi has won this cup six times. *Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities* has chosen 61 Delta Pi Kappas, especially active in journalism, holding positions year after year on the *Collegian*, the newspaper and the *Kendallabrum*, the year book. Chapter members are chosen for honoraries annually. Consistently, on a more hilarious level, they have won volleyball tournaments, risked their lives on Talahi Day in races and touch football, and presented skits at Varsity Nite, occasionally winning a first.

Through the years, Delta Pi members have devoted themselves to various philanthropies in Tulsa. The March of Dimes, the Crippled Children's Home, Community Chest,

Child Guidance Clinic, Handicapped Children, Tuberculosis Center, Sand Springs Children's Home, Public Health Center, Disabled Veterans' Home, Christmas baskets for the poor, and Multiple Sclerosis have all received help from the Kappas.

Many of the traditions adopted by Delta Pi during its lifetime have continued. Kitty Kappa, a large doll, has been mascot, and receives a new wardrobe now and then. The Boner Cup brought shrieks when awarded at dinners, and taking Halloween pumpkins to the fraternity houses was fun. Early traditions were the Fleur-de-lis formal dance to honor the pledges in the fall, and the Keyman dance given by pledges for actives in the spring. After initiations, the whole chapter passes a loving cup around the circle and gives toasts. Christmas caroling, the Kappa-Theta ball, the Owl-O-Ween party with the Chi Omegas, and the exciting candlelight announcements promote fun and friendship.

A Pickers group was formed when delegates returned from a Fraternity convention. The group has been immensely successful performing at fraternity houses, on campus, and for social and civic groups. When the Pickers play professionally the money is placed in the chapter Emergency Scholarship Fund.

Three field secretaries have been Delta Pi members: Georjean Groom (Fogle), 1952-54; Saundra Rosenbum (Wilcox), 1963-64; and Jane Buker (Moss) 1969-70. A generous mothers' club and an interested alumnae association, supplying excellent advisers, help keep the chapter strong. The largest chapter membership has been 61. Now, the number is limited by Panhellenic to 50, including the pledges.

Recent years have seen the development of an interesting trend at the University of Tulsa. When Delta Pi was a new chapter, all its members were Tulsa girls. Now, only a few Tulsa girls enroll at the university and the majority of the present chapter comes from out of state. This may be partly explained by the fact that the University of Tulsa demands a very high tuition and that state universities are less expensive. Then too, "going away to college" becomes increasingly more interesting.

ΔP

Founded March 15, 1947
Initiates 693

Delta Rho

University of Mississippi
University, Mississippi
Established 1848

Charter Members:

Eleanor Zoe Allen, Mary Winifred Brandon, Olive Elizabeth Clower, Patricia Dell Davidson, Jane Partridge Herring, Patricia Ware Reilly, Betsy Ann Ross, Eulalie Holden Rothe, Mary Alice Shourds, Natalie Thompson.

The University of Mississippi, "Ole Miss," in Oxford, was chartered in 1844, opened in 1848, and admitted its first women in 1882.

Kappa was asked to consider the Oxford institution by the dean of women in the fall of 1945. Carolyn "Johnnie" Boyle (Hasskarl), BΞ—Texas, then field secretary, visited the campus and became enthusiastic about the possibilities. In the spring of 1946 Clara O. Pierce, BN—Ohio State, executive secretary, visited at the request of the chancellor, with the idea of colonizing. Believing conditions to be favorable, she went to

the Memphis Alumnae Association for approval and Memphis Kappas voted favorably. Elizabeth "Betsy" Foster West, ΔB—Duke, was sent as a delegate to the Mackinac Convention. The vote was affirmative and rush plans were made for the fall of 1946.

At this time there were seven sororities on the campus, with housing limited to a few seniors in the small lodges operated by each group. University housing was at a premium and the administration was eager to have Kappa build a house large enough to house and feed the entire chapter. Two counselors

and colonizers were appointed by the Fraternity and enrolled for graduate work in the fall of 1946. They were Norma Fix (Butts), ΓP —Allegheny, and Patricia Land (Stevens), ΔI —Louisiana State (BO—Tulane, affiliate). Their scholarships carried the stipulation that they must help colonize Oxford.

Alumnae from Memphis, New Orleans and Jackson loyally travelled many miles to see the rush season through, and gathered together again for the installation. There was only one Kappa alumna living in Oxford at that time.

The colonization pledge book was signed by 11 girls that October. Installation was conducted the weekend of March 14-16, 1947, by Fraternity President Ruth Kadel Seacrest, Σ —Nebraska; Clara O. Pierce; Marjorie Kyes Amend ΓO —Drake, director of membership; assisted by Dorothy Gamble Favrot, BO—Tulane, Mu province president; Elizabeth Kimbrough Park, BX—Kentucky, former Fraternity vice president; and Jean Scillely Nutter, BZ—Iowa, alumnae regional assistant. Ten girls were initiated in their chapter room in the YWCA Building.

The only accommodations in Oxford at that time were in the old hotel on Court Square. Anyone who has ever spent the night there never forgets the experience—especially the coil of rope in each room to be used as a fire escape.

May Lyon Bennett, BII—University of Washington, presided over the banquet in the Mansion House, and the chancellor spoke on the importance of college loyalties. The university had given the chapter the use of a room on the top floor of the YWCA. It was the oldest building on the campus and during the Civil War had been used as a hospital. The room had been attractively furnished by the Fraternity, and it became chapter headquarters for the "Lucky 13." The Memphis alumnae, who had prepared the group for installation and initiation, served as advisers.

After consultation with the chapter lawyer, a house board was set up to supervise the planning and building of a chapter house. The architect selected was Dalton B. Shourds, father of Mary Shourds, a charter member. The chapter moved into the lovely red brick Colonial house in the fall of 1948. The house was the first on the campus to accommodate as many as 20 members, with dining capacity of 48. In it the beautiful and the practical were combined to equal the livable.

The young chapter worked conscientiously to develop its own traditions and to maintain its standards. Delta Rho quickly made a place for itself on the campus. Scholarship has always



Initiates of ΔP on campus.

taken priority, and the chapter took the scholarship lead during its first year. There have been many campus honors: Mortar Board, Cwens, student government and Panhellenic officers, beauty queens, campus favorites, and cheerleaders.

Delta Rho alumnae have distinguished themselves in the fields of drama, arts and letters, music, and even politics: Lucy Kate Jackson played in the TV show *The Rookies*; Betty Jane Prichard Dunn is the wife of the Governor of Tennessee; Rita Wilson (Howard) was Miss Tennessee in 1961; Mary Lloyd Ireland was a member of the 1973 United States swim team, which took part in the World University Games in Moscow; Barbara Jean Cason has appeared in many television commercials, "All in the Family," the 1973 New York production of *Oh, Coward*, and in a number of films.



13 out of 33 members of Cwens honorary 1966.



Founded April 12, 1947
Initiates 862

Delta Sigma

Oklahoma State University
Formerly Oklahoma Agricultural and
Mechanical College
Stillwater, Oklahoma
Established 1890

Charter Members:

Sheila Thomas Alexander, Betty Lou Bailey, Shirley Gay Dufford, Patricia Ann Flikkema, Sallie Lou Fowler, Donna Marilyn Gordon, Mac Leone Hefton, Shirley Annette Kyle, Mary Joe McCullough, Virginia Lee Mock, Barbara Lee Moyse, Suzanne Payne, Mary Frances Purvis, Mildred Freeman Robinson, Salley Jean Sale.

The movement to establish a chapter of Kappa Kappa Gamma at Oklahoma Agricultural and Mechanical College, later Oklahoma State University, was instigated by Jessa DeFoliart (Scott), ΓN —Arkansas, and Melba Errebo (Cordell), A—Monouth. These two had enrolled at Oklahoma A and M and roomed together, but they missed the chapter life they had

enjoyed, and so wrote to Kappa Headquarters about the possibility of establishing a chapter.

In 1946 Eleanore Goodridge Campbell, BM—Colorado, came to Stillwater to organize an alumnae club. Eliza Gaffney Leachman, BΘ—Oklahoma, was elected the first president.

The Key for October, 1946, announced "a trio of potential chapters" at Tulsa, Stillwater, and Oxford, Mississippi. That



(Top) Charter members.

(Bottom) 25 years later they celebrate again!

fall Graduate Counselors Marjorie Cross (Bird), BM — Colorado, and H. Stuart Smith (Asquith), Π — Washington University, were sent to Stillwater to start the colonizing process.

Membership for the colony was delayed until the established groups on the campus had ended formal rush. When the Delta Sigma Colony enrolled its first members, 15 choice girls were pledged without compromising quality for numbers. Counselors were sent to work with the chapter for several years and the success of the chapter is due, in great part, to their work.

Installation took place in April 11 and 12, 1947, with Director of Alumnae Helena Flinn Ege, $\Gamma\Sigma$ —Pittsburgh, as installing officer. The Fireside service was at the Kappa Sigma house; installation at the YWCA; and the banquet in Willard Hall. Beta Theta, University of Oklahoma, was the installing chapter. Sunday afternoon a reception for more than 500 invited guests was given at the Kappa Alpha Theta house and it seemed to the hostesses that at least 500 attended.

It had been recognized from the start that housing for a colonized chapter with two active members would pose a problem. The colony members lived in a dormitory and, thanks to Fred G. Drummond (president of the Board of Regents, and husband, later to be a father and grandfather of Kappas) they were able to occupy a complete floor of North Murray Hall and have their own hostess.



1974 chapter recognized as group best exemplifying Greek tradition of service to community, university and fraternity system.

Lots were purchased in January, 1947, at the corner of Lincoln and College Avenues. Herbert and Frances Sutton Schmitz, BA—Michigan, were appointed to draw up plans for an attractive, but cheap, house for 45 girls . . . a difficult assignment. Two of the existing houses on the lots were sold and a third was converted into a lodge, attractively furnished. There the girls met and the two colonizers and a hostess lived. This house was torn down when construction started in 1948. During that school year the girls lived in a crowded rented house on Ramsey Street. When the girls moved in the fall of 1949, the new chapter house seemed immense and luxurious. However, the house, designed for 45 girls, was holding 65 in the 1960s with other members very unhappy about not being able to live in it. The house could not be enlarged because new city building codes required adequate parking space.

In 1965 this house was sold to the new Phi Gamma Delta chapter. Lots were purchased at the corner of Lincoln and Fourth Avenues. Gwendolyn Barnes Uzzell, ΓN —University of Arkansas, was chairman of the house Building Committee and the Schmitzes were again the architects. Mrs. Uzzell was liaison person for more than two years, and seemed to devote every free minute to the project. Delta Sigma's Martha Puckett Miller accepted the responsibility of raising funds for furnishings and had moderately good results from three mailings to her up-dated alumnae file.

Delta Sigma moved into the new house in March, 1968.

Members of the local alumnae group have nearly all served as advisers, some almost continuously. Martha Miller; Eliza Leachman; "Gwen" Uzzell; Gladys Sullivant McGaugh, ΓN —Arkansas; Jean Clark Berry, B Θ — Oklahoma; Shirley Love Murphy, B Θ — Oklahoma; and Delta Sigmas Althea Jacobson Wright, Ruby Eager Moore, Alice Cudd Bauter, Merna Jo Hart Robinson, Nancy Hamra Patton, and Alice Davis Waughtal have been especially loyal. These same women have served on the house board and been officers in the alumnae club.

There are good reasons for Delta Sigma's outstanding reputation at Oklahoma State. The Fraternity made special concessions to the needs, financial and otherwise, of the chapter. The high regard in which Beta Theta at the University of Oklahoma and other chapters in surrounding states have long been held has reflected favorably upon Delta Sigma.

Delta Sigma members served often as student government representatives and as presidents and vice presidents of Angel Flight, Blades, and Mortar Board. Many are members of honoraries.

The chapter has won the Zelma Patchin award as "outstanding sorority on campus" five times, and has received or been runner-up for the scholarship cup at least 10 times. During the 1950s, Delta Sigma won or took second place at the Varsity Review Show, judging campus talent. There have been numerous yearbook beauty queens, queens of fraternity dances, *Who's Who* selections, and "Top Student" choices from the chapter members.

Probably the best-remembered member of Delta Sigma is the late Mary Ann Stewart, who was killed in a plane accident the year after her graduation. She won numerous awards and honors on campus, and was president of the chapter in 1962-1963. A scholarship providing money for fees to a deserving student was established in her honor. Mary Ann's younger sister, Nancy, was an outstanding accounting student, served as treasurer when the move was made into the new house, and was president of the chapter in 1969-1970.



ΔT

Founded November 7, 1947
Initiates 681

Delta Tau

University of Southern California
Los Angeles, California
Established 1880

Charter Members:

Barbara Gertrude Braly, Nancy Anne Chaffee, Virginia Louise Dunn, Patricia Anne Eastin, Olive Sue Freeman, Jacqueline Gilbert, Marilyn Elizabeth Hinsch, Dixie Ann Lingle, Martha Mae Moody, Lois Normandin, Nancy Ludlow Phelps, Mary Patricia Preston, Nancy Ann Schmoele, Marjorie Dodge Shaver, Mary Lillian Siegel.

Delta Tau was California's first colonized chapter and the second Kappa chapter established in Los Angeles. The group most affected by this installation was the other chapter, Gamma Xi, University of California at Los Angeles. Friendship and enthusiasm were felt by all the Kappas who gathered in Los Angeles for the installation of Delta Tau in November, 1947. Marian Howell Tompkins, ΔA-Penn State, was installation marshal, and the presence of Fraternity President Ruth Kadel Seacrest, Σ-Nebraska, and Executive Secretary Clara O. Pierce, BN-Ohio State, added to the excitement.

The University of Southern California campus had been recommended by the Colonization Committee at the 1946 Convention. Alumnae groups and Gamma Xi chapter were enlisted to carry out the project. It was directed by Winifred Martin Horell, II^A-California at Berkeley, who also had the assistance of associate members on the Trojan campus.

The Ebell Club on Wilshire Boulevard was the scene of the installation. However, the Fireside service was held at the new chapter house, an old dwelling renovated and redecorated in the manner of 1940. Actually, there was a fireplace in the living room so the service was an authentic "Fireside."

The banquet was brilliant with luminaries as well as the less luminous: 250 Kappas who had read of the event in 175 neighborhood papers throughout Southern California were on hand to share in the scene. Helen Snyder Andres, BII-Washington, toastmistress, presided over the program. Sister chapters sent telegrams of congratulations and welcome from all over the country. Dean of Women Helen Moreland, an Alpha Phi, spoke on the topic, "Fraternities—1947." According to Lucy Guild Quirk, Toberman, ΓΞ-UCLA, publicity director for the installation, "She outlined in forceful terms the role which fraternities must play in college life if they are to survive . . . She emphasized the responsibilities of fraternity members, and stressed the importance of good health habits such as plenty of sleep and nourishing food as well as good study conditions." Delta Tau had become the 15th sorority on the Southern California campus. In 1973, 12 sororities were left and Delta Tau, although still the youngest, was one of the strongest.

Tradition and memory are reflected in the chapter archives. The *Delta Taudian*, chapter newsletter, the collection of *The Key* and various scrapbooks demonstrate that Delta Tau is constantly changing and improving. There is a great flexibility which gives the chapter the chance to adjust to situations it encounters.

Delta Tau has had varied interests over the years. It became an integral part of "Fraternity-Sorority Row" immediately after being installed as a Kappa chapter. The fraternities along the Row have included Delta Tau in numerous

"dream girl" contests. There are Kappa little sisters in both the Sigma Chi and Beta Theta Pi houses.

Highlights in sports have illuminated Delta Tau chapter, also. Nancy Chaffee (Kiner) was the national junior girls tennis champion in 1947. Marley Shriver (Tobian) was a member of the 1957 Olympic swimteam. Presently, Kappa is represented by girls on the Southern California volley ball and tennis teams.

Other aspects of Delta Tau's interests are its involvements in many university activities. Lucinda Brassell (Schag) was president of the YWCA on campus in 1953. She is known nationally for her work in this area. Delta Tau's president, Starla Coffee (Warburton) was also a Phi Beta Kappa in 1955. The chapter was host to Kappa Province Convention in 1963 where opera star Elfreda Tanner Jacobson, of Delta Eta-Utah, sang for the meeting.

Early in 1965 the chapter house was sold to Phi Gamma Delta and construction for a new house was immediately begun on a former Kappa Delta property. The Hoover House, a three-story apartment building, just off the Row, served for a year as temporary chapter house while the new house was being built.



Installation with fraternity president.

With the new house came new scholastic excellence. Kappa ranked third on the Row in overall grade point average in 1961 and by 1973 was number one. In the same year the American Red Cross Blood Drive awarded a plaque to Delta Tau for the largest contribution of any fraternity or sorority.

The final pledge test at Delta Tau gives each new member the opportunity to write down what she hopes to achieve through her Kappa affiliation. These cards are never read but



Spring 1950 ΔΥ.



Founded February 14, 1948
Initiates 922

Delta Upsilon

University of Georgia
Athens, Georgia
Established 1785

Charter Members:

Phyllis Jane Blakey, Maebelle Breen, Ethel Mahon Bryan, Dianne Marilyn Castle, Ann-Perry Conroy, Barbara Ann Cronk, Eleanor Ewing Folwell, Nancy Bayley Giblin, Kathryn Priscilla Ginn, Jean Cathlean Hess, Mary Lou Illges, Patricia Howard Long, Mary Aillene Minor, Janice Henderson Persons, Elizabeth Marion Snelling, Henrietta Parker Swain, Mary Frances Thomason.

Delta Upsilon was the first chapter of Kappa Kappa Gamma in Georgia. Its organization had been delayed by a campus not ready for expansion and by World War II.

The idea to colonize on the Athens campus was conceived at the 1946 General Convention. The invitation from the university's administration came that December, and official visitors arrived to inspect the campus. A graduate counselor, Betty Lanier (Parrish), ΔΕ—Rollins, was sent to the chapter in the spring of 1947. Two more graduate counselors were added to the team: Annie Laurie Ragsdale (Parker), ΓΠ—Alabama, and Lynn Latham (Chaney), ΔΙ—Louisiana State. The fall of 1947 brought transfer Kappas from five other chapters. Mary Jim Lane Chickering, ΓΝ—Arkansas, served as colonization chairmen.

The colony's beautiful ante-bellum home, the first on campus to be professionally decorated, was opened September 22, 1947.



1964 house dedication dignitaries.

writing them gives each pledge a chance to organize in her own mind the direction she wishes to go in her years of college life.

These cards hold the true message of Kappa—the invisible bond that makes girls want to stay together and give of themselves to a chapter for four years. They are the years of transition from adolescence to maturity. For every member Kappa is something different and something very special. All agree that Kappa has made it possible for girls to get to know one another and become closest friends. Even more than that, Kappa has given the girls the opportunity to get to know themselves.

(Three Kappa husbands had persuaded the owner to sell his old mansion on Prince Avenue).

Hundreds of rushees saw the Kappa house for the first time during a week of elaborate rush parties. The Hotel Fleur-de-lis party was a great success. A Kappa bellhop, giving out golden door keys as favors, met rushees at the door. There was a tour of the house, and in the Blue Room Cocktail Lounge, singing waiters entertained. Milk cocktails were served. The preferential, "Kappa Heaven," closed with the girls in black cocktail dresses, holding lighted candles on the stairway, singing Kappa songs. This was the beginning of a continuing tradition.

On an icy, sub-freezing Valentine Day in 1948, Delta Upsilon Chapter was installed with 17 of the original group as charter members and nine first pledges. Ruth Kadel Seacrest, Σ—Nebraska, Kappa president; Helena Flinn Ege, ΓΕ—Pittsburgh, director of alumnae; Clara O. Pierce; and Mary Jim Lane Chickering were the installing officers. Gamma Pi was the sponsoring chapter. Initiation banquet speaker Dean Edith Stallings advised the new chapter, "Responsibilities in campus living are proportionally increased by your privileges."

There were growing pains but during the early years standards of dress, graciousness, and scholarship were set. Chapter scholarship was especially noteworthy. University officials praised the young chapter. "In an age," wrote the Dean's Department director of women's activities, (*The Key*, April, 1948), "when it is necessary to justify sorority and fraternity groups . . . I am delighted to see . . . good scholarship." She even wrote a congratulatory letter after the formal party, "Your dance was lovely in all respects and has certainly set the pace, not only for future Kappa chapters but for other groups on the

campus." She went on to praise the girls for introducing themselves and their dates to the chaperones.

Evening dresses were elaborate, formal, and worn over collapsible hoops, carried in tiny hat boxes en route. Raincoats had to be worn over shorts until reaching the gym or tennis courts. Kappas wore proper dress in the lower floor formal rooms at 1001 Prince Avenue, except on "closed night" (Monday), when no visitors were allowed, and robes could be worn.

There was house space for only 28, and scholarship determined the place on the waiting list. There were two telephones, one downstairs, and one near the attic stairs, (the only place for a *tete a tete*). The house director had a private phone for herself and emergencies. Kappas did not use alcohol, and smoking was permitted only on the lower floors.

An all-time scholastic high was reached during fall quarter, 1950, when the chapter achieved the best sorority average, the highest for any women's organization in the history of the university's coed experience.

Joyce Thomas (Fuller), a charter pledge, became a field secretary 1952-53, and later Fraternity chairman of chapter scholarship, chairman of undergraduate scholarships, and chairman of alumnae programs.

Delta Upsilon was 1949 Province Convention hostess with all meetings in the house. Chapter advisers won fleur-de-lis earrings at the 1950 General Convention; and Delta Upsilon, honorable mention for improvement in finance. The chapter newsletter, *Keynotes*, was the 1952 Publication Award winner.

Delta Upsilon Kappas held the presidency of Panhellenic and Women's Student Government in 1955, and Evelyn Hunt Sanders was first woman valedictorian. Miss Athens, 1960, and Miss Georgia, 1961, were chapter members. In 1959-60 Becky Birchmore (Bedingfield) was campus tennis champion, sixth ranking doubles player in the United States, third ranking Southern Women's player, and first in Georgia.

The Nowell Memorial Scholarship Fund was established in 1957, in memory of Robert L. Nowell, Jr., who was "through his life and from the founding of this chapter in 1948 until his death in 1956, a true and loyal friend of Kappa Kappa Gamma." The purpose of this fund is to aid a worthy student of the University of Georgia in continuing her education and in further serving her university.

Delta Upsilon had the honor of sponsoring Georgia's second chapter, Epsilon Epsilon, and participating in its installation in the spring of 1959 at Emory University in Atlanta.

Parties in the late 1950s included Mexican suppers, spring alumnae luncheons, pledge dances, fraternity exchange dinners, formal dances with Phi Mu. This was the sweater-skirts-white bobby socks era. On Sunday noon a Sunday dress, on Wednesday nights "heels and hose" were musts. Kappa was the only campus group to abide by the no-drinking rule, and had a reputation for graciousness and charm, winning the respect of the administration. Kappa gained strength throughout Georgia.

In 1960 the southern campuses began to experience radical changes with pressures of integration, riots, threats to the fraternity system, and general unrest. Winter rush January, 1961, was deferred because of integration problems. Yet a happy atmosphere prevailed with a delightful new house director from Australia, Mrs. Margaret Estes, who served tea on Saturdays and held Vespers (with refreshments) on Thursday nights. The girls loved "Aunt Peg's" innovations.

Delta Upsilon won honorable mention for Panhellenic achievement in 1962, and Dorothy McCampbell Nowell, BE—Texas, was elected Fraternity director of chapters.

Now, in the 1960s, it had become evident that a larger house was needed. The Georgia Power Company bought the Prince Avenue property; a previously purchased property on Lumpkin Street was sold back to the university; and a desirably located lot was acquired.

Dreams came true when the chapter moved into the stately mansion built of Williamsburg-tone brick in Greek revival style at 440 South Milledge Avenue on September 13, 1963. There was an unfounded rumor that the big white columns were moved from Prince Avenue, but one tangible part of the old house did come to the new—a cement block with the letters KKG was removed from the rock mantel in the old cardroom and placed in the ground near the walk leading to the driveway of the new house. Valuable furniture and equipment included silver and mahogany, oriental lamps, a fine antique desk, and chairs from the Hearthstone.

The 1960-70 decade was one of change. There was a time of "unstructured rush" with few skits or set plans. In the early 1970s, the pendulum began to swing back with formal or "non-deferred" rush returning, and once more skits were used. Hundreds of girls signed up—a new experience for the present day chapter.

Dress went through changes too: from bobby socks to sack dresses, mini and maxi skirts and pants suits, from bouffante hair-dos to long straight hair. Even the house director wore pant suits.

Another change came in 1970—no curfew. Keys to the side door were issued to juniors and sophomores (with parental permission). Seniors had keys without parental permission, and freshmen continued under curfew. Dates entered the house through the lounge door and waited there instead of in the foyer as in years past. Stress was on individual study instead of mandatory study hall. Apartment living became an accepted way of life.

Delta Upsilon continued to be one of the strongest and largest groups on campus. The chapter was second runner-up for the Gracious Living Award at the 1962 Convention, reaffirming the high ideals of the Fraternity at a time when the fraternity system was being questioned.

The chapter won the Agnes Guthrie Favrot Award for excellence at province convention in 1967. Awards in 1968 were the Edith Crabtree Panhellenic Award and first runner-up for the coveted Efficiency Cup. A silver bowl, named for charter member Jean Hess Wells, was designated by the chapter to be awarded annually to its outstanding member. Mrs. Wells was elected Fraternity vice president in 1970, and director of chapters in 1972. Dawn Reynolds Staples, a past chapter president,

Charter members.



died in 1970, and a silver punch bowl set was presented in her memory by her family and friends.

Debera Sharpe was a graduate counselor and Barbara Hagey (Watson) a field secretary in the middle and late 1960s. Dr. Fred Davison was appointed president of the university in May, 1967. His wife, Dianne Castle Davison, is a charter member of Delta Upsilon.

Delta Upsilon sponsored another chapter in 1967, this time Epsilon Kappa, at the University of South Carolina in Columbia, the first South Carolina chapter. On March 27, 1970, Delta Upsilon was sister chapter to Epsilon Mu, Clemson, South Carolina, the first chapter of Kappa's second century.

In 1963, one parking lot was sufficient, and an old man from the apartments next door gardened in the unused space, but

gave none of his prize vegetables to the Kappas. When Clara Pierce heard of this she remarked, "I thought I'd heard everything!" The "garden" space was reclaimed and paved as a second parking lot. In 1973 a third space was paved.

Beauty, brains, and ability still prevail. Members of Delta Upsilon won the Miss Athens and Miss Georgia crowns twice, and one made the top ten in the Miss America contest between 1963-73. There have been a total of 26 Phi Beta Kappas, 9 Mortar Boards, and 15 in *Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities* during the chapter's first quarter century.

The purposes and ideals of Kappa still operate in a "now" generation. Truth, goodness, and beauty do not become old-fashioned. Kappa's spirit has lived beyond its first 100 years and Delta Upsilon's first 25.

ΔΦ

Founded October 30, 1948
Initiates 498

Delta Phi

Bucknell University
Lewisburg, Pennsylvania
Established 1846

Charter Members:

Martha Jane Acker, Adah Lorraine Allen, Shirley May Andresen, Marian Louise Brown, Lois Jane Dial, Elizabeth Jane Diegel, Ruth Anita Dusenbury, Caryl Lois Galow, Jeanne Marie Grove, Janice Fields Gundaker, Marjorie Carol Haas, Jane Sheble Haigh, Mildred Jane Haigh, Blanche Barbara Hall, Lois Marjorie Harvey, Helen Ruth Hayden, Odette Rose Hutchison, Evelyn Doris Jackson, Gloria Freia Kurzmann, Josephine Sproul LaBarr, Jean Eleanor Lampert, Judith Lee Martin, Shirley Anne Mathieson, Betty Jane Oesterle, Eleanor Ann Raup, Margery Jane Reinhart, Emilie Christine Riley, Jean Isabelle Ritchings, Betty Louise Snyder, Barbara Soyster, Patricia Ellen Steele, Barbara Lou Stine, Charlotte Dianne Stratton, Eloise Mary Triggs, Jean Lois Walker, Avilda Raynell Wilson.

Bucknell was the 100th college chartered in America, established as the University of Lewisburg in 1846, by a group of local Baptists. Among contributors for the founding was William Bucknell, a Philadelphia businessman. Other funds came from the First Baptist Church in Philadelphia and from other Baptist congregations in the state. In 1886 the university was renamed in Bucknell's honor. Later the college became privately controlled.

At the time of Delta Phi's founding, there was an enrollment of 2400 undergraduates, with students from 38 states and 8 foreign countries. A Second Century Development Program, which included planning for nine new buildings and an increase in the university's endowment, was under way at that time.

The history of Delta Phi really began in late June, 1946, when Jane Sheble (Haigh) decided to start a local group at Bucknell University with membership in Kappa Kappa Gamma as goal. Jane's mother, Amy Moran Sheble, had been a member of Psi, Cornell, in 1918, and Jane had grown up hearing about Kappas.

Another sorority was needed on Bucknell Campus. Jane expressed her feelings and desires to the dean of women, Eleanor Runk Reppert, and found, to her surprise, that Mrs. Reppert had been a Beta Iota at Swarthmore. There were two other Kappas on the faculty: Helen McClintock Sprague, Gamma Rho, and Margaret Bryan, Gamma Alpha. With their help and with data from the files, a list of girls was made. On June 23, 1946, a meeting was called. All were enthusiastic about forming the group, so much so that they temporarily forgot it was exam week! There was much to be decided, standards to uphold, goals to be attained, a constitution and bylaws to be written. They all agreed that they wanted first to work together as a local chapter to become Kappas. They took the name of Alpha Sigma Alpha.

By the following fall, Alpha Sigma Alpha was a going sorority with Jane Sheble holding the president's gavel. Six other sororities were on campus, all national groups. The new local became a member of the campus Panhellenic Council, and was anxious to cooperate and make its first rush season a most successful one. It was a busy time, and the membership was enlarged to 21.

Although they had not been close friends when they started, they had been carefully selected. Looking back after a year with Alpha Sigma Alpha, it seemed almost impossible that a group of women students, relatively unknown to each other, could have molded themselves into an active unit involved with rushing, pledging, dances, intra-mural activities, floats, song contests, and scholarship rules. All of these had parts in the process of unification. Each member had worked hard to give her sorority a position of esteem on the campus. As the membership grew, so did a spirit of loyalty and friendship, binding each with common ideals, aims, hopes, and purposes.



Jane Sheble Haigh and daughters left Cindy and right Ann. Mother was president of local which preceeded ΔΦ-Ann was chapter president in 1973.

The national Fraternity was contacted, but gave no encouragement. Finally Kappa decided to look over the Bucknell group, which was now being approached by other leading women's fraternities. After this official inspection, the chapter was approved unanimously.

Delta Phi was installed October, 1948, by Delta Alpha from nearby Pennsylvania State University. Six of the girls had been graduated in June, 1948, including founder Jane Sheble, but all came back for the installation that fall.

Few installations have been distinguished by the presence of so many who have made Kappa history. Fraternity President Helena Flinn Ege, ΓΕ—Pittsburgh, read the ritual. Present were Clara O. Pierce, BN—Ohio State; Rheva Ott Shryock, BA—Pennsylvania; Mary Turner Whitney, BPΔ—Cincinnati; Kathryn Bourne Pearse, ΓΔ—Purdue; Emily Mount Ashcroft, BΣ—Adelphi; Florence Burton Roth, BΔ—Michigan; Beatrice Woodman, Φ—Boston; and Rosalie Geer Parker, BΣ—Adelphi. A dream was finally fulfilled.

The first year's activities included a Christmas party, a mock rush party with skit, a Founders' Day banquet, a semi-formal pledge dance, and cozies. The main fund-raising projects included magazine sale and a candy apple sale at the Kappa May Day booth. Delta Phi's spring picnic became an annual event. A requirement of that year became a tradition—but it wasn't a tradition long, fortunately—a weekly study sheet, showing how many hours each member was studying.

A Christmas party for the children at Geisinger Medical Center was the first year's philanthropy project. Later that year the Kappas provided tea and entertainment at the Evangelical Home.

The Kappa Kappa Gamma banner was made in 1950; industrious pledges served breakfasts to the actives; and that favorite sport, bowling, was one way to get big and little sisters together.

The piano fund was started in 1951 with a perfume sale. In 1955, when the chapter discovered it needed a silver tea service, shampoo was sold.

Philanthropies have included the raising of money to support a child, (Save the Children Foundation, 1952), community projects such as collecting and distributing canned goods (1966), and group therapy at a local elementary school (1970). A pledge project became a tradition—an Easter basket sale with proceeds going to community and health services.

Social and campus highlights have been a visit to the Delta Alphas and first redecoration of the Delta Phi suite (1953), the first Powderpuff football game (1955), winning the Panhellenic



Speakers table at installation banquet 1948.

Scholarship Cup (1956), Monmouth Duo with Sigma Chi as hosts to Kappas and Pi Phis (1958). A different atmosphere prevailed, with a skit entitled "The King and I," for the 1960 preferentials. The 1965 Kappa-Phi Psi Homecoming float, "Pound the Pussycats," didn't win, unfortunately. The Pumpkin Walk tradition began in 1965 with the sophomores carving and delivering pumpkins to each fraternity while chanting pumpkin carols. Delta Phi won the Sig Derby in 1966, and the Monmouth Duo that year was especially fun since the Pi Phis wore dark and light blue and the Kappas wore wine and silver blue. In 1967, the name "Blue Hooters" was adopted by the Delta Phi singing group, and has been kept ever since.

Following the ravages of the flood of 1972, Delta Phi earmarked all 1972 fund-raising profits for the Bucknell Flood Fund. Beginning with a Kappa-Tri Delt Powderpuff football game (0-0) and continuing with a Panhellenic cookbook sale, a sizable contribution was made for restoration of damaged areas of the Music and Arts Building.

With an awareness of campus relations as well as of the changing roles of women, Kappa sponsored a fall Colloquy Seminar on "Women Today." Spring Colloquy's photography exhibit on prison reform was partly sponsored by Delta Phi.

From the time Jane Sheble Haigh founded Delta Phi chapter to 1973, when her daughter Anne Haigh, took up the president's gavel, Delta Phi has grown and kept pace with the changing times and the changing college student. The chapter can look with pride at the past 25 years, can set its present goals, and can look to the future with a new awareness and a strengthened sisterhood.

ΔΧ

Founded January 28, 1949
Closed January 25, 1972
Initiates 711

Delta Chi

San Jose State College
Now San Jose State University
San Jose, California
Established 1857

Charter Members:

Barbara Jane Albaugh, Jean Louise Baltz, Dorothy Beall, Patricia B. Cadwallader, Joyce Lovell Call, Donna Jean Clark, Phoebe Ann Davison, Joanne Doty, Nancy Jane Etherton, Peggy Ann Etherton, Joan Flint, Marjorie Helen Goody, Elizabeth Bartle Greulich, Winifred Fay Helm, Beatrice Ileene Hohman, Barbara Ann Leigh, Marijane Lyman, Eileen Hunter Merrill, Jacqueline Almira Mitchell, Arta Jo Price, Georgette Marilyn Rebstock, Margaret Carter Schlosser, Beverly Jean Shobe, Clare McMurry Smith, Martha Elinor Thomas, Jacquelyn Leone Van Arsdale, Marilyn Pearl Zeller.



Melodies winners.

To the hundreds of Kappas who participated in the installation of Delta Chi Chapter at San Jose College, the occasion was the realization of great expectations and promise of a long future of honor and glory for Kappa Kappa Gamma Fraternity. The day was January 28, 1949, when 27 charter members, plus a large group of active and alumnae members of the Allenian Society, were initiated.

After 50 years of distinguished existence on a campus famous for its excellent teacher training and subsequently for the wide range of offerings of a large university, the Allenians had joined the other campus locals in the sudden quest for national affiliation. The petition to the Kappa general convention at Sun Valley in 1948 was granted by unanimous vote. Thus a charter was extended to this oldest and outstanding campus local, founded in 1896 and named for the college president. Its members were interested in providing opportunities to debate and discuss issues in literature, history, philosophy, and science. Its motto was "He can conquer who thinks he can." Its first president, Helen Schultz Payne, became one of Kappa's most enthusiastic members.

The 10th of 13 national Panhellenic fraternities to come on the campus in less than a year, Delta Chi was installed by Helena Flinn Ege, ΓΣ—Pittsburgh, Fraternity president; assisted by council members Clara O. Pierce, BN—Ohio State; Eleanore Goodridge Campbell, BM—Colorado; and Helen Snyder Andres, BII—University of Washington. Officers of Kappa province also participated; as well as Pi, Gamma Xi, and Delta Tau chapters; and alumnae members from San Jose, Palo Alto, and San Mateo. Dr. Dorothy Kaucher, a Phi Mu and professor of speech at San Jose State College, was the banquet speaker.

Elizabeth Bartle Greulich, Delta Chi's first president, and her corps of officers and advisers had an excellent assistant in establishing Kappa policies and procedures in Graduate Counselor Margery Lawrence (Hetherington), ΓΩ—Denison. She was a real leader, full of enthusiasm and song, and gave the chapter a fine start. Later, the services of another graduate counselor, Jayne Seastrom (Lytle), BII—Washington, benefited the chapter.

Housing was the chapter's first and continuing problem. A house on Eighth Street opened September, 1949, and accommodated 19 girls. The first house director, Mrs. Jennie LeGros, was a woman of great charm, warmth, and wisdom. Trained as a concert singer, she was a positive influence and encouraged high standards and gracious living within the chapter.

The second house was termed "the miracle of Eleventh Street" by the long-time house board president, Helen Andres. It was purchased, remodeled, and furnished, and put the girls in the heart of "Fraternity Row."

A few years later the Oneal house on Tenth Street was purchased as a "permanent site" for an enlarged house to care for the needs of a bigger chapter. It was a great blow to learn that the college had decided to expand its boundaries to encompass this site for its Business Administration complex. The search for a permanent chapter home began again, and it is to the eternal credit of a devoted House Board that courage never waned. The San Mateo, Palo Alto, and most of all the San Jose alumnae were a wonderful help, as were members of the Mothers Club and many individual Kappas all over the State. Of course, nothing would have been possible without the backing of the national Fraternity.

It was not until 1965 that the beautiful columned Kappa house on Eleventh Street was dedicated. Designed by Frances Sutton Schmitz, BΔ—Michigan, Fraternity architect, it was three stories high, contained 24,000 square feet, and housed 67 girls. It was the last word in convenience, elegance, and comfort. Phyllis Forward Simpkins was the main spark plug in seeing this project to completion.

Over the years the Delta Chis had been making a name for themselves, winning honors in every facet of campus life. The chapter had many outstanding students, and time after time won the Panhellenic Scholarship Cup, as well as province recognition. Delta Chi starred in song contests, Greek Week events, election to honoraries, and production of beauty queens. *The Key*, Winter, 1959, carried a picture captioned "A Houseful of Cups." Kappas held many responsible campus offices.

The chapter was hostess to conventions of Kappa Province in 1953 and 1967.

Just when Delta Chi seemed to be running a smooth course with its major problems solved, the shadow of anti-fraternity pressures clouded the horizon. In 1964 the California fraternity environment was badly shaken by the membership discrimination charges made against fraternities. Kappa has no discriminatory clauses, and its chapters were able to sign statements to that effect as required by administration authorities. However, the attitude toward fraternities changed to a marked degree. The eventual result was the loss of most of the chapters on the campus, including Delta Chi, which officially ended its existence January 26, 1972. Every effort to retain the house and maintain the chapter was unsuccessful. With great sorrow the final ceremonies were held to surrender the chapter's charter.

In its brief span Delta Chi had been a sparkling, active, intelligent, striving, singing chapter of Kappa Kappa Gamma.



Charter members.



Delta Psi

Founded March 28, 1953
Initiates 808

Texas Tech University
Formerly Texas Technological College
Lubbock, Texas
Established 1923

Charter Members:

Marjorie Ann Smith Asbill, Johnneen Bice, Anita Joyce Booher, Margaret Helen Brown, Mary Katherine Brown, Sandra Lou Sadler Haynes, Marie Hlavaty, Betty Lou Hudson, Lynna Lorraine Jenkins, Sybil Ruth Jones Jones, Suzanne Ledbetter, Patricia Ann Sibson Miller, Verbie Bess Oldham, Reta Joyce McIlroy Olsen, Joy Dawn Reil, Patricia Anne Spikes, Adelin Frances Stokes, Juanelle Talbot, Barbarie Cynthia Tankersley, Elizabeth Anne Bentley Worsham.

In 1923 a bill to establish a college in Lubbock was approved by the senate and house of the State of Texas. Texas Technological College opened September 30, 1925, with 1,043 students, the largest opening enrollment of any college in the nation.

When the college was less than two years old, Mary Doak, the dean of women, realized the need for social organization for women students and selected a group of outstanding girls to be the nucleus of Las Chaparritas, the first social group on campus. The club's aims, then and later, were to unite girls of a common interest, to support campus activities, and to foster happiness among its members as well as all students and groups with whom it came in contact.

When Las Chaparritas became Delta Psi Chapter of Kappa Kappa Gamma on March 27, 1953, it was the first Greek letter social fraternity on the Texas Tech campus, one of five social clubs and eight men's clubs to be installed as Greek letter organizations after the Texas Tech Board of Regents opened the campus to national groups in June, 1952. Others followed, and of the 13 sororities and 14 fraternities installed, none has been disbanded.

In October, 1952, members of Las Chaparrites attended a Kappa rush party at the home of Billie Bob Jones Murphey, ΓΨ—Maryland; on November 15 a formal petition was submitted to Kappa Kappa Gamma; and on November 23 members, pledges, and alumnae attended a "get acquainted" tea given by nearby Kappa alumnae at the home of Nancy Moore Wilson.

Delta Psi Chapter was installed March 27, 1953, at the Lubbock Women's Club. President Edith Reese Crabtree, ΒΓ—Wooster, officiated, and Executive Secretary Clara O. Pierce, ΒΝ—Ohio State, was among the national officers who attended. The installing chapter was Gamma Phi, Southern Methodist University, and assisting were active members from Beta Xi, the University of Texas at Austin; Beta Theta, the University of Oklahoma; and Gamma Beta, the University of New Mexico; as well as alumnae from Lubbock, Midland, Amarillo, and San Angelo, Texas.

The following morning 29 initiates and 42 alumnae became the first members of Delta Psi. That afternoon the first pledge service was held. That night the Midland group gave a banquet. A model meeting was conducted on March 28 in the Administration Building and the first officers were installed with Elizabeth Ann Bentley (Worsham) as president. Afterwards the Amarillo alumnae gave a reception for the new chapter.

When Delta Psi was founded there were 348 faculty mem-

bers, 89 buildings, and 5,418 students including the 49 Kappas. In 1974 there were 1,351 faculty, 201 buildings, and 21,494 students. The chapter numbers more than 130.

Delta Psi has a lodge at 2414-B Broadway and a lease running to September, 1976, with an additional two year option. In 1957 a lot was purchased at 15th Street and Quaker Avenue, an area known as Greek Circle where six sororities had already built lodges. The chapter has plans to build a lodge there as soon as financing becomes available.

Kappas have taken part in campus activities including band, twirling, swimming, drama, cheerleading, intramural sports and Panhellenic; are in beauty courts, class and dormitory councils, Mortar Board, ROTC, academic societies, and President's Hostesses; and are fraternity sweethearts, "best dressed," and top scholars. Off campus they have been representatives to world affairs conferences and political rallies. The Kappa Pickers play and sing for charitable organizations.

Delta Psi has won many Kappa awards: for best progress in 1964; for efficiency in 1966; honorable mention for efficiency in 1968; for efficiency and honorable mention for chapter publications in 1970; for standards and runner-up for service by alumnae to chapter in 1972; and first runner-up for best pledge training program in 1974. The province Lois Lake Shapard Award based on overall chapter excellence was won by the chapter in both 1971 and 1973.

The chapter has progressed with the help of advisors from Delta Psi and other chapters. Each year the pledge quota is reached, and Kappa mothers are often alumnae of the chapter.

Delta Psi is proud of 21 years of chapter history as it looks to the future.



Charter members.



A—Iota girls doing "raspa" after dinner 1951

B—Gamma Tau queen of Military Ball 1958

C—Gamma Iota car wash

D—Gamma Omicron leisure moments!

E—Bate Alphas play Santa Women's Hospital 1952

F—Kappa chapter 1953 (sweaters & pearls)

G—Delta chapter "suited" 1955

H—Delta Psi seniors in Kappa blazers

I—Gamma Beta queens 1954

J—Gamma Rho trio 1958

K—Beta Theta 1950 formal





U—BB^A house director playing bridge with "her girls" 1960



L—Beta Mu pledge class

M—Gamma Pi basketball team 1954

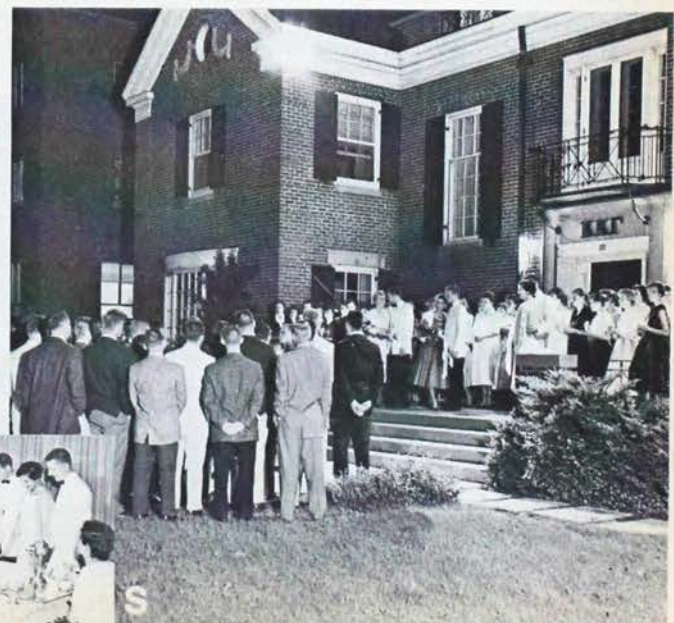
N—Mu actives in phone booth 1956

O—Gamma Upsilon coffee break (neckscarves!)

P—Upsilon Sweepstakes Trophy 1951



R—Upsilon Fathers' Weekend 1955



S & T—BN pinning serenade 1957 with celebration afterwards





Delta Omega

Founded November 5, 1954
Initiates 575

California State University at Fresno
Formerly Fresno State College
Fresno, California
Established 1911

Charter Members:

Monyeen Apperson, Dorothy Arneman, Mary Blaisdell, Vivienne Briglia, Dorothy Reinold Brodersen, Patricia Carter, Suzanne Cowan, Bernadette Fries, Dora Jean Glenn, Margaret Good, Leah Jean Gorton, Kay Keim, Marian Loewe, Diane Medoff, Margaret Joan Meyling, Ina Mae Nicholes, Sally O'Neal, Patricia Ruth Sommers, Diane Spencer, Grace Swanson, Elizabeth Wacaser, Myra Zahlis, Clarice Zwetzig.

Fresno, California, in 1910 was a prosperous young community which had begun to feel the desirability of an institution of higher education. A junior college was established that year.

The following year a state normal school was authorized and the two institutions were administered together. They formed the basis on which Fresno State College was founded, although this did not occur until 1921 when the two schools were permanently united and the college expanded to a four year institution with authority to grant the B.A. degree.

Delta Kappa, the first local sorority formed at Fresno State College, was the last to become a chapter of a national fraternity, an indication that these girls showed a constancy of spirit in knowing what they wanted and being willing to wait for it. The history of Delta Kappa is a varied one. It was first organized in 1917 as an off-campus group. Shortly after, in January of 1918, the group was officially named Delta Kappa and in December it was recognized as a campus group by the college administration.

This happy state of affairs continued until June of 1919 when the college administration, as a general policy, rescinded approval of any Greek letter names on the campus. Not daunted by this decree and determined to keep together, the Delta Kappas renamed themselves "Da Kapo," which name they retained until May 22, 1923, when they were permitted to reassume their original Greek letters, Delta Kappa.

The first formal charter petition to Kappa by the Delta Kappas was made at the 1952 Convention. It was then felt that further Kappa expansion in California was not justified. The Delta Kappas were only slightly discouraged by this negative response. They were joined in this feeling by the local Kappa alumnae.



Charter Members.

In 1953, Fraternity President Edith Reese Crabtree, $\text{B}\Gamma$ —Wooster, in San Jose for province convention, consented to come to Fresno for an unofficial visit. After seeing the campus and the town, meeting the Kappa alumnae and the Delta Kappas she felt there could be a fine, representative Kappa chapter at Fresno State. The following November the inspection committee visited the campus and voted unanimously in favor of allowing Delta Kappa to petition for a charter.

And so the Delta Kappa petition went to the 1954 Convention. Margaret Schaaf Rees, ΔH —Utah, president and delegate of the Fresno Alumnae Association, and Elizabeth Wilson Buehler, $\Gamma\Gamma$ —Whitman, past association president went to answer questions convention delegates might have concerning the Fresno group and to act as sort of a "friend at court." The petition was unanimously approved by convention.

Local alumnae enthusiastically aided in the plans and arrangements for a gala installation. Numerous committees were set up and functioned with efficiency and creativity to make this installation a beautiful and impressive one. Mary Lou Maurhoff (Ladell), $\Delta\Xi$ —Carnegie-Mellon, the graduate counselor for the new chapter, arrived early in the fall to assist with all of the arrangements. Edith Reese Crabtree and four other council members assisted. They were Mary Turner Whitney, $\text{B}\text{P}^{\Delta}$ —Cincinnati, vice-president; Clara O. Pierce, BN —Ohio State, executive-secretary; Eleanore Goodridge Campbell, BM —Colorado, director of membership; and Ruth Armstrong Harris, Π^{Δ} —California at Berkeley, director of philanthropies. They shared in the honors of initiating 115 members of Delta Kappa into the new chapter, Delta Omega. This number included 23 charter members, 7 actives, and 85 alumnae. Actives from Pi Deuteron served as the sponsoring chapter and also helped.

By 1957 the college had experienced a tremendous growth as the population expansion hit the western states. A new campus area was started for Fresno, and fraternities and sororities sought housing sites. Through the vigilant efforts of local alumnae a 14 room mansion, once the home of a private school for girls, was rented near the new campus for the chapter. Much renovation and hard work was necessary. Everyone, and especially the members of the newly created house board, contributed to its readiness with used furniture, rugs, linens, and china. It was ready for fall.

The girls enjoyed this home until 1963 when they were able to build their own house on Greek Row, along with six other Greek groups. A lovely contemporary home was built, designed to meet the needs of the chapter. The house was arranged to accommodate 40 members with dining facilities for 100 so that the town girls and non-residents could be served too.

The formal dedication of the house took place on April 28, 1963, with Mary Turner Whitney, Fraternity president, doing the honors. Chapter officers assisted in the ceremonies and welcomed the 200 guests to inspect the new house and enjoy tea. Once again the devoted alumnae had aided the chapter in this venture. Recognition was given to Carol Mehrer Wilde, FH—Washington State, architectural chairman; and to Delta Omega's Clarice Buttner Bradshaw, decorations chairman; Caroline Madden Prunty, house board president; and Carolou Bruce Oneto, finance chairman, for their special part in the development of the house.

Delta Omega Kappas have earned many prestigious honors and awards. Their work with the Pinedale Golden Key Club has contributed much to the welfare of underprivileged eighth-grade girls in Fresno, California, who are seeking to improve themselves for the social and mental adjustment necessary for success in high school and community activities.

Delta Omega Kappas are aiding 30 Fresno volunteers who are instructing the girls in the areas of personal hygiene, grooming, dancing, swimming and the fine social graces. One Kappa is present at each meeting to assist the teacher. She can answer the girls' more personal questions, tell them about college life and take her "little sisters" places where they can practice what they learn. The Kappas are also offering tutorial services.

The Pinedale Club members and the Kappas had "an immediate mutual love affair," according to the club coordinator. The girls are reported to be very enthusiastic in learning everything they can—and in their enthusiasm turning to unlock the door to opportunity for others.



Guests in chapter room at $\Delta\Omega$ dedication.

The Golden Key Club motto is "Through knowledge and energy you can open any door. The golden opportunity is yours."

In the spring of 1975, Delta Omega hosted the Pi Province meeting of Kappa.

Thus in many ways and along many avenues of progress, the Delta Omega Kappas are, with their own golden keys, opening doors to a successful and happy future, both in their own personal lives and in the history of their chapter.

EA

Founded April 12, 1955
Initiates 537

Epsilon Alpha

Texas Christian University
Fort Worth, Texas
Established 1873

Charter Members:

Kay Alston, Carol Ann Bailey, Janet Barnes, Sonya Lenora Boyt, Frances Chapman Brown, Ruth Carolyn Denman, Anna Carolyn Falgeau, Cynthia Ann Farris, Dorothy Marie Fisher, Barbara Gail Glover, Aniela Goldthwaite, Ronda Sue Goynes, Donna Elizabeth Kastle, Marcille Martin, Barbara Ann McArron, Diane Elizabeth McMurray, Patricia Frances Owens, Shirley Ann Reddell, Sarah Lee Slay, Martha Nadine Wright, Carol Patricia Wynn.

The story of the colonization and installation of Epsilon Alpha at Texas Christian University, Fort Worth, began on September 11, 1954, with the announcement that fraternities and sororities were to be invited to this campus which for 82 years had barred them. A careful five-year secret survey had been made at 75 other church-related schools and the results showed more merits than demerits for Greek-letter organizations and a positive effect on student morale.

The day after the announcement Betty Irvin Farris, BM—Colorado, who in the early 1930s had been co-organizer and counselor for Delta Gamma and Gamma Zeta chapters, was appointed by the Fort Worth alumnae to be Kappa's extension chairman at Texas Christian. This already strong alumnae association suddenly had a serious purpose which motivated every meeting. Seventeen chairmanships were quickly accepted, and splendid cooperation was given by all. On December 16, Clara O. Pierce, BN—Ohio State, executive secretary, telephoned that the Fraternity's vote was affirmative and the group shifted into high gear.

Formal pledging of the quota of 21 girls included three Kappa daughters and one Kappa sister, and took place February 7, 1955. Cynthia Farris (Malloy), pledge president, became Epsilon Alpha's first president at the formal installation April 12. Seven years later, married and living in Florida, she helped to colonize Epsilon Zeta at Florida State.

Dr. Willis Tate, president of Southern Methodist University, himself a Kappa son and husband, was the speaker at the installation banquet April 13. A new chapter had been born, a new world was opening.

The first sorority badge to make its appearance on campus was the key of Kappa Kappa Gamma. The badges of seven other groups were introduced throughout the week. Two others, which could not colonize so quickly, were admitted two years later.

University officials honored all sororities April 17 in a unique installation program of its own. It had been stressed over and over that all groups were to have an equal start, with none



1955 EA charter members.

able to say it was the first on campus, because none was officially on campus until this recognition.

From this beginning Epsilon Alpha has worked to attain distinction through individual and group achievement. Joan Copenhaver (Cox), E—Illinois Wesleyan, graduate counselor, and Eleanore Goodridge Campbell, BM—Colorado, director of membership, who early visited the new chapter, inspired Epsilon Alpha to become strong and stable, and to strive for good public relations with faculty and deans, fraternities and sororities.

Year after year the chapter has produced sweethearts, beauties, queens, class favorites, scholars, dramatists, journalists, cheerleaders, band majorettes, campus office holders, activists, debutantes, Student Council and Supreme Court members. There have been Best Dressed Coeds, Angel Flighters, Cordettes, Alpha Chis (honorary), *Who's Who*, Bryson Clubbers, Mortar Boards and dozens on the Dean's List. Epsilon Alpha was first to win first place in Song Fest, and with Phi Delta Theta was May Day winner five times in succession. Epsilon Alphas have been Cotton Bowl and Texas A & M Queens, Tyler Rose Festival Duchesses, even a Miss Fort Worth who became a Miss Texas, who became third runner-up Miss America, 1961. She was Linda Loftis (Tobias), chosen most talented and most photogenic.

A vacillating scholarship was a sobering influence. Self-evaluation and discipline, plus determination, were the remedies. Excellence in scholarship in the face of campus and sorority demands is a constant goal. Award cups and keys encourage performance. These include an opal jewelled key bestowed by the mother of the first president, a turquoise jewelled key for best active from the first graduate counselor, and cups given by the chapter as scholarship incentives.

A memorial gift, a handsome engraved silver punch bowl and tray, was given the chapter by the parents of charter member Sonya Boyt, who died in 1957. Since then, other



Many trophies add to chapter reflections.

charter members have given silver cups. In 1958 a past president gave a pair of branched candelabra and a silver tray as well as a sapphire Epsilon Alpha guard pin for the president's use.

The 1966 Convention awarded second place to Epsilon Alpha for Best Chapter—Advisory Board Relations.

The chapter raised \$700 for charities in 1972. It supports a Korean boy through the Christian Children's Fund. Chapter members train and supervise a Campfire group of underprivileged girls.

The chapter shares a fall dance with Pi Beta Phi, a valentine party with Chi Omega, a spring formal with Delta Delta Delta. Epsilon Alpha's Kappa Pickers are in demand as entertainers.

The university provides housing facilities for ten sororities and eight fraternities. Chapter housing at first was a matter of scattered meeting rooms, assigned by lot—no permanency, no air conditioning. There were separate dormitories in 1958, and Kappa had a third story corner section, shared by three other groups. A Greek complex was ready for lot drawing in 1964. The site, a former golf course, is rolling, green, beautiful, and open. Fraternities are on one side of the circular driveway, sororities on the other, with a cafeteria building at the end. At present 83 Kappas share a house which has 34 bedrooms. The actives enjoy gracious living and possess fine silver, lovely accessories, unabridged dictionary, a large Bible, as well as comfortable furnishings. Life is enriched by these better living facilities, but the hope persists that the university will some day allow independent ownership.

Treats and snacks are provided by alumnae and mothers for rush week and exam time, and in return the actives share their living rooms for meetings and provide entertainment for alumnae and Mothers' Club affairs.

When a sudden acute problem struck in 1960, four alumnae spearheaded a movement to establish an emergency fund to enable needy chapter members to keep dues current and remain in school until graduation. Again, in feeling a special need, a generous alumna offered her large lake home for yearly work retreats and social events—ten times around. The faculty sponsor, distinguished Lorraine Sherley, BΞ—Texas, has offered her garden for many formal pledgings. Fort Worth alumnae and Epsilon Alpha chapter have brightened the lives of orphaned or hospitalized children in the city with Easter eggs, and candied apples and popcorn balls at other seasons. Parents and alumnae hosted six "hoedowns" during the early years, and young alumnae called on the chapter to usher for a city symphony. There is a continuous interchange of services, and this interaction is cherished.

Presently the top chapter goals are: unity within; improvement in big and little sister program; scholarship; involvement in sorority, campus, and community affairs.

Outstanding Epsilon Alpha members, besides those already named, include such people as Pat Penrose (Shieffer), appointed goodwill ambassador to Mexico by the Johnson administration; Gayle Hunnicut (Hemmings), television, movie, and British Broadcasting Corporation actress; Susan McEvoy, outstanding horsewoman; Marcia Yearsley (Polan), artist and decorator; Martha Whitaker, English professor at Texas Christian; and Betty Jack Cooper (Rains) and Jane Humphrey (Henegar), both graduate counselors. Betty is now with a dancing school and Jane is a journalist. These are only a few of the more than 500 Epsilon Alphas who have been part of this fine chapter.

EB

Founded March 10, 1956
Initiates 510

Epsilon Beta

Colorado State University
Formerly Colorado Agricultural
and Mechanical College
Fort Collins, Colorado
Established 1870

Charter Members:

Linda Kay Anderson, Sarah Helen Andrews, Marian Allison Bressler, Carol Ann Dirstine, Dorothy Lou Downen, Sara Anne Fisher, Fredene Elizabeth Gompert, Lois Lorraine Hanson, Kathleen Ann Hoflund, Laretta Jean Howe, Martha Leck, Jeanette Alice McIntosh, Nancy Joanne Person, Dianne Robertson, Connie Mae Wadhams, Joellen Woods, Kathryn Robards Wynn.

Colorado State University, the state's oldest educational institution, was founded at the foot of the Rockies in 1870. It is still a Land Grant institution and is governed by the State Board of Agriculture, but is no longer known as the "Aggies."

Colorado State is located in Fort Collins, which has grown from a small college town of 25,000 in the 1960s to an expanding metropolis of nearly 60,000 in the early 1970s. The size of the university has also more than doubled. The current enrollment is 18,411. Colorado State's colleges include Agricultural Sciences, Business, Engineering, Forestry and Natural Resources, Home Economics, Humanities and Social Sciences, Natural Sciences, and Veterinary Medicine and Biomedical Sciences. The college of Veterinary Medicine is considered one of the nation's best.

Epsilon Beta chapter was colonized in the fall of 1955. It has not been oblivious of, or immune to changes in the Greek system on large campuses. A lessening of interest in sorority and fraternity membership has resulted in the closing of several houses at Colorado State, but enthusiasm is still very strong at Epsilon Beta. Outstanding girls are pledged, and there is capacity housing of 60 members.

Helen Cornish Hutchinson, BΘ—Oklahoma, director of alumnae in 1955, Eleanore Goodridge Campbell, BM—Colorado, then director of membership, and Edith Culver Cross, BM—Colorado, a Fort Collins alumna, gave this chapter its start. The Beta Mus of Colorado University, guided by Chandler Roosevelt, rush chairman, and Claire Smith, president, conducted the program which resulted in a first pledge class of 17. Beta Mu was also present when Epsilon Beta was installed March 10, 1956, by Edith Reese Crabtree, BΓ—Wooster, Fraternity president, Clara O. Pierce, BN—Ohio State, executive secretary, Ruth Armstrong Harris, II—California, director of philanthropies, and Eleanore Goodridge Campbell.

Epsilon Beta's first home was of white stucco, had a red tile roof, wrought iron porch furniture, and French Provincial and early American style interior furnishings. A fashionable boutique is now housed there. As Colorado State's enrollment increased, the Panhellenic quota changed, and the chapter needed more space. In September, 1960, a move was made to the present home, west of the campus with a beautiful view of the foothills and distant Long's Peak. The three story light brick French Provincial structure with a blue front door was originally decorated by Grace Sanderson Agee, BΘ—Oklahoma, Kappa interior decorator. It was refurbished in 1973, with the help of the Fort Collins Alumnae Club and the Denver Mothers Club.

From the time of colonization, the Fort Collins Alumnae

Club, which was organized in 1956, has been of invaluable service to the chapter. Communication lines have always been open between the alumnae and actives. Joint activities include: a Christmas party and an Easter egg hunt at the Kappa house for children of alumnae; Monday night dinners honoring one or more alumnae who remain for the fireside and meeting. Actives get a chance to sample the culinary triumphs of local alumnae during fall rush when cherry cheesecakes are provided for the fireside, and again during finals every quarter when alumnae furnish nightly snacks to brighten the tedious week. The alumnae also sponsor an annual chapter scholarship of \$50. Alumnae were also instrumental in organizing Epsilon Beta's House Corporation in February, 1973.

Awards and recognition have come to both alumnae and actives. Epsilon Beta's Advisory Board won an honorable mention at the 1960 Convention. The chapter received the award for best active-alumnae relationship at the province meeting in Salt Lake City in 1973.

The Fort Collins Alumnae Club won one of the Rheva Ott Shryock, BA—Pennsylvania, gavel at the 1974 Convention for outstanding service to a chapter.

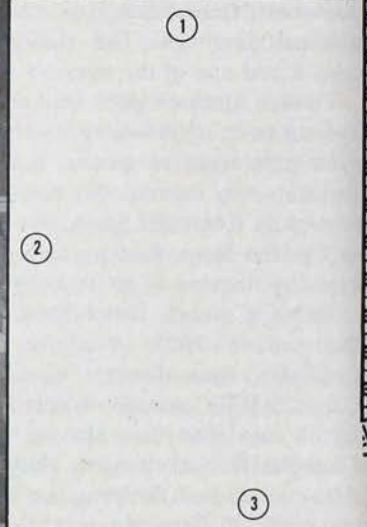
Throughout its history Epsilon Beta has participated in philanthropies which include: Christmas parties for area orphanages; blood donations; caroling for area nursing homes; fund raising for the March of Dimes, organizations for cancer, the retarded, and the Walk for Mankind. The chapter sponsored a program of intercommunication between the United States and Vietnam via letters and tape exchanges with Fighter Squadron 191 in 1967. Epsilon Beta's "Kappa Pickers" took part in three USO tours to Japan, Korea, and the Philippines, and two tours to Vietnam in 1970-1971.



Horseback riding—western flavor of EB.

Charter members.





DECEMBER 6-8, 1935



1. Upsilon 1890
2. 1920 Eta Chapter
3. BO actives and pledges
4. Installation ΔI
5. ΓB actives 1954
6. Pledge class 1952 ΔT
7. EM chapter at installation
8. EA charter members 1955





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1. Sue Davidson FO
2. Cornelia Ellison, O, 1902
3. Bathing beauty (?)
4. ΔH actives (all beauty queens)
5. Mildred McConathy, O
6. Jane Haigh organized ΑΣΑ (ΔΦ chapter)
7. Karen Clifford as a ΔP pledge
8. Eta chapter 1885
9. Grand officers at ΔK installation
10. Rose Bevins, O
11. EN elected officers for installation
12. ΓE members 1965



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Epsilon Gamma

Founded November 8, 1958
Initiates 519

University of North Carolina
Chapel Hill, North Carolina
Established 1789

Charter Members:

Bryte Baker Abernethy, Sarah Randolph Adams, Sarah Fletcher Bryan, Janet Barbara Cobbs, Carolyn Sue Cohen, Alice Dannenbaum, Louise Holliday Deifell II, Judith Dale Doherty, Nancy Elizabeth Evans, Carol Griffith Freeman, Joyce Elaine Funai, Patricia Douglas Hamer, Edith Folger Hurt, Elizabeth Ione Johnson, Norma Lynn Merchant, Charlotte Ann Pope, Nancy Anne Tunnell, Cameron Lee Whittemore.

Epsilon Gamma was colonized on the campus of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill in February, 1958, received its charter at the Bedford Springs, Pennsylvania, Convention that June, and was formally installed in November.

A unique chapter, it was the first and only "two year chapter" in Kappa's history. The University of North Carolina admitted junior women transfers, undergraduate girls who lived at home in Chapel Hill, and graduate students in some departments. Before 1925 it had been almost entirely a men's university.

A chapter made up of two-year students cannot function the same way as a chapter of four-year students. The members of Epsilon Gamma repeatedly wrote to Headquarters, "We cannot do this or that because we are different!" It was a great relief when sophomores were pledged; then freshmen. Later first semester pledging was allowed. By the early 1970s, Epsilon Gamma had become a fine group of about 80 members ranking high on the growing campus of 18,000 men and women.

A small number of alumnae in Chapel Hill, Durham, Raleigh, and other towns, along with Delta Beta Chapter of Duke University, helped Epsilon Gamma in making early plans. Rush parties were held in campus buildings and alumnae homes. Two Kappas from the College of William and Mary and one from Duke transferred to give stability and to counsel the first 24 pledges who were initiated as charter members in the November, 1958, installation. The university was helpful, making it possible for the girls to live in one dormitory only a short distance from what was soon to become the Kappa house at 302 Pittsboro Street.

The seventh sorority at the University of North Carolina was soon well established. Much was accomplished due to the able leadership, guidance, advice, and loyalty of Frances Fatout Alexander, I—DePauw, former Fraternity president.

A suitable chapter house, one near the campus, was found; and, after complete renovation, it made a beautiful home for 32 girls and a house director. The Frances Alexander Award was created in 1960 when she was Fraternity vice president. Each year the girl chosen by her sisters as having contributed the most to the chapter during the year is honored by having her name engraved on a beautiful plaque displayed in the trophy case.

The Louise Loomis Memorial scholarship key is presented to the active with the highest semester average. It is named for this 1961 graduate who was killed in the Atlanta Art Tour plane crash. Louise had been a recipient of the Frances Alexander Award.

A third award, a beautiful key, is worn for a semester by the girl showing greatest improvement in scholarship.

An excerpt from the chapter newsletter, *Hoots from the Hill*, (1963), describes the girls' attitude toward scholarship: "... after having won . . . for three consecutive semesters the Kappas retired the scholarship trophy last fall. It must have gone to our heads, for our standing fell to third place . . . however, the spring semester found us studying instead of talking about how much we have to do, and we have regained our position. . ." The trophy case shows not only several scholarship cups but also awards in Valkyrie sings, intramural sports, and other campus activities.

Epsilon Gamma participates in community and university service working with the handicapped, the crippled children's hospital in nearby Durham, with the mentally retarded in Butner, tutoring in public schools, and helping with recreational projects in the community. The members always take part in campus drives, politics, symposiums, fairs, and many other university events.



Colonization ET Chapel Hill, N.C.



ET's first pledge class.

One interesting research program with the Infectious Diseases Laboratory at the university's School of Medicine in Chapel Hill is designed to study respiratory diseases in college students. For several years, the chapter formed a central group which gave throat cultures and blood for antibody studies.

The chapter has had members of Phi Beta Kappa and Valkyrie; presidents of the Young Women's Christian Association;

Women's Athletic Association; and assistants in the office of the dean of women. The chapter has had three members, (Julie Jones, Kathy Carlton, [McAdams], and Nancy Haigwood), chosen as "Woman of the Year" of the university.

Epsilon Gamma is not old enough to have contributed a judge, a governor, or a senator, but someday this may become a reality. Maybe even a president.



Founded April 24, 1959
Initiates 397

Epsilon Delta

Arizona State University
Tempe, Arizona
Established 1885

Charter Members:

Sharron Lynn Arnoldy, Laura-Donna Ashley, Sandra Lee Baker, Miriam Virginia Barton, Betsey Jane Beaugureau, Alice Catherine Bedford, Cornelia Lavinia Buck, Patricia Leona Caldwell, Roxanne Chamberlain, Nancy Lee Cooper, Linda Lou DeWitt, Lynda Sue Diedrich, Christiana Margaret Georgas, Karen Kay Greene, Ann Hoyer, Paula Diane Lux, Lynneah Maloy, Mari Lynne McAndrew, Jacquelyn Lucille O'Hern, Doris Ann Parisek, Karen Pender, Judith Ann Peterson, Janet Gwynne Phillips, Diane Mary Read, Patricia Ann Tamblyn, Jenta Lynn Taylor, Barbara Jean Tucker, Patricia Gail West.

On April 24, 1959, Epsilon Delta Chapter at Arizona State University became the first Kappa chapter to be installed at a province convention.

The story of the chapter really began 12 years earlier when Cleo Hedde Woodall, Cumward, (Barlow), K—Hillsdale, a former member of the Arizona State faculty, was asked by the university administration to present the possibility of colonization to Kappa Kappa Gamma. Majorie Miller Hoar, IZ—Arizona, province director of chapters, reported findings to the province convention, and in 1948 the application was presented to the Extension Committee.

The committee decided not to colonize at that time but to place Arizona State on the approved list and bring it before the next biennial convention.

The campus was closed to further colonization in 1949 and was not reopened until 1956 when Mrs. Cumward had a request from Dean Catherine Nichols asking Kappa to reconsider.

The Scottsdale alumnae voted unanimously in favor of the move, and later the Phoenix alumnae gave approval.

At the 42nd biennial convention in 1958, it was unanimously voted to colonize at Arizona State.

Alphonsine Clapp Howard, Σ—Nebraska, was appointed local colonization chairman. There were months of preparation. Members of Gamma Zeta Chapter came by bus for the last two parties and February 15, 1959, 29 girls received pledge pins.

Epsilon Delta received its charter at the Fraternity province convention in Tucson. Formal installation and initiation of 28 pledges took place in the Mountain View Presbyterian Church.

The chapter's first full year began with 21 members living together on the third floor of C Wing, Palo Verde Hall. The chapter furnishes and maintains a kitchen, chapter room, and pledge room, and the university furnishes the bedrooms. Here fraternity life developed, and scholarship took precedence over all.

Mrs. Cumward presented a diamond key for the member receiving the highest grades, and Lillian Waterman Mieg, Δ—Indiana, gave a "flat" key award to be worn by the member showing greatest scholastic improvement.



(L) Alphonsine Clapp Howard Σ, and Sue Forster, IZ, were instrumental in colonization project.



(R) Fraternity president Campbell presents charter to Penny Pender (left) president EΔ with help of Marcia Urton, president IZ (installing chapter).

Two other awards have become very important to Epsilon Delta. A worthy undergraduate who needs financial aid is given an outright grant from the Louise Diercks Memorial Fund, named to honor an outstanding young Kappa who died in her senior year. In 1964 the active chapter presented a plaque to Alphonsine Howard in appreciation for all she had done for the chapter. Each year since, the Howard Award has been given to the alumna the chapter feels has been most helpful.

To the girls of Epsilon Delta, Mrs. Howard is a living legend. In addition to her part in colonization, she has served on the advisory board of the chapter and as president of the house board; was adviser delegate to convention in 1960; was alumna house representative, 1960-70; and Kappa Province director of alumnae, 1972-75. She is currently state reference chairman (1975) and has served in that capacity since 1959.

In 1965 the chapter won the Arizona State College Bowl championship, and received the Gleim-Stokes Award at province convention. Between 1964 and 1966 the chapter was represented in every honorary and auxiliary; had girls on the cheerleading and pom-pom squads; captured more than 10 queen and sweetheart crowns; and members were presidents of Mortar Board, Panhellenic, and Associated Women Students; as well as being chosen Arizona Maid of Cotton and Miss Wool of Arizona.



EE in Tucson 1958, first chapter installed at a Province Convention.

EE

Founded May 9, 1959
Initiates 408

Epsilon Epsilon

Emory University
Atlanta, Georgia
Established 1915

Charter Members:

Mary Jane Averitt, Ann Kay Axtell, Jacalwyn Barlow, Judith Montgomery Bowman, Barbara Page Brunson, Carolyn Christian, Betty Lou Davis, Dorothy Ann Fincher, Lynne Echols Ford, Carol Patricia Garrison, Sandra Lee Holland, Elizabeth Hale Ingham, Julie Hamilton Jones, Sara Loe Keller, Lillian Sinclair Kemper, Rosalyn Kempton, Nancy Lee King, Irene Lucille Lake, Bonnie Gail Little, Susan Louise Lott, Leone Brooks Maddox, Harriet Hayes McDevitt, Carlynn Louise McLendon, Lou Annis McMillan, Margaret Louise Palmer, Nancy Caroline Radford, Marianna Reynolds, Janet Clevenger Scott, Edith Joan Sims, Carolyn Jean Spann, Mary Bo Strozier, Barbara Elizabeth Tuggle, Travis Turner, Nancy Louise Vantress.

The formation of Kappa chapter at Emory University was long a hope of many Georgia alumnae. Led by Jean Hess Wells, ΔY—Georgia, now director of chapters, the feasibility of a chapter at this Atlanta institution was investigated even before Emory allowed social clubs.

Organization was permitted in 1954. Two Kappas from Gamma Pi Chapter in Alabama, Agelyn Sanders (Chandler) and Mary Constance Schmid (Cobb) transferred to Emory and formed the Fleur-de-lis Club. Fifteen girls were pledged in 1955, which was the reason for rejoicing among local Kappas who had sponsored the club from the beginning. It was easy to see that Kappa was a focal point for the club, since the badge was a golden fleur-de-lis and the pledge pin was an owl. The pledge book was the Kappa pledge book with the cover removed! The board of trustees of the university voted permanent charters to the social clubs in 1957 and gave permission for the clubs to petition membership in national sororities in 1958. Fleur-de-lis became Epsilon Epsilon May 9, 1959. (Epsilon Epsilon, Emory, took second place for euphony only to Gamma Gamma of Walla Walla.) All past members of Fleur-de-lis were extended the privilege of initiation, and it was a grand occasion when 43 new Kappas received their keys at the ceremony in the Biltmore Hotel.

The new sororities met in an old home called Panhellenic House. Each group had a closet for possessions. Chapter meetings were held in the Alumnae Memorial Building; and rush parties, in the Church School Building or the History Building. Later, Panhellenic House was moved to the old home of the president, which is the present site of the new law building.

Actives assist two alumnae associations with annual fashion shows, and each year they donate time, services, and money to a philanthropic project.

The chapter received the Mu Advisory Board Award at the 1970 Centennial Convention. At the final banquet, the convention closed with the singing of the "Centennial Prayer," with lyrics and music written by Cheryl Edel (Stewart), then an Epsilon Delta pledge. The song was a real contribution to Kappa's 100th birthday by an 11-year-old chapter.

Centennial Prayer

"I pray for the light and dark blue
And I pray for the golden key
And I pray that my path may be brightened
With Fleur-de-lis.
And if my prayer could be answered
I would always be
A Kappa Kappa Gamma through eternity
A Kappa Kappa Gamma through eternity."

The history of the chapter is closely tied with its desire for a permanent home. The university finally decided on lodges and the ground was broken on the site of the original Panhellenic House in January, 1972. The lodges were ready for occupancy by April, 1973. They were dedicated on December 7, 1973. The lovely three-floor townhouse was a dream come true.

During the years of growth at Emory, the Kappa actives had reached in all directions to become involved in campus life. Extra-curricular activities such as Panhellenic, student and dormitory governments, choral and dramatic productions, team sports and Greek functions found Kappas taking part. Epsilon Epsilon is also a leader academically. The chapter was honored at the 1974 Convention with the scholarship award for small campuses. The chapter average was 3.4. Each year this chapter's members are honored with scholarships, fellowships,



Happy charter members of EE.

and graduate appointments. Many travel abroad for study. There are doctors, lawyers, accountants, and "chiefs" among Epsilon Epsilon alumnae.

The chapter has enjoyed a number of public service projects. The one closest to the girl's hearts is their involvement with a 15 year old Thai girl, Krishna Puntachek, who has been their adopted orphan since 1969. Each year money is sent for her education and welfare.

Cohesion is often a problem with a chapter without a house and an even greater problem at a university which makes great academic demands, as does Emory. To circumvent this, the girls go on retreats or "house-parties" as they are known at Emory. They have travelled to various parts of the state to plan rush parties or just relax and become closer to one another. The tradition is continued even now in their lodge. Epsilon Epsilon has grown in strength and size since its founding days to become a leader on the Emory campus.



Symbolic key is handed to chapter president in house dedication service in 1974.

EZ

Founded December 9, 1961
Initiates 418

Epsilon Zeta

Florida State University
Tallahassee, Florida
Established 1857

Charter Members:

Patricia Carolyn Bassett, Jane Ann Briggs, Virginia Lee Brown, Barbara Lynn Butler, Sandra Lynne Clary, Jerry Lynn Elliott, Linda Florence Geisler, Danyne Carol Gibson, June Lane Goforth, Penelope Veitch Howell, Mary Felicia Lewis, Tallulah Hitch Long, Theresa Beverly Marchetta, Judith Merritt, Patricia Louise Pearce, Linda Lee Pursley, Nina Sue Reaves, Claire McRea Stanton, Lynne Largelere Thorpe, Catherine Rita Young.

This is the tale of a remarkable but little-known event, the story of the coming of the Greek maidens of Kappa Kappa Gamma to the Land of Flowers, on the shores of the Gulf of Mexico.

At the southern tip of the Appalachian Plateau lies an area long a crossroad for nomadic tribes of Indians, hunters and fishermen. The now-extinct Apalachee Indians founded a community there; later Creeks and Seminoles replaced them. The place was called Tallahassee, ("Old Town" or "Old Fields"). For centuries these people lived undisturbed. Then came the conquistadores searching for gold and the fountain of youth. They named the area Florida, ("Land of Flowers"). De Soto's band, wintering in Tallahassee, is thought to have celebrated the first American Christmas there, in 1539.

The priests of San Luis Mission, one of the chain built by the Spaniards, lived in peace with the Indians. The mission was destroyed by the English in 1704 as bitter rivalry developed. Americans fought for and received independence; there were Indian uprisings. Ultimately most of the southeastern tribes were moved west in the infamous "Trail of Tears".

Tallahassee became a frontier town, named state capital in 1824. In 1851 a school, the West Florida Seminary, was established. Within a few years the seminary cadets, with the old men of the town, marched down to the Natural Bridge to "whip the Yankees"—Tallahassee was the only capital uncaptured east of the Mississippi.

After the war, the seminary, succumbing to charges of sex discrimination, opened a separate female department. The University of Florida for men was developed in Gainesville, and in 1909 the school in Tallahassee became Florida State

College for Women. A number of sororities sprang up there, but not Kappa Kappa Gamma.

Following World War I, the automobile came into wide use and life became more entertaining for the southern belles, with the lively traffic pattern which developed between Tallahassee and Gainesville. However, the young ladies still wore hats and gloves and were allowed in downtown Tallahassee in groups only. All social events were chaperoned.

World War II brought an abrupt halt to the good times with "the boys from Old Florida." Gas rationing and the departure of men from the campus resulted in "not enough to go around." A brighter day dawned with reactivation of Dale Mabry Field as an air base, right on the edge of Tallahassee. After World War II, returning G.I.s filled the University of Florida to overflowing, and the Florida legislature ordered the Gainesville school to be coeducational. This brought men to the College for Women campus . . . men!

Meanwhile, a "small but enthusiastic" group of Kappas from other campuses had periodically urged the Fraternity to consider a Tallahassee chapter. The break-through came with the arrival of coeducation there, in 1947. Kappa officers, headed by Fraternity President Eleanore Goodridge Campbell, BM—Colorado, traveled to Winter Park, supposedly considering a third Florida chapter. Indications pointed to Gainesville, but enthusiastic Tallahassee alumnae contacted the officers, and Louise Little Barbeck, ΓΦ—Southern Methodist, director of chapters, was sent to look over the situation. By changing her flight reservation to come to Tallahassee she escaped her original plane, which crashed in the Gulf, killing everyone on board.



1962 installation EZ active transfers in black, colonizing pledges in white.

The local Kappa alumnae went into action with unprecedented zeal. Up to now, their biggest moment in history had been a joint picnic with the Gainesville Kappa Alumnae Club, scheduled in a state park half way between the two towns. Unfortunately, no one had specified *which* state park—there were two, on two separate roads—and each group went to a different park, waiting without result for the other, ate the picnic chicken and returned home. Now, concerted action was called for, and the small group acted. Appointments were scheduled, notably ones with the university president and the dean of women who became staunch supporters. Forces were combined to make “Lou’s visitation” memorable. It was, and it resulted in such Kappa Kohesiveness that it has been oft-used as an example of “What Kappa means to me—Before and After.” The visit was an unqualified success and Florida State University was designated as focus for the new Florida chapter after Kappa was officially invited by the more than enthusiastic Florida State administration.

From then on it was “total involvement.” Martha Walker Puri and Martha Lee Boone Kuersteiner literally walked all the blocks around the university looking for a location for a Kappa house—they wound up with a grocery! In the fall of 1960 the Fraternity laid the foundations for the new chapter; in February, 1961, actives from Delta Epsilon and Gamma Pi Chapters arrived to rush for the new colony, and on February 21, 25 girls were pledged. Parties and meetings were held in Florida State University’s Longmire Lounge and talk centered around the house which was to be built on the site of the old College Park Grocery Store. Groundbreaking was held under a tremendous live oak on a chilly November 19, 1961. The beautiful, pillared Colonial house was ready for occupancy by fall, 1962.



Rollins Kappas and new EZs look at exhibits.

For every chapter everything that happens in the beginning is an exciting first. For the Tallahassee Alumnae Club, nothing will ever equal the excitement of securing and starting Epsilon Zeta. For the actives, to whom the events of college days are *the* important events, and to the archivist, other firsts are significant.

Remembrances include the first rush, the first Kappa Key Man, (Karl Kuersteiner, the Kappa husband and Florida State University dean, who had called “Goodie” Campbell, and negotiated for the purchase of the lot); the first student senator; first members of Sophomore Council; the first junior counselor; first Phi Kappa Phi and Phi Beta Kappa initiates; the first “Best Dressed Girl”; the first “Calendar Girl”; first Kappas in Florida State University Circus; the first Kappa on Greek Goddess Court; and the first Kappa Sun Goddess at St. Petersburg, Florida.

Very special firsts for the chapter were graduate counselors Margaret Miller (Brucker), ΓΘ—Drake, and Karen Haun (Barlow), ΒΞ—Texas, who lived off campus in those “early days” but were vital trouble shooters. They got the chapter on its feet, (and Maggie stayed long enough to marry a Florida State professor).

Through the 14 years since colonization there have been many firsts, some happy, some sad, some funny. As Lou Barbeck said on her first visit, “Starting a chapter is a rough, rocky road.” The “Old Faithful” of the Tallahassee alumnae are still “in there pitching,” along with many new members. They have found in working together the larger, lifetime experience that Fraternity has to offer. Their cooperation is a real tribute to fraternity.

Probably the rockiest problem on Epsilon Zeta’s road has been the fact that all the other sororities were already so strongly entrenched on this campus—40 or more years before Kappa. Florida is peopled in its southern area by northern families who know Kappa, and in the central section by those who are Kappa-oriented through Rollins and the University of Miami. But in the northern Panhandle, from which Florida State University draws most of its students, Kappa is new. Epsilon Zeta has pioneered and is particularly proud of having familiarized Northern Florida with the fleur-de-lis—and getting “cream of the crop” girls in spite of such long-standing opposition.

The Kappa alumnae in Tallahassee are proud of the Fraternity organization which stands behind them, grateful to the alumnae of 30 years ago whose dedication promoted the effort, and to those whose added effort make this fine chapter (with its helpful housemothers) a reality. Florida State Kappas are happy with the tale of how the Greek maidens of KKK made a new, good life and became recognized as leaders in the “high and lovely hills” of Tallahassee, where once the Indians lived.



Installation banquet.



A—Gamma Zeta Chimes 1964

B—Beta Pi chapter 1960

C—Beta Upsilon actives earn contribution to Centennial Fund 1967



D—Gamma Lambda ski sweaters for queen finalists

E—Gamma Zeta Mortar Board members 1964

G—Gamma Chi sings "Oh, Pat" 1962



F—Eta members work on bulletin board 1962

H—Gamma Mu chapter officers 1960

I—BB^Δ chapter 1960



Charter Members:

Dorothy Lee Blackard, Cheryl Ann DeVenny, Virginia Lee Durham, Lulie Radcliff Edmonson, Elizabeth Marthella Field, Carole Diane Frech, Emily Whiting Hobbie, Jane Handley Lane, Judith Annette McLeod, Sandra Gail Norrell, Mary Kennon Petranka, Linda Elaine Sheller, Betty Sue Shore, Rebecca Jo Slawson, Christina Starling, Susan Gail Summerlin, Shirley Rebecca Walker.

Inspiration in the naming of colleges and college buildings comes more often in a flash after a substantial check has been received than after a poem has been read, yet Auburn University's name was derived from one in spite of the fact that the author never did well in school, was a problem student, a dropout and an educational drifter. This poem was Oliver Goldsmith's *Deserted Village*: "Sweet Auburn! Loveliest village of the plain".

The university's earliest name, not inspired by poesy, was East Alabama Male College. Chartered by the Methodist Church in 1856, it opened its doors to students in 1859, only to close them again during the War between the States, when the main building was used as a hospital for military casualties. In 1862, after the Land Grant Act was passed, the church donated the college to the state, and the first Land Grant college in the South, separate from the state university, was established as the Alabama Agricultural and Mechanical College. In 1899 its name changed to the Alabama Polytechnic Institute. In 1892 women were admitted, inaugurating college co-education in the South, and in 1960 the name was changed by the legislature to Auburn University.

The university had been on the Kappa official list as a possible expansion site for several years, when, on May 16, 1962, the Panhellenic of Auburn issued an invitation to the Fraternity to establish a chapter. In June, the campus was inspected by Ruth Bullock Chastang, BN—Ohio State, then Fraternity extension chairman, and by province officials. Their report was enthusiastic and a recommendation of colonization was presented to the Fraternity convention in Asheville, North Carolina. Epsilon Eta Colony, to become Alabama's second Kappa chapter, was underway.

A February, 1963, date for colonization was changed to September, 1962, due to pressure from Kappa alumnae living in Alabama. Fast action by Frances Fatout Alexander,



Charter members.

I—DePauw, ended in furnishing the newly painted dormitory suite assigned to the Kappas-to-be with furniture acquired from Delta Beta Chapter. By September 19 when Fraternity officers and other alumnae began to arrive, the suite was ready, and on September 24 Epsilon Eta Colony was born. Installation weekend for the new Kappa chapter was March 22-24, 1963. By that time the Duke Chapter furniture had been augmented with Kappa china sent from Headquarters, and silver coffee pots, flat silver, and glass serving plates from the Boyd Hearthstone which had been closed.

The suite, with a key-shaped door knocker, was the scene of Fireside and pledge services. The installation of the 17 charter members took place in the Baptist Student Center. Present were Mary Turner Whitney, BP^A — Cincinnati, Fraternity president; Dorothy McCampbell Nowell, BΞ — Texas, director of chapters; Clara O. Pierce, BN — Ohio State, executive secretary; Frances Davis Evans, BN — Ohio State, chairman of chapter finance; Jean Hess Wells, ΔY — Georgia, Mu province director of chapters; Elizabeth Adams Harrison, BO — Tulane, Mu province director of alumnae; Frances Alexander, National Panhellenic delegate; and Ruth Chastang.

Gamma Pi Chapter, University of Alabama, was installing chapter, and members of Delta Upsilon Chapter, University of Georgia, made up the choir. Dr. Miriam Locke, ΠI — Alabama, was the speaker at the gold and white banquet held in the ballroom of the university, Union Building. Gifts to the new chapter included a gavel, silver punch bowl, trays, and candlesticks from the Emory, Alabama, Mississippi, and Georgia chapters; and the Houston, Texas, and Baton Rouge, Louisiana, alumnae. The Epsilon Eta Advisory Board presented a silver bowl to be engraved annually with the name of the active member with the highest average, and Advisory Board chairman Sue Fox Hatcher, BO — Tulane, gave a brass chalice to be used in initiation services. Florida State offered a replica of an antique badge for an award pin.

Epsilon Eta came into existence at a time when Greek organizations were under considerable pressure to demonstrate their worth. The charter members proceeded to do just that. Before the chapter was one year old its members represented the group on Mortar Board, *Who's Who of American Women*, Phi Kappa Phi, the University Symphony Orchestra, the *Plainsman* (student newspaper) staff, Angel Flight, Calendar Girls, and as sweethearts of seven fraternities and dormitories. The strength and determination of these fine young women gave Epsilon Eta a firm foundation among 11 old established sororities (the two youngest had already been on the campus seven years at the time of the Epsilon Eta charter). Strong sororities and keen competition put the young chapter to the test. Much support from Kappa alumnae—national, area, and local—contributed greatly to the chapter's steady growth.



Fraternity President Whitney presents charter to 1st EH president Sandra Norrell Holt.

Fran Andrews EH (left), and Jamie Jacobson FI (right) joined for a Run-A-Thon 1974 with proceeds to American Cancer Society.

There have been highlights during 13 years: there was fall quarter in 1969 when Epsilon Eta brought its scholarship rank from a devastating 12th place (out of 13 sororities) to a joyful, exuberant first. There was the 10th anniversary reunion in 1973 when many of the 300 Epsilon Eta initiates gathered in the chapter room in Dorm II to find old friends and meet new ones. This chapter is too young to experience a generation gap. And there was the Auburn-Alabama football game in the fall of 1973 when the winner of the Epsilon Eta-Gamma Pi Runathon for Cancer was to be announced. Auburn was defeated by Alabama in football, but the Epsilon Eta Kappas returned home victorious, having raised a total of \$10,515 for the American Cancer Society. Together the two Kappa chapters had earned \$20,715—what better way to demonstrate the worth of our Fraternity.



Founded November 9, 1963
Initiates 205

Epsilon Theta

University of Arkansas at Little Rock
Formerly Little Rock University
Little Rock, Arkansas
Established 1927

Charter Members:

Mary Jane Callaway, Barbara Manette Cook, Suzy Elizabeth Dempster, Rosemary Ursula Filipek, Sandra Nuckolls Fiser, Carolyn Marie Fisher, Joy Tisdale Grant, Billie Hill, Laura Faye Jacobs, Martha Ellen McKissack, Rebecca Ross Nolen, Jerri Beth Percival, Joan Rea Peters, Diane Peters Rose, Virginia Coe Steppach, Dian Moudy Thompson, Edith Jeanette Thompson.

The Epsilon Theta history really begins in 1943 when Zeta Phi, a special organization for women, was founded at Little Rock University, then a junior college, in Little Rock, Arkansas. On October 3 Zeta Phi was granted its charter, and during its 20 years of existence its members received every academic and social honor offered by the college.

In 1957 Kappa alumnae started an annual award for an outstanding girl, and in 1959 Mary Schilling Owen, FN—Arkansas, and Jean Stevenson Healey, FI—Washington U., discussed national fraternities with Dr. Carey Stabler, college president. "Beginning in the mid-50's or earlier," Mrs. Owen remembers, "as the junior college grew into a four-year institution, speculation arose as to the possibility of national groups . . . With university status acquired, the administration gave permission for NPC members to meet with the locals."

"September 1, 1962, was the date when pledge groups might be formed. On August 31 the Kappa alumnae received a wire: 'VOTE AFFIRMATIVE TO ACCEPT INVITATION LITTLE ROCK UNIVERSITY CLARA O PIERCE FRATERNITY HEADQUARTERS.' Kappa bid Zeta Phi local and two other groups became Tri Delta and Pi Beta Phi. Chi Omega colonized early in 1963. Marilyn McKnight Crump, IΔ—Purdue, directed formation of our chapter and helped plan the formal installation November 1963."

Local newspapers gave the installation ceremonies generous space, listing charter members, newly initiated alumnae of Zeta Phi, new pledges, speakers, and special guests. Gamma Nu Chapter and the Mothers' Club presented special badges to be worn by the model pledge and the member with the highest scholarship. Mildred Moss, daughter of Cynthia Mills Moss, who at the time of her death in 1956 was the country's oldest

Kappa (initiated at Hillsdale, 1881) presented a badge to Rebecca Nolen (Dean) which would be worn each year by the chapter president.

The first year meetings were held in alumnae homes, then in a rented room of the Red Cross building. Then 2924 South Taylor became home for Epsilon Theta, with furnishings mostly bought from Gamma Nu. Since Epsilon Theta is not a housed chapter, the lodge is used once a week for meetings and occasional parties.

The year was one of excellent cooperation among leaders of all the sororities and the school officials. "We were all new at the national game," says Mrs. Dean, first Epsilon Theta president, "and we depended on each other. There was genuine respect and there was healthy competition."



First initiates, Martin, Aday and Jackson (who was 1963 Miss Arkansas).

Charter members.



Activities and honors were shared by the chapter's first members. Fifteen members made the Dean's List; four members made Phi Beta Kappa, and Pam Jackson (Cunningham), one of the Dean's List girls, became Miss Arkansas, 1964.

Many activities started by the first chapter became traditions. There is the pre-initiation breakfast surprise with lighthearted honors for "the brightest eyed", etc. The Sweetheart Banquet, held first in 1963, honors a man voted "Kappa Sweetheart" by the chapter. The Monmouth Duo held by Kappa and Pi Phi was revived in 1972. There are the Sigma Nu Relays, and the Aulsing, held at Christmas time with all sororities competing. The Aulsing started in 1964 and Kappa won the first three competitions.

Dean of Women Barbara Taegel, who was instrumental in the establishment of a national fraternity system on the campus, has revealed that in the early years the administration was uncertain of the wisdom of chartering national groups not knowing

whether there would be enough support for a fraternity system on a commuter campus. Although the university will remain a commuter institution for some years to come, it is not expected that the women's Greek system will lose status or viability. Rather than large residential houses for accommodation, the trend is more likely to be construction of lodges or an expansive Panhellenic complex for the use of all Greek groups on the campus.

Chapter adviser Rosalie Cheatham was asked about chapter problems and future plans. "Merger in 1969 with the University of Arkansas meant that Little Rock had become a state institution, dependent on legislative support . . . During this period, uncertainty regarding the future of fraternity groups caused rushees to diminish somewhat and for a while it was impossible to tell whether the system could survive on a state-supported commuter campus. However . . . the early 1970's have shown a marked increase in interested students. The future seems bright indeed."

EI

Founded March 5, 1966
Initiates 222

Epsilon Iota

University of Puget Sound
Tacoma, Washington
Established 1888

Charter Members:

Bonnie Ione Anderson, Karen Therese Bagne, Martha Jane Bosse, Carolyn Jean Boyd, Jennifer Mae Boyd, Emily Jane Breitenstein, Sandra Lynnea Browning, Caryl Ann Byrne, Mary Lou Couch, Margaret Elliott Drake, Linda Florence Gowdy, Ann Marie Hoag, Christine Ann MacLennan, Jane Denise McCormick, Janie Olivia Munro, Judene Pechman, Marilyn Joanne Sand, Judith Lynn Stell, Shirley Ami Stella, Suzanne Myra Wigle.

Colonization of Epsilon Iota in 1965 had begun as a dream and finally became a reality because of the hard work of Tacoma alumnae. Correspondence in 1963 between Mary Lou Olliver (Broz), ΓM—Oregon State, and the three Washington state chapters noted that director of membership Louise Little Barbeck, ΓΦ—Southern Methodist, and director of philanthropies Hazel Round Wagner, ΔZ—Colorado College, had officially inspected the University of Puget Sound with a Kappa chapter in mind and had reported that the campus situation indicated physical growth, increased enrollment, distinguished staff and administrators, high scholastic standards, and fully accredited College Entrance Board membership. In August, 1963, Dr. R. Franklin Thompson, the university president, learned from Mary Turner Whitney, BPΔ—Cincinnati, Kappa president, that the Fraternity had accepted the university's invitation to colonize.



EI actives visit hospital patients frequently as part of their philanthropic project.

In the fall of 1965, Tacoma alumnae, Beta Pi actives, and Betty Carlson Shaub, ΓH—Washington State, as coordinator, welcomed 24 pledges, a class which functioned well with Silvia Brown (Swiss), ΔA—Penn State, as graduate counselor. The chapter was installed and 20 pledges were initiated March 4, 5, and 6, 1966. Frances Fatout Alexander, I—DePauw, Fraternity president; Ruth Bullock Chastang, BN—Ohio State; Hazel Wagner; province officials; and counselors were on hand. The banquet was attended by 121 Kappas and faculty; there were gifts and greetings. The dean of women spoke of the strength and future of fraternity; the banquet speaker, university President Thompson, told the new chapter to remember that day with pride.

Linda Gowdy, Epsilon Iota's first president, wrote in the newsletter, Chapter Clatter, ". . . we are experiencing responsibilities which at times seem overwhelming, but we have the desire and drive to establish a successful chapter." At her term's end Linda presented the chapter with an engraved ivory gavel from her home state, Alaska.

"Traditional" events had a beginning: the carving of pumpkins for the men's groups (later pumpkin carols were sung before presentation); the writing of KNIFF notes to praise and reprimand; booster bags to help the pledges before exams; May baskets for the men's groups; a Kappa of the month award; a going-away party for seniors, which became later a senior breakfast, and then a senior banquet. Always, there was a continuous issue of concern: the scholarship program.

Expansion into the college community, ranging from serving as den mothers for a Cub Scout troop to participation in Logger Day events, were activities of 1967.

A Kappa was crowned Tacoma's Daffodil Queen, and a cup was purchased by the chapter to be awarded to the senior voted most inspirational. A year earlier Iota Province Director of Chapters Alice Fisher Summers, ΓM—Oregon State, had presented Epsilon Iota with a Bible. In the spring of 1968, Helen Hoska Hill, ΓΓ—Whitman, presented a scholarship key and the president's key.

The housing situation changed in 1968-69. The chapter wanted to stay together, but 11 were moved out of Regester Hall to an annex, and three to a campus where an intensive foreign language program was practiced. The next year a general move to Harrington Hall across the campus gave the chapter a chance to know the other women's groups. In 1971 there was a short-lived assignment to an eight-occupant sleeping porch arrangement adjoining a four-person study-living area. It took almost a year to adjust to the change. In the fall of 1971, the advisory board let seven actives move off campus on a rotating basis, with seniors receiving preference. A positive approach was sought in all house committees.

In 1968 the decision had been made that pledges could wear pants to study table if desired, but not to dinner or to functions after study table. At this time girls could not wear pants anywhere on campus until after noon on Friday. Three years later, in September, 1971, the chapter wore dresses for pledging and the following reception, marking one of the few times in the year that dresses appeared. In three years the dress code had radically changed and blue jeans had become the common clothing.

During 1968-69, a year of change, Panhellenic sponsored a Greek Week Marathon to the state capital, Olympia, to request state aid for private colleges. Kappa placed third in the song fest and first in scholarship, and a Kappa was crowned May Queen. The newsletter was expanded, the Fraternity appreciation program was highly improved, and the sense of group responsibility was heightened.

Changes in 1969 included the 4-1-4 system, a trimester schedule offering the Winterim, a January term during which travel and courses outside the major field were encouraged. The elimination of finals week did away with "somber dinner," the custom of dressing in dark clothes at the onset of exams.

In 1970, the chapter felt concern for the first time about pledges who might meet scholarship requirements yet not be ready to become actives. However, problems were resolved and all members initiated. A revived Fraternity appreciation program had brought Kappa back into focus for members.

But college life was changing, and old policies were being put aside for more liberal philosophies. The drug problem had its effect on all living groups, and each, including Kappa, found it necessary to add a drug clause to its bylaws. Panhellenic did away with some rush trimmings, with changes the rushees preferred, such as reducing costume parties to one. The chapter met at term's end for a hot dog party and informal business meeting at Point Defiance Beach. Not long afterwards at the 1970 Convention, Epsilon Iota delegates were proud to accept the silver pitcher for the chapter with most improved grades on a small campus.

The University of Puget Sound draws heavily from the Pacific Northwest and California, Hawaii has an extension on the campus, and in recent years students from more remote places have helped make up the student body.

To be host chapter to Iota province convention in the spring of 1971 was exciting—the chapter's first all-group experience of a Kappa convention—and especially exciting because Louise



Charter members of EI.

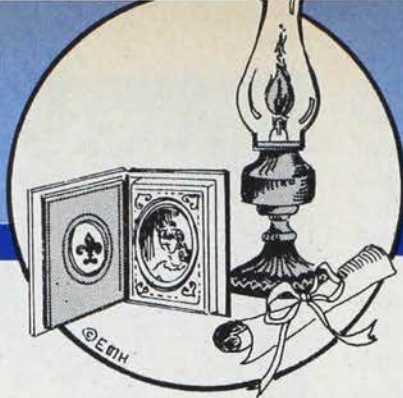


Barbeck, who in 1963 had started the machinery which led to the chapter's founding, was there as Fraternity president.

There are good memories from the fall of 1971: the pledge sneak, serenades, Founders' Day (the 1970 Centennial Founders' Day had been a real occasion with a fine program including an 1870-1970 fashion show), homecoming, decorated doors at Christmas, a Hanukkah observance, lounge parties, food runs—all good. Especially gratifying was the experience of leading a group of Bluebirds in a school for the underprivileged. But an unhappy memory is the probation warning received that September, issued by Council and based on impressions received by Mrs. Barbeck during her visit the previous spring.

In retrospect it was felt by some that this warning was not the solution. The house was upset but rallied quickly. There was a re-evaluation: those with waning interest examined their feelings. All elected to stay on, and improve the situation. The major goal was unity. A real effort was made to educate members in Kappa history. The struggles and triumphs, highs and lows were pointed out so that chapter members realized no organization has smooth sailing all the time. Epsilon Iota found it beneficial to become more involved with others through service projects outside the campus.

In June of 1972 the Fraternity Council lifted the warning of probation. The chapter felt proud because a goal had been set and realized. It was satisfying. The chapter is young and lacks noteworthy dates, famous alumnae, long-standing traditions. Epsilon Iota history is easy to recall. Yearly occurrences are more custom than tradition and are always subject to modification. So the Kappas of Epsilon Iota question, modify, and evaluate, and hope to pass on something of worth to future generations of girls who choose the University of Puget Sound and Kappa Kappa Gamma as a way to spend memorable collegiate years.



Reflections & Tradition



1. BN scholarship girls
2. Costumed actives celebrate 50 years of ΓH
3. ΔE's varsity cheerleader
4. A BX is ΣX Derby Queen

5. Founders' Day 1940 with alumnae and ΔH
6. 1916 Convention banquet
7. ΓK homecoming float
8. 50th anniversary of BA





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9. Skit of Theta chapter
10. Σ actives enjoy snack



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- 11. PΔ chapter pinning circle
- 12. Interfraternity Sing won by ΓA
- 13. BBΔ chapter council
- 14. BM
- 15. Iota actives polish silver

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• we believe in the relevance of the past since

today reflects yesterday and enriches tomorrow •

EK

Founded February 18, 1967
Initiates 130

Epsilon Kappa

University of South Carolina
Columbia, South Carolina
Established 1801

Charter Members:

Gloria Jean Allen, Mary Dolores Armstrong, Joy Alyce Cook, Betty Love Emmons, Marsha Gittinger, Deborah Ann Gough, Nancy Jane Groover, Jean Martha Huston, Marilyn Claudette Keen, Rebecca Suzanne Strange, Candice Jordan Walker, Julia Katherine Wilshin.

From September 17, 1962, when an alumnae club was chartered in Columbia, there had been the hope that an active chapter of Kappa Kappa Gamma would be installed at the University of South Carolina.

The Kappas felt that South Carolina had been neglected by the Fraternity as far as colonizing chapters was concerned. However, this neglect was understood when only 120 Kappa alumnae living in South Carolina were listed in the first galley sheets sent by Headquarters in 1962.

The University of South Carolina is a large university located in the heart of the city. Real estate in this area is quite high; therefore, since a sorority house would have to be close to the university for the girls' safety, it was the consensus of opinion that perhaps the university would make the next girls' dormitory a Panhellenic dormitory.

In the spring of 1966, an evaluating team was sent by Kappa to this university, by invitation, to examine the possibilities of colonizing. The team was favorably impressed, and a "red carpet welcome" was extended by the university, culminating in a luncheon by Panhellenic with the dean of women as hostess.

Frances Fatout Alexander, I—DePauw, Fraternity president at that time, lived in Charlotte, North Carolina, not far away. Mary Turner Whitney, BP^Δ—Cincinnati, lived in Beaufort, South Carolina. Jean Hess Wells, ΔY—Georgia, and Dorothy McCampbell Nowell, ΔY—Georgia, lived in Georgia. The last two were with the chapter during the first rush in September, 1966, as was Marsha Lynn Love, EZ—Florida State, slated to be the graduate counselor for the new chapter. Some of the actives from Delta Upsilon, University of Georgia,



EK colony—1st pledge class.

came over for two weekends to put on skits and rushing parties and later for initiation in February, 1967. They demonstrated Kappa loyalty to the fullest. Some actives from Epsilon Epsilon, Emory University, came, too. Twelve girls accepted bids; four more were added in informal rush. The 12 who made their grades became charter members of Epsilon Kappa and the four who did not make their grades became charter pledges.

There has been a close relationship between the alumnae and the actives.

Those who have lived in South Carolina all their lives are cognizant of the fact that this state is one in which family and background are stressed. A university in a large city will have girls going through rush who have heard about established groups, but not the recently established Kappa. Actives have had to start off rush fearing that the rushees have already learned that Kappa is the newest on campus.

Until recently, due to the smallness of the chapter, an active often had to hold two offices or chairmanships. For this reason, perhaps, their grades suffered. But, Epsilon Kappa received an award at the Centennial Convention for scholarship improvement among smaller chapters and in 1973 had two Phi Beta Kappas.

Members of Epsilon Kappa have earned honors in university scholastic organizations such as nursing, music, education, and the freshman honorary. The chapter has also won in intramural swimming, two girls were voted sweethearts, and one Kappa was named the Sorority Woman of the Year.

Epsilon Kappa has overcome its growing pains in recent years. The chapter, with the Columbia Alumnae Club, hosted the 1973 Mu Province meeting.



Charter members.



Epsilon Lambda

Founded February 25, 1967
Initiates 237

University of Tennessee
Knoxville, Tennessee
Established 1794

Charter Members:

Cary Vaughan Axhbaucher, Donna Lee Buchanan, Kay Marie Burns, Virginia Susan Cameron, Catherine Cotton, Kay Dyer Edwards, Mary Emily Evans, Mary Katherine Faucette, Patricia Lee Fillers, Margaret Lynn Harris, Cynthia Hart, Kathryn Ann Hibbs, Nora Margaret Hopkins, Patsy Ann Hughes, Jan Carol Jones, Sandra Rayburn Jones, Lillie Kay Mitchell, Diana Lea Murray, Nancy Olivia Nelson, Rebecca Rita O'Connor, Teresa Pentecost, Betty Jo Proffitt, Patricia Ann Schlemmer, Anna Celeste Thompson.

Discussion of the establishment of a Kappa chapter on the University of Tennessee campus began in 1946.

Knoxville area Kappas organized in 1948 and their president, Mary Hamilton Ewing, ΔΞ—Carnegie Tech, Province Director of Alumnae, worked four years with the campus Panhellenic. By 1962 Tennessee was seen as a possible extension choice, and in 1964 an extension team endorsed the campus for colonization.

In September, 1966, Epsilon Lambda colony was formed and within a few weeks 34 members had been pledged. It was an outstanding group, and Susan Ward (Cline) with her title of "Miss Tennessee Engineer" brought the chapter its first trophy.

"We can never compete with the established sororities," was thought more than once. The challenge was accepted by three Kappa actives: D. Jane Humphrey (Henegar), EA—Texas Christian, graduate counselor, "a Kappa lady through and through"; Betsy Rule (Marcum), BY—West Virginia, pledge chairman, "with her sweet demure manner"; and Leslie Hughes (Mier), EH—Auburn, song leader, "our devoted musical transfer."

Installation was scheduled February 24, 25, and 26, 1967. Special guests were national officers Frances Fatout Alexander, I—DePauw, Ruth Hoehle Lane, Φ—Boston, and Clara O. Pierce, BN—Ohio State, as well as the Beta Chi Kappas who were in Knoxville to see the colony become the first Kappa chapter in the state. Twenty-four girls became charter members on February 25 at a service in the Panhellenic Building where the spacious Kappa suite is located. The Passing of the Light Ceremony saw the heirloom Charlotte Barrell Ware candlesticks passed from Betty Davis Van Fleet, AΔ—Monmouth College, to Rebecca O'Connor (Greene), the colony president.

Tennessee President Dr. Andrew Holt and Mrs. Holt were guests at the banquet that night and Dean of Women Jane McCormick, ΔA—Penn State, brought the university's and her own greetings. Anna Thompson (Parker), Epsilon Lambda's first president, received the charter.

Margaret Lynn Harris was awarded a scholarship by the Austin, Texas, Alumnae; Kay Marie Burns (Kendall) received the scholarship award; and Becky O'Connor (Greene), as outstanding contributor to the colony, was given an antique key sent by Beta Nu actives and the Columbus, Ohio, Alumnae Association.

The first rush was "wild," with fun-filled practices, work sessions, mistakes, aggravating moments, tears, and extreme joy. Mrs. Louise Little Barbeck, ΓΦ—Southern Methodist, then national vice president, helped keep spirit up with her

kind advice and perpetual calmness. On "squeal night," when 30 pledges walked through the door, there could not have been a prouder group of actives.

The Kappa "Pumpkin Walk," now a tradition, began that fall when jack-o-lanterns with Kappa eyes, Gamma noses, and key mouths were delivered on fraternity row. Initiation, parties, the chapter's first birthday, and honors filled the term.

Twenty-nine pledges found their big sisters in the fall of 1968 by following a maze of yarn ending in 29 wooden keys. That began an active schedule focusing on a cultural program and scholarship that resulted in the chapter earning second place among 18 sororities, with a difference of only one-five-hundreth of a point!

Rushing in 1969 was a great success with an icewater party, Kappa Carnival, South Pacific party, and preference party when each Kappa told what KKI meant to her personally. On October 13, 32 coeds were officially pledged before the Centennial Founders Day program and introduced to the Knoxville alumnae. At Christmas, members enjoyed buying dresses, sweaters, and bellbottoms for an 11-year-old underprivileged girl. During that school year the chapter gave a dance at the old L&N (Louisville and Nashville) railroad station, started a volunteer program for hospital aides, and formed a basketball team. They captured the Panhellenic All-Sports Trophy, and ranked third in the list of sororities in scholarship.

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Installation EA 1967.



A—Beta Upsilon actives 1970
B—Delta Omegas work with underprivileged
C—Gamma Nus with Kappa shirts
F—Colonization Epsilon Nu 1973
G—Delta Iota seniors (jeans in style)
H—Delta Rho Mortar Board members 1974

D—Gamma Omicron Pickers 1973-74

E—Kappa (Chapter) Strummers 1972



L—Delta Tau chapter 1973



I—Mu chapter presents check for Centennial fund 1970

J—Beta Tau in Muscular Dystrophy Dance Marathon 1974

K—Gamma Eta pledges prepare for football game



In 1970, 28 top coeds were pledged, and 24 initiated . . . the first initiation ceremony in the Kappa room. Pledges worked hard on a new initiation song. They papered the kitchen and painted blue and green flowers on the cabinet doors.

The fifth birthday of the chapter was celebrated. At the alumnae picnic in the spring of 1972, Knoxville and Nashville Kappas presented the chapter with a beautiful Revere punch-bowl; the Memphis Alumnae Association gave a round silver tray; and a silver ladle was also received.

Looking back over Epsilon Lambda's growth, each member's contribution is appreciated, and it is certain that these same attributes will make them valuable members of alumnae groups for years to come.



Former Fraternity President Alexander pins president's key on Judith Nicks, 1st EM president.

EM

Founded March 7, 1970
Initiates 183

Epsilon Mu

Clemson University
Clemson, South Carolina
Established 1889

Charter Members:

Peggy Marie Batson, Donna Marie Brooks, Anna Jean Busby, Susan Elizabeth Callison, Sandra Corley, Catherine L. Cox, Mary Elizabeth Craig, Judith M. DeHoff, Barbara Marie Dieglio, Emily Dupre Donaldson, Nancy Diana Ball Edwards, Nancy Kenyon Fairey, Alexandra John Georgeo, Lucille Coursen Gordon, Sandra Jean Hash, Laurie Anne Holleman, Norma Anne Hudnall, Elizabeth Diane Jameson, Judy Gayle Jameson, Ann Elliott Kester, Margaret Lynn Macauley, Victoria Anne Mattis, Patricia Anne McCuen, Judith A. Nicks, Rebecca Elaine Owens, Sharon Lee Rice, Emily Bennett Warren.

Epsilon Mu chapter of Kappa Kappa Gamma became the second chapter in South Carolina on March 7, 1970, at Clemson University, Clemson, South Carolina.

The first semester as Kappas was a busy one, with participation in the annual Dixie Day events games competition among the sororities on campus, sponsored by Beta Theta Pi Fraternity. The Kappas won the overall trophy and took other trophies also.

The Kappas participated in an anti-pollution rally. All the sororities and fraternities on campus competed collecting trash around the Clemson area. Epsilon Mu placed first among the sororities.

In 1970-71 the chapter's main goal was to become well known on campus, especially among the independent girls. Also, the girls strove to have better relationships with the fraternities and the other sororities on campus. For Halloween Kappa gave carved pumpkins to the other sororities to put on their floors. Then many of the sisters went pumpkin caroling through the three girls' dorms.

Instead of building a Homecoming display, the Clemson Kappas decided to try a Tigerama skit. Tigerama is an annual entertainment presented the night before the Homecoming game. It is produced by Blue Key, and is run entirely by students. The sisters had never planned or participated in Tigerama before, but with everybody working together — writing a skit, practicing parts, making costumes and props, and taping voices — Epsilon Mu nervously entered the try-outs.

When the announcement was made of the accepted skits, the Kappas were overjoyed to be included. The following weeks brought more practicing and polishing, and even rebuilding much of the scenery when a rainstorm on a night before the performance did a great deal of damage. Finally the big night

arrived, and the Kappas were proud of a good first try. To their amazement, it was announced that the Kappas had placed first — \$250 cash prize, and never-to-be forgotten memories.

In February some of the sisters got together and made Valentine cakes for each fraternity. These were a big hit with the brothers, and the girls received several thank you notes and requests for another cake.

Two distinguished guests visited the chapter in 1970-71. One was Marjorie Gohn (Felsburg), ΔA-Penn State. Epsilon Mu was fortunate to have her help as it completed its first year as a chapter of Kappa Kappa Gamma. The other visitor was Louise Little Barbeck, ΓΦ - Southern Methodist, president of the Fraternity. She spoke with the pledge class of 1971 and they entertained her with a skit portraying "a possible situation in the founding of the Fraternity one hundred years ago". The actives also heard Mrs. Barbeck in a formal meeting as she encouraged hard work in the future to maintain excellence.

During the Magnolia Pageant, the Sorority Sing competition was held. Kappa placed first with a tribute to Walt Disney. Kappas were dressed as Mary Poppins, Mickey Mouse, Clubbers, the Seven Dwarfs, Jiminy Cricket, siamese cats, and a bear. Because they won Sorority Sing, the girls presented their program again at Fraternity Sing. Also the presentation was made at Mothers' Banquet in April.

Epsilon Mu combined service with social in a dance for the benefit of a local charity. Contributions taken at the door were donated to the Pickens County United Fund. Independents as well as other fraternities and organizations on campus were invited to join the party with music provided by a band. The chapter was also busy collecting things for a needy family that lived in the Clemson area. The Kappas participated in planting flowers for a garden club in Clemson.



EM charter members.

Perhaps the biggest social event of the year was the spring formal in honor of Epsilon Mu's founding on March 7 a year before. The Kappas also sponsored a Mother - Daughter Weekend with a Saturday night banquet and Sunday breakfast. The mothers spent the weekend with their daughters and learned more about Kappa.

Epsilon Mu had two finalists in the Miss Clemson University contest and a runner-up in the Magnolia Beauty Contest. The Tiger Band's solo twirler was a Kappa. A Kappa held the office of commander of the Light Brigade and a Kappa served on the Student Government Election Board.

Again Epsilon Mu Chapter of Kappa Kappa Gamma stood out above the other sororities on campus. Its high average enabled it to win the Panhellenic Scholarship Trophy. Epsilon Mu's twenty-six pledges had the highest scholastic achievement of the three pledge classes on campus.

There can be no question in any Clemson Kappa's mind that Epsilon Mu had come a long way on the road to the top this year, and one of the reasons was the guidance and friendship of Graduate Counselor Dale Brubeck, GK—William and Mary.

In 1971 - 72, the Kappas participated in a paper drive by the Panhellenic Council. All of the benefits went to Miracle Hill. This year the Kappas undertook a new service project. The Kappa Pickers and other Kappas went to the old folks home in Six Mile, a town close to Clemson. The Kappa Pickers entertained and the others visited with the old folks. This proved a very rewarding experience.

Two of the charter members presented a plaque for the front of the elevator in Manning Hall. It identifies the Kappa floor and is dedicated to the charter members of Kappa Kappa Gamma.

Epsilon Mu tried out again for the Tigerama skit and was picked to participate. The theme was "1984". The Kappas worked hard and promoted unity among the chapter. The result was another first place, another plaque, and another \$250 cash prize.

This semester's graduate counselor was Suzanne Barnett, GK—William and Mary. She helped the chapter to build its leadership. Field Secretary Juliana "J.J." Fraser (Wales), BN

—Ohio State, showed Epsilon Mu the basis of the committee system. This visit was very good for the chapter.

Kappa scholarship was again outstanding, with two more Panhellenic Scholarship Trophy wins. Dixie Day came around again. The Kappas did not win the overall trophy, but won two: Sorority Sing and bridge. Since Epsilon Mu won again, the chapter performed at Fraternity Sing, and at Mothers Weekend.

The end of the year was celebrated with a personnel and scholarship banquet. Another year had passed and Kappa Kappa Gamma was still tops. Two Kappas had been Rally Girls who help entertain at half time at the basketball games with a dance routine. Other Kappas were Tiger Belles, official hostesses at the games. The Panhellenic Council president had been a Kappa.

Homecoming weekend approached Clemson University and with it Tigerama. Once more the chapter tried out again with the skit, "Claw the Cavaliers". Hard work and preparation paid off as the Kappas triumphed over the other six contestants.

The social committee had a big year planned for the Kappas of Clemson in 1972-73. The next event was a Hawaiian Luau with the Block C Club, the Clemson honorary club for athletes. The Kappas provided the decorations and the hula dancing while the Block C members provided the band and the roasted pig.

The last big social event was the formal which has come to be an annual event commemorating the founding of Epsilon Mu Chapter.

The Kappas are active in many honorary, professional, and service activities. Kappas are elected to the Senior Staff of *TAPS*, the Clemson Yearbook, and Kappas also participate on the junior *TAPS* staff. The Central Dance Association, the organization on campus which plans the entertainment for student government with concerts, annually claims Epsilon Mus. Other Kappas are represented in student government. Sisters also participate in the ski club, and on the fencing team.

1972 - 73 saw the development of Fraternity Little Sister Programs on campus. The sisters of Epsilon Mu Chapter represented many of the fraternities on campus. Kappa also claimed the sweetheart of Sigma Phi Epsilon and Chi Psi sweetheart. Kappa was represented in Pi Kappa Alpha fraternity by having the Dream Girl of Pi Kappa Alpha title.

Epsilon Mu of Kappa Kappa Gamma has come a long way since March 7, 1970. Kappa has become well-established on the campus of Clemson University.



EM volleyball marathon raised \$2,000 for multiple sclerosis.

Charter Members:

Elizabeth Ramsay Bohner, Janet Mary Bowen, Victoria Leota Danforth, Ann Marie Deer, Rebecca Joan Dilcher, Ellen Virginia Freeman, Diane Harriet Goldey, Carolyn Elizabeth Kraft, Edith Caroline Nichols, Suzanne Rogacz, Elise Levereault Shaw, Mary Esther Stamp, Nancy Verne Wells, Catherine Martha Wilson, Mary Glenn Wilson.

Nashville, in the mid-Cumberland region, contains not only Vanderbilt University and Opryland, U.S.A., but also the Hermitage, home of President Andrew Jackson, and the world's only replica of the original Parthenon.

As long ago as 1936, Rheva Ott Shryock, BA—Pennsylvania, included in her extension report a recommendation that "... we should thoroughly familiarize ourselves with conditions at Vanderbilt University where the registration of women has been steadily increasing." However, in 1937 the Fraternity Proceedings contained a few discouraging words that no move would be taken at the present time for colonization at Vanderbilt.

By the time 1937 had become 1973, however, Kappa had installed a chapter in Nashville. The Fraternity had been petitioned by the Philean Society and University Chancellor Alexander Heard extended an invitation to Kappa to establish a chapter, the first National Panhellenic Conference group to be invited to the campus since 1954.

The Philean Society dated back only to February, 1972, when a group of about five decided, after rush, that another club was needed. The Independent Women's Association had folded and there was no social group available for unaffiliated women. The Philean Society began as a non-Greek social club, existed as an open group, and was encouraged by the dean. By common consent, Carolyn Kraft was in charge.

By March, the Phileans had been invited to become associate members of Panhellenic, which involved some organization on the part of the group. Carolyn Kraft was elected president, and everyone else became an officer. (Some became two officers.) The Panhellenic Council encouraged national affiliation and was very helpful.

In the fall of 1972, only nine were left to rush and four girls joined. All four became important officers later. This "baker's dozen" won the APO Blood Drive for the second time, enjoyed the Homecoming buffet, had parties, and weekly dinner meetings. They realized that a decision must be made about national affiliation. By the time the final vote was taken, the Phileans knew exactly what they wanted in a national fraternity and on April 1, 1973, the final vote was Kappa Kappa Gamma unanimously.

The decision was given to the university. On July 1, the answer came from Kappa Headquarters that there would be a new chapter at Vanderbilt University. Epsilon Nu had the distinction of sharing its installation date, October 13, 1973, with the anniversary of Kappa's Founders' Day. Gamma Pi was the installing chapter.

Installation took place at St. Augustine's chapel on the campus with the significance of the occasion heightened by the presence of two 50-year members, former Nashville residents,



Fraternity President Graham pinning 100 year old pin from Epsilon chapter on Becky Jo Dilcher, 1st president of EN.

Margaret Aldrich Kruger, Ξ—Adrian, and Mildred (Maude) Miner Fisher, K—Hillsdale.

Alice Hardison Huffman, ΓΔ—Purdue, was marshal. After installation, six girls were pledged in the chapter room of Branscomb Quadrangle.

At the installation banquet at Hillwood Country Club that night, Betty Prichard Dunn, ΔP—Mississippi, wife of the governor of Tennessee, was among the guests. Lucile "Lucy" Blue Van Voorhees, ΔB—Duke, was toastmistress. Lucy Ann Hughston, Gamma Pi president, offered a toast, and Rebecca Joan Dilcher, Epsilon Nu president, responded. Sally Moore Nitschke, BN—Ohio State, summarized greetings sent the new chapter, and after an interesting talk by the vice chancellor of Vanderbilt, Marian Schroeder Graham, BΦ—Montana State, Fraternity president, supervised the closing ritual.



Charter members.



ΕΝ charter members.



Founded November 16, 1974
Initiates 91

Epsilon Xi

California State University at Northridge
Northridge, California
Established 1958

Charter Members:

Carmella Ann Barnese, Cindy Gay Berkus, Theresa Ellen Fearing, Joanne Gale Fleischer, Susan Janet Hill, Ellen Sue Hirsch, Katherine Joan Hoffer, Roseanne Frances Horn, Karen Beth Kuhn, Jerrilynn Alaine Moyer, Kristie Anne Pollock, Kathryn Elizabeth Pritchard, Janet Lynn Roberson, Caron Lynn Rodman, Debra Jean Rubin, Nancy Lea Simon, Bonnie Lue Snoeck, Cindy Lynn Tanaka, Alice Louise Vanderhoef, Linda Ellen Zuckerman.

During the weekend of November 15, 16, and 17, 1974, Epsilon Xi Chapter came to the San Fernando Valley. Thirty-one actives and 37 alumnae were initiated at the Gamma Xi house at the University of California at Los Angeles. Sixteen pledges exchanged the tiny golden owls that had pledged them to the colony for the blue Sigma within the Delta. Epsilon Xi is the newly installed Kappa Kappa Gamma chapter on the growing campus of the California State University at Northridge, California.

During the eight months following the colonization, members worked with their chapter adviser, Elinor Johnson Groom, Δ—Indiana, and Elizabeth Hawkins Pickett, ΔT—Southern California, the Kappa province director of chapters, struggling to assimilate the traditions and policies of their new group. During the hot summer evenings with the temperature at the house hovering in the mid 90s, they agonized learning Kappa songs for rushing and even included one created by Roseanne Horn, president, and Karen Kuhn, membership chairman.



ΕΞ first pledge class.

The next day the Nashville Alumnae Association entertained in honor of the new chapter in Branscomb formal lounge. The charter members of Epsilon Nu presented Jean Hess Wells, ΔY—Georgia, director of chapters, with a fruitwood tray which had needlepoint under glass with EN, KKG, 1973 over a fleur de lis, done in blue and blue. Epsilon Nu was the eighth chapter which Jean Wells had helped to install.

At the 1974 Convention in Columbus, Deborah Dukes, Epsilon Nu's second president, enthusiastically told of her Kappa affiliation. Sarah Harris Rowe, Y—Northwestern, Kappa's ranking president, looked on with pride as her granddaughter, (Sarah) Ann Kanaga, an Epsilon Nu pledge, spoke before the convention. Also in the audience was Rheva Shryock, a delighted member, who had had reason to believe 38 years earlier that Vanderbilt would be worth looking into as a site for a Kappa chapter.

In mid-September the Northridge campus of 24,000 students was deluged by well over twice the number of rushees than ever before. Taking time only for a quick gulp and doubling the punch recipe, the colony plunged into rush, emerging a week later with 15 marvelous pledges including its first Kappa legacy.

Under the capable leadership of the installation marshal, Janey Binda Walker, ΓZ—Arizona, the San Fernando Valley Alumnae Association, and Denise Donmoyer Huddle, ΔΓ—Michigan State, president of the Valley Alumnae Association, the events of the installation, the banquet at the Sportsmen's Lodge, and the reception at the University Faculty Center flowed smoothly.

Lending great dignity and solemnity to the occasion were the installing officers, Marian Schroeder Graham, ΒΦ—Montana State, fraternity president; Kay Smith Larson, ΒΠ—University of Washington, director of field representatives; Betsy Molsberry Prior, ΒΝ—Ohio State, director of alumnae; and Elizabeth Hawkins Pickett, ΔT—University of Southern California, province director of chapters. The occasion was perhaps all the more meaningful since Marian Graham had been a long-time resident of the Valley and a member of the San Fernando Valley Alumnae Association. She reminisced that about 14 years ago a Kappa alumna, whose daughter had just pledged the local Alpha Omega sorority at Northridge, contacted her to suggest that Kappa might be interested in colonizing; but, Marian explained, Kappa was not expanding in California at that time . . . maybe later.

One of the most touching moments of the weekend came as Betsy Prior presented Roseanne Horn, Epsilon Xi president, with a particularly unique old president's key which had been salvaged several years ago from a Los Angeles antique shop by



Three presidents, Collings EO, Graham, Fraternity President, and Kriz, alumnae president receive flowers at installation.

an alert Valley alumna. Carefully restored by Betsy's husband, James C. Prior, the lovely old turquoise and seed pearl key seemed to form a tangible link between Kappa's great tradition and her youngest chapter.

As momentous an occasion as was the initiation and installation, there was no time to relax, for the following weekend was Homecoming, and Roseanne Horn was Homecoming Chairman. At the end of the week the Kappas claimed not only first prize for their Homecoming float built with the engineering department, but Homecoming Queen Maureen Moran as well.

As this is written, Epsilon Xi chapter has just concluded its first election of officers. It seems fitting that in an area that once was exclusively orange groves and horse ranches now stands a community of 1,200,000 residents, and within this growing community grows the newest of the Kappa blue flower gardens.

EO

Epsilon Omicron

Founded January 21, 1975
Initiates 17

University of California at Davis
Davis, California
Established 1906

Charter Members:
Ann Marie Began, Sandra Marie Brown, Catherine Ann Collings, Linda Marni Kurtzman, Linda Jeanne Maxson, Debra Ann Pevehouse, Susan Ellen Reynolds, Leslie Katherine Rhody, Susan Dee Schultz, Kathryn Prescott Sebenius, Susan Marie Tranka, Patricia Gail Vivado, Nancy Jean Winslow.

The University of California at Davis is situated in the rich, fertile Sacramento Valley. It is a center of agriculture and it is a source of tremendous advances in knowledge. It is an especially appealing location because of its proximity to San Francisco, Sacramento, and the beautiful Sierra Nevadas.

The university had its beginning in 1906 as a College of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences. It now shares a 4,000 acre campus with equally renowned Colleges of Engineering, Letters and Sciences, Graduate Division, and Schools of Medicine, Veterinary Medicine, and Law.

Approximately 15,000 students fill the campus and it is undoubtedly the bicycle capital of California. There are almost equal numbers of men and women students enrolled.

Although men's fraternities have been a part of the campus for many years, it was not until 1973 that Delta Delta Delta made its appearance as the first sorority. The fraternities had had "little sister" programs, which were probably responsible for the surge toward colonization of sororities. The administration favored Panhellenic groups on the strength of their achievements and fine reputations from other campuses.

Epsilon Omicron Colony of Kappa Kappa Gamma pledged thirteen girls at the first formal rush on the Davis campus in the fall of 1974. Alumnae from northern California, Delta Omega Chapter in Fresno, and Pi Deuteron Chapter at Berkeley had worked diligently for the establishment of this new chapter and had reason to be proud when formal pledging took place on Founders Day. Formal installation was in mid-February, 1975, with Pi Deuteron as installing chapter. The activities included a Fireside service, a hasty practice session for alumnae who served as big sisters, advisers, and participants in the initiation ceremony, a formal banquet, a model chapter meeting, a

luncheon at the Nut Tree in Vacaville and a reception for family and friends at Recreation Pool Lodge on the Davis campus.

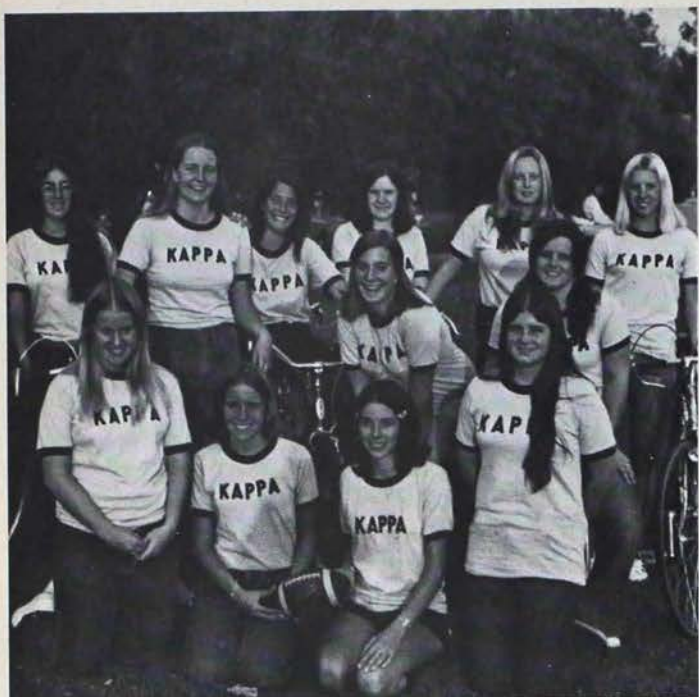
Kathryn Sebanius, a new Epsilon Omicron, wrote the following poem, which was used as a toast at the formal installation:

Joining us together
today—tomorrow—
'til eternity.

Simple words are
the external bonds—
badges similar to
one another
physically represent
these ties.

Each badge is a different key—
one to a different heart—
to a different girl with
much to give to all.

We mustn't emphasize
only the key—
we must emphasize
what lies under it—
what lies within our hearts.



Epsilon Omicron pledge football team.



EO pyramid.

Such strong feelings
reserved for special friends—
even for more special people—
sisters.

I came with no sisters
and have acquired the
love and trust of
thirteen sisters
in a short time.

Growing together through
time—
taking parts of each other.

Becoming one in the same
yet—leading our
separate lives, too.

What we are going
to do this morning
is to once again
externally strengthen
these bonds—but
the internal bonds
of love are already there.

As we move on,
different roads will carry us away—
we shall always have these sisters
Love is an unbroken circle.

The new Kappas plan to live together in an apartment complex until they build a chapter house. They have an active football team and are holding their own on the baseball diamond. A Frisbee Marathon was sponsored in conjunction with the Easter Seal Telethon. They intend to honor their academic achievers with scholarship dinners, and they are planning to entertain the pediatric patients at the University Medical Center. Of course, the girls are continuing to rush for new sisters to complete their exciting new chapter.

As this history is being printed two new Kappa chapters are being established and added to the role. Texas A & M located in San Antonio, Texas, is being colonized under the direction of Council member Marian Klingbeil Williams, Θ — Missouri, director of personnel.

At the University of California at Riverside another new Kappa chapter is being colonized. This chapter will be under the direction of National Panhellenic Delegate, Phyllis Brinton Pryor, BM — Colorado, and Director of Alumnae, Betsy Molsberry Prior, BN — Ohio State.

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Fream, Helen Fishburn, Carolyn Stauffer, Sally Lugar, Teri Hampson, Lorna Telfer, and Mary Hutsinpillar.

Associate Council Seminar Gives "Gifts" to Kappa

The Associate Council Seminar was held June 19-22, 1975, in the Fawcett Center for Tomorrow, Ohio State University at Columbus, Ohio. "When We Give Gifts" was the theme woven throughout the program but the real purpose was to gain ideas, learn the mechanics of the Fraternity, and renew loyalty, faith and enthusiasm for Kappa.

Those attending the final session heard a fine alumnae-active interaction presentation on the ritual by Marj Converse. A poem by Wilfred A. Peterson sums up the theme of the seminar:

*We give of ourselves when we give gifts of the heart:
love, kindness, joy, understanding, sympathy, tolerance, forgiveness.*

*We give of ourselves when we give gifts of the mind:
ideas, dreams, purposes, ideals, principles, plans, inventions, projects, poetry.*

*We give of ourselves when we give gifts of the spirit:
prayer, vision, beauty, aspirations, peace, faith.*

*We give of ourselves when we give the gift of words:
encouragement, inspiration, guidance.*

Emerson said it well: "Rings and jewels are not gifts, but apologies for gifts. The only true gift is a portion of thyself."

Some of the Council members are seen in a brief moment of sun and coffee break discussion: Jean Wells, director of chapters; Marian Graham, president; Marian Williams, director of personnel; Marj Converse, vice president; Kay Larson, director of field representatives; Sally Nitschke, director of membership; and Phyllis Pryor, NPC Delegate. Missing from this photo because of business were Jane Koke, Treasurer; Eloise Pingry, director of philanthropies; and Betsy Prior, director of alumnae.



Attending the seminar were the province officers, Council, program chairmen, and field secretaries and graduate counselors. Just to keep you up-to-date here are some bird's-eye views of the province officers.

The province director of chapters for Alpha is **Lorna Telfer, ΔΔ**—McGill, who lives in Montreal, Canada, and is in her second year of law school.

Suzanne Peterson Fream, BT—Syracuse, is guiding Beta province chapters in addition to caring for her husband and three small children, playing tennis and working with emotionally disturbed children.

From the Chagrin Falls, Ohio area is **Helen Girdler Fishburn, BΔ**—Michigan, who is continuing as director of chapters for Gamma province. Her husband and three children share golf and swimming interests.

Sarah (Sally) Schnaiter Lugar, ΓΔ—Purdue, brings a past as alumnae president for Indianapolis Association and Mu chapter rush adviser to her new post as Delta PDC. She and her husband have three children plus interests in tennis and golf.

Katherine (Joni) Feiger Molt, BΔ—Illinois, becomes Epsilon PDC after serving Delta Rho as house and personnel adviser. She and her husband are co-finance chairmen of their local Red Cross while she also teaches Spanish for continuing education.

The PDC for Zeta Province is **Carolyn Steele Stauffer, I**—DePauw, who has been president of the Kansas City Alumnae and adviser to Omega chapter while she and her husband raised three children and enjoy all sports—especially sailing regattas.

Elizabeth (Liz) Willson MacLauchlin, EB—Colorado State, is continuing as Eta PDC . . . even after learning that her territory had been increased! She and her husband enjoy the Colorado scenery and sports.

Rebecca (Becky) Stone Arbour, ΔI—Louisiana State, is also a continuing PDC. Adding Theta province to her three children, Jr. League Vice Presidency and husband's activities keeps Becky hoping.

Iota province chapters are entrusted to **Mary Beth Kuffman Hutsinpillar, ΓH**—Washington State, of Spokane, Washington. Skiing, camping, and backpacking are family hobbies as well as traveling.

Mary Kay Reid Tennison, EΔ—Arizona State, is a new mother as well as new Kappa PDC. She has been finance, personnel and chapter council adviser for her chapter as

well as enjoying her two sons and husband.

Lambda PDC is **June Miller Mohr**, ΓΔ — Purdue, who has three children and is a past teacher and volunteer.

Sally Schwartz Muzii, Ψ — Cornell, has recently been chairman of pledge training programs, as well as having been president of the Miami, Florida Alumnae and chapter council adviser. Sally and her husband have three sons and she was recently appointed to the Cornell University Council.

Dr. Virginia (Gini) Anding LaCharite, ΓΚ — William and Mary, is continuing as Nu PDC. She was elected recently to the executive board of South Atlantic Modern Language Association for a five year term and in her spare time (?) she and her husband will found and edit a scholarly journal *French Forum* — first issue to be released January 1976. They have two children ages seven and three.

Xi province is continuing in the care of **Martha (Jo) Clough Barton**, ΒΘ — Oklahoma, who has three children and has served as rush, scholarship and chapter council adviser to her chapter over the years. Jo is an attorney, lecturer, and on the advisory board to the President of University of Oklahoma.

Teri Van Dorn Hampson, ΔΟ — Iowa State, is newly elected PDC for Omicron. (Actually she was appointed last year, but just elected for the first time). Twin five-year-old boys and two-year-old Christopher keep Teri busy while her husband owns a pharmacy. Chapter advising and house board president give her a sound background for this job.

PDC for Pi province is **Carla Myers Wiese**, ΓΜ — Oregon State. Carla has a daughter, dog, cat, guinea pig, fish, and understanding husband! She has been social, house, chapter council and chairman of the chapter advisory board, in addition to vice president of the Corvallis-Albany Alumnae. A special talent is used as water safety instructor in the summers.

The Province Directors of Alumnae are a very fine group of women beginning with **Diana Dodds**, ΓΙ — Washington University, who comes to Alpha PDA after serving New York City alumnae as vice president. She is

Province Directors of Alumnae: Gay Barry, Lois Jeffery, Pat Kriz, Betsy Prior (director of alumnae), Dorothy Brassey, Carolyn Wilson, Carolyn Madding, and Joy Broach. Back row: Juli Deeds, Kitty Thomason, Dorothy



Chapter Program Chairmen were also present to assist in the training. Jane Curry (chapter advisory boards), Jan McAllister (pledge), Mitch Pflugh (public relations), J. J. Wales (fraternity education), Barbara Curley (scholarship), and Janet Sanford (chairman chapter programs).

also on the board of directors of children's health service and a settlement house.

Gwendolyn (Gay) Chuba Barry, ΔΑ — Pennsylvania State, is continuing as Beta PDA. An active volunteer, former teacher, and avid needleworker, Gay served Philadelphia as their president and many other offices of the alumnae.

Gamma PDA is **Drusilla (Drue) Cox Zuverink**, ΒΧ — Kentucky, who comes highly recommended from Nu province. She has served in Dayton, Grand Rapids, Louisville and now in Rocky River, Ohio. With a husband and three children they enjoy family trips to historical places.

Pat Shaver, ΔΓ — Michigan State, is the continuing PDA for Delta province and is also a busy elementary school teacher. She served as president East Lansing Alumnae, a president of Delta Gamma house board Corporation, and marshall of 1971 province meeting.

Epsilon PDA is **Joan Hunter Cooper**, ΓΟ — Wyoming, who keeps busy with her two children and serving as foster parents when needed. She was vice president of Hinsdale alumnae and is an active community volunteer.

Thute, Joan Cooper, Dru Zuverink, Alice Gerhardt, and Pat Shaver. Absent from the photo were Shirley Shreve, and Diana Dodds.



Dolly Clinton Thute, Σ — Nebraska, is the newly elected PDA for Zeta province. A past president of the Omaha alumnae she and her husband have a son Clint who will enter Nebraska this fall. Dolly is an active worker for the church and various community projects.

Alice Jones Gerhart, M—Butler, is the Eta PDA. Alice and her husband have two children and in her spare time she is a volunteer for the school district with pre-school program for inner-city children. Adviser, scholarship fund chairman, and alumnae president complete her previous Kappa jobs.

Another continuing PDA is **Shirley Younkin Shreve, ΓA** — Kansas State. Shirley is currently living in Houston, Texas, after moving three times in two years. She enjoys playing tennis and does her own landscaping. She and her husband have one daughter.

Iota PDA is **Dorothy Barbour Brassey, ΓM** — Oregon State, who is in her second term. She has been alumnae president, rush adviser to BK and Panhellenic adviser to Boise State University (and Kappa is not even on that campus!) She and her husband have four children.

Carolyn (Lyn) Conway Madding, ΔΓ — Michigan State,

is the new PDA for Kappa province. Having worked at Fraternity Headquarters, been president of Northern Orange County Alumnae, and adviser to Rho chapter, Carolyn represents a wealth of Kappa knowledge. She and her husband enjoy traveling and she is an artist with many awards to her credit.

Lambda province remains in the acapable hands of **Catherine Dennis Thomason (Kitty), ΓΨ**—Maryland, who is in her second term as PDA. She has been a member of Delaware, Memphis, Tennessee, North Shore in Evanston, Illinois, first president Chicago Loop Group, colonizer of Goucher College, part of first pledge delegation of Ole Miss from Memphis, founder and charter member of Maryland Suburban, and president of Baltimore Association three times. Who could ask for anything more!

Mu province is fortunate to have **Juliana Warner Deeds, BN**—Ohio State, as its new PDA. Juli served as vice president of the Columbus, Ohio alumnae, and most recently as president of the Tampa Club, and province meeting Marshall. She and her husband have two sons and in her spare time she volunteers for the symphony and has even taught dancing.

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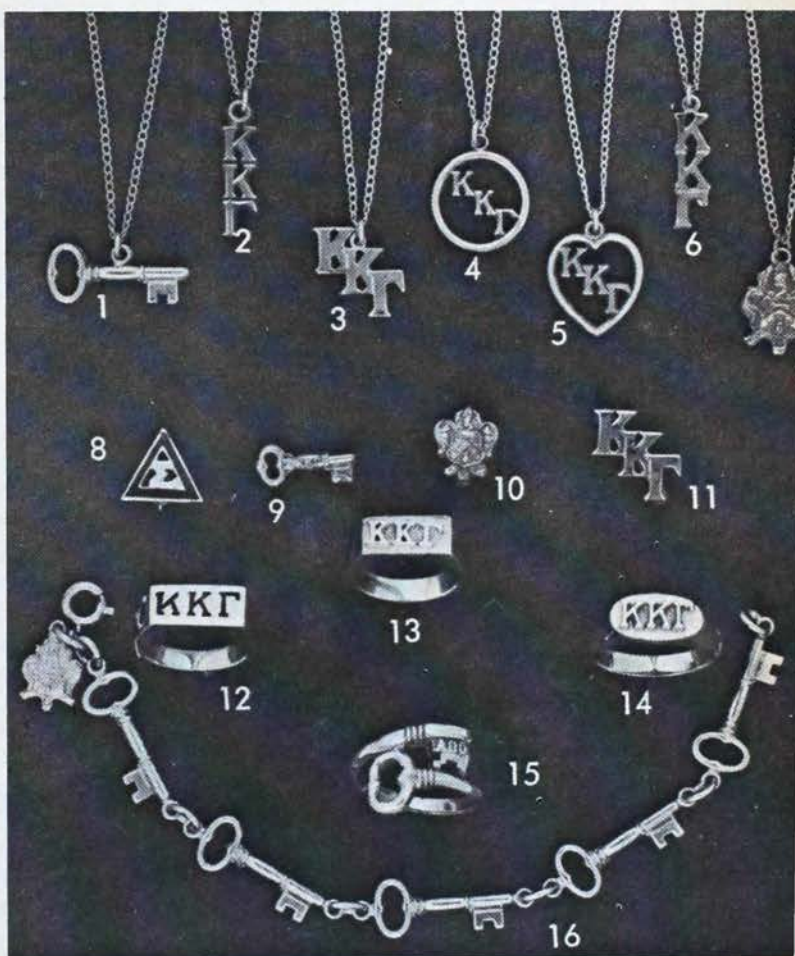
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Continuing as Nu PDA is **Lois Baird Jeffery**, ΔΔ — Miami University, Oxford, Ohio. Lois was president of the Dayton, Ohio alumnae and she and her husband have three children and a grandchild! She loves bridge and crafts.

Joy Cox Broach, ΓN — Arkansas, is the newly elected PDA for Xi province. Past president of the Little Rock alumnae, and a community volunteer, Joy and her family share interests in camping, activities of the church and political campaigns.

Continuing to serve Omicron province with vitality and enthusiasm is **Carolyn Hornor Wilson**, ΒΨ — West Virginia. Carolyn and her husband have two daughters and she is active with school programs. She has been adviser to Delta Omicron and past president of the Ames, Iowa Club.

Serving as colonization chairman for Epsilon Omicron chapter at Davis has to be a special honor for **Patricia Maness Kriz (Pat)**, ΒΜ — Colorado. She will be serving as PDA for Pi province after being president of Sacramento Valley Alumnae. Sailing, swimming, and skiing around Lake Tahoe occupies much of the leisure time for Pat and her husband. She is on Camp Fire Girls board and teaches Sunday School.

Travelers and Counselors Serve Kappa with Spirit

Field Secretaries

Traveling for Kappa this year will be four outstanding young women — each well qualified to both assist the Fraternity as well as each individual chapter.

Marguerite Erwin, ΕΕ — Emory, served her chapter as treasurer, first vice president, and president. She has two sisters and one brother and enjoys singing, swimming, and the outdoors.

Patricia (Patti) Gilliard, ΒΘ — University of Oklahoma, was a member of many committees including house, chapter council and catalog, nominating, and rush. She was elected rush chairman, and nominating chairman. She has volunteered in community action and helped with the special olympics. Listed in *Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities*, Top Ten Greek Women, Big Woman on Campus, and outstanding senior in college of education, we look for great things to come from Patti.



Marguerite Erwin, Janice Harenberg, and Gayle Pyke pose outside Headquarters as they prepare for their journeys as field secretaries. Patricia Gilliard (photo insert) will also be joining them this year.

Janice Kay Harenberg, ΓΒ — New Mexico, was public relations chairman, pledge trainer, and president of her chapter. She also served on the personnel committee for two years. She enjoys tennis, sewing and needlework. She received the University of New Mexico academic scholarship and the Albuquerque Alumnae Association Tuition Scholarship.

The fourth traveler is no stranger, as **Gayle Ann Pyke**, ΔΗ — Utah, was a field secretary last year. She has two brothers and a Kappa sister and mother. Gayle served her chapter as Fraternity Appreciation — Cultural chairman and second vice president. Her major was early childhood education.

Graduate Counselors

Living on campus and working with an active chapter while earning a graduate degree is what nine Kappas will be experiencing this year. Edith Brengel, Υ — Northwestern, will be with Eta chapter at University of Wisconsin; Jean (Dale) Brubeck, ΓΚ — William & Mary, will be at the University of Virginia; Robin Darst, Σ — Nebraska, will be at Beta Mu at University of Colorado; Janeen Gould, ΒΒ^Δ — St. Lawrence, will be all the way across the country at the newly pledged colony at Riverside, California; Mary Margaret (Maggie) MacDonald, ΓΔ — Purdue, will assist at Epsilon Nu at Vanderbilt; Sally Milbourne, Ι — DePauw, will be at Epsilon Omicron chapter at Davis, California; Julie Morris, ΓΝ — Arkansas, will be at Theta chapter, Missouri; Lisa Thompson, ΕΙ — Puget Sound, will be helping at Epsilon Xi chapter at Northridge, California; and Debbie Smith, ΔΑ — Pennsylvania State, will be an under-graduate counselor at a newly colonized chapter at Texas A & M, in San Antonio.

Graduate Counselors for 1975-76 include: Back row, Sally Milbourne, Julie Morris, Lisa Thompson, and Debbie Smith. Front row: Edie Brengel, Dale Brubeck, Robin Darst, Janeen Gould, and Maggie MacDonald.

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Name of Rushee _____
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To _____ chapter of Kappa Kappa Gamma at _____
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Age _____ College Class: Freshman _____ Sophomore _____ Junior _____ Senior _____

Name of Parent or Guardian _____
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Home Address _____
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Has Rushee a Kappa Relative? Sister _____ Mother _____ Grandmother _____ Other _____
(Check one)

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Has Rushee connections with other NPC groups? _____

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Scholastic Average _____ Number of terms completed _____

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Special Recognition and Honors Awarded:

Please use this portion of the form to provide information about the rushee's character traits, leadership qualities, and personality characteristics, using examples whenever possible. Indicate rushee's special interests, talents, and any other information which might serve as a means to know her better:

Check one: This information is submitted on personal acquaintance with the rushee. _____ I have known the rushee for _____ years.

Although I do not know this rushee personally, this information has been obtained from school, friends, or other reliable sources. _____

Did the chapter request this reference after rush started? Yes _____ No _____

I hereby endorse this rushee with the understanding she may become a pledge of the Fraternity if the chapter so desires.

Signed _____ Date _____
Maiden Name _____ Married Name _____
Chapter _____ Initiation date _____
Address _____
Number Street City State Zip Code

If the rushee lives in a city where there is an alumnae association or club, the signature of the MEMBERSHIP REFERENCE CHAIRMAN of that group is requested. Please forward for her counter-signature. (See the Directory in the Summer Issue of the KEY.)

THE ALUMNAE MEMBERSHIP REFERENCE COMMITTEE OF _____
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Signed _____, Chairman
Address _____

Other Authorized Fraternity Signature (To be used if necessary) Date _____
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OCTOBER Founders' Day—13th

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30. Sends program, alumnae directory and form listing officer changes to Fraternity Headquarters, Director of Alumnae and Province Director of Alumnae.

NOVEMBER

TREASURER

10. Mails a copy of estimated budget for current year to Province Director of Alumnae.

JANUARY

TREASURER

1. Mails to Fraternity Headquarters check with annual fees report form for the current year.

ARC CHAIRMAN

1. Mails report and annual fees to Fraternity Headquarters.

*PRESIDENT

25. Appoints Chairman of Membership Committee and mails name and address to Province Director of Alumnae.
- PROVINCE DIRECTOR OF ALUMNAE
20. Mails names and addresses of membership chairmen in province to Fraternity Headquarters and to Director of Mem-

bership. Mails names and addresses of City Panhellenic Delegates to NPC Delegate.

APRIL

TREASURER

30. Mails two copies of treasurer's Financial and Audit report to Province Director of Alumnae. Mails Philanthropy report per instructions.

*PRESIDENT

30. Mails one copy of annual report to Province Director of Alumnae.

*SECRETARY

30. (Or immediately following election) sends one copy of officer list to Fraternity Headquarters, one each to Director of Alumnae.

MAY

*MEMBERSHIP CHAIRMAN

10. Chairman sends order blank for reference forms to Fraternity Headquarters.
- PROVINCE DIRECTOR OF ALUMNAE
20. Sends to Director of Alumnae Annual Report. Sends one copy of Philanthropy Report Director of Alumnae, to Director of Philanthropy and Rehabilitation Chairman.
- PRESIDENT
30. (Or before.) Appoints City Panhellenic Delegate and mails name and address in duplicate to Province Director of Alumnae.

House Board officers

FEBRUARY

PRESIDENT

20. Returns House Director Appointment form to Fraternity Headquarters.

MAY

TREASURER

15. Mails Audit Fee to Fraternity Headquarters.

JUNE

TREASURER

30. (Or two weeks after books are closed) mails Annual Report to Fraternity Headquarters and Chairman of Chapters Housing.

PRESIDENT

30. Mails names and addresses of House Board Officers to Fraternity Headquarters and Chairman of Chapter Housing.

JULY

TREASURER

10. Mails material for annual audit to Fraternity Headquarters.
15. (On or before) mails a copy of June 30 audit to Fraternity Headquarters, if books are audited locally.

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1. (Or ten days after rushing ends) mails Report on Rushing and references.

TREASURER

10. Mails Budget for school year, copy of charges of other campus groups. Financial Summary of Summer Operations and Report of Members' Outstanding Accounts.

10. Mails first Monthly Statement. MAKE ALL CHECKS PAYABLE TO KAPPA KAPPA GAMMA FRATERNITY

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30. (Not later than) mails 2nd semester or spring term Scholarship Report and Grading System Report. See box for Scholarship Report.

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY

30. Mails current Rushing Rules, Campus Panhellenic By-laws and Handbook to NPC Delegate and Province Director of Chapters.

NOVEMBER

TREASURER

10. Mails Monthly Statement.
30. Mails check for treasury &/or House Dept. Bonds, Per Capita, Advisor Pool & Auditor's Report Fees. Also Fall Membership Report.

30. Checks to be sure all fees with reports and cards have been mailed.

REGISTRAR

15. Gives Fall-Active Membership Report to Treasurer. Checks to be sure two Catalog Cards for each initiate have been typed and distributed according to instructions.

DECEMBER

TREASURER

10. Mails Monthly Statement.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

(Held annually between October 1 and March 31)

ELECTION OF MEMBERSHIP CHAIRMAN AND ADVISER to be held between October 1 and February 15.

Corresponding Secretary

Immediately after elections mails Officer List. Keeps changes current.

President

Within 30 days after installation, mails individual chapter programs (2 copies) to Province Director of Chapters and Chairman of Chapter Programs.

JANUARY

TREASURER

10. Mails Monthly Statement and (if on quarter or trimester plan) Budget Revision for second school term. REMEMBER, SECOND & THIRD TERM PER CAPITA AND ADVISER POOL FEES ARE DUE IMMEDIATELY AFTER INITIATION IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE INITIATION FEES.

FEBRUARY

TREASURER

10. Mails Monthly Statement and (if on semester plan) Budget Revision for second school term.
20. (Or ten days after pledging—chapters having deferred rush) mails Registrar's Pledge Membership Report and Pledge Signature cards.

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY

1. (Not later than) mails names and addresses of Membership Chairman and Alumna Membership Adviser.

REGISTRAR

15. Mails Annual Catalog Report.
20. (Or ten days after pledging—chapters having deferred rush) types Pledge Membership Report. Collects Pledge Signature cards.

MEMBERSHIP

20. (Or ten days after rushing ends—chapters having deferred rush) mails Report on Rushing and references.

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY
AT LEAST TWO WEEKS PRIOR
TO INITIATION

MAILS Application for Initiation
APPROVAL and Badge Orders to Fraternity Headquarters.

MARCH

PUBLIC RELATIONS

1. Mails chapter News Publication Report with one copy of chapter newsletter to Chairman of Chapter Public Relations. Gives chapter Newsletter to Registrar for mailing.

REGISTRAR

1. Mails chapter Newsletter and one copy to the Editor of the KEY, one copy to the Active Chapter Editor and one copy to Fraternity Headquarters.

TREASURER

10. Mails Monthly Statement.

ADVISORY BOARD

15. Chairman mails annual Advisory Board Report.

APRIL

(Chapters whose school year ends before or by May 15 must complete all requirements in this Calendar prior to closing.)

TREASURER

10. Mails Monthly Statement for second school term (if on quarter plan).

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY

15. (On or before if possible) mails Annual Chapter Report, School Dates and Order Blank for The Kappa Notebook for fall delivery.

MAY

TREASURER

10. Mails Monthly Statement.

MEMBERSHIP

1. Mails order to Supplies.

JUNE

TREASURER

10. (On or before July 10) sends as INSTRUCTED BY FRATERNITY HEADQUARTERS, ALL materials for Auditor's Report. CHECK FINANCE MAILING FOR INSTRUCTIONS FOR AUDITOR'S REPORT MATERIAL.

SCHOLARSHIP CHAIRMAN
Mails Scholarship Report within
30 days of close of term as
instructed on the report form

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY

Sends by the end of the school year the
ANNUAL HONORS REPORT to
Fraternity Headquarters and one copy
to the Active Chapter Editor of the KEY.

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Others will be referred to, but not by name. There was the cooperative one who wrote that she would be happy to do this for Kappa "if it doesn't mean digging and delving into the past." There was the appointee who promised to "bat it out immediately" and has yet to bat it out. There was the close friend who when asked "How is the chapter history coming along?" answered, "What chapter history?" There was the professional who accepted the post and then wrote that she would have to resign since she was a writer of historical articles which meant doing a good deal of research(!). There were the good people, perfectly capable, who kept putting us off until editorial desperation set in. There was the irony that, although we tried and tried, no chapter historian could be found for Sigma, May Westermann's own chapter.

We of the committee were determined to see this thing through. This accumulation of lore and luster, of ill or well chosen facts, is now before you. Whether the 111-headed creature has value will be decided by you, the readers, either humming with pleasure or boiling with rage. Let us have your additions or corrections, approval or complaint.

But think, as you read, of the hard-working, fact-searching, sense-making committee which has volunteered thousands of hours of eye-dimming effort to this work. Think of lovers of detail, like Cleora Wheeler who once wrote all members of Chi to get their husbands' middle names, and who, in May 1975 as a nonagenarian could state firmly, "Navy blue has no place in Kappa Kappa Gamma."

And think of May Westermann; visiting chapters, searching out lost Kappas, discovering first hand the story behind the story, standing thoughtfully at the founders' graves in Monmouth, Illinois, getting the feel of things.

Only with proper thoughts, such as these, can we begin to read these chapter histories.

Introduction

By Catherine Schroeder Graf, BN—Ohio State
Editor History of Kappa Kappa Gamma

I have just closed my chapter histories file, a small box which rests benignly on my desk. Actually, it holds a multitude of terrors and rewards. Inside are 111 (One hundred eleven) file cards filled with information regarding the progress of each chapter history as it was processed through the Columbus committees. Each card was marked, in turn, with a series of colored tags to indicate the stage it had reached. Blue meant assignment to the Editorial Committee; yellow, to our typist; and green, to the Graphics and Research Committees. My ultimate goal was the removal of all those little signals, meaning that the several steps in the production of each "chist" had been completed. This has now been accomplished, and I feel not only a profound sense of relief, but also unbelief and amazement.

There have been some satisfactions from this gruelling work, such as deepening friendships among the members of the Columbus committees, in spite of our occasional frustrations with one another. The technical knowledge of gracious Diane Miller Selby, the editor of *The Key*, was essential to the blending of this diverse assortment of chapter accounts into a palatable publication. Another good friend is Peg Seney, the Fraternity historian, who drove down faithfully from Sylvania, Ohio, to our Columbus joint committee meetings, served as our liaison with Council, and helped with correspondence and some of the writing. And then there is Ruth Molloy, our remarkable editor for chapter histories, who lives in historic Philadelphia and managed to assemble so much material and so many photographs in her crusade to record the development and/or demise of 111 chapters. Getting to know Ruth was a rare and indescribable joy.

Ruth entrusted her good and beautiful work to the Columbus committees, who added facts and figures (the true?). We checked such things as "The Convention of 1963 (conventions take place in even-numbered years); "The National Evaluation Committee" (there is no such committee); tried to verify non-existent names with spectacular claims to fame. Perhaps a dubiously related name was located in a distant chapter — "Phyllis George Francis" for "George Frances Phariss (yes, "George" — there are also Kappas named "Ralph," "Morton," "Bob," etc.) — no affiliation with the claiming chapter indicated. We sometimes added, or detracted, from Ruth's precious words.



Columbus history committee—Kay Graf at head of table.

The Editorial Committee rejoiced with Ruth over well-written material, and agonized, as she had, in unsuccessful attempts to edit 15,000 words to 1,500. We expected the older chapters to be longer, perhaps not as long as some of them are (and some of the younger ones, as well) but we just couldn't bear to eliminate so much fine work.

The Research Committee was made up of meticulous super-sleuths who haunted Fraternity Headquarters' files in their diligent attempt to validate information.

The Graphics Committee assembled the pictures you see here, prepared the artwork, and selected the cover design from those submitted in *The Key's* cover contest. Committee members furnished cutlines for photographs wherever possible. Space limitations prevented the inclusion of long lists of names. Full identification can be obtained by writing Fraternity Headquarters.

The last addition to the Columbus crew was proofreaders. There were three teams of two partners each.

Names presented one of our major problems. How should we refer to a married member before her marriage? We finally adopted May Westermann's system of enclosing future husbands' names in parentheses. At this printing, a charter member of Delta Chapter holds the record for most names in parentheses with three (future husbands): Louise Wylie (Montgomery, Curry, Boisen). The names of husbands were separated by commas — it seemed the decent thing to do. If a member was referred to after her marriage, no parentheses were used. If she was referred to during a previous marriage, her next husband's name was enclosed in parentheses. The name of founder Minnie Stewart Nelson, Field, for example, would appear as Minnie Stewart Nelson (Field) if reference was made to her during her first marriage. (As Ruth Molloy has said, we became, of necessity, Masters of Minutiae!)

Members of the 1974-75 Columbus History Committees are listed on the back cover of Part I of this new *History of Kappa Kappa Gamma*. No distinction was made between chairmen and committee members; nor was any committee identification indicated. This was (not) done at the request of the undesignated chairman of the Research Committee, who stated, "Of course there'll be mistakes, and I don't think Kappas everywhere should be able to read just which of us made them!" So be it. Our names are presented alphabetically sans delineation of duties.

Chapter research historians ("chistorians") and assistants are also named in alphabetical order. They are identified by their chapter only, not necessarily the one about which they wrote. This was done to save space and to give them the same benefits of anonymity accorded the Columbus committees.

Kappa history personnel are well aware that this work contains many inaccuracies. Readers who can be urged to send corrections and helpful comments to us or Fraternity Headquarters so that the Resource Department can record the proper information.

This *History of Kappa Kappa Gamma*, is presented in two issues of *The Key*, Volume I in 1975 and Volume II in 1977. Volume I is a history of our chapters to date, active or closed. Volume II will deal with Fraternity organization and development. It will contain names, such as Fraternity and province officers, Achievement Award recipients, and others which have been omitted here. Why have some names been included, others not? Because basically we

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worked with the material as it was sent in by chistorians, and this information was sometimes supplied, sometimes not.

The table of contents, listing the chapters in chronological order, provides a ready reference at the front of the book. There is an index at the back, for an alphabetical listing of chapters and other material. There is also a map for locating chapters and provinces as currently constituted.

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