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### Michael R. Nichols

Dr. Michael R. Nichols joins the National Council this year as a member-at-large. He has been Director of the University Counseling and Testing Center at the University of Kentucky since 1985. Dr. Nichols is involved in a variety of activities both on and off campus, in addition to his work with the ALD chapter at Kentucky.

Dr. Nichols has taught regularly since 1973 and currently serves as Adjunct Assistant Professor in the Department of Educational and Counseling Psychology, College of Education, and the Department of Behavioral Science, College of Medicine. He is a member of the Religious Studies Program faculty at the University and adjunct faculty member at Lexington Theological Seminary.

A psychologist by trade, Dr. Nichols received his A.B. degree in English from Transylvania University and his M.A. degree in Community Counseling from the University of Kentucky. His Ph.D. degree, also from Kentucky, is in Counseling Psychology. Dr. Nichols has previously served on the staffs at Hanover College and Transylvania University.



# 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, were Elizabethtown College, Millikin University, and Northeast Louisiana University. The University of Oregon and The University of Texas at San Antonio were honored in 1990 for their achievements.

The **University of Oregon** chapter was presented the Order of the Torch by former National President Dr. Jo Anne Trow on October 2, 1990. The presentation occurred during a reception attended by both faculty and students.

During the reception, Dr. Trow spoke about the chapter's activities and the basis for selecting the UO chapter to receive the award. The members and officers worked hard last year to make the chapter a success. One of the goals of the officers was to increase the communication with the members. Prior to each meeting, the officers would call each active member and remind them to attend. Newsletters were sent out at the beginning of each term and included a calendar with academic dates and the honorary's activities. The communication resulted in increased attendance at the meetings and participation in our activities. It was this level of participation that allowed the chapter to take on as many activities as it did. We had a Christmas social and donated presents to families that could not afford any. During spring term we held a "Care Package" fund raiser and raised over \$400 for local scholarships, and at various times during the school year we supplied snacks to students "Caught Studying." It was a great year and everyone made new friends.

The Vice-Provost of Academic Support and Student Services, Dr. Gerard Moseley, spoke about the importance of Alpha Lambda Delta's contributions to the University of Oregon and the quality of the education here. Alpha Lambda Delta plays an



*Roger Morris, faculty adviser; Megan Rasmussen, 89-90 senior adviser; Jimmy Lee, 89-90 chapter president; Jo Anne Trow, Past National President of ALD.*

important role in the "second curriculum," the development of skills which cannot be learned in the classroom. We feel that the honorary offers students a way to get involved in the University and develop the skills they will need to be successful later in life.

The 1989-90 president and senior adviser surprised the faculty adviser, Roger Morris, by initiating him as an honorary member of ALD. Dr. Trow, whom Mr. Morris studied under while attending graduate school at Oregon State University, presented him with an Alpha Lambda Delta key in addition to the jewelry he received with his certificate.

The Alpha Lambda Delta chapter at **The University of Texas at San Antonio** received the prestigious award of the Order of the Torch at a reception held on the UTSA campus on October

11, 1990. Presenting the Order of the Torch banner was Ms. Gale Richardson, member of the National Council of Alpha Lambda Delta and Editor of *The Flame*. Five current and past chapter presidents accepted the award on behalf of the chapter and the University.

A short program preceded the banner presentation. Tim Riley, 1988-89 chapter president, presided. Tammy Shook, 1990-91 chapter president, and Dr. Bobbie Hernandez, UTSA Vice President for Student Affairs, welcomed chapter members, University administrators and faculty, and parents. Cindy Bormann, 1987-88 chapter president, gave a history of the society and the local chapter, and Melissa Muse, 1989-90 chapter president, introduced the keynote speaker. The keynote speaker was Dr. Eileen T. Lundy, chapter faculty adviser and an Associate Professor of English at UTSA. Dr. Patricia Graham, chapter administrative adviser and Assistant Vice President for Student Services, made the closing remarks.

The ALD chapter at The University of Texas at San Antonio is extremely proud to be named by the National Council of Alpha Lambda Delta to the Order of the Torch. The national recognition rewards not only the current members and officers of the chapter, but also those members and officers who have established the chapter traditions and encouraged scholarship in previous years. To have five current and past presidents participate in the ceremony upholds the spirit of community which is so important to the UTSA chapter.



*Gale Richardson; Tammy Shook, 90-91 chapter president; Melissa Muse, 89-90 chapter president; Cindy Bormann, 87-88 chapter president; Dr. Patricia A. Graham, administrative adviser; Don Barnes, 85-86 chapter president; Timothy Riley, 88-89 chapter president.*

# New Chapters

Four new chapters that have received charters since the last issue of *The Flame* are featured here. Alpha Lambda Delta is proud to welcome Meredith College, Raleigh North Carolina; Lenoir-Rhyne College, Hickory, North Carolina; Eastern Montana College, Billings, Montana; and George Mason University, Fairfax, Virginia.

## George Mason University

The installation ceremony of the ALD chapter of George Mason University was held in the Student Union II Building on the main campus on November 17, 1990. The University is located in Fairfax, Virginia, just outside Washington, DC.

Dr. Carmen G. Neuberger from Dickinson College installed the fifty-seven student and four honorary members that compose the charter group. The honorary members include Dr. Ted R. Bradley, faculty adviser and Professor of Biology; Dr. James J. Fletcher, administrative adviser and Associate Provost; Dr. Sara C. Looney, Associate Vice President; and Dr. Clara M. Lovett, Provost.

The chapter officers are Jarrod H. Brown, president; Barbara M.R. Hitt, vice president; Dan Sepdham, secretary; Sandra E. Hughes, treasurer; Jennifer A. Coviello, editor; and Amy K. Vest, historian.

Following the installing officer's remarks, Chapter President Brown responded and accepted the challenge to lead the new chapter with the support of the officers and advisers. Since burning candles are not permitted in the Student Union, the chapter officers used battery-operated candles which were passed among the members as a symbol of the passing of the light of membership in Alpha Lambda Delta. The ceremony closed with the new initiates recessing as they had processed, in alphabetical order, while Jarrod Brown sang the inspiring song, "When You Walk Through a Storm."

The ceremony was followed by a reception where the approximately forty parents, siblings, and friends who



*Eastern Montana College Installation Officers (L to R): Dr. Kevin Kelch, faculty adviser; Mary Pat Thomas, treasurer; Jessica Gibbons, vice president; Travis Grossman, historian; Karen Everett, administrative adviser; Kevin Walsh, president; Paula Ludlum, secretary; Pat Anderson, retired assistant dean of students, Montana State University, representing National Council; Debra Dilley, editor.*

attended the beautiful installation service were able to congratulate the new initiates. Many pictures were taken and the chapter seems to be off to a promising start. With strongly motivated student leadership and an ethnically diverse group of members, plus support and interest on the part of faculty and administration, the George Mason University chapter will no doubt thrive and grow to its full potential.

## Eastern Montana College

The Eastern Montana College chapter of Alpha Lambda Delta was installed on May 29, 1990, on the college campus in Billings, Montana. Seventeen regular and two honorary members were included in the charter group. Honorary members initiated were Dr. Kevin Kelch, faculty adviser and Assistant Professor of Communication Arts, and Karen Everett, administrative adviser and Director of Admissions and Enrollment Management.

Patricia Anderson, retired Assistant Dean of Students from Montana State University in Bozeman, represented National Council as installing officer. She was assisted by the newly initiated honorary members during the ceremony for the initiates.

Following the ceremony, approximately fifty parents and guests joined the initiates in a reception. One initiate's parents and both sets of grandparents traveled over 500 miles round-trip to attend the ceremony. The group of initiates also includes two international students, one from England and the other from India.

Charter initiates were given chapter T-shirts by the Enrollment Management Office. The chapter will participate in a reception for honor scholars in the fall and chapter members have attended new student orientations this summer. The group looks forward to being an active group as part of the national organization. We appreciated the February 1990 visit from Barbara Quilling, Executive Director, and Pat Anderson of Bozeman which helped us get plans in motion for our chapter in Billings.

## Meredith College

The Christina and Ceby Jones Chapel was the setting for the twilight installation service for the Meredith College 27-member new chapter. The meditation lounge was decorated for the holidays during the November 29, 1989, installation.

Piano music was provided before the ceremony, during the signing of the chapter roll, and to conclude the proceedings. Ms. Olive Taylor, faculty

adviser, and Ms. Cindy Allen Edwards assisted Ms. Barbara Quilling, Executive Director of National Alpha Lambda Delta, who served as installing officer. After members were initiated, the following officers were installed: L. Suzanne Perry, president; Kelly Morris, vice president; Charlotte Carroll, secretary-editor; Kay Reed Jernigan, treasurer; and Amy Rice, historian.

Dr. Sandra Thomas, Vice President for Student Development, hosted

a dinner before the installation and attended the installation service. Dr. Thomas was initiated into Alpha Lambda Delta at the University of Texas.

A reception followed the ceremony, during which hot mulled cider and pastries were served. The following day Ms. Quilling was hosted at breakfast by the officers of the new chapter. Discussion centered around programming and meeting ideas for the future.

## Lenoir-Rhyne College

The 214th chapter of Alpha Lambda Delta was installed by National President Betty Jo Hudson and Executive Director Barbara Quilling at 7 p.m. on February 20, 1990. The ceremony took place in the Bear's Lair of the Krannert Center on the campus. The terraced dining room made an attractive setting for the initiation of 39 regular members and 3 honorary members. Several faculty guests attended.

Honorary members initiated were advisers Dr. Robert Spuller, Academic

Dean, and Dr. Larry Yoder, Dean of the Graduate Studies. President John C. Trainer was also initiated.

Chapter president James Williams spoke twice during the ceremony; once following the installation of officers and to accept the charter. In closing he said, "We can now unite through Alpha Lambda Delta and share our common goals both as our chapter and with the many other chapters who have sent their congratulations. . . I am looking forward to the many activities and obligations that mean Alpha Lambda Delta and hope that all will equally share in

the excitement." Dr. Trainer congratulated his fellow members on their excellence in the classroom and the service activities in which so many of the group participate. Dr. Larry Yoder closed the ceremony by singing the alma mater.

A reception followed the ceremony. A dinner for officers, advisers, and installing officers followed. The next morning, President Hudson and Executive Director Quilling held a session with officers to discuss chapter administration, chapter programs, and membership recruitment.





# 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 1990-91 year:



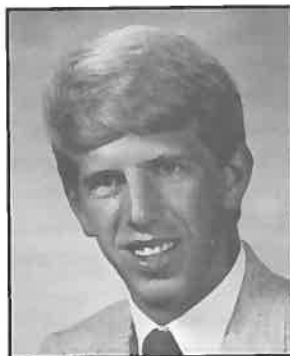
**Daniel H. Burkhardt III**, Brighton, Massachusetts, received the *Gladys Colette Bell Fellowship*.

Graduate of Southern Methodist University, studying Medicine at Harvard Medical School.



**Patti L. Hilliard Clayton**, Cary, North Carolina, received the *Maude Lee Etheredge Fellowship*.

Graduate of North Carolina State University, studying Ecology at the University of North Carolina.



**Todd M. Jochem**, Huntingburg, Indiana, received the *60th Anniversary Student-Endowed Fellowship*.

Graduate of Indiana State University, studying Computer Engineering-Robotics at Carnegie Mellon University.



**Kate L. Juergens**, Bowling Green, Ohio, received the *M. Louise McBee Fellowship*.

Graduate of Bowling Green State University, studying Law at Yale Law School.

**Benjamin E. Koltenschuh**, Muncie, Indiana, received the *Margaret Louise Cuninggim Fellowship*.

Graduate of Ball State University, studying Physics at the University of Wisconsin—Madison. (Not pictured)



**Dena K. Miller**, Niantic, Illinois, received the *Mary Jane Stevenson Fellowship*.

Graduate of the University of Illinois, studying Food Chemistry at Cornell University.



**Linda A. Popovich**, Battlecreek, Michigan, received the *Maria Leonard Fellowship*.

Graduate of Bowling Green State University, studying Law at the University of Michigan Law School.



**Toni M. Scott**, Dallas, Texas, received the *50th Anniversary Miriam A. Shelden Fellowship*.

Graduate of Southern Methodist University, continuing her studies there in Law.



**Lisa D. Williams**, Montgomery, Alabama, received the *Katharine Cooper Cater Fellowship*.

Graduate of the University of Alabama, studying Law at Yale Law School.



**B. Prestiss Woods**, Charleston, South Carolina, received the *Gladys Pennington Houser Fellowship*.

Graduate of Winthrop College, studying European History at Vanderbilt University.



**Judith A. Stenftenagel**, Jasper, Indiana, received the *May Augusta Brunson Fellowship*.

Graduate of Indiana University, studying Medicine at Duke University.



**Monica L. Wiseman**, El Paso, Texas, received the *Christine Yerges Conaway Fellowship*.

Graduate of Trinity University, studying Law at the University of Texas at Austin.



**Lisa A. Finley**, Los Angeles, California, who graduated from the University of California at Santa Barbara.



**Melissa Van Dyke**, Albuquerque, New Mexico, received the *Adele Hagner Stamp Fellowship*.

Graduate of the University of Oregon, studying Social Work at the University of Michigan.



**Philip W. Woo**, Inverness, Mississippi, received the *Kathryn Sisson Phillips Fellowship*.

Graduate of Southern Methodist University, studying Law at the University of Southern California.



**Laurie B. Nelson**, Fargo, North Dakota, who graduated from Purdue 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 1990 are:

# National Leadership Workshop

It was a dreary Friday afternoon in Birmingham, Alabama, and the sky had been threatening rain all day. Moreover, it was unseasonably cold for October in the South. Yet, by the end of the weekend, the sun was shining and, with its appearance, the temperature had risen.

The weather truly reflected the attitudes of the members of the 1990 Alpha Lambda Delta Leadership Workshop. By the end of that weekend, a group of hesitant strangers from across the country were transformed into a smiling bunch who laughed and sang easily with one another.

Thanks to the social expertise of Paul Edgerton, we "broke the ice" by making fools of ourselves together and soon we were down to business. We learned leadership skills and met in smaller groups to discuss common chapter difficulties. After spending the morning in serious discussion, the tone lightened and the afternoon was left to a tour of the host campuses or shopping in the adjoining "Galleria" mall. That evening was unmistakably the highlight of the weekend. That night we tested our new-found friendships in a singing contest for an ALD theme song. The next morning we met once more for breakfast and then said our good-byes.

*Monique A. Moreau  
University of Alabama at  
Birmingham*



The Alpha Lambda Delta national conference provided a weekend full of many new and exciting experiences. Our Texas Tech chapter sent us as representatives to Birmingham, and we were apprehensive about what the weekend would be like, being new officers and not knowing what to expect. Yet as our plane left Lubbock, Texas, we couldn't help from being excited.

When we arrived there were many new names and faces to become acquainted with, but the first night took

care of that with silly ice breakers. We began the next morning learning what we had come to learn, leadership skills and how to apply them to our own ALD chapters. A tour of the Birmingham campuses gave us an afternoon break that led us into the grande finale: dinner with entertainment provided by the workshop participants. What an experience that was!

Although the leadership information we gained from this seminar is very valuable, we felt that we learned something even more important. The groups we were placed in gave us the opportunity to open our eyes and see the different people from similar universities and also the different backgrounds of Alpha Lambda Delta. The many barriers that we came with on Friday morning were broken down during the sessions and by Saturday night, we had made many new friends.

We are both very thankful that ALD gave us the opportunity to meet and share experiences with these new people.

*Ginger Pearson  
Tracy Freeman  
Texas Tech University*





# Noteworthy

## Trow Awards

In June 1988, National Council created the Jo Anne J. Trow Award to honor sophomore chapter members of Alpha Lambda Delta. Each year up to one hundred awards of \$100 each are made available to the first one hundred chapters whose applications for selection are accepted by national headquarters. Following are the 1990 Trow Award recipients:

Marie Collette Letson, University of Alabama in Huntsville  
Michele Clouse, Ball State University  
Robert Scott Sadowski, Bowling Green State University  
Candice Michelle Dyer, Brenau College  
Thieu-Lam P. Tran, University of California at Los Angeles  
Leshia M. Grossi, University of California at Santa Barbara  
Mary Petria Strickland, Columbia College of South Carolina  
Sarah A. Brown, University of Denver  
Kristine F. Bernal, DePaul University  
Anne Richeson, Dickinson College  
Kenneth N. Bailey, East Tennessee State University  
Cynthia Arnold, Elizabethtown College  
Jeffrey D. Rubenstein, University of Florida  
Laura Graham, Fort Hays State University  
Elizabeth Chamberlain, Georgetown College  
Janice Corinne Pletsch, University of Houston  
Denise R. Yehnert, Illinois Wesleyan University  
Lynn Yvonne Meyer, Indiana University  
Billie Jo Otto, Kent State University  
Carol Ann Swindler, Liberty University  
Kevin Hargrave, Louisiana College  
Lauren Ann LeBlanc, Louisiana State University  
Tami Jacoby, Marietta College  
Krishna Mallik, University of Maryland  
Elizabeth Mueller, Maryville College  
Phillip E. Chapa, Midwestern State University  
Elizabeth J. Roll, Millikin University  
Nancy M. Bowser, Moorhead State University  
Jami Walquist, Morningside College  
Carla Camille McGee, University of North Alabama  
Christine Patrick, University of North Texas

Myra Misuraca and Michelle Ingram, Northeast Louisiana University  
Alana Gerlach, Ohio Northern University  
Tuyen Vo, Ohio State University  
Cynthia Pham, University of Oklahoma  
James K. Lee, University of Oregon  
W. Travis Bomengen, Oregon State University  
Tracey Hickerson, Otterbein College  
Douglas Sable, Pennsylvania State University  
Tracy L. McMullen, University of Pittsburgh at Bradford  
Lisa M. King, University of Portland  
Jennifer Elizabeth Taylor, Purdue University  
Diane F. Bond, Radford University  
Adelaide J. Castellano, Rider College  
Anne H. Bumgardner and Jennifer A. King, Salem College  
Mary Louise Rust, University of South Alabama  
Dana Lunis, University of Southern Colorado  
Julie Rea, Southern Oregon State College  
Thomas Matthew Boyington, Southwestern Louisiana University  
Rebecca L. Bramer, Susquehanna University  
Janet L. Filer, Temple University  
Chris Alan Drachenberg, University of Texas at Austin  
Gail Jones, University of Texas at San Antonio  
Karen Marie Mayes, Texas Tech University  
Steve Kalandros, Trinity University  
Kathryn Ann Knodel, Troy State University  
Joseph Paul Finn, Wayne State College  
Denise Kapp, William Jewell College  
Marla Thornton, Winthrop College  
Susan Kay Trapp, University of Wisconsin at Eau Claire  
Brenda Hankin, University of Wisconsin at Oshkosh

## Miss America Hopefuls

Three contestants in the 1990 Miss America Pageant are Alpha Lambda Delta members. Miss Oklahoma, Cynthia White, an accountant and University of Oklahoma graduate, was a semifinalist and earned a \$6,000 scholarship. Miss Indiana, Brenda Bassett, an Indiana University senior in management, received a \$2,500 scholarship. Miss Mississippi, Beth

Howell, a University of Mississippi pharmacy senior, received a \$2,500 scholarship and a \$500 preliminary swimsuit winner scholarship.



Cynthia White, Miss Oklahoma



Brenda Bassett, Miss Indiana



Beth Howell, Miss Mississippi

## Maryland Chapter Honors Dr. Helen Clarke

The Grand Ballroom at the Adele H. Stamp Student Union on the University of Maryland campus was the site of a very special initiation ceremony last fall. Not only was the assemblage of proud freshmen recognized for their achievements, but all present honored Dr. Helen E. Clarke, former chapter adviser, for outstanding service to both the chapter and the National Council.

Executive Director Barbara Quilling attended the ceremony to express to Dr. Clarke National Council's sincere appreciation for all she has done for the society. During her nine years on the council, culminating in her presidency, Dr. Clarke worked tirelessly to further the mission of the society. Her strong commitment to the fellowship program and the leadership she provided are addressed in this quote from Mr. Key, the broker who oversees ALD's \$800,000 perpetual fellowship

fund. "As you are honoring Dr. Helen Clarke for her many contributions to the development of Alpha Lambda Delta, I wish to take this opportunity to add my observation. Having served as the association's broker since 1985, I am constantly impressed with the success of your organization's investment portfolio. The foundation for this success is largely due to the efforts of Helen Clarke as president. She should be strongly commended for her wise leadership and foresight in setting such a prosperous course for Alpha Lambda Delta."

In addition to the recognition of Dr. Clarke's service, the chapter bestowed honorary membership upon two special people: Dr. J. Robert Dorfman, Vice President and Provost, Academic Affairs, and Dr. Kevin Dean, Assistant Professor, Communication, Arts and Theatre.



Front row—Barbara Gill, administrative adviser; Helen Clarke, former adviser; Kathy Pedro-Beardsley, faculty adviser; Barbara Quilling, Executive Director ALD; back row—Nadine Ekrek, chapter president; Denise Cheung, secretary; Kevin Dean, Professor of Speech and honorary initiate; J. Robert Dorfman, Vice President and Provost and honorary initiate; Paul Caron, treasurer; Russell Massey, student adviser.

## Altrusa Installs Barbara Quilling

The Altrusa Club of Muncie, Indiana, installed Barbara Quilling, ALD's Executive Director, as its president on June 21, 1990. With over 170 members, it is the largest Altrusa Club in the world. Members are dedicated to serving their communities in a variety of areas.



## In Memoriam\*

Over the long Thanksgiving weekend, a young man died. His name was David Homsey.

From the time that David was born, muscular dystrophy held his body within its grasp. As the years passed, the grip tightened. It forced David to a wheelchair, crumpled his body, and, inevitably, took his breath away. Nevertheless, each day of his life, David looked this captor in the eye, took its full measure, and smiled. Most boys with the disease die before their teens. David's determination carried him until he was 21.

David was sustained by his love for learning. Earlier in his life, his major goal was to gain admission to Dickinson College. As he continued to defy the odds, the goal changed. He would be an Economics major. He would graduate from Dickinson. Unfortunately this was not to be.

David Homsey was initiated as a charter member of the Dickinson College chapter of Alpha Lambda Delta on April 9, 1989. He was proud of his achievement as were his classmates for him. We as members can look to David's legacy and be mindful of two things: First, we must always try to make the most of our natural abilities and our circumstances. An old simple lesson, but one given new meaning by David's passion for his studies. Second, the most powerful words in our language—words such as courage, nobility, and beauty—describe the human spirit.

We shall miss him.

\*Adapted in part from a tribute written by Michael Fratantuono, Assistant Professor of Economics, Dickinson College. — Editor.

## Alabama Student's Composition Wins World Acclaim

Alpha Lambda Delta member Christopher Yan-Chi Chow wanted to do something constructive during spring break from the University of Alabama. He could have used his electrical engineering-premed major, but he wanted to take a break from school. He decided to experiment with his ten-year expertise in piano and develop a piano composition.

That composition, his first, won him a spot as a student representative at the International Albert Schweitzer Colloquium at United Nations headquarters in New York last August.

"It is the first major work that I've tried and it really surprised me that everybody liked it so well," Chow said. The Schweitzer headquarters told him that Albert Schweitzer's daughter, Rhena Schweitzer Miller, heard the piece and "loved it."

Chow was one of two students chosen from Alabama for the colloquium. Students who entered the competition were required to submit an original piece of work—essay, painting, sculpture, video, or musical composition—which would best express the subject of the colloquium, "The Relevance of Albert Schweitzer at the Dawn of the 21st Century."

Although his piece remains untitled, Chow feels it embodies all the ideals of Albert Schweitzer. "I tried to compose a peaceful piece that was a represen-



## Looking Back

*By Julie Banister, 1988-1990 Student Member-at-Large*

This past year I ended my academic pursuit of an undergraduate degree when I graduated in December. With that part of my life ended, my involvement with Alpha Lambda Delta as a student was also drawing to a close. I took a moment to reflect upon my experience with ALD and what its place in my college career meant to me.

I brought to the National Council little but my willingness and ability to learn, perform, and adjust. Leaving the Council, I took much—a higher level of self-confidence, achievement, and self-worth. In the two-and-one-half-year-term, I was transformed into a woman of this decade who would be able to excel in a variety of environments, in a spectrum of varying personalities. It is my feeling that much of my maturity can be attributed to ALD.

tation of life's ideals," Chow said. "I made something that shows the diversity of different cultures and how each person interprets life."

Chow credits his success to ten years of piano instruction. Piano has had to take a back seat to studies since he entered college, however. Chow is an electrical engineering major who plans to attend medical school when he graduates. He would like to integrate medicine with electrical engineering to pursue a rare field. "I want to combine human healing with electrical processes," Chow said. "This is very specialized and does not have a lot of

Working by the sides of college and university faculty from diverse campuses across the United States was a thrilling but humbling experience. From these professionals, I learned that I had ahead of me much to see, to do, to learn. Each of them in some way helped develop and polish my social, leadership, and communication skills. All demonstrated a caring attitude towards not only the students on the Council, but all of the student members in the society.

Last fall when I began interviewing with "Big 6" accounting firms, I needed advice on how to interview and what to look for in choosing a firm which would meet my needs. I was able to reveal my frustrations and ask these basic questions to faculty on ALD's Council. Not only did they give me solid advice, they cared about me and how the stress of school combined with interviewing affected Julie Banister, the individual.

Of all the experiences that I encountered during college, none enriched my life more than being involved with ALD. Perhaps this is because the society promotes academic excellence in all avenues—an ideal that is important to me as well. However, I believe that the friends I've made while serving on the Council are the most valuable assets acquired. Although this part of my life has ended, I will always remember the warm reception of caring individuals working together as a team to achieve a common goal. My experiences with ALD will remain with me always. I am grateful that I was given the opportunity.

funding. But, Chow said he is willing to be patient and "see what happens" in the field.

The International Albert Schweitzer Colloquium tackled world-wide issues such as arms reduction, medicine and health care, ethics and human rights, and ecology and the environment. International speakers included Pearl Bailey, Dr. Sissela Bok, Dr. Helen Caldicott, Norman Cousins, Dr. Jane Goodall, Dennis Weaver, and several Nobel Prize winners: Dr. Evgenie Chazov, Dr. Linus Pauling, Professor Elie Wiesel, and Costa Rica President Oscar Arias Sanchez.





Editor's Note: These items were supplied by the campus chapters. We welcome reports from all chapters throughout the year. Please send them to Ms. Gale Richardson, Editor—*The Flame*, P.O. Box 4210, Texas Tech University, Lubbock, TX 79409.

The **Lamar University** chapter held its spring initiation on April 19, 1990, initiating one of the largest groups in several years. Enthusiastic members then gathered for a reception held in their honor.

The first activity of the new members was a joint picnic with Phi Eta Sigma at the end of the semester. We enjoyed several volleyball games and lunch while we became acquainted with each other. The extra food from the picnic was then donated to the Some Other Place Mission, a local soup kitchen for the poor.

Alpha Lambda Delta members started off the fall semester early by setting up booths at the summer orientations for freshmen. Orientation was a success with many students showing interest in Alpha Lambda Delta. The chapter is looking forward to a great year with the goal of increasing the number of members even more.

With Tammy Kepler as our chapter president, members are hoping to develop a more cohesive organization and become more active. On November 29, there will be a fall initiation held with Phi Eta Sigma. Following the initiation, the groups plan to go bowling so that we can get to know each other better. Future goals are to hold a spring initiation and induction, have more social gatherings, perform a philanthropy project, and increase activities that will promote the organization on a university level. We also will serve as co-sponsor of the Annual Bess Gentry Award Banquet that is held each spring. This banquet honors outstanding senior women who have shown character, scholarship, and leadership during their academic careers at Lamar.

At Lamar University, Alpha Lambda Delta is strengthening its dedication to the flame of knowledge and achievement of its members.

Melissa Lazenby  
Editor

## Chapter Activities

On April 12, 1990, the **Northwestern University** chapter initiated 226 pledges into its circle. Both Barbara Quilling, Executive Director of Alpha Lambda Delta, and Mr. Robert Kramer, President of Northwestern Alumni Association, spoke to the new initiates. During the ceremony, the chapter honored David White with a book award for holding the highest grade-point average of any ALD senior. The installation of the 1990-91 officers followed the initiation.

Because the Northwestern chapter had become quite disorganized in the past few years, the 1989-90 officers aimed to reorganize the chapter during their term. ALD executive board concentrated on improving recruitment and choosing a strong executive board for the 1990-91 academic year. The 1989-90 officers are proud of the competent 1990-91 board they selected: John Reid, president; Joanna Mamalakis, vice president; Tamara Kay, secretary; Grace Guo, treasurer. During the last week of classes, the outgoing and incoming executive boards met along with the chapter's administrative adviser, Ms. Shinhee Han, and discussed next year's plans for the chapter. All agreed that a priority for the chapter was to increase campus awareness of Alpha Lambda Delta. Following up on several of the many suggestions from Barbara Quilling during her visit to Northwestern, the officers considered planning an end of quarter lecture series, raising initiation dues to forty dollars, and sending two delegates to the leadership conference in August. Ms. Quilling provided great enthusiasm and guidance to the officers during her visit.

Naomi Spirm  
Secretary

On May 21, 1990, **Otterbein College**, located in Westerville, Ohio, celebrated its 30th anniversary as an Alpha Lambda Delta chapter. Prior to the banquet that evening, 56 new initiates joined the chapter. The speaker for the evening was Mrs. Judy Christian, a professor at Otterbein and a charter member of Alpha Lambda Delta.

Officers were elected for the 1990-91 school year. They are president, Jeri Malmsberry; vice president, Rebecca Cummings; secretary, Tracey Young; and treasurer, Mollie Ratliff.

Outgoing Alpha Lambda Delta President Tracey Hickerson was our chapter's recipient of the Jo Anne J. Trow Award. Congratulations!

This year, the chapter hopes to raise campus awareness of Alpha Lambda Delta by instituting a freshman initiative program.

Jeri Malmsberry  
President

The **MacMurray College** chapter in Jacksonville, Illinois, inducted twelve new members on April 22, 1990. Our officers are Joy Aufdenkamp, president; Julie Kanning, vice president; Meghan Murphy, secretary; Lisa Roberts, treasurer; and Jamie Eshbaugh, historian. We plan for this year to be the best ever for ALD.

Kelly Arens  
Historian



MacMurray College initiates.



On January 20, 1990, the **Utah State University** chapter inducted 91 new members into the chapter. Dr. Karen Morse, Provost at USU, was named as the chapter's first honorary member. Barbara Quilling, Executive Director, also participated in the program. Chapter officers are David Jones, president; Stephanie Reese, vice president; Thad Smith, secretary; and Heidi Brooks, treasurer. Ronald L. Jones is the adviser.

The honor societies at **The University of Texas at San Antonio**, Alpha Lambda Delta and Alpha Chi, co-sponsored their seventh annual Spring Honors Conference on February 16, 1990. Over 400 students from 22 high schools and the University participated in the conference, *It's NOT All Black & White: Ethical Issues in Modern Life*.

Participants rated the conference an average 3.95 on a 1-5 scale. Faculty-led workshops explored the conference theme—"Dr. Frankenstein's Monster: The Morality Of Science As Seen Through Science Fiction;" "What To Do About Pornography?" "Animal Rights Vs. Scientific Research: A Debate;" "Should The Dollar Be Almighty? Ethics In Business;" "Moral Dilemmas Of Modern Life: A View From Literature;" and "How To Decide? Thinking Through Ethical Problems."

Teams from 20 high schools competed in College Bowl. The team from Tom C. Clark High School in San Antonio won the competition.

Patricia Graham  
Administrative Adviser

The **Northeast Louisiana University** chapter of ALD has had an exciting and eventful year thus far, beginning with the initiation of 74 new members. Officers elected were Cammie Burgess, president; Dondi Walker, vice president; Allison Riggs, secretary; Valerie Querrey, treasurer; Dana Ewing, chaplain; and Susan Warfield, historian.

As soon as the first meeting was finished, we began to plan for the Old and New Members Party. We benefited greatly from having two students—our president, Cammie Burgess, and Truc Nguyen—and our faculty adviser, Dr. Harry Hale, participate in the Birmingham conference. More importantly, though, was the annual Favorite Professor Week held in the late spring. At the end of the week, 10 professors were honored at a reception in the NLU Alumni Center. It was the perfect time for students to take a study break and talk to their professors personally. We also distributed flyers to encourage everyone with their finals.

To acquaint faculty members with ALD, the group developed a newsletter to the faculty. The history and purpose of ALD were presented, as well as a discussion of Favorite Professor Week. Each officer wrote a brief biography and told of their duties in ALD. The newsletter concluded with a complete listing of active members.

Over the summer we mailed a newsletter to all of our members to keep them updated on events. We also spoke to the incoming freshmen at the Preview Regis-

tration and Environment Program to inform them of ALD's requirements and activities.

Our annual Smarty Party was held in the fall. We had a reception in which all freshmen with 24 or above on their ACT were invited and encouraged to study hard in hopes of becoming a member. We have also planned a fall initiation for the first time in our history.

We have designed new sweatshirts for the members to wear around campus and have been working hard to promote school spirit as much as possible. Our eight-foot-tall ALD letters are proudly displayed at all home football games beside those of the social sororities and fraternities. We also nominated a member for the Homecoming Court. We have planned a "Wreck Tech" t-shirt sale during the week of our biggest rivalry football game to promote spirit as well as to increase our bank account. This winter we are building a four-foot by eight-foot Christmas card to be displayed with other organizations in front of the Student Union during the Christmas season.

As for our philanthropy, we are trying to help alleviate the problem of illiteracy throughout the nation by working with the United Way and Project Read.

Even though we have a full schedule planned for this year, we feel that through dedication and enthusiasm it will definitely be a successful one.

Susan Warfield  
Historian

This year, the main goal of **Indiana University's** ALD chapter is to make a difference. To our members, we offer the chance for leadership and new experiences. With high expectations, we are encouraging each of our active members to create a project of their own. These individual projects could be anything from spending time with a senior citizen to organizing the ALD's team for a Big Brother-Big Sister Bowl-a-Thon. We are also currently involved in projects on a larger scale, such as a tutoring program for grade school children.

More important than the opportunity for leadership, however, is the nature of what we accomplish. Although one or two hours of volunteer work a week may not always seem like much, it can and does make a difference. We are proud to say that we are the Indiana University chapter of ALD, that service is our middle name, and that we are making a difference.

Shadow E. Bussen  
Vice President, Administration

The **Bucknell University** chapter is looking forward to developing a more active chapter during the 1990-91 school year. With its 172 new initiates, the chapter is planning several service projects which include donating time at the local library, increasing campus awareness of ALD, and distributing support packets of candy during final exams week.

Recently, new project ideas were discussed with ALD National President-Elect Dorothy Anderson at a lunch held by the officers. It was a great opportunity to hear more about the projects undertaken at ALD chapters on other campuses. The goal for the year is to continue encouraging high scholastic achievement and becoming a more visible organization at Bucknell University.

Jennifer Gladstone, Vice President  
Anne-Marie Weidanz, Secretary



*Bucknell University officers Jennifer Gladstone, vice president; Dorothy Anderson, National President-Elect; Anne-Marie Weidanz, secretary; Martin Makary, treasurer.*

The 1990-91 academic year offers **North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University** students many challenges. One of these challenges is becoming an Alpha Lambda Delta member. In the spring of 1990, eighty-five freshman and two honorary members were inducted into A&T State University's chapter. These members will be a part of the events and activities that take place during A&T State University's centennial year.

Past events involving ALD members included a carnival during Drug and Alcohol Awareness Week, University Day, and the ALD convention in Birmingham, Alabama, which the president, Tiffany Eubanks, and vice president, Claudia Erwin, attended.

Current and future events include Benita Lee serving as ALD queen in Homecoming festivities, ALD engaging in a campus beautification project, a social being held for graduating members of ALD, and ALD becoming involved in various community service projects. Currently, the community service involves working with the National Black Child Development Institute by offering tutorial services.

This year we, as ALD members, hope to work jointly with other organizations of A&T State University with the prospect of making ALD well-known among other student and campus organizations.

Nikki Smith

In April, the **Arkansas State University** chapter celebrated its 25th anniversary as part of its annual initiation. A charter member who was a former president of the local chapter was present for the ceremony, and both she and her daughter (who was installed as a 1990-91 officer for the chapter) were recognized. Thirty-three young women were initiated, and twelve graduating seniors were recognized as well. Our graduating seniors received certificates. We have made a contribution to the Arkansas State University Foundation for scholarships, and we plan to give the women faculty members on campus apples along with thank-you notes for Teacher Appreciation Day. In addition, we will distribute study signs for the girls' dorms during the week of finals. Lastly, we will conduct our annual initiation in the spring. Once again, graduating seniors will be recognized during the initiation.

Heather Hall  
Editor

This is looking to be a great year for Alpha Lambda Delta at the **Ohio State University**. On April 8, 1990, 324 new members were initiated at Mershon Auditorium in Columbus. Of that 324, over 50 are active members. With the combination of our active members and our new officers, Matthew Markling, president; Melissa Thomas, vice president; Kim Schock, secretary; Carol Fisher and Chris Kline, treasurers; Marleen Cousins, special projects; Heidi Fahringer, initiation; Chrissy Straub, public relations; Jason Toombs, finance; and Nate Leggett, newsletter; Alpha Lambda Delta is going to have a strong voice on the campus of O.S.U.

Already we have been involved in numerous activities. Late last spring we participated in a study-a-thon and in helping time the Wheelchair Games held at the Ohio State stadium. Over the summer we held a leadership workshop in which we talked about our goals for the upcoming year. Some of those goals were to get more members active and to raise money for the disability service at O.S.U.

In order to get more members involved, we are holding social activities and fireside chats with top university officials. On October 7, 1990, we participated in an event known at the "THING." The "THING" is a competition between all seven of the class honoraries at O.S.U. Melissa Thomas represented us at the National Workshop in Birmingham. We held a Halloween party on October 30 at the campus honors house.

Almost all of the money we raise over the year goes to the disability services at O.S.U. In the past, we have donated machines that are very important in helping students who use the disability services function easier in day-to-day situations. Some examples of past donations are machines that translate books into braille and machines that lower students into the pool. Marleen Cousins will chair the committee that decides what this year's donation will be and Jason Toombs will oversee raising the money. In order to do this, Jason is selling Alpha Lambda Delta coffee mugs. As you can see, all of the funds we raise fall into needy hands.

Once again, this looks to be a very enthusiastic and rewarding year for all the members of Alpha Lambda Delta.

Matthew Markling  
President





*Chapter president Melisa Canli at the dedication of the ALD tree.*

*Former adviser Helen Curtis Cole and administrative adviser Eileen Stewart present a certificate to an initiate.*



The **University of Massachusetts** chapter initiated ninety new members on April 8, 1990. The initiation ceremony marked the thirtieth anniversary of the chapter, making the day a special one for all involved with Alpha Lambda Delta at UMass. A new tree was planted on campus commemorating the anniversary and was dedicated following the initiation ceremony. ALD alumni were invited back to campus for the event, and the ALD scrapbooks from previous years were displayed for browsing. Melisa Canli, Dima Seliverstov, and Joanne Quimby were installed as president, vice president, and editor, respectively, at the ceremony.

Two of the first honorary members were present at the ceremony—Grace Rollanson, the first faculty adviser, and Helen Curtis Cole, the first administrative liaison. Helen Curtis Cole served as Dean of Women at the university and shared her memories of ALD through the years with the new initiates and their parents and guests. Faculty adviser Dr. Alfred B. Hudson spoke about the history of Alpha Lambda Delta and Dean of Students Dr. JoAnne Thomas-Vanin emphasized the importance of service aligned with scholarship in her keynote address. The administrative adviser, Assistant Dean of Students Eileen Stewart, presented Nancy Gunther and Matthew Zieper with the ALD Senior Book Award.

In addition to the tree planting and initiation ceremony, ALD's thirtieth year at UMass was a very active one. ALD sponsored the annual "Last Lecture," a lecture presented by a distinguished faculty member towards the end of the spring semester; a pizza study break for ALD members; and a free showing of "Charlie and the Chocolate Factory" in the Campus Center during the week of final exams. Both the movie and the lecture are great ways to relax during exam week and were very well attended last semester. All three events are scheduled to take place again this year. Planning for the first general meeting is well underway, at which time a secretary and treasurer will be elected. The officers and advisers are busy making plans for more activities in the coming semester and are looking forward to an active year celebrating and encouraging academic excellence.

Joanne Quimby  
Editor

The **University of Southwestern Louisiana** chapter initiated 42 new members in the spring of 1990. Installed as new officers were Amy Louviere, president; Tara Breaux, vice president; Maxine Domingue, treasurer; and Carol Baker, editor.

The ALD chapter started its fall semester with a meeting of the new officers. At this meeting, plans for the upcoming year were discussed. Moreover, a fund-raiser and a social were organized. The chapter also participated in "Get Unbored Day," sponsored by USL. This event enabled the students to obtain information about the various clubs available at USL. We are anticipating a successful and productive year.

Last spring, the **Oregon State University** chapter inducted 101 new members in an initiation ceremony held at the campus's LaSells Stewart Center. Following the initiation ceremony, the 1990-91 officers were elected. They are co-presidents, Nova Covington and Tim Shoepe; co-vice presidents, Stuart Hudson and Julie Bryan; treasurer, Todd Foster; and secretary, Cheryl Rozek. Our adviser is Dr. Roger Penn, Associate Vice President and Dean of Students.

The Oregon State chapter has made plans to do community service for the Boys and Girls Club of Corvallis. Suggested projects include helping with a Halloween Dance for a local junior high school. We also plan to hold fund-raisers for local charities.

We anticipate a prosperous year and know that we can accomplish the goals we have set for the coming year with hard work and determination.

Nova Covington and Tim Shoepe  
Co-Presidents



Oregon State University officers.

**Temple University's** chapter will be quite active this year. We are participating in College Bowl, selling Halloween candygrams in the residence halls, and merging with the Golden Key Honor Society in their Adopt-a-School program. This program is an opportunity to participate in elementary school education by providing a student with friendship and support. We have invited National Executive Director Barbara Quilling to provide an informal seminar on Leadership, Assertiveness, and Study Skills this October, two weeks after President Janet Lynn Filer and I (Ellen Geyer) return from the National Leadership Conference in Alabama. Our other major activities include a stress management workshop this fall and a rape awareness program this spring. Currently we are discussing a group venture to Homecoming as well as group tutoring and study breaks.

Last spring when I was initiated into ALD, I was surprised to be elected chapter secretary a few weeks later. I volunteered to work with the Spring Fling Booth (which is always an exciting time on Temple's campus!) and immediately met four people I would be spending a great deal of time with this year. Nancy Komada, M.Ed. (and working toward a Ph.D. degree in Education), is our coach and administrative adviser. She is also Associate Director for Temple University's student Assistance Center, responsible for all leadership and development programs for students on campus. Our officers are Janet Lynn Filer, president; Palak Raval, vice president; and Gina Moore, treasurer.

Despite a faculty strike for a renewed contract this fall, and its sobering influence on student activities, life goes on at Temple. In fact, because of the strike's energizing effect on student activism, I am proud to say that the students are very socially conscious this year. After all, students comprise the majority of the Temple community, so it is only fitting that we are so involved with every aspect of our university.

Our fall induction ceremony will take place the day before our chapter's 30th anniversary. During our spring induction we will again present the JoAnne Trow Award to an outstanding sophomore member, as well as a chapter Junior Award and our Senior Book Award. We welcome our new initiates to our chapter and have invited all current members, past officers, and alumni to join us at Temple's Nite Owl on December 4, 1990, for a unique anniversary celebration.

Ellen Geyer  
Secretary

The **Radford University** chapter in Radford, Virginia, was very successful in meeting its goals of serving the community in 1989. Elected officers are Sandra Brantley, president; Diane Bond, vice president; Richard Czypinski, secretary; Elana Zippin, historian; and Becky Benard, treasurer. Worthy of mention is the Christmas party thrown on December 5th for the underprivileged children of the community.

President Brantley called for volunteers to prepare decorations, food, and games. All members who participated in the event were assigned a particular child, and it was their responsibility to buy a Christmas present for this child. It was originally determined that all presents should be priced under ten dollars; however, because of the growing enthusiasm for this event, many expensive gifts, ranging from a remote control car to a Big Wheel, were purchased. To top off the evening, Santa Claus, played by faithful member Edward Oakes, made a special appearance to hand out the gifts. All of the children seemed very happy with their gifts, and the party was very enjoyable for both the children and the college students.

Richard S. Czypinski  
Secretary

Hello from the **University of Wisconsin—Eau Claire** chapter of Alpha Lambda Delta! This year we have many activities planned to help others and to have a lot of fun. In October we will be volunteering to help the Eau Claire Foundation-Alumni Association raise money for the university. Closer to Halloween, we will take pumpkins to a local refuge house to carve them with the children there.

Then it's "back to the university" to do volunteer tutoring in conjunction with Phi Eta Sigma for students in various subjects. Members of Alpha Lambda Delta will also help by being "buddies" to off-campus students who have just moved to Eau Claire and need a friend to help ease the transition.

A lot of members have expressed an interest in lending some bell-ringing hands to the Salvation Army, so we've scheduled that event near Christmas. We don't know yet if dressing up as Santa Claus goes with the job!

As always, we're coming up with new ideas and planning for a successful Honors Week and initiation ceremony in April.

Laurie Buckler  
Editor





University of North Alabama officers.

It has been a transitional year for the **University of North Alabama** chapter. In the fall, we chose a new president and other new members of the administration. Yet despite this change, ALD continues to grow and prosper. In April, we elected 20 new bright members into the chapter. We immediately started to work and our first order of business was electing officers to lead the organization through this year. After we elected officers, we organized a picnic so that all of the members could get to know one another.

In September Leah Holt and I (Mike Ward) attended the annual UNA leadership

retreat aimed at improving student involvement at the university. Also, in October our president, Kim Weems, and our adviser attended the National Workshop in Birmingham, AL. At Homecoming 1990, Katie Cope, ALD senior adviser, was elected Homecoming queen.

Yet another freshman class has entered this university, and we are expecting great scholarly achievements from them so that they might be honored as we have been to be a part of Alpha Lambda Delta.

Mike Ward  
Keeper of the Flame



Liberty University officers.

Alpha Lambda Delta started off what may prove to be its most exciting year ever at its **Liberty University** chapter in Lynchburg, Virginia, when 86 new members were initiated. The induction ceremony included Dr. Guillermin, President of Liberty University, as guest speaker. During the ceremony on August 28, 1990, the following officers were elected: Bryan Wyatt, president; Elayna Mentone, vice president; Tammy Pryor, secretary; Amy Powell, treasurer; Melissa Nickerson, editor; Becky Scott, historian; Kim Scheider and Mindy Kapraun, public relations; Carol Nelson, keeper of the Flame; and Stephen Fairley, communications director. These officers, along with their junior advisers Carol Ann Swindler and Erik Larson and senior adviser Kristy Erickson, are all looking forward to many things this year.

President Bryan Wyatt is quoted as saying, "There is so much potential for Alpha Lambda Delta to make a difference and present a goal for students on this campus." This year the officers would like to make a difference, both on campus and in their community through activities such as the Oxford Study Program, distributing bread to low-income families during the holidays, caroling at nursing homes, care packages for members during finals week, and a free banquet for graduating ALD seniors who maintained a 3.5 all four years. The faculty adviser, Dr. Alice Mawdsley, and administrative adviser, Dr. Pauline Donaldson, will guide this year's officers and help them fulfill their goal to make this the most exciting year Alpha Lambda Delta has seen at Liberty University.

Melissa Nickerson  
Editor



The **Winthrop College** chapter is off to a new and exciting year. Under the direction of our faculty adviser, Dr. Carol Anfin, our chapter continues to grow and expand, and many plans are underway to make this the biggest and most active year yet for Alpha Lambda Delta here at Winthrop.

This past spring, forty-two new members were initiated, and five new officers were elected. These officers include Heather Holland, president; Christie Ferguson, vice president; Angela Abercrombie, secretary; Lisa Plemmons, treasurer; and Ginger Gibson, historian. At the induction ceremony for the new members, these officers were introduced to the chapter and to the families and friends who were present. Also introduced during the ceremony were the winners of two annual Alpha Lambda Delta awards. Marla Thornton received the Jo Anne J. Trow Outstanding Sophomore Award, and the senior with the highest cumulative GPA was presented with the Senior Book Award.

The new members are looking forward to various projects that have been tentatively planned. One goal of our chapter this year is to promote our organization and increase our campus visibility. We plan to take an active part in the festivities celebrating the inauguration of Winthrop's ninth President, Dr. Anthony DiGiorgio, as well as sponsoring several helpful student programs such as study sessions during exam week.

College isn't all work and no play; therefore, we hope to take our chapter on a mountain retreat in January. Hopefully, this will provide a chance to promote member participation, and our members will be given a chance to become better acquainted with each other. Later on in the year, we plan to organize a Big-Brother-Big Sister campaign in order to promote interest in our organization and to encourage eligible new freshmen to become involved with Alpha Lambda Delta. We also hope this will foster friendships and the spirit of camaraderie that ALD chapters have become known for possessing. We are all looking forward to a very productive and successful year.

Ginger Gibson  
Historian

The ALD chapter at **Arizona State University** has evolved into an active organization which acknowledges high scholastic achievement. The initiation ceremony, held in April 1990, marked the resurgence of enthusiasm for the ASU chapter. Dr. Ted Humphrey, Dean of the University Honors College, was chosen as the Honorary Faculty Member for his distinguished contribution to undergraduate education. Dr. Humphrey spoke to the 239 newly initiated members and guests about the importance of recognizing academic excellence at Arizona State.

A wide variety of speakers enhanced the agenda for the chapter and will continue for the upcoming year. This year's activities are centered around a high school outreach program. The chapter plans to sponsor a mentor program to assist in recruitment for the university. Participation in the university's Academic Excellence Week is also in the planning stages. The contributions from the large group of spirited members promises a reawakening of the benefits of ALD to Arizona State University.

David M. Streko  
Secretary



The flames of 25 candles burned brightly on April 1 at the **University of Pittsburgh at Bradford** during the spring initiation ceremony. Twenty-two students and three honorary members were inducted into the society by Heidi Hartley, chapter president; Dr. Rebecca Mowrey, faculty adviser; and Dr. Holly Spittler, administrative adviser. Inducted as honorary members were Dr. Carol Baker, Dean of Academic Affairs; Ms. Joanne Cree Burgert, Director of the Academic Development Center; and Dr. Paul Robinson, Professor Emeritus of English.

Officers for the 1990-91 academic year were installed during the ceremony. They are president, Michelle Lynn DeStefano; vice president, Jeffrey John Ream; treasurer, Edward P. Olechna; secretary, Linda S. Boutros; historian, Helen

M. Flanagan; editor, Hestia L. Snyder; junior adviser, Tracy McMullen; and senior adviser, Emy Johnson.

Special ALD awards were presented. Kenneth J. Hoffman and Abdul K. Sankari were Senior Award recipients. Tracy McMullen was named the first recipient of the Jo Anne J. Trow Undergraduate Award. Kenneth J. Hoffman received the Senior Book Award. Junior Christopher Mackowski brought the ceremony to a close by reading a poem he wrote expressly for the occasion.

Following the ceremony, a reception was held in the Frame-Westerberg Commons Building for the new initiates and their friends and families.

Holly J. Spittler  
Administrative Adviser

Alpha Lambda Delta members at the **University of Kentucky** chapter started off the fall semester by informing new freshmen about academic honoraries. The members developed and distributed a brochure which describes the membership criteria, purpose, programs, meeting times, and cost of each of the academic honoraries.

Members of the honorary also assisted the university library system in raising money for an endowment by participating in a phonathon. Student members will be on the phone again during an undergraduate admissions recruitment phonathon. Alpha Lambda Delta members will be calling prospective students in their hometown to talk with them about the University of Kentucky.

Becky Jordan  
Adviser



University of Kentucky.

On April 1, 1990, the **Purdue University** chapter set a record when 400 new members were initiated. At the initiation banquet, Chemistry Professor Dr. George Bodner was honored as the first recipient of the Best Freshman Professor Award. Six senior members were also honored with the Senior Book Award, and former ALD officer Laurie Nelson was chosen as an ALD fellowship winner!

Last year's success will be hard to duplicate, but this year's newly elected officers are already hard at work. The 1990-91 officers include Eric Schafhauser, president; Michael Meehan, vice president; Erin Baker, secretary; Katie Reiland, treasurer; Christina Koher, historian; Holly Isenhower, tutor list chairperson; Jennifer Rabold, editor; and advisory board members Laura McPheters, Nate Hagerman, and Jason Zinschlag.

Although it is still early in the year, the chapter has already published and distributed a volunteer tutor list to all academic advisers and housing units on the campus. These lists are made up of last spring's initiates who have volunteered to tutor freshman students on a short-term basis. Sixty-nine students attended our fall pledging ceremony and will be initiated later this semester. The chapter president and historian, along with faculty adviser Dr. Susan Thompson, attended the National Leadership Workshop. They came back with a number of good ideas for programs and they also met a number of other chapter officers from Indiana. Plans are now underway for a possible spring one-day workshop-gathering for all Indiana chapter officers and advisers!

Susan M. Thompson  
Adviser

A solemn ceremony last spring amidst all the celebration for the inauguration of Ellen Hall, **Converse College's** first female president and Parent's Day marked the induction of twenty-one members into ALD. Officers elected were Catie Rabon, president; Julie Messier, vice president; Amy Ellis, secretary; Alicia Johnson, treasurer; and Kathy Hemby, editor.

We decided to begin the new school year with a guest speaker to introduce the freshman class to good study skills and familiarize them with the ALD chapter to give them something to work for. One of our main goals this year is to publicize ALD on campus and increase its involvement.

In the works for our chapter this spring is hosting a scholar's bowl competition for area high schools. We will continue our tradition of offering free tutoring at the local Boy's and Girl's Club. As environmental awareness on campus increases, our chapter has decided to help with a campus-wide recycling program.

ALD at Converse is looking forward to a busy year of promoting academic achievement as our school celebrates its 101st birthday and the 100th anniversary of classes on campus.

Kathy Hemby  
Editor

The ALD chapter at the **University of Illinois** is coming off a great year and ready with excitement to make this year even better! The new officers and advisory board including Sue Herbert, our new faculty adviser, are eager to start work on our chapter goal of increased membership participation.

Early this fall, the Alpha chapter participated in "Quad Day," a campus-wide activities fair, in which over 400 registered student organizations lined the quad in order to increase membership. ALD handed out pencils inscribed "Alpha Lambda Delta: Do the 'Write' Thing." The chapter also distributed ALD door hangers and *Honoraries Guides* while recruiting active members for our tutoring program.

Last spring was highly successful. Our chapter sponsored "Scholarship Week," a week full of activities, with an honoraries bazaar, late-night studying, and "pizza night." Also, the *Honoraries Guide* was revamped by adding to and revising the already existing listings. The chapter printed 10,000 guides and distributed them to the residence halls.

On April 16, over 300 students were inducted for spring initiation. The chapter also recognized its 18 seniors graduating with 5.0 GPAs. At fall initiation, 230 students were added to the chapter roll.

Cecilia Rettig  
Public Relations

The **University of Alabama** chapter was pleased to induct 254 new members on April 1, 1990. The initiation ceremony was highlighted by the remarks of Dr. Harry J. Knopke, Executive Assistant to the President, and the introduction of the 1990-91 officers. These officers include Julie Cromer, president; Clint Hill, vice president; Minda Riley, secretary; Jason Robinson, treasurer; Allison Snow, historian; Jenifer Goforth, *Flame* editor; and Shawna Reid and Colby Allsbrook, Coordinating Council of Honor Societies representatives. Dr. Lanny Moore will serve as our faculty adviser, Deanna Duncan as our senior adviser, and Rob Teutsch as our junior adviser. All of our chapter officers look forward to attending the Alpha Lambda Delta National Workshop in Birmingham.

An endowed scholarship fund in honor of Dr. Sarah Healey Fenton, former Dean of Women of the University of Alabama, has been established by her friends and associates. Designed to help promote graduate education for outstanding women students at the University of Alabama, the scholarship will be awarded annually to a deserving female graduate student.

Dr. Fenton was very active with the Alabama chapter of Alpha Lambda Delta and served on the National Council and as Vice President. She was Dean of Women and Associate Dean for Student Development at the University before retiring in 1971.

Jenifer Goforth  
*Flame* Editor

The **Marietta College** chapter inducted twenty undergraduate students and two honorary faculty members in the 1989-90 academic year. The ceremony was held in the Betty Cleland Room at the McDonough Center for Leadership and Business. Many family members were present. The new members invited faculty members who have been influential to them.

The major project for the chapter was the second annual Faculty-Student Showcase. Students and professors came together to share and display their hobbies and talents. There were displays such as photographs, comic books, and Tody mugs. Talents ranged from weaving and spinning wool to dancing and singing. It was a wonderful opportunity for students and professors to learn more about one another outside of the classroom.

Chapter officers are Tamara Jacoby, president; Janelle Clark, vice president; Connie Evanovsky, secretary-treasurer; Lorie Porcher, historian; Valerie Childers, junior adviser; and Amy Linhart, senior adviser.



*University of Alabama chapter senior adviser Cathy Ardon, Dr. Sarah Healey Fenton, and vice president Amanda Taylor.*

The **Millikin University** chapter started the 1990-91 school year strong by adding new activities to its already successful program. The chapter sponsored a Study Skills Session at the beginning of the semester to give tips to students from current members of ALD. Members spoke on a panel offering tips on studying, time management, and the use of campus academic facilities. Another new program in the works this year is a student mentor program in which active ALD members offer services, whether academic help or advice, to a specific freshman. Freshmen were sent letters introducing the program and an information sheet for them to fill out which is used to match them to an ALD member with a similar major or interests.

The chapter distributed "Do Not Disturb—Studying" door hangers to every freshman on campus and participated in the University Center Board's Activity Fair. Other activities planned for the year include sending letters of encouragement to freshmen at mid-term, a Faculty Recognition Day, and a get-together dinner for our current members. We will also hold our annual Scholastic Bowl in March for 165 area high schools and award our Outstanding Teacher of the Year Award at Millikin's Honors Convocation. We also sent our president, Joella Theobald, to the ALD Leadership Workshop in Alabama.

Millikin is proud to be the home of Elizabeth Roll, one of ALD's current student Members-at-Large.

Millikin's chapter, a former recipient of the Order of the Torch Award, is striving to make ALD more visible on campus and also an organization more students will strive to become a part of in the future.

Kevin Jett  
Editor

The **Tennessee Technological University** chapter has really taken off this year with its new officers and 48 new initiates. Our officers decided that the major goal this year is to better acquaint the students and the surrounding community with the Alpha Lambda Delta organization. We have already done several things to accomplish this.

After initiation, the new officers and a few volunteers entered a mud volleyball tournament sponsored by the Student Alumni Ambassadors. Our team showed the Alpha Lambda Delta strength and spirit by making it to the finals before being defeated. Also, since returning to school, we have informed the students of the benefits and requirements of Alpha Lambda Delta in several ways. Flyers were sent to all incoming freshmen once they arrived at school. Also, we had a table set up at the freshman orientation fair. During the fair, we held a trivia contest about our University and gave away gift certificates from the local bookstore as prizes. Participation in the contest went well.

We have expanded our name to the local community this year by competing in the window art event during Homecoming celebrations. This year is the 75th anniversary of our university and the local community's excitement about Homecoming was great. Although we didn't win the event, we received acknowledgement of participation and accomplished what we intended to do.

Coming up in the spring, we are planning a fund-raiser and several picnics for members and prospective members. We are very excited and fired up for the spring!

Chris Plott  
Editor



The **University of North Texas** chapter is beginning to make a name for itself on the campus. This semester, in celebration of the University's centennial, our chapter donated \$100 to the "100 Trees for 100 Years" program. This program involved organizations on campus and invited them to purchase a tree to be planted on the university grounds. Also, the chapter helped Bacchus make buttons supporting National Collegiate Alcohol Awareness Week in October. As a part of our service projects for the university, members volunteered their time helping administer tests to disabled students. We are also going to donate two desk podiums to different departments on campus. Several members of the chapter spent their Saturday morning of Homecoming lining up floats for the parade. Hopefully, in the spring we will be incorporating a faculty-staff award in the Honor's Day program. The University of North Texas chapter is looking forward to building a name for our honor society on our campus, as well as building friendships that will last throughout our future.

The ALD chapter of **Indiana State University** got off to a great start after initiating its new members on April 10. It was a successful evening that included an address by Dr. Donald L. Jennerman, presentations of several awards, and new officer installation. We concluded the initiation ceremony with a reception held in the Heritage Lounge of Tirez Memorial Union. Next year, however, our initiation will be held at a new location because ISU is in the process of constructing a new student union. Our hopes are to be settled into the new building by late this fall.

Several of the ALD officers who have been chosen to attend the National Work-

shop in Birmingham are anxiously preparing for the trip. We plan to set definite goals immediately after these individuals return, so we are all hoping to soon hear great suggestions for our upcoming year!

During October 9-12, the **Tougaloo College** chapter sponsored tutorials for students in various areas of study. Tutorials were offered in general education, natural science, and social science courses. Six instructors participated in the study sessions. Students received pointers on studying for class and exams. Members of Alpha Lambda Delta who worked along with the instructors gave the college enrollees their personal insights in studying for some of the courses.

The purposes of the tutorial sessions were to enhance communication between students and instructors, facilitate clarification of lecture notes, make application of principles discussed in various classes, and enhance study skills. The sessions also gave the college enrollees an opportunity to see firsthand the members of Alpha Lambda Delta working to achieve service and scholastic goals. Hopefully the sessions gave those in attendance the inspiration to become high academic achievers.

Tentative goals for ALD are to give a pizza party and a dance for members, and particularly, we are aiming to find a way to inform all ISU freshmen of the opportunities available with Alpha Lambda Delta. We have a great group of officers who are willing to give of their time, so ALD is certainly ready to get the new year underway!

Over 280 new initiates were inducted into the Adele H. Stamp Chapter of ALD at the **University of Maryland** at College Park during the chapter's spring initiation ceremony. With more than nine-hundred guests in attendance, the outgoing executive committee (consisting of Nadine Ekrek, president; James Head, vice president; Denise Cheung, secretary; and Paul Caron, treasurer) welcomed the new members into the society.

The chapter was also pleased to initiate two new honorary members: Dr. J. Robert Dorfman, the Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs at the College Park campus, and Mr. Kevin Dean, a Speech and Communications professor well-respected and liked by his students. The two honorary initiates spoke a few words to the inductees and their families and friends.

Moreover, the Adele H. Stamp Chapter was further honored by the presence of National Executive Director Ms. Barbara Quilling. Ms. Quilling was on hand to present an honorary award to Dr. Helen Clarke, the distinguished past National President and adviser to the College Park chapter. A donation was made by the chapter in Dr. Clarke's name to National ALD. Furthermore, a Helen Clarke Scholarship for outstanding junior student members of ALD was created. Dr. Clarke's longtime service and dedication to ALD are much recognized and appreciated.

With an incoming membership class of four-hundred new initiates, the 1990-91 year bodes to be both exciting and busy. Under the able guidance of the two returning advisers, Dr. Kathy Pedro Beardsley and Ms. Barbara Gill, the new executive board of ALD looks forward to a productive term. Incoming officers are Eric Solomon, president; Diane Duffy, vice president; Beatrice Bugnosen, secretary; David Levush, treasurer; and Sharon Snodgrass, historian.

Denise Cheung  
Secretary

The **University of South Carolina** chapter initiated 79 new members in a March 23, 1990, induction service.

Harrison S. Greenlaw  
Adviser



## Quilling's Quotes

In October I spoke at the initiation at Bowling Green State University. Talking to those first term sophomore initiates, their families, and friends was exciting. More than forty years ago, I was a sophomore at that school. The campus tour, dinner and breakfast with chapter members and advisers, and a brief workshop after the initiation combined for a full weekend. As I drove home, the fall colors were beautiful and my thoughts were of the first year in college and if and how Alpha Lambda Delta serves new society members who wish to have exceptional academic success. The material that follows was taken from the speech given at Bowling Green.

Congratulations go out of each of you for having done an outstanding job in what many researchers would verify was the most difficult experience you have had to date. You have really succeeded against all odds—new people, new place, new methods, new room, for many of you the first roommate you had ever had, a “group bathroom” (except for camping sessions, the first one you have ever experienced), and new and sometimes strange food. You have been removed from your proven reputation with teachers, from church and community, and from the constant love and support of your family. Just think back for a moment about how you felt a year ago.

I do not think many of you would vote to go back to that place in time. Some of you remember that there were some very lonely times and awesomely awful moments. Testimony to the fact that there were some truly wonderful moments is your presence here today. . .you took a deep breath and performed a difficult job well, very well, and today we are trying to recognize that accomplishment.

One of your first rewards for academic achievement in college is this initiation into Alpha Lambda Delta. You participate in this initiation service, receive a certificate and a piece of jewelry to recognize your membership.

Now you will participate in chapter activities with persons who have similar values regarding scholarship and classroom performance.

You may wish to apply this year for consideration for the Jo Anne J. Trow Award of \$100 to be given by the chapter to the outstanding sophomore member.

Two of your officers and the adviser participated last weekend in a national leadership workshop in Birmingham, Alabama, for officers and advisers of all chapters. One of you may go to that workshop next year.

Sophomore members are also invited to apply to be a Student Member-at-Large on the National Council of the society. Students selected become full voting

members of the board of governors of this near one million dollar corporation. (Quite an entry on the resumé or vita of a college student.)

Some of you will become officers in the chapter and perhaps stay on as junior or senior advisers to the group.

When you have finished the first term of your senior year you may be eligible for a beautiful senior certificate for having maintained a 3.5 grade-point average or the Senior Book Award for having the highest grades in your chapter's membership class. As a senior or any time in your lifetime, you may also wish to apply to receive an Alpha Lambda Delta fellowship of \$3,000 for graduate or professional study. Only fifteen fellowships are awarded each year.

The items just mentioned are direct results of making a 3.5 or better average in your first year of college and choosing to join Alpha Lambda Delta Honor Society.

About 17,000 members will join Alpha Lambda Delta by the end of this academic year. Almost 400,000 persons have joined since the founding in 1924. It would naturally follow that when you wear your Alpha Lambda Delta key, lapel pin, or t-shirt, people will know that you are not only well-dressed (!), but are a serious student. When you list this society on your resumé or an application for a job or another honor, it will tell the reader several things:

1. You can read and comprehend difficult material.
2. You can express yourself effectively—orally and in writing.
3. You can follow directions.
4. You can do a job well and complete it with relatively little supervision.
5. You are a person who can go the extra mile and would no doubt be a good employee, member, study mate—actually life mate as well.

Incidentally, I would point out that there are some drawbacks to your abilities that literally stalk the first and second year university student in the classroom. Your good grades are also a sign of perfectionism or strong self-induced pressure to do each test, assignment, or paper perfectly. You know friends that can never finish doing research and start writing the paper—their desire to know everything before they write almost prevents the eventual writing of the paper. Or perhaps you have known someone who selects the topic, “A Balanced Budget and the Effect on the 21st Century” for a three-page paper.

Another downer for bright underclass students: Because of your brightness, you have an almost limitless array of choices open to you. Make decisions based on the best facts available to you and move on.

Justice Sandra Day O'Connor, a member of Mortar Board, spoke to the

national meeting of Mortar Board. In her speech she said:

“Presumably, most college and university students today plan and hope to reach that status when they have interesting and important work to do and are paid as much or, better yet, more than they are worth for doing it. How does one get there? What path does one choose? To me the most likely path to success in any field is to develop a perennial habit of always doing the best you can with every task no matter how unimportant it might seem at the time. Abraham Lincoln put it a little differently. He said, ‘I always prepared myself for the opportunity that I knew would come my way.’

People often ask me what path I took to get to the Supreme Court. My answer usually is that I just happened to be at the right place and the right time on my own journey through life. But that begs the underlying, real question which is: How do you get to be in the right place at the right time? That is where the habit of doing your best comes in. Making a habit of doing your best is undoubtedly how each of you members of Mortar Board have already succeeded as students. Just keep that up through life and you can be sure opportunity will come your way.

The second suggestion I have to insure you will always be at the right place at the right time is to become involved in the community in which you find yourself. Become a part of it by participating in it directly and fully, whether as a volunteer worker, or an elected representative in some community agency or institution, or simply as a citizen who persuades others to take needed action. You will find that the individual can and does make a difference even in this increasingly populous complex world of ours.”

That message is applicable to you in this college community. You will hear that grades have nothing to do with predicting success in life. There are studies that verify that premise when all college students' grades are considered. Likewise, there are studies that verify that good grades do make a difference in the work world. Arthur Astin, a higher education researcher from UCLA, has even shown a letter grade had monetary worth in specific professions. That is to say an “A” brought a \$900 higher starting salary in engineering and education in the 1980s. All later salaries are based on what you were paid last year or last quarter, etc. Astin also showed that persons with good grades were hired by more prestigious firms and given more prestigious positions.

As I have observed several generations of students, I believe bright students have broader interests—they enjoy music, the arts and literature as well as the technical

fields. They are simply more interested in all of the world in which they live—they are also more interesting to be with and know. This must have a great effect in all facets of their personal and professional lives.

So the rewards of academic achievement about which I have spoken are:

1. Recognition and awards;
2. A better self concept, therefore, better personal adjustment, which could make one a more efficient and affable employee, friend, and mate;
3. Greater potential earnings and opportunities for a challenging life profession; and
4. The opportunity to become an involved interested citizen of the world.

One last quote from the initiation service: "Your education is the means by which you learn to recognize the wonders of science, to appreciate the beauty of great literature and art, to use well our own language, to learn the lessons of past history, to speak and read the languages of other peoples, to study the social and political forces of our world, and to discuss the thought and philosophy of other ages. Through these means you can evaluate the forces and standards of your generation and learn to live significantly."

On behalf of the National Council of Alpha Lambda Delta, best wishes for success in all of your endeavors.

*Barbara Quilling  
Executive Director*



*Barbara Quilling feels at home in the spacious suite.*

## Welcome To Our New Offices!!!



*Roxie Pierson, executive assistant, surveys her new surroundings.*



*Charity Vermillion, student worker from Ball State, shows off the chapter location map.*



# Alpha Lambda Delta

*...something for everyone.*  
**These members attended  
the National Leadership  
Workshop in Birmingham,  
Alabama, 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 216 chapters throughout the nation, and more than 400,000 students have been initiated. The society consists of active members, alumni, honorary members, faculty advisers, administrative advisers, 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.



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## 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 t-shirts from National Headquarters.

## Awards

Sophomore members may compete for the Jo Anne 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.