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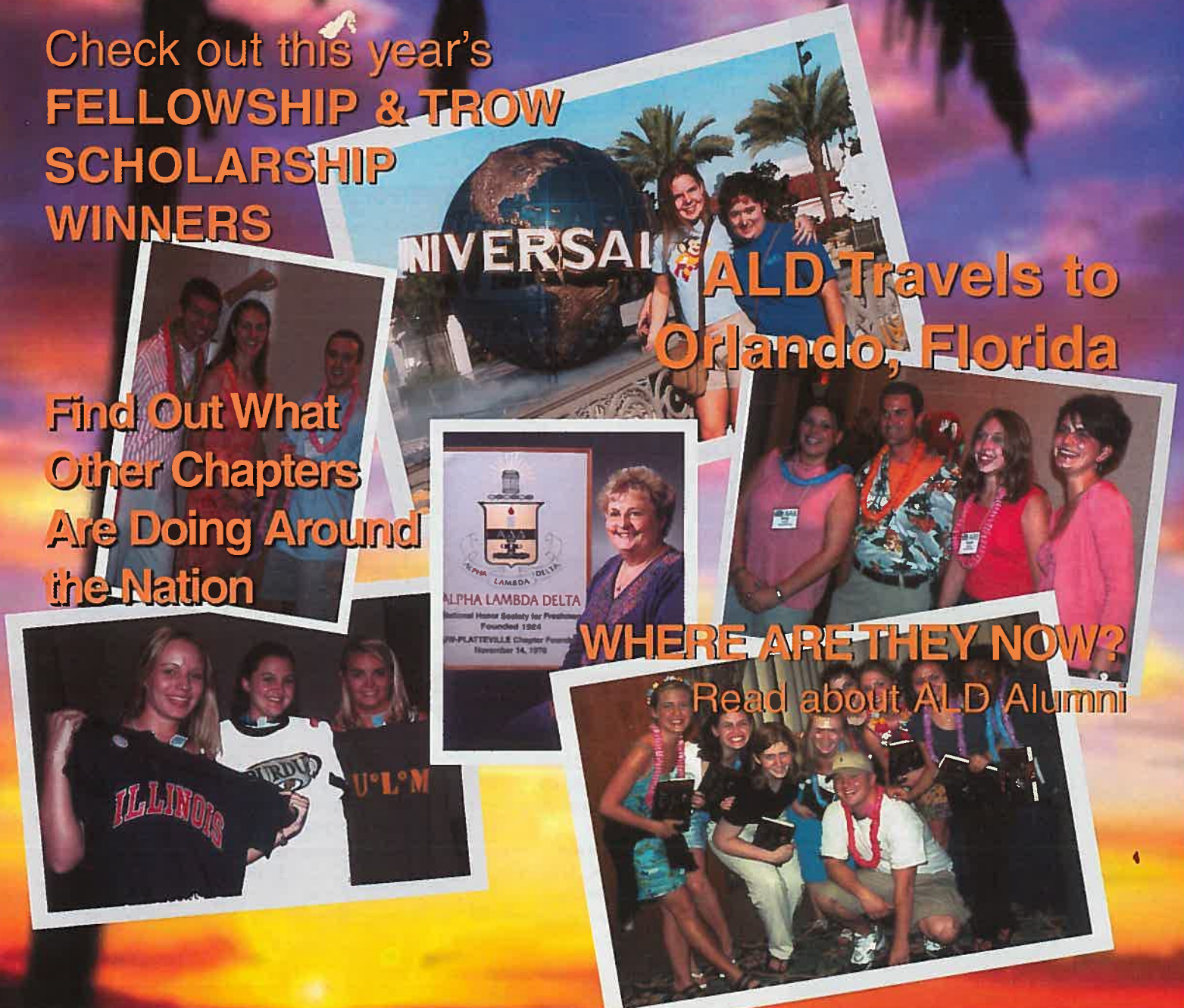
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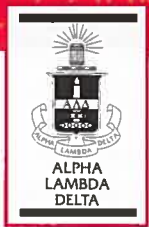
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Alpha Lambda Delta Meets in Salt Lake City, Utah

On June 21, 2001, the National Council of Alpha Lambda Delta met in Salt Lake City, Utah, to conduct the annual business of the society. Dr. Patricia Graham welcomed everyone and introduced new Members-at-Large Jonathan Hovda, University of North Dakota, Susan Huffman, Purdue University, and Marva Watlington, North Carolina A&T State University, who were installed as Council members. Dr. Graham proudly reflected on the past year in which ALD rose to the challenge of increasing membership and dealing with other issues facing honor societies across the country. She remarked that ALD's proactive stance has been quite successful.

Dr. Glenda Earwood-Smith, Executive Director, echoed Dr. Graham's excitement noting that membership had increased 18.8% over last year and that over 60 chapters increased their memberships by over 25%. Dr. Earwood-Smith reported on the success of two strategies implemented by the New Challenges Task Force. The Task Force was established by the National Council to study recruitment policies of honor societies and their impact on ALD membership and to develop strategies for increasing enrollment in ALD. One of these strategies was a targeted mailing for ten selected schools. ALD partnered with Phi Eta Sigma in three of those schools that have joint membership chapters. Another strategy implemented was the Chapter Challenge that offered an incentive of waiving leadership conference fees for any chapter which increased its membership by 25%. Finally, the "Best Practices" mailing was initiated in November. The Council voted to continue the Task Force for an additional year, focusing on chapter yield.

Attention to recruitment will be important as Alpha Lambda Delta increases its dues this year by \$5.00. The Council approved a system to recognize chapters that increase their membership by 10%, 25%, and 50%. Those schools will achieve a bronze, silver, and gold rating respectively and will be honored in next year's FLAME.

Dr. Earwood-Smith warned that other concerns challenge honor societies nationally: a trend toward aggressive and questionable recruitment tactics, the unethical formation of "bogus" honor societies and potential trademark infringement, and changes occurring in the structure of the Association of College Honor

Societies.

Though fellowship fund investments decreased in value this past year, the National Office is again to be commended for operating efficiently and frugally and for generating a significant surplus in the general operating fund. The Council voted to put most of the surplus into the Fellowships fund and to increase both the number and amounts of scholarships and fellowships for the year 2002-2003 as follows:

- ~35 JoAnn Trow scholarships
- ~Maria Leonard Fellowship Award of \$7,500
- ~7 Fellowship awards of \$5,000
- ~15 Fellowship awards of \$3000

One of the \$5000 fellowships will be named for Dr. Martha G. Wade, Vice President for Finance and Long Range Planning. Margie announced her retirement at the Council meeting, having served on the Council for 14 years. Margie's wisdom and guidance have placed ALD in excellent financial condition and have enabled the organization to focus its mission on the achievements and support of students. Margie saw the Fellowship Fund reach \$1 million in 1995, and she has been instrumental in helping it grow to over the \$2 million mark in 2001!! As then Executive Director Barbara Quilling said in the 1996 issue of the FLAME, "The fellowship program is the earliest program started by the society and the one in which the Council and Chapter Advisors take the most pride." **THANK YOU, MARGIE, FOR YOUR DEDICATION AND LEADERSHIP TO ALPHA LAMBDA DELTA!**

Other sad partings and warm welcomes have occurred in ALD recently. As a matter of fact, Dr. Earwood-Smith



has probably had more challenges than any other honor society executive director this past year, as was amply illustrated with the loss of Administrative Assistant, Kristie Smith, to Georgia State University and with the National Office's required move on the Mercer Campus. However, ALD is extremely fortunate to hire Rachael Garza who joined the team with valuable ALD experience. The Council elected Dr. Herman (Butch) Hill to fill the unexpired one-year term of Margie Wade.

Petitions for new chapters at the University of Scranton and Schreiner University were approved, and resolutions were passed honoring the service of outgoing council members Dr. Jan Vandever, Charlie Manzanares, and Dr. Margie Wade. Although a great deal of work was done during this Council meeting, Council members were still able to enjoy the beautiful sculptures and architecture, fine cuisine, and shopping malls throughout Salt Lake City. Unfortunately, while the folks from Georgia (and the rest of us) were traveling here, the Mormon Tabernacle Choir was travelling to Georgia! But we were able to enjoy a cool and calming evening of symphony music instead.



Dr. Patricia Graham installs Dr. James Stemler as Vice President of Chapter Relations and Expansion.

The Council banquet was held in the Red Butte Room at the Wyndam Hotel. Dr Graham welcomed our guests for the evening - Dr. Barbara Keller of Weber State University (and former editor of the FLAME) and Russ Rampton of Weber State University. Dr. James Stemler was installed as VP for Chapter Relations and Expansion, and Dr. Margie Wade was presented with a certificate naming the new fellowship in her honor. At the close of the banquet, the 2001 Council Session was adjourned.

Elected to serve a second term for Vice President for Chapter Relations and Expansion was Dr. James Stemler, University of Portland. Kristian Guzman, University of Southern California, was nominated for Member-at-Large.

The Council voted to award five chapters the Order of the Torch for their outstanding initiatives in programming, internal communication, and campus visibility.

Maintaining the Flame recognition was awarded to these chapters for their continuing outstanding service to community, campus, and ALD:

- Ball State University
- University of California - Los Angeles
- Dickinson College
- Midwestern State University
- The Ohio State University
- Purdue University
- University of Texas at San Antonio
- Trinity University
- Youngstown State University

Council members take time out from intensive meetings to have a little fun!



CALL FOR APPLICATIONS AND NOMINATIONS NATIONAL COUNCIL MEMBER-AT-LARGE 2002 TO 2005

The Council Nominations Committee is seeking applications and/or nominations from current chapter advisors for a Council Member-at-Large position to serve a three year term. The Nominations Committee invites you to seriously consider applying yourself or nominating another chapter advisor or former advisor who would make an additional contribution to Alpha Lambda Delta by serving on its governing board. National Council members must be able to attend the annual June National Council meeting.

If you are interested, please submit a vita and a statement of your involvement with Alpha Lambda Delta to National Headquarters on or before May 15, 2002.

NEW NATIONAL COUNCIL MEMBERS



National President, Dr. Patricia Graham, installs Dr. Susan Huffman, Mr. Jonathan Hovda, and Mrs. Marva Watlington as new council members at the 2001 National Council meeting.



Dr. Susan Melson Huffman **Professional Member-at-Large**

New National Council member, Dr. Susan Melson Huffman, has served as Administrative Advisor for the Purdue University chapter of Alpha Lambda Delta for the past six years. She is currently serving as Manager of the Young Graduate House at Purdue University. Prior to working with University Residences, Dr. Huffman spent 17 years on the staff of the Office of the Dean of Students, where she worked with cooperative housing, Purdue Student Government, off-campus housing, counseling, discipline, and leadership development.

Dr. Huffman has earned three degrees from Purdue University, including a bachelors degree in Developmental Psychology, a masters degree in Counseling and Personnel Services, and a Ph.D. in College Student Affairs. Among her areas of professional interest are leadership, the Myers-Briggs Type Indicator, and the influence of gender stereotypes on women students and their career choices.

Dr. Huffman is very active in a number of state and national organizations. She was president of the Indiana Association for Women in Education, and she is serving her second three-year term on the National Council of Alpha Lambda Delta. Additionally, Susan is past president of the Camp Miniwanca Advisory Council and Curriculum chair and faculty member for the International Leadership Conferences held each summer at Camp Miniwanca in Michigan. She has attended these leadership conferences for the past 29 years.

Originally from Anderson, Indiana, Dr. Huffman now calls Lafayette, Indiana, her home. She and her husband, Dave, enjoy Purdue sporting events. Among

her other hobbies and interests are jogging, golf, calligraphy, lighthouse hopping, and shopping for collectibles.



Jonathan Hovda **Student Member-at-Large**

Jonathan Hovda, a junior at the University of North Dakota, is a very busy student! He is a member of Alpha Lambda Delta, where he served as Vice-President during his sophomore year, Phi Eta Sigma, Golden Key, and the Undergraduate Medical Association. He served as the student liason between the Undergraduate Medical Association and the American Medical Association.

Jonathan has gained valuable experience during his three years as an undergraduate researcher at UND's School of Medicine. He has participated in research on pancreatic beta cells and lipid metabolism in the brain.

Jonathan spent 12 weeks with the National Institute of Health and the Institute of Aging in Bethesda, Maryland, as an intern. He conducted biomedical research in the Section on Brain Physiology and Metabolism, after which Jonathan presented his work in Baltimore, Maryland, and Washington, D.C.

He has been very active in his local chapter of Alpha Lambda Delta, helping set up their chapter e-mail list serve and web site. He helped organize the "Caught Studying" program, an ALD table at the UND Involvement Expo, and a tree planting ceremony commemorating the 50th anniversary of ALD at the University of North Dakota.

Jonathan has contributed ideas and energy at the Washington, D.C., National Leadership Workshop in

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OUTGOING COUNCIL MEMBER RESOLUTIONS

Dr. Margie G. Wade Vice President of Finance & Long Range Planning 1977-2001

Whereas, Dr. Margie G. Wade has served Alpha Lambda Delta ably and well as Vice President for Finance and Long Range Planning, District Advisor, and National Council Member-at-Large since 1977. Her wise guidance on issues of income, spending, and investments have positioned National Alpha Lambda Delta in an excellent financial condition.

Whereas, Margie has provided mission for the Society, built on a firm financial base and a historical perspective of the Society that enables her to provide wise counsel to deliberations on the National Council.

Whereas, Margie's calm demeanor and ability to mentor has assisted many new council members to quickly become knowledgeable about the financial aspects of the Society.

Whereas, Margie has served on numerous committees, including fellowships, where her astute evaluations have helped select and support so many of our members for graduate study.

Whereas, Margie has shown commitment and devotion to Alpha Lambda Delta chapters at Maryville University of St. Louis, the University of Southern Colorado, and Stephens College.

Whereas, Margie's friendship, honesty, sense of humor, and stability have facilitated the work of the National Council and strengthened the Society for the thousands of students we serve. Many of us have appreciated her love of good food, wine, art, and travel. Council members have christened her "Connoisseur of Creme Brulee."

So be it resolved, the National Council of Alpha Lambda Delta hereby expresses its profound and deepest gratitude and respect to Margie for her years of service. She will be missed, but not forgotten.

L-R: Jan Vandever,
Charlie Manzanares,
Margie Wade



Charlie Manzanares Student Member-at-Large 1998-2001

Whereas, Charlie Manzanares has served for three years on the National Council as a Student Member-at-Large, the National Council wishes to extend its gratitude and thanks to him...

* For contributing his energy and creativity to committees, such as Finance, Trow, Nominations and By-Laws, Fellowships, Chapter Relations, Order of the Torch, and the New Challenges Task Force

* For his involvement on the local level in maintaining an active chapter

* For creating new initiatives to recognize chapter efforts, such as the organization of the First Annual Web Site Competition

* For actively serving at the workshops as a student leader, running workshop sessions, organizing student activities, and having the self-sacrificing spirit to make our 75th anniversary speaker, Ms. Strugg, feel most welcome

* For always maintaining a positive and upbeat attitude, combined with a good-natured spirit

* For his willingness to try anything, with a smile on his face, whether it be all-night parties in Cincinnati, aimless wandering in the streets of Williamsburg, or spontaneous trips to Georgetown

* And for his dedication to work in "sickness and in health."

Therefore, be it resolved that the National Council wishes to thank Charlie for his excellent work during his tenure and wishes him the best as he seeks out his dream job 'somewhere in the world.' May each day be a celebration of life, and may his star shine brightly forever. Thank you for the good times, and Charlie, don't forget to invite smooth Carlos back for a visit every once and awhile.

Dr. Jan Vandever Member-at-Large 1998-2001

Whereas, Dr. Jan Vandever has worked diligently to promote the goals of Alpha Lambda Delta serving on the Finance and Administration Committees and New Challenges Task Force and chairing the Expansion, Nominations, and By-Laws Committees for two years.

And whereas, Dr. Vandever has been a tireless champion of small schools and a dedicated advocate of ALD in reaching out to potential schools of all sizes through extensive travel and communication.

And whereas, Dr. Vandever has brought integrity and energy to

all the committees she has served on, organization to the committees she has chaired, and a sense of humor and warmth to her friends and colleagues.

And whereas, Dr. Vandever has been a faithful and devoted advisor for the ALD chapter at South Dakota State University for over 18 years.

Therefore, be it resolved that the National Council of Alpha Lambda Delta expresses its appreciation to Jan for her devotion, passion, and leadership to ALD. We look forward to continuing our friendship.

Character, Scholarship, Service

Here's What Your Fellow ALD Members Are Doing...

Ryan R. Stickel entered the University of South Carolina in the fall of 2000, utilizing benefits from his service in the United States Navy. He is a Resident Advisor for University Housing, the Membership Education Chairman in his fraternity and a Midshipman in the Navy/Marine Corp ROTC.

In the spring of 2001, he was inducted in Alpha Lambda Delta Freshman Honor Society and placed third in the Mr. USC Bodybuilding Championships. In 2001, Ryan also won the USC Octathlon, an eight-sport challenge of strength, skill, and endurance events in one afternoon.

Last summer, Ryan was an ocean lifeguard on the Outer Banks of North Carolina. His Ocean Rescue team won the Outer Banks Olympics last summer. The previous three summers he had worked Ocean Rescue on the beaches of Florida. He performed numerous lifesaving rescues, a few of which took place in rough, stormy waters during hurricane season.

In October 2001, Ryan was volunteering on a community service project with other students to clear paths in an overgrown forest. In a potentially fatal accident, the student next to Ryan lost control of his machinery, slicing Ryan in the arm and stomach, deep enough that it was an eighth of an inch away from his intestines. Ryan's extensive training in First Aid and First Responder techniques enabled him to react quickly enough to save his own life. Ryan assessed his injuries, applied direct pressure with a spare tee shirt, walked a half-mile through the woods, and secured a ride to the nearest hospital.

Ryan has returned to class a bit slower but still excelling in his studies, activities, and attitude. Although physical exercise is against doctor's orders right now, he plans to resume his triathlon training and bodybuilding in January of 2002.

Ryan exemplifies Alpha Lambda Delta's ideals of character, scholarship, and service. He is a person of high caliber who has learned from his lessons and has utilized his keen mind and training. The FLAME is proud to present this hero's story and wishes him a speedy recovery and continued success.

*~Harrison Greenlaw
Advisor, University of South Carolina*

ALA



Emily Foster, an ALD graduate of the University of Georgia chapter and recipient of the Louise McBee fellowship in 2001, declined her fellowship due to the fact that she won the Miss Georgia pageant and would be postponing graduate school for a year. Emily plans on pursuing her degree in Dentistry after her reign as Miss

Georgia 2001 has come to an end. Congratulations, Emily!!

ALA



Yong Suh, a graduate of the State University of West Georgia, also had to decline the Maria Leonard Fellowship that Alpha Lambda Delta offered him this year. He is deferring graduate school in order to accept a post-baccalaureate research fellowship with the Human Genome Project. The project that he will participate in is FUSION (Finland-United States

Investigation of NIDDM genetics). The goals of this investigation are to find the genes that predispose an individual to adult-onset diabetes and then to synthesize the relevant pathways by understanding abnormal protein function. WOW! It sounds like Yong Suh is definitely the man for the job!

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Two former ALD graduate fellowship winners appeared as contestants on Jeopardy this past spring. **Jeff Bowersox**, winner of a 1999-2000 fellowship, is a graduate student at the University of Cincinnati and appeared on the show on February 26 of this year. **Brad Savage**, who served on the National Council of ALD from 1994-1996, is a graduate of the Ohio State University (B.A.) and the University of Washington (M.A.) and is currently working on a Ph.D. at UCLA. He appeared on Jeopardy in April.

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ALD Lands in Orlando for 2001 Leadership/Activities Workshop

By Sue Henson, National Editor



Despite concerns about travel safety, longer hours in airports, flight delays, and other scheduling hassles, an outstanding group of almost 200 of the nation's most talented students braved the challenges to participate in the 2001 National Leadership and Activities Workshop hosted by Alpha Lambda Delta! From October 19 to 21, 2001, students and their devoted advisors gathered at the Delta Orlando Resort Hotel near the Universal Studios theme park for a weekend of motivational and educational programming.

The purpose of the annual ALD Leadership/Activities Workshop is to bring ALD members, advisors, and National Council members together to exchange information and ideas for creative programming, recruitment strategies, fund raising activities, community service projects, and ways of enhancing the academic environment on our campuses. And, of course, the workshop also provides valuable opportunities to meet new friends and have fun!

During the opening session on Friday evening, Executive Director Dr. Glenda Earwood-Smith welcomed participants and shared a message of appreciation from Florida's Governor Jeb Bush for overcoming travel difficulties to participate in the workshop. Dr. Earwood-Smith introduced ALD Executive Assistant, Rachel Garza, and National Council student members-at-large Bridget Wilmot, Jonathan Hovda, and Charlie Manzanares.

The guest speaker was John Spence who gave a motivational presentation on "The Keys to Success for College and Life." Following refreshments, Council President Dr. Patricia Graham got the gears cranking with a fun evening of mixers and activities, starting with "Human Mechanics 101" - a competition to see which groups could create the most interesting and amusing

human machines, from a sausage-making machine to a movable Model-T or a percolator to a paddle steamer. Members then took off (some still enmeshed) for a scavenger hunt and reassembled for the annual t-shirt exchange. As the first evening's official events drew to a close, groups gathered for skit practice, relaxation, or a night out at "City Walk."

Saturday morning's sessions were led by Council members and staff and covered topics designed to equip and motivate students and advisors to enhance their chapters. While Council member Butch Hill led an introductory session on starting a web site for local chapters, Rachel Garza and Charlie Manzanares gave pointers on improving existing chapter websites. Outstanding Advisor Darla Banfi and Torch representative Karlyn Stirler directed a session for programming at small schools, while Council member Susan Huffman and Torch representative Angela DiMarino led the discussion for large schools. John Spence rounded out the first set of sessions by expanding his discussion of the previous night



Executive Director, Glenda Earwood-Smith with Motivational Speaker, John Spence

NATIONAL LEADERSHIP WORKSHOP

with "Lessons in Leadership."

The second set of morning sessions covered a wide variety of topics. A big thank you goes out to these students from winning Torch chapters who helped with the sessions: Angela DiMarino, Jennifer Garrett, Leslie Harrington, Karlyn Stirler, and Sarah Shafarik. Also thanks to the following National Council members and chapter advisors: Glenda Earwood-Smith, Patricia Graham, Harry Hale, Jim Stemler, Marva Watlington, Bridget Wilmot, Jonathan Hovda, and Sue Henson, all of whom led sessions on strategies for recruiting new members, motivating members, increasing your chapter's visibility, designing community service projects, developing leadership skills, and tapping your creativity.

Lunch was accompanied by Roundtable Discussions where participants were able to share successes, raise concerns, and offer suggestions for tackling new challenges. The afternoon offered myriad opportunities to soak up the Florida sunshine and sightsee or shop. Occasions to get wet and wild abounded!



A small group works together during a session on creativity in chapter programming.

For many, the highlight of the weekend was the lavish banquet in Luau style, replete with gourmet dishes, colorful leis, and, yes, even talking parrots!! The evening festivities were moderated by Dr. Graham, who emceed the skit competition and sneaked pieces of pie to the parrots. Darla Banfi, the 2001 Outstanding Advisor of the Year, from the University of Wisconsin - Platteville, gave the keynote address for the banquet challenging ALD leaders to "Be an Imagineer."

When the banquet concluded, group photos were taken, and groups hastened to get ready for the evening's entertainment - performances by the "dramatic dozen" - twelve talented groups of singers, rappers, actors, and comedians who took special care to butter up the judges before each skit. After agonizing deliberation, our panel of expert judges selected a winner, the group who "out-imagined" the others.

Sunday morning's excellent breakfast buffet was



Saturday evening's banquet consisted of many Hawaiian style dishes.

accompanied by information about the services offered by the National Headquarters and National Council. Students were reminded to take advantage of the wealth of information available on the ALD website, from fellowship applications to calendar deadlines and meetings to an excellent resource page where students can find research sites, job-hunting tips, and much more. Students were encouraged to get their chapter websites up and linked to the national office and to visit other chapter web sites.

Finally, delegates were reminded to apply for scholarships and graduate fellowships and to consider the rewarding experience of serving on the National Council. The crowd then gradually and finally dispersed with mixed emotions: looking forward to taking on the role "Imagineer" and looking back at having to leave new friends. AΛΔ



Visiting parrots provided entertainment during the banquet.

Advisors, Marlene Derringer and Harrison Greenlaw, dressed for the Luau.



Executive Director Advisor Awards

By Dr. Glenda Earwood-Smith

Executive Director Dr. Glenda Earwood-Smith announced five winners of the Executive Director Advisor Awards for 2000-2001. "Selecting only five advisors from among over 300 chapter advisors in the nation was especially difficult this year because we had so many advisors assist in our successful membership initiative," said Dr. Earwood-Smith.



Melinda Koonce
University of Houston

Melinda Koonce has been Alpha Lambda Delta advisor at the University of Houston since 1995. Melinda takes an active role in advising the chapter on this mostly commuter campus. In February of

this year, Melinda helped present a workshop about Alpha Lambda Delta at the Freshman Year Experience Conference in Houston. The Houston chapter had an increase of 23% in membership this year. Melinda encouraged two officers to travel to DC for the ALD workshop and had a Trow applicant. In June of 2001, the University of Houston campus experienced a severe flood and many of the student offices including the Alpha Lambda Delta office were damaged.

Beverly Kellen
University of Alabama

Since 1992, Beverly Kellen, Assistant Director of the Russell Student Health Center, has served as ALD chapter advisor at the University of Alabama. Beverly and the Alabama chapter have a perfect track record in selecting winning Trow applicants, having one or two winners for the last three years. This year the Alabama chapter had a 40% increase in members - up to 383 members, the largest in the last five years.



Ann Merrill
The Ohio State University

Since 1998, Ann Merrill has been serving as the advisor to the Ohio State University Alpha Lambda Delta chapter. Ann has conscientiously served as advisor and helped the chapter offer servi

to the University community as well as to the Columbus community. Last year, the chapter was named to the Order of the Torch, an award given to the five most outstanding chapters in the nation. The chapter continued its high standards of excellence this year and received the Maintaining the Flame award. The chapter also received honorable mention for their web site in a national competition. The chapter had 885 initiates this year, an increase of 118%.



Jan Arnett
Indiana State University

This year after the departure of Petra Roter, Jan Arnett became the advisor to the Alpha Lambda Delta chapter at Indiana State University. Usually a chapter experiences a decline when there is an advisor

change, but not so with Jan Arnett. The chapter had a 73% increase in membership to 266 initiates this year. Jan Arnett has conscientiously served as advisor and helped the chapter offer service to the University community as well as to the Terre Haute community.



Paul Pedersen
University of Texas - Austin

For the past two years, Paul Pedersen has served as the chapter advisor to the Alpha Lambda Delta chapter at the University of Texas at Austin. Paul has conscientiously served as advisor

FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S DESK

and helped the chapter offer service to the University community as well as to the Austin community. In addition to attending the Washington workshop, Paul assisted the chapter in applying for the Order of the Torch Award this year. The large number of students that the chapter initiated this year (over 200% increase), the Torch application, and the increase in the activity level of the chapter all indicate Paul's positive influence on the chapter.

Stemler, Vice President for Chapter Relations and Expansion. "That's why the Chapter Relations Committee recommended the establishment of the Executive Director Advisor Award in 1998 so that more chapter advisors could be recognized for their service and commitment to Alpha Lambda Delta." These advisors have done exceptional jobs and deserve the recognition of this award. "The National Council is very proud and grateful to these advisors for the outstanding work they do with these chapters," said Dr. Patricia Graham, National President. AΛΔ

The role of the chapter advisor is critical to the success of the chapter and the national organization," said Dr. Jim

ANNUAL CHAPTER WEB SITE COMPETITION

Congratulations to the Outstanding Web Sites for 2001!

California State University - Long Beach
University of Florida
University of Illinois
Otterbein College

Honorable Mentions:

Ball State University
University of Maryland
Midwestern State University
University of New Haven
The Ohio State University
Ohio University
Purdue University

See these sites at

www.mercer.edu/ald/lists.htm

We want to see your chapter's Alpha Lambda Delta web site! Better yet, we want others to see your web site! Sites will be reviewed in November and April by members of a National Committee, who will evaluate:

- ~Overall design
- ~Accuracy and current calendar of events and information
- ~Utility of functions for current and prospective members
- ~Ease of navigation

Eligible sites must be linked to the National ALD web site and must remain up-to-date throughout the year. Awards will be presented in the spring after the second evaluation. Link your site to the National site by contacting Rachel Garza at ald@mercer.edu. Be sure to include the address of your chapter's web site.



Be an Imagineer

By Darla Banfi, Alpha Lambda Delta Advisor of the Year

Darla Banfi, the Administrative Advisor of the University of Wisconsin - Platteville chapter, is the 2001 Advisor of the Year. The following is the address that she gave during the 2001 National Leadership Workshop in Orlando, Florida.

This afternoon, we all enjoyed seeing a bit of Orlando, either by going to Wet 'N Wild Waterpark, to shops on International Drive, or to Universal Studios. Because we are in Orlando, noted for its family entertainment, I have chosen for the topic of my speech tonight the challenge to be an Imagineer.

I'm sure that when many of you were young, you enjoyed watching "Disney's Wonderful World of Color." I don't think we're ever too old to enjoy a Disney movie. I recently saw a television special about Walt Disney's life. You are probably aware that 2001 would have been his 100th birthday. In this TV special, many people gave tribute to him. In those testimonials, I was intrigued by a job title shared by many of his employees. Their title was "Imagineer".

I had never heard the term Imagineer before, so I began to do some research. I soon found over 2,500 web sites with a reference to the words Disney Imagineers. I guess I should have just asked my daughter first, because when I had my speech all done, she told me, "oh yeah, mom, I've heard of Imagineers-I've seen "Imagineer That" on the Disney channel." Ah, the knowledge of the Internet and children-it's very humbling. Well, I didn't re-write my speech-I'm hoping that the term Imagineer is new for some of you, like it was for me.

Most of the information about Imagineers I'll share with you this evening comes from a two-part article by David J. Fisher which was published in The Disney Magazine entitled "So You Want to Be an Imagineer."

According to Fisher, "Walt Disney created 'imagineering' by hand picking some of his studio's finest creative and technical talents to work on an idea that would revolutionize family entertainment. That select group became 'Imagineers,' a name to describe their unique skills of combining imagination and engineering. Their first assignment was the planning, designing, and construction of Disneyland, which opened in California in 1955."

For the Walt Disney Corporation, the Imagineers are its creative arm. Because of their innovative and inquisitive nature, they like to jump right into a project. They are

both the dreamers and the doers.

Walt Disney defined Imagineers as having the 4 C's: curiosity, confidence, courage and constancy. Please don't think that only engineers are hired for these jobs because actually imagineers are hired from more than 150 different disciplines. Sometimes it is their talent or education that gets them a job. But sometimes, it's just

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because they are in the right place at the right time. Imagineers work in a challenging and creative environment that allows them to create an idea and take it through all of the stages of production.

Now, let's think about your role in Alpha Lambda Delta and see how in many ways, officers and advisors of ALD are Imagineers.

The Disney Imagineers estimate that an idea might take only 1% of the time of a project. The other 99% of the time is spent taking that idea and making it become a reality. Would you agree? In Sue and Bridget's session this morning we heard the same thing-projects are 1% inspiration and 99% perspiration. Think of your chapter activities—often when a brand new idea is decided upon, such as a food drive or a college bowl competition, then the REAL work begins of making that project happen. We can appreciate the value of the person who was the dreamer and came up with a great idea, but we also must appreciate the value of delegating jobs and checking on progress so that the project actually happens.

The Disney Imagineers are able to work with a sense of complete freedom. The multiple talents of each person are highly valued. There actually seems to be a blurring of people's roles as they work on a project. I would compare this with the work that you officers do. Electing officers is often challenging. Sometimes it seems to become more of a popularity contest. After the advisors

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and officers have begun working on a project, it may become evident that someone is in a position for which they may not be well-suited. You may find that this requires a blurring of roles. For example, jobs traditionally done by the secretary may be better handled, in some instances, by the vice president, and so on. I would encourage you to be flexible as you approach project and committee work.

Disney Imagineers are said to represent the complete range of personalities. According to David Fischer, "Some are risk takers; some keep the rules. Some are the dreamers; others are the doers. Some think big; others love the details." If we think about our chapters, we would also find this to be true. We should celebrate the unique personality of each officer and member. Chapters should capitalize on these talents and differences. You will find that your chapter can achieve so much by work-

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ing together in a collaborative environment.

All of us in this room this evening share the fact that we have lived in two millenniums, with one foot in the past and one foot in the future. Now granted, your foot is not back into the past millennium as far as mine is! I'm going to give away my age by telling you that I attended a one-room grade school which had no indoor plumbing—just outdoor gravity toilets. We even had a crank telephone, which I'm sure you've seen only in museums! I would never have dreamed that within my 47 years I would have seen so many changes. Just looking at education alone, I have experienced attending a country school, then working as a high school teacher, then helping college students see the world through a study abroad experience, and now I am working in the new field of Distance Learning where complete degrees can be earned online. Could I have imagined such change? No, I really could not have. My personality is more suited to taking an idea (sometime my own idea, sometimes others' ideas) and running with it. I'm a doer who likes the details. So, for me, keeping an open mind and embracing change have allowed me to be an Imagineer.

Marty Sklar, the President of Walt Disney Imagineering, encourages budding Imagineers to "Try as many things as you can, see as many places as you can, learn as much about everything as you can." Now, let's think about how this is similar to the goals of Alpha Lambda Delta. Through your chapter activities, you are

encouraged to learn as much as you can. The National ALD office also does its part to encourage you to see as many places as you can by providing the wonderful opportunity of this conference which occurs annually in great cities across the nation.

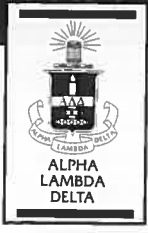
A man named Herbert Ryman was responsible for the concept of Disneyland and for designing many of its attractions. Marty Sklar, the President of Walt Disney Imagineering said, "it was often very frustrating because it seemed that Ryman took longer to do an illustration than any other artist. But the truth of the matter was that Ryman would research his ideas so well, that once he started to paint, he knew exactly what he was doing. It seemed like nobody could work faster or nail a concept better than Ryman once he had taken the time to understand and research the problem or idea." As we work together as a chapter, it is important that as ideas are discussed and jobs are delegated, that the officers and committee chairs understand what they are being asked to do. Time will be saved in the long run if we make sure that we know where we are going.

I'd like to close with another quote from Marty Sklar. He says, "It is not enough to be a dreamer. You also have to have the energy, enthusiasm, and expertise to carry through on your dreams."

I'd like you to imagine what lies in your future, both as you finish college and as you enter the work force! As we learned last night from John Spence, 65% of you will retire from jobs that we have not yet ever heard about! It doesn't matter how small or how large your dream is. If you can see it, you can believe in it. I challenge you to be an Imagineer — to use your education and your energy to turn your dreams into reality. AΛΔ



National President Patricia Graham presents the Outstanding Advisor of the Year Award to Darla Banfi at the National Workshop Banquet.



Jo Anne J. Trow \$1000 Undergraduate Scholarships

The Jo Anne J. Trow Award was started in 1988 to honor a past National President of Alpha Lambda Delta. Former Vice President for Student Services at Oregon State University, Dr. Jo Anne Trow served Alpha Lambda Delta as District VIII Advisor from 1974 to 1979, Secretary from 1979 to 1983, President-Elect from 1984 to 1985, and as National President from 1985 to 1988. During her term as President, the National Council was restructured to provide a more streamlined operation. Originally, this award was established to give collegiate chapters an annual opportunity to reward an outstanding sophomore member of Alpha Lambda Delta with a stipend of \$150.

This year, the National Council will offer at least 35 Jo Anne J. Trow Undergraduate Scholarships of \$1000 each! Applications for this undergraduate scholarship are available from your chapter advisor in January 2002. Each chapter may submit one application (chapters initiating 150-299 members may submit two applications and chapters initiating 300+ members in the past year may submit three applications).



Amy Ashley
Indiana University



Ryan Bockbrader
Ohio State University



Julie Brown
*University of Wisconsin,
Eau Claire*



Jessica Ellerman
Dickinson College



Jennifer Ewell
Heidelberg College



Rudolph Ferguson
*University of South
Carolina*



Daniel Fisher
Oregon State University



Jennifer Garrett
*University of Central
Oklahoma*



Michael Hickey
*Western New
England College*



Laurie Jaeckel
*Northwestern
University*



Jeffrey Kayce
University of Maryland



Orsolya Kraut
University of Maryland



Wesley Lehrer
*University of South
Carolina*



Jennifer Marx
Ball State University



Lindsay Neidergeses
Coe College



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Lauren Anne Patterson
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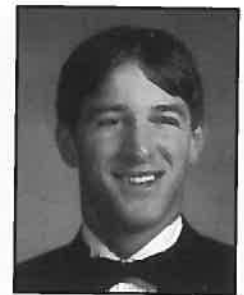
Lindsay Terry
Penn State University - Altoona



Andrew Todd
University of Alabama



Akisha Townsend
Northwestern University



Bryan Townsend
University of Delaware



Frank Varano, III
Susquehanna University



Landon Vick
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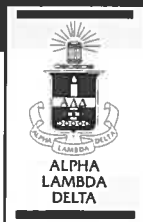


Michael Zieske
University of Montana

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Betty Dailly
George Mason University

David Guthrie
Saint Vincent College



Alpha Lambda Delta Honors the 2001-2002 Graduate Fellowship Scholars

Beginning in 2002, Alpha Lambda Delta Honor Society for First Year Students will award a total of 23 fellowships - fifteen \$3000 fellowships, seven \$5000 fellowships and the Maria Leonard Fellowship in the amount of \$7500. These scholarships are awarded annually for one year of graduate study. Any initiated member of Alpha Lambda Delta who has maintained the academic qualifications for membership is eligible to apply for fellowship consideration as a graduating senior or later. An endowment provides funding for these fellowships. Members of the National Council serve on a selection committee, review applications, and award the fellowships each year.



Rosa Ailabouni

*Betty Jo Hudson
Fellowship*

Undergraduate:
The Ohio State University
Graduate School:
Columbia University



Kyle Beardsley

*Adele H. Stamp
Fellowship*

Undergraduate:
University of Maryland
Graduate School:
University of California -
San Diego



Andrea Anderson

*Kathryn S. Phillips
Fellowship*

Undergraduate:
Drake University
Graduate School:
University of California -
Berkeley



Melissa Game

*Louise McBee
Fellowship*

Undergraduate:
University of Maryland
Graduate School:
Eastern Virginia Medical
School



E. Ashley Anderson

*Gladys P. Houser
Fellowship*

Undergraduate:
Columbia College
Graduate School:
University of South Carolina



David Haugen

*Warner O. Moore
Fellowship*

Undergraduate:
Vanderbilt University
Graduate School:
Georgetown College

FELLOWSHIP RECIPIENTS 2001-2002



Andrew Keenan
*Gladys C. Bell
Fellowship*

Undergraduate:
Fort Hays State University
Graduate School:
University of Kansas



Catherine Long
*Barbara P. Quilling
Fellowship*

Undergraduate:
Purdue University
Graduate School:
Vanderbilt University



Stephanie Kenney
*Dorothy Anderson
Fellowship*

Undergraduate:
Ashland University
Graduate School:
University of Virginia



Justin Miller
*Christine Conaway
Fellowship*

Undergraduate:
The Ohio State University
Graduate School:
The Ohio State University



James Knecht
*Helen Clarke
Fellowship*

Undergraduate:
Texas Tech University
Graduate School:
Texas Tech University



Nicole Nungesser
*Maude Lee Etheredge
Fellowship*

Undergraduate:
University of Illinois
Graduate School:
University of Illinois

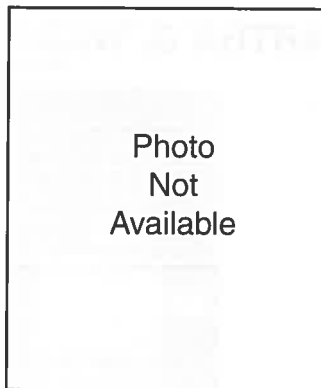


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*Katherine C. Cater
Fellowship*

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Graduate School:
Castleton State College

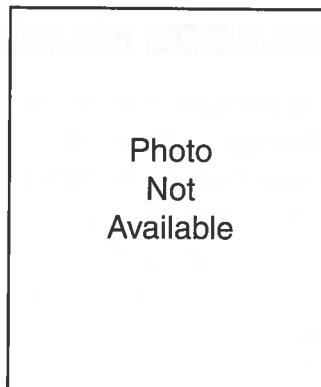


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Kevin Portteus
*Miriam Sheldon
Fellowship*

Undergraduate:
Ashland University
Graduate School:
Michigan State University

FELLOWSHIP RECIPIENTS 2001-2002



Melissa Ryan
*Mary Jane Stevenson
Fellowship*

Undergraduate:
Doane College
Graduate School:
University of California -
Santa Barbara



Jason Slinker
*Alice C. Lloyd
Fellowship*

Undergraduate:
Southern Nazarene
University
Graduate School:
Harvard University



**Meredith Simmons-
Higgs**
*Margaret Cuninggim
Fellowship*

Undergraduate:
Vanderbilt University
Graduate School:
Vanderbilt University



Abraham Tzou
*Maria Leonard
Fellowship*

Undergraduate:
Northwestern University
Graduate School:
Northwestern University



Melissa Sky-Eagle
*Margaret C. Berry
Fellowship*

Undergraduate:
Texas Christian University
Graduate School:
Peabody Conservatory



Michael Wall
*May A. Brunson
Fellowship*

Undergraduate:
Austin Peay State University
Graduate School:
University of Tennessee

ALPHA LAMBDA DELTA ADDS FELLOWSHIP TO HONOR MARTHA G. WADE

National President, Dr. Patricia Graham, announced that the honor society will add an additional fellowship to honor Martha G. Wade, who retired from the National Council in June 2001 after 23 years of volunteer service to Alpha Lambda Delta. Since 1990, Dr. Martha G. Wade served as Vice President of Finance and Long Range Planning. During her term, the Society surpassed its endowment goal of \$1 million and almost reached \$2 million. In her first position on the National Council, Dr. Wade served as a District Advisor for two terms. She also served as editor of *The Flame* from 1978 to 1980 and as Council Member-at-Large from 1988-1990.



ALPHA LAMBDA DELTA CHAPTERS 2001

ALABAMA:

- Alabama, Univ. of-Tuscaloosa
- Alabama, Univ. of-Birmingham
- Alabama, Univ. of-Huntsville
- Auburn Univ.
- Birmingham-Southern Coll.
- Montevallo, Univ. of
- North Alabama, Univ. of
- Samford Univ.
- Troy State Univ.

ARIZONA:

- Arizona State Univ.
- Northern Arizona Univ.

ARKANSAS:

- Arkansas State Univ.

CALIFORNIA:

- Calif. St. Polytechnic Univ. - Pomona
- Calif. St. Univ.-Long Beach
- Calif., Univ. of-Los Angeles
- Calif., Univ. of-Riverside
- Calif., Univ. of-Santa Barbara
- Pacific, Univ. of the
- Southern Calif., Univ. of

COLORADO:

- Colorado Coll.
- Colorado State Univ.
- Denver, Univ. of
- Southern Colorado, Univ. of

CONNECTICUT:

- Connecticut, Univ. of
- Hartford, Univ. of
- New Haven, Univ. of
- U.S. Coast Guard Academy

DELAWARE:

- Delaware, Univ. of

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA:

- American Univ.

FLORIDA:

- Florida, Univ. of
- Miami, Univ. of
- Northwood Univ.
- Warner Southern Univ.

GEORGIA:

- Brenau Univ.
- GA Bapt. Col. of Nursing
- Georgia Coll. & State Univ.
- Ga. Southwestern State Univ.
- Georgia State Univ.
- Georgia, Univ. of
- Piedmont Coll.
- Spelman Coll.
- Valdosta State Univ.
- Wesleyan Coll.
- West Georgia, State Univ. of

IDAHO:

- Idaho, Univ. of

ILLINOIS:

- DePaul Univ.
- Illinois State Univ.
- Illinois Wesleyan Univ.
- Illinois, U. of
- Judson Coll.
- MacMurray Coll.
- Millikin Univ.
- Monmouth Coll.
- Northwestern Univ.
- Southern Illinois Univ.

INDIANA:

- Anderson Univ.
- Ball State Univ.
- Butler Univ.
- DePauw Univ.
- Hanover Coll.
- Indiana State Univ.
- Indiana Univ.
- Ind. U.-Purdue U. Indianapolis
- Purdue Univ.
- Rose-Hulman Inst of Tech
- St. Joseph s Coll.
- Valparaiso Univ.

IOWA:

- Coe Coll.
- Drake Univ.
- Iowa State Univ.
- Morningside Coll.
- Simpson Coll.

KANSAS:

- Fort Hays State Univ.

KENTUCKY:

- Cumberland Coll.
- Georgetown Coll.
- Kentucky, Univ. of
- Murray State Univ.
- Northern Kentucky Univ.

LOUISIANA:

- Grambling State Univ
- Louisiana Coll.
- Louisiana State Univ.
- McNeese State Univ.
- Newcomb Coll.
- Nicholls State Univ.
- Northwestern State Univ.
- Louisiana, Univ. of - Lafayette
- Louisiana, Univ. of - Monroe

MAINE:

- Maine, Univ. of

MARYLAND:

- Maryland, Univ. of
- Morgan State Univ.

MASSACHUSETTS:

- Fitchburg State Coll.
- Framingham State Coll.
- Mass. Col. of Liberal Arts
- Massachusetts, Univ. of (Amherst)
- Massachusetts, Univ. of (Boston)
- Massachusetts, Univ. of (Lowell)
- Regis Coll.
- Salem State Coll.
- Western New England Coll.

MICHIGAN:

- Albion Coll.
- Kalamazoo Coll.
- Western Michigan Univ.

MINNESOTA:

- Minnesota State Univ. - Mankato
- Minnesota State Univ. - Moorhead
- Winona State Univ.

MISSISSIPPI:

- Jackson State Univ.
- Mississippi Coll.
- Mississippi State Univ.
- Mississippi, U. of
- Southern Miss., U. of
- Tougaloo Coll.

MISSOURI:

- Central Methodist Coll.
- Columbia Coll.
- Lindenwood Coll.
- Missouri, Univ. of-Kansas City
- Maryville Univ. of St. Louis
- Stephens Coll.
- William Jewell Coll.

MONTANA:

- Montana St Univ.-Bozeman
- Montana, U. of

NEBRASKA:

- Doane Coll.
- Midland Lutheran Coll.
- Nebraska, Univ. of-Lincoln
- Nebraska, Univ. of-Omaha
- Wayne State Coll.

NEW JERSEY:

- Rider Univ.

NEW MEXICO:

- Eastern New Mexico Univ.

NEW YORK:

- Alfred Univ.
- Long Island Univ.

NORTH CAROLINA:

- Johnson C. Smith Univ.
- Lenoir-Rhyne Coll.
- Meredith Coll.
- N. Carolina A & T State Univ.
- N. Carolina, U. of-Greensboro
- Salem Coll.
- Western Carolina Univ.

NORTH DAKOTA:

- North Dakota, Univ. of

OHIO:

- Ashland Univ.
- Bowling Green St. U.
- Cincinnati, Univ. of
- Heidelberg Coll.
- Kent State Univ.
- Marietta Coll.
- Miami Univ.
- Mount Union Coll.
- Ohio Northern Univ.
- Ohio State Univ.
- Ohio Univ.
- Otterbein Coll.
- Rio Grande, Univ. of
- Toledo, Univ. of
- Wittenberg Univ.
- Wright State Univ.
- Youngstown State Univ.

OKLAHOMA:

- Central Oklahoma, Univ. of
- Oklahoma, Univ. of
- Okla., U. of Science & Arts of
- Oral Roberts Univ.
- Southern Nazarene Univ.

OREGON:

- Linfield Coll.
- Oregon State Univ.
- Oregon, Univ. of
- Portland, Univ. of
- Willamette Univ.

PENNSYLVANIA:

- Bucknell Univ.
- Chestnut Hill Coll.
- Dickinson Coll.

167. Elizabethtown Coll.

- Gettysburg Coll.
- Penn St. Univ.-Altoona
- Univ. of the Sciences in Philadel.
- Pittsburgh, Univ of-Bradford
- Saint Vincent Coll.
- Univ. of Scranton
- Seton Hill Coll.
- Susquehanna Univ.
- Temple Univ.

SOUTH CAROLINA:

- Clemson Univ.
- Columbia Coll.
- Converse Coll.
- S. Carolina, Univ. of
- Winthrop Univ.

SOUTH DAKOTA:

- South Dakota State Univ.
- South Dakota, Univ. of

TENNESSEE:

- Austin Peay State Univ.
- Carson-Newman Coll.
- Cumberland Univ.
- East Tenn. State Univ.
- Maryville Coll.
- Memphis, Univ. of
- Tennessee Tech. Univ.
- Tenn., U. of-Chattanooga
- Vanderbilt Univ.

TEXAS:

- Angelo State Univ.
- Baylor Univ.
- Houston, Univ. of
- Incarnate Word, U. of the
- Lamar Univ.
- McMurtry Univ.
- Midwestern State Univ.
- North Texas, Univ. of
- Sam Houston State Univ.
- Southern Methodist Univ.
- Southwest Texas State U.
- Texas A & M -Commerce
- Texas A & M -Kingsville
- Texas Christian Univ.
- Texas Lutheran Univ.
- Texas Tech Univ.
- Texas Wesleyan Univ.
- Texas, U. of-Austin
- Texas, U. of-El Paso
- Texas, U. of-San Antonio
- Trinity Univ.

UTAH:

- Utah State Univ.

VIRGINIA:

- George Mason Univ.
- Liberty Univ.
- Longwood Coll.
- Mary Baldwin Coll.
- Radford Univ.
- Roanoke Coll.
- Shenandoah Univ.
- Sweet Briar Coll.
- William & Mary, U. of

WEST VIRGINIA:

- Charleston, Univ. of
- W. Virginia Wesleyan C.

WISCONSIN:

- Carthage Coll.
- Wis., Univ. of-Eau Claire
- Wis., Univ. of-Platteville

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Fifty-one students were initiated into the **Gettysburg College** chapter of Alpha Lambda Delta on October 20, 2001. The ceremony took place among family and friends in the Luella Musselman Paul Recital Hall. Mr. Bob Norvall, Chapter Advisor and Dean of First Year Students, presented certificates and jewelry to the new initiates and discussed the achievements of the students. Initiates were then asked to sign a ledger, thus pledging to uphold the ideals held by the organization. Dr. Ralph A. Sorensen, a professor of biology, was initiated as an honorary member. Eight officers were installed into their new positions of responsibility.

~Holly Hogan

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Long Island University student Joel Mentor (ALD, Fall 2001) has won a coveted 2001 Jeannette K. Watson Fellowship in a new program to invest in talented undergraduates in New York City colleges. Now in its second year, the program of the Thomas J. Watson Foundation awards fellowships to able undergraduates who demonstrate exceptional academic promise and outstanding leadership skills through a citywide competition among eight New York City colleges.

The fellowship provides three

consecutive summers of well-supervised, challenging internships, a series of enriching seminars, a generous financial award, and a laptop computer. Fellows are encouraged in their internships to work in two of the three economic sectors: government, nonprofit and/or enterprise or business sectors during their first two summers. The third summer offers an option for an international internship through partnerships with Save the Children in countries such as Bolivia, Malawi and Ethiopia, as well as with the Peggy Guggenheim Collection in Venice, Italy.

The Jeannette K. Watson Fellowship was awarded to sophomore Joel Mentor, a political science major in Long Island University's Honors Program. He interned this summer at the Citizen's Committee for New York City, a non-profit organization that provides leadership training and resources for volunteer community groups throughout the city. Joel organized and conducted a seminar for the Youth Leadership Institute, helping young New Yorkers become inspiring leaders in their communities.

Joel joins junior Cheryl Williams and senior Raynal Jaboiun who were appointed Watson fellows last year. Cheryl's second summer placement was in the Office of Corporate

Communications at The McGraw-Hill Companies. Raynal worked in the Mutual Funds office at the Bank of New York. Cheryl and Raynal were both inducted into Alpha Lambda Delta last fall, and are members of the Brooklyn Campus' Honors Program.

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The **University of Maryland, College Park's** chapter of Alpha Lambda Delta has a very promising year unfolding. Last year 600 new members were inducted into our chapter, making us stronger than ever. In a flourishing effort to boost participation as well as membership, we started sending out summer mailings to the students' permanent mailing addresses.

Following last year's successful campus teddy bear collection for disadvantaged children, we have kicked off the school year with two community service events. The AIDS Walk in Washington, D.C. and the Walk for the Homeless in College Park, Maryland, were two great activities. In light of the recent national tragedy, our chapter will be gathering to create cards that will be distributed to the families of the victims. In addition, with the holiday season quickly approaching, cards will also be made to brighten the spirits of children, adults, and the

elderly.

In an even greater effort to promote community service, our chapter is contacting local Alpha Lambda Delta chapters to participate jointly in projects and promote a sense of unity. This year we will strive to provide our members with speakers to help provide guidance and encouragement as they pursue their academic careers. Another goal is to provide a greater social atmosphere for the students. This initiative was taken last year at a bowling social held in the student union of our campus. This was a great gathering and enjoyed by all.

The Chapter also is very proud of the academic and leadership accomplishments of a number of its members. Executive Board members, Orsi Kraut and Jeffrey Kayce, were named Joanne Trow National Scholarship winners. In addition, recent graduate and Senior Advisor, Kyle Beardsley, was awarded the Adele H. Stamp Fellowship for his graduate education. President Michael Demb was recently selected for membership to Omicron Delta Kappa, the leadership honor society. This is the sixth consecutive ALD President to be selected into this very prestigious honor society.

All in all, we have a very exciting and activity-filled year planned and want to make this year unforgettable for the members of our chapter!

~Kathy Beardsley

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The Alpha Lambda Delta chapter at the **University of Massachusetts - Amherst** has had a very productive year so far. We finished off spring semester with an activity to build unity among the group. We wanted to give the new members a chance to meet those who had been in the chapter the

previous year. We organized a casual dinner at a local restaurant in order to give everyone the opportunity to bring together new ideas and to enjoy the company of one another. These ideas produced a very busy fall semester!

A few of our officers attended the Alpha Lambda Delta National Workshop in Orlando during the fall and brought back more ideas on activities for the university and the local public.

We planned a food drive to collect canned goods that were gathered through drop boxes and door-to-door visits, then sent them to needy shelters in and around Amherst. In December, we joined another student organization on our campus and participated in the "Toys for Tots" campaign. This campaign raises money in order to purchase gifts for children who are less fortunate. We decided that it would be a good idea to tie in the "Toys for Tots" program with another dinner for ALD members; however, admission to this dinner was a toy that could be contributed to the "Toys for Tots" organization.

To conclude the fall semester, we planned a Skate Night to provide members with the opportunity to relax before finals. We opened up the university ice rink to all ALD members and provided refreshments for the students.

We are looking forward to the

many activities that we have planned for this semester and the induction of the ALD Class of 2005 in February.

~Kristen Jerardi

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The installation of new student and honorary members into the **University of Massachusetts - Boston** chapter of Alpha Lambda Delta was held on the evening of September 25, 2001. The ceremonies were attended by initiates, family members, and friends of the 38 new student members.

Charter members of the chapter, new initiates, and new honorary members processed into the campus' Ryan Student Lounge, which overlooks the Boston Harbor. Presiding was Dr. Monica McAlpine, Director of University Honors Program and Honorary Charter member. After taking the Alpha Lambda Delta pledge, each initiate rose when his or her name was called, signed the chapter roll, and received a membership certificate and pin.

A special feature of the occasion was an address by new honorary member, Chancellor Jo Ann Gora, who commended the student members for their dedication to learning and service, and spoke of her ambitions, as a new chancellor, for the campus community. A candlelight recessional concluded the ceremony.



University of Massachusetts - Boston

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MOUNT UNION COLLEGE
OHIO UNIVERSITY
OTTERBEIN COLLEGE
PURDUE UNIVERSITY
VALPARAISO UNIVERSITY
UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN - PLATTEVILLE

The **Bowling Green State University** chapter of Alpha Lambda Delta is having another great year! During the spring and fall finals week, we passed out "ALD Fortune Cups" to those students who were "Caught Studying." The cups were filled with candy and various fortunes to encourage the recipients to keep up the hard work in preparation for finals week. ALD members volunteered to help out the BGSU Alumni Association at the Homecoming football game. Members spent the afternoon spreading school spirit and painting the faces of Falcon fans. For Christmas, we helped out with the Angel Tree Project at the local mall. We volunteered to collect donations of gifts for less-fortunate children. For Valentine's Day, we held a raffle

to give away a dinner for two at a local restaurant and two movie passes. The proceeds from the raffle went towards a Dance Marathon, where ALD sponsored Sarah, a little girl with acute leukemia. Chapter members danced for 32 consecutive hours to raise money for the Children's Miracle Network. Throughout the year, we organized numerous social events, including ice cream socials, a semi-formal dinner, pizza parties, and wing nights. Members were able to come together and enjoy getting to know one another.

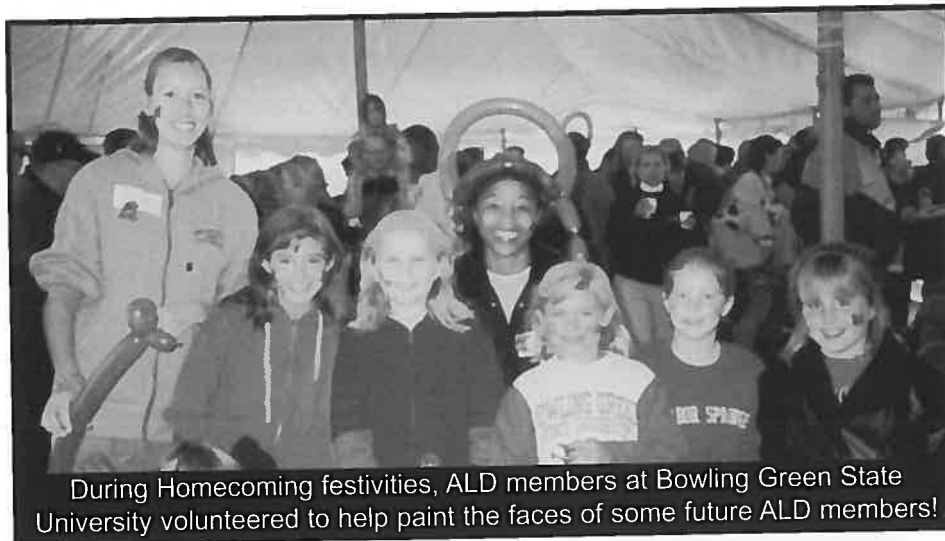
This group had a great year and we are looking forward to helping Alpha Lambda Delta to continue their success on the BGSU campus.

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The Alpha Lambda Delta chapter at **Mount Union College** is sending over \$1000 to the American Red Cross Disaster Fund. In response to the Attack on America on Tuesday, September 11, the chapter decided to collect money for the American Red Cross Disaster Relief Fund in an effort called, "Help Us Help Others."

The Red Cross disaster relief focuses on meeting people's immediate needs. In the wake of a disaster, the Red Cross provides shelter, food, and health and mental health services to address basic human needs. In addition to these services, the core of Red Cross disaster relief is the assistance given to individuals and families affected by disaster to enable them to resume their normal daily activities independently. The Red Cross also feeds emergency workers, handles inquiries from concerned family members outside the disaster area, provides blood and blood products.

The Mount Union chapter began collecting donations for the Red Cross Disaster Relief Fund during their annual "Welcome Back" dessert for students. They then collected donations at a table outside of the dining commons for the rest of the week. They pledged to match the \$514.55 raised in order to double what will be sent to the American Red Cross. Additionally, Alpha Lambda Delta challenged other



During Homecoming festivities, ALD members at Bowling Green State University volunteered to help paint the faces of some future ALD members!

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student organizations to do the same. Besides student groups, the faculty, student affairs staff and physical plant staff were also challenged to match the funds that were raised.

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ALD Textbook Exchange is a brand new program that our chapter at **Ohio University** introduced this academic year. It is to assist ALD members with seeking cheaper second-hand textbooks within ALD.

With the ALD Textbook Exchange, students will save money on textbooks and be able to spend money alternatively on computer and sports equipment, more reference books, food, etc. Buyers can benefit from at least a 30% discount on all textbooks sold by other members. Sellers can also enjoy the 70% buyback guarantee. The community can also take advantage of the program. Each participating ALD member will pay a \$1 fee that will be donated to the local community.

The program is easy to implement. At the beginning of every quarter, we will email all members informing

them about the program. Members will be notified that there will be a price ceiling of 70% of the original price. Interested members will use a form in Excel format attached in the email to fill in information about the textbooks (title, author, edition, class number etc), as well as their personal contact information. All the data will be received electronically. We will then start sorting out data and doing the math. Information will be copied and pasted on a final list in the order of class numbers. The list will be posted online three weeks before the conclusion of the quarter. Interested members will personally contact whomever they wish to purchase the textbooks.

So far over 50 members are participating. We have successfully gathered over 150 textbooks on our list. Members are very pleased. They have given us positive feedback saying that this program would help them a lot.

~Ming Tsang



A Chinese Proverb says, "A journey of a thousand miles must begin with a single step." **Otterbein College's** chapter of Alpha Lambda Delta has substituted "a running leap" for "a single step" into this quote and began their active year as one begins a 100-meter dash, fast. In the past, Otterbein's chapter has not been very involved, each year focusing on initiating new members. Our year hopes to change this trend and reintroduce ALD to the Otterbein campus as a dynamic organization that looks to improve academic, social and service activities on campus. We started our year of "movement" through involvement in the campus "Get on the Move" Program helping freshman move into their new home. Other fall quarter events included working at a local food bank and creating "Been Caught Studying" cards. In conjunction with the Campus Programming Board, our chapter co-sponsored a campus-wide "Donut Run" (with free donuts to the first fifty attendees) to fuel the stressed brains of pre-exam students. Down the street from Otterbein College is a family owned bakery

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that produces the most mouth-watering donuts and being motivated students, we stay up until 1:00 AM studying to go and eat the donuts as they come out fresh. For the rest of the year, our executive committee hopes to continue offering exciting opportunities for the group to grow as students, as friends, and as leaders. It will take work to morph our chapter into a more active organization, but the commitment from the executive committee will begin the necessary change. Our baby steps of change will hopefully grow our chapter of ALD into a thriving organization at Otterbein College.

~Sarah Jurak

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The **Purdue University** chapter of Alpha Lambda Delta is excited to be in its 75th year and is off to a great start! We initiated around 500 members in the spring of 2001. We had a banquet following our initiation where our new University President, Martin C. Jishcke, spoke about leadership. For many, it was the first time to hear President Jishcke and they found his message very inspiring.

Following the events of September 11, 2001, our chapter helped out with a campus-wide campaign to raise money for disaster relief. The program was titled, "Reflect, Respect, Restore," and buttons were made with this slogan to give out in return for donations. Purdue's goal started out at \$20,000, but was soon raised to \$60,000. Alpha Lambda Delta helped out by having members sit at a table for a week, collecting money and promoting buttons. We were very impressed with the generosity from students, especially when we received a check for \$250. We raised a grand total of \$670 and

Dr. Susan Huffman, advisor of the ALD chapter at Purdue University, proudly presents the Barbara Quilling Alpha Lambda Delta Graduate Fellowship to Purdue graduate, Catherine Long.



were very pleased that we could help out.

Our president and vice president attended the National Leadership Conference in October and had a wonderful time. They learned many lessons and took away some great ideas that the chapter hopes to incorporate in the future. To celebrate Halloween, we volunteered at a nursing home and helped the residents pass out candy to children who came to trick or treat. Everyone had a great time, especially since chapter members dressed in costume, too!

To celebrate our 75th anniversary on campus, we created t-shirts promoting the slogan, "Get ahead early," a takeoff from a popular restaurant's saying. We are also planning many events to take place in November and December and will conclude our year with a fall induction ceremony.

~Emily Bondus

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The **Valparaiso University** chapter of Alpha Lambda Delta was proud to induct 92 initiates last spring and they have been working hard to incorporate all of them into

the chapter activities planned for this year. The executive board has been busy brainstorming for ALD events that the new members can get excited about. For National Service Week, they organized a campus-wide food drive, just in time for the holiday season. In order to increase campus interest, they set up a contest within the residence halls and student organizations to find who could collect the most canned goods. The chapter is also working to establish a tutoring program at the nearby Hill-top House, a facility for underprivileged children.

The ALD chapter has been trying to go beyond Valpo's campus and reach out to the surrounding community, especially to the local high schools. Earlier in the year, they invited a number of high school seniors to our campus to discuss the importance of scholarship and involvement in school. They felt that it was a good way to spark interest in the organization and to provide the students with motivation before college. The chapter is also planning on holding a college panel at a local high school to talk about college experiences and answer any questions that the students might have.

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The chapter is looking forward to the year with great anticipation and feels that it might be a strong one!

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The University of Wisconsin-Platteville held its annual induction ceremony on April 22, 2001 with 56 members inducted. Webmaster, Ann Thalmann received the Lucille Ullsvik Memorial Scholarship. The Senior Book Award was presented to Kevin Foye. Calista Guetzke was the recipient of the Kordillia Johnson Memorial Scholarship. Mrs. Susan Hellert, Lecturer in the History Department, was inducted as the 2001 ALD Honorary Member.

In the Spring of 2001, officers who were elected for the upcoming academic year included President Natalya Morsci, Vice-President Saedra Haas, Secretary Tanya Ross, Treasurer Alana Berczy, Co-Historians Jill Olson and Roberta Schug, Senior Advisor Dan Scher, Co-Junior Advisors Erin Raymond, Jessica Meulbroek, Kristine Palmer, and Judy Williams, and Co-



University of Wisconsin - Platteville
April 22, 2001

Webmasters Sarah Shafarik and Ann Thalmann. The chapter was pleased to learn that Darla Banfi had been chosen as the National Advisor of the Year. Also in the spring we held a pizza party at the home of Advisor Banfi for outgoing and incoming officers and set goals for the 2001-2002 school year.

In July, the chapter was notified that it had won one of the five national "Order of the Torch" awards because of our positive projects and activities for our campus and

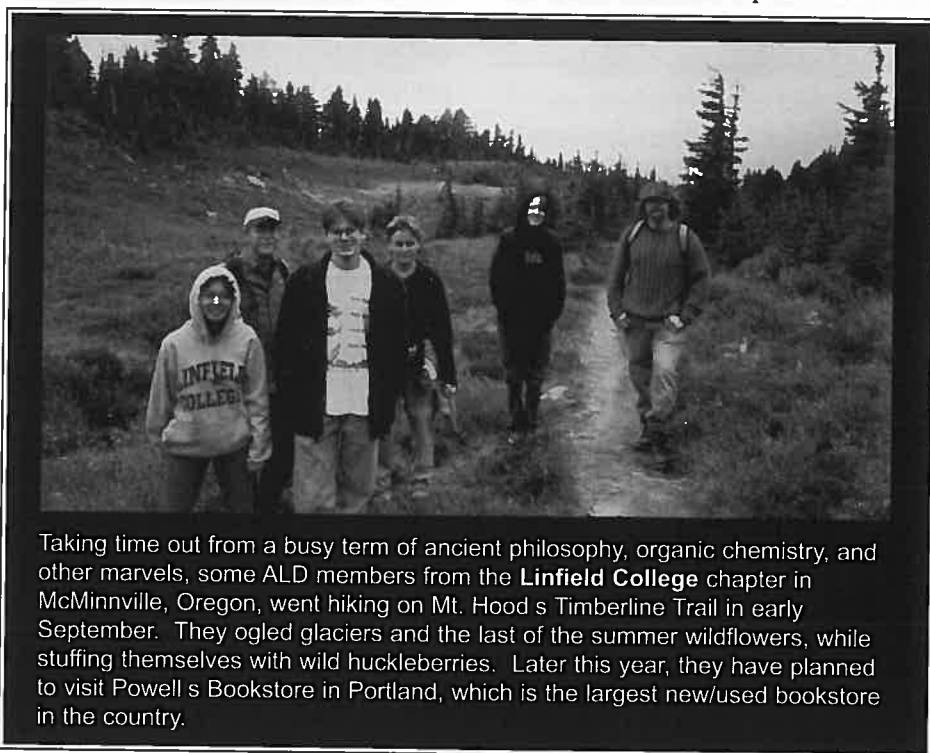
community. Some of the activities during the 2000-2001 school year included providing bookmarks in Freshman orientation folders, manning a display table at the Freshman orientation dance, speaking in Freshman English classes, promoting a 30th Anniversary Strike Out Hunger bowling event, and sponsoring a mitten drive.

President Natalya Morsci, former Historian Sarah Shafarik, and Advisor Darla Banfi attended the national workshop in Orlando, FL. Sarah co-chaired a workshop session on "Converting Eligible Students to New Members," and Darla co-chaired a session on "Campus Visibility and Programming at Small Schools." At the banquet, Mrs. Banfi was acknowledged as the Outstanding Advisor of the Year, and she gave the Saturday evening keynote address entitled "Be An Imagineer."

Our plans include sponsoring another mitten drive, selecting and recognizing an outstanding professor, distributing candy during finals week with a "Caught Studying" message, updating our chapter's web site, and also providing a speaker from the UWP Counseling Services about time and stress management.

~Darla Banfi

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Taking time out from a busy term of ancient philosophy, organic chemistry, and other marvels, some ALD members from the Linfield College chapter in McMinnville, Oregon, went hiking on Mt. Hood's Timberline Trail in early September. They ogled glaciers and the last of the summer wildflowers, while stuffing themselves with wild huckleberries. Later this year, they have planned to visit Powell's Bookstore in Portland, which is the largest new/used bookstore in the country.



AUBURN UNIVERSITY
 GEORGIA SOUTHWESTERN STATE UNIVERSITY
 UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA
 NORTHWOOD UNIVERSITY
 UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH CAROLINA

Auburn University's Alpha Lambda Delta Chapter has had a very exciting year! The new inductees of 2001 were ready and willing to get involved.

The new officers who were elected set high goals from the beginning to reach out to fellow students and the Auburn Community. The first project that we sponsored was "Caught Studying," which was held on Dead Day at the school library. Members handed out refreshments to students as they were diligently studying for finals.

A "Back to School Barbecue," held at a local park, helped to bring members together in a time of fellowship.

The chapter also set up a booth at the University's Halloween Carnival, where they held a "Cake Walk" for the kids that participated.

President Blake Miller, Vice-President Mitch McGuffey, and Chapter Advisor Brittany Johnson had the opportunity to attend the National Convention in Orlando this year, where they learned about other chapters and brought home many new ideas.

These projects and others are making Alpha Lambda Delta stand out on the Auburn University campus as an organization that stresses not only academic excellence, but also fellowship and community service.

~Lori Beth Salyer

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Georgia Southwestern State University's chapter of Alpha Lambda Delta has adopted a few new traditions in the past year. Under advisor, Adele Markowitz, past presidents, Christopher Kinsey, Allison Jones, and Ron Marcinski, and current president, Beth Shomberg, the honor society has blossomed into a recognized and respected chapter.

The society adopted two new traditions last year. One successful event that the society hosted was making Christmas/Hanukah cards for the elderly. Our ALD members set up a table outside of the campus bookstore and caught students on their way to eat or to the campus post office. When students learned that the cards were going to be donated to the local nursing home, several took the time to create a card or two with us. We repeated the same event for Easter/Passover/Spring. Again, the turnout was a success!

Another event that helped turn our chapter into a recognized organization was selling Thanksgiving-Grams and Valentine's-Grams. For this fundraiser, we again set up a table by the bookstore. We distributed slips of paper in several colors with holiday themes. Students wrote messages and attached a small bag of candy along with their holiday

greetings. At a cost of only fifty cents per gram, many students purchased them and stopped to ask, "What is Alpha Lambda Delta?" Our members worked in the post office and ran around campus to deliver the candy-grams. We received a lot of publicity from that fundraiser. Best of all, we received chapter recognition so that people know who we are and what we stand for.

Our chapter of Alpha Lambda Delta hopes to sponsor these fun and exciting events annually. In just two short years, we have grown from three members to 23. We hope that by increasing campus awareness of ALD, we can attract future members and maintain our involvement on campus and in the community.

~Beth Shomberg

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The Alpha Lambda Delta chapter of the **University of North Carolina at Greensboro** is excited to be moving forward this year with plans for greater campus and community involvement! Our chapter, which inducts around a hundred new freshmen each year, has decided to become more active by participating in several new activities beyond just our annual induction ceremony. We began this year with the creation of a new budget, some goal setting, and the focus of creating our first ever chapter website. We are also

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planning to host a study break social during final exams in December and a Habitat for Humanity service project in April. During induction, we will present the prestigious Book Award and are aspiring to become part of the Order of the Torch. Finally, we hope for an outstanding year that will bring both local and national accomplishments!

~Amanda Hardie

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Only two years ago, the **Northwood University** chapter of Alpha Lambda Delta was installed. Local students wanted to form an organization through which they could reward others for outstanding academic achievement. Since then, our group has expanded to a widely recognized honor society on our campus by participating in various campus and community activities. Our members donate their time to help others as often as they can.

One of our most important activities has been the formation of a tutoring program for students who are struggling with any subject, at no cost to the students. The main inspiration for the program was to aid athletes, many of whom attend school on scholarships, in fulfilling their

academic requirements. The tutoring program not only enabled them to continue playing their sport, but also to get the most out of their educational experience. Now, the entire campus utilizes the program and this allows ALD members to reach out and help all students.

This year, our tutoring program was improved again! Our tutors now receive training and, upon completion of the training program, are awarded certification from a recognized academic institution. The training includes methods of tutoring and mentoring, as well as situational information regarding how to handle the emotions of the tutees. The latter is very important, as some students feel very insecure about requesting and receiving help from their peers. The implementation of this training program has increased the efficiency of our tutoring. Our tutors are more effective and can have a greater impact on the students' lives.

~April Tomlinson

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The Alpha Lambda Delta Chapter at the **University of South Carolina** had an extremely busy year! We started off by initiating 375 new

members! This is more than any other honor society at USC. We believe that this enormous turnout was achieved through increasing awareness of ALD by passing out brochures during freshmen summer orientation and presenting a program entitled, "The Right Way, The Wrong Way, The USC Way - Tips for Success," during the August Welcome Week for new students.

The chapter also participated in many community and campus service projects. Monthly, thirty or more ALD members picked up litter on campus as a part of the Student Government's "Clean Carolina" campaign. We also conducted our annual Organ Donor Awareness Days campaign to educate the community about their health and the invaluable gift of donating one's organs.

We also developed a "Blue Print Committee" to evaluate our activities and determine what new aspects should be added or promoted for the next year. This committee will also serve as our Order of the Torch committee for 2001-2002. We continued our tradition of providing a chapter donation to the National Alpha Lambda Delta Perpetual Fellowship Fund.

~Harrison Greenlaw

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October of 2000 and facilitated sessions and activities at the Orlando, Florida, workshop in 2001.



Mrs. Marva Watlington
Professional Member-at-Large

Marva Watlington is returning to service on the National Council, having served on the Council once before from 1993-1996.

A native of Whiteville, North Carolina, Marva has spent most of her career at North Carolina A & T State University. She began working at the university in 1967 when she finished her baccalaureate degree in social work. She received her masters degree in guidance and counseling in 1973. She has worked in the areas of housing, counseling, and student activities.

Mrs. Watlington has served as the advisor to the North Carolina A & T State University chapter of Alpha Lambda Delta since 1978. She rarely misses a national workshop and is a tireless promoter of Alpha Lambda Delta. AAA



BAYLOR UNIVERSITY
UNIVERSITY OF CENTRAL OKLAHOMA
LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY

As a way to reward those active members in our organization who have also demonstrated academic excellence, **Baylor University** ALD has initiated a scholarship contest based on involvement in the club and in the community. At the end of the spring semester, the students with the most points will receive \$150 each that will go towards education-related costs. Members can receive points for a variety of activities such as attending meetings, participating in service projects with ALD, tutoring, promoting the organization at different events, and helping an officer. This is an important step in making ALD one of Baylor's premiere organizations on campus.

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The Alpha Lambda Delta chapter at the **University of Central Oklahoma** has much to celebrate and a tradition of excellence to uphold! Being a recipient of the prestigious Order of the Torch Award for the 2000-2001 academic year, we have already agreed to apply for the Maintaining the Flame Award, which recognizes the work and dedication of past winners.

"Helping others, encouraging the new freshman class to achieve academically, and meeting new friends are just a few of the reasons why Alpha Lambda Delta at UCO is such a great organization," said Ann

Judah, chapter president. "I am honored to be a part of it."

For their first chapter activity, the newly initiated 42 members wrote letters of appreciation to those professors who have had a positive influence on them. Other chapter activities for the year included: volunteering with "Safe Trick-or-Treat," a Halloween tradition in the residence halls, helping with the "Presidents' Club Christmas Party" for needy children, and gift wrapping as a fund-raiser for "Citizens Caring for Children." Members also continued the tradition of passing out "You're Caught Studying" goodies to students during finals week.

Members also had the opportunity to get to know one another during social activities planned by the chapter. Such activities included a movie night, slumber party, an ice cream social, and attending a hockey game. All of these events are sure to unite the chapter and bring everyone closer together.

~Ann Dee McClane

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The **Louisiana State University** chapter initiated over 500 new members this past year. The Maria Leonard Senior Book Award was presented to the LSU Middleton Library in honor of the twenty-five graduating members who excelled scholastically and maintained a 4.0

University of Central Oklahoma
Tabitha Huckleberry writes letters of appreciation to professors.



GPA during their four years of undergraduate study. Sophomore scholarships were awarded to six outstanding members who were initiated during the previous year. This year's applicants were judged on service, leadership, and academic excellence and were awarded with scholarships of \$500 each. The M. Margaret Jameson Outstanding Officer Award was presented to three young men who served the chapter for three years. They are Mark Danos, Scott Hedlund, and William "Buck" Kyle.

~Elva Bourgeois



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Alpha Lambda Delta Installs Four New Chapters

- California Polytechnic State University in Pomona, California
- Framingham State University in Framingham, Massachusetts
- McMurry University in Abilene, Texas
- University of Scranton in Scranton, Pennsylvania

CALIFORNIA POLYTECHNIC STATE UNIVERSITY - POMONA

by Dr. James Stemler,
Alpha Lambda Delta Vice President of
Chapter Relations and Expansion

The installation of the Alpha Lambda Delta chapter at California State Polytechnic University, Pomona was held on Friday, May 18, 2001 at 2:00 p.m. in the University Student Center. The initiation and installation ceremonies were attended by 28 initiates and approximately 15 family members and friends of the new initiates. Ms. Dorothy Fleck, Director of Orientation Services, and Dr. Laraine Turk, Vice President for Student Affairs, were instrumental in advising the charter group.

Before the installation ceremony, the installing officer, Dr. James Stemler, the new chapter advisors, new initiates and honorary members lined up outside the room and proceeded into the room. The initiates sat in three rows in front of the initiation tables. After taking the Alpha Lambda Delta pledge, every person's name was called. Each initiate signed the chapter roll, received his or her certificate and jewelry and shook hands with advisors Ms. Dorothy Fleck and Ms. Emma Gibson.

After the induction of the student members, the five honorary members were inducted. A summary of their accomplishments was read by the officers to the audience.

Following the initiation of the charter members by Dr. Stemler, the chapter officers were installed.

President - Richard Nares

Vice President - Monica Kristoffersen

Secretary - Vivian Tran

Treasurer - Gary Garland

After the officers' installation, Dr. Stemler announced that it was his pleasure to install the new Alpha Lambda Delta chapter on behalf of the National Council. Upon presentation of the national charter to the chapter by Dr. Stemler, chapter President Richard Nares accepted the charter and made remarks. Vice President for Student Affairs, Dr. Laraine Turk, expressed her pleasure in hav-

ing Alpha Lambda Delta established on campus. She stated that the new chapter was one part of a general effort by California State Polytechnic University, Pomona to increase the academic standards and reputation of the institution.

After the ceremony ended, official pictures were taken for the chapter web site in addition to pictures taken by family and friends. A reception with cake and punch was shared by the new initiates and their guests. Congratulations to each member was extended by the college community and Dr. Stemler.

FRAMINGHAM STATE COLLEGE

by John E.A. Carter, Chapter Editor

The Alpha Lambda Delta Chapter at Framingham State College was installed on March 4, 2001 at 11:30 a.m. The ceremony was attended by a number of parents, grandparents, family members, and friends of the sixty-two new student members and honorary members. Following a delicious brunch in the Commuter Dining Room, and a welcome speech by Dr. Arthur M. Doyle, Academic Vice-President, the installation ceremony was held in the D. Justin McCarthy College Center Forum.

The forum was transformed into a beautiful setting for the installation ceremony. A lovely white, red, and gold floral arrangement was positioned between two silver candelabra holding red, white, and gold candles on a black and white installation table. The official gold-fringed Alpha Lambda Delta insignia cloth decorated the front of the installation table.

To begin the ceremony, soft processional music was heard. The installing officer, Dr. Glenda Earwood-Smith, the new chapter advisors, Dr. Lynn Parker and Suzanne Conley, the new initiates, and the honorary initiates formed the procession that entered the forum. Following the processional, the new initiates sat in the front rows of the forum



and the installing officer and chapter advisors, dressed in official academic dress, took their positions at the head table.

Dr. Glenda Earwood-Smith, Alpha Lambda Delta Executive Director, initiated the ceremony. She welcomed the student initiates, honorary initiates, and invited guests. She mentioned that she felt the great importance of attending the installation ceremony in spite of a New England blizzard that threatened to occur later that day. As part of the Presentation and Instruction, she then told the history of Alpha Lambda Delta and described the honor society's goals and visions.

The next important event in the initiation ceremony was having the student initiates say the Alpha Lambda Delta pledge. In the pledge, Alpha Lambda Delta student initiates were reminded to use their education to benefit the community, the nation, and the world. The words of the pledge rang through the forum and their significance remained in the minds of all the student initiates.

After taking the Alpha Lambda Delta pledge, each initiate rose when his or her name was called. Each initiate then signed the chapter roll, and received his or her Alpha Lambda Delta certificate, jewelry, and a white candle. After the chapter advisors, Dr. Parker and Suzanne Conley, shook hands with each student member, the student member then returned to his or her seat.

After the induction of the student members, citations were read for each of the six honorary members who were inducted. These honorary members worked with the National Executive Director, Dr. Glenda Earwood-Smith, and with Framingham State College First-Year Honor Society members in 2000 and 2001 to establish a chapter of

Alpha Lambda Delta on campus. The chapter was very pleased that the first female President of Framingham State College, Dr. Helen L. Heineman, could be inducted as an honorary member.

Following the initiation of the charter members and the installation of the chapter by Dr. Glenda Earwood-Smith, the chapter officers were installed.

After the installation of the officers, there were remarks by Dr. Cynthia Forrest, Dean of Student Services. Some plants reluctant to respond with growth to music stimulation in her biology experiment led to an incomplete grade which pre-

vented her from joining Alpha Lambda Delta as a freshman. She told of the joy and importance of finally becoming an honorary member of Alpha Lambda Delta in this installation ceremony.

Dr. Earwood-Smith then installed the Framingham State College Alpha Lambda Delta chapter on behalf of the National Council. After she presented the charter to the chapter, the chapter president, Anastasia Tripodis, promised that the new Alpha Lambda Delta Honor Society would take an active role in the Framingham State College Community.

For her closing remarks, Dr. Earwood-Smith challenged the new chapter members to contribute to the intellectual life of the campus, to help other students, to collaborate with other honor societies, and to make a positive difference in this world. Following her moving speech, the chapter members, the honorary members, the chapter advisors, and then the installing officer lighted their candles and took part in the recession out of the forum. A high point in Framingham State College history had just occurred. After the meaningful and dignified ceremony, honor society pictures were taken. The new student members of the Framingham State College Alpha Lambda Delta honor society stood proudly together as a group of individuals who were lucky to be honored, happy to be friends, and ready to work together with others to accomplish their goals.

The charter members of Framingham State College Alpha Lambda Delta Honor Society are thankful to belong to such a distinguished honor society. They appreciate the tremendous work and the efforts of the honorary members who worked with Dr. Earwood-Smith and the Framingham State Honor Society members to establish a chapter of Alpha Lambda Delta on campus and to create such a mean-

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ingful initiation ceremony for them. The charter members plan to strive to meet and surpass Alpha Lambda Delta's expectations for them. They greet the other Alpha Lambda Delta chapters' members, hope to meet and cooperate with them in the future, and welcome any suggestions and comments from them.

MCMURRY UNIVERSITY

by Dr. Patricia Graham,
Alpha Lambda Delta National President

The installation of the Alpha Lambda Delta chapter at McMurry University was held on Wednesday evening, March 28, 2001, in the United Methodist Campus Center in Abilene, Texas. The initiates, family members and friends of the initiates, university faculty and administrators attended the initiation and installation ceremonies. Dr. Sandra Muskopf, Dean of Student Affairs, served as Administrative Advisor. Dr. Phillip LeMasters, Associate Professor of Religion and Director of the Honors Program, and Dr. Lisa Coates-Shrider, Assistant Professor of Psychology, served as Faculty Co-Advisors. Dr. LeMasters and Dr. Coates-Shrider were instrumental in preparing the petition and in coordinating the installation ceremony. Dr. Coates-Shrider was initiated into Alpha Lambda Delta as an undergraduate.

Before the installation ceremony, the installing officer, Dr. Patricia A. Graham, met with the chapter advisors at dinner. Also attending the dinner was Dr. Robert Sledge, former national president of Alpha Chi National Honor Society for Juniors and Seniors and a McMurry University professor of history. In 1980, Dr. Sledge installed the Alpha Chi chapter at Dr. Graham's home campus, the University of Texas at San Antonio. Dr. Graham expressed her pleasure to be able to return the favor and install an honor society chapter at McMurry University.

Just before the ceremony, the new chapter advisors and honorary members and initiates lined up and processed into the room. The initiates sat in three rows in front of the initiation table. After taking the Alpha Lambda Delta pledge, each person's name was called. Each initiate signed the chapter roll, received his or her certificate and jewelry, and shook hands with advisors Dr. Muskopf, Dr. LeMasters, and Dr. Coates-Shrider.

Following the initiation of the charter members by Dr. Graham, the chapter officers were installed.

President - Bramer Owens

Vice President - Crystal Haak

Secretary - Laura Caldwell

Treasurer - Candice Henley

Historian - Thomas Grimstad

Editor - Jamie Phelps

Junior Advisor - Jenni Sweet

Junior Advisor - Jason Rybolt

After the officers' installation, Dr. Graham announced that it was an honor to install the new Alpha Lambda Delta chapter on behalf of the National Council. Upon presentation of the national charter to the chapter by Dr. Graham, the chapter president, Bramer Owens, accepted the charter and made remarks. Dr. Graham addressed the new initiates and their families and friends and university faculty and administrators. In attendance were advisors for the Alpha Chi Honor Society chapter on campus.

A reception was held following the ceremony, and family members, friends, and a university photographer took many pictures of the charter members. The university community and Dr. Graham extended congratulations to each member.

UNIVERSITY OF SCRANTON

by Dr. Dorothy Anderson,
Former Alpha Lambda Delta National President

One hundred and forty-four undergraduates and five honorary members were inducted into the University of Scranton Richard H. Passon Chapter of Alpha Lambda Delta. The University chose to honor Dr. Passon, its former Provost, when it formed the local freshmen honor society that is now installed as a chapter of Alpha Lambda Delta. Dr. Passon was also initiated as an honorary member.

In addition to Dr. Passon, honorary membership was bestowed on Dr. Rosellen M. Garrett (the "guiding light and prime mover" of this new Chapter) who is serving as Faculty Advisor; John W. Greggo who is serving as Administrative Advisor; Dr. Joseph M. McShane, President of the University; and Dr. James J. Pallante, Dean of the Panuska College of Professional Studies. A citation for each of the honorary members was read at the ceremony.

Officers for the Chapter who were installed during the ceremony are John Barlow, President; Christopher Dougherty, Vice President; Stacy Kearney, Secretary; and Kathleen Pierangeli, Treasurer. The Chapter will select an Editor and Historian as one of their first orders of business.

Dr. Garrett had asked several members of the University to serve in an advisory capacity to assist in the mechanics

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University of Scranton Installation

Committee included Gina Butler, Trudy Dickneider, Mary Jane DiMattio, Margaret Parsons, and Edward Scahill. Music provided by students from the University Choir and Music Department. Music included the singing of "God Bless America" and the University Alma Mater, a processional and recessional. Father McShane provided both the invocation and special remarks at the end of the ceremony. John Barlow accepted the Charter on behalf of the University, making special note of Dr. Garrett's work in developing the new Chapter. Having so many faculty, staff, and students participate made this a very celebratory event in the life of both the

of the ceremony by serving as ushers, persons at the sign in table, etc. For example, members of the University's Ambassadors assisted in forming the procession and giving initiates a boutonniere. Faculty on the Advisory

University and National Alpha Lambda Delta. The formal ceremony was followed by a reception for students, parents, and guests in the Commonwealth Room of the Gunster Memorial Student Center. AΛΔ

Alpha Lambda Delta has had a national web site up since January 1997 (www.mercer.edu/ald) and continually revises the site to keep it up to date. There are several ways the chapter can use the national site.

•**Prospective Alpha Lambda Delta Members** - Include the web site address in your letter of invitation to prospective ALD members. The site explains what the honor society is and the criteria for membership.

•**Events** - Calendar Deadlines - Don't know when the fellowship applications are due? Wonder where and when the next ALD national workshop will be held? Check out <http://www.mercer.edu/ald/events.htm>. Also, check out pictures from the previous national workshop! Maybe you'll see some of your friends!

•**Fellowship Applications can be downloaded directly from the website.** If you are out of fellowship applications, refer interested students to www.mercer.edu/ald/fell_app.htm.

•**ALD Store** - Order jewelry, t-shirts, ALD hats, insignia cloths off the website at www.mercer.edu/ald/store.htm.

•**Chapter List** - Want to see what other schools have ALD

chapters? Check out <http://www.mercer.edu/ald/list.htm>. When your chapter sets up a website, e-mail us the link and we will link the national site to your chapter site.

•**Membership Order** - It's midnight and you can't find the ALD membership order form. Need another membership form? No problem, the form is available at http://www.mercer.edu/ald/order_form.htm

•**ALD Resource Page** - This page includes links on time management, study skills, paying for college, career information, research sites and search engines, community service information. Share this resource site with the coordinator of your Freshman Orientation and Freshman Year Experience program as well as first year students, <http://www.mercer.edu/ald/resources.htm>

•**Advisor & Officer Support** - Advisors and officers can now go on-line to submit annual reports, find answers to member questions, and so much more. Visit the Advisor and Officer pages at www.mercer.edu/ald. Please let us know what we can incorporate to make the pages more useful for you.

For more information, contact the National Headquarters, ald@mercer.edu.

Introducing the Gold, Silver, and Bronze Membership Awards

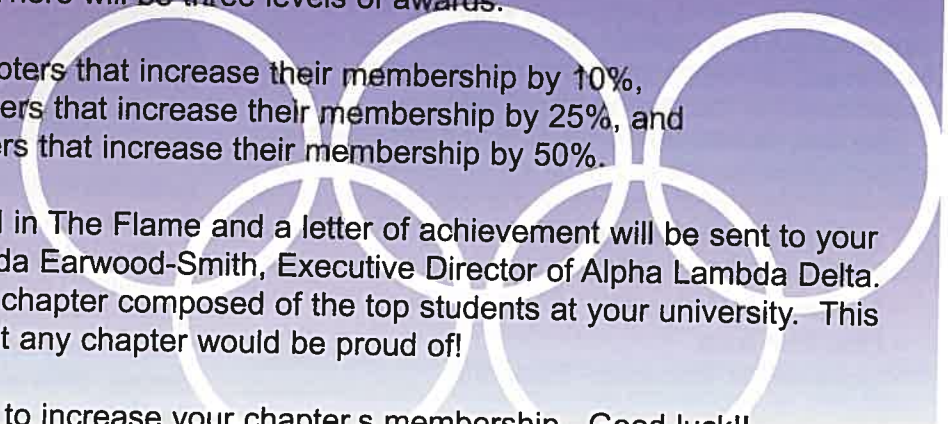
The 2000-2001 school year was a record breaking year for initiating Alpha Lambda Delta members! We reached an all-time high of 26,346 new members - that's a 18.8% increase over the 1999-2000 school year. Wow!! A special thanks goes out to the chapters that worked so hard to spread the word about Alpha Lambda Delta. Over sixty chapters increased their membership by 25% or more!

In honor of the 2002 Winter Olympics in Salt Lake City, the National Council is initiating a new membership incentive program. There will be three levels of awards:

- The Bronze Level** - includes chapters that increase their membership by 10%,
- The Silver Level** - includes chapters that increase their membership by 25%, and
- The Gold Level** - includes chapters that increase their membership by 50%.

These chapters will be recognized in The Flame and a letter of achievement will be sent to your university president from Dr. Glenda Earwood-Smith, Executive Director of Alpha Lambda Delta. You will also have an outstanding chapter composed of the top students at your university. This recognition is indeed an honor that any chapter would be proud of!

Start planning today for strategies to increase your chapter's membership. Good luck!!



The ALD Store



Polo shirts make great advisor gifts!

Show your enthusiasm for Alpha Lambda Delta!

ALD merchandise can be purchased by visiting the national web site at www.mercer.edu/ald OR by calling 1-800-9ALPHA1

- T-Shirts (S,M,L, XL, XXL) \$10/\$12
- Polo Shirts (M, L, XL) \$30
- Ball Caps (One Size) \$15
- Replacement Jewelry \$3
- Honor Cords \$8.50



Order of the Torch Award 2001 Presented to Five Outstanding Chapters

The Order of the Torch annually recognizes outstanding Alpha Lambda Delta Chapters whose activities are deemed exceptional. Applications are judged by a committee of the National Council, and the announcement of winners is made in the fall.

In addition to being named to this prestigious order, a member of the National Council visits the honored college or university to formally present the award and the Order of the Torch banner at a special ceremony. A member of the chapter is invited to attend, with all expenses paid, the National Leadership/Activities Workshop in October to present a session on that chapter's unique and creative programming.

This year, Order of the Torch Awards were presented to:

- University of Central Oklahoma
- University of Louisiana at Monroe
- Morningside College
- Ohio University
- University of Wisconsin - Platteville

UNIVERSITY OF CENTRAL OKLAHOMA

by Sue Henson, National Editor

Ms. Sue Henson, Editor of National Alpha Lambda Delta, presented the Order of the Torch Award to the University of Central Oklahoma chapter of Alpha Lambda Delta. Ms. Henson and Dr. Kathryn Gage, Vice President for Student Services, were the Guests of Honor and were joined by Chapter Advisor, Geneen Lannom, parents, and current and former active Chapter members in an evening ceremony and reception held in the Will Roger's Room of UCO's University Center.

Advisor Geneen Lannom opened the ceremony by welcoming those in attendance and describing her enjoyment in working with this chapter and her pride in their achievement. She introduced Dr. Gage who also spoke highly of this chapter, which has made significant contributions to the community and has brought honor and recognition to the campus of UCO. In her comments, Dr. Gage encouraged students to continue to strive for excellence. Though not the easy path, choosing excellence contains the potential for greatness, the kind of greatness exhibited by people like Dr. Martin Luther King, the kind of greatness, Dr. Gage reminded us, that is achieved through SERVICE. Dr. Gage praised the ideals of service that Alpha Lambda Delta embraces; she



asked that students continue to uphold those ideals now and for the rest of their lives. By choosing excellence, she said, YOU WILL CONTINUE TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE.

Jennifer Garrett, President of ALD for 2000-2001, shared some of the chapter's activities which helped them win the Torch award, including collecting school supplies, having a clothing drive, and raising money through a Bowl-a-Thon for the Citizens Caring for Children, an organization that supports foster children, and making and sharing Valentines with residents of the Oklahoma Christian Home for the elderly. Jennifer introduced the officers for 2000-2001: Vice President Telia McGuire, Secretary Sarah Johnson, Treasurer Laura Wilhite, Editor Melanie Wessels, Historian Jessica Brent (who did an outstanding job putting together the application), Senator Stephanie Russel, and Junior Advisor Renee LaRochelle. Sharing in this ceremony of recognition and carrying the torch into next year were officers for 2001-2002: President Ann Judah, Vice-President Christi McNeil, Secretary Tabitha Huckleberry, Treasurer Lauran Scott, Editor AnnDee McClane, Historian Lyndsey Miller, Senator Winnie Ying, and Junior Advisor, Jennifer Garrett.

Sue Henson stated the purpose of Order of the Torch award: to recognize and encourage excellence among outstanding chapters. She congratulated the University of Central Oklahoma in exemplifying ALD's goals and in achieving such a high standard of excellence. All of the officers present participated in accepting the Order of the Torch banner with pride in the accomplishments of their Chapter. Geneen Lannom then presented a bouquet of flowers to Jessica Brent for her hard work in putting the Torch application together. Before adjourning for punch and cookies, Geneen made one final special presentation to Jennifer Garrett - her certificate of Award of the Jo Anne Trow Scholarship.

UNIVERSITY OF LOUISIANA - MONROE

by Dr. Marie O Banner-Jackson, Former Member-at-Large, ALD National Council

Dr. Marie O'Banner-Jackson, Alpha Lambda Delta Advisor at Jackson State University, Jackson, Mississippi, and former Council member presented the Order of the Torch Award at the University of Louisiana at Monroe on Thursday, September 13, 2001. This presentation marked the third time that the University of Louisiana - Monroe had competed and won this coveted title. Last year they were tapped as Torch winners for their community service activities which included manicure parties for the ladies at Azalea Estates Assisted Living, the E-pal project which involved writing to local 5th grade students as pen pals via e-mail and the favorite professor search during which the members honored ten professors for jobs well done on their campus.

The Order of the Torch celebration was combined with the "Smarty Party," an annual event sponsored to acquaint new freshmen, who have high ACT scores, with Alpha Lambda Delta and with the deans of the colleges in which the freshmen are enrolled. This activity took place in the conference center atop the University Library overlooking the bayou that flows through the campus.

Other students in attendance were members and officers for this and previous years to include: Crystal Bruchhaus, president; Brad Robichaux, vice president; Lindsay Zerinque, secretary and Ginny Caplis, treasurer for 2001-2002; Leslie Harrington, President and Celeste Holly, Director of Communications 2000-2001. Joining in the celebration were President Lawson Swearingen, Jr. who greeted guests; Academic Vice President, Dr. Thomas Rakes; Dr. Carlos Fandal, Dean, College of Liberal Arts; Dr. David Irwin, Dean of Allied Health; Dr. James Hood, Dean, College of Business; Dr. William Bourn, Dean, College of Pharmacy; Dr. Mahmoud Saffari, Dean of Enrollment Management; Martha Upshaw, Administrative Advisor of the Alpha Lambda Delta chapter and Director of Continuing Education, and Dr. Harry Hale, Professor of Sociology and Faculty Advisor of the Alpha Lambda Delta chapter.

Students were encouraged to continue to make a difference in their society by having tolerance in their dealings with all persons, generosity in giving to those in need, and insight into the feelings of others.

MORNINGSIDE COLLEGE

by Dr. Jan Vandever, Former Member-at-Large, National Alpha Lambda Delta

Dr. Jan Vandever, former Member-at-Large of National Alpha Lambda Delta, presented the Order of the Torch Award to the Morningside College Chapter of Alpha Lambda Delta at an 11:00 am ceremony on Saturday, October 27, 2001. The ceremony was part of

the many festivities at Morningside's Homecoming. A number of current and former Alpha Lambda Delta officers and members, faculty advisors, campus administrators and parents were in attendance.

Refreshments were served as guests arrived at the lobby of the Lincoln Center. The Chapter had a display showing pictures and items, including their student designed ALD t-shirt, from the various activities of the group. The original Torch application materials quickly replaced the Xerox copy that had been on display.

Kristine Sauer, current Morningside ALD president, welcomed those present to the awards ceremony. President Sauer introduced the current officers, the past year's officers and introduced Dr. Vandever.

After presenting the banner to President Sauer, Dr. Vandever commended the Chapter and past president, Karlyn Stirlor, for achieving the society's purposes in an exemplary manner. Morningside College was one of five 2001 Torch winners. The history of the Torch Award was described and several activities from the past year were cited as examples of the many Chapter activities. Two Morningside students have recently won Trow Scholarships. Note was also made of the decorated window in the Student Union that promoted ALD to those attending the homecoming events.

The Chapter was challenged to strive for continued success and challenged to earn the Maintaining the Flame commendation. Members were encouraged to visit the National web site often. In conclusion, Dr. Vandever expressed the pride that the National organization takes in recognizing the achievement of Morningside College's Chapter. Congratulations were expressed to the advisors, Dr. Marty Knepper and Terri Curry and to all the officers present.

President Sauer then introduced Advisor Dr. Marty Knepper, who briefly expressed her pride in the accomplishments of the group. Dr. Knepper also introduced the PES Advisor, Dr. Bruce Forbes, and Dean Bill Deeds.

President Sauer added a few words of congratulations to the previous group of officers and pledged her



continued efforts. Guests were invited to visit further and to participate in the other homecoming activities. Everyone seemed to agree that it was particularly exciting that a small college from the upper Midwest was the recipient of such a prestigious award.

Dr. Marty Knepper and Dr. Jan Vandever took advantage of the opportunity to visit over lunch.

OHIO UNIVERSITY

*by Bridget Wilmot, Student Member-at-Large,
National Alpha Lambda Delta*

Ms. Bridget Wilmot, National Alpha Lambda Delta Student Member-at-Large, presented the Order of the Torch Award to the Ohio University chapter on September 22, 2001. The 10:00 a.m. presentation was held during the University's Honors Convocation in the Templeton-Blackburn Alumni Memorial Auditorium, and approximately 400 people were in attendance.

The Honors Convocation began with a welcome from Dr. Robert Glidden, President of Ohio University. Then he introduced Alpha Lambda Delta and explained the society's purpose. He called the 2000-2001 President, Angela DiMarino, to the stage and congratulated her on behalf of Ohio University. Afterwards, he asked Ms. Wilmot to present the award.

During a short speech, Ms. Wilmot explained the criteria for the Order of the Torch, and complimented the chapter for its dedication to its members, the community, and the school. Ms. DiMarino was applauded for leading the chapter to its third Order of the Torch Award, and after accepting the award, she thanked the National Council of Alpha Lambda Delta. Dr. Glidden also honored Dr. Butch Hill, faculty advisor.

After the Honors Convocation, members and guests held a small reception in the Auditorium. Dr. Hill presented Ms. Wilmot with an Ohio University Alpha Lambda Delta t-shirt. Ms. Wilmot then encouraged the 2001-2002 chapter members to maintain their enthusiasm and involvement in the University. She also informed them about the resources of the National Council and encouraged them to utilize the national web site.

UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN - PLATTEVILLE

*by Dr. Glenda Earwood-Smith, Executive Director
National Alpha Lambda Delta*

Dr. Glenda Earwood-Smith, Executive Director of National Alpha Lambda Delta, presented the Order of the Torch Award to the University of Wisconsin - Platteville chapter of Alpha Lambda Delta at an evening ceremony on Wednesday, November 14, 2001. The

meeting was attended by a number of current and former Alpha Lambda Delta officers and members, faculty advisors, honorary members, university officials, and persons interested in the Alpha Lambda Delta chapter at Platteville. The award ceremony and reception were held in the Pioneer Room of Ullsvik Student Center at 7:00 p.m. Saedra Haas and Jen Tarp provided music as background for the reception that was sponsored by the UWP Foundation Office.

Jessica Meulbroek, chapter president for 2000-2001, welcomed the guests and gave a brief history of the chapter. Darla Banfi, chapter advisor, introduced and recognized the guests including Chancellor David Markee. Sarah Shafarik, the historian and person primarily responsible for creating the Torch scrapbook, explained the Torch application process.

Dr. Earwood-Smith presented the award on behalf of the National Council. Dr. Earwood-Smith mentioned the numerous activities which promoted the visibility of Alpha Lambda Delta - the New Student Dance, the organization fair, the midterm and final exam period - Caught You Studying Candygrams, visiting freshman English classes; and holding an information session for prospective members

The chapter sought publicity for itself and its members by sending out press releases about new members. The Strike Out Hunger project was picked up by the campus TV station. In addition to 77 new members, the chapter inducted Dr. Carol Sue Butts, Provost and Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs. The chapter was fortunate to have a bequest from the estate of former advisor Miss Kordillia Johnson and the first Kordillia Johnson Endowed Scholarship was presented.

In her remarks commending the chapter for achieving the prestigious award, Dr. Earwood-Smith suggested that the chapter members gained something more than the Torch Award - things that are the important lessons in life. Dr. Earwood-Smith suggested that the lessons learned



University of Wisconsin - Platteville
Order of the Torch Ceremony

from participating in these activities would be utilized long after the chapter members leave the portals of the University of Wisconsin - Platteville campus.

Not only did the chapter have an outstanding year, but the chapter advisor was recognized for her work with the chapter as well. Darla Banfi was the recipient of the national Outstanding Advisor of the Year Award for 2000-2001. Darla Banfi has served as advisor for the chapter for 19 of the 30 years that the chapter has existed.

Provost Butts and Chancellor Markee made remarks

accepting the Order of the Torch Award on behalf of the University of Wisconsin - Platteville. Chancellor Markee and Provost Butts expressed pride in the accomplishments of the Alpha Lambda Delta chapter members. Advisor Darla Banfi presented the chapter with a gift, a framed crest of the Alpha Lambda Delta insignia. After several pictures of the Torch Banner and officers were taken, the guests were treated to refreshments and more music by Ms. Haas and Ms. Tarp. AΛΔ

2002 Anniversary Chapters

The following chapters are celebrating significant milestones in their history this academic year:

5 Years

Georgia Baptist College of Nursing
Grambling State University
University of Hartford
Minnesota State University - Mankato

10 Years

Gettysburg College
Linfield College
Sweet Briar College

15 Years

Wright State University
Wesleyan College

20 Years

Converse College
Morgan State University
Tougaloo College

25 Years

Jackson State University
Susquehanna University

30 Years

Newcomb College
Western Carolina University
Midland Lutheran College

35 Years

Murray State University
Indiana State University
University of California - Santa Barbara
Lamar University
Wayne State College

40 Years

University of South Carolina
Texas Christian University
Western Michigan University

45 Years

Colorado College
Iowa State University
University of Southern Mississippi
William Jewell College

50 Years

Auburn University
North Texas University

55 Years

Mount Union College
University of Tennessee - Chattanooga

60 Years

Kalamazoo College

65 Years

University of the Incarnate Word
Wittenburg University

70 Years

University of Maryland

75 Years

DePauw University



ORGANIZATION

Alpha Lambda Delta is a national society that honors academic excellence during a student's first year in college. Founded as an honor society 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. It became co-ed in 1979 in response to Title IX. 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 more than 225 chapters throughout the nation, and more than 600,000 students have been initiated. The society consists of active members, alumni, honorary members, faculty advisors, administrative advisors, and its governing body – the National Council. The National Headquarters, located in Macon, Georgia, is staffed by an Executive Director and several assistants. The ALD web site is www.mercer.edu/ald. Business of the organization is conducted at the annual meeting of the National Council, whose members include elected officers as well as professional and student representatives.

CHAPTERS

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

LEADERSHIP

Students may participate in Alpha Lambda Delta at the national level in addition to serving as campus chapter officers. Three 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

Each new member pays \$20 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, honor cords, and caps from National Headquarters.

AWARDS

Sophomore members may compete for 35 Jo Anne J. Trow Scholarships that provide \$1000 to each recipient.

In honor of Maria Leonard, founder of the society, a Book Award is presented to the Alpha Lambda Delta graduating senior in each chapter who has achieved the highest cumulative GPA. Senior Certificates, available from National Headquarters, may be presented to graduating members who have maintained the cumulative GPA required for membership.

FELLOWSHIPS

The National Council awards fifteen fellowships in the amount of \$3000, seven fellowships in the amount of \$5000, and the Maria Leonard Fellowship in the amount of \$7500 annually 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.