



VIP's watch President Lease give Delta Iota's charter to colonizer, Diane Harkness, before backdrop of chapter's congratulatory messages. Left, local installation chairman, Peggy Reser Colkitt, right, Jane Krohn, Council chairman. Dr. R. Franklin Thompson, president of the University of Puget Sound savors the happy moment too.

Puget Sound Joins Theta

Delta Iota chapter of Kappa Alpha Theta was installed February 23, 1963 as the sixth national woman's fraternity at the University of Puget Sound located in Tacoma, Wash. How indicative it is of the scope of Theta that this new chapter is established at the extreme northwest corner of the United States while last April, our Delta Theta chapter was established in Gainesville, Fla., the extreme southeast corner of the United States!

The Gothic-Tudor type buildings on the seventy acre campus of the University of Puget Sound, surrounded by natural woods, are located in the center of "Washington's Evergreen Playground." This accessible recreation area extends from the shores of Puget Sound to the ski slopes of the Olympic and Cascade Mountains.

The university, founded by pioneer members of the Methodist church in 1888 (before Washington became a state), is an outstanding privately supported liberal arts college. Two thousand full time students are enrolled in its many departments. The university, operating without a deficit, is in a period of impressive growth. The endowment has been tripled in the last ten years. Each of the last twelve years has witnessed the dedication of a new building.

Delta Iota colony of Theta was established in September 1962. Two colonizers transferred

to the University of Puget Sound—Diane Harkness, Alpha Sigma, Washington State, and Robin Kemper, Beta Epsilon, Oregon State. They assumed the responsibility of organizing the colony. A corporation board headed by Gladys Perry Harrelson, Beta Theta, Idaho, is composed of Frances Lockett, Alpha Sigma; Vera Kienest Hawkins, and Margaret McTavish Harris, Beta Epsilon; Mary Margaret Quigley Hodge, Alpha Lambda, Washington-Seattle; June McCaig Newnham, Beta Chi, Alberta. This group set up by-laws and the articles of incorporation.

In addition Vera Hawkins chaired a committee which designed and decorated the charming Theta room in the Student Union which was completed in time for fall rush. Her helpers were Tacoma residents, all Washington-Seattle Thetas—Otis Henderson Hyde, Janet Teel Sharninghouse, and Marilyn Murray Drew.

An active Advisory Board was appointed with Yvonne Brown Flechtner, Beta Theta, as chairman. Members are these Washington-Seattle Thetas: Lois Brackett Eakin, Marilyn Patton Baker, Sue Moseley McGoldrick, Ardene Reeder MacGougan, Sue Backer Batali, and Betty Ackerman Smith. Martha Gregory Brown, Jean Stewart Brines, and Peggy Reser Colkitt are Washington State Thetas. Mary Judd Pneu-

man claims Beta Iota, Colorado, as her chapter.

Work! Work! Work! There was no lack of this in planning rush, but the two advisers, Ardene MacGougan and Sue Batali, by devoting hours of planning, ended up with "perfect" rush parties. Great joy greeted the members of the Washington-Seattle college Thetas who came to help during rush and returned for the pledge banquet as big sisters to twenty-two outstanding pledges.

Detailed plans for the installation were made under the guidance of the installation chairman, Peggy Reser Colkitt and her committee: Lois Eakin, Jean Brines; Ginger Wolf Kyte, Alpha Lambda; Virginia Allen Pickering, Alpha Sigma; Eleanor Dammasch Siegmund, Beta Epsilon; Betty Smith, Marilyn Baker, and June Newnham.

National officers who arrived to conduct the initiation included Hazel Lease, grand president; Virginia Edwards, grand vice-president; Ellen Hofstead, NPC delegate and former grand president; Dorothy Vaaler, EST. Both district presidents participated, Jane Brokaw Gallup, for the alumnae, and Florence Buck Fuller, for the college girls. Jane Krohn, grand vice-president, was the Council installation chairman. Last but not least, the Washington-Seattle girls arrived on Friday night to participate in the initiation.

Friday evening saw the Loyalty Service for



Alumnae in charge of the installation weekend never stopped working! L. to r., Virginia Allen Pickering, banquet chairman; Florence Buck Fuller, CP, District XIV; Betty Ackerman Smith, reservation chairman; Lois Brackett Eakin, pledge adviser; Peggy Reser Colkitt, installation chairman. Too busy to stop, even for picture taking, were the two marshals—Ginger Wolfe Kyte and Jean Stewart Brines.

the pledges in the chapter room. Saturday morning brought initiation for eighteen girls in a ceremony conducted by President Lease, assisted by Ellen Hofstead and Virginia Edwards. Luncheon in the chapter room for initiates and alumnae guests followed.

Saturday night a very happy group of Thetas, young and old, gathered at a formal banquet to

Puget Sound chapter members, l. to r., seated, Kaaren Macdonald, Joyce Boiley, Barbara Nimmons, Katherine Heuston, Lois Brackett Eakin (pledge adviser), Judy Fry, Cindy Seymour, Julie Shiffer. Standing, Janet Beck, Kathie Graham, Dorothy Sonnemann, Sue Charles, Jeanne Patterson, Carolyn Ibbotson, Mary Franklin, Susan Loners, Donna Solter, Linda Fleener.





Debating whether to go inside Anderson Hall to their living quarters (where Thetas live as a group) or to stay outside and show the world how proud they are to be Thetas are these Delta Iota charter members, l. to r., Julie Shiffer, Lois Brackett Eakin (pledge adviser), Carolyn Ibbotson, Sue Charles, Mary Franklin, Cindy Seymour, Jeanne Patterson.

welcome Delta Iota chapter. Dr. R. Franklin Thompson, president of the University of Puget Sound, Mrs. Mary Curran, dean of women, and Dean Richard Smith, dean of students, addressed the group. Jeanne Patterson, president of the new chapter's pledge class, replied to greetings from President Lease and Vice-President Edwards.

The presentation of the charter by President Lease climaxed a very busy inspiring day.

Sunday morning the new initiates and the visiting officers attended church in a group. A model chapter meeting, conducted by Virginia Edwards, was held at noon. In the afternoon the chapter room was the scene of a tea.

And so, installation weekend left every mem-

ber of Kappa Alpha Theta with a feeling of deep satisfaction.

Charter members of Theta's new chapter at the University of Puget Sound are: From the state of Washington—Linda Fleenor, Sue Loners, Cindy Seymour, Seattle; Joyce Bailey, Walla Walla; Jan Beck, Bellevue; Mary Franklin, Barbara Nimmons, Bainbridge Island; Judy Fry, Mercer Island; Kathie Graham, Gig Harbor; Kathy Heuston, Shelton; Carolyn Ibbotson, Jeanne Patterson, Tacoma; Donna Salter, Kirkland; Dorothy Sonneman, Chehalis.

Others are Sue Charles, Washington, D.C.; Kaaren Macdonald, Vancouver, B. C., Canada; Julie Shiffer, Salem, Ore.; and Jane Warren, Portland, Ore.—JANE KROHN.

Theta Welcome

These words, given at an initiation banquet at Phi, Pacific, seem most apropos as a closing message to our newest Thetas.

◆ This day you have stepped into the world of Theta—welcome to all of you. The world of Theta is a meaningful world. It is a world of constant service and endless reward; it is a world governed by love and friendship, a proud world with noble ideals. You are its chosen subjects, chosen to live in love, learning, and nobility.

We welcome you. Theta believes in you, and as you have probably guessed, the world of Theta is

you. It is as strong as its weakest subject. The world of Theta will continue in endless reward only as long as you give constant service. Only as long as your own hearts nurture love and friendship can the Theta world be governed by these qualities. Only as long as you uphold the noble ideals of this world will it keep its proud tradition.

Remember this day always, remember the vows you have taken, remember the kite, the pansy, the black and gold, and Theta will always remember you. Best of luck, and may your life in the world of Theta be timeless and full of joy.—SHARON KENNEY, *president*, Phi, Pacific, 1960-1961.

ribboning. This year Beta Phi pledged twenty-five wonderful girls who were just as excited and proud to wear the black and gold as we were to see them wearing our colors.

JANET GEIGER

PITTSBURGH

Alpha Omega

Alpha Omega's aims lay in three areas this past year: scholarship, growth, and unity. Our attainment of the last two intangibles helped us to accomplish the first and have a wonderfully successful year in all aspects of sorority life. We're most proud of our scholastic improvement; we climbed from very low in campus standing right up to the top. On a 4.0 system our sorority average, including pledges, is 3.06! We had other things to be happy about, too. Barb Smik was last year's Greek Week Queen and our sing team's rendition of "A Good Man is Hard to Find" captured the third place trophy. Homecoming weekend was truly "Theta's weekend!" Our float, which we built with the Delta Sigma Phis, won third place, and Bev Hodgkinson was crowned Homecoming Queen. Two other Thetas, Kathy English and Lavinia Waters, graced her court. Three Thetas wore fraternity sweetheart pins this year: Sue Coen, Phi Kappa Theta; Kathy English, Delta Sigma Phi; and Bev Hodgkinson, Sigma Chi.

Besides beauty, Alpha Omega boasts brain power. Four of our girls were University Scholars, with 4.0 averages: Nancy Heckler, Bev Hodgkinson, Marty Montgomery, and Joyce Ruey. Bev Hodgkinson also received the Kappa Alpha Theta scholarship award at the Founders' Day luncheon. Three Thetas held school offices: Nancy Heckler, president of Cwens; Gail Michaliszyn, treasurer of AWS; and Joyce Ruey, vice-president of Panhel.

We enjoyed a full social schedule of parties and tea dances, ending with our spring formal. That night we announced our Outstanding Senior, Judy Gebhard. So that's Alpha Omega's 1962. We're pleased with all our honors, of course, but mostly we're just plain proud to be Kappa Alpha Thetas! KIRTY KITSON

PUGET SOUND

Delta Iota

On September 14, 1962, after an eventful week of rush, twenty-two girls became pledges of Kappa Alpha Theta. We had our pledge ceremony that evening, and then proceeded to go out to dinner with the Tacoma alumnae and members from the Alpha Lambda chapter.

Since that time, our Delta Iota chapter has participated in many activities. One of our pledges was elected freshman class secretary, Diane Harkness, a colonizer, was selected as a candidate for Homecoming Queen.

The Sigma Chi Derby Day is one of the top events on the University of Puget Sound campus. The games and activities of Derby Day promote healthy competition among the sororities. Our chapter received the winning trophy because of our participation, unity, and spirit.

During our successful pledge outing, at the home of an alumna on Vashon Island, we made up our songs and prophecies.

We held our pledge dance in October with the Phi Delta Theta fraternity. Our decorations were similar to "Harolds Club" in Reno, Nevada, and our theme was Pair-A-Dice. The dance was held at the roof garden of the Masonic Temple, and was very successful.

Our service projects include decorating Halloween pumpkins for a children's hospital, and a Christmas party for orphans. We have made plans for other service activities in the future.

Our chapter has benefited from its participation in a wide variety of activities. We strive to uphold the goal of Theta sisterhood.

Next came our installation on February 23, 1963, as charter members of the Delta Iota Chapter of Kappa Alpha Theta.

SUSAN LONERS

PURDUE

Alpha Chi

Alpha Chi chapter began the new year with a full house, including three Mortar Boards and four Gold



Here are some of our active and new members at the recent social with "our brother fraternity—Phi Gamma Delta."



Members of our chapter at the Puget Sound center social. The girls on the right are the new members. The girls on the left are the returning members. The girls in the center are the new members who are giving the best of their efforts to Sigma Chi Derby Day.