

The Flame

NEWSLETTER OF ALPHA LAMBDA DELTA



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1966-67 DISTRICT ADVISORS—Left to right: (first row) Mildred Schrotberger, V; Frances Delisle, III; and Christine Moon, VII; (second row) Margery Warmer, VIII; M. Louise McBee, II; Imogene Dickey, VI; Barbara Bechtell, I; and Anne Meierhofer, IV.



1966-67 ALD OFFICERS—Left to right: Jean Liedman, secretary; Sarah Healy, first vice president; May A. Brunson, president; Miriam A. Shelden, former secretary; Katharine Cater, treasurer; and Ruth H. Weimer, editor. Absent from the photograph is Marjorie Cunningham, second vice president.

Meet Your New National Council Officers

Dear Alpha Lambda Deltas

May I extend cordial greetings to all Alpha Lambda Deltas and wish for each chapter and each member a full measure of success during the year ahead? The number of Alpha Lambda Delta chapters is increasing year by year, and we have reason to believe that the presence and programs of our society on 137 college campuses in America are enhancing the academic communities of which they are a part.

Through this issue of *THE FLAME* and through the Council minutes you will learn of some of the significant actions taken by the National Council last June. I call your attention to only a few of the major decisions: establishment of a central office for the organization; redistricting of the chapters, and increase in the number and amounts of fellowships for graduate study; approval of the preparation of a handbook for

faculty advisors and deans of women; approval of revision of our "Guide to Local Chapters" emphasizing the steps to be followed in maintaining standards; and establishment of the requirement that all institutions petitioning for chapters have had a local freshman women's honor society for at least two years.

These policies, we believe, will serve to increase the quality of the assistance of the National Council to your chapters.

We hope that the chapter presidents and advisers will contact their district advisers, the central office administrator, or the National officers regarding questions or problems that may arise. The Council stands ready to aid you in any way possible.

Best wishes for the coming year.

MAY A. BRUNSON
National President

ALD Adds Fifth Fellowship for '67

A fifth stipend of \$2,000 will be available to applicants for Alpha Lambda Delta fellowships for graduate study in 1967.

This will increase the total amount of money that Alpha Lambda Delta awards next year to \$10,000—with each of the four other stipends increasing from \$1,500 to \$2,000.

The newest fellowship will be known as the National Council Fellowship. The other stipends are designated in honor of women outstanding in the field of education, as follows:

Maria Leonard Fellowship—Miss Leonard was Dean of Women at the University of Illinois for many years. It was under her aegis that National Alpha Lambda Delta was founded—it was her belief that high scholarship attained by freshmen women should be encouraged. Miss Leonard has continued an active interest in ALD throughout her years of retirement. Her address is Box 1278, Palo Alto, California.

Adele Hagner Stamp Fellowship—Miss Stamp was the treasurer of the National Council for many years. It has been due largely to her financial abilities that monies have accrued which are available for the fellowships. Miss Stamp has retired as Dean of Women at the University of Maryland and lives near there now. Her address is 7013 Fordham Street, College Park, Maryland.

Alice Crocker Lloyd Fellowship—Miss Lloyd was outstanding in the field of women's education and in the professional deans' association. She was a member of the National Council of Alpha Lambda Delta and made many contributions to the organization.

Kathryn Sisson Phillips Fellowship—Mrs. Phillips was made an honorary
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Fellowship Winners

Counseling at the university level, the practice of medicine, teaching English as a foreign language, and service in local government are the professional goals of the 1966-67 Alpha Lambda Delta Fellowship recipients—Mary Jo Jernigan, Erma Jean Mauch, Sylvia Lorraine Reeverts, and Denise Davis.

Following are some of their own comments concerning their future careers.

Denise Davis (Kathryn Sisson Phillips Fellowship)—“Because I am one of her children, the American city has always been particularly dear to me. I find it a matter of no slight concern that she is beset by shortages. One of the most pressing of these is that of trained professional people who choose to work in local government. Coupled with the shortages in all facets of administration, there are a multiplicity of problems facing our urban regions not the least of which is the complexity of legal entanglements involved in metropolitan inter-governmental relations and home rule.

“Therefore, if I were awarded an Alpha Lambda Delta Fellowship, I would use it to study law that I might be able to work with these problems. I also feel that this could be an especially rewarding pursuit for a woman.

“While careers in local government do not offer the same inducements to professionals in salary and prestige as the Federal Government or private enterprise might, it is a field that offers challenging work and wide opportunity.” She was graduated from Temple University.

Mary Jo Jernigan (Maria Leonard Fellowship)—“I would like to attend graduate school to obtain a master's degree in guidance and counseling so that I would qualify to work as a counselor on the university or college level. There is an increasing need for guidance counselors today due to the insecurity, uncertainty, and anxiety which characterize our college youth. Some need academic advice, others counseling in deciding their goals, and others help in discovering values and meaning in life. That our society recognizes this growing need is shown in the increasing de-



Miss Davis



Miss Jernigan



Miss Mauch



Miss Reeverts

mand for guidance counselors by educational institutions and business.

“My interest in this field began with my work as a summer camp counselor. I worked in this capacity for eight years. This interest was broadened when I served as a student assistant for the University of Alabama Freshman Counseling Program and in my experience as a student teacher this semester.” Miss Jernigan received her undergraduate degree from the University of Alabama.

Erma Jean Mauch (Alice Crocker Lloyd Fellowship)—“Since entering the University of Oklahoma, I have thoroughly enjoyed the study of medicine. However, I have not had experience so have not definitely decided whether I will go into general practice upon graduating or specialize in one particular phase of medicine . . . Regardless of whether I decide to specialize or enter general practice, I am sure that I will find the practice of medicine a very challenging, interesting, and satisfying work.” Miss Mauch was admitted to University of Oklahoma School of Medicine before completing credits necessary for an undergraduate degree.

Sylvia Lorraine Reeverts (Adele Hagner Stamp Fellowship)—“During the summer in which I studied at the Universidad de los Andes in Bogota, Columbia, I lived with a family where several people were studying English at the Centro Colombo-Americano, a language and cultural institute which is one of numerous bi-national centers sponsored by the United States government. I took advantage of this opportunity to help them with their English and to visit classes at the bi-national center. This was the beginning of my growing interest in teaching English as a

foreign language because I saw firsthand how much interest in the United States was generated, I learned how scarce good teachers of conversational English are, I knew how important it is for students and businessmen in Latin America to be able to use English, and I witnessed the enthusiasm of teachers and students. Influenced by my experience of the summer, I took an introductory linguistics course in which I found particularly interesting the areas of historical and comparative linguistics as applied to romance languages.” Miss Reeverts received her undergraduate degree from the University of Illinois.

A fifth woman, *Cathy Theresa Callahan*, was named a National Alpha Lambda Delta Honorary Fellow for 1966-67. An honorary fellowship is granted to those applicants selected for an award but unable to accept it because of receiving another grant or fellowship. Graduated from the University of Oklahoma, Miss Callahan will pursue graduate studies in the field of deaf education.

Fifth Fellowship —

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member of Alpha Lambda Delta in 1965. An outstanding woman in the field of education for many years she contributed to the establishment of the Department of Guidance and Student Personnel Administration at Teachers College, Columbia University. She also was a founder of the National Association of Women Deans and Counselors. As a board member of the Phillips Foundation, she has been instrumental in making many foundation grants available to educational programs for women.

Alpha Lambda Delta on Campus

Akron University

Sent letters explaining Alpha Lambda Delta and Phi Eta Sigma to all incoming freshmen scoring high on ACT. Four informal discussion meetings were arranged with professors in business, science, education, and the humanities.

Arizona State University

Assisted with the university's booth at the Arizona State Fair.

Baylor University

Gave a tea for freshmen and ushered for Woman's Day.

Brigham Young University

Presented books to the library.

Central Michigan University

Served as hostesses at an honors tea given by Associated Women Students on campus. They also sponsored a lecture on woman's role in today's changing world.

Central Missouri State College

Represented its institution on a local radio program similar to the "College Bowl."

Drury College

Served as hostesses at the reception for the installation of a chapter of Mortar Board.

East Texas State University

Established a tutoring service in cooperation with Phi Eta Sigma to help borderline freshmen failures and others in English and history. Twenty-five students were tutored two evenings each week for two hours each week. The charge was \$5.00 per month.

Indiana University

In cooperation with Phi Eta Sigma, initiated a program of reading classes at the local Boys' Club, which was arranged by the Junior Division of Indiana University and the Program Director of the Boys' Club. Each ALD member is matched with one boy, meets regularly with him for one year, encourages his interest in reading and gives the individual attention he desperately needs.

Incarinate Word College

Sponsored a linen booth at the harvest festival for a scholarship fund.

Kent State College

Extended ALD service projects to include the counting of ballots in the campus election of student officers.

Marshall University

After receiving approval from the head of the designated department, members tutored students for \$1.50 an hour.

Mississippi State University

Conducted a tutoring service, spoke to freshmen women, and helped during registration and testing for Miss Academy of Science.

Montana State College

In connection with Phi Eta Sigma, attended one of the lectures in the lecture series on campus, invited foreign students to participate along with selected members of both ALD and Phi Eta Sigma in a panel discussion on Viet Nam. The chapter also sponsored a speaker in the women's residences to speak on college life.

Morningside College

At the annual initiation dinner of the Morningside chapter, a special feature of the program was study abroad.

North Texas State University

Gave \$75.00 scholarships to two outstanding freshmen women.

Oklahoma Baptist University

Sponsored a special service program where members went to Faith Seven School and played with the retarded children and distributed toys.

San Jose State College

An active member talked at the AWS Orientation meeting and also participated in an AWS panel on women and higher education.

Texas Christian University

Gave an information sheet to entering freshmen.

Texas Woman's University

Gave a tea for high school valedictorians and salutatorians.

University of Arizona

Joined with Phi Eta Sigma in sponsoring a university-wide tutoring service. ALD's also held a counseling service for incoming freshmen women for first-semester registration.

University of Arkansas

Sponsored a tutoring service.

University of California at Los Angeles

Participated in an evening with a professor program.

University of Denver

Helped junior high students in Denver.

University of Hawaii

Ushered at University Theatre.

University of Houston

Participated in selling student directories to earn money for the Margaret Mosal Award of \$50.00, which is given to a woman transferring to the university from a junior college where she was a member of Phi Theta Kappa.

University of Idaho

Following the spring initiation over Mothers' Day Weekend, a joint banquet was held with Phi Eta Sigma.

University of Illinois, Chicago Circle

Planning for an annual award to give to the outstanding member of ALD for contributions to the growth of the organization.

University of Maryland

Joined with Hillel group to give elementary and junior high school children help in their schooling.

University of Montana

Aided Mortar Board in its annual party honoring top students of each class.

University of Southern California

Sponsored a fall faculty tea to give students the opportunity to meet and



talk with outstanding faculty members to encourage graduate work.

University of Southern Mississippi

Offered tutoring before finals.

University of South Dakota

Commemorated 35th anniversary with a special banquet of appreciation for faculty and alumnae for their contributions to the organization.

University of Utah

Developed year's activities around a theme—"Only that day dawns to which we are awake" (Thoreau).

University of Washington

Changed the emphasis of ALD from an activity organization to a scho-



lastic honor society. The chapter will give greater emphasis to using special speakers.

Utah State University

Awarded senior certificates to women students graduating with a cumulative point average at least 3.5.

Western Michigan University

Sponsored a tutoring service, including underprivileged children at a local grade school.

Willamette University

Started a new service project to sell used books. Members set up a card file and placed it in the student activities office, which is a central location, for access by persons wishing to sell or to buy used books.

AAA Installations

Six new chapters of Alpha Lambda Delta will be installed in the following colleges and universities during the coming year bringing the number of chapters throughout the country to 143.

Longwood College Farmville, Virginia; Ruth B. Wilson, dean of women; District I.

Winthrop College; Rock Hill, South Carolina; Iva Gibson, dean of women; District II

Wisconsin State University; Oshkosh, Wisconsin; Ruth Nelson, dean of women; District III

Illinois State University at Normal; Normal, Illinois; Anna Keaton, dean of women; District IV

South Dakota State University; Brookings, South Dakota; Vivian Volstorff, dean of women; District VIII

California State College; Long Beach; Long Beach, California; Lois Swanson, dean of women; District VIII

Two Campus Chapters Celebrate 25 Years

Two Alpha Lambda Delta chapters celebrating 25 years on their respective campuses this year are Ohio University installed October 14, 1941, and Florida State University, installed October 24, 1941.

Ohio University ALD's try to promote a high standard of learning by offering their services to the campus and to the community.

Last year members joined with Phi Eta Sigma in an all-campus bake sale and gave all profits to the Foreign Student Fund. The society provides a fellowship for those students with a common interest, intelligent living.

Last year Florida State ALD's ended a very successful year by giving \$100.00 to the financial aids office for a scholarship. The organization also awarded a certificate to the residence hall on the campus with the highest percentage of freshmen women eligible for ALD membership.

Florida State ALD's hope to make the coming year an even more eventful one. Upcoming activities include a car in the Homecoming parade, a tea honoring new members, and other events which are academically oriented.

New Chapters . . .

Following are pictures of student officers, members, and their advisors, and representatives of National ALD at the installation ceremonies last year at Moorehead State College, Morris Harvey College, and the University of Hawaii. Chapters were also installed at Bowling Green State University and the University of Illinois at Chicago Circle.



MORRIS HARVEY COLLEGE—Left to right (first row) Sandra McCoy, Jackie Coursey, Marilyn Hodges, Dr. Miriam Shelden, Kay Gladwell, Charlotte Warwick, and Beverly Hanlon; (second row) Jill Gibson, Elizabeth Dery, Miss Stella Cooksey, and Laura Brandon; (third row) Connie Cardwell, Julia Miller, Jean Inman; Susan Jacobs, and Judith Seymour; (fourth row) Mary Henderson, Diane Jones, Catherine Lerose, Betty Stephenson, Mrs. Virginia Gray, and Mrs. Goldy Graham; (fifth row) Audrey Stonestreet, Mary Landolt, Mrs. Ora Mae Kirk; Susan Faber, and Karen Sue Blizzard; (sixth row) Mrs. Virginia Pullen, Ada Louise Price, Janice Burchett, Joan Thompson, Donna Kiser, and Mildred Carper.



MOOREHEAD STATE COLLEGE—Left to right (first row) Barbara Gill, president; Linda Smith, vice president; Vicki DeVoss, treasurer; Rebecca Krier, and Rebecca Martin; (second row) Deborah Schacherer, Jane Titterington, Sylvia Erickson, Jeanne Johnson, and Karla Johnson; (third row) Karen Eischens, Carole Wald, Jarilyn Lyngby, Jane Bergford, Ann Lee, and Mylla Van Den Einde, senior advisor.



UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII—Left to right (seated): Mrs. Ruth Crockett, advisor; Dean Lucile Scheuer, installing officer; Mrs. Katherine Wery, administrative liaison; (standing) Faye Nakata, treasurer; Judy Kimura, secretary; Lauren Lucy, vice president; Michal Fentin, president; Mary Ann Itoga, junior advisor; Jeanne Moriyasu, historian; and Gwendolyn Shiono, editor.

The Proof of the Potential

The intellectual potential of ALD's indicated in a study of 1965-66 initiates at the University of Illinois seems to be proved by a study at the University of Massachusetts of the attainment of alumnae in academic, professional, and community pursuits.

A study at the University of Illinois indicates that the "average" Alpha Lambda Delta initiate was in the 98th percentile of her high school class, had a 28 ACT composite score, and did quite well in the math and social science areas. She is enrolled in the general academic areas of arts and sciences, carries a full academic load and earns almost all "A's" her first quarter or semester in college.

Following are some of the specific findings of the University of Illinois study of the "Academic Characteristics of Alpha Lambda Delta Initiates of April 1966," submitted by Linda H. Hester, assistant dean of women, who was advisor to Illinois ALD's.

1. 40 per cent of these women were in the 99th percentile rank of their high school class.

2. 87.8 per cent had a 26 or better American College Test Composite score.

3. Initiates were particularly high on the math and social science areas of the ACT. They performed poorest in the English area.

4. 76.8 per cent were in the College of Letters, Arts and Sciences; 18 per cent were in general sciences and letters and 14 per cent were in the areas of general studies.

5. 18 per cent passed Advanced Placement Exams in the areas of math—college algebra and trigonometry. Those who took both exams usually passed the two.

6. 25 per cent passed Proficiency Exams; and 15.6 per cent were in rhetoric, 8 per cent in language and 7 per cent in history.

At the University of Massachusetts, a study was conducted by the 25 ALD members of the Class of 1967 to learn about activities of ALD alumnae.

Since the chapter was only founded in 1960, questionnaires could be sent to all alumnae of ALD who had been graduated from the university.

Following are some of the highlights of the information compiled by Carol Woodcock, undergraduate assistant in the Office of the Dean of Women at Massachusetts.

Among the seventeen charter members of the Class of 1962, all were graduated from the university. *Ruth Atkins*, a caseworker, received a master's degree in social work from Smith College—she received two fellowships from the National Institute of Mental Health.

Evelyn Aliferis was one of five students in the country to receive a Phi Kappa Phi Fellowship for graduate work and studied at California Tech. *Sandra Baird* attended the University of Wisconsin for graduate study. *Martha Crane* studied medicine at Johns Hopkins University and as a second-year medical student completed a project under a National Institute of Health Research Grant.

Immediately upon graduating, *Irene Tyminski* received a National Science Foundation Award for summer research at the University of Massachusetts. The following fall, she began study for graduate degrees at the University of New Hampshire and worked as a research assistant. *Carol Veno* (Mrs. Joseph Marchi) studied for a master's degree at Stanford University and was in the intern program in secondary education.

Betty Miller (Mrs. Arthur V. Sward, Jr.) studied for a master's in mathematics teaching at the University of Illinois. *Jacqueline Dubis* (Mrs. David Seuss) is an instructor and also a Ph.D. candidate at the University of Toledo and Bowling Green State University. After spending two years in Guatemala as a Peace Corps volunteer, *Bonny Wayne* began graduate work at Cornell as the recipient of a University Fellowship.

Ruby Harrison spent a year in India as a delegate of the International Farm Youth Exchange. *Linda Nelson* (Mrs. Paul Varge) went to work as a junior chemist for the Allied Chemical Corp. of Hopewell, Virginia.

From the Class of 1963, 27 of the 31 girls initiated were graduated. *Ruth Levine*, the recipient of a Fulbright Travel Grant to France during the summer, taught English in a public high school in Arcachon, France.

After spending a year as a member of the Dietetic Internship at the Duke University Medical Center, *Hildreth Ferguson* became a staff dietician for unit administration surgical wards. *Mimi Halper* received a National Institute of Mental Health Fellowship to Berkeley for graduate study in psychology and criminology for Ph.D. work. *Karen Can-*

field received a master's degree from Harvard University as a Woodrow Wilson Fellow.

Louise Gardner spent the summer in Paris after graduating from the university and then began graduate work in French at Columbia. *Barbara Murphy* (Mrs. John Little) participated in a Massachusetts State pilot project as a school teacher in the vocational training of adolescent mental retardates and studied at the same time at Boston University.

Christine Malin (Mrs. Jack Gradijan) worked as a computer programmer after graduation. *Linda Immonen* became a therapeutic dietitian at a Veterans Administration Hospital after a year-long internship program in New York City.

Margaret Sawyer (Mrs. Erik Pederesen) is a mathematician for the U.S.N. Underwater Sound Laboratory and is taking math extension courses at the University of Connecticut. *Marjory Bliss* (Mrs. David Strickler) became a teacher in the Ashland Public Schools and took courses at Boston College toward a master's degree in education. *Carolyn Price* (Mrs. Thomas Hashem) became a junior high school math teacher.

From the Class of 1964, *Barbara Welsh* studied at the graduate level and was a teaching assistant at Stanford University. *Elaine Needham* (Mrs. Daniel St. Onge) is a teacher of the fourth grade in Wethersfield and is taking courses in language arts at the University of Connecticut.

A member of the Class of 1965, *Christine Olsen* (Mrs. Andre Fournier) is therapeutics dietitian at Hamot Hospital in Erie, Pennsylvania. *Helen Radowicz* did research under an NSF grant at the Worchester Foundation for Experimental Biology in Shrewsbury, Massachusetts during the summer after graduation and is now a graduate student in physiology at UCLA under a program of the USPH Traineeship. *Mary Stewart* received an assistantship for graduate study at the University of Alberta and is now a trainee instructor for the RCA electronic data processing division.

On the basis of the proof by the impressive information concerning the ALD alumnae of the University of Massachusetts, it seems evident that the University of Illinois study truly does show the potential of ALD's for productive attainment.

National Council Actions

The 31st Alpha Lambda Delta National Council Meeting was held in Galveston, Texas June 19 to 23, 1966. Action significant to individual chapters and members was as follows:

Central Office—A central office has been established in South Miami, Florida and Olive S. Horton has been appointed Central Office Administrator.

Fellowships—An additional fellowship called the National Council Fellowship was created making a total of five, \$2,000 fellowships to be awarded annually.

Election Procedures—The election procedure has been changed so that National Council members will be selected with the approval of National Council. However, recommendations from the chapters are solicited and encouraged and should be sent to the Nominating Committee by February, 1967. The members of the Nominating Committee are Katharine Cater, Imogene Dickey, and Jean Liedman.

Recommendations should be sent for the offices of First Vice President, District Adviser III, and District Adviser IV.

Establishment of New Chapters—Council authorized a revision of the constitution which stipulates that prior to petitioning for a chapter of Alpha Lambda Delta, a local freshman honor society for women must have been in existence on the campus for a minimum of two years. This society must have met the membership requirements of Alpha Lambda Delta and have had at least 15 members each of the previous two years.

Creation of Additional Districts—The districts into which the chapters are divided have been increased from six to eight.

The Editor Speaks — Ruth H. Weimer

As I undertake the Editorship of THE FLAME, I look forward to it with great anticipation and a sense of real responsibility to maintain the fine publication begun four years ago. The following resolution adopted by the National Council expresses our sincere appreciation to Mrs. Christine Y. Conaway who so ably served as the first Editor of THE FLAME.

Whereas: Christine Conaway has served the highest interests of this Society in the capacity of District Advisor and more recently, as Editor of THE FLAME;

Whereas: In the latter capacity she brought to the task a spirit of enthus-

iasm, creativity and devotion to the values we consistently hope to convey to young women of high intellectual potential and achievement;

Whereas: In these capacities she has endeared herself to the members of the National Council for the qualities of genuineness and seriousness with regard to matters which merit it;

Therefore, be it resolved: On behalf of the members of the Society and the National Council, we express to her our deep feelings of appreciation for her contributions to the Society, our respect for her as a person, and our best wishes to her in all future endeavors.

National Council

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Alpha Lambda Delta Votes to Contribute Toward ACHS Film

National Council of Alpha Lambda Delta recently voted to contribute financially to the production of a 15-minute film by the Association of College Honor Societies (ACHS).

The film was proposed at the February meeting of ACHS as part of its effort to acquaint students and the general public with the objectives of honor societies.

The ACHS film will be produced by a professional audio-visual service and will describe the purpose and activities of honor societies for use within the 43 member organizations of ACHS.

National Alpha Lambda Delta President May A. Brunson represented ALD at the ACHS meeting. She led one of the five major discussion sessions.

Dr. Brunson's session was concerned with recognizing chapter advisors, securing continuity in local chapter operations, and maintaining the interest of students and alumni in the honor society movement.

Recognition for advisors used or suggested by ACHS societies include (1) letters of appreciation from national offices, with copies sent to the university president, dean, or department head; (2) gifts and appreciation certificates from local chapters and national headquarters; (3) all-expenses-paid trips to society conventions; (4) reduced teaching loads; (5) special recognition of outstanding advisors at national conventions; and (6) recognition of advisors, as well as students, at honors day programs.

The key to chapter continuity in the view of most ACHS member societies is the chapter advisor. Some societies have chapter officer handbooks to guide student officers. Equally as important is an

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May Brunson, national president; Lide Spragins, former president; Maria Leonard, founder; and Lucile Scheuer, past president.

The traditional Alpha Lambda Delta breakfast at the annual convention of the National Association of Women Deans and Counselors was a particularly significant occasion this year because ALD invited back to be with the deans the founder of the organization, Maria Leonard. Maria Leonard is Dean of Women Emer-

itus of the University of Illinois and Founder of Alpha Lambda Delta. She was honored by the presentation of a chapter book containing contributions from each of the chapters — page 5 of THE FLAME contains some excerpts from the book, which is entitled "The Power of an Idea."

From Maria's Chapter Book

March 13, 1967

Dear Miss Leonard:

Nineteen hundred and sixty-seven marks the twenty-second year since you initiated Ohio State University's chapter

A spring breeze ushered in that day in 1945

When O.S.U.'s Alpha Lambda Delta first came alive.

Our first breath was drawn as you gave us our charter;

You adopted Scholaris and made her your daughter.

of Alpha Lambda Delta. We have always felt a special distinction and honor that ours was the last chapter you initiated as National President. Using poetic license quite freely, we have put our chapter history into rhyme in hopes that it will be a fitting tribute to you.

As National President, It was your last honored one —

The Alpha Lambda Delta family you would no longer run.

But the initial parenthood you had given us then grew;

We became but another living symbol of you.

The Ohio State University Chapter



WINTHROP COLLEGE—(left to right) Donna Hindman, treasurer; Ruth Reed, vice president; Dee Stillwell, president; Dean Iva B. Gibson, honorary member; Dean Katharine Cater, installing officer; Miriam Williford, advisor and honorary member; Denise Lindsey, secretary; Kitty Greene, historian; Dottie Reynolds, editor; and members Lollie Barbare, Becky Crawford, and Clara Dobbins, and Dr. Louisa D. Duls, honorary member (in front of the table).



LONGWOOD COLLEGE—(left to right) First row: Dean Ruth B. Wilson, Janet Bingner, honorary member; Martha Ann Milor, president; Katharine Cater, installing officer; Frances R. Brown, honorary member; and Rosemary Sprague, faculty advisor. Back row: Lynn Wells Estes, secretary; Mary Ann Rachal, treasurer; Margaret Pherson, historian; Mark Enroughty, senior advisor; Sandra Lee Johnson, editor; Rebecca Riddell, vice president; Vivian Gale, junior advisor.

AAA Installations

California State College at Long Beach

Pins were presented to 28 students as charter members at the installation of the California State College chapter on December 9, 1966.

Initiated as honorary members were Louise Lubbe, faculty advisor, and Lois Swanson, dean of women.

California State College was established in 1949 to serve the area of Orange County and Southwestern Los Angeles County and, thus, was originally named Los Angeles-Orange State College.

Today, the teaching faculty is in excess of 800, with a student enrollment of more than 17,000. The campus includes 35 permanent buildings valued at more than \$35,000,000.

Illinois State University

Members of Illinois Wesleyan University chapter joined the newly initiated ALD's of Illinois State University in the Candle Lighting Ceremony at their chapter installation on November 16, 1966.

Some 43 students became charter members of the new chapter, and 22 faculty members became honorary members.

Illinois State University was established in 1857. Enrollment is about 7,500, and the faculty numbers about 600. The University grants the B.A., B.S., M.A., and M.S., and, in some fields, the doctorate.

Longwood College

ALD's at Longwood College have held several meetings to develop plans for campus projects since their installation November 7, 1966.

Membership of the new chapter numbers 36 women. Honorary members are Janet L. Bingner, assistant professor of education, and Frances Brown, assistant dean of women and associate professor of English.

Longwood College is one of the oldest colleges for women in the United States. It was founded in 1839 as the Farmville Female Seminary Association.

The College was first authorized to offer four-year curricula leading to a B.S. in education in 1916. It was authorized to offer the B.A. in 1935, the B.S. and a curricula in business education in 1938, and courses leading to a degree in music education in 1949. Graduate programs were authorized in 1954.

South Dakota State University

Installation ceremonies for the South Dakota State University chapter were held November 12, 1966.

Thirty-seven charter and four honorary members — Frances M. Heller, dean of nursing, Inez G. Hinsvark, dean of home economics, Vivian Volstorff, dean of women, and Jean Walz, faculty advisor — were initiated.

An act of the Territorial Legislature in 1881 established the college as "an Agricultural College for the Territory of Dakota."

In 1923, the institution's instructional program was organized under five divisions: Agriculture, Engineering, General Science, Home Economics, and Pharmacy.

Winthrop College

On November 21, 1966, 31 women were initiated as charter members at the installation of the Alpha Lambda Delta chapter at Winthrop College.

Iva Gibson, faculty advisor, and Louisa D. Duls were initiated as honorary members.

The new members were entertained by the president of Winthrop after the ceremony.

Winthrop College was founded in 1886 by the superintendent of city schools in Columbia. In 1891, the institution became a state-supported college under the name The South Carolina Industrial and Winthrop Normal College.

In 1895, it moved from Columbia to Rock Hill; in 1920 the name was changed to its present one, Winthrop College, the South Carolina College for Women.

Wisconsin State University—Oshkosh

Alpha Lambda Delta was installed as a chapter at Wisconsin State University at Oshkosh during a special evening program on November 8, 1966.

The program also included an initiation and a reception for 47 charter members.

Opening as Oshkosh Normal School, the institution enrolled its first students in 1871. Keeping abreast of educational trends, the school was designated Wisconsin State Teachers College in 1925, and upon the approval of curricula in the liberal arts in 1949, became Wisconsin State College, Oshkosh.



WISCONSIN STATE UNIVERSITY (OSHKOSH)—(left to right) Ellen Kassilke, president; Dean Ruth Nelson; Mrs. Ralph Steinhaus, faculty advisor; and Jean Liedman, national secretary.

Alpha Lambda Delta on Campus

Akron University

Sponsored a tea for incoming freshmen scholarship winners to publicize ALD and Phi Eta Sigma. After midterm grades, the chapter sent out letters to all freshmen women who received over a 3.0 and encouraged them to continue academic excellence.

Colorado College

Checked attendance at all lectures and programs held during the week-long college symposium.

Colorado State University

Distributed honor course, project, and seminar materials throughout campus buildings and living units, and followed up personal contacts to further honors participation.

Georgia State College

Published its first newsletter of chapter activities last fall — the "Alpha Lambda Delta Diary." In addition to various personal items, the newsletter described several chapter projects, including the plan to award a \$50 bond to the member who maintains the highest average from spring 1966 through winter 1967. The purpose of the bond is to give members an extra incentive to study and do their best work.

Hanover College

Held a banquet with Phi Eta Sigma following pledging and initiation.

Howard Payne College

Acted as counselors to freshmen in residence halls and ushered for the Civic Music Concert series.

Illinois Wesleyan University

Held a tea for freshmen women; gave a "Smarty Party" at mid-semester; and participated in the installation ceremonies of the new ALD chapter at Illinois State University.

Northeast Louisiana State College

Helped with reception in the president's home honoring contestants in the Miss NE beauty pageant.

Northwestern State College

Sponsored mothers' and dads' day on campus and sent letters to all parents inviting them to attend.

Northwestern University

Gave seminars in large freshmen lecture courses before midterms and finals; tutored individual students; and co-sponsored a series of student-faculty firesides with Phi Eta Sigma.

Morningside College

Stimulating interest in graduate school has been the chapter's service project this year. Members have been writing a series of articles about graduate school for the college newspaper.

Oklahoma College of Liberal Arts

Sponsored free tutoring.

Omaha University

Served as hostesses at the presidential breakfast at the inauguration of the new president.

Samford University

Plans to hold a "B" average tea in the spring to encourage freshmen women to strive for a 2.5 average.

San Diego State College

Held a scholarship tea which brought together the donors and recipients of scholarships. ALD's worked with the school newspaper to publish articles explaining about the honor society's activities and the value of high scholarship.

Southern Illinois

In cooperation with Phi Eta Sigma, sponsored a picnic for freshmen men and women holding an Illinois State scholarship. Plan another joint effort in the spring — a tea at the president's home.

Southern Methodist University

Held an academic rush party after hours in freshmen residence halls as part of academic rush week the second week of school.

Temple University

Participated in orientation program for foreign students and served as host-

esses for the major's reception for foreign students at Convention Hall in Philadelphia.

Texas Technological College

Distributed an evaluation sheet to all members to use for guidance in planning future programs.

The Ohio State University

Resumed a cooperative tutoring program in conjunction with Phi Eta Sigma.

University of Arizona

Initiated several service projects — members helped register handicapped students; taped books for blind students; and, in cooperation with Phi Eta Sigma, started a tutoring list.

University of Cincinnati

A banquet in honor of its 35th anniversary was the highlight of the year for the Alpha Lambda Delta chapter at the University of Cincinnati recently. The guest speaker was Jean Winston, assistant professor of mathematics, who was the first advisor of ALD at U.C. The chapter appropriately highlighted the banquet activities with the initiation of four new members, which brought the total of active members to 60.

University of Colorado

Sold donuts to send a donation to the university's sister college, Pierce College in Athens, Greece. Members also sponsored a Valentine party for the Mesa Vista Children's Home for Indian children with tuberculosis.

University of Georgia

Increased the minimum average for membership from an "88" cumulative average to a "90". Purpose of the change is to encourage women students to strive for higher achievements.

University of Illinois

In cooperation with Phi Eta Sigma, ALD's sponsored a two-part panel discussion which focused on the meaning of education in the life of a man and in the life of a woman.



25 YEARS AT KALAMAZOO—(left to right) Norma Ware, secretary; Genna Rae McNeil, president;

Frances Diebold, advisor; and Ellen Worgess, treasurer.

Two Chapters Celebrate 25 Years

Chapters at Kalamazoo College and the University of Arkansas add up to 50 years of Alpha Lambda Delta.

Each of these chapters celebrated its 25th anniversary this academic year — Kalamazoo College on March 5 and the University of Arkansas on April 30.

At the celebration of its 25 years, Kalamazoo College initiated 15 new members and an honorary member, Frances Diebold, who has been chapter adviser for more than 10 years.

Dr. Diebold has been a member of the College faculty since 1923 and served as

biology department chairman from 1934 to 1966.

Observance of the event at the University of Arkansas was held at the annual initiation dinner. Other activities for the year have included an information desk at fall and spring registration and an informal mixer and a panel discussion program with Phi Eta Sigma.

The chapter also marked its 25th year of tutoring freshmen women without charge. This year, members encouraged greater use of the service by tutoring in large groups.

ACHS Film — Con't

effective orientation program for new officers by the retiring officers.

Most ACHS members believe that the key to retention of interest is to engage in activities appropriate to honor societies. Students are willing to devote their time and talents to the solution of relevant problems, but they will quickly lose interest in "busy work" or organizations which are "mutual admiration" societies.

The Association of College Honor Societies was organized in 1925 by six honor societies to consider problems of mutual interest, recommend action leading to appropriate classification, higher standards, reasonable cost of membership, and consolidation or elimination of duplication; and promote the highest interests of honor societies.

A 'Thank You' Note

"As the previous recipient of an Alpha Lambda Delta Fellowship, I want to express my deep gratitude to 'Alpha Lam.' I am still at the University of Washington where I have finally completed my formal classwork and have launched my research in teaching drama to children. Although preparing for my doctoral preliminary exams is now uppermost in my mind, I am teaching a weekly children's drama class and am pursuing the busy schedule of a teaching assistant for the Speech Department here.

"I wish Alpha Lam a happy and successful year."

Sincerely,
Marian Fertik
ALD Fellowship
Recipient 1965-66



The Editor Speaks

The heritage of Alpha Lambda Delta is recognized in this issue of *THE FLAME* by honoring the founder of our organization, Maria Leonard. Through the selected tributes shared with you, we hope that you will recognize the impact of Alpha Lambda Delta as a national scholastic honor society for freshmen women on your campuses and that you will work toward strengthening your chapters for those who follow you. We invite you to use *THE FLAME* as a means of sharing your ideas with chapters on other campuses.

Miami Initiates Exceptional

The Miami University chapter of Alpha Lambda Delta has initiated an exceptional group of young women from last year's freshmen class.

All officers have accumulative averages of at least 3.69, and all had a 4.0 average when they were elected.

Chapter President Marilyn Mount and Treasurer Ann Worthman have maintained a 4.0 averages since entering college.

Both Marilyn and Ann are members of CWENS, sophomore service society, and Pi Delta Phi, French honor society.

Ann recently received the \$200 Borden award presented annually to the previous year's scholastically outstanding freshmen man or woman.

Marilyn and twelve of the other 70 ALD's are sophomore counselors.

Two Members Wilson Fellows

Jane McCaskey, a member of the ALD chapter at Marshall University, last year received one of the highest honors that can be awarded to a college senior — a Woodrow Wilson Fellowship for graduate study.

Jane was a student in the College of Arts and Sciences and majored in mathematics and English. She was graduated with a 3.98 grade average out of a possible 4.0.

She was one of 1,400 across the nation to receive the \$2,000 award.

Also elected as a Woodrow Wilson Fellow was Anne Zenzer, who was an undergraduate at De Paul University.

The Power of an Idea

"I'm not a teacher, but an awakener."

Robert Frost

Our Candle

this candle
ours, burns
quiet unafraid
of each draft
of indifference:

flickers in
the sudden
disturbance
of unsettled
ideas

yet burns

grows in burning
glows in many-hued
awareness of
its own fine flame,

reflects steadfast
in the convulsed
mirrors of
this age
this youth
this yearning.

Colorado College Chapter

To you who lit the light
we still hold high,
The light of an idea that imparts
To all of those who follow it, the joy
Of this our learning
and our exploration,
To you we give our deep appreciation.

For your idea that once belonged to one
Has now become the goal we all pursue
And follow, always seeking to improve.
From your ideal that's spread
through all the nation,
We shall take our hope
and inspiration.

Music and lyrics by
Arizona State University Chapter

Flame

Springing like seed,
Spreading like fire,
The idea
Beginning as a kernel
In empty darkness,
Rises
In auroral burst,
Transfiguring the world.

Marygrove College Chapter

The Powerful Idea

A creative thought—an ideal,
Formed and made known through careful
reflection,
To inspire and guide searching minds
Toward a more perfect design:
This our Founder has given us.

A sense of belonging
To a boundless fellowship of dedication,
Within which one faces the challenge of
living,
And hoping, and pursuing, and finding:
This our Founder has given us.

A working communion
Through eagerness of sharing the
thoughts of the day
Brings closer the hearts,
Makes wider the aims:
This our Founder has given us.

A flame lighting paths
Up which all dare to strive;
To higher ideals our candle shall guide us,
A living symbol of a powerful idea:
This our Founder has given us.

Oregon State University Chapter

Alpha Lambda Delta is . . .

. . . an idea . . . a dream . . . an ideal
. . . a goal I reach

. . . a responsibility to my college and
to my community

. . . encouragement to attain my as-
pirations

. . . a set of values to guide me in
forming my own values

. . . a sense of personal accomplish-
ment and of self respect

. . . an opportunity to develop the po-

tential that Alpha Lambda Delta mem-
bers have demonstrated

. . . an organization of young women
with whom I am proud to associate

. . . a meeting ground for girls who
appreciate the "power of an idea"

. . . a reward, a compliment to those
who have earned the honor of becoming
members

. . . a gift of Maria Leonard, a chal-
lenge to intelligent living and superior
scholarship

Northeast Louisiana State College Chapter

. . . the admiration one enjoys when
she wears the Alpha Lambda Delta badge

. . . the campus prestige and respect
which being an Alpha Lambda Delta can
bring

. . . a compliment to womanhood and
woman's leadership
Alpha Lambda Delta is . . .

. . . a living tribute to Miss Maria
Leonard who has experienced the power
of an idea.

Spring Calendar

1. Conduct initiation service only *after* you have received *Authorization to Initiate* from the National Treasurer.
2. Provide for orientation of new officers and new chapters.
3. Suggest that each chapter officer give a written report to her successor.
4. Return one copy of the chapter annual report and two copies of the chapter financial report to your District Advisor by May 25 and file one copy of each in your chapter records.
5. Order senior certificates from the National Secretary for all graduating women members of Alpha Lambda Delta who have maintained the Alpha Lambda Delta average throughout their college career.
6. Present the Maria Leonard Senior Book Award to the highest graduating senior member of Alpha Lambda Delta. The award is sent by the National Vice President to the chapter in care of your Dean of Women.
7. Distribute copies of *THE FLAME* and urge your editor to send material during the summer to the National Editor.
8. Assist in establishing the new chapter.

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