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Shining the light on...

So Shines Our Light

How far will our candle throw its beam?

It permeates our lives. Whatever our personal philosophies or religious convictions, despite absorption with media presentations or attempts to isolate our families from contact, we are faced daily with instances of violence in every aspect of our world. Even the forces of nature seem to be more violent as fires, floods, storms, and earthquakes devastate millions of lives.

We have little recourse in dealing with the violence of natural forces, but we try. Individuals and organizations send personnel and funds to help rebuild communities and lives shattered by sudden, unimaginable havoc. Committees and task forces are appointed to study causes and create scenarios to prevent or better handle future natural disasters. And we feel we have accomplished something, made improvements, planned for next time.

But what of individual personal violence...the eruption of emotional and physical force that comes closer to endangering each of us every day? Do we think: "It can't happen to me." "I can take care of myself." "Who do they think they're kidding?" "Not in my town...or school...or home." And how do we react? Turn the other cheek. Don't let our children play with toy guns or soldiers. Learn to protect ourselves and our loved ones. Buy a gun. Teach goodness and people will be good. An eye for an eye. Employ a stronger police force. Enact more laws. Build more prisons.

Perhaps all of the above are viable means of dealing with violence. Perhaps some are abhorrent to us. Each of us must make her own decisions, acting on the dictates of her own conscience. The standards we were taught as children, the standards supported and reinforced in Kappa Kappa Gamma, the strengths built within our sisterhood, all enable and empower us in making our decisions.

Charlotte Barrell Ware, *Boston*, Grand President 1884-1888, is remembered for her desire that the Fraternity should represent the best in everything, including how we behave toward others. Her silver candlesticks are still used for a ceremony which she initiated. At the 1935 Alpha Province Convention, she spontaneously passed a candlestick to the delegate of the oldest chapter and one to the youngest, to hold as a symbol of the eternal flame which lights the way for each generation to seek the attainment of Kappa's highest ideals. Inscribed on the candlesticks is, "How far that little candle throws his beams. So shines a good deed in a naughty world."

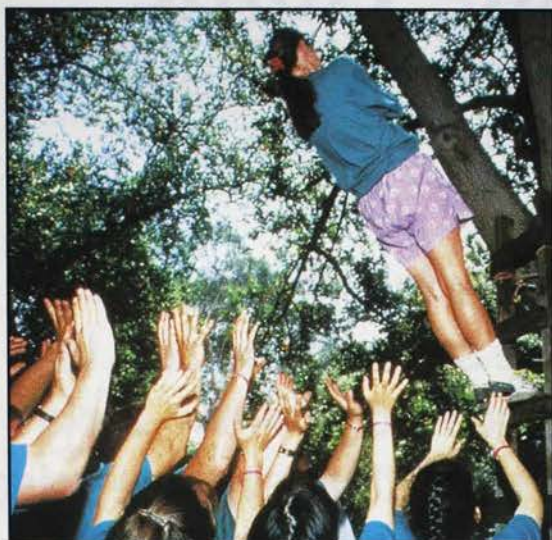
Now, 125 years since the founding of our Fraternity, our very naughty world benefits from the good deeds of many Kappas. Fraternity manuals present programs on personal safety, domestic violence, and self-esteem. Chapters and alumnae associations support women's shelters and centers for abused children. Programs focusing on self-esteem educate members about power issues in personal relationships. Emphasizing good, we work to diminish evil.

For the most part, violence is a learned behavior. It is a behavior that we, as educated women, cannot deem acceptable. From the strength of Kappa ideals and standards, with funds, resources, helping hands, and education, we work toward more peaceful lives.

How far will our candle throw its beams?

— Lois Catherman Heenehan, *Adelphi*

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Hitting Home

Being a friend to those who are abused



I dread a full moon.

The lunar cycle seems to parallel the tension–violence–honeymoon cycle of domestic violence, with the violent episode occurring during a full moon. Of course, there is no scientific basis to my theory. Yet I don't need to see the face of the moon peering down on me to know its there, just like domestic violence. I may not see it, but abuse is there, as solid and real as the moon.

I became aware of the pervasiveness of abuse in college with my Kappa sisters. A boyfriend banged on the dorm-room door; a date yelled demands at a girlfriend; a sister was pushed down by her escort; a friend admitted her fiancé's temper — these signals all seemed distant, unreal. They appeared as isolated incidents, not symptoms of a serious pattern. I wanted to believe the myths, the stereotypes about domestic violence that are very much present even in today's environment.

Back then, I thought abuse was rare, that laws and society would protect the abused, and that those who stayed in an abusive situation would not leave because they were stubborn or masochistic. All this is untrue. These myths cloak potentially dangerous climates. The stereotypes serve only as barriers, allowing us to deny the abuse.

When my good friend and Kappa sister "Liz" started dating "Andy," my attitude changed. I could no longer ignore the problems; they were staring me in the face. For instance, Andy often promised to take Liz out to eat, but then appeared several hours late

with a full stomach. Each time, he seemed genuinely surprised that she had waited for him. I grew angry. "No!" I silently screamed. "She's hungry. You knew she was waiting."

He pressed Liz to spend more time with him, assuring her they would study. Yet Liz began to lose interest in her classes. At the time I couldn't vocalize these specific problems and their meanings; later I learned that withholding food and promoting social isolation are two common occurrences in abusive relationships. Within the couple's relationship there is an imbalance. The victim's self-esteem plummets. She considers her partner to be more important; his life, his desires, his plans come first — often to such an extent that the victim endangers herself. Statistics from the 1985 National Family Violence Survey show that severely assaulted women spent twice as many days in bed as other women, reported being in poor health three times as often, incurred twice as many headaches, suffered four times the rate of depression, and attempted suicide five-and-a-half times more often.

Domestic Violence Fact Sheet

Number of People Abused

- Every 15 seconds a woman is battered.
- An estimated two to four million American women are physically abused each year.
- Approximately 1,155,600 adult American women have been forcibly raped at least once by their husbands.
- In 1991, 28 percent of all female murder victims were killed by their husbands or boyfriends.
- Domestic violence is the single largest cause of injury to women in the United States, more common than injuries sustained from car accidents, muggings, and rapes combined.
- Family violence kills as many women every five years as the total number of Americans who died in the Vietnam War.
- More than 50 percent of all women will experience some form of violence from their spouses during their marriage. More than one-third are battered repeatedly every year.

Social Concerns

- Ten women a day are killed by their partners.
- In the United States, 40 percent of all victims must be turned away from shelters due to lack of sufficient space and funding.
- Battering leads to one in four suicide attempts by all women and one in two of all suicides of black women.
- The average sentence for a woman who kills her mate is 15 to 20 years; for a man who kills his mate the average sentence is two to six years.

Medical Issues of Battering

- Every year, domestic violence results in almost 100,000 days of hospitalization, almost 30,000 emergency room visits, and almost 40,000 visits to a physician.
- Annual health care costs for treatment of injuries due to domestic violence are estimated to be between \$5 and \$10 billion.
- Thirty-five percent of women who seek treatment at hospital emergency rooms are there for symptoms of ongoing abuse.
- Seventy-three percent of the battered women seeking emergency room medical services sustained their injuries after leaving the batterer.
- Each year, more than one million women seek medical treatment for injuries inflicted by husbands, ex-husbands, or boyfriends.

The Legal System and Domestic Violence

- In 85 to 90 percent of domestic homicides, police have been called to the home at least once in the previous two years; in more than half of these cases, the police had been called at least five times before.
- A 1982 study in Minneapolis found that only two percent of abusers who were arrested went before a judge to receive court punishment.

All of these misunderstandings, myths and denials contribute to the perpetuation of domestic violence as a leading cause of injury to women. It results in more injuries that require medical attention than stranger rape, auto accidents, and muggings combined. Hopefully, victims can summon help from friends and family members before the abuse becomes perpetual. With Liz, I was desperate to break the cycle, but I didn't know where to begin.

Breaking the cycle

Today I understand the process used to assist victims. Most important, I learned not to expect instant or even long-term change. Any actions the victim takes must be her decision. With a knowledgeable friend's help, she can make an informed choice. The friend can help gather information, recommend books, or just talk about the factors involved with abuse. The victim gains valuable information — and can then weigh the factors herself and make the decision she believes is necessary.

It is too easy to pass judgement on the victim, a woman who often blames herself. Frustration, disappointment, and fear arise through seeing a loved one risking her life — and the lives of her children — by returning to an abusive situation. In reality, many complex factors work together to hold victims in the situation. Denial, economic dependency, shame, and insecurity are just a few of those factors. Fear of the abuser is another component. There is reason for this fear. Many abusers threaten their partners, swearing to hunt down these women if they leave. Seventy-three percent of abused women seeking emergency medical services sustained their injuries after leaving the batterer. Murder of a battered woman is most likely to occur when the victim is attempting to report offenses or is trying to leave an abusive relationship. These women develop skills of survival rather than escape, and long-term plans become secondary to making it through the day.

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National Victim Center
National Coalition Against Violence
Crime Victims Research and Treatment Center

DEFINITION OF BATTERING

Battering is the increasingly severe pattern of verbal and physical abuse for the purpose of intimidation, instilling fear, or controlling behavior.

PHASE ONE: THE BUILD-UP

Minor battering incidents begin over untidy housekeeping, late arrivals, over-cooked meals, etc. The person being abused generally responds with calmness, thinking she can control his behavior, or at least keep him from becoming more abusive. She may be indignant but probably rationalizes his anger with excuses of excess stress at work, etc. Abusers continue because their minor outbursts are usually accepted with passivity, even nurturing and kindness. This phase may last days, months, even years. Coping becomes less effective as tension builds. Equilibrium can't be restored by the person being abused. As she draws away, he increases attacks because her rejection begins to bring out his insecurity.

PHASE TWO: THE ACUTE BATTERING INCIDENT

With no controls left, the escalation of tension and anger brings out the most abusive violence. The intense discharge of destructive and negative emotions distinguishes the acute battering stage from previous minor incidents. This incident cannot be predicted or controlled in any way. The rage is so great that even the batterer cannot deny its presence, nor is the victim able to deny its effect on her. As she senses the violence coming on, her anxiety and depression also escalate. She may even trigger her batterer's violence to relieve her own symptoms. Usually, however, the violence is a result of external factors or the inner state of the abuser. This phase is the briefest — usually two to 24 hours. Afterwards, there is denial about the severity of the incident.

PHASE THREE: THE HONEYMOON PHASE

The abuser becomes extremely loving and exhibits tremendous kindness to assuage his guilt. He begs forgiveness, promises it will never happen again, swears he doesn't know what came over him. He really does believe he won't hurt her again. He wants to reestablish the hook which will keep her from leaving.

This phase embodies everything she ever wanted from the relationship. It restores her faith in the person she loves. He tells her he will change, and she does what she can to string out and perpetuate this third phase.

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For these reasons, you won't change a friend's situation through pleading, minimizing the situation, or withdrawing. Most victims experience these behaviors routinely in their abusive environments. Instead, friends must become educated about domestic violence — and share their knowledge with the abused.

Sharing the knowledge

Like the moon, domestic violence is cyclical in nature. It has warning signs and predictors. By knowing these, and learning to separate myths from facts, you can support your discussion intelligently and reasonably. Exasperatingly hissing how dangerous it is to be in a violent household may shock a friend into immediate action, but with invariably short-lived results. Instead explain that an act of domestic violence occurs every 18 seconds and more than one-third of all married women suffer repeated abuse every year. Then relate these statistics to your friend's situation. This may plant a seed that will eventually lead to long-lasting change.

A friend can also suggest seeking professional assistance. Affirm that domestic violence is nothing to play around with, and that sacrificing yourself physically or emotionally to save another is not necessary or needed. In 1991 alone, 28 percent of all female murder victims were killed by their boyfriends or husbands. Explain that all abusers are dangerous, and all abuse significant. Regardless of the severity, there are shelters nationwide experienced in handling domestic violence. These agencies are completely confidential and act as clearinghouses for information on the subject.

It is not necessary to go to a shelter to benefit from their information. Many agencies provide outside counseling for both victims and abusers. Discover the full range of programs provided before speaking with a victim. That way, you can inform her of what to expect, or not to expect, from a domestic violence program — most likely easing some of her fears.

Victims commonly leave, or consider leaving, many times before making the final break from the relationship. They may feel embarrassed or ashamed about their indecision and withdraw even further from their social circle. They may also deny the seriousness of the situation after leaving. Maintaining contact with the victim is vital, so she is not left alone — with nowhere to turn in case of emergency.


Suggest that a friend prepare an emer-

gency kit containing important documents, money, and clothing for herself and her children — and offer to store the kit at your home or another place she can get to safely. Help her prepare an escape plan — just in case.

Unlike many women, my friend Liz eventually left the relationship. She made a conscious decision to concentrate on herself and her own happiness. Leaving Andy was a necessary step to achieving the goals she set for herself. She was lucky to receive tremendous support from her family and did not depend on Andy financially. Yet many women do not have these benefits. Even resources set up to protect the victim tend to fall short. Police continue to be inconsistent in their responses, often leaving the scene when they believe things have “calmed down.” Only one in seven assaults is even reported to the police. In those cases reported and which have evidence of domestic assault, fewer than one man in 100 is convicted in court. Similarly, one sample showed that almost all women who did call the police stated later that police intervention made things worse.

Working for change

Additionally, the services that do work for the batterer are insufficient for the numbers who need help. There is little funding and most organizations rely on private donations to keep their doors open. Proudly, Kappa Kappa Gamma is one organization making a significant dent in changing the face of domestic violence. The *INSIGHT on Domestic Violence* program teaches women across the continent the truth about domestic violence. Some chapters sponsor fund raisers. At Delta Rho Chapter, *Mississippi*, members not only provide desperately needed funds for the local shelter, New Hope, but also are able to use the information they learn from *INSIGHT* to help others.

People, educated through such programs, are changing the way society sees abuse. With this help, an end to domestic violence is foreseeable for the Liz that is in us all. And I may be able to enjoy the beauty of the full moon again, confident an the ending to the cycle of fear. 

— Tracey Moore Riordan, Washington and Jefferson

Tracey is a board member of the New Hope Domestic Violence Center in Oxford, Miss., and an adviser at Delta Rho Chapter, Mississippi.

Sources: *INSIGHT on Domestic Violence*, Kappa Kappa Gamma Fraternity, 1991

National Center for the Defense of the Battered Women, Statistic Sheet, February 1994

National Coalition Against Domestic Violence, Statistics Sheet, 1994

If you are in a violent situation or know of someone who is being battered, call a local battered shelter for a place to stay, support groups and counseling.

If you do not know of a local hotline or shelter, and you or someone you know is experiencing battering (violence), call one of the following hotlines. Many of these hotlines provide information on local shelters, crisis counseling, self-help groups and treatment programs: Many of these services are toll-free and available 24 hours a day.

BATTERED WOMEN	800-333-SAFE
BATTERERS	617-547-9870
CHILD ABUSE	800-422-4453
	800-222-2000
CHILD MOLESTATION	408-279-1957
	(Parents United)
ALCOHOL ABUSE	800-448-8888

— *INSIGHT on Domestic Violence*



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I write humor. Family stuff. Funny stuff. I write about the teen-age mutant laundry pile that ate New York and came to rest in my laundry room. I write about ordinary life — about sibling rivalry and moving the “Mom van” into the fast lane on the information superhighway.

I also write poignant stuff. I write

Do I have all the answers? I know I don't. But as a good Kappa sister I believe I have found some keys that unlock the terror and may lead to success.

Key #1: Communicate — that means listen and talk. Share. As trite as that sounds, open lines of communication will

would “kill” you? When a crowd of friends is pressuring your child to make an unsafe choice, tough parents can be a lifesaver.

Key #4: Tap into community resources. Many police departments have latch-key training programs, lessons in self-defense, etc. Find out what

UNLOCKING the TERROR

about small boys with snakes in their pockets and love in their hearts. I write about little girls raised on Kappa lullabies, about flowers in small hands, and the damage that can be done to a box of chocolate chip cookies by a three-year-old boy and his 35-year-old dad.

What I don't write about is the scary stuff. I don't do monsters and green things, and most of all I never, ever do terror.

But terror is something that cannot be ignored. Each of us has her own terror. To conquer the terror you must not only face it but meet it aggressively.

I am a professional woman, but more importantly — deep in my soul — I am a mom. First a mom, always a mom. Protector, nurturer, friend, strength, driver, dishwasher, tearwiper. Terror for me is being unable to protect and nurture. Terror for me is being unable to keep my “babies” safe.

My “babies” are ready to leap into the tomorrow of adulthood. They are about to embark on a passage through the valley of death: adolescence, and keeping them safe is a terrifyingly stressful 48-hour-a-day job. For me, keeping them safe when they were small was easy. I just never let them out of my sight, and when I did, every babysitter had to be a certified relation, clean of felony convictions and traffic tickets with proof of having passed a thorough physical and mental examination in the past three months. Membership in Mensa was preferred but not required — you get the picture.

Keeping children safe in today's society — once they are big enough to walk out the front door — is another matter entirely. Try as I might, I can find no humor in it; this is a deadly, terrifying, un-funny subject.

No longer is the admonition “Don't talk to strangers” enough. Now the charge is “Watch out for everybody,” and the challenge is raising healthy, warm, capable, confident young people in a “watch out for everybody” world.



McCrady Axon, Syracuse

KEYS to HELPING your CHILD GROW UP IN A SCARY WORLD

allow your children to verbalize fears and concerns. It will also permit you to plant seeds of good judgement in fertile young minds.

Key #2: Role play and brainstorm: Play “What would you do if?” Questions can allow kids to explore terrifying situations sitting beside you in the car. The repetition of creative thought used in role playing sessions will give your kids the thinking skills they need and to survive the unthinkable.

Key #3: Set clearly defined safety procedures and guidelines. Make hard-and-fast rules, and stick to them. Does this mean be inflexible? No — just firm. Don't be afraid to be the “heavy.” Remember the many tough situations you got out of because your parents


is offered in your community — and use it.

Key #5: Network with other parents. Know who your kids are with and what they are up to. Don't assume — be sure.

Key #6: Be certain your kids know where you are and how they can contact you. Be sure they know they can call you NO MATTER WHAT! Be trustworthy.

Key #7: Practice good judgement. Be a positive role model. Although they may never admit it, your children learn their adult behavior from you.

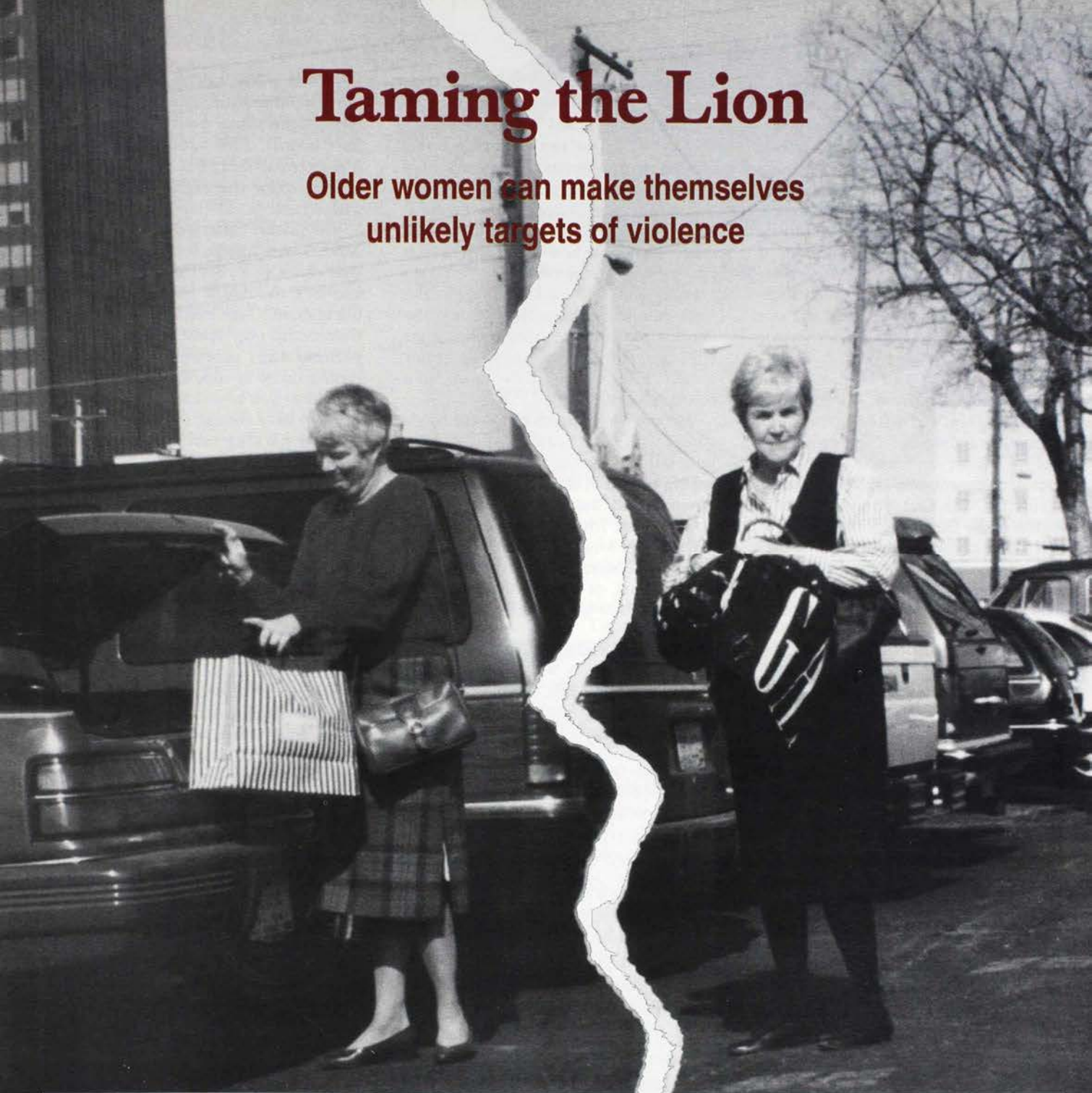
Key #8: Help your kids understand that even adults make bad choices. Even the best choices can lead to unhappy circumstances. Teach them to keep thinking in every situation and to never give up.

Key #9: Hug your kids. Laugh with your kids. Tell them you love them. Show them you love them. Communicate how valuable they are. Do this a thousand times a day. Make home a place they desperately want to get home to — safe and well. 

— Elizabeth Phillips Runkle, Monmouth

Taming the Lion

Older women can make themselves
unlikely targets of violence



Stop you son-of-a- ____ or I'll shoot!" came loud and clear from the mouth of a petite, grey-haired woman who was taking a course entitled "Women and Handguns" at a reputable gun range in Phoenix, Ariz. She was learning to use a gun as a means of protecting herself from violence. More and more females are reacting to the threat of violence by investigating different methods of self-defense or, even worse, by shutting themselves up behind locked doors and barred windows.

Many women would not choose to use a gun, nor would they use such a "battle cry." Every woman, however, can use a sharp mind and keen wit to keep a potentially dangerous situation from developing. "Don't I know your mother?" was the question a woman waiting for her bus asked of a youth whose actions caused her some concern. Former Chicago police detective J.J. Bittenbinder tells this tale during his talks on self defense and crime prevention, as an example of wit-detering crime, as reported in *Prevention* magazine.

Quick thinking and taking preventive measures are the best weapons against violence. Janice Jilka McElroy, *Colorado College*, executive director of the Pennsylvania Commission for Women, calls violence "the action that results in the violation of a person against her will." Acts that are harmful to women include crime and abuse. Whatever the act, one person has the power to control another. It is a little like a lion who sits at a watering hole looking for prey — some animals don't fit the lion's idea of a meal; a few spot the lion and will not come for a drink while he's there; those who are quick can run away; and one or two beasts out-smart the King. There are several ways of making yourself a less appealing choice.

Crimes against older women

You could read or view a story of someone perpetrating a crime on a woman every day. Consider this statistic from the Bureau of Justice Statistics 1973-1990 Trends: "One of every hundred women age 50 to 64 is likely to be a victim of a violent crime (including assault, rape and robbery), and two of every hundred women age 65 or older are likely to be victims of personal larceny (theft of property or cash with or without contact)." Reading something like this and becoming fearful of being a victim could keep you locked in your home, alone and afraid. The issue of personal safety is often listed as a woman's number one concern. Janice McElroy, however, feels the concern is "out of proportion to violence actually occurring." In fact, some university studies of the Department of Justice and FBI data show a decline in crimes against people age 65 and older as a percent of the population (other than purse snatching). Instead of listening to stories

and concentrating on being fearful, empower yourself by taking steps to ensure that you're not "the lion's lunch."

Do not go to the watering hole. Choose banking hours wisely, preferably during daylight hours, and choose only the ATMs near a bank entrance and away from hiding spots like bushes or a wall. Drive up and down aisles in a parking lot, viewing who is in or hanging around cars, and park as close to the store entrance as possible. Sit near the driver on a subway, train or bus, plus either arrive with little time to wait prior to departure or spend time waiting in a restaurant or store.

Do not look appetizing. Walk confidently with your head held high. The lion will look for someone who is not paying attention, or looking down at the ground. Lock the doors to your car and home. Wear little jewelry or cover it with a coat, long sleeves or a hat. Do not carry a purse, use your pockets or a fanny pouch, or carry a small purse in front of you or under your coat. Never

have your purse, briefcase, bags, or any other items in plain sight in your vehicle (stow items under your seat or on the floor board). Plan outings with friends; it is safer and more fun. Use a personal alarm; even the sight of it can be a deterrent.

Be quick. Carry your keys in your hand; do not fumble for them outside of your car. Open your car door, get inside and lock the doors, putting the key in the ignition. Once inside your car, strap children into car seats or seatbelts, and perform other necessary tasks. Leave turning on air or choosing a radio station until after you have left the parking lot. Carry pocket change for toll roads, bus fare, or parking meters to eliminate opening your purse. Prepare bank deposits before going to the bank to cut down the time spent there and to keep your business private.

Be smart. Do not get out of your car for a police officer or in an accident — remember you can show your license and proof of insurance through your closed window (get out only in a well-lit, well-populated location). If necessary, give up your purse or automobile — save yourself. Even lose your coat or shirt by wriggling out of it and leaving it in the hands of a would-be attacker. When you need assistance, yell "Fire" instead of "Help" to signify danger to others to ensure intervention. Pay particular attention when traveling; do not let people know you are alone and do not open your hotel door. Finally, choose the hotel, porter, bellman, or taxi cab; don't let the "lions" choose you.

Be prepared, if the lion comes to your den. You do not need to have a fortress, nor spend money on expensive gadgets, to protect yourself at home. Most police departments provide a complimentary survey of your home. They will give you a few simple tips to help ensure your safety. First, put locks on every door and window (double locks on doors with, or near, glass). Install, and use, a wide-angle peep hole in your front door. Trim your bushes and trees to remove hiding places and to make sure there is a clear line of sight to your front door. Put a few main lamps on timers so they go on and off at the same time every day. Also, put a radio on a timer and leave it playing if you'll be away. Mark all valuables and take photos of them with your driver's license or state identification card; this aids in recovery and insurance claims. All valuables should be kept out of sight or in a safe deposit box (this includes leaving your purse on a counter or kitchen table — tuck it away!). Next to your bed, place a fire extinguisher and a phone with 911 (or the police) pro-

FACTS ABOUT VIOLENCE AGAINST MID-LIFE AND OLDER WOMEN

- Twice as many women over age 65 are mugged at or near their homes than younger women and are much more likely to have the incident occur during daylight.
- While violence against girls and women age 12 to 34 decreased from 1987 to 1991, violent crimes against women 50 and over remained the same.
- Between 1974 and 1990, the murder rate for women age 65 and older increased by 30 percent while the murder rate for men the same age dropped by six percent.
- In 1991, 50 percent of crimes of violence against women ages 50 to 64 and 82 percent of violent crimes committed against women age 65 or older were committed by strangers.
- Of 1,500 shelters for battered women nationwide, few offer programs specifically designed to meet the needs of older women. For instance, a study of 25 shelters in Florida — a state with a disproportionate number of older residents — found that just two offered services for older women.
- Nearly 400,000 older women living in institutions are victims of physical or sexual abuse.
- Between 1986 and 1991, there was a 94 percent increase in elder abuse reported to state agencies.
- Older people are victims in 99 percent of home improvement scams. Most of these victims are women age 65 to 79 who live alone.
- Financial abuse typically occurs among unmarried women age 65 and older who are socially isolated and financially dependent, often with significant assets.

Source: OWL Fact Sheet

grammed into a single button. The extinguisher puts out fires. However, it can put out the eyesight of an intruder and also be wielded like a club.

Think out a plan of action for five places you frequent — home, bank, gym/park, grocery store, hotel, car/bus. Figuring out ways to prevent something from happening to you will make you feel more in control. Knowing what you would do and where you would go will help you act should it become necessary. "A woman's best self-defense weapon is her brain," says Patricia Occhiuzzo Giggans, Executive Director of the Los Angeles Commission on Assaults Against Women (LACAAW). According to LACAAW's statistics, three of four properly trained women will successfully deter an assault. Crying, being fearful, or not acting at all, only gives the attacker more power. Use the element of surprise, use nearby weapons (umbrella, heavy purse, hair-spray), run away, shout, give up your money or purse, and according to most experts do not get into a vehicle with an assailant.

SCAM - A Special Type of Crime

Being the victim of a "scam" is a violation. You should never feel bad about being tricked. Again, your brain is your best weapon against being a victim of a con artist. You may, however, need to undergo some "resocialization" to deal with just how devious these tricksters can be. (It's kind of like the lion masquerading as a pussy cat; you surely would not see the lion, even if you were looking). Remember you choose the porter, so the oh-so-nice porter does not choose to take you — and your luggage. Similarly, you choose the investment advisor or realtor and do not let them pick you — to eat for lunch! Always check with your attorney gener-


al's office and Better Business Bureau to see if an individual or a company has had complaints or investigations filed against them.

When you can't make the choice, remember this **T.I.P. Time** — nothing worth doing must be done today; not a down payment, not an investment, and certainly not a new marriage. Take time to check the opportunity out thoroughly. So you won't win a car; if it is a great investment it will be there tomorrow and you may make enough money to purchase a car. **Individuals** — should not be trusted. Have a phone salesperson send you information on the opportunity and the company. Call the bank or mortgage company if you receive unsolicited mail from them. And just because you met the individual at church doesn't mean he represents a good product or service. Always review information from two or more sources. Check out the opportunity and the company/organization, with a friend or family member. Again, call your Better Business Bureau and Cham-

ber of Commerce to make sure a company and its opportunity is legitimate.

Pleasant — con artists make their living by being nice. You may have to teach yourself not to talk to nice people. When you are dealing with the death of a loved one is often the time these "pleasers" come around. During mourning it is a good idea not to receive any unsolicited mail or phone calls.

Even after following this TIP, it is a good idea to follow the old rule of "don't put all your eggs in one basket" when you decide to take an opportunity that has been presented to you. If it seems too good to be true, it probably is.

It takes courage to face the violence that undeniably faces women today and it takes, perhaps even more, courage to face the paralyzing fear of violence. Take steps today to empower yourself so that only you have control of your life. A cowardly lion, like the one in the Wizard of Oz, is the only lion a woman should have to face. 

— Julie Kroon Alvarado, Arizona State

KEEP SAFE

KEEP SAFE ... At Home

- **Keep doors locked at all times, even if you are away for a few minutes. An unlocked door, during the day as well, is an invitation to trouble. Remember that most losses occur during the day.**
- **Burglars prefer to enter through the doors, especially kitchen doors which are hidden from the street. Are yours kept locked even when you are at home?**
- **Windows are the burglar's second choice. Install safeguards on every window that can be reached from the outside.**

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The Question of Rape

The controversy surrounding sexual assault on campus continues to defy definition

No singular crime against women has drawn more controversy, debate, and media attention than rape. Rape does not discriminate; it victimizes all women on campus. However, the frequency of incidents of rape and sexual assault on campus is continuously questioned. Contradictory figures for reported rapes exist among police, campus police, institutions, and rape counseling centers in the same city. Still, thousands of rapes and sexual assaults may remain unreported simply due to the student's fear of disclosing her trauma or lack of rape counseling centers on or off campus.

Prior to the establishment of the Campus Security Act incidents of rape were brushed under an institution's carpets. Several colleges are believed to have conducted an "Underground Rape Railroad" where the schools attempted to send the victim off campus — instead of the perpetrator. In several rape cases, victims simply dropped out of school due to the harassment endured from the university.

Security on Campus Inc. (SOC), deals with many college rape cases. "Our (SOC's) very first rape victim was Christine, a very courageous young lady whose parents could not deal with her rape," Constance Benjamin Clery, *Massachusetts*, founder of SOC, explains.

"Her college friends ostracized her. They said, 'Why don't you just be quiet. You could ruin so and so's reputation.' The school told her to get her marks up and they would help transfer her to another college. The [rapist] was one of their star wrestlers, and they certainly couldn't lose him. She was very quiet, got her marks up, and they helped her transfer. He graduated and didn't even get a slap on the wrist."

Similar to Christine's story, the trivialization of rape victims on campus continues. Judgement is based on a number of factors: whether the victim is drunk at the time of the assault; whether the rapist is a stranger, date, or acquaintance; and the public's shifting definition of rape. All of these factors are used as criteria for placing women in defensive roles.

Date rape is an increasingly explosive issue. According to a 1990 National Crime Survey, 58 percent of the known rapes were committed by someone the victim knew, including husbands and boyfriends. Since date rape is often unreported, the chances of being raped by an acquaintance is in reality even higher. A study for *Ms.* magazine of more than 3,000 women at 32 colleges found that one in four women had been the victim of rape or attempted rape and though 84 percent of these women

knew their attacker, only 27 percent realized that their sexual assault fell within the legal definition of rape. In her book *How to Make the World a Better Place for Women in Five Minutes a Day*, Donna Jackson, *Duke*, writes that one report states 15 percent of all college men admit to forcing a woman to have intercourse against her will and that most respondents thought "sexual conquest" was "okay." Yet less than one percent of men involved in forceful sexual acts identified their behavior as matching the legal definition of rape.

There is no doubt that alcohol abuse is a factor in violent assault. A report on college alcohol use by college students from Columbia University states that 55 percent of all rapes of college women occur when the victim is under the influence of alcohol, and that the proportion of women who drink to get drunk has drastically increased. Unfortunately, to many these revelations indicate that women should drastically curb their behavior to prevent such tragedies. The burden falls on the victimized.

An article in the July 3, 1994, *Philadelphia Inquirer* discussing the issue of alcohol as related to rape cases states, "In Pennsylvania, where the state Supreme Court has just ruled that rape must include the threat or use of force, a raped woman who had been drinking heavily — and whose attacker therefore may not have needed force — may be virtually without a case."

Students come to a university to increase their knowledge, and they must gain knowledge to protect themselves from the dangers of a violent society. Students, parents, faculty, and staff are seeking information to enable women to make wise decisions for themselves. Preventing campus violence and crime involves the complete participation of both the university and the student. The university must reveal the truth about campus crime and provide measures to fight the threats. Students must listen to the dangers and take action to protect themselves and their classmates. —

— Joanna Scungio, *Washington*
and Jefferson

ARE YOU AWARE THAT...

- One in four college women have been victims of rape or attempted rape.
- Fifty percent of college men surveyed said they would "force a woman into having sex" if they were certain they could get away with it.
- Fewer than one in five rapes on college campuses result in prosecution in criminal court.
- Only 36 percent of rapes on campuses result in campus penalties, and on many campuses the penalty for rape is no worse than that for plagiarism.
- Those most vulnerable to campus rape are freshmen women.
- Only two to three percent of men who rape ever go to prison.
- Fifty-two percent of men convicted for rape will be rearrested within three years.
- Only 16 percent of rape victims report their attacks to the police.

from *How to Make the World a Better Place for Women in Five Minutes a Day*
by Donna Jackson, *Duke*



Degrees of Violence

Campus administrators and students struggle with increased campus crime

Fear Prompts Self-Defense as Crime Comes to College," "Lehigh Student Found Dead in Dorm Room," "If a College Woman Drinks on a Date is She 'Asking for It?'" read headlines. Turn on CNN and hear Larry King exclaim, "Robbery, rape, murder, and hate crimes have our institutions of higher education dealing with life and death issues, not just academics!" The media blitz is opening the eyes of millions of Americans to the realization that violence, in all its forms, has invaded our campuses.

Discussion of campus violence brings to the surface fear, anger, paranoia, and blame that rock the walls of our colleges and universities and force students to rethink the risks and precautions associated with their independence. From talk of campus violence among college women springs an outbreak of questions and concerns regarding personal safety and freedom. Since 80 percent of college campus crimes are committed student-on-student, no woman is protected from the threat of violence. This vulnerability

has created a new generation of college students who are more street-wise than their predecessors and who come equipped with their own mace, pepper spray, and personal alarms.

Our nation has steadily watched its neighborhoods grow more violent — approximately every minute someone is robbed; every three to six minutes a woman is raped; every 15 seconds a woman is battered; and every 28 minutes someone is murdered. As the horrors of violence permeate our communities, and the same horrors inflict damage on our campuses, the questions of who bears the ultimate responsibility for preventing acts of violence and crimes on campus, and whether our institutions provide us with the truth regarding the frequency of these acts, remain unanswered.

Lawsuits originating from campus crimes and injuries have reached record numbers; incidents of theft, rape and sexual assaults are increasingly common on college campuses; security systems at the majority of schools are inadequate; and campus crime statistics have become

a central decisive measure for applicants choosing schools. These major concerns have entangled our colleges and universities in a swarm of new worries, responsibilities, and red tape.

Statistically, experts concur that college campuses on average are safer than their local environments. For this reason, college officials have questioned why violence and crime on their campuses have drawn so much attention. Secretary of Education Richard Riley explained on *Larry King Live*, "The college campus is a place that we through our lives felt was safe, and I think this is why when you hear things like [violence] ...happening on or near or relating to a college campus it shocks you more than if you heard it somewhere else."

No longer safe havens

The shock factor of campus crime and its frequency within the ivy walls is not in dispute; nor is society unwilling to understand the increased pressure administrators face in addressing violence and crime issues. However, many

challenge the veracity of crime reports submitted by colleges and universities. Because colleges have historically been considered safe havens, safety advocates claim it is crucial for educators to inform the public about the dangers surrounding their campuses. In the case of campus crimes, information can save lives.

The public has only been privy to crime reports relating to colleges and universities since 1992. Unwilling to disclose such information, most college officials feared that reaction to crime statistics would bring harmful publicity to their campuses and possibly result in decreased enrollment and the forfeiture of federal funds. Such beliefs and the concealment of information might continue today, if not for the enactment of the Federal Student Right-To-Know and Campus Security Act, the result of extensive lobbying efforts of Howard and Constance (Connie) Benjamin Clery, *Massachusetts*, whose daughter was brutally murdered in 1986 during her freshman year at Lehigh University.

Connie explains the death of her daughter, Jeanne. "Her murderer, a sophomore on campus, was trying to rob

her. Jeanne was asleep in her bed at 6:00 a.m. on a Saturday on campus in a dormitory that should have been secure. There were three automatically-locking doors leading right to her third-floor room. The kids had a party that night and kept the doors propped open. Two of the kids who were supposed to check the dorm skipped and falsified the records. The doors were wide open. The assailant went to her room, and Jeanne awakened. He brutally tortured, raped, and sodomized her — and then he strangled her to death."

Outraged, the Clery family began Security on Campus, Inc. (SOC), a non-profit corporation dedicated to the prevention of campus violence and crimes and to assisting campus victims in the enforcement of their legal rights. Determined to educate the public about campus crime, SOC was a major force behind passage of the Campus Security Act.


Signed into law in 1990 and put into action in 1992, this federal law grants prospective applicants, current students, faculty, and staff the right to obtain information regarding the security mea-

sures, crime statistics, and crime-reporting policies of their college or university. Even with enactment of this federal law, suspicions are mounting that crime statistics are manipulated by the institutions and that the released information is misleading. "Rather than promote reporting, the law has promoted rather clever maneuvering about how incidents get reported, which doesn't necessarily serve the consumer. By underreporting crime, we are increasing the likelihood that the quality of safety on our campus is deteriorating," Patricia A. McGuire, president of Trinity College in Washington wrote in the February 2, 1994, issue of *The Chronicle of Higher Education*.

Campus crime statistics are gathered by campus police or other designated departments. Since the law does not specify a strict method of reporting, thousands of rapes, sexual assaults, hazings, burglaries, robberies, alcohol and drug violations may remain unreported annually.

Cooking the books

Some colleges juggle their numbers by concealing or mislabeling the incident. Connie explains her experience with the colleges' methods of reporting.



KEEP SAFE

KEEP SAFE ...WHEREVER YOU ARE

On Campus...

- Avoid working or studying alone in a building at night.
- Avoid using stairs in remote sections of a building.
- Keep your purse in a locked cabinet or drawer. Never leave it in, on top of, or underneath a desk.
- Keep petty cash and stamps in a locked drawer.
- Keep personal belongings in view while in class, the library, or lab.
- Never prop doors open, especially fire doors, for even a short period of time.
- Mark all your possessions by engraving the items with your driver's license number.
- Secure computers and stereo equipment.
- Do not remove rings to wash hands; they can be forgotten and/or stolen.
- Always keep your keys in your possession. No lock will protect you if a burglar gets possession of your keys

- Take a book with you if you are studying in the library and take a break. Book thefts during the bookstore buy-back period are common.
- Do not permit entry into residence halls of people you do not know.
- Never confront or ignore a stranger. If you see a suspicious person in the corridor or lounge, or if someone knocks on your door to solicit, call Campus Security. Most residence elevators and lounges are equipped with emergency telephones.
- If you see a man entering, leaving, or in a woman's lavatory, call for help at once. If you are inside, run out screaming. Don't stop to ask questions.
- In a residence hall, screaming can sound like horseplay. In an emergency, be specific by shouting, "Help," "Police," or "Fire."

"The final regulations for our first federal law (Campus Security Act) are now categorizing under the caption of sexual offense so we hope that we will see more truthful reporting and not hiding behind such euphemisms like 'advances without sanction.' A coach raped a freshman and it was called it an 'athletic incident.' An attempted suicide was reported as 'first aid.'"

Many institutions grant jurisdiction over campus crimes to college judicial committees or other administrative sources. Incidents handled in this manner usually by-pass campus police and are often never officially reported—as in many rape and sexual assault cases. Students are penalized, expelled, or even excused from punishment without ever having to testify publicly.

"One of the reasons my husband and I get so upset is that we see the mottos at most colleges include the word VERITAS (Latin for "truth") and the one thing we have to fight for continuously is for VERITAS!" Connie states.

Since the Campus Security Act only provides one annual crime report, Security on Campus, Inc. is pushing for state laws to provide students with daily crime information. "Learning about a rash of crimes in a dormitory six months later does not help safeguard students in dorms. Timely information does help students protect themselves!" Connie wrote in a letter to her fellow Pennsylvanians urging them to contact their state representatives to push the Pennsylvania Open Campus Police Logs Bill that would address this issue. The law was passed last October. Similar bills have been passed and legislated in California, Massachusetts, Minnesota, Oklahoma, Tennessee, and West Virginia.

Getting priorities straight

Many university administrators deny allegations of mislabeling and claim they maintain open-book policies on crime statistics. A December article in *The Daily Item*, a newspaper in Sunbury, Pa., quoted several Pennsylvania educators who support the public's right to know. Vince DeCerchio, director of public safety at Bucknell University, supported the daily logging of the names of students accused of crimes and the charges brought against them. "People should assume responsibility for their actions. What is really disconcerting to me is that some people are more concerned about having their names published than with why they're behaving like this is the first place. Their priorities are way off."

The right to daily access to crime information is reinforced by a current United States Supreme Court ruling.


...On the Street

- Stay in well-lighted areas; walk mid-point between curbs and buildings, away from alleys, entries, and bushes.
- Stay near people. Avoid short-cuts through parks, vacant lots, and other deserted places.
- Walk with someone whenever possible. Participate in buddy systems.
- Do not stop to give directions or other information to strangers.
- Never hitchhike.
- If you are followed, act suspicious. Keep looking behind you and you may discourage the follower.
- If someone is following you on foot, cross the street, change directions, or vary your pace.
- If you are followed by someone in a car, turn around and walk in the opposite direction. If they persist, record the license number and call the police.
- If you must carry a purse or handbag, keep it close to your body. This will minimize the chances of theft.
- If your purse is snatched, don't fight. Turn it over rather than risk personal injury. Report the incident.

The August 17, 1994, issue of *The Chronicle of Higher Education* cites a 1993 case in which one Kansas State University student raped another. Since the alleged attacker had been accused of a separate sexual assault a few weeks earlier, the Supreme Court ruled that the university should have warned the students about the rapist. This ruling is based on the belief that if students are provided with the proper timely information to protect themselves such tragedies might be avoided.

Brian A. Snow, general counsel at Colorado State University, explains the repercussions of this decision. "The court's decision would put universities in a Catch-22: label and punish an accused student who has not yet been charged, or face liability, for failing to protect students from danger." Many people do not sympathize with the institutions' quandary, believing students have the same right to access to daily crime information as does the public off campus. At Bucknell, DeCerchio said that living on a college campus should not entitle students to special treatment by the legal system.

Colleges and universities continue to examine the logic of accepting liability for incidents of violence, crime, and personal injuries. Institutions have traditionally accepted society's philosophy of *in loco parentis*, the belief that colleges and universities acquire the role of guardians. Many claim this theory is reinforced when the parental role is exchanged for tuition and resident fees — paying the college to become the caretaker.

While colleges are expected to provide security for students, school officials and non-profit organizations are warning students to take the necessary precautions to protect themselves and others. Propping open doors, walking home alone late from the library, allowing strangers into your dorm and room, hazing — all invite the potential for danger. The wide-eyed freshman and the experienced senior must be equally responsible and aware of the threat of violence and crime. 

— Joanna Scungio,
Washington and Jefferson



Campus Crusade

Connie Clery fights for the students' right to know

Lleading the crusade to fight campus violence and crime, Constance (Connie) Benjamin Clery, *Massachusetts*, has brought light to a topic that has in the past remained unemphasized, unquestioned, and in some cases denied. "We have really started a revolution on college campuses," states Connie describing the impact she and her organization, Security on Campus (SOC) Inc., have made on colleges and universities by forcing them to address the issues of violence and crime.

After the brutal murder of their nineteen-year-old daughter, Jeanne, at Lehigh University in 1986, Connie and her husband, Howard, founded Security on Campus, Inc. (SOC). Established in 1987, SOC is the only national, non-profit organization specifically designed

to focus on the prevention of campus crime and violence, to serve as a resource center for victims by referring them to agencies that can provide emotional support for healing, and to educate and assist campus victims in the enforcement of their legal rights, according to a brochure published by the organization.


Through passionate and exhaustive lobbying efforts, SOC has served as the catalyst in the enactment of numerous legislative bills aimed at promoting truthful reporting of crime statistics by the institutions and requiring the colleges and universities to play a stronger role in protecting their students. Tackling federal and state governments, attracting the media by appearing on such programs as *Larry King Live* and

stirring an overwhelming reaction from the nation, the Clerys and SOC have achieved the passage of three federal laws and 18 state laws. Security on Campus, Inc., continues to fight for increased legislation at the federal and state level.

Among SOC's best known achievements is the 1990 Student Right-To-Know and Campus Security Act, a federal law which grants public access to the crime and violence reports and security measures of colleges and universities. Connie describes the basis for her success. "Our weapon has been the truth and informing the public. The people in the country care. They have written their letters to the legislatures, and they have gotten their laws passed."

After seven years of tireless and endless lobbying, educating, and caring, Connie still remains deeply committed to her cause. She explains, "My work is a double-edged sword. I would love to be able to get away from it, but on the other hand it recharges my motives. It makes me feel so good when I get a letter from a student or a parent who says thank you. Things are a lot safer now than when I brought my first child to campus. Then I receive letters from legislators saying your work is so important. Who else is going to do it? It is a labor of love for my daughter and all the other victims."

Security on Campus Inc. is a non-profit, service organization for prospective college students, college students and their parents, and especially for victims of campus violence and crime. For further information on Security on Campus, Inc., contact:

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— Joanna Scungio, Washington & Jefferson

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1. University of Northern Iowa, Cedar Falls, Iowa
2. James Madison University, Harrisonburg, Va.
3. University of Iowa, Iowa City, Iowa
4. Northern Missouri State University, Maryville, Mo.
5. Indiana University of Pennsylvania, Indiana, Pa.
6. University of Tennessee—Martin, Martin, Tenn.
7. Nicholls State University, Thibodaux, La.
8. Michigan Technological University, Houghton, Mich.
9. SUNY at Oneonta, Oneonta, N.Y.
10. Slippery Rock University, Slippery Rock, Pa.

LEAST SAFE COLLEGE TOWNS

1. St. Louis University, St. Louis
2. Southeast Louisiana University, Hammond, La.
3. Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta
4. Georgia State University, Atlanta
5. University of Southern Alabama, Mobile, Ala.
6. Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge, La.
7. Southern University, Baton Rouge, La.
8. University of Baltimore, Baltimore
9. Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore
10. Loyola College, Baltimore

Ranking based solely on FBI crime statistics per 100 residents in the geographic area that includes the college or university.

from *Crime at College: The Student Guide to Personal Safety* by Curtis Ostrander and Joseph Schwartz

Kappas on Campus

by Jenny Struthers Hoover, *Bowling Green*

K.E.Y.S. to a Safe Ride

Theta, Missouri, Kappas recently implemented a program known as K.E.Y.S. (Kappas Enforcing Your Safety). This sober driver program ensures a safe ride home for any chapter member on Thursday, Friday and Saturday evenings between 8:30 p.m. and 1:30 a.m.

Five members are on K.E.Y.S. duty during each designated evening. When two women leave for a pick-up, two are still available to drive, and one person can remain to answer incoming calls. All activities are documented and kept confidential. Any areas of concern are brought to the attention of the chapter K.E.Y.S. coordinator.

"Date rape and drunk driving are two prevalent crimes that affect young college women. Theta Chapter is proud that we have taken steps toward deterring these problems," says K.E.Y.S. Coordinator Kim Johnson. **Any chapters wishing to develop such a program should contact Polly Gamble Larned, Michigan, Fraternity Risk Management Chairman, c/o Fraternity Headquarters, P.O. Box 38, Columbus, OH 43216.**

Kappas Encourage Youth Dancers

Epsilon Omega, Dickinson, members coordinated activities and taught line dances to junior high school students at a youth group dance. "We had a great time with the children teaching them the Electric Slide line dance and just encouraging them to have fun," said Colleen Lunn, Public Relations Chairman.

A Special Adoption

Zeta Upsilon, Georgia Southern, Kappas recently adopted a resident of Brown's Nursing Home as their chapter grandmother. Pairs of big sisters and little sisters visit her throughout the school year. The chapter also hosted a fashion show at the nursing home featuring many of the residents in their favorite outfits.

Congratulations

Allison Kalben, Princeton, has been recognized as the student with the high-est grade point average at Princeton University.

Kappas and Kids on the Hunt



Epsilon Upsilon, Baylor, invited university faculty members and local Kappa alumnae, along with their families, to hunt for Easter eggs. "We had a great turnout. It was fun to see our professors outside of the classroom with their families," said one chapter member.

Kappa Selected for National Conference



Carrie Sicora, *South Carolina*

Carrie Sicora, South Carolina, is one of 200 college students across the country selected to attend the 1994 Business Tomorrow Conference sponsored by the Foundation for Student Communication of Princeton University.

A senior with a double major in marketing and human resource management, Carrie serves as the sorority council president and serves on the university Board of Trustees. She is a member of Omicron Delta Kappa and Order of Omega honor societies and the Greek steering committee. In addition, Carrie is a volunteer for the Palmetto AIDS Life Support Services. She has served Epsilon Kappa Chapter as Vice President-Organization and Registrar.

Valentine's Day Treats

Beta Omega, Oregon, threw a Valentine's Day party for a local retirement center. Chapter members delivered cards and cookies and spent time getting to know some of the residents.

Two Chapters Team-up

Epsilon Mu, Clemson, members surprised **Eta Alpha, Furman**, during a Rush program to teach Kappa Kappa Gamma's newest chapter Fraternity songs and participate in the mock Rush workshop.

Pledge Plants

Delta Nu, Massachusetts, purchases a plant for each pledge to keep at the chapter house. Since pledges do not live in the chapter facility, this encourages them to visit the house to take care of their plants. Once they move in, they keep their plants in their rooms.

Kappas on Campus

Accident Victim Honored

Danielle Howard, *Epsilon Eta*, was honored when the Auburn University Student Government Association named November 12, 1994 "Danielle Howard Day." The victim of a serious automobile accident, Danielle suffered from a broken neck and jaw and traumatic brain injury. After spending 26 days in a coma, this courageous 22-year-old underwent four surgical procedures and began rehabilitation, including learning to walk and speak again.

In addition to having a day named in her honor, chapter members threw Danielle a surprise party where the "die-hard" Auburn fan was presented with a number of gifts including three tickets to the Auburn-Georgia football game. "Her battle to overcome such an extraordinary obstacle is an encouragement to the sisters of Epsilon Eta Chapter and the students of Auburn University," says Christie King, Public Relations Chairman.

Danielle's goals include returning to Auburn to finish her marketing degree and working for two years before attending graduate school.



Greek Classic Brings Kappas Together

Kappas from seven universities joined 950 other members of men's and women's fraternities at the "Greek Classic" conference last Spring in Nashville, Tenn. Students participated in a wide variety of seminars including those entitled, Dating with Discernment, I'm too Busy for My Schedule, The Absent Father, and What About Drinking. The "Greek Classic" conference is sponsored by Campus Crusade for Christ, International, an interdenominational student organization that works with college students in the United States and 160 countries worldwide.



Kappas Sponsor 5-K Run

Delta Pi, *Tulsa*, sponsored the first-ever Kappa 5-K Klassic in conjunction with the American Cancer Society during National Breast Cancer Awareness Month. The event was publicized through local media making it a city-wide event and numerous prizes were donated by Tulsa businesses. More than \$500 raised through entry fees and donations was given to a local program for breast cancer victims.

Taking Strides for Aids Prevention

Epsilon Iota, *Puget Sound*, achieved 90 percent chapter participation in the campus AIDS Walk. The chapter had the largest group with 45 members walking. Epsilon Iota raised more than \$850 for the AIDS program.

Retreat at Riveria Resort

Zeta Eta, *U.C. Irvine*, enjoyed its annual chapter retreat at the Riveria Resort and Racquet Club in Palm Springs, Calif. In addition to a variety of planned activities, Big and Little Sisters were revealed. Members were randomly assigned roommates for the weekend to give everyone a chance to learn more about each other.

Alumnae and Collegians Unite for Good Cause

Delta Psi, Texas Tech, and the **Lubbock (Texas) Alumnae Association** worked together to benefit the National Kidney Foundation of West Texas. Local alumnae coordinated the annual Master Chef Dinner with the help of Delta Psi chapter initiates and pledges. Under the direction of Delta Psi Advisory Board Chairman and local Kidney Foundation Executive Director, **Cathy Spoons Porter, Texas Tech,** the committee brought in a celebrity chef to prepare a gourmet dinner for local sponsors. The sell-out Master Chef Dinner raised \$36,000 to benefit more than 300 local patients suffering from kidney and urological disease. Delta Psi chapter members participated by selling tickets and serving as hostesses during the sponsor party and dinner event.



Members of Delta Psi, Texas Tech, and the Lubbock (Texas) Alumnae Association helped coordinate the annual Master Chef Dinner to benefit the National Kidney Foundation of West Texas.

Challenge to Excellence

Nine chapters responded to the Fraternity's Challenge to Excellence, completing 100 percent of the Challenge checklist. Maintaining a scholastic average at least equal to the campus All Women's Average and All Sorority Average each term, displaying fiscal responsibility, maintaining Fraternity standards, following the ritual, pledging quota, and maintaining chapter total are a few of the criteria chapters were asked to achieve.

In addition, nine chapters met 94 percent of the criteria, and another nine met 87 percent.

Congratulations to those chapters responding to the Challenge for Excellence 1993-1994.

Winners

Alpha^Δ, Monmouth
Pi^Δ, Berkeley
Beta Tau, Syracuse
Beta Zeta, Iowa
Beta Theta, Oklahoma

Gamma Eta, Washington State
Gamma Nu, Arkansas
Delta Phi, Bucknell
Zeta Nu, UC San Diego

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Beta Xi, Texas
Beta Pi, Washington
Beta Omega, Oregon
Gamma Rho, Allegheny
Epsilon Rho, Texas A&M
Epsilon Sigma, Virginia
Zeta Tau, Washington and Lee

Golden Key Circle (87%)

Gamma Alpha, Kansas State
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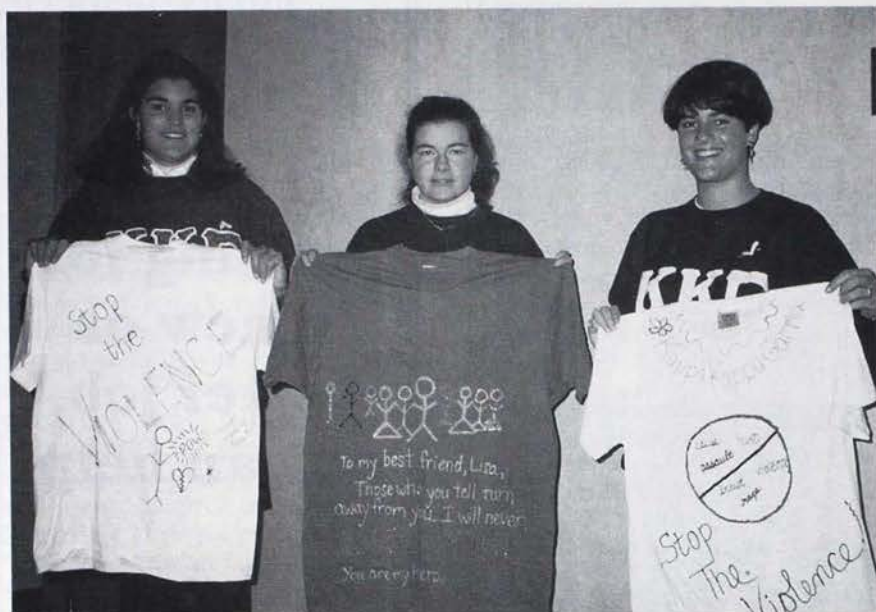
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Kappas on Campus



T-shirts made by Kappas at Bucknell will be part of The Clothesline Project, an international program protesting violence against women.

Breaking the Silence

Delta Phi, Bucknell, Chapter members are among college students across the continent who participated in The Clothesline Project.

The Clothesline Project is a visual display of shirts with messages and illustrations protesting violence against women. Different colored shirts protest different types of violence: white for women who have died of violence; yellow or beige for women who have been battered or assaulted; red, pink, or orange for women who have been raped or sexually assaulted; blue or green for women survivors of incest or child sexual abuse; and purple or lavender for women attacked because of their sexual orientation. T-shirts are decorated by survivors of violence or in honor of a friend who was or continues to be a victim of violence.

There have been clotheslines in more than 100 communities and four countries. In April, organizers plan to bring all completed clotheslines to Washington, D.C.

Kappas Coordinate "Campus Watch"

Rachel San Jose and **Julie Childers, Miami (Ohio),** have helped launch a new service organization called Campus Watch, which is designed to promote and increase safety on campus.

The Campus Watch program, staffed by Miami University students, has patrollers on foot to provide a safe environment for students walking across campus and serve as deterrents to potential criminals. Volunteers patrol the campus in male-female pairs between the hours of 9 p.m. and 1 a.m., equipped with identification cards, flashlights, orange vests, and police radios connected to the university police department.

As the Campus Watch student coordinator, Rachel oversees the volunteer selection process. After completing the application, prospective volunteers undergo a background check by the police department and complete a personal interview.

As the Campus Watch Supervisor, Julie works in the university police station during patrol hours to monitor the volunteers. Julie also serves as the recruitment chairman to bring in new volunteers and committee members.

Good Ideas

Beta Pi, Washington, works with the Seattle Alumnae Association to make food boxes for a local women's shelter.

Beta Upsilon, West Virginia, hosts "Sunday Socials" as an alternative to events that involve alcohol. A fraternity chapter is invited to the Kappa house on a Sunday for "munchies" and mingling.

Gamma Alpha, Kansas State, Kappas spent "girls night out" bowling and eating pizza.

Gamma Xi, UCLA, officers who attended Convention, planned a program night for the chapter during which they shared Convention highlights and information they learned at workshops.

Gamma Zeta, Arizona, members enjoyed hiking in the Arizona Foothills with their mothers during Mother/Daughter Weekend.

Delta Zeta, Colorado College, participates with members of Phi Gamma Delta Fraternity in the Volunteer Action Program, an outreach program for third through sixth graders from low-income families. Members spend time encouraging and entertaining the children.

Delta Eta, Utah, made two child-size quilts to give to the family it sponsored during the holidays. Chapter members took turns working on the quilts.

Delta Sigma, Oklahoma State, made Halloween costumes for community children and hosted a haunted house with a fraternity.

Epsilon Zeta, Florida State, co-hosted a self-esteem program for the community with the Chi Omega chapter.

Epsilon Psi, UC Santa Barbara, celebrates Fraternity Education Appreciation Week by decorating the chapter house with blue streamers and posters with Fraternity facts.

Zeta Tau, Washington and Lee, members enjoy learning Fraternity history during their Chinese dinner with Fraternity facts found in fortune cookies.

FUNdraising to Fight Domestic Violence

Delta Rho, Mississippi, Chapter members sponsored a Kappa Kick-Off touch football tournament to raise money for a local domestic violence program. Later, the director of the program educated the chapter members on domestic violence prevention, using *INSIGHT on Domestic Violence* to point out dangerous situations and detrimental relationships



Programs such as *KEEP SAFE*, *INSIGHT on Domestic Violence*, *SEEK* and *CHOICES: Career Pathfinder* were created for Kappas to educate members on important issues that may affect us all. Chapters are encouraged to share these programs with other Greek groups and student organizations. For more information on how your chapter can be a trendsetter on campus and in the community, please contact your Province Director of Chapters.

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Kappas on Campus

Taking Care of Business

"Women are never responsible for their rapes."

"Women invite rape by their actions, appearances, or behaviors."

"A drunken 'Yes' qualifies as verbal consent."

These are just a few of the powerful trigger statements that we as counselors for the Sexual Assault Peer Prevention Group (SAPPG) use to facilitate group discussions at Butler University. Audience members are asked to take a position on an imaginary continuum stretching from one side of the room to the other, separating "agree," from "disagree," with "neutral people in the middle."

As SAPPG counselors we address coded audiences in the classroom setting, as well as in university and fraternity housing units. We are advised by Martha Hahn Dziwlik, *Iowa State*. We were asked to join SAPPG at the start of the 1993-1994 school year.

At first we were quite nervous about making such a bold statement to our peers on such a small, private campus. Although we whole-heartedly supported the cause, we were uncomfortable speaking out on such an unpopular issue. Soon, we realized our silence — and the silence of others — was the problem.

At present, SAPPG has grown to 12 well-trained members who assiduously educate new members at the beginning of each semester. One of our strengths is our diversity. The 1994-1995 SAPPG is made up of students from different ethnic backgrounds, Greek and non-Greek affiliations, and has equal male and female representation.

The SAPPG constitution states our purpose: to increase campus awareness and communication about sexual assault and rape issues, to act as a referral service, to develop members' crisis-management skills, and to present programs dealing with the issue of sexual assault and rape to the campus community. Our greatest contribution has been increased awareness — through opening communication lines between men and women.

Butler's curriculum now incorporates the SAPPG into a required health course; our members answer questions and lead discussion with this primarily freshman audience. We encourage each class to participate in the annual Sexual Assault Awareness Week events.

This year, week-long events were kicked off with a "signing of the banner." Over 500 students showed their support by signing. Later that evening,



Butler Kappas Angee McKnight (left) and Jodie Morris are founders of the campus Sexual Assault Peer Prevention Group.

all of our supporters participated in a candlelight walk through some of the more dangerous places on campus in a "Take Back the Night" demonstration. Then, everyone gathered at the campus coffee house for hot chocolate and an emotional open-microphone session.

Mid-week, our organization hosted a panel discussion featuring a victim's assistant from the police department, a rape survivor, a representative from the women's crisis center, and a male member of SAPPG. We took the movie *What's Love Got to Do with It* as the theme for the week, and on the last night gathered to watch the film.

As 19-year-old sophomores we were a bit apprehensive about doing something that the entire campus would see, hear, and talk about. With every program night we facilitate with fraternities and sororities, or other housing units, we walk away knowing we have bettered relations between men and women.

Alone, in silence we could accomplish nothing, but together, with the support of staff, faculty, and friends, we are taking care of the problem of sexual assault, one student at a time, on Butler's campus.

— Angee McKnight, *Butler* and Jodie Morris, *Butler*



Members of Mu Chapter, *Butler*, enjoy hot chocolate with Greek adviser Martha Hahn Dziwlik, *Iowa State*, (far right) after participating in a campus walk to "Take Back the Night."

Under Attack

Silencing the critics of single-gender organizations

It was on the news, "Board of Trustees Votes Fraternities and Sororities Must Be Coed by 1995." Within a few hours, the Kappa Kappa Gamma Fraternity Council members, and Regional and Province officers were alerted, and our Fraternity leadership started down a road of education.

The ensuing correspondence and conversations with university administrators pointed out reasons why Greek membership was under attack. One administrator hoped the women's involvement in coed fraternities would improve the college's social scene. A faculty member suggested that single-gender organizations were old-fashioned and outdated.


It is essential to articulate the value of single-gender organizations and silence the critics' attacks.

Separate organizations allow women opportunities to master new skills and experiences. Membership in a single-gender organization allows young women leadership positions — and it is fairly easy to assume and accept the different levels of responsibility. In *Women in Power: The Secrets of Leadership*, authors Cantor, Bernay, and Stoess detail their research and discovery that there is an advantage in the protective environment of the single-gender campus, because the essential ingredients found in leaders can be "developed, nurtured, and solidified before the women encounter the prejudices of glass ceilings of the male-dominated institutions." Studies done at the University of Illinois found equal numbers of male and female freshmen believed they were intellectually superior to their peers; yet within two years only 22 percent of the men and four percent of the women still agreed with that statement. This lack of self-esteem in women directly correlates with their career goals.

By remaining single-gender organizations, women's fraternities prove the value of having women as role models and leaders. Women's fraternities provide leadership opportunities and safe havens for addressing women's issues, emphasizing self-esteem, competency, and self worth.

As members of Kappa Kappa Gamma, we have a responsibility to join other Greek women in protecting our rights to be single-gender. Greek organizations were granted exemptions to remain single-gender by the 1972 educational amendments to Title IX in the United States. In Canada, single-gender groups may operate as private, social organizations.

Current research proves the value of single-gender organizations for leadership development and performance opportunities. Positive self-esteem is affirmed and nurtured in these groups; individuals feel more confident and competent about taking risks and accepting challenges. The significance of these opportunities for men and women is protected by law. The attacks on Greek-letter, single-gender organizations is unwarranted and neglects to recognize the benefits these groups offer students who naturally gravitate to the support of friends. This is the essence of Greek organizations; now let's silence our critics by making sure this is what we offer.

By the way, the chapter at the college mentioned above is still single-gender and still a chapter of Kappa Kappa Gamma. 

— Juliana Fraser Wales, *Ohio State Fraternity President*




Heritage Museum Wakes up the Morning Room

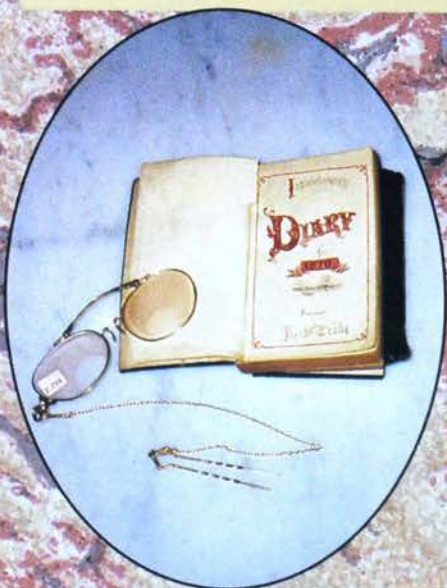
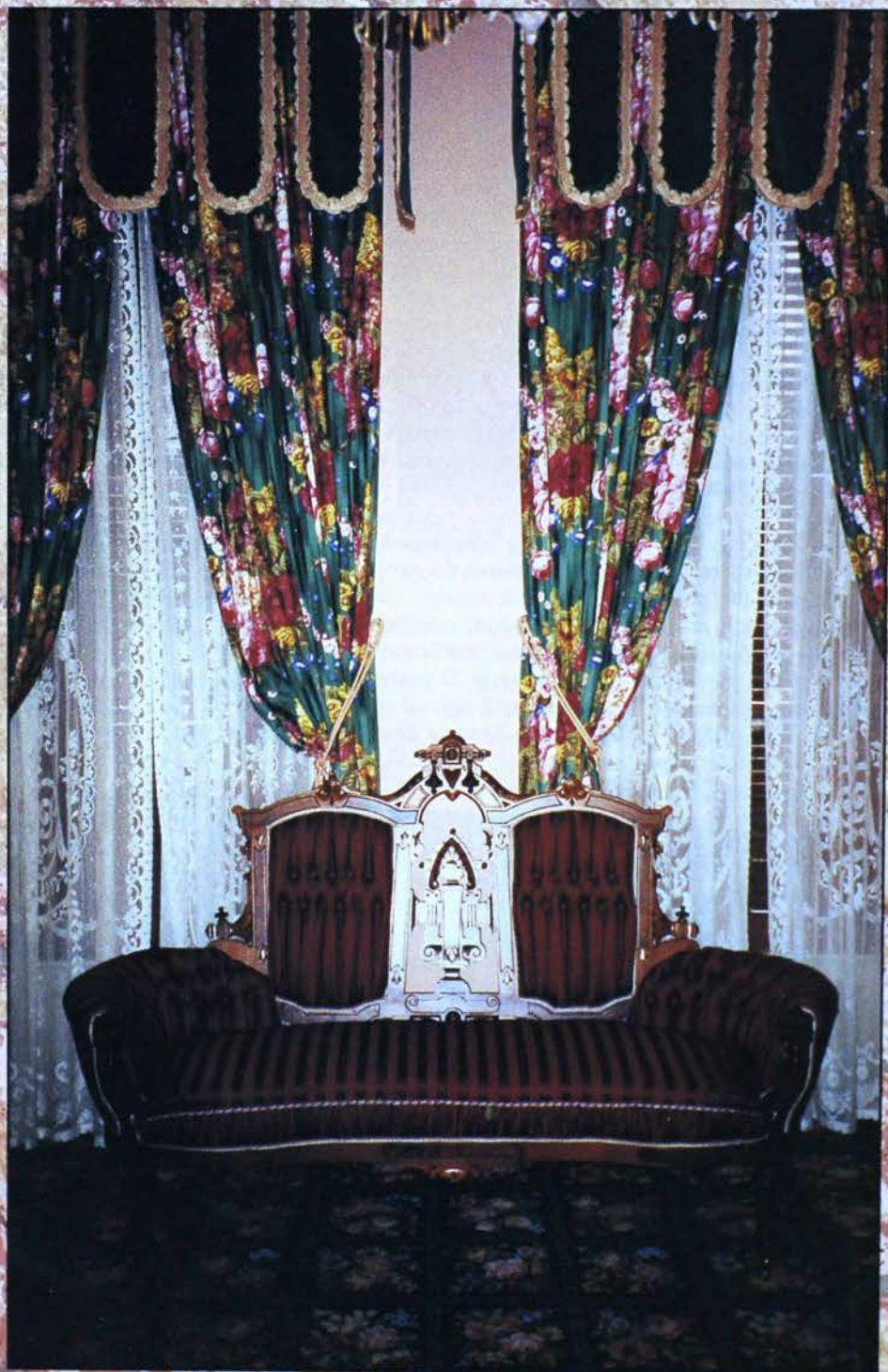
Restored parlor provides hands-on interpretation of 19th century women

In the mid-1800s a woman's place may have been in the home, but times and customs were undergoing a change.

The women's movement was just beginning. Women were striving for higher education and expanded rights. Concern over social issues was rampant, and women were the movers and shakers in the reform movements of the 19th century, including the abolition and temperance movements.


The recently restored morning room in the Kappa Kappa Gamma Fraternity Heritage Museum interprets the expanding role of women and the Fraternity's part in the changing 1800s. On the wall hangs the graduation certificate of Founder Louisa Stevenson Miller from Monmouth College. Her lap desk, fan, and a sofa and candlesticks from her home are also in the room.

The interpretation of the morning room as a "woman's room" is appropriate, as this is the room where the ladies would have gathered. The lady of the house would conduct her business there, receive guests, and carry on correspondence. Reading glasses and an 1870 diary are other items exemplifying the "domestic sciences" of the last century. 





Where There's a Will...

Remembering Kappa Kappa Gamma in your will is one way to save on federal estate taxes while providing financial support for future Kappas, but to fully benefit the organization you care about be sure to specify the Kappa Kappa Gamma Foundation not the Fraternity as the recipient of your bequest. For further information, contact Director of Development Marilyn Jennings at Fraternity Headquarters, 614-228-6515. 

Where Have All the Photos Gone?

Kappa memorabilia needed for Fraternity archives.

Wondering what to do with your college scrapbook, journal, or your 1950s-era Kappa blazer? Contact Fraternity Archivist Diane Mallstrom.

Diane, a member of Headquarters Staff, documents and preserves the history of Kappa Kappa Gamma Fraternity. The annals of the organization are well documented through minutes, manuals and Fraternity publications, including several complete sets of *The Key* (continuously published since 1882), but personal collections are rare.

"Individual journals and correspondence that document the history and influence of Kappa in the lives of our members contribute to the understanding of the Fraternity's past. We have a lot of documentation; we need to get to the personal perception," Diane says. "Your memories are needed. They would be welcomed into the current collection by appreciative hands."


Any pre-1900 materials would be especially appreciated, as would notable photographs — other pictures are not needed at this time as the archive area is bursting with more recent snapshots.

If you are willing to part with your historic gems, please contact Diane at



Cleaning your closets may unearth memorabilia wanted for the Fraternity Archives.

Kappa Kappa Gamma Fraternity, P.O. Box 38, Columbus, Ohio, 43216. Contributions will be attributed to the in-

dividual, accessioned into the collection, and listed in the archive finding-aid for scholarly research. 



Senior Salute

Beginning a lifetime of giving


"For the price of a pizza, two pairs of stockings, or a night at the movies, you could change the life of a Kappa."

This is the theme of the Senior Salute — asking seniors to begin a lifetime of giving by each contributing \$10 to the Kappa Kappa Gamma Foundation.

Seniors are asked to celebrate the past and embrace the future by adding their contribution to those of fellow 1995 classmates, continuing Kappa Kappa Gamma's tradition of excellence. Collectively, \$10 from each of the 3,500 seniors would provide \$35,000 to fund 35 undergraduate scholar-

ships or the leadership program for an entire year.

The program is being launched with the support of PepsiCo, parent company of Pizza Hut. For every \$10 donation, representing a pizza foregone, Pizza Hut is donating coupons for discounts on future purchases.

The Foundation hopes every senior will donate to the Fraternity's future — and enjoy a few dollars off on their next pizza purchase. 

More Than the ABCs ... Bobbi Clodfelter DePorter

There's more to learning than reading, writing, and arithmetic, and camp is the perfect place to improve classroom abilities — SuperCamp that is.

Since 1982 Roberta (Bobbi) Clodfelter DePorter, *Washington*, has been improving the minds — and grades — of children from all 50 states and 20 foreign countries. As co-founder of SuperCamp, a summer academic program with over 14,000 graduates, she places as much emphasis on how one learns as on what is learned.

"Children are sent to school and they are supposed to know how to take a test and how to study," Bobbi says. "Often they don't. I think it is important that they learn how to read more effectively and how to take notes. They need to learn how to learn. This relates to how children feel about themselves as learners."

Bobbi founded SuperCamp with her husband and another partner while she was teaching adult learning skills to entrepreneurs. The mother of two teenagers, she realized that her compa-

ny, Learning Forum, could apply new learning techniques to a program developed for high school students. From a beginning at a Northern California ski resort, with 64 students attending, the Learning Forum has taken SuperCamp across the United States and the world. This summer 27 sessions will be held throughout the U.S., in Singapore, and Hong Kong. The program has already been presented in Moscow, and Bobbi says a London session is being planned.

While the emphasis is on increasing classroom skills, the SuperCamp setting is as far from the traditional schoolhouse as possible.

"Students walk in and there is upbeat music playing," Bobbi says. "The environment must be comfortable. The lighting and temperature are important. It's colorful and inspiring."

Then, when the serious learning begins, baroque music is played. "This music is 60 beats per minute, like the heart. It keeps students relaxed yet alert. Relaxing is important. When people are tense, they are not learning as much."

But the 10-day residence camp isn't




all relaxation. In addition to academic strategies, power reading, memory, writing, notetaking, and problem solving, students also discuss communication, relationships, integration of home and school life, and participate in a ropes course to identify fears and break through barriers preventing success.

When the students swing from trees and fall into the arms of their teammates, they realize they can be successful in any endeavor. "Most important, students are taught that if they have the knowledge of learning strategies and skills, and have high self-esteem, they can apply these skills to many different situations," Bobbi notes. "When they are liked for who they are, the students start appreciating themselves."

The most rewarding part is seeing response from her students. "You see a look in a student's face, a light bulb go on," she says. "They are so different walking in on the last day, so animated, alive, and excited."

While some students may be auditory learners, some visual learners, and some kinetic learners (those who need participatory, hands-on instruction), Bobbi wants to unlock educational opportunities for all her students, teaching them to learn just for the sheer joy of learning.

And that might be the best lesson of all. 

— Joann Barton Vaughan, *Virginia*



Students at SuperCamp really fall into learning.

All Her Children ... Elizabeth Smith

She knows all about Phoebe and Langley, Palmer and Opal, Adam and Brooke. She remembers Kate, Nick, Chuck, Tara, and Phillip. She can name all of Erica's husbands — in order. She should. She puts the words right in their mouths.

For the past 15 years, Elizabeth Smith, *Georgia*, has been a scriptwriter for the soap opera *All My Children*. And while Susan Lucci is still waiting for her Emmy, Elizabeth has two. Best of all, she loves her job.

"It's a chance to let your imagination run free while still making money," she says.

However cranking out the love stories of Cliff and Nina, Jenny and Greg, and Angie and Jessie takes a lot of self-discipline. "My biggest challenge is meeting the deadline each week," Elizabeth adds. She writes every day, maintaining a rigid routine, rising early for a walk on the beach from her Florida home, "and while I am gone, my house magically becomes my office. Then I work until I get sick of it." Since her script is due on Mondays, Elizabeth works a lot of weekends.

Her career with *All My Children* was a result of being in the right place at the right time. During 1980, her sister, working for the *Boston Globe*, started a column about soap operas. During lunch with the columnist Elizabeth said she'd like to write for the soaps one day. The writer passed this information along to Agnes Nixon, creator of *All My Children*. Elizabeth was asked to write requesting a job, and a scriptwriter was born.

Since the beginning, she's been telecommuting — long before computers, modems, and fax machines. "I began typing with carbon paper and using special delivery. So much has changed."

Her words may not appear on screen exactly as she wrote them. Even getting words to the actors is a long process. First, writers work on the long-term story line, working six months to a year ahead. This story line is then broken down

into daily outlines, with several stories running simultaneously, then separated into a scene-by-scene synopsis. These summaries are then sent to the script writers.

Elizabeth has responsibility for one day a week — no matter how many different stories are running during that episode. "I have to read all the outlines, read all the scripts, and watch every day. I have to be able to be all the characters and express what they want. The challenge is remaining honest to the characters regardless of the bizarre situations."

She likes them all, but holds a special fondness for the "old-timers," characters like Joe and Ruth Martin, Tom Cudahy, and of course Erica, who have made the show such a hit. "I've invested a lot of myself in Erica, Phoebe, etc.," she adds.


Cranking out scripts week after week takes an enormous amount of self-discipline, but Elizabeth laughs, "I have Kappa backbone. I must have learned great negotiating skills somewhere along the line."

While writing is a "great excuse to be reclusive," Elizabeth says the real problem with being a soap opera writer is "being taken seriously."

The popularity of soap operas in our increasingly isolated world ensures her job security.

"The intimacy of soap operas addresses the loneliness in me and in our audience. Maybe you don't live near your family, but in Pine Valley you have a family that is reliably there. It takes the place of the old front porch."

The job keeps Elizabeth on her toes — and her imagination in touch with the pulse of the nation. With the target audience of women between the ages of 18 and 49, Elizabeth says she "has to go after them. I have to have new and fresh ideas to address new issues exciting to the audience."

Her mind is on the issues, and her hand on the keyboard, but Elizabeth's heart is in Pine Valley, believing the stories of characters in continual crisis. 

— Joann Barton Vaughan,
Virginia



It's Never Too Late ... Dorothy Jones Hanson

In 1986 Dorothy Jones Hanson, Kansas, was faced with an empty house. "Mother, do anything you want to do," her two sons urged. Dorothy had been very involved in raising her boys, much of the time working as a single parent.

Faced with the "empty nest syndrome," Dorothy decided to finish something she started half a century ago — her college degree. She had attended the University of Kansas, where she was initiated, but her father's fledgling law practice and her brother's education in the medical field did not leave room for Dorothy to finish her college degree.

She obtained a certificate in business, worked for Standard Oil, then transferred to the Chicago area to be near her brother. Here she met her husband and started a family.

When faced with single parenthood, Dorothy worked part-time until her sons had finished high school. She was also active in the North Shore (Ill.) Alumnae Association, served as Panhellenic delegate, and worked with Upsilon Chapter, *Northwestern*. It's not surprising that her life seemed too quiet when her sons went out on their own.




Dorothy Jones Hanson received her college degree, completing her 50-year dream of finishing her education.

To Dorothy, "anything she wanted to do" was finishing her college degree at Northwestern University, her brother's alma mater. To help with expenses, she took a job assisting the Department of Traffic Institute.

Besides facing the usual challenges of difficult college coursework, learning to take tests, and juggling time, Dorothy faced the question of whether or not she would be accepted by the other students who were not her peers. "Students treated me like one of them, never like I was older," Dorothy claims. Classes and discussions in college were so stimulating that she never thought about people's ages.

"You can go on being young longer if no one knows your age," she says. "Then, you are only as old as people perceive you are. I'm just not ready to be on a shelf, and that's what people do when they categorize others."

On June 18, 1994, Dorothy Jones Hanson received her Bachelor of Science degree in English Literature with a minor in Humanities and Art History. "I am so happy I want to shout," she wrote to *The Key*, "Dreams really do come true." 

— Julie Kroon Alvarado, *Arizona State*

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All Wrapped Up ... Tiara Hallman

*A*s they say in Hollywood, "It's a wrap!"

For Tiara Hallman, *Southern California*, however, the end of the action on set is the beginning of a day's work. After directors and actors walk away, Tiara goes to work. This independent business entrepreneur has created It's A Wrap!, the largest public supplier of production wardrobe in the entire Los Angeles area.

Upon arrival, It's A Wrap! looks much like any department or retail store. The 6,500 square feet of colorful merchandise displays extremely high-quality clothing at a more-than-reasonable cost to the public.

"The thing that gives it a flair is the fact that all around the walls and all over the place are collectibles or memorabilia from the different movies," Tiara says. "If an interesting piece comes in a wardrobe purchase, we try to keep it. We either have it covered [with Plexi-glass], or we display it."

In the middle of the showroom, the man-eating "Audrey" plant from the original stage play *A Little Shop of Horrors* stands eight feet tall, hovering over other merchandise and memorabilia. From Sylvester Stallone's shorts in *Rocky V* to Danny DeVito's sweat-shirt in *Throw Mama From the Train*, to a car-racing suit of Shannon Dougherty's from *Beverly Hills 90210*, the very colorful, very visual store offers costume, contemporary, futuristic, western, and vintage clothing.

The store, Tiara explains, tries not to capitalize on the movie stars who wore the clothing, though each item is marked so customers can identify its origin. Most of the items are sold at 50 percent or less of normal retail value.

The idea for It's A Wrap! wasn't exactly Tiara's, but it was close. It was her mother's.

Jan Hallman Dion founded the concept of selling production wardrobe in 1981. Working at the time for CBS,

Jan watched the company auction off entire wardrobe trailers for ridiculously low prices in an attempt to generate revenue.

With continuous help from her then 12-year-old daughter, Jan opened a small store in Studio City to sell motion picture "duds." Retake Room, as Jan named it, operated for 10 years before it was renamed It's A Wrap! after the common phrase directors use when they are satisfied that filming has been completed.

"We bring in new stock every single day of the week, and stock is always changing depending on the movie or TV show that's represented in here at the moment."

In May 1992, Tiara was graduated from the University of Southern California and joined her mother as a business partner at It's A Wrap! Together, the duo moved the shop to Burbank, Calif., where they sell wardrobes from six major studios, over 50 independent production companies, and six soap operas. Since the move to Burbank, the success of It's A Wrap! has more than doubled.

With her degree in business entrepreneurship, Tiara never intended to work in the movie and production industry.

"I had written a business plan for another company I was thinking of starting," Tiara explains, "but when I got out of school it just came right down to the moment when I had to decide."

Tiara abandoned her business plan to distribute fresh juice in Hawaii, a brief which won her the honor of Best Business Plan as an undergraduate, and decided to continue working with her mother at It's A Wrap!

"It's really gone gangbusters," she notes. "We bring in new stock every single day of the week, and stock is always changing depending on the movie or TV show that's represented in here at the moment."

Tiara credits her dedication and motivation as the secrets of her success.

"I've always been very diligent and I'm very persistent. You can't let up with this business because things change all the time. People move on, they go to new companies; you'll just get established with somebody in the company, and then they'll move on to something else. So it's always changing, and I'm always having to re-establish new [business] relationships."

As she looks back, Tiara can attribute many of what she feels are her strong personal traits both to her days as a collegiate member of Kappa Kappa Gamma and to the things she has learned from her mother.

"I think truly the only way that a woman can get ahead in business is if she owns her own company. If she wants to be on top of everything she's got to do it herself."

Tiara especially admires the fact that her mother started the company without any financial or moral support and backing from a man, something she would like to see possible for more women. From Kappas, Tiara learned the importance of involvement and independence for women.

"I feel you have more space and




All sorts of entertainment memorabilia are sold at Tiara's store. Here, Tiara poses with masks from the movie *The Coneheads*.

more independence if you do it yourself," she adds.

As a Kappa pledge, Tiara remembers her natural response was to dive in and involve herself as much as possible. In the same way, diving head first into her own business has helped her feel empowered by her strength, dedication and independence.

According to Tiara, "Kappa is like a boot camp for socializing. It really taught me how to be a sociable person and how to spark conversation with a complete stranger.

"Kappa gave me the confidence to present myself in any personal, social, or business setting. Kappa taught me how to express myself in a mature fashion and how to relate to people from all walks of life."

As with anything in life, Tiara acknowledges there are risks involved in owning and operating her own business. Weighed against the rewards of personal satisfaction and independence, Tiara wouldn't trade her decision for the world. 

— Christine Verges, *Oregon State*



Audrey, the man-eating plant from *Little Shop of Horrors*, towers over racks of merchandise.

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Continuous Motion

Headquarters renovation nears completion




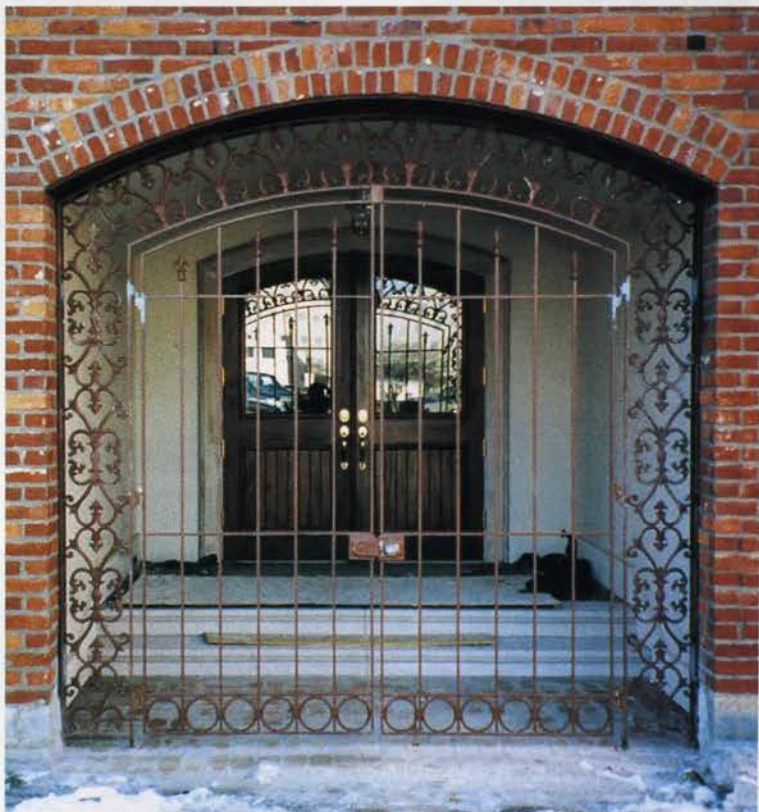
The files may be in boxes and staffers may share telephones, but work continues on the renovation of Fraternity Headquarters, with a completion date soon in sight.

Those entering Fraternity Headquarters will notice the change immediately. A modern reception area facing the Fraternity's parking lot was designed out of former storage space. Outside a gate featuring fleur-de-lis defines the entrance.

The Communications Department, including those who produce *The Key*, have also been able to move into new space. Prior to the renovation, the Communications staff was spread over three floors in two different buildings — and the editor camped out on the landing at the top of the stairs.

Now well-designed space allows for the entire department to be together, functioning as a team to produce *The Key* and the many manuals and newsletters needed to run an efficient association of 120,000 women.

While the rest of the staff awaits redesigned office areas, Fraternity business continues. 



Wrought iron gate featuring fleur-de-lis defines the new entrance.



Communications staff enjoys new office space.



Work continues on additional office space.

Visions — An Eye on the Future

NPC gets ready for the next century

Students entering college next fall will not graduate until the next century, and the National Panhellenic Conference (NPC) is getting ready for the Greek women of tomorrow.

"Visions — an Eye on the Future" was the theme for the NPC meeting held October 21–23 in Indianapolis. Representing Kappa Kappa Gamma were Delegate Marian Klingbeil Williams, *Missouri*; First Alternate Marjorie Matson Converse, *Purdue*; Second Alternate Jean Hess Wells, *Georgia*; and Third Alternate, Fraternity President Juliana Fraser Wales, *Ohio State*. Several NPC committees reported highlights of the year's work.

Thanks to the leadership of our NPC delegation, a resolution on campus over-programming which sponsored by Kappa Kappa Gamma was passed by the NPC member groups. The resolution

outlines a commitment by NPC members to encourage campus Panhellenics and Greek advisers to establish procedures for balanced calendars and to continue to express concern to campus administrations regarding the time and efforts spent on complying with campus relationship statements and audits.

To keep collegiate Panhellenics looking to the future, the College Panhellenic committee assigned 44 NPC delegation members as area advisers to provide support, advice, and educational programming to over 600 campuses. During the past year NPC has provided seven consulting team visits to assist in strengthening collegiate Panhellenics. The Rush 2000 Committee has been charged with investigating Rush programming in all parts of the country, in particular examining rush formats that differ from the traditional.

The Alumnae Panhellenics Committee announced that 289 chapters offered over \$300,000 in scholarships and grants. Committed to providing comprehensive and up-to-date resources, the committee worked to promote Adopt-A-School, established international guidelines for using the Rush Information Form, and developed an Alumnae Panhellenic Award to be given at the 1995 biennial conference. A sub-committee has been formed by the Conference to assist in the recruitment of volunteer Panhellenic advisers on campuses where there is no advisory leadership.

Additional resolutions passed by the Conference addressed issues of gridlock when computer bid-matching is used, consulting with area advisers prior to the re-evaluation of quota-total, clarification of the status of off-campus students, and the development of "NPC Links."

Keeping the Panhellenic Spirit Alive

Alumnae Panhellenics promote Greek membership

NPC Delegate Marian Klingbeil Williams, *Missouri*, encourages all alumnae to become involved in an area Panhellenic groups, dedicated to:

- informing fraternity women of current trends
- promoting the fraternity system
- improving the Panhellenic image
- stimulating a continuing interest in Panhellenic affairs.

There are currently 289 alumnae Panhellenics organized in the United States, Canada, and Mexico.

Collaboration among alumnae Panhellenics, collegiate Panhellenics, and university administrators is on the increase, as evidenced by the "All-Sorority Day" held at the University of Minnesota and the drive-in workshop sponsored by the Southwest Virginia Alumnae Panhellenic Association last fall.

Alumnae Panhellenics also continue to sponsor Rush information booklets, workshops and master files to promote Greek membership to young women in their communities.

If you don't have an alumnae Panhellenic in your area and are interested in starting one, contact Virginia Stafford, NPC chairman of prospective alumnae Panhellenics, 2044 Pinehurst Dr., Ames, Iowa, 50014.

F.Y.I.

- Don't let your guard down simply because you're staying in a luxury hotel. Remember you're in a public place.
- Most Hotel crimes occur in guest rooms, not in the parking lots.
- Valuables stolen from guest rooms is the number one hotel crime.
- Guard your room key carefully. High-tech equipment such as electronic card locks and closed-circuit cameras can't stop a criminal who possesses your key.
- Always follow your intuition. Trust your instincts. Nine out of 10 times you're right.

from *Safety Tips for Women Travelers*, presented by the Central Office Executives Association of the National Panhellenic Conference

Historically Speaking

In the Beginning...

What life was like at the time of the Fraternity's founding

What was life like for Founders Minnie Stewart, Anna Willits, Jennie Boyd, Lou Bennett, and Louisa Stephenson? Kappa Kappa Gamma's history began in a time when there were no electric lights in houses and Ulysses S. Grant was the 18th president of the United States. Arabella Mansfield had been admitted to the Iowa bar as the first woman lawyer in the U.S., although women did not have the right to vote at the time.

Spectator sports were greatly enjoyed; the most popular at this time was walking. Gilmore's Gardens in New York City would always sell out when the famous heel-and-toes raced there. Popular participation sports included cricket — lauded in the press because of its gentility — and the new activity of baseball. Croquet was the favored sport of all ages — in fact one of the first "official" meetings of the Fraternity took place on a croquet field.

The official founding date of the Fraternity is unknown. "Had we ever dreamed of more than a local habitation for Kappa Kappa Gamma, I suspect we

would have been more careful of the records..." Lou Bennett Boyd later wrote. But Anna Willits Pattee always insisted that the actual organization of the Fraternity occurred in March, 1870, but its public appearance was delayed until October when the first badges had been received.

Lou Bennett Boyd described Kappa's origins. "Some time during 1869-1870, Minnie Stewart, Jennie Boyd and myself met for a "pow wow" ... and concluded we would have something new; the world seemed to be moving too slow for us and moreover the young men had chapters of Beta Theta Pi, Delta Tau Delta, and Phi Gamma Delta... We determined that nothing short of a Greek letter fraternity would satisfy us. We three admitted to our solemn councils Miss Anna E. Willits, now Mrs. Howard Pattee of Monmouth, Ill.

"Our aim was to draw in to the society the choicest spirits among the girls, not only for literary work, but also for social development. Of course, we always thought that we had the very

brightest and best of all who came. We four decided on our form of organization, the motto, and our pins."

The original four were quickly joined by Susan Walker and Lou Stevenson, who remembered being initiated on April 1.

But the world that was moving too slowly for these women was full of changes. In the year 1870:

- the first boardwalk in America was completed in Atlantic City, N.J.

- Standard Oil Company was formed by John D. Rockefeller.

- the Great Atlantic and Pacific Tea Company (later known as A&P) was organized.

- the first political cartoon to use the donkey as a symbol for the Democratic Party appeared in *Harper's Weekly* on January 16

- Mississippi, Virginia, Texas and Georgia were granted representation in the U.S. Congress under the Reconstruction Act


- Construction of the Brooklyn Bridge began

- the refrigerated railroad car made its debut

- the 15th Amendment was adopted March 30 stating that no citizen shall be deprived of the right to vote because of race, color, or previous condition of servitude (no mention of sex)

- Charles Dickens died, leaving his final book *Mystery of Edwin Drood* unfinished

Syracuse University, Wellesley College (founded as Wellesley Female Seminary), The Ohio State University (founded as Ohio Agricultural and Mechanical College), and Loyola University were all chartered.

A seedling began to take root 125 years ago on a bridge overlooking a small stream on the Monmouth College campus, the dream of Minnie Stewart and embraced by her friends. One woman's dream has today turned into reality for approximately 166,300 women initiated into Kappa Kappa Gamma. 

— Julie Fisher Lunsted, Westminster Fraternity Historian



The bridge of Monmouth College is where dreams of Kappa Kappa Gamma began.

Hot off the Press

Chapter Leadership Guides are here

It's a new, user-friendly way of doing business. *The Chapter Leadership Guides* and Officer Booklets are in the hands of chapter officers across the continent.

These new resources, along with *The Kappa Notebook*, are all any chapter officer will require (with exceptions as noted); there is no longer a need for

additional notebooks, folders, etc. *The Leadership Guide*, along with Officer Booklet, is all inclusive, with a place for Chapter Bylaws, Standing Rules, Report Forms, and correspondence.

These resources outline specific duties and responsibilities for officers and committees. They should be utilized

for Leadership Training, and the Skills and Organization section is invaluable for Leadership Day.

Developed as the collegiate companion to *The Alumnae Leadership Guide* released last spring, these publications should guide the chapters easily and efficiently into the next century.

Alumnae Achievement Award Nominations

Diplomat! Scientist! Volunteer! Entertainer! Doctor! Elected Official! Artist!...to name a few categories!
National and International Figures!

The Fraternity continues to honor its outstanding alumnae by recognizing individual excellence in volunteer and professional pursuits, a tradition established in 1946.

Your nominee must be currently active in her field with involvement of a **national scope**. Many alumnae earn well-deserved local recognition, but this award requires more than local acclaim.

The deadline for acceptance of nominations is **May 15, 1995.**

A one-page letter must accompany the nomination, enumerating the manner in which the nominee has fulfilled criteria for the award. Additional materials such as news clippings and articles are helpful. Please use the form below to submit nominations.

Alumnae Achievement Award Nomination

Please complete the following and send to: Cathy Carswell, 16 Highland Way, Scarsdale, NY 10583.
All nominations must be received by May 15, 1995.

Name: _____ Date: _____

(Last) (First) (Maiden) (Husband's name)

Complete Address: _____

Telephone Number: _____

University or College: _____ Degree Earned: _____

Chapter: _____ Initiation Year: _____

Field of Achievement: _____

Outstanding Honors or Recognition of a National/International Scope: _____

Nominated by: _____
(Chapter, Alumnae Association or Individual)

Your Address: _____

Telephone Number: _____

Nominee's Participation in KKG Activities: _____

Nomination must be accompanied by a one-page supportive letter enumerating the manner in which the nominee has fulfilled criteria for the Alumnae Achievement Award. News clippings, magazine articles, and pictures are also appropriate.

In Memoriam

Honoring those we have loved and lost.

Names which appear in this listing are from information received by Headquarters from September 14, 1994 to January 6, 1995.

*Adelphi College

Giambalvo, Giacomina Degiuseppe, '27,d.6/88
Keister, Helen Hosey, '50,d.8/94

*Adrian College

Cagnacci, Sibyl Ritchie, '36,d.7/94
Kelley, Margaret Omara, '30,d.1/93

Akron, University of

Billow, Vyla Hudson, '17,d.11/94
Heepe, Barbara Shank, '36,d.11/94
Turney, Patricia Handley, '47,d.09/94

Alabama, University of

Gray, Stacy, '89,d.9/94

Allegheny College

Kurfess, Marion Dusenberry, '19,d.10/94
Stepka, Bonnie Thomas, '43,d.10/94

Arizona State University

Besch, Mary Brown, '67,d.2/94

Arizona, University of

Cleave, Carrie Markley, '41,d.10/94
Riley, Flora, '42,d.10/94

*Arkansas, U of, Little Rock

Wright, Janeil Slayden, '66,d.4/94

British Columbia, University of

Snell, Alice Morrow, '29,d.4/89

Bucknell University

Scheirer, Larue Snyder, '53,d.10/94
Wyma, Barbara Wolford, '59,d.07/94

Butler University

Bise, Henrietta Cochran, '15,d.3/94
Pence, Helen Strawmyer, '26,d.10/94
Pringle, Harriet Kistner, '22,d.11/94

California, U. of Berkeley

Sayre, Margaret Lowell, '19,d.2/94
Underhill, Marian Martens, '25,d.10/94

California, U of Los Angeles

Barker, Louise Forve, '39,d.12/94
Sullivan, Marion Adams, '25,d.12/91
Toberman, Lucy Guild, '28,d.10/94

Carnegie-Mellon University

Trecartin, Katherine Glass, '45,d.8/94

Cincinnati, University of

Ely, Doris Gifford, '24,d.12/94
Fearnought, Margaret Kisker, '34,d.5/94
Sharpe, Wilma Strawn, '29,d.12/92

Colorado College

Bender, Sally Jameson, '57,d.8/94
James, Helen McCreery, '38,d.10/94
Matthes, Ruth Harrison, '36,d.6/94
Merritt, Sally Ketring, '43,d.8/94

Colorado, University of

Campbell, Eleanor Goodridge, '22,d.11/94
Helgren, Winifred Lathrop, '22,d.12/94
Johnson, Sally Barber, '40,d.12/93

Cornell University

Davies, Mary Butler, '20,d.11/93

Denison University

Cowles, Helen Brabrook, '29,d.12/94
Haverick, Barbara Drake, '36,d.10/94

DePauw University

Ballard, Margaret Macy, '25,d.1/94
Beroth, Janet, '19,d.11/94
Evans, Mary Miller, '50,d.11/94
Howard, Elizabeth Zimmermann, '31,d.12/93
Martin, Barbara Cline, '40,d.10/94
Mutz, Carol Simmons, '64,d.10/91
Westphal, Mary Ellis, '56,d.10/93

Drake University

Ott, Dorothy Welch, '37,d.11/94
Wellman, Frances Petry, '37,d.12/92

Duke University

Johnson, Johnnie Hardy, '37,d.10/94

George Washington University

Palmer, Rosalie, '31,d.11/94

Georgia, University of

Hoskins, Beverly Bottoms, '48,d.11/94
MacPherson, Jane Evans, '67,d.11/94

*Goucher College

Hunt, Elizabeth, '36,d.5/94
Kerrwood, Bond Anderson, '38,d.12/94

Hillsdale College

Armstrong, Carol Goodyear, '50,d.9/94
Covey, Gail Ramsdell, '59,d.11/94
Gauthier, Sondra Edmondson, '53,d.4/94
Githens, Lola Campbell, '33,d.10/94
Lawton, Mary Childs, '37,d.8/94
Lorenz, Gale Lindwall, '56,d.4/94

Idaho, University of

Berg, Elizabeth Eastman, '28,d.11/94
Brunsell, Anne Hamblin, '55,d.11/94
Hansen, Velma Bilderback, '46,d.4/92
Mohn, Valborg Kjosness, '16,d.9/94
Mulrone, Gladys Putnam, '19,d.10/94
Partington, Joan Matz, '55,d.10/94
Shell, Johanna Keane, '23,d.5/93
Skiles, Ruth Runyon, '35,d.5/94

Illinois Wesleyan University

Lee, Louise Vawter, '31,d.5/94
Nash, Laura Crossman, '42,d.11/94

Indiana University

Bond, Prudence Palfrey, '21,d.3/93
Harris, Lillian, '17,d.9/94
Leonard, June Bolinger, '24,d.9/94
Neely, Jane Stewart, '36,d.11/94
Price, Katherine Fritsch, '37,d.1/94
Talley, Caroline Schmidt, '25,d.2/93

Iowa, University of

Bamber, Dorothy Minas, '30,d.2/94
Bosschart, Mary Loudon, '33,d.9/94
King, Margaret Kennedy, '17,d.11/94
Kinnan, Betty Carrier, '38,d.10/94
Martin, Dorris Brownlee, '19,d.12/93
Stewart, Dorothy Herrick, '25,d.5/94

Kansas State University

Geith, Virginia Smith, '34,d.10/93
McCormick, Mary Davis, '19,d.8/94
Morrison, Patricia Heaston, '52,d.5/94

Kansas, University of

Lisk, Ruth Patterson, '36,d.10/94
Smythe, Louise Leaming, '27,d.3/94

Kentucky, University of

Anderson, Sara Tucker, '27,d.8/94
Brabant, Lana Coates, '24,d.11/94
Gallagher, Ann Oldham, '44,d.5/85

Louisiana State University

Marron, Mary Hunter, '43,d.12/94

*Manitoba, University of

Boxer, Ruth, '28,d.2/94

*Maryland, University of

Colteryahn, Peggy Bradley, '51,d.3/94

Miami, University of

McLaughlin, Rita Meersman, '44,d.12/92

Michigan State University

Murray, Helen Wilson, '34,d.11/94

Michigan, University of

Blanton, Veramae Adams, '42,d.10/94
Craig, Katherine Brook, '29,d.9/94
Holmes, Edith Frederick, '34,d.10/94
Parker, Eleanor Heckathorn, '35,d.7/94

*Middlebury College

Parsons, Judith Remington, '58,d.12/92

Minnesota, University of

Fowler, June Guynes, '31,d.4/94
Harris, Esther Peik, '22,d.11/94
Hawes, Leah Taylor, '26,d.11/94
Pond, Dorothy Loomis, '22,d.12/94

Missouri, University of

Polhamus, Mary McGinnis, '48,d.11/94

Monmouth College

Peters, Carolbel Creswell, '58,d.6/85
Torley, Esther Turnbull, '34,d.8/94

Nebraska, University of

Cownie, Sallie, '60,d.10/94
Rodgers, Katharine Mayhew, '27,d.8/94
Vinsant, Gwendolyn Edee, '23,d.10/94

New Mexico, University of

Daly, Margaret Burns, '37,d.9/94
Fletcher, Virginia Burns, '38,d.10/94
Lipp, Doris Brooks, '30,d.12/94
Manda, Marilyn Pearre, '40,d.6/94
Merchant, Mollie Culpepper, '22,d.10/94

North Carolina, University of

Gibbs, Elizabeth Van Wagenen, '59,d.8/93
Redmon, Patricia, '75,d.11/94

Northwestern University

Jones, Elizabeth Fowler, '24,d.6/94

Ohio State University

Cook, Rosemary Bitzer, '47,d.10/94
Teegardin, Betty Hester, '34,d.10/94

Ohio Wesleyan University

Bolinger, Zetta Allison, '45,d.10/94

Oklahoma State University

Rohrer, Cathy Burrow, '69,d.9/93

Oklahoma, University of

Coffey, Gayle Wilkinson, '28,d.9/93
Fryer, Vera Wigger, '26,d.10/94
Harris, Jane Galloway, '37,d.10/94
McClure, Ernestine Guillot, '22,d.4/92
Oakes, Loraine Coppedge, '24,d.9/94
Petree, Margaret Petree, '03/14/25,d.12/94
Tyler, Gertrude Krogstad, '49,d.9/94

Oregon State University

Fox, Nancy Kremers, '27,d.5/94
Ostlind, Jean Gallien, '38,d.11/94

Oregon, University of

Ervin, Kathryn Kirk, '27,d.3/94
Harding, Mariana Van Loben Sels, '39,d.6/94
Hitchcock, Carol Hansell, '37,d.8/93

Pennsylvania State University

Davis, Joyce Buchanan, '50,d.10/94

*Pennsylvania, University of

Dolan, Mildred Horner, '29,d.9/94
Knight, Mabel Reed, '29,d.10/94

Pittsburgh, University of

Dimling, Helen Schatzman, '31,d.10/94
Tausig, Esther Conlin, '37,d.3/94

Purdue University

Mueller, Patricia Heuring, '38,d.12/93

Rollins College

Pugh, Erma Van Gilder, '42,d.7/94

San Jose State University

Long, Elizabeth McAlister, '49,d.11/94

St. Lawrence University

King, Virginia Wight, '47,d.10/94
Whelley, Martha Jaquet, '38,d.10/94

Southern Methodist University

Carsey, Martha Harrell, '29,d.9/94
Melton, Virginia Haynie, '29,d.10/94
Storey, Ann Lary, '37,d.10/94

Stanford University

Craig, Meta Jury, '28,d.2/93

Syracuse University

Bullock, Charlotte Morse, '29,d.9/94
Luhman, Ruth Clague, '30,d.10/94
Vincent, Grace Williams, '26,d.11/94

Texas, University of

Byrne, Helen Grimes, '44,d.8/94
Dealy, Heather Lynn, '92,d.12/94
Edwards, Sarita Barber, '29,d.8/94
Winter, Martha Wiseman, '31,d.9/94

Toronto, University of

Stoneman, Alice, '44,d.9/94
Walters, Margaret Walters, '26,d.3/92

Tulane University

Harrington, Hazel Lampert, '18,d.10/94
Robinson, Jean Walker, '40,d.12/93

Utah, University of

Farnes, Edith Budd, '34,d.9/94
Gittins, Gayle Olsen, '47,d.6/94
Michelsen, Elaine Stevenson, '32,d.9/94
Taylor, Mary Pinkerton, '35,d.10/94
Waring, Marilyn Olson, '53,d.1/91

Washington State University

Ellingson, Janice Tveten, '53,d.11/93
Moore, Lucille Kirsch, '25,d.9/94
Vander Meulen, Irene Kruegel, '37,d.9/94

Washington University

Alexander, Mary Anderson, '44,d.8/94
Eakin, Emily Holt, '30,d.4/89
Gage, Marian Barnard, '27,d.5/81
Harper, Marian Reis, '51,d.10/94

**Washington, University of**

Clizbe, Dorothy Pattullo, '38,d.9/94
Flint, Betty Nagelvoort, '29,d.12/92
Galbraith, Mary, '32,d.5/94
Kelly, Margaret Grimes, '20,d.10/94
Plimpton, Nancy Grimes, '27,d.4/94
Simmons, Ann Ferguson, '36,d.6/92

West Virginia University

Irwin, Virginia Hervey, '28,d.5/94

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Wagoner, Ann Rich, '44,d.12/90
Warren, Rebecca Guiher, '26,d.2/92

Whitman College

Greene, Mary Crouch, '46,d.11/94
Richter, Sharon Palmer, '64,d.3/94

William & Mary, College of

Aird, Mildred Vaiden, '23,d.12/93
Brown-Millard, Sally Smith, '63,d.5/94

Memorial gifts may be sent to the Kappa Kappa Gamma Foundation, Fraternity Headquarters, attention Marilyn Jennings.

Frechette, Caroline Geddy, '48,d.12/94
Young, Helen Goodwyn, '25,d.7/94

Wisconsin, University of

Lyons, Jerry King, '41,d.11/93
Ratner, Josephine Trumbower, '40,d.9/94
Robertson, Elizabeth Wilson, '26,d.10/94

Wyoming, University of

Brown, Jean Balensiefer, '33,d.1/93
Shumaker, Lucille Fletcher, '30,d.8/94
Twynem, Virginia Kutcher, '32,d.8/87

* indicates inactive chapters

Correction

In the Winter issue, the death of **Carolee Cuthbertson Benson, Nebraska**, was incorrectly listed as occurring 3/94. The correct date of death was 5/94. *The Key* regrets the error.

Eleanor Goodridge Campbell, Colorado 1904 - 1994

Being Fraternity President was "something great" to Eleanor Goodridge "Goodie" Campbell. The Fraternity is saddened by her death on November 25, 1994.

A woman of great wit and charm, Goodie wanted members in the Fraternity to believe in fun. "Let's give three cheers for Kappa Kappa Gamma," she proclaimed at the 1962 Convention, and alumnae and collegians jumped to their feet to cheer the Fraternity.

Born in Denver, Colo., Goodie entered the University of Colorado at the age of 17 and in 1922 was initiated at Beta Mu Chapter. After graduating cum laude with a major in mathematics, she married Joseph L. Campbell, a fellow University of Colorado graduate. They had two children, Joe Jr., and Carol, also a member of Beta Mu Chapter.

Her interest in Beta Mu never flagged, even cutting short her honeymoon to get back home in time for the chapter's Rush week. Asked to serve as the chapter's finance adviser (the only advisory position in existence in 1925), she soon dreamed up the idea of having an alumnae "Rush captain." Goodie, of course, volunteered to be the first one.

After holding several positions in the Denver Alumnae Association, Goodie became Eta Province president in 1941. She then served as assistant in the west to the Director of Alumnae. Her 12 years on the Council began when she was elected Director of Alumnae (1948-1952), then Director of Membership (1952-1956), and Fraternity President (1956-1960).

To quote Goodie:

"I tried to manage the alumnae with a very loose rein.

"I adored being Director of Membership

"I had a wonderful time being President."

In each of these assignments she developed remarkable rapport with her colleagues — especially the collegians. Her sharp mind and delightful sense of humor made her an inspiring leader. Her obsession was the importance of membership. "Chapters," she claimed, "are the grass roots of the Fraternity and therefore main-

taining the quality of membership is ALL important." Under her supervision as Director of Membership and as President, state

Alumnae Reference Chairmen were appointed. Rush techniques and guidelines were spelled out, and four new chapters were installed — Epsilon Beta, *Colorado State*, Epsilon Gamma, *North Carolina*, Epsilon Delta, *Arizona State*, and Epsilon Epsilon, *Emory*.

Goodie also launched the plan to bring one adviser from each chapter to Convention. Among her other accomplishments were the development of the rehabilitation program and its scholarship aid.

She also presided over the end of a Kappa dream. Though much time, effort, and thought had been expended supervising the Hearthstone, an alumnae guest home in Winter Park, Fla., the decision was made to sell the house and end the project.

Though her husband died during her final year as President, Goodie continued active participation in Fraternity affairs, immediately becoming membership adviser for Beta Mu Chapter. She then joined the Fraternity's Finance Committee for a 10-year period, eventually serving as chairman. She also headed a committee of Fraternity Presidents to draft a resolution for the Centennial Program.

Goodie's outstanding attribute during her long life as an alumna was her ability to stay in touch with younger members — especially the collegians. Her three Kappa granddaughters agree that one of Goodie's strengths was her desire to participate with collegiate members and to listen and understand their point of view. At the age of 89, she was still writing recommendations on behalf of young women with whom she was personally acquainted.

Most of all, Goodie continued her commitment to the members of Kappa Kappa Gamma Fraternity. "I want Kappa to grow with the times, but still stick to the essential ideals and standards. Membership should be inspiring, rewarding, challenging and FUN."



Runner Completes Marathon to Help Leukemia Victims

Nonie Hudnall, *Clemson*, started running four years ago at age 40 and now her kitchen is papered with running numbers and her cozy house is covered with trophies. This year she is ranked the number one female runner in the South Carolina racing circuit.

Because she has enjoyed good health, she has decided to do something for others less fortunate. Two young boys, leukemia victims aged seven and eight in her home of Spartanburg, S.C., will benefit.

This past January she joined 8,000 other runners in the Disney World Marathon in Orlando, Fla., a 26.2-mile run, as a "Team-N-Training" member, a special group pledged to raise money for leukemia victims.

A psychiatric counselor, Nonie is a charter member of Epsilon Mu Chapter and the year-old **Spartanburg Area Alumnae Association**.

Washington Dentist Earns Mastership Award

Kathryn Lane Poleson, D.M.D., *Idaho*, received the Academy of General Dentistry's (AGD) prestigious Mastership Award at the AGD's 42nd annual meeting in Indianapolis.

The Academy is the second largest dental organization in North America. Its 32,000 members are dedicated to continuing education in general practice. To earn the Mastership Award, AGD dentists must first obtain AGD Fellowship status by passing an exam and completing 500 course hours within 10 years. Masters must complete 600 additional hours, 400 of which must be earned through hands-on courses.

Kathryn maintains two private practices, one in **Portland, Ore.**, and the other in **Vancouver, Wash.** She teaches part-time at Clark College School of Dental Hygiene in Vancouver.



Kathryn Lane Poleson, D.M.D., Idaho, has reached a Mastership in dentistry through continued study.

Up, Up, and Away for a Delta Province PDA.

As Province Director of Alumnae for Delta (South), **Ute Finch Sisler**, *Butler*, has found a novel way to travel quickly to the different alumnae associations in her area. "Working full time makes this difficult," she says, "especially when the alumnae groups are more than two hours away and many events are on weekends or at night."

With the help of some Kappa friends, Ute found Brett Streigel, her Kappa Ko-pilot. Brett is a pilot willing to fly anywhere — just to get hours logged in the air. Ute and Brett's first trip was to **Ft. Wayne, Ind.** to attend a Kappa/Theta auction.

The auction is Ft. Wayne's most popular event. Every lady brought an auction item, such as gift baskets, watercolors, and other goodies. The Kappa items brought in \$800 that will be distributed to the association's charities.

Joy Wilkens Torrie, *Miami (Ohio)*, and Association Co-President **Ann Ritchie Deister**, *Purdue*, served as auctioneers.

"There are more trips planned for Brett and me!" Ute bravely states.



Ute Finch Sisler, Butler, and her Kappa Ko-pilot **Brett Streigel** tour Delta (South) Province in a Beach Bonanza.

Educators Receive Awards in Iowa and Georgia

"People who know me know that very seldom am I speechless," said **Diane Rix Weitz**, *Drake*, principal of an elementary school in **Carter Lake, Iowa**, when she received a Milken Family Foundation National Educator Award. Diane was one of five Iowans chosen for the award, which brings with it \$25,000 in cash to be used as she chooses. She intends to put the money back into the school system.

Diane's schools have already received awards for innovation, and she was recently named Iowa Elementary Principal of the Year.

Kathleen Swank Barkley, *Miami (Ohio)*, was selected by the Georgia Council of Teachers of English as State Middle School Teacher of the Year. Formerly president of her chapter, Kathleen used to live and teach in Ohio where she was Gallion's Teacher of the Year in 1980 and a finalist for Ohio's State Teacher of the Year. She now resides in **Roswell, Ga.**, with her husband and their five-year-old daughter.

Honors Pile upon Honors for Zoologist Jane Lubchenco

A MacArthur Fellow...Pew Scholar...former president of the Ecological Society of America...1994 Oregon Scientist of the Year...an incomplete list of prestigious accomplishments...and now **Jane Lubchenco**, *Colorado College*, has become president-elect of the American Association for the Advancement of Science. If you ask her, however, to choose her greatest accomplishment, she will say simply, "Our two sons."

Internationally recognized as a scientist and teacher, Jane is a marine ecologist. Her research focuses on intertidal zone ecology and conservation. She studies such issues as how climate change affects near-shore ecosystems.

Jane's interest in science started as a young child growing up camping, backpacking with her family, and "being interested in everything," according to *The Oregon Stater*. "When I was an undergraduate at Colorado College, I took a course in invertebrate zoology at Woods Hole in my junior year, and that was a catalytic experience for me," Jane says. "After being exposed to marine biology and to people who were actively engaged in research, I came away knowing that this is what I wanted to do."

Her hero is her mom, who was a pediatrician and mother of six daughters, of whom Jane is the oldest. Her mom continued in practice, working half time after her daughters were born, and was active as a Girl Scout leader and in other activities with her children. She taught Jane that one can juggle many things. "Her philosophy was to focus on what's important and then get it done."

The MacArthur Fellowship is one of the most coveted in the nation. Jane won \$280,000 in 1993 to be used as she wishes — no strings attached. A year earlier she won a three-year \$150,000 scholarship for her work from the Pew Charitable Trust in Conservation. In becoming a fellow of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences, founded in 1780 by John Adams, she joined such luminaries as Jimmy Carter, William Safire, John Chancellor, and Susan Sontag. As president of the American Association for the Advancement of Sci-

Atlanta's Fashions and Diamonds Show is Glitzy...and It All Began with a Sewing Group

The women who formed the Sewing Group in Atlanta in the 1930s never dreamed their group would grow into today's 2,800-member **Atlanta Alumnae Association**, or that their charitable handwork would evolve into the glitzy \$10,000 Fashions and Diamonds affair. Yet seven of the original members were on hand for a reunion during Convention in Atlanta.

The Sewing Group met every two weeks at a member's home and stitched garments for needy children and newborns at the local hospitals. Always looking for bargains, members contributed fabric, thread, and rickrack. The alumnae would budget money for shoes and other needs of the children. The Sewing Group remained an important part of the alumnae association until the mid-1980s.

This month the Atlanta Alumnae Association will host its 33rd annual Fashions and Diamonds luncheon and fashion show, which will raise in excess of \$10,000 for the Georgia Council on Child Abuse. Co-sponsored by Lenox Shopping Center, the luncheon will feature a fashion show by the center's upscale shops and fabulous door prizes, including jewelry by Cartier.



Seven of the Atlanta Kappas whose Sewing Group evolved into the Atlanta Alumnae Association gathered for a reunion during Convention in Atlanta.

ence, she will be one of the pre-eminent scientists in the nation.

Winning awards has "provided validation of the importance of the activities I've been engaged in," she said. "Ecological understanding must form the cornerstone for environmental problem solving."

She is proudest of her two sons, ages 13 and 16, and of the pioneering arrangement she and her husband, Dr. Bruce Menge, made as they pursued a novel solution to combining family and academic careers. Eighteen years ago, they split a faculty position at Oregon State University. Each relinquished a full-time assistant professorship, Jane at Harvard and Bruce at the University of Massachusetts in Boston, to accept

a half-time tenure track assistant professorship at Oregon State. This allowed each time to teach, conduct research, and spend time with their young children.

Jane and Bruce are completing a sabbatical in New Zealand where they have been conducting collaborative and independent ecological studies of intertidal shores.

"I really like what I am doing," Jane says. "Academia offers the opportunity of doing a wide range of different things — teaching, research, and service activities, each of which enriches and enhances the others. I also like trying to put pieces of a puzzle together and looking at different ways for answers to solving problems."

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Young Kappa Groups Jump-Start the Year With Exciting Ideas

Some brand new, young, or rejuvenated alumnae associations are proving that size and longevity are not prerequisites for action-packed programs and well-organized groups.

Zeta North Province Director of Alumnae **Mary Miller Holmstrom, Oklahoma State**, reports that people traveled by boat to the newly-organized **Lake of the Ozarks Association** luncheon.

Down East Maine Kappas gathered March 11 for brunch at a floating restaurant prior to cheering the Portland Pirates hockey team in a contest with Hershey, Pa. These adventure-some women shopped at the L.L. Bean Store in December, then proceeded to their Outdoor Discovery Program presentation of a raft expedition in the Amazon Basin. In April, they plan to observe the state legislature in session before touring the capitol and historic buildings. The day will end with browsing through antique shops. Their June get-together will be at Laudholm Farm which dates to the 1600's and where salt marshes, estuaries, wild flowers, birds, and vintage buildings are in abundance. Then on to the Rachel Carson Preserve, named for the author of *Silent Spring*.

Twenty Kappas from six small towns have formed the **Paducah (Ky.) Alumnae Association** with the help of Nu (North) Province Director of Alumnae **Jean Robinson Moore, Kentucky**. They obtained a galley, or address list, from Fraternity Headquarters and were surprised to learn of 50 Kappas representing 20 chapters in their area. Barely six months old, this group has set goals, published a newsletter, enjoyed gourmet dinners, gone antiquing, and now are planning with other Greek groups an informational rush party for potential rushees, according to charter president **Sid Ellis Hancock, Vanderbilt**. Jean has also assisted the **Chattanooga, Tenn.**, group in reorganizing.

With membership up to 31 and still growing, the **Mid-Maryland Alumnae Association** will sell braided bread dough and host a spring yard sale to

fund a local philanthropy and the Kappa Kappa Gamma Foundation. The group's four-page newsletter, edited by **Ginger Beck Voss, Baylor**, describes the year's programs, giving dates, directions, and car pooling for each.

Recently celebrating first anniversaries are the **Butler County (Ohio)** and **Napa Valley (Calif.) Associations**. The Napa Valley Kappas held a pot-luck dinner and shared favorite books, poems, or photos.



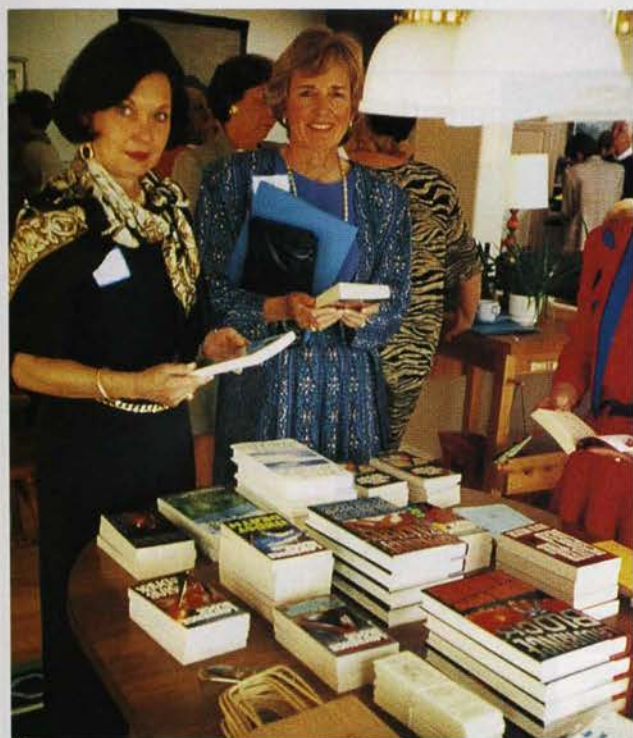
Barely six months old, the Paducah (KY) Alumnae Association has planned a year full of Kappa and Panhellenic events.



Chattanooga, Tenn., alumnae called all area Kappas to a tea to reorganize the group, elect new officers, and resume Kappa friendships.



Gamma Province's newest alumnae group brings together women from a wide area of Butler County, Ohio. The association recently celebrated its first anniversary.



Denver alumnae look over books for sale at the Kick-Off Party for the annual Kappa Book and Author Dinner.

Denver's Annual Book and Author Dinner Raises \$28,000 for KKG and Local Charities

The **Denver Alumnae Association's** fifth annual Kappa Book and Author Dinner raised \$28,000 for KKG and local charities. This major fund raiser brings nationally known authors to autograph and talk about their works at a book sale which precedes an elegant dinner for 525.

This year's four writers were Peter Maas, author of *China White*, Bill Thomas, who wrote *Club Fed*, Nevada Barr, author of the history *A Superior Death*, and Tracy Kidder, who penned *Old Friends*.

Barbara Ford Thelen, *Denison*, past chairman of the event, praised the support of patrons which gathered \$3,000 over proceeds from the previous year. The funds were dispersed to the Kappa Kappa Gamma Foundation and local scholarships; the Craig Hospital, a nationally recognized rehabilitation facility for patients with injuries to the brain or spinal cord; and to the Gathering Place, a day center for women and children who are homeless or at risk of homelessness.

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Senior Kappas Take Center Stage

Standing in the spotlight in their communities are three Kappas whose varied achievements are being recognized and who prove that being a senior citizen does not slow them down.

Jean Knight Bain, Colorado, of **Denver** shared a local award for community service with her husband Francis. Jean chaired the Education Committee while a member of the Colorado State legislature. While on the committee she listened to a teacher describe the struggle of teaching blind children. There weren't enough books in Braille to go around. Jean learned Braille so she could translate books for the classrooms and did so for more than 20 years.

Over the years, the Bains have opened their home to various political causes. "I don't know how many envelopes we've licked at that table," Jean says, pointing to the dining room.

She has served on the Defense Department's Committee on Women in the Armed Forces, the executive council of the United Church of Christ, and as a trustee with two universities.

Escaping the computer...competing for a crown

Competing for the Ms. Senior America title in January was **June Long Campbell Knott, Oregon State**, a resident of Leisure World in **Laguna Hills, Calif.** Dressed in a long, black gown, June described her multi-dimensional decoupage art which is formed from using numerous copies of the same art print. Confessing that she is "obsessed" with her computer, June entered the pageant at her husband's urging. He wanted to get her away from her computer. A former personal shopper in Honolulu, June now devotes herself to her Kappa friends and the Mac-Intosh Computer Group.



June Long Campbell Knott, Oregon State, competed for the Ms. Senior America title in January. Her motto is "Good, better, best. Never let it rest. Until the good is better and the better is best."



Since 1980 the St. Louis Alumnae Association has raised more than \$140,000 for local charities and the Kappa Kappa Gamma Foundation through the sale of gift wrapping paper. Here St. Louis Kappas read to children at Our Little Haven, a home for drug-exposed and HIV-positive children. Our Little Haven and the Children's Advocacy Center have been local recipients.



"I like being old," said **Aline Pelphrey Christian, Oklahoma**, as she presided over her 100th birthday party in **Shawnee, Okla.**, amid politicians, Kappa alumnae, and members of the Daughters of the American Revolution. Aline began teaching school in Oklahoma 83 years ago and has been a stalwart of education and community service since that time.

As a child, Aline traveled by covered wagon to Indian Territory with her parents. She was hired as an algebra teacher at age 17 in a Seminole County school and later entered the University of Oklahoma and became a Kappa. Marriage took her to Tuscaloosa, Ala., where she founded the University of Alabama's Gamma Pi Chapter.

She joined the DAR at age 93, saying she didn't have time before that. A mainstay of the Shawnee Kappa alumnae group, she attended every meeting until this past year.

Programming Ideas

From politics to eyelid tucks, Kappa alumnae groups are offering a variety of topics to enlighten, educate, and/or enjoy. **Kansas City** Kappas hosted a pre-election bipartisan panel of Kappa experts from state government and television to discuss "Women in the Political Process." Borrowing from Convention, their Founders Day celebration led off with a Parade of Flags with each chapter in the association represented. This group offers its newsletter in big print to anyone notifying the editor of her need.

Dallas divides into four groups, Night and Day and Junior and Senior, for programs such as "How to Talk to Your Children So They Will Listen" and a tour of a mozzarella cheese company.

Pasadena, Calif. Kappas will convene in April at the Hale Solar Observatory. This historical monument offers a program about the early days of astronomical research. Taking advantage of a historical site in their vicinity, the **Long Beach, Calif.**, group will bus to Yorba Linda to see the Richard M. Nixon Library and birthplace.

Amador Valley, Calif., Kappas will take a quick test, then grade themselves with the assistance of Joan Case, their resident graphologist, as they have fun learning "How to Interpret Doodles."

Louisville, Ky., borrows an idea from Noah for its opener of the year: an Ark Party. For his ark, Noah gathered pairs of animals, so they ask each Kappa to find a partner and come in pairs. **Southern Ventura County, Calif.**, women learned to make handkerchief dolls.

The **Central Florida Alumnae Association** held decade parties in February. **Sarasota/Manatee (Fla.) Counties** Kappas will hear from a customs inspector, literature professor, and the Sarasota Opera. **Vicki Tallman Egnew, Ohio State, of Ozona, Fla.**, — who is serving as Area Chairman of the 1996 Convention at Innisbrook, Fla. — has briefed her group on its role during the biennial meeting.

And now about the eyelid tucks... It's the youthful **Napa Valley (Calif.) Association** who just learned all about cosmetic surgery.



Hilton Head, S.C., Kappas gather to commemorate the 10th anniversary of their association.

Bits and Pieces

Calling All Kappas: Trying to Locate Kappa Vases and Bowl. The Heritage Museum has learned of two beautiful pottery vases which the **Indianapolis Alumnae Association** sold as a fund raiser from 1928 to 1932. Designed especially for Indianapolis by the S. A. Weller Co. of Zanesville, Ohio, the pieces are in a basic color of soft blue with a dull satin finish, "handsomely hand-embossed with the fleur-de-lis." There were two varieties of flowers — all blue or natural. The entire decoration is in two shades of blue on the all-blue pieces. On the natural-shaded piece, the stem and leaves are green and the blossoms are two shades of blue with a yellow center. The bowl is all blue and undecorated.

If you have one of these pieces, please contact Kappa Headquarters.

Lincoln, Neb., alumnae have received much appreciation from the Rape Spouse Abuse Crisis Center in Lincoln for their generous gift of \$3500.

Ruth Ann Newton, Arkansas, Pi Province Director of Alumnae, reports that **Grace Burgett Dean, Whitman**, a 70-year Kappa from **Sacramento, Calif.**, has attended numerous Conventions and declares them cheaper than a spa and far more refreshing! One of the three scholarships given by the Sacramento Alumnae Panhellenic is named for Grace. Grace was thrilled when her great-granddaughter pledged Kappa at UC Davis this year.



Ohio State, Beta Nu, Kappas reminisce about 50 years in their chapter.

...Books...

"There is no accident in our choice of reading. All our sources are related."

— François Mauriac

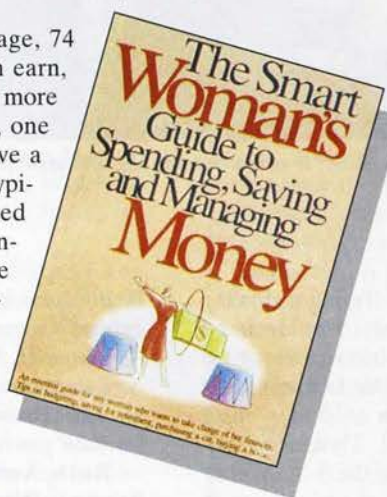
Two new books co-authored by Ellie Williams Pearl, Missouri, help women deal with financing today's needs and saving for tomorrow's plans. Ellie is a partner in MONEYWISE, a St. Louis-based training company specializing in financial education.

The Smart Woman's Guide to Spending, Saving, and Managing Money. By Ellie Williams Clinton, Missouri, and Diane Pearl. Career Press, Hawthorne, N.J. \$11.95

Women earn, on average, 74 cents for every dollar men earn, yet women pay 25 percent more for shampoo and haircuts, one or two dollars more to have a shirt laundered, and are typically charged more for used cars. Yet 72 percent of single-parent households are headed by women, 43 percent of individuals worth \$500,000 or more are women, and 30 percent of the 14 million individually-owned businesses in the United States are owned by women.

To help women get control of their financial lives, this book presents simple, easy-to-read tips about situations women confront during their lives including: buying a house and purchasing a car.

Every woman needs to be a savvy spender, an educated investor and a successful saver. This book helps you become all three.

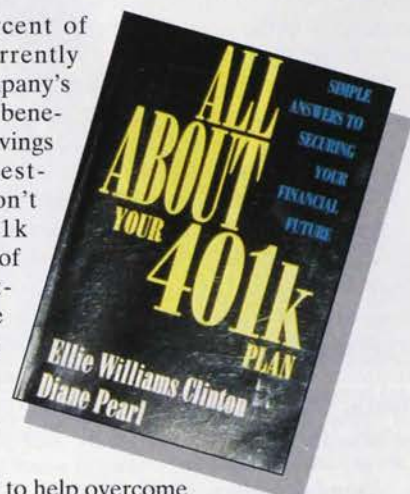


All About your 401k Plan

By Ellie Williams Clinton, Missouri, and Diane Pearl. Probus Publishing, Chicago, Ill. \$19.95

Fewer than 25 percent of eligible employees currently participate in their company's 401k plans despite the benefits of immediate tax savings and tax-deferred investment growth. Many don't understand how 401k plans work, are afraid of making wrong investment choices, believe retirement is too far away to plan for now, or are skeptical of something offered by their employer.

This book is designed to help overcome concerns about understanding and managing 401k plans. Inside this helpful guide you'll find everything you need to participate in your company's plan including: savings and investment strategies, pros and cons of after-tax investing, and how to get the most for your money over time.



Getting to the Heart, Giving from the Heart

A Kappa's friendship inspires new book

"Sometimes we must wait patiently for the treasures of life.
Sometimes those treasures wait patiently for us."

The author, Mary Kay Shanley, is not a Kappa, but the friendship of her next door neighbor, Karen Green Van Hon, Iowa State, inspired the book *She Taught Me to Eat Artichokes*. As Karen's daughter Kristin Fjelland Longley, Missouri, states, "The story centers on the importance of women's friendships, which typifies the bonds established among sorority sisters."

"Using the artichoke — whose petals surround its heart — as a symbol, the book traces the growth of friendship between two women, watching as they peel away the layers that surround each of them. The message is simple: if one takes the time and makes the effort to develop a friendship, the rewards can last a lifetime."

Karen died of cancer in 1993, but the feeling of friendship she inspired is captured by Mary Kay's words:

"That's how it is with people sometimes. You peel the layers off one by one. Slowly. Patiently.

"Making time. Taking time.

"Rewarded in small ways. And all the while you're working toward a goal you didn't know was there."

The book, illustrated by Paul Micich, is available from Sta-Kris Inc., P.O. Box 1131, Marshalltown, Iowa 50158.



Through the Keyhole



Editor's Note: We are delighted to be receiving so many letters but regret that we are unable to print each one. Please keep writing *The Key* and know that we appreciate your input. Letters are edited for clarity and length.

The recent issue of *The Key* including the articles on scholarships and grants to Kappas and the impressive listing of Foundation donors throughout the continent moved me to make my own contribution.

As an undergraduate at the University of Oregon in the late 60s, I was awarded a small Kappa scholarship each year. Later, as a graduate student at UC Berkeley, I received a Kappa grant. These small awards helped me financially and also fueled my desire to further my own education and professional goals. I recently completed another three-year graduate program at Berkeley, this time without the assistance of a Kappa grant. More than a financial struggle, the struggle was a personal one — that of balancing my academic dreams with the needs of my home and family. In earning my Masters in Architecture, I completed a lifelong professional dream.

I firmly believe that helping Kappas (young or old) follow their professional dreams should be an important goal of the Kappa Kappa Gamma Foundation. My best to you.

— Constance de Laveaga Stoops, Oregon

My copy of *The Key* just arrived! So appropriate to have this "feelings-of-the-Kappa-heart" issue just in time for our December holidays, when we are filled with warmth and joy and caring for humanity and especially our Kappa sisters.

Thank you for the great articles on Rose McGill and the Holiday Sharing program. The interest in the project grows annually, as does the need. It was so meaningful to have you highlight Patty Knupp's story as typical of the sisters who are receiving help and caring from Kappa sisters everywhere.

Issues of *The Key* are being read word for word these days and shared with non-Kappas with pride. What a wonderful magazine it has become! Thank you for all you have done to make it special.

— Jane Tournier Curry, Indiana,
Holiday Sharing Chairman

My congratulations on a fabulous new format for *The Key*. The cover of the Winter issue was simply lovely, and snappy headlines create an award-winning format. The 1995 proposed trips on page 63 "It's TRIPlets" — how clever.

My Kappa "Kongratulations" to Christine Erickson Astone, her new editor and staff for a spiffy and snazzy publication.

— Marial Hantz Hunt, Arkansas

The Key is a dynamic magazine, far better at delivering information with its new graphics and format. I love it!

But readers should be assured that all facts are adequately referenced. This statement [in the Fall 1994 issue] set off alarm bells: "Of the nation's 12 million college students, estimates predict that between 240,000 and 360,000 will die this year from alcohol-related causes."

Using the lower estimate, one in every 50 college students will die this year from alcohol-related causes! Can this be true? Tell me it isn't so! Please tell me your fact checker slipped up.

As a parent, former PDC, house board member, and chapter adviser, I am well aware of continuing problems caused by alcohol use and abuse among college students. Handling alcohol-related problems drains so much energy from educators, chapter leaders, members, and advisers.

Since many parents read *The Key*, I would ask parents to take much more active roles in addressing problems caused by alcohol use. No one — not a parent, grandparent, sister, or friend — can give permission to those underage to break the law. Fake IDs should be confiscated and destroyed by parents at home and by caring sisters in our chapter houses.

Alumnae should stop bragging about drinking escapades while they were in college. Those stories are no longer entertaining because alcohol abuse is killing the hopes and dreams of too many students and their families.

— Patricia Maness Kriz, Colorado

Editor's Note: Patricia Kriz did catch an error. The statement is a lifetime statistic. Numbers can be tricky, and it is too easy to unintentionally inflate a report. *The Key* appreciates Patricia's sharp eyes and her desire to set straight a very sobering story.

In addition, readers should note that the story "Risky Business" in the Fall 1994 issue, quoted a report from the Center of Addiction and Substance Abuse at Columbia University (CASA) — a story run by *The New York Times*, *The Washington Post*, and *USA Today*, among others. A recent (1995) issue of *Forbes MediaCritic* disputes the findings of this study. At the time of press for *The Key*, CASA, headed by former Health, Education, and Welfare Secretary Joseph Califano, stands by its report.

In the Winter 1994 issue of *The Key* I read a letter to the editor regarding the use of the word "chairman."

I have enclosed a copy of the resolution passed by the national Association of Parliamentarians regarding this matter. The article states "The 20th Convention of the National Association of Parliamentarians in San Francisco passed the following resolution:

RESOLVED That organizations and parliamentarians of the National Association of Parliamentarians must use the term Chairman instead of "Chairperson" and be it

RESOLVED That all NAP members should stress the principle that the word Chairman belongs to the title of the office the same as the title of President or Secretary."

I applaud you for not changing your style and hope you'll continue using the proper term, chairman. I believe it is important for everyone to understand this point.

— Ann Wermuth Robinson, Lawrence

Through the Keyhole

A thank you for the delightful article you wrote about Patty Knupp. It was truly heart warming. I have received several checks and notes from all over (mainly California) which have been sent on to the Parishioner's Fund at St. Matthews Church (Patty's church in Newton, Kansas.) Most of all, Patty is thrilled with the story. Thank you for all you did.

— Mary Morris Boyd, Kansas

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Special Award Key with Diamonds (not shown)	-	475.00	-	-
9. Special Award Key with Emeralds	-	110.00	-	-

NOTE: For Enameled Letters, add \$1.00 to the above prices.

(GK) Goldklat is a 14K electroplate.

(SS) Sterling Silver.

GREEK LETTER CHAPTER GUARDS

Please specify chapter letters

10a. Plain Single Letter Guard	-	30.00	11.50	-
b. Plain Double Letter Guard	-	35.00	14.00	-
c. Chased Single Letter Guard	-	30.00	14.00	-
d. Chased Double Letter Guard	-	40.00	17.00	-
e. Crown Pearl Single Letter Guard	-	60.00	33.50	-
f. Crown Pearl Double Letter Guard	-	75.00	51.00	-

NOTE: Guards available in ruby, sapphire, emerald and diamond stone combinations. Price available on request.

LAVALIERES

11. Crest Lavalier	47.00	31.50	12.50	12.50
12. Crown Pearl Staggered Letter Lavalier	110.50	85.00	63.00	-
13. GF Small Round Filigree Charm with Crest	-	45.50	25.50	25.50
14. GF Oval Filigree Charm with Greek Letters	-	48.00	28.00	28.00
15. Vertical Letter Lavalier	38.00	28.00	8.00	12.50
16. Heart Lavalier	39.00	29.00	12.50	12.50
17. Circle Lavalier	39.00	29.00	12.50	12.50
18. Key Lavalier	38.00	28.00	8.00	12.50
19. Pin-on-Badge Charm	157.00	112.00	52.50	52.50

Note: The prices above do not include neckchain; add \$5.00 to above prices for 18 inch gold-filled or sterling silver neckchain.

BRACELETS

20. Key Bracelet with Crest	14K	10K	GK	SS
	-	222.00	86.50	86.50

RINGS

Please specify ring size

21. Wide Band Crest Ring	165.00	127.00	-	57.50
22. Round Signet Crest Ring	146.00	114.00	-	52.00
23. Imperial Onyx/Crest Ring without Pearls	190.50	139.50	-	57.50
24. Imperial Onyx/Crest Ring with Pearls	202.00	151.00	-	69.00
25. Blue Enamel Marquis Ring with Crest	139.50	108.00	-	46.00
26. Mini Monogram Ring	101.50	76.00	-	34.50
27. Vertical Incised Letter Ring without Enamel	153.00	108.00	-	40.50
28. Scottsdale Incised Key Ring	139.50	101.50	-	34.50
29. Philly Swirl Ring	-	-	-	-
a. All Sapphire	209.50	158.50	-	-



b. All Pearl (not shown)	190.50	139.50	-	-
c. Alternating Sapphire/Pearl (not shown)	203.00	152.50	-	-
d. Alternating Pearl/Diamond (not shown)	266.50	216.00	-	-
e. Alternating Sapphire/Diamond (not shown)	273.00	222.00	-	-
f. All Diamond (not shown)	305.00	254.00	-	-
30. Oval Incised Letter Ring without Enamel	152.50	108.00	-	40.50
31. Oval Raised Letter Ring	152.50	108.00	-	40.50
PINS				
32. Fleur de Lis Pin	-	25.50	12.50	12.50
a. Fleur de Lis Pin with 3 Pearls	-	31.50	18.50	18.50
33. 65 Year Pin	-	-	15.00	-
34. 50 Year Pin	-	-	10.00	-
35. Pledge Pin	-	-	5.00	-
36. Recognition Key Pin	-	20.00	5.00	-
37. Monogram Recognition Pin	-	-	4.00	-
KEYCHAINS				
38. Horseshoe Fob Keychain	-	-	18.50	-

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"Women today face a number of threats to their well-being and self-respect, some of which were unheard of on college campuses a generation ago. Kappa takes all of these problems seriously and offers a number of programs related to the needs of women. Personal security, rape, drug and alcohol abuse, eating disorders, health education, personal dignity and career choices are among the topics Kappa addresses in its programming. Kappa programs often go beyond what most campus organizations have to offer."

— The Kappa Notebook, 1992

Violence. The subject is saturating our society. It surrounds you: watching television, reading newspapers and magazines, listening to talk radio. It is a hot topic, but too often it seems unreal. It couldn't really happen to you!

The fact is that you or someone you love will be the victim of an act of violence — a scary thought. Someone you know may be a victim of domestic abuse; another friend may be a rape victim. Too often the stories are swept under the rug. While locks and alarms, bars on your windows, and self-defense lessons may help, the Fraternity Council and the Editorial Board of *The Key* believe that knowledge is the best protection. We decided to tackle this tough issue by shining the light on violence against women — in our homes, our lives, on campus.

Kappa Kappa Gamma Fraternity has a tradition of tackling tough topics through education. *KEEP SAFE*, *INSIGHT on Domestic Violence*, and *SEEK* are all programs that focus on information. While these

materials are available through Fraternity Headquarters and are used by alumnae associations and chapters, there is only one medium that reaches every Kappa — *The Key*.

Therefore we bring this topic to light, hoping to begin discussion among our members about how to protect themselves and how we can protect each other. The bond we formed in our collegiate days continues.

Are Kappas victims of violence? We know they are. And one issue of *The Key* will not stop that. But hopefully, with increased awareness and information, fewer Kappas will be victims in the future.

The problem of violence is everyone's concern — it won't just go away. But as we face up to the problems in our schools, in our communities, and in our countries — if we shine the light on this unpleasant subject — we can face the future armed with facts. The Fraternity Council and the Editorial Board of *The Key* hope this issue prompts you to learn how to protect yourself — and those you love.

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