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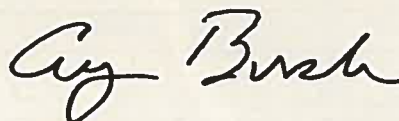
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It is a pleasure to congratulate the members of Alpha Lambda Delta on the 65th anniversary of your organization.

As a National Freshman Honor Society, Alpha Lambda Delta has shown an exemplary commitment to academic excellence. Over the years, your encouragement has helped more than 350,000 students get off to a good start in college. For many of them, that first year has been a stepping stone to distinguished careers in higher education and in every field of endeavor. ALD can take pride in bringing these young people together to build friendships and encourage scholarly achievements.

Barbara joins me in commending you on Alpha Lambda Delta's long record of accomplishment and in wishing each of you continued success in the future. God bless you.



Founded at the University of Illinois, Alpha Lambda Delta celebrated its 65th Anniversary in 1989. This letter from President Bush commemorating the event will take its place in the society's archives.

On the Cover...

Northeast Louisiana University chapter president Michaela York (sitting) admires Order of the Torch banner held by National Council representatives Julie Banister and Barbara Mann.

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Where Do You Go From Here?

By Betty Jo Hudson, National President

The purpose of Alpha Lambda Delta is to acknowledge and to reward high scholastic achievement during the freshman year. Now that you have accepted membership in this society, you will have to decide whether the simple receipt of this acknowledgement of your scholastic achievement will be enough. Alpha Lambda Delta is one of the few honor societies which awards membership based on the criterion of scholarship *alone*. From now on, the criteria for honors on your campus may be scholarship, but it may very probably include other accomplishments such as leadership and service. If you have not begun to include leadership and service in your everyday thinking, you may wish to do so now.

Indeed, you may be satisfied with the receipt of this honor and stop there. Or you may be satisfied, but also use it as an incentive to further your scholarly achievements. There is a third option. You can do more than join your Alpha Lambda Delta chapter. *You can become an active, productive, serving member.*

You can add service and leadership to your active, daily thinking process, if it is not already present. You will have the opportunity when you attend meetings to add your name to the roster of those members who will continue to participate in the academic and service projects which your chapter undertakes. You can read elsewhere in *The Flame* about many such projects that chapters have reported.

Yes, you now have the opportunity to decide whether or not membership in Alpha Lambda Delta will be among the first of the many honors you receive at your school, and whether scholarship, alone, will be your goal in college. If you choose to go beyond that, your Alpha Lambda Delta chapter will be a wonderful place for you to make service and leadership contributions.

Congratulations on your membership. Best wishes as you decide what further use to make of it.

You've Made the Grade... Now Get Active!!

By James K. Lee, President, University of Oregon Chapter

Being in an honor society is something to be proud of. It reflects the effort one makes to do his or her best at whatever task he or she undertakes. It reflects one's seriousness and dedication with regards to his or her education. But, being in an honor society is more than just making the grades and getting your name on the list. It is more than something that you can put on your resume as a personal achievement. It is an opportunity to participate as part of a team, to gain leadership skills, to make a difference.

As president of the University of Oregon chapter of Alpha Lambda Delta, I feel that it is important to involve as many of the members as possible in our activities. It is important that they participate, for without them we will achieve nothing.

I am not writing this for the benefit of the officers of the chapters nor for those members who are active in their chapters. I am writing this for those members who for one reason or another are not active. In a survey of new members, many stated that one of the reasons they joined ALD was to enhance their resumes. Admittedly, this was also one of my reasons. Being a member of Alpha Lambda Delta does say something about your abilities, but being an active member says much more. Just saying that you're a member of ALD says nothing about you that your GPA doesn't already reflect, but following that up with a list of your chapter's accomplishments in which you participated will show that you are not only intelligent but also responsible and able to accept challenges. It shows that you can work as part of a team and make a difference. Prospective employers look for more than grades when they screen applicants. They want to hire people who they feel will be dedicated employees. They want to hire people who can accept challenges and responsibilities. Being an active member of an honor society will show them that you are one of these people.

Besides enhancing your resume, being active offers other rewards. Great friendships often develop from working closely with other people. The University of Oregon chapter of ALD inducted over 240 new members for the 1989-90 school year. To me that means that there are 240 possible new friends for me to meet. There are 240 people to invite to a bar-b-que or pizza party or to just talk to when I need a friend. A lot of people join campus organizations to meet people with similar interests, and members of honor societies are no different. Friends like to have things to share, and mutual accomplishments are great for that.

Alpha Lambda Delta also offers would-be leaders a chance to hone their leadership skills. One does not need to be an officer to be a leader. Some people desire to be leaders but are not sure of their abilities. Honor societies like ALD are a perfect place to test and develop these abilities. Not only will you have the support of the officers of your chapter, but also the resources and advice you may need to make your project a success. Alpha Lambda Delta is a perfect starting ground for tomorrow's leaders, many of whom are on our membership lists. Many ALD members go on to other honor societies and campus organizations, and those who were active in ALD are better prepared to accept leadership roles in these other groups.

So, if you really want to make a difference, if you really want to make new friends, if you really want to put something on your resume that will stand out, be active. Remember, your honor society needs your participation. Little can be accomplished by a handful of officers and active members, but with everyone working together, nothing is impossible.

Has anyone from your chapter applied for an ALD fellowship lately?

National Leadership Workshop

What a great opportunity to host a National Alpha Lambda Delta leadership conference! In 1989, our chapter at the University of Texas at San Antonio had this experience, as we welcomed chapter representatives from all over the country.

No, we did not fly across the country and visit an exciting, unfamiliar city. Even better though, we did see our own city in a new light while acting as tour guides, or "ghost hosts."



The Pensive Panel.

Serving as hosts—playing the role of tour guides, staffing the registration table, selecting the prize winners—gave us many opportunities to know and appreciate our fellow Alpha Lams. (We say "playing the role" of tour guide because we did not really know the inner city like the backs of our hands as we pretended to, or as we hoped our visitors would believe we did.) We got to meet everybody! We were impressed with the great ideas exchanged. We can only hope that the other participants found the conference as informative, meaningful, and exciting as we did. We look forward to turning the wealth of ideas we collected into operational programs—from the crazy "door-to-door egg sale" to honoring our freshmen's favorite professors.



Perplexed?

The Pumpkin Problem.



Creativity.





As the host chapter we had a chance for members other than the president and vice president of our chapter to be involved with the conference. Our members enjoyed meeting representatives from other chapters during the social events and learning about their chapter activities.

Friendships.



And Food.



Musicians.

"After hours" discussions with conference participants prompted questions from our members about the workshop sessions. Consequently, we are currently preparing a presentation about situational leadership for our chapter's general membership.

We were sad to see our new found Alpha Lambda Delta friends say good-bye at the end of the conference. But fortunately, they did not leave us empty-handed. They left us with a treasure chest of useful ideas and special memories.

*Melissa Muse
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Parting Prizes.



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The new student Member-At-Large attends the University of Houston. Michael Danke is a business major who graduated tied for the head of his class of 650 from Worthington High School in Ohio. In college, Michael has concentrated on Students' Association, UH Ambassadors (a student service organization aiding the admissions department), Student Senate, and Alpha Lambda Delta. While in high school, Michael participated in Junior Achievement and forensics. He was also captain of the Academic Decathlon team. Honors include National Junior Achievement conference (4 years), national qualification in US extemporaneous speaking, and a gold medal in economics in Academic Decathlon. He also lettered in cross country and soccer.

Michael serves on the Chapter Relations, Expansion, and Long Range Planning committees for National Council.



Betty Jo Hudson

Alpha Lambda Delta's national President is Betty Jo Hudson who is no newcomer to the society, having served previously on National Council. Betty Jo received both her B.S. and M.A. degrees in Education from Ball State University in Muncie, Indiana. She has done advanced study in higher education while at The Ohio State University where she is employed as Ombudswoman. Prior to her present job, she has taught both in high school and at several universities in the Midwest. Her experiences as residence hall director, assistant dean of women, associate dean of student life (among others) as well as a variety of committee positions surely have prepared her for the ombudsperson role—and for the presidency of a national honor society.

Betty Jo has presented a number of papers and is a frequent participant in programs both regionally and nationally.

In addition to Alpha Lambda Delta, Betty Jo has served Altrusa International, the Columbus Literacy Council, Mortar Board, Pi Lambda Theta National Honor Society in Education, The Ohio State University Faculty Club Board of Control, The Ohio State University Press, and Volunteers of America. In addition, she has been an officer in the Indiana, the Ohio, and the National Association for Women Deans, Administrators, and Counselors.

Betty Jo has received a number of honors and awards from a variety of organizations including several student-awarded honors. She is also a member of a number of honor societies including Alpha Phi Gamma, Kappa Delta Pi, Mortar Board, Pi Lambda Theta, and Sigma Tau Delta.

Patricia A. Graham

Although Dr. Graham currently holds the office of Vice President for Chapter Relations and Expansion, she previously served on National Council as a District Adviser. She is the Liaison Administrator of the ALD chapter at The University of Texas at San Antonio.

Dr. Graham is the Associate Dean of Students and Director of the Testing Center at U.T.S.A., a position she has held since 1974. Prior to that, she was Assistant Professor and Chairperson of the Department of Education at St. Mary's University in San Antonio.

Dr. Graham received her B.S. degree in Business Administration and History from Trinity University in San Antonio and her M.A. degree in Guidance and Counseling from St. Mary's. Her Ph.D. degree in Curriculum and Instruction is from The University of Texas in Austin. She conducts seminars and workshops and speaks throughout the United States and internationally on topics of decision-making, performance appraisal, stress and time management, and values education. Most of her publications are in the area of values education.

A member of Alpha Lambda Delta, Alpha Chi, and Delta Epsilon Sigma, Dr. Graham has also been active in the National Association of Women Deans, Administrators, and Counselors and served as the state president of the Texas Association of Women Deans, Administrators, and Counselors and as a National Council member of Delta Epsilon Sigma Honor Society from 1969 until 1972.



Looking Back

By Eric Young, 1987-89 Student Member-at-Large

Looking back on my years as a student member of the National Council—as a member of Alpha Lambda Delta for that matter—I know that this society has left an indelible mark on me. Some of my greatest memories take me back to ALD Leadership Workshops where hundreds of students and advisers from across the country have shared ideas and concerns, solved problems, and enjoyed weekends of fun together. I've met some outstanding people through these experiences and shall miss these workshops.

For each of the past three years I have looked forward to the third week of June—the time the National Council of ALD meets to settle the business of the society. Early morning meetings, long days, and late nights. ... We worked hard and played hard, bound together through our collective belief in the ideals of ALD. The student members of the Council have shared a special relationship as we touched each other's lives in different ways over the years. My fondest ALD memories are from those Council meetings.

There is another facet of my ALD association which has enriched my life. This involves having adopted the founding concepts and principles of ALD as part of my personal philosophy. This past fall I returned to the University of Maryland at College Park as an alumnus to participate in the ALD initiation ceremony. I listened to the words which I had first heard in 1986 when I became a member of ALD. These spoke of "recognizing and developing meaningful goals for our roles in society," "learning to live significantly," and "using my education for the benefit of my community, my nation, and the world in which we live." I owe the most to ALD for encouraging me to take a step back, look at myself in the context of the bigger picture, and think about my role as a citizen of the world. This has made a difference in my life, for which I am most grateful.

As I move on to new frontiers I shall always cherish my membership in Alpha Lambda Delta.

The Order of the Torch

In 1988, National Council established a special award designed to recognize chapters that exhibit excellence in certain categories. These include programming activities, internal communication, and campus visibility. The first three chapters ever to receive the award, designated as The Order of the Torch, are honored for their achievements.

They are Elizabethtown College, Millikin University, and Northeast Louisiana University.

Northeast Louisiana University

The Northeast Louisiana University chapter proclaims its pride in being one of the top three chapters in the nation when recently we were awarded the Order of the Torch. Through the diligent work of officers and members combined, we have had our most successful year ever. Our chapter has exemplified outstanding characteristics because of the quality leadership given by our faculty advisor Dr. Harry Hale and our liaison administrator Dr. Martha Upshaw. These two wonderful people stood staunchly beside us and listened to our ideas with consideration and encouragement.

Alpha Lambda Delta has so much to offer. I would encourage anyone to be an active member because the rewards are much greater than the few hours spent. On behalf of our advisors and members I would like to thank the national officers for recognizing our chapter in this special way. We experienced great pride on that beautiful day in mid-September when Dr. Barbara Mann, representing National Council, came to our campus from Florida State University to make the official presentation. Both University President Dr. Dwight Vines and Academic Vice President Dr. Arlen Zander attended. May the torch of Alpha Lambda Delta with its outstanding scholastics and spirit of tradition continue to be passed on.

Michelle Ingram
Historian



Elizabethtown College

Elizabethtown College is a small (1,400 enrollment) and friendly campus located outside of Harrisburg, Pennsylvania. The chapter is very proud to receive the Order of the Torch Award for the 1988-89 academic year. The award was presented by National Council member Dr. Carmen J. Neuberger, Dean of Educational Services and Student Affairs at Dickinson College at a dinner honoring the chapter. In addition to receiving a special banner, Dawn Brewer, former chapter president, will receive an all-expense paid trip to the national leadership workshop in San Antonio, Texas. Obviously, the benefits of winning this honor offer many advantages.

Because officers play a vital role in the operation of a chapter, Elizabethtown College would like to recognize its current officers: Ellen Kleinstuber, president; Melissa Snyder, vice president; Marisa Burgener, secretary; Suzanner Sherman, treasurer; and Angela Maxton, historian. Ms. Sharon Farley and Mr. Royal Snaveley are also commended for their work as advisors.

Last year the chapter planned various events including pizza parties, they organized a Limited Re-

source Assimilation Game for hunger awareness week, and members served as ushers for a lecture series held at the college.

Annual activities of the chapter include participating in Homecoming by selling funnel cakes, giving members a chance to buy ALD sweat-shirts, and planning the induction banquet each spring for the incoming members. In addition, they help publicize ALD at the College Fair. Currently, members are planning to sponsor Senior Day which will encourage high school seniors to visit the college, promoting the opportunities offered there. Alpha Lambda Delta members would serve as guides while providing friendship, support, and an insight into college life. To increase campus visibility, the chapter is planning a Halloween costume dance for the entire student body.

The Elizabethtown College chapter encourages all chapters to aspire for the Order of the Torch award. Chapter officers and members must get involved, think of creative activities, and become the leaders of their college. Then they, too, may become a recipient of the Order of the Torch award.

Angela Maxton
Historian

Millikin University

Barbara Quilling, Executive Director, presented the Order of the Torch to the Millikin University chapter on August 21 at the opening session of our Freshman Orientation Course. The entire freshman class was present along with thirty-three faculty and administrative staff who serve as discussion leaders for the course and the upperclass student assistants. We were pleased to have the award presented publicly before so many potential members.

Our application for the award included a listing of the twenty-one projects we undertook during the 1988-89 school year. Highlighted was the 65th Anniversary of ALD Week, which included our initiation ceremony, recognition of members and faculty, and a Scholastic Bowl for sixteen area high schools. Specifically, our activities included Faculty Recognition-Donuts each semester, a spaghetti dinner for members, letters of encouragement to freshmen at mid-term, our Annual Outstanding Teacher of the Year Award, door decs for new initiates, ALD Pin Day, sophomore members recognition letters, and our sub sale fund-raiser. We also sent

two officers to the leadership workshop in Columbus. Our senior book awards, JoAnne Trow Award, Outstanding Teacher Award, members and senior certificates are all recognized at Honors Convocation.

The new executive officers have begun activities for the current school year. We have already distributed our "Do Not Disturb—Studying" door hangers to freshmen and have participated in the University Center Board's Activity Fair. We had an opening picnic and meeting for our members. Our annual Scholastic Bowl is scheduled for March. We have planned to present the Teacher of the Year Award and are looking into serving the university by participating in the Writing in the Discipline program that is a major campus focus this year.

*Mai Bui
Editor*

In Memoriam

Former National Council Member Christine Y. Conaway passed away in April, ending a long-time relationship with Alpha Lambda Delta. Dean Conaway served the society for over eleven years as District Adviser and Editor of *The Flame* and held the position of dean of women at The Ohio State University for 23 years. The Council attempted to show their gratitude for her outstanding work with college students by naming one of the graduate fellowships given annually for her. A contribution was made to that fund in her memory by the National Council.

Dean Conaway was a pioneer among career women and was a highly respected professional in the academic world. She was an inspiration to many people, especially professional women. A number of her students hold key administrative roles across the country. Dean Conaway retired from OSU in 1967 and was 87 when she died.



Fellowship Recipients

Each year nearly 200 applications are received and reviewed during the competition for Alpha Lambda Delta graduate fellowships. However, since fewer than one-half of the society's chapters are represented in this competition, members are encouraged to apply. Each of the 15 fellowships awarded annually carries a \$3,000 stipend. Members may apply for the awards during their senior year or after receiving their baccalaureate degree if they maintained ALD initiation standards throughout their college careers. Applications are available from chapters, National Headquarters, or any National Council member.

Recipients are chosen by a committee of National Council members who review applications and make their selections each year in February.

The following ALD members received the fellowships specified for the 1989-90 year:

Grant W. Cook III, Lockport, New York, received the *Mary Jane Stevenson Fellowship*.

Graduate of Heidelberg College, studying Music at Temple University. (Not pictured)



Helen E. Dallam, Columbia, Missouri, received the *Gladys Pennington Houser Fellowship*.

Graduate of Stephens College, studying Anthropology and Linguistics at the University of Chicago.



Sheryl L. Forste-Grupp, Brighton, Massachusetts, received the *60th Anniversary Student-Endowed Fellowship*.

Graduate of the University of Cincinnati, studying Comparative Literature at Harvard University.



George R. Gray II, Atlanta, Georgia, received the *Christine Yerges Conaway Fellowship*.

Graduate of Hanover College, studying Physics at Georgia Institute of Technology.



Karla Hahn, Chicago, Illinois, received the *Alice Crocker Lloyd Fellowship*.

Graduate of Wittenberg University, studying Library Science at Syracuse University.



Cindy Hall, Muncie, Indiana, received the *Gladys Colette Bell Fellowship*.

Graduate of Hanover College, studying Clinical Psychology at American University.



Rosa Y. Kim, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, received the *Margaret Louise Cuninggim Fellowship*.

Graduate of Louisiana State University, studying Medicine at Stanford University.



Joan Chia-Mei Lo, Fountain Valley, California, received the *Adele Hagner Stamp Fellowship*.

Graduate of the University of California at Los Angeles, studying Medicine at Harvard Medical School.



Carrie A. Neff, Selinsgrove, Pennsylvania, received the *Maria Leonard Fellowship*.

Graduate of Hanover College, studying International Relations at Georgetown University.

Honor Fellows

The National Council of Alpha Lambda Delta wishes to recognize and honor candidates who were selected as fellowship recipients but were unable to accept the fellowship offered to them. We have, therefore, established a category called "Honor Fellow" to designate such applicants. Honor Fellows for 1989 are Elizabeth Abrahams, Smithtown, New York, who graduated from Bucknell University; and James B. McKeever, Holly, Colorado, who graduated from the University of Denver.

Michael J. McGuire, Champaign, Illinois, received the *50th Anniversary Miriam A. Sheldon Fellowship*.

Graduate of the University of Illinois, studying Law at the University of Minnesota Law School. (Not pictured)



Linda K. Short, Kettering, Ohio, received the *Kathryn Sisson Phillips Fellowship*.

Graduate of Miami University, studying Peace Studies at Notre Dame University.



Amy M. Meacham, Dothan, Alabama, received the *M. Louise McBee Fellowship*.

Graduate of Troy State University, studying Law at the University of Alabama.

Rey O. Rodriguez, El Paso, Texas, received the *Katharine Cooper Cater Fellowship*.

Graduate of the University of Texas at El Paso, studying Law at Southern Methodist University Law School.



David M. Schwartz, Dallas, Texas, received the *Maude Lee Etheredge Fellowship*.

Graduate of the University of Texas at Austin, studying Law at Harvard Law School.



Yolanda M. Valdes, Miami, Florida, received the *May Augusta Brunson Fellowship*.

Graduate of the University of Miami, studying Medicine at the University of Miami Medical School.

On Being Noticed and Remembered: Applying for a Fellowship

When you view the fellowship recipients' pictures and information in *The Flame*, do you think "Wow! I could never get one of those!?" The Fellowship Committee wants you to know that each year National Alpha Lambda Delta offers 15 fellowships to perfectly normal and typical members to assist in their pursuit of graduate study at an institution of their choice. Any initiated member who maintains the academic qualification for membership is eligible to apply as a graduating senior or later. With seniors and graduates of 212 chapters eligible to apply, how does an applicant stand out and become a fellowship winner? Taking the time and making the effort to apply is the first step, and submitting an application which catches the eye and interest of the readers is the second. The Fellowship Committee has compiled these suggestions to help you with the second step.

All applications for fellowships and awards require the applicants to list their activities and accomplishments. This is not the time to be modest. The readers cannot know your activities and accomplishments if they are not listed. On the other hand, it is unethical and dishonest to list anything not of your doing or to take credit for group efforts.

It is a good practice to explain things when possible. For instance, tell the readers that the "James Fenimore Cooper Award" is given annually to the top student in English. Listing your activities by year, repeating the same activities becomes boring for the readers. It is usually better, unless instructed otherwise, to list activities and indicate which years you were involved and what offices you held, if any. Do include community activities; readers are looking for the well-rounded, involved person. If asked for college activities, do not list high school activities and awards. It makes the applicant appear not to have read the instructions.

The Alpha Lambda Delta Fellowship application, and many others, asks for a goals statement. This is your opportunity to make a favorable impression. Make the reader remem-

ber you. Convince the reader that you are special. At the same time avoid being trite or "cute." On top of all these challenges, you will have to stay within the limits of the number of words requested!

If you are asked to describe your special or research interest, do not become too technical. The readers are not expert in every field and prefer a well-thought-out statement as opposed to a technical statement.

The Alpha Lambda Delta Fellowship instructions give you a chance to say anything else about yourself that you want. This is the time to work in special considerations, exceptional circumstances, and personal statements or observations that do not fit in elsewhere. A well-thought-out response can tell the readers a great deal more about you as a person.

Writing style, grammar, and spelling do matter. The readers would be kidding if we did not admit that we are affected by the basics. Writing which is clear, concise, and to the point is preferred to a flowery, contrived, or vague presentation. There is plenty of room to be creative while being clear and concise. Make certain grammar and spelling are perfect. Catch and correct typographical errors. Proofread carefully, or even better, have someone else check your responses.

Letters of reference are an important part of the application process. Try to avoid sending a blanket recommendation which was sent to graduate, law, or medical schools for admission. Instead, try to find references who will tailor their letters for the fellowship or scholarship for which you are applying. Keep in mind that readers expect glowing reports from references—so do not ask for a reference from someone who would give otherwise. Be certain your reference knows you fairly well, so that he or she does not simply review on paper the material you supplied. Ask the reference to be original if you can. Also follow instructions as to what type of reference is requested and from whom. If the instructions say to obtain a letter from a student affairs officer, that letter is as important as a letter from a faculty member.

The overall appearance and neatness of the application does count! The Alpha Lambda Delta Fellowship application is printed so that it can be

rolled into a typewriter for a professional appearance to the finished product. Use a ribbon that prints clearly and correct your typos without overstrikes. It will make a striking difference in the appearance of the application.

Some questions require your responses on additional pages of plain paper. These pages are easily produced on a personal computer, but pay almost as much attention to margins, spacing, and appearance as you do to your responses. Make certain the entire application is readable. Readers do not need the added burden of trying to decipher poor quality computer printout or messy applications. After a first reading, a messy application may end up in the stack that receives no further serious attention.

In general, spend time and thought in putting the application together. Respond to each question to the point. It is surprising how often questions are misinterpreted by applicants because they do not read carefully. Proofreading cannot be overemphasized. Having someone else review your completed application may be one of the best things you can do. Finally, remember that the readers are volunteers who undertake this task in addition to their normal, busy schedules. A "thank you" worked in at an appropriate point may actually make a difference to a tired reader.

These suggestions have been tailored to the Alpha Lambda Delta Fellowship application but will hold true for many others as well. Remember, to be considered, you must first apply! You have as much chance as every other applicant of receiving a fellowship. We hope these suggestions will help you prepare an application that will be noticed and remembered by the readers.

By Barbara Mann, Chair, Fellowship Readers Committee, with suggestions from Gale Richardson and Warner Moore, former Fellowship readers.

New Chapters

It has been an expansive year. 1988-89 brought petitions for establishing seven new chapters, from Pennsylvania to Oregon and Ohio to Louisiana. These petitions and subsequent approvals showed an increase from the average of five new chapters a year in the recent past.

The most unusual locale for an installation ceremony occurred in a paddle wheel boat on the Ohio River when Marietta College (OH) chapter of Alpha Lambda Delta was installed by Barbara Quilling, Executive Director. Dorothy Anderson, Vice President for Chapter Relations and Expansion, installed the Dickinson College (PA) chapter in Memorial Hall of Old West, a 200-year-old building designed by National Capitol architect Benjamin Latrobe which honors Revolutionary War and Civil War alumni from both the North and the South.

Our first all-male school—Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology in Indiana—was added to chapter rolls in 1988-89. There are currently 212 active chapters of Alpha Lambda Delta in 40 states. Texas has the largest number, boasting 23 chapters, and the District of Columbia has the fewest with one. A goal of National Council is to expand to every state in the Union, aiming for selective or unique institutions of higher education where no freshman honor society currently exists.

Columbia College

The Columbia College of Columbia, Missouri, chapter of Alpha Lambda Delta was installed on April 20, 1989. Twenty-five regular and five honorary members comprised the membership of the newly chartered group. Honorary members initiated were Mrs. Faye Burchard, Director of Student Activities; Dr. Robert Harris, Vice President for Student Affairs; Dr. Mary Miller, Vice President for Academic Affairs; Dr. Donald Ruthenberg, President; and Dr. Kenneth Torke, Professor of Biology.

Dr. Miller and Dr. Torke, chapter advisers, assisted Executive Director Barbara Quilling during the installation ceremony. The following officers were installed: Ivah Dodds, president; Anna Gotangco, vice president; Jana Chapin, secretary; Donna Hartman, treasurer; Robert Hannah, historian; Audrey Montooth, editor; Lynn Munie, upperclass adviser.

Following the ceremony, held in the art gallery section of the dining service building, a formal reception was held for the chapter members and the more than sixty guests.

University of Portland

Sixty-one students were initiated as the University of Portland chapter of Alpha Lambda Delta in Portland, Oregon, received its charter on April 1, 1989. Honorary members included Dr. James G. Stemler, Associate Dean of Arts and Sciences and liaison administrator; Dr. Robert W. Duff, faculty advisor; Dr. Thomas C. Oddo, University President; Dr. Charles D. Sherrer, Academic Vice President; and Dr. Richard F. Berg, Dean of Arts and Sciences. Martha G. Wade, Council Member-At-Large, installed the chapter. Membership in Alpha Lambda Delta was the outgrowth of a campus organization, Alpha Tau, that was started on the University campus during the summer of 1985.

The ceremony took place in St. Mary's lounge with a number of parents and friends attending. Chapter president Dana Hood accepted the charter on behalf of the University, emphasizing the chapter's commitment to the goals of the national organization.

Other officers assisting with the ceremony were Wendy Lou Habersetzer, vice president; Suzanne M. LaFrance, secretary; Maria A.Y. Garcia, treasurer; Barbara A. Breznay, historian; Karen M. Wray, editor; and Darci L. Stone, senior adviser.





Two additional installations are scheduled for November (not in time to be covered in this issue): Meredith College in Raleigh, North Carolina, to be installed by Barbara Quilling, and the Philadelphia College of Pharmacy and Science (PA), to be installed by Carmen Neuberger, Expansion Committee chair.

Marietta College

On April 21, 1989, the Marietta College chapter of Alpha Lambda in Marietta, Ohio, affiliated with Alpha Lambda Delta. Executive Director Barbara Quilling was the installing officer. Also participating in the installation were Dr. Mabry O'Donnell, faculty advisor, and Dr. Stephen Schwartz, administrative liaison. At this time, chapter president Christina Wetula, vice president Tiffany Prutton, secretary-treasurer Melissa McMaster, and junior advisor Debra Fisher were installed.

Marietta is a river town, situated on the Ohio and Muskingum rivers, and a host to many of the old stern-wheelers. The initiation of this new chapter was held on one such boat—the showboat *Becky Thatcher*. Twenty-five student members and six honorary members were initiated. Honorary members initiated were Dr. Schwartz, Dr. O'Donnell, Steven Blume, Dr. William Hohman, Dr. Dwight Ling, and Dr. Carol Steinhagen.

Karen Coriell was president and Amy Linhart was secretary-treasurer of the chartering chapter. A faculty appreciation dinner, to which our members invite a professor who inspires or is meaningful to them, immediately followed the ceremony.

Maryville College

The Maryville College of St. Louis, Missouri, chapter of Alpha Lambda Delta honor society was installed on April 19, 1989. The ceremony took place in the recently constructed library assembly room.

Executive Director Barbara Quilling installed the chapter of seventy-nine regular and two honorary members. Approximately one hundred and fifty parents, faculty, and other guests were

present for the ceremony and reception that followed.

Vice President for Student Affairs Dr. Jack Morgan and his assistant, Mrs. Letitia Cash, provided the impetus for forming this new chapter. Chapter president Julie A. Sudduth was of great assistance with the new group.

The advisers for the chapter will be Dr. Morgan and Dr. Margot Pallmann, Professor of Mathematics.



Dickinson College

Twenty-nine undergraduates and two honorary members were initiated as the charter members of the Dickinson College (Carlisle, Pennsylvania) Alpha Lambda Delta chapter on April 9, 1989. Dorothy M. Anderson, ALD Vice President for Chapter Relations and Expansion and Dean of Students at Susquehanna University, installed the chapter. The honorary members are Dr. A. Lee Fritschler, President of Dickinson College, and Dr. Keith Brower, Assistant Professor of Spanish and Portuguese, who serves as faculty advisor.

Dr. Carmen G. Neuberger, Dean of Educational Services at Dickinson and member of National Council, was instrumental in developing the chapter and serves as its liaison administrator.

The ceremony has held in Memorial Hall before approximately forty parents, friends, and staff members. The location was very special in that it is a room full of the history of Dickinson, which was founded in 1773 as one of the fourteen colonial colleges. Portraits of its founders and historic plaques surround the room, giving a strong sense of the continuity and tradition apparent in this more than two hundred-year-old institution of higher education.

Chapter officers are Matthew Borick, president; Thomas Burns, vice president; Aimee Vignola, treasurer; Maria Abruzzo, secretary; and Jennifer DiDario, historian.



Following Dickinson's fall initiation, Dale Usner, historian, shows newly initiated quadriplegic David Hornsey the chapter scrapbook.

Remarks—D. Anderson

One of the most delightful and meaningful aspects of being a member of the National Council of Alpha Lambda Delta is the opportunity to be an installing officer for a new chapter.

The installation of an honor society is a special and historic event in the life of a university. It is also special in the life of the national society to install a chapter at an institution like Dickinson College, one of the fourteen colonial colleges established in 1773.

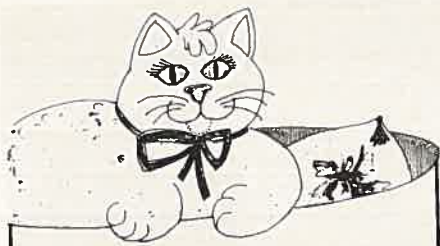
Today's event represents a celebration of all that we in education strive to accomplish—that is, the education of bright and talented persons and especially the encourage-

ment of those who have exceptional talents and abilities.

It is all the more special that this installation is taking place during the 65th anniversary year of Alpha Lambda Delta at a college where one of the founders, Benjamin Rush, wished the college to be "a source of light and knowledge." Given the strong support for this chapter demonstrated in the work of Dr. Neuberger, Dr. Fritschler, and Dr. Brower, I have no doubt that this chapter will be successful in recognizing the achievement of those who have the potential to be a source of light and knowledge to Dickinson College, the country, and the world.



Chapter Activities



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On April 24, 1989, Cumberland University celebrated its second year as an ALD chapter. On that night fourteen new members and one honorary member were initiated. Also recognized were six members who were initiated in the fall. The honorary member is Mrs. Dorothy Davis Jenkins, Associate Professor of Education and Director of Undergraduate Teacher Education at Cumberland University.

A banquet was held on the Cumberland campus. ALD officers were recognized during the ceremony and Karen Oldham received the Maria Leonard Book Award. The speaker for the evening was C. William McKee, Dean of the College and Registrar and ALD liaison administrator.

Introduced at the banquet were this year's chapter officers: president Rosa Booker, vice president Leslie Reece, secretary Tammy Gregory, treasurer Jill Adcock, historian Dawn Brawner, editor Rick Bell, junior advisor Mary Beth Oldham, and senior advisor John White. Several students were presented with senior certificates.

Rick Bell
Editor



One of the highlights of the academic year, and the peak moment of campus-wide visibility for Alpha Lambda Delta at Jackson State University, comes during the chapter's annual presentation of the Outstanding Parents Award at the Honors Night Convocation. Selected to receive the beautiful plaque this spring were Dr. and Mrs. Dennis Holloway, Jr., whose five children attended Jackson State and continued their education in pursuit of professional careers. Dr. Holloway, a lifelong educator, is Vice President for Student Affairs at the University. After raising her family, Mrs. Holloway became an elementary school teacher and has been in that profession for many years.

The tradition of presenting an annual award to outstanding parents at Jackson State goes back to the year in which ALD was established on the campus. Academically successful students are more often than not the product of loving parents who encourage and support them and "are there for them" through the good times and the rough ones, sometimes at great sacrifice on their part. The award is presented in recognition of those efforts.

Recipients of the award run the gamut of age, trades and professions, and economic standing. Past recipients have included parents who were University custodians and managed to support three children in college at once; a cafeteria cook single parent whose youngest child was graduating from the University summa cum laude (the older siblings had already finished); an eighty-two year old great-grandmother, alumna of the University whose children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren had attended and graduated from Jackson State; and a couple who had married very young, had taken turns raising their five children while going to school themselves, had obtained graduate degrees, and were the parents of the young woman who was president of the chapter the year the award was presented.

The highlight of the Honors Night Convocation, the annual campus-wide event in which all students who have excelled academically are recognized, is the announcement of the identity of the recipient, which is kept secret from both the audience and the recipient. The response to the announcement is a standing ovation given to the startled parents who are ushered to the stage to receive the plaque. The impact of the honor on the recipients and their families and friends is long-lasting.

Honors Night has been given new dimensions through the awarding of the ALD Outstanding Parents Award just as

the University acquired new dimensions through the establishment of Alpha Lambda Delta years ago. Recognition of this outstanding organization has been augmented, in turn, by the awarding of a blue and silver plaque that is a symbol of dedication, hard work, and commitment to excellence.

The University of North Carolina at Greensboro chapter is already off to a running start for the new academic year. After our induction ceremony in March, new officers were elected for the 1989-90 school year. With the combined efforts of our new officers Terry Stokes, president; Michelle Nance, vice president; Heather Sisk, secretary; Dianne Schroeder, treasurer; Carla Gurganus, historian-editor; and our faculty advisors Martha Trigonis and Grayson Sallee, an exciting fall schedule has been planned. We have already sponsored our first activity, running an ice cream booth for UNC-G's Fall Kickoff. It was a great success and helped to promote our organization among the new freshmen on campus.

Our biggest goal this year is to bring ALD more into the public eye as well as encouraging more member participation. We intend to carry out these goals by first having a cook-out at a nearby lake open to all of our members. Also we've instigated a voting system wherein members, not just officers, have a voice in the activities and issues we discuss.

In October we plan to send two of our officers to the Leadership Workshop in Texas, an experience we feel will be beneficial to all of our officers and to our organization as a whole.

Publicity is another focal point this year. Plans are underway for posters and flyers advertising events and newsletters to be posted and sent to each member of ALD. A committee has been organized to create a scrapbook consisting of pictures, memorabilia, history, and the governing aspects of Alpha Lambda Delta. We feel that this scrapbook will help guide rising members of ALD in understanding the spirit and the mechanics of our organization.

Later this year, we plan to meet with ALD members from a neighboring school—A&T State University. Collaborating with other chapters should provide us with new ideas and incentives for our own chapter and can promote, among both universities, the advantages participating in ALD offers.

Martha Trigonis
Administrative Liaison

The Winthrop College chapter has continued to grow and expand this year. Officers elected last spring include Marla Thornton, president; Jennifer Davis, vice president; Pamela Mizzell, secretary; Christopher Cameron, treasurer; and Christine Nelson, historian. Over 40 newly initiated members have contributed some wonderful ideas for this year. A major fall project is a retreat weekend at Springmaid Mountain in Virginia. We're taking this opportunity to get away from busy collegiate routines and to get to know our members better.

Plans are also underway for community service projects, information days to encourage freshmen, and even for spring initiation.

*Christine Nelson
Historian*

The spring semester at the University of Houston began with over 100 new initiates and a bevy of new projects and ideas. Chosen to head up these new projects were Mark Burge, president; James Hodsdon, vice president; Phil Monsen, treasurer; Barbara Wall, secretary; and Ella Brooks, historian.

Under Mark's leadership, a number of these new projects were begun, including new chapter t-shirts and initiating a new constitution and bylaws for the chapter. A new chapter brochure has already been designed and printed; many copies were given to freshmen at summer orientation.

To paraphrase the old saying, however, it's hard to keep good help. Mark is very active in the Students' Association and is now a presidential cabinet member. In the interest of fairness, both to us and to the association, Mark has resigned as president. He will be greatly missed as a leader, but we look forward to retaining him as an active member. In order to fill the vacancy, James Hodsdon has been elected president, Daniel Lurvey will become vice president, and Yvonne Villa will become the newly created publicist.

In keeping with this transitional motif, we would like to say a fond farewell to our advisor of several years, Dr. John Danford. As one of the busiest professors on campus, he is resigning because of time constraints. At this time, we would also like to extend a gracious welcome to our new advisor, Ms. Patricia Averill.

Activities planned for the coming year are continued sponsorship of College Bowl on campus, various Homecoming activities, and study parties to relieve some of that finals tension. The chapter looks forward to a great year promoting and celebrating scholastic excellence.

The Northeast Louisiana University chapter inducted exactly 100 new members last spring. Honors were given at the ceremony to Michaela York, past president. She received a \$500 scholarship for being the most outstanding sophomore in the chapter. Julie Banister was also recognized as a former president of our chapter who now serves on the National Council. Soon after initiation our new officers were elected: Dawn Tipton, president; Myra Misuraca, vice president; Nikki Mire, secretary; Tim Whiddon, treasurer; Stacy Ripp, chaplain; and Michelle Ingram, historian.

Top priority among the officers this year was to uphold and improve upon the outstanding standards set by the officers of the previous year. We eagerly set out to do so beginning with a "Get to Know You" barbecue.

Later during the spring semester ALD sponsored its annual Favorite Professor Week. Ten professors were selected as outstanding by the chapter and were recognized throughout the week with small gifts, a poster on their office door, and a party that closed out the week.

The fall semester began with our annual "Smarty Party" to which we invited prospective members, those freshmen with an ACT score of 24 and above. It

was such a hit we even make the local television news. For the active members we held a pizza party during which we nominated our representatives for State Fair Football Game Court and Homecoming Court. For the month of October the chapter planned a Halloween costume party.

Other undertakings include a student newsletter which is sent to all the members each month and a twice per year faculty newsletter designed to inform all university faculty about ALD. We also initiated the use of posters to announce, across campus, the coming of Favorite Professor Week. Near the end of the semester a book swap was held to exchange notes and ideas about professors and classes.

To raise money for all of these social events he held a raffle. Everything to be raffled was donated by local businesses. The chapter also sold t-shirts that promoted school spirit as well as built up our bank account.

In the spirit of giving we chose as our philanthropy the Ronald McDonald House. We also visited the elderly in a local nursing home. In doing this we learned a little more about the world around us and a lot about ourselves.

*Michelle Ingram
Historian*



Jennifer Nagel, president of the St. Joseph's College in Rensselaer, Indiana, chapter presents an Alpha Lambda Delta cap and sweatshirt to Fr. Charles Banet, president of St. Joseph's College. The St. Joe chapter will induct 44 new members this year.



The University of Oregon chapter welcomed 244 new members at the spring initiation held on May 30, 1989. At the ceremony, former ALD and PES presidents Megan Rasmussen and Ed Hargis spoke about the histories of the two honor societies and their roles on campus. Chemistry professor Dr. Ralph Barnhard, the guest speaker for the evening, gave a brilliant lecture on perceptions and congratulated the new members on their achievements.

The 1989-90 officers serving ALD are James K. Lee, president; Hans Mitchell, projects chair; Melissa Lundstedt, membership chair; Scott Dunlap, public relations chair; and Teresa Smith, secretary.

The new and enthusiastic executive board plans a picnic-social in the fall and a raffle to be held during fall registration.

*Scott Dunlap
Public Relations Chair*

The Columbia College chapter is an active and exciting group. Academic excellence is our main concern here, and we encourage the new freshmen to set high goals for themselves as they begin their college careers.

ALD began encouraging the class of 1993 by sponsoring a booth promoting our organization at the Freshman Orientation program held over the summer. At this booth, we informed them of who we were and our interest in them.

We are planning a "study session" which will be held prior to mid-term exams at Columbia. We will have the cafeteria all to ourselves, and we will have different tables dealing with various subjects. The freshmen will have an opportunity to study together as well as with ALD members. Popcorn will be served during a study break, and we are looking forward to a real success.

Our chapter's spring project last year was sponsoring a "clean-up day" for an elderly lady in our neighborhood. The project was so enjoyed and successful that we have "adopted" this lady and continue this project for her, as well as others like her, this year. We were excited to have much participation in this project. Members worked to help renovate the homes of the less fortunate in our surrounding area. Other activities included a tea for new members and for members of the Order of the Purple Seal.

ALD is promoted throughout the campus and community by the sweat-shirts and t-shirts that we wear. Also, a large fund raiser will be held to raise money for a scholarship given annually to a freshman.

*Jennifer E. Rose
Shannon Steele*

Greetings from Memphis State University, located in Memphis, Tennessee, on the bluff of the mighty Mississippi River. Our chapter proudly welcomed 64 new members into ALD at the 1989 spring initiation ceremony. We were privileged to be selected as one of the chapters given the honor of awarding the newly established Jo Anne J. Trow Award. Our first \$100 award was given to Carol-Lynn Barsky.

Not only did we award a remarkable sophomore, but also a remarkable freshman. The Memphis State chapter established the Outstanding Freshman Award. To qualify, a candidate must be a freshman who participates in at least two on-campus organizations or activities in addition to being a candidate for ALD. If these requirements were met, they were each asked to submit a 500-word essay explaining why, after a semester at Memphis State University, they felt they had made the correct decision in attending this college. We found our outstanding freshman in Paul Friedman. He became the first recipient of the \$200 freshman scholarship award.

Another new asset for our chapter was the installment of Dr. Charles Biggers to the position of faculty advisor.

Our chapter began making our presence known even before the official beginning of the 1989-90 academic year. We participated in the freshman orientation to let the incoming students know that there is an immediate reward for studying and maintaining exceptional grades. In keeping with that thought, we sent a letter of encouragement to the academic scholarship recipients to keep them striving for their best.

Our plans for the fall semester include a Halloween "Dead Party." For this, everyone must come as a once-living person or thing that is new deceased. Other events that are being scheduled are the hosting of a "Celebrity Roast" composed of Memphis City as well as Memphis State "celebrities," and the sponsoring of an exam study room where students may come and prepare for exams while enjoying coffee and refreshments.

Something new for this year is the service and honor system. Members are encouraged to participate in ALD activities by being awarded service points for each activity attended. At the end of the spring semester, a banquet will be held for the members. Those with the highest points will be awarded prizes.

In the planning stages is a riverboat cruise for our ALD members as well as the other honor societies on our campus. It will be a reward not only for ourselves, but also a way to encourage interaction between such similar groups.

Our president and vice president, Allison Carpenter and Gretchen Kiener, will be attending the annual leadership workshop in San Antonio.

On April 9, 1989, The Ohio State University chapter initiated 360 new members at Mershon Auditorium in Columbus. The key speaker was Dr. Sebastian Knowles, Assistant Professor of English. We are proud to say that Ms. Betty Jo Hudson, President of National Alpha Lambda Delta, gave the charge to the new initiates. In that same month, we also held our second study-a-thon to raise money for PLEP (Project Leisure Education Participation). PLEP is a program that provides recreational opportunities for disabled students. Over \$300 was raised to help purchase athletic equipment for disabled students. Prizes were given to students who participated in the study-a-thon and the students also had an opportunity to meet faculty members who were invited as guest monitors.

In July, the newly elected officers had their summer retreat. Topics included the responsibilities and obligations of each officer and future goals and activities. Besides encouraging and promoting high scholastic achievement and servicing our community, we decided to enhance visibility of ALD and to spice up meetings by making them not only informative but interesting and unique.

During this summer, we mailed out a newsletter informing all the new members of the group's past and future plans and activities, the dates of general meetings, and the types of committees they can participate in. We included a sign-up sheet for committees and for an event called "The Thing" which is a friendly competition among the seven class honoraries at OSU in such games as the triathlon, tug of war, and volleyball. Another newsletter topic was our "Nice People Who Know Things" project. Its main



Dr. Woods, flanked by officers and advisors, at Montevalo's 50th anniversary initiation ceremony.

objectives are to help incoming freshmen become acclimated to OSU, to get answers to their questions, and just to have a friendly and understanding ear to talk to. This project is in its planning stage.

We also have other activities to plan and execute, including our upcoming initiation in November. Even though we have a full schedule ahead of us, we honestly feel that we can make this year a success if we put enough hard work, dedication, and enthusiasm in what we do.

Tuyen N. Vo
President

It is with pride that the University of Montevalo (formerly Alabama College) chapter celebrated its 50th anniversary while National Alpha Lambda Delta was celebrating its 65th anniversary. For this special occasion, the chapter had a special "50th Anniversary" printed on the certificates of the new members. The event took place at the President's home, Flowerhill, on Tuesday, April 18, 1989. Our guest speaker for the ceremony was Dr. Thomas Woods, Professor of English and advisor to our honors club at the University.

J.R. Wilkinson
Liaison Administrator



At a September meeting, Arkansas State University chapter officers planned six projects for the upcoming year. For the Homecoming parade in November, the chapter plans to decorate a car. For Thanksgiving, we are doing our annual Teacher Appreciation Day for the women faculty members on campus. Each year we give them an apple and a short note thanking them for their support. During the week of finals, we plan to distribute studying signs to the girls' dorms on campus. We have started making plans for our spring initiation and we have decided to hold our senior recognition during initiation again. This year our chapter is celebrating our 25th anniversary for which we will have a special celebration. Finally, our chapter is pleased to have Debbye Turner, a former winner of the Miss ASU pageant, as one of our distinguished alumna.

Wendy Reiser
Editor

Alpha Lambda Delta had an upbeat year on the Georgetown College campus for 1988-89.

The annual Pick-Your-Favorite-Professor contest sparked enthusiasm and appreciation for the faculty. Asked to pay a penny a vote, students were allowed to cast as many ballots as they wished. Fierce competition caused several people to vote 100 and 200 votes at a time. The money collected was used to buy a book of the "most popular" professor's choice for the Library.

Daffodil days, a fund-raising project for the American Cancer Society, also generated new interest this year. Students were given the choice of taking the daffodils with them or sending the flowers to someone with a message. ALD members spent several early mornings making surprise daffodil "deliveries" to the dorms. Members also sold daffodils to the local businesses downtown, increasing ALD visibility in the community. Flowers that could not be sold were taken to the nursing home and given away to brighten the residents' day. We were able to raise \$225 and create enthusiasm.

The chapter is also working in conjunction with the local adult literacy program to promote awareness on campus with speakers and informative literature. ALD made a \$50 donation to the group.

Members also volunteered in hosting the Academic Sweet Sixteen Showcase competition for high school students.

Chris Schimmoller
President

The University of Tennessee at Knoxville chapter has been enthusiastic about the coming year. It began with an initiation of 170 members in the spring and the election of new officers: David Kao, president; Sara Hall, vice president; and David Davenport, secretary-treasurer. Our chapter also received a new administrative liaison, Jenny Richter.

The activities planned this year include making pamphlets that inform freshmen about the services that the University has to offer to students.

David I. Kao
President

The 1989-90 school year will be one full of many challenges and exciting adventures for our chapter at Western Carolina University. Under the leadership of president Paula Shearin, we have set many goals for ALD. Our biggest challenge lies in making ALD known throughout campus. We have planned a picnic out on the Blue Ridge Parkway, fund raisers such as doughnut sales, a reception for outstanding high school graduates to be held at the Chancellor's home, and a possible outing to Six Flags Over Georgia. We will also continue raising money for our annual scholarship and have considered possibly raising the amount given this year.

Wendy A. Graham
Editor

The University of Science and Arts of Oklahoma chapter pledged thirty-five new members March 30, 1989, at an initiation luncheon.

As a service to the university community, ALD holds a book sale at the end and beginning of each trimester. The club retains a fifty-cent token from each book sold. If books do not sell, students receive their books back at no charge. Students may sell books no longer needed or buy used books for the next trimester at considerable savings. This service has really grown since its inception. Also, our chapter continues to usher the graduation commencement and serve at the reception.

The chapter members are really excited about the plans for the upcoming year. Some of these activities will include a Thanksgiving food drive, Christmas fund raiser for youth shelter, Valentine-O-Grams, and kite flying day in the spring.

Donna Dunn
Brenda Stidham



Last spring 35 rising sophomores were initiated into the Converse College chapter by Thomas R. McDaniel, liaison administrator; Andrew Howard, faculty advisor; and Kendra Koenig, president. Among these new members is William Robert Hair, Converse's first male member of Alpha Lambda Delta. The newly elected officers for 1989 were also initiated, and they are Jill Burnett, president; Karen Preacher, vice president; Mandy McCoy, secretary; Cindy Jerles, treasurer; and Amy Walker, editor.

The chapter held a "You Survived Orientation" party in September for Converse's freshman class. The party served to welcome new students and to make them aware of Alpha Lambda Delta's purpose. The chapter plans to participate in a tutoring program with the children at a local shelter. We also plan to become more actively involved on campus.

Amy Walker
Editor



North Alabama's officers Katie Cope, Carla McGee, Karen Stewart, and Leah Holt ponder the chapter's upcoming activities.

In my first semester at the University of North Alabama, I was invited to a Halloween party for prospective freshman honor society members. At the party there were refreshments, activities, and speeches by the officers and advisors, but what stands out the most in my memory was a very clever party decoration—a jack-o'-lantern whose triangular eyes and nose were formed by the Greek letters alpha, lambda, and delta.

Impressed by this creativity, I and 25 other freshmen joined ALD. Officers were elected, and in case you haven't guessed, I chose *Flame* editor. The first activity planned was a riverside hamburger cook-out to get the new inductees acquainted. In September, ALD vice president Stacy Barringer and secretary Leah Holt attended a campus-wide leadership retreat to improve campus activities and get the student body involved in the University's programs. Next we raised funds with a garage sale and entered a car in the UNA Homecoming parade.

A year has passed; with new freshmen on campus, another Halloween party was held to get prospective members informed and interested in joining ALD. To carry on the tradition, I volunteered to carve the jack-o'-lantern, so twelve months of ALD activities concluded with another Great Pumpkin.

Alex Newborn
Keeper of the Flame

The Wesleyan College chapter held its initiation on April 4, 1989. The new members immediately got down to business, beginning by electing a group of bright, energetic leaders. This year's officers are Amy Burch, president; Katie Garrett, vice president; Belinda Long, secretary; Sydney Harris, treasurer; Anne Cordeiro, historian; and Erin Cox, editor. The senior advisor is Tara Joyner.

The first activities were the ever-important fund raisers. ALD members braved the kitchens and then mobs of hungry students in a very successful bake sale. Not long after, members once again risked themselves, this time on the auction block. In the first annual Slave Auction, ALD members performed such tasks as typing, washing, cleaning, and auto repair for their student "masters." The president and editor went up in a two-for-one Blue Light Special! The money raised from these activities went toward pins for the graduating charter members.

The new school year started off with a bang at the annual Labor Day Boombah, sponsored again this year by Alpha Lambda Delta. Students, faculty, and friends dined by the shores of Wesleyan Lake on barbecue, cole slaw, and other assorted delicacies. Afterward, Wesleyan students displayed their talents (?) at a Lip Synch Contest. First prize went to a reasonable facsimile of the crew of the starship Enterprise with their version of "Star Trekkin'."

Alpha Lambda Delta's current focus is informing the new freshman class about the organization and telling them to start studying now!

Erin Cox
Editor

The North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University chapter inducted 46 new members on April 30, 1989. During the initiation ceremony, six of the members were installed as officers for the 1989-90 school year. They are Jerome Redmond, president; Pamela Askew, vice president; Taiwo Singletary, secretary; Matthew Barnhill, treasurer; Naeemah Shareef, editor; Kimberly Bronner, parliamentarian-historian; and Cledra A. McCullers, Ms. Alpha Lambda Delta. In addition, the junior advisors are Marvin Walton, Rhonda Woodruff, and Tammy Y. Parker. The senior advisors are Jimmy L. Williams II, Pamela Harrigan, and Anita Bonner.

In the midst of maintaining their high GPA's, members are making time for their commitment to ALD by participating in various campus activities. These activities for the fall semester have begun with members serving as University tour guides for a day. Members ventured out at day-break to receive visiting students, parents, and faculty to introduce them to N.C.A.&T.'s diverse campus. In the near future ALD members plan to participate in Drug and Alcohol Awareness Week where they will be setting up a booth containing a nonalcoholic beverage game. This will also be included as a fund raiser for ALD. During Homecoming week, the talented Ms. Cledra McCullers will be representing ALD as Miss ALD in the Homecoming parade.

Under the leadership of our highly motivated president and under the guidance of Mrs. Marva Watlington, liaison administrator, and Mrs. Carlotta Baker, faculty advisor, the A&T chapter plans to participate in numerous service projects and tutorial programs. The developed project for the year is called "Adopt a Freshman." This is a tutorial program designed to help troubled students in academics and in their adjustment to their new college environment. The additional projects that are being developed include "Adopt a Family" for the Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays, getting more involved socially with the youth of the community by working with them through the YMCA and YWCA, a "Big Brother and Big Sister" program in which members will be developing a one-on-one relationship with students in junior high school, working with senior citizens, and also working with the Sickle-Cell Anemia Foundation.

Naeemah Shareef
Editor



Penn State's new officers: (l to r) standing—Mike Santo, treasurer; Eric Sloughfy, vice president; sitting—Michele Beccarelli, president; Marce Lynn Pancio, advisor; Jeanne Merisko, secretary.

1989 has proven an exciting and eventful year for the chapter at Southern Methodist University in Dallas, Texas. Last spring, we initiated 132 new members at an elegantly catered dinner. The speaker, chosen by votes of the newly elected members, was political science Professor Franklin Balch, a noted scholar in political geography. Professor Balch, a witty and entertaining lecturer, is familiar to many first-year honor students who have taken his popular interdisciplinary honors core course "The Roots of Society." His topic that evening was "Life in the Real World."

Officers for 1989-90 were elected a week later at ALD's annual ice cream social. They are Stephen Stallcup, president; Katie Steele, vice president; Jennifer Bauer, secretary; Katie Alley, treasurer. ALD advisor is Debbie Watson. The fall season has already sparked with an ALD Gala, held at the Meadows Museum on SMU's campus. The Meadows Museum is recognized as having the finest collection of Spanish art outside the Prado Museum in Madrid, Spain. Our special guest was Professor Michael Holahan, a noted Miltonic scholar. Plans are underway for helping with an SMU Honors Day for area high school seniors, and our vice president is deeply involved in her own project, the initiation of next year's ALD scholars.

Arizona State University's chapter inducted 151 members in April of 1989. Families and friends attended both the ceremony and the brunch that followed in the Arizona Room of the Memorial Union.

ALD at Arizona State awarded a First Annual honorary certificate of membership recognizing an instructor for his or her outstanding teaching and positive influence among undergraduate students. The chapter selected Dr. Steven Happel, Associate Professor of Economics, as the Honorary Faculty Member for 1989. Dr. Happel's acceptance speech focused on the "Sophomore Slump." He explained his concern of students trading good grades for good times upon entering their sophomore year. He urges students to not only excel academically but also to contribute to society through extracurricular activities. He feels that gifted students, such as those initiated into ALD for their academic excellence, should return their gift to society through positive involvement out of the classroom.

A portion of our returns for the 1989-90 agenda include sending representatives to the annual leadership workshop, initiating members for fall and spring, and participating in campus activities such as Alcohol Awareness Week in conjunction with BACCHUS (Boost Alcohol Consciousness Concerning the Health of University Students).

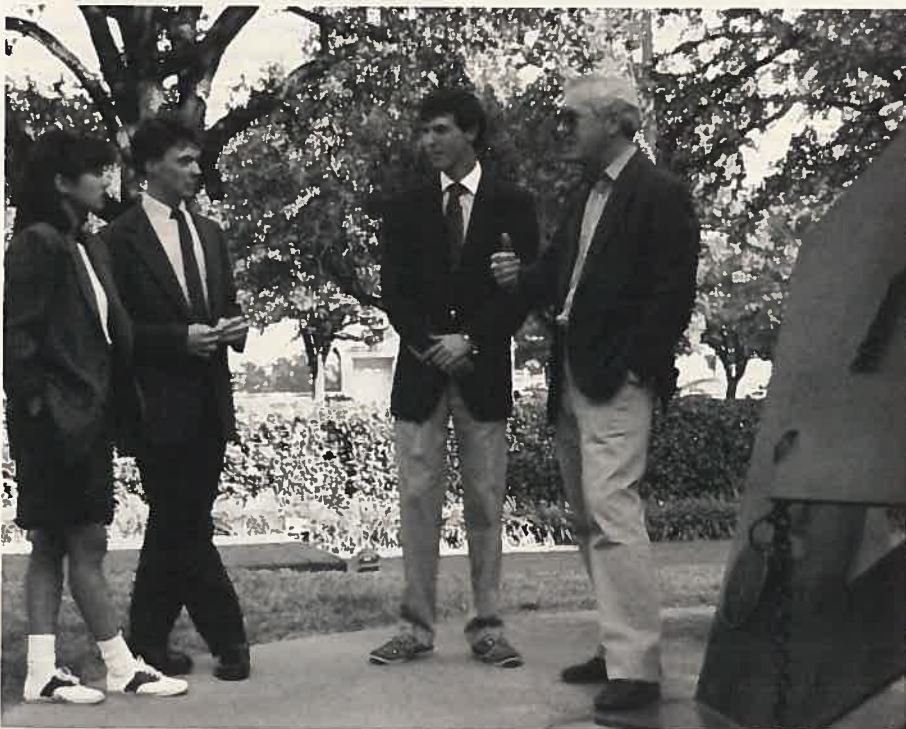
*Kendra Ann Diegan-Moy
Emilie McLaughlin*

The ALD chapter at Spelman College has been active on the campus this year. We began early with the Volunteer Tutorial Program which offers aid in a variety of subjects to other Spelmanites. We also participated in the annual Thanksgiving convocation. ALD donated a Thanksgiving basket filled with foodstuffs to a needy family chosen by Spelman College.

We commenced the new year's activities by setting up information booths. These displayed the history and the requirements necessary to be eligible for membership in Alpha Lambda Delta. In February, we successfully sponsored a Potpourri Gram sale. They were sold for Valentine's Day.

Future events include serving as ushers for the National Senior Honor Society induction ceremony. A forum to aid students in locating financial aid sources is also planned after the spring break. Finally, our annual Alpha Lambda Delta Week will feature an academic movie and Paraphernalia Day. The chapter will also host a local speaker who is making academic strides in today's society. The week will culminate with the induction ceremony for the 1988-89 academic year.

*Andrea Ivory
President*



SMU chapter officers meet with Professor Michael Holahan, noted Miltonic scholar.

Last spring the Oregon State University chapter inducted 98 new members in an initiation ceremony held in the campus's LaSells Stewart Center. Following the initiation ceremony the new 1989-90 officers were elected. They are as follows: co-presidents Travis Bomengen and Gabriela Pedroza; co-vice presidents Jason Kropf and Amy Solomonson; treasurer Chris Harbaugh; and secretary Sherry Steinmetz. Our adviser is Dr. Roger Penn, Associate Vice President and Dean of Students at OSU. The Oregon State chapter tends to participate in service projects this year including providing a Halloween party for junior high students in the Corvallis community. We also plan to hold a fund raiser for a charitable organization such as UNICEF which the chapter has supported in the past.

We are looking forward to an exciting year in which we will encourage freshmen to meet the qualifications for membership and try to increase membership involvement.

*Gabriela Pedroza
Travis Bomengen
Co-presidents*

The ALD chapter at the University of Florida in Gainesville initiated 321 members last spring. We are attempting to make ALD more than an "honor society," but an "active society." Thus far, we have had the Vice President of Academic Affairs speak to a group of more than 200 students. Our socials include volleyball tournaments which pit members against each other according to majors like pre-law versus pre-med.

On April 2, 1989, the Illinois State University chapter initiated 132 new members. Guest speaker at the ceremony was Dr. Virginia Lee Owen, the Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences. The "Favorite Professor Award," an honorary membership, was awarded to Dr. Tony Ostrosky, an ISU professor of economics.

Before the 1988-89 school year ended, some new members and the officers met to discuss plans for the next year. The goal for the 1989-90 school year was to make the campus and the community aware of Alpha Lambda Delta and its functions. To inform the incoming freshmen about the society, the chapter distributed a pamphlet. To inform the campus and the town community about the society, the chapter planned various functions such as a volleyball tournament, an October wiener roast, and several community services.

*Anne Marie Loebach
President*

The Temple University chapter is anticipating a successful year. After initiating 40 new members last spring, the group has planned exciting activities for the semester. Things began with a booth at Temple's annual "Kick-off Carnival" and a welcome-back social. Also in the planning are mid-term and finals study breaks, and a guest lecture. We are looking forward to our fall initiation activities as we continue to grow as an active chapter.

*Sharon Maniford
Secretary*

The Louisiana State University chapter initiated 156 members on April 16. The initiation ceremony was followed by a banquet with Phi Eta Sigma, during which many awards and scholarships were presented to the members and initiates.

Lisa Comeaux, an engineering major with a cumulative 4.0 GPA, received the Senior Book Award. The Sophomore Scholarship was presented to Ralph Gonsoulin, an engineering major with a 3.8 cumulative GPA. Margaret Delaune received the Jo Anne J. Trow Undergraduate Award.

This year the LSU chapter presented a new award, The M. Margaret Jameson Outstanding Officer Award, named in honor of Ms. Jameson, former Assistant Vice-Chancellor for Student Affairs. Ms. Jameson's career at LSU began in 1966, and she retired in 1988. Ms. Jameson serves as National Alpha Lambda Delta Historian and was liaison administrator for the LSU chapter. Recipient of the \$150 endowment award, chosen by Ms. Jameson in conjunction with the faculty advisor and administrative liaison, was Amanda Oakes, a senior graduating in speech communication. She was the LSU chapter president in 1986-87.

The final award was the Alpha Lambda Delta Fellowship. Rosa Kim, 1987-88 chapter vice president, received the fellowship.

*Christine Faust
Historian*

The Liberty University chapter in Lynchburg, Virginia, started off this year with the initiation of 80 new members on August 22. The induction ceremony included guest speaker Dr. Lila Bruckner, Professor of Education, and the election of officers: Erik Larson and Ben LaFrombois, co-presidents; Carol Ann Swindler, vice president; Michelle Branch, secretary; Julie Alverson, treasurer; Chrissy Delinski, historian; and Kristy Eriksen, editor.

The officers are looking forward to a good year and are planning some new activities including trips and game nights. They also rely on the guidance of senior advisors Chip Peterson and Heather Bacon, Dr. Alice Mawdsley, faculty advisor, and Dr. Pauline Donaldson, administrative liaison, to continue projects from last year such as Christmas caroling and sending carnations to a local nursing home.

*Kristy Eriksen
Editor*



In its 29th year, the Kent State University chapter of ALD got off to an enthusiastic start after initiating 130 new members on April 10.

The organization has a number of projects planned. To keep participation and interest among members high, social events such as intramural volleyball and pizza parties will be held. A chapter newsletter will keep members informed on scholastic opportunities and upcoming events.

The Kent chapter will also be involved in service projects like Women's Health Day and Alcohol Awareness Week.

A mini-workshop is scheduled for early spring. ALD chapters from neighboring universities will be invited to Kent State to exchange ideas and get acquainted.

Kelly McGuire

The Purdue chapter of Alpha Lambda Delta is coming off a great year and ready with excitement to make this year even better! Last year we experienced our largest membership ever, and we awarded two scholarships to the runners-up of the Jo Anne Trow Award.

To start off this year, the officers decided upon their goals for the 1989-90 academic year. The first goal was accomplished when they recently published a volunteer tutor list made up of last year's initiates. This list is distributed university-wide to every academic advisor, every residence hall, and every Greek house on campus.

Other plans for this year include a pizza supper-movie night, a Barn Dance with Phi Eta Sigma, the establishing of an annual award to honor the best freshman professor, additional scholarships, and a couple of service projects.

Illinois students promote ALD during "Quad Day."



On April 2, the University of Pittsburgh at Bradford chapter inducted fifteen student members and two honorary members. Honorary members were Dr. August Freda, Professor of Engineering, and Dr. K. James Evans, Dean of Student Affairs and Acting Dean of Academic Affairs. The induction ceremony also included the installation of chapter officers: Heidi Hartley, president; Rebecca Frederick, vice president; Tracy McMullen, secretary; Kathryn Harris, treasurer; Sean Barbabella, historian; and Cheryl Butcher, editor. Jennifer English received the Senior Book Award.

On September 7, the members played an instrumental role in the annual Fall Convocation ceremony, a new tradition at the University. Pitt-Bradford advisory board members, faculty, and staff, dressed in full academic regalia, welcomed the University's largest freshman class in its history. Heidi Hartley greeted the freshman class and spoke about ALD and its recognition and support of scholarship and academic excellence. Ms. Hartley, representing the class of 1992, presented the "Vessel of Learning" to freshman Valerie Brocius during the ceremony. The "Vessel," a brass bowl, symbolizes the transcendent values that are part of higher education and link one generation of students to another.

Cheryl Butcher
Editor

The Indiana University-Purdue University at Indianapolis chapter completed a service project last spring. Working with the day care center located on campus, we sponsored the child of an IUPUI nursing student. For the latter portion of the spring semester, Alpha Lambda Delta and Phi Eta Sigma paid the weekly fee of day care for this child.

In April, the new members of ALD were initiated. They hope to continue improving the campus of IUPUI.

Nancy S. Eble
President

The ALD chapter at the University of Illinois is alive and in full swing! With the help of its new officers and fine advisory board, this semester has already begun to fly.

On August 20 the chapter participated in a campus-wide activities bazaar known as "Quad Day." More than 400 registered student organizations lined the sidewalks of the campus handing out brochures and promotional items to encourage new members to join. Every year Quad Day is a big success at the University, and despite the continuous rain storm that showed up this year, '89 was no exception.

Since then the ALD board has been putting the finishing touches on their tutoring program which is set to begin this fall. Over 180 members of ALD have volunteered their time and services to provide free tutoring to any student on campus who chooses to contact them. These members together offer tutoring in as many as 90 different courses. This is the first year that ALD has put so much effort behind the free tutoring program, and it already looks like it will be very successful.

Another notable event of the Champaign-Urbana chapter was the celebration of their 65th year anniversary last spring. The initiation banquet was honored by guest speaker Barbara Quilling, and more than 500 new members were added to the chapter rolls. The chapter also recognized its 14 seniors graduating with cumulative 5.0 GPAs. The anniversary was celebrated by presenting Barbara with a donation for purchasing a laptop computer of her choice. It was a huge celebration.

The chapter is about to add nearly 200 more members to its total at the initiation banquet in November. Many of the officers are busy typing letters and stuffing envelopes to prepare for the event.

B. Berger

Having our initiation in May of 1989, the Brenau College chapter of Alpha Lambda Delta initiated 27 wonderful girls. We have helped with the rape crisis program's fund raiser in Gainesville, Georgia. This year we are starting out the year helping the faculty proctor the mathematics and English placement tests for the freshmen. We will be making permanent motivational posters to be displayed on campus during finals. Also, we are planning a "warm fuzzies" fund raiser for the first exams of freshmen. We hope your year is looking as bright and active as ours!

Elizabeth Nachman
President



The Fort Hays State University chapter celebrated their 30th anniversary with spring initiation ceremonies and banquet on April 23, 1989. March 7 was the date of its founding. In addition to the initiation and banquet, special recognitions occurred.

One was the awarding of the Jo Anne J. Trow award to Rhonda Elaine Kats. The presentation was made in recognition of ALD's 65th anniversary. Special acknowledgments of gratitude were made to Lois Lee Myerly who has served as faculty advisor to Alpha Lambda Delta for the last 14 years prior to her retirement on December 17, 1988. Lois Lee Myerly was a friend and colleague of Jean Stouffer who had given of her energy and time to Alpha Lambda Delta prior to her death in 1976. We also celebrated Dr. Larry Gould's appointment as faculty advisor.

We concluded our initiation, installation of officers, and banquet with the awarding of the senior certificates and the book award. The book was presented to Janet L. Smith who had a 4.00 GPA in music education. At our spring celebration, parents of current members, initiates, and senior award winners are invited. It is an event that brings a smile to the faces of everyone present.

Dorothy Knoll
Administrative Liaison

At Roanoke College in Salem, Virginia, 33 new members were inducted on April 9, 1989. New officers include president Benjamin McConnell, vice president Sidney Nash, secretary Leslie Vaden, treasurer Andrew McKnight, historian Michelle Duncan, and news editor Geoffrey Wolfe.

This fall, the Marietta College chapter hit the ground running with its first meeting of the year and picnic to acquaint old and new members on September 2. A brainstorming session generated ideas for the upcoming year. As a result, the chapter has decided to sponsor a freshman quiz bowl to promote freshman scholarship. The tournament will be held in the college's Honors Dorm and the winning team will receive a prize donated by Marietta's chapter of Phi Beta Kappa.

The chapter also plans to continue a successful tradition from its past year—the Faculty-Student Showcase—where both college students and faculty members have the opportunity to display their hobbies and/or to perform their various talents. Another Marietta honorary, the Omicron Delta Kappa leadership honorary, will be co-sponsoring the event with us. Last year, the displays included weaving, musical performances, art displays, as well as fishing lure, doll, and kaleidoscope collections, among others.

The chapter is also pleased to announce its induction of fourteen new members on September 12. Two new officers, chapter historian Melissa Brum and secretary-treasurer Valerie Childers, were also installed at this time.

Tiffany J. Prutton
Vice President

Dr. Richard G. Landini, President of Indiana State University, spoke at our initiation ceremony last spring. He told us that we had been given a gift and encouraged the 160 new members to share that gift with others. Trying to do just that, we are working to increase our fellow Sycamores' awareness of Alpha Lambda Delta.

The chapter sponsored a booth at ISU's annual Moonlight Madness. To attract potential members, a drawing was held with two grocery sacks of goodies as prizes. We distributed Alpha Lambda Delta brochures and gathered a list of names at this event. "Do Not Disturb" tags have been ordered to put on freshman doors to encourage them to study during final exams.

Another project is "Operation Feedback." Questionnaires are being sent to all of our members to find out their interests, talents, and ideas.

Last, but certainly not least, is our new tutoring service, which is open to all students. This is where "Operation Feedback" comes in super handy, helping us to match students with just the right tutor.

Julie Gocey
Vice President

The Susquehanna University chapter welcomes everyone back from a "hot" summer. The chapter grew by 24 members in April. Headed by new president Jeffrey Merrill, vice president Lynn Orem, secretary Scott Hartman, treasurer Lisa Souders, historian Jennifer Ives, and editor Cate Michalski, the chapter hopes to make its presence known on the Susquehanna campus this year. The chapter is considering the common fraternity practice of "wearing letters" once a month to promote public relations.

During Parents' Weekend, on October 29, the chapter is planning to induct seven new members. Also, this semester a volleyball tournament between all the honor fraternities on campus is tentatively scheduled. Proceeds from the tournament will go to the environmental group, Greenpeace.

Finally, the annual book raffle, sponsored in conjunction with the campus bookstore, will begin in late November. This year two prizes will be offered—just in time for second semester.

Cate Michalski
Editor



Indiana University officers show how to get the year off to a good start.

Hey, gang! Yes, the Ohio University chapter of ALD is alive and kicking, with 223 new members being initiated this past spring. Down here in Athens, we have a unique group that includes not only students from our regional campuses, but also prisoners from correctional facilities in southeast Ohio that are taking college courses. We have a really enthusiastic slate of officers this year and we are hoping to become more involved in our campus activities as well as in national ALD functions. By the time this issue of *The Flame* is published, we hope to have entered a float built by us, Chimes, and Mortar Board members in our homecoming parade (and won first prize, of course); to have adopted and raised funds for a charitable organization; to have partied and picnicked with old and new members; and in general to have had a fantastic year! To our resigning advisor, Laura Munsell, thank you for all your time and dedication.

Kim E. Bryant
Corresponding Secretary

The University of South Carolina chapter is off to a very successful new year. With motivated and enthusiastic membership, many chapter events have been planned.

In October the chapter will be holding a cookout for current members as well as any student who is interested in finding out more about Alpha Lambda Delta. In addition, we continue to hold fund raisers to help support CHAMPS; this is an organization that assists children with Down's syndrome.

As stated, the USC chapter is off to a good start. We are all excited about the upcoming events and look forward to February 22, 1990, when we will hold our induction ceremony and reception for new members. The 1989-90 elected officers are Kristin Bjorn, president; Lori Black, vice president; Julie Heyman and Darlene Miller, co-secretaries; Harrison Greenlaw, advisor.

The University of Southwestern Louisiana proudly initiated 56 new members into its chapter this spring. At the beginning of the fall semester, USL held a "Get on Board Day" in which all organizations set up booths around campus. The ALD chapter set up a table and distributed pamphlets and information about membership. At the first meeting this fall, scholarships, fund-raisers, and socials were discussed. Overall, the officers have planned an exciting year and are looking forward to full participation from members.

Shannan Suire
Editor

Indiana University's ALD chapter began the year with every college student's favorite pastime—eating!! Our advisory board met for an informal meeting and picnic on the first week of classes this past August. We had a chance to meet each other, talk about school, eat our fill of fried chicken, and set our annual goals for our chapter.

We are very excited about this year, as ALD is getting involved with the Bloomington Boy's Club in a tutoring program. A surprising number of our 500 members have volunteered their time to spend with the boys once or twice a week. With this kind of response, we are expecting great success.

Another major goal of the I.U. chapter is to make ALD a recognized name on campus. To tackle this problem, Freshman "Ins and Outs" booklets and study aids are being prepared and are expected to be available to students soon.

Tina R. Wiggins
Secretary



University of Kentucky officers Sherri Beach, treasurer; David King, vice president; Cathy O'Daniel, president; and Paige Walters, secretary.

The Wittenberg University chapter proudly accepted 49 new members in the spring of 1989. A candle lighting ceremony in Weaver Chapel was followed by a semi-formal dinner reception attended by special guest Richard Scott, Dean of Students.

Four new officers were elected for the 1989-90 school year: president, Janice Johnson; vice president, Alison Taylor; secretary, Katrina Panning; and treasurer, Heidi Durig.

In order for the new initiates to get acquainted with the class of 1991 members, the old officers organized a pizza social.

We are looking forward to inducting new members this spring. In an effort to make our chapter more visible to new students, members have put the official ALD insignia on their doors. Officers are planning other activities to heighten awareness of the organization.

Katrina Panning
Secretary



Chapter members at the University of Kentucky will, once again, be assisting in projects sponsored by the Undergraduate Admissions Office and the University Library.

ALD members will help attract academically talented students to UK by participating in a letter writing campaign and the "Student to Student Recruitment" program. In this program, ALD members will visit their alma mater high schools over Christmas break and talk with high school juniors and seniors about the University.

Members of the honor society also will assist the UK library system during a spring phonathon, which will raise money for a library endowment.

The DePaul University chapter has worked hard to enhance the students' awareness of our organization. Our goals included more student participation in our chapter. We also encouraged participation throughout all university organizations by our examples of sponsorship of activities and programs and involvement in community events.

Last spring we participated in DePaul's annual "Blues Fest." We displayed a banner recognizing our organization, and we made a profit by selling hot dogs. To begin the school year, we planned our initiation ceremony for October 29 on Lincoln Park Campus. We had 70 initiates who received a certificate, a constitution, and a society key.

To continue our efforts of student participation we have planned activities that would invite other organizations to take part in such things as debates, guest speaker series, or physical challenges like bowling or volleyball.

Cherri Monik
Historian

The University of Southern Colorado chapter of ALD was very excited as we inducted 33 new members at our spring initiation ceremony on April 23, 1989. Our new officers are Brad Gillispie, president; Don Wagner, vice president; Kerry Lyon, secretary; Danna Lunis, treasurer; Tamara Thomas, editor; Amy Samec, historian, and Anita Laydon, membership chairperson. In addition, Diana Fitzsimmons and Kathryn C. Jones were installed as junior-senior advisors.

We've had several successful fund raisers this past year including our Valentine-O-Gram sale last February and several bake sales throughout the year. We also donated a Christmas tree to the Spanish Peaks Boys Ekos home which proved to be a wonderful experience for us all. For ALD's 65th anniversary we held a week-long faculty lecture series in April.

Tamara Thomas
Editor

The spring initiation for The University of Alabama chapter was held on April 2, 1989. The ceremony that inducted 220 new members included remarks from Dr. Douglas Jones, Acting Academic Vice President for the University, and an introduction of the new officers for the current year. Officers are Rob Teutsch, president; Amanda Taylor, vice president; Molly Hightower, secretary; Philip Foster, treasurer; Karen Harwell, historian; Cindy McKenzie, *Flame* editor; Leigh Nelson, junior advisor (serving for Deanna Duncan who is on exchange for 1989-90); and Cathy Ardon, senior advisor. Chris Chow and Earnest Foster will represent ALD on the Coordinating Council of Honor Societies.

The chapter awarded \$400 scholarships to two of its members in April. Recipients are Cecilia M. Luyao and Allison Love O'Neal.

The chapter looks forward to celebrating its 60th anniversary this spring. The University of Alabama chapter was founded on May 17, 1930, making it one of the oldest in the South. In addition to celebrating its anniversary, the chapter will be awarding Senior Certificates and presenting the Outstanding Senior Award at Honors Day in the spring.

Noteworthy



Student guests pictured with four current and past Student Council Members-At-Large.

65th Anniversary Banquet--A Happy Occasion for All

The ALD National Council ended its annual meeting in June with a banquet honoring chapters in the surrounding area of Indianapolis. Our guests were "entertained" by Student Members-At-Large Eric Young and Julie Banister. Alpha Lambda Delta's new national President, Betty Jo Hudson, and the Executive Director, Barbara Quilling, also spoke briefly.

Members of the National Council enjoyed visiting with students and advisors from various chapters. By

meeting people from local chapters, the national perspective of a council member is greatly strengthened. Names are matched with faces, making the council experience more meaningful.

This past year marked the society's 65th anniversary. The theme used for the banquet was the celebration of this anniversary. Because we were able to honor the occasion with members from local chapters, the banquet's special flavor was enhanced.

The Torch Is Still Burning at Tougaloo

The Alpha Lambda Delta torch is still burning at Tougaloo College. The torch of knowledge is visibly being burned by two former ALD members, Willie Bolden and David Bickham.

Willie Bolden, a 1986-87 ALD member majoring in Economics-Business Administration, is continuously striving for excellence. Bolden served as SGA president of Tougaloo during the 1988-89 school term. He has participated in several minority intern programs. His achievements have been acknowledged with such awards as the CBS scholarship, Outstanding Young Men of America award, and Who's Who Among American Colleges and Universities.

David Bickham, a 1987-88 ALD member, has made incredible career

strides early in life. Bickham has become one of Tougaloo's youngest published authors. His book, *Blackberry Juice from Dry Bones* (1988), is a collection of blues, jazz, and miscellaneous poems. The publication of Bickham's book came by way of a poetry contest held in his hometown of McComb, Mississippi. Bickham is only the second Mississippian to win the contest. He is also the first Black and the youngest person to win this prestigious award. Bickham's long-term goals are to become a writer, a judge, and/or a college literature professor.

Tougaloo's Alpha Lambda Delta chapter would like to take this opportunity to salute Willie Bolden and David Bickham for their success.

Two Hours in the Life of the Soviet Union

By Eric Young

This past summer, while admiring the collections in Leningrad's Hermitage Museum, a young man approached me and asked where I was from. "The United States," I responded. I asked the same of him, as his English as excellent. "I am from Leningrad," was his reply. He introduced me to his friend and we spent the next two hours at a nearby restaurant off Nevesky Prospect.

Our conversation touched on politics, religion, relationships, sport, music, war and peace, and the future. That afternoon brought me closer to a country and people which are so mysterious to many of us. By simply sitting down and talking with people so different from myself did I realize how much alike we really are.

If you are in the USSR and see someone wearing a white ALD t-shirt, don't be surprised—it's probably one of my friends from Leningrad.





Creatively Yours--Ball State Sweatshirts

Each year the Ball State chapter of Alpha Lambda Delta conducts a t-shirt and sweatshirt sale that serves as both a fund-raiser and a promotional item for new and old members.

Pictured in front of the National Office where she works as the student assistant is Tricia Hockaday, past-president and currently junior advisor of the Ball State chapter. The shirt Tricia is wearing was designed on a Macintosh computer system. The Greek letters for alpha, lambda, delta are in red ink with the words Alpha Lambda Delta in white behind them. Underneath the design is the Ball State logo "Making the Grade 3.5" also in white.

Designing and selling the shirts has been successful at Ball State and is a great way to make money while bringing recognition to a chapter.



The AHA! Experience Invades UTSA

The ALD chapter at The University of Texas at San Antonio is very active. In the fall each year we have two major activities: Mind Match and Bestfest. Mind Match is a college bowl competition for high school honor students. We also participate in a university-wide festival, Bestfest. This year the ALD booth, "Wheel of Misfortune," won the best booth prize and brought in over \$100 to the treasury.

The two major spring activities are the annual Spring Honors Confer-

ence and the annual initiation and installation of officers. The honors conference attracts 400-500 high school honor students as well as university students. The conferences began in 1984 with "You Are There: 1984." In 1985 we "Celebrated Creativity." In 1986 we explored "The Age of Adventure: The Renaissance." In 1987 we went even further back in history to "The Ancient Age of Greece." In 1988 we examined that magic spark of "The Creative Process: The AHA! Experience."





Jackson State Promotes Former Council Member

Dr. Maria Luisa Alvarez Harvey, former District V Adviser, has been promoted to Dean of the Honors College at Jackson State University in Jackson, Mississippi. Dr. Harvey is also a professor of modern foreign languages.

An active lecturer and scholar, Dr. Harvey is a Phi Beta Kappa graduate of the University of Arizona, where she received her Ph.D. in Spanish literature. She is the author of one book on Spanish poetry, contributing author of a book in honors education, and author of numerous articles published in professional journals.

Dr. Harvey is a national leader in the field of honors education. She is a member of the executive committee of the National Collegiate Honors Council and is past president of the Southern Regional Honors Council. She served as president of the Mississippi Association for Women in Higher Education and served on the ALD National Council from 1984 until 1987. Dr. Harvey was instrumental in establishing the ALD chapter at Jackson State in 1977 and currently serves the chapter as liaison administrator.

Because it rewards academic excellence at the freshman level, Dr. Harvey considers Alpha Lambda Delta the most vital of the seventeen chapters of national honor societies at Jackson State. Membership in ALD has given thousands of students throughout the nation the incentive to continue to excel. For that alone believes Dr. Harvey, the world of education owes this fine organization a long standing debt of gratitude.

Quilling's Quotes

By Barbara Quilling,
Executive Director

The 65th anniversary of the founding of Alpha Lambda Delta in April of 1924 has been celebrated in many ways during 1989. It has been my pleasure to share in several ceremonies and commemorative initiations.

Starting just a few days before the anniversary month, the installation of the new chapter at Marietta College was held on a paddle wheel boat on the Ohio River. It was a delightful evening and each initiate invited a favorite professor to join the new chapter for a steak dinner following the ceremony. On April 1, 1989, Member-at-Large Margie Wade traveled from the University of Southern Colorado to Portland, Oregon, to install another new chapter at the University of Portland.

Vice President Dorothy Anderson left her post at Susquehanna University to install a new chapter at Dickinson College in Pennsylvania. In mid-March I flew to St. Louis, Missouri, to install new chapters at Columbia College and Maryville College. Since a chapter had been installed in January by Historian Margaret Jameson and Member-at-Large Julie Banister, we can count six new chapters as anniversary year chapters.

More than ten chapters hosted me at their anniversary year initiation ceremonies. At Butler University it was interesting to learn that Maria Leonard, the founder of Alpha Lambda Delta, was an alumna. Three weeks later at my final participation on a campus, I went to the initiation banquet for more than 500 new members at the charter chapter at the University of Illinois. Maria Leonard would have been proud of the group; one adviser was ill and the other was called away due to a death in the family. From my position at the head table it was gratifying to see the officers get people seated and take care of all the business at hand. The most surprising bit of business was when their senior adviser, Chris Hanlon, presented a check to purchase a lap top computer for the National Headquarters in celebration of the 65th anniversary founding of that chapter and the national organization. In

addition to celebrations, many chapters sent donations to the Alpha Lambda Delta Fellowship fund.

The establishment of the Order of the Torch was another new program commemorating the anniversary. Articles about the winners appear in this magazine.

At the headquarters office, we are aware that this anniversary year has been one of change. It is hoped that the changes will better serve you. In response to many chapter concerns about jewelry and certificate delivery, we have done several things. A new vendor has been contracted. The firm is in Cincinnati, Ohio. As part of their presentation, a new certificate design was presented. We hope your new members will be pleased. To help speed up the delivery of orders to the company and to give chapters better service, we have installed a FAX. The FAX is on a dedicated phone line so you can send orders or messages any time, day or night. The number is 317-289-9551. New computer equipment, including an additional laser printer, has been purchased. Now all three employees in the headquarters office have a computer. Keeping records for nearly 400,000 members and 212 chapters takes accurate detail work. In addition to the correspondence, processing orders, and planning workshops, every effort is being made to give you, the members of Alpha Lambda Delta, the best service possible. Please write or call with suggestions or questions. Your letters and calls are always welcome.

As the first year of the last decade of the twentieth century begins, what kind of traditions and standards are you building for members this year and in the future? How long has it been since one of your chapter members won an alpha Lambda Delta fellowship? Did your chapter apply for a Jo Anne J. Trow Award for an outstanding sophomore member? Did you send members to the National Leadership-Programming Workshop? Did you initiate a member of your faculty or administration as an honorary member? Have you given a meritorious service certificate to the adviser who worked so hard to help you? Have you started plans to apply for the Order of the Torch? Make your chapter a strong one; make definite plans to add a new facet to the chapter this year. MUCH success in all your endeavors.

We Want You !

By Julie Banister

As a second-year member of the Alpha Lambda Delta National Council, I am better able to reflect on my position and the ways in which both ALD and I benefit. Being from Louisiana, I brought a bit of my Southern heritage with me to the meetings, exposing my Northern friends to a varied culture. In the same way, I visited locations in the North that I had only read about in books or seen in movies.

I was president of the ALD chapter at Northeast during my sophomore year. In October of that year, I attended one of the two leadership conferences sponsored by Alpha Lambda Delta. It was at North Texas State that I first learned of the Student Member-at-Large position. Also this conference location marks the spot of my first encounter with Eric Young, who was then a Student Member-at-Large. Little did I know that this acquaintance would become an important influence in my life, as well as a life-time friendship.

Eric's job was to advertise the student council position. All of the conference participants listened attentively as he listed the many benefits that this position offered to its holder. However, simply being chosen to represent ALD in this capacity was overwhelming—out of the entire nation, only one person would be selected.

I admit that I, too, felt that it would be impossible to be the student chosen, and likened this selection process to that of being chosen a million dollar winner in one of the sweepstakes entries mailed me each year. Consequently I initially decided against turning in the Member-at-Large application. After all, I am not in the habit of wasting time on lost causes.

However, my ALD advisor felt that I had an excellent chance and would give me no rest until I had completed the application. Not long after it was mailed (almost a week late, no less), I was notified that I had been selected. My first feeling was numbness that gradually turned to excitement.

Now I give the moral of my story. If I had never picked up that form, completed it, and mailed it, I would not be writing this article today, nor

would I have had my college years enriched by remaining active with Alpha Lambda Delta. Everyone has an equal chance of being chosen as a Member-at-Large. Do not give up on yourself before you give yourself that chance.

As a student member it is difficult to describe the attributes that I brought to the Council. Perhaps my sense of humor is the single most appreciated characteristic. Those meetings can become rather long. A few jokes mixed in can sometimes ease the tension.

For me, a year passed before I really found my niche within the Council makeup. This is not always the case. I rather feel that it took me longer than my predecessors to have some perception as to what was taking place.

As I have traveled for ALD to various campuses, I am better able to match names with faces. This is also a benefit. Alpha Lambda Delta has

chapters scattered throughout the nation. The only feasible way to meet many of the students comprising these chapters is to be a Council member. I have truly enjoyed visiting with students nationwide that have common interests.

However, I have no problem pinpointing the largest advantage that being a Council member has dictated—friendships with faculty members and other students. I will always value and cherish these friendships. All of them I expect to last indefinitely.

If you are a freshman this year, I encourage you to complete the Student Member-at-Large application for the upcoming year. Each of us felt that it would be impossible to be the "one" selected. Put this feeling aside for a moment, and mail the application. You have nothing to lose and everything to gain. If you do not try, you can never succeed.

A Fellowship Recipient Reviews Her First Year of Medical School

By Laura Jane Crecelius

As I look back on the last nine months, I find it difficult to write a "progress report" on my first year of medical school. It is not that I do not have sufficient experiences about which to write, but rather it is that there is so much to tell that I do not know where to begin. I have, therefore, compiled an assortment of things I have learned this past year. Some are humorous, some are quite the opposite, but overall I feel that they tell the story as well as possible. Once again, sincere thanks to National ALD for awarding me the Mary Jane Stevenson Fellowship. It was quite an honor to be so recognized and certainly helped to lighten the financial load of my first year in medical school.

What I have learned in MEDSCHOOL thus far. . .

from my classes

- the symptoms of almost every viral illness are low grade fever and malaise
- there is a specific little area in the brain responsible for vomiting, which also accompanies almost every viral illness known to man

from my position as class treasurer

- stinginess is an inborn trait required of all future physicians
- the dishonest minority in the world causes much of the suffering of the honest majority

from my fellow classmates

- there comes a point in every student's first year when one has serious doubts as to whether the Admissions Committee really knew what they were doing
- maintaining a sense of humor is more important than maintaining one's sanity. . .or perhaps it is the ONLY way to maintain one's sanity

about myself

- it's okay not to be on top

from who knows where

- 90% of my future patients will probably know what's wrong with them when they walk into my office. . .they just want me to confirm their own diagnosis
- MOST IMPORTANTLY, it's not what you know, it's when you know it

Alpha Lambda Delta

...something
for everyone.

These members
attended the
Leadership
Workshop
in San Antonio,
Texas, in
October.



Organization

Alpha Lambda Delta is a national society that honors academic excellence during a student's first year in college. Founded as an honorary for freshman women at the University of Illinois in 1924, Alpha Lambda Delta became a national organization as chapters were established at Purdue in 1926 and at DePauw in 1927. Its purpose is to encourage superior academic achievement among students in their first year in institutions of higher education, to promote intelligent living and a continued high standard of learning, and to assist women and men in recognizing and developing meaningful goals for their roles in society.

Structure

Alpha Lambda Delta has 212 chapters throughout the nation, and more than 375,000 students have been initiated. The society consists of active members, alumni, honorary members, faculty advisors, liaison administrators, and its governing body—the National Council. The National Headquarters located in Muncie, Indiana, is staffed by an executive director and several assistants. Business of the organization is conducted at the annual meeting of the National Council, whose members include elected officers as well as professional and student representatives.

Chapters

Chapter activities vary from campus to campus. Each chapter is expected to initiate new members at least once a year and to fulfill certain minimum essentials of business. Other activities usually encourage, honor, and publicize scholarship among students. Many chapters also sponsor and/or participate in service projects on their campus or in the community. Chapters compete for the prestigious "Order of the Torch" awards.

Leadership

Students may participate in Alpha Lambda Delta at the national level in addition to serving as campus chapter officers. Several members represent the students at the annual National Council meeting, serve on committees, and work with campus chapters, professional council members, and council officers throughout their terms.

Insignia

Alpha Lambda Delta's official symbol is a gold candle with its Greek letters superimposed on the candle holder. The society honor key and lapel pin depict this symbol. Colors of the society are red, gold, and white. The coat of arms is a gold-bordered black shield with a red-tipped white candle, above which is a white altar with an open book on it.

Fees

Upon initiation, each member pays \$15 national dues. Initiates receive a certificate of membership and a key or lapel pin. The local chapter sets its own dues. Members may purchase optional jewelry and t-shirts from National Headquarters.

Awards

Sophomore members may compete for the JoAnne J. Trow Awards that provide \$100 to each recipient.

In honor of Maria Leonard, founder of the society, a Book Award is presented annually to the Alpha Lambda Delta graduating senior in each chapter who has achieved the highest cumulative grade-point average.

Senior Certificates, available from National Headquarters, may be presented to graduating members who have maintained the cumulative grade-point average required for membership.

Fellowships

The National Council awards fifteen fellowships annually, each amounting to \$3,000, for one year of graduate study. Any initiated member of Alpha Lambda Delta who has maintained the academic qualification for membership is eligible to apply as a graduating senior or later. An endowment provides major funding for these fellowships.