

NORTH CAROLINA



This new chapter has 17 charter members, a lodge, great Theta spirit

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According to an old Chinese proverb, kites that fly early in May bring good fortune to those who hold the string. Theta stamped a 20th century endorsement on this maxim. For it was early in May 1966 that the 92d chapter of Kappa Alpha Theta was colonized at the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill.

Our emblem soared during ensuing months. A house was obtained. The colonizer arrived and began to instruct the pledges concerning the purposes and history of the fraternity. On December 3, 1966, Delta Xi became a full-fledged link in Theta's expanding chain.

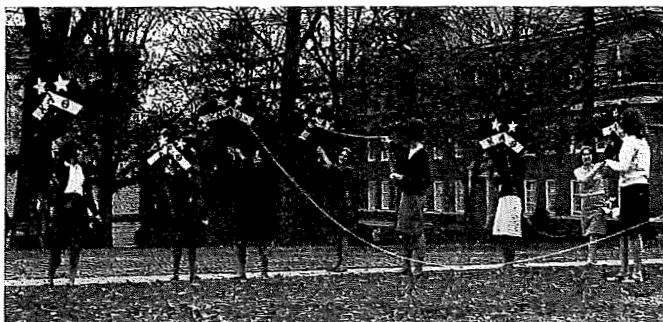
Eleanor Conly Hunt, grand vice-president, college, was installation chairman. She and Janice Richardson Schmuck, of the college committee, were in North Carolina in May to interview charter pledges. Local alumnae appeared from diverse corners to form a strong support. Dorothy Diehl Brock, Beta Theta, Idaho, headed the local installation committee and became Advisory Board chairman. Anne Gregory Bunce, Chi, Syracuse, was named House Corporation president and mastered the myriad complexities of housing.

Then came the big weekend of December 2-4 and with it more Thetas than UNC ever saw before: Virginia Speidel Edwards, grand president; Opal Marshall McCelvey, grand vice-president, finance; Dorothy Schulze Vaaler, executive secretary-treasurer; Eleanor Hunt. Colonizer Teresa Ordoñez had shepherded the group all fall. Also on hand were Gertrude Collins Levis of the finance committee; Ellen Bowers Hofstead, Theta's NPC delegate; traveling secretary Sharon Spooner and former traveling secretary Kathy Olmstead.

From nearby Durham and Duke came Zelle Williams Borland, alumnae president District XVI, a group of alumnae and 15 Beta Rhos from Duke. Four collegiates from Beta Lambda, William and Mary, joined in.

Friday afternoon was packed with meetings of the Advisory and House Corporation boards and the installation committee. In the evening a loyalty service was held at the Presbyterian Church. On Saturday, 17 became charter members during initiation held at the church.

Special guests for the banquet honoring the initiates that evening were University Chancellor and Mrs. J. Carlyle Sitterson; Miss Katherine Kennedy Carmichael, dean of women; Mrs. Larry McDevitt, assistant dean of women; and



"Let's go fly a kite," sang the Delta Xi pledges the day before their initiation. Neophytes that they were, some kites flew, others dangled from the limbs of campus trees.



Mary Bell, Delta Xi's first pledge, first initiate, first president, responded to Theta's welcome at initiation banquet. In the foreground, r. to l., Miss Katherine Kennedy Carmichael, UNC's dean of women; Mrs. Hofstead, NPC delegate; Dr. J. Carlyle Sitterson, the University chancellor.



Gifts are great, greetings are gay, sent in honor of installation. Mary Bell holds up one of the chapter's new treasures as Lloydette Humphrey gives a big smile to camera.



Charter members of Delta Xi, standing, l. to r., Kathy Olmstead (former traveling secretary and visitor to installation), Ann Blade, Georgia Pearce, Mary Coleman, Terrell Seawell, Alleen Cater, Talmadge Hinkle, Doritha Bishop, Beverly Boice, Betty Jo Gray, Ellen Robinson, Carolyn Barton, Lloydette Humphrey, and Teresa Ordoñez, colonizer. Seated l. to r., Barbara Wilkins, Christine Schumacher, Mary Ball, president; Barbara Chapman, and Catherine Burke.

the Rev. and Mrs. Vance Barron. The charter service followed.

A model chapter meeting took place Sunday morning. Afterwards all attended the 11 o'clock service at the Presbyterian Church.

Final event was a tea in Morehead Planetarium. Present were faculty members, parents of Delta Xi Thetas, and local residents.

Kappa Alpha Theta is the first group to move onto the North Carolina campus since Phi Mu was installed in 1964. It became the eighth sorority at the University. More than one-fourth of the undergraduate women are affiliated.

Initiates are, from North Carolina, Mary L. Ball, Wilmington; Carolyn Barton, Roxboro; Ann S. Blade, Durham; Catherine L. Burke, Winston-Salem; Barbara Chapman, Terrell Seawell, Chapel Hill; Betty Jo Gray, Dover; Talmadge Hinkle, Lexington; Georgia Pearce, Gastonia; Barbara Wilkins, Greensboro. From Alabama, Alleen Cater, Anniston; Ellen Robinson, Huntsville. From Maryland, Beverly Carol Boice, Chevy Chase; Christine Schumacher, Annapolis. Other states, Doritha Ann Bishop, Lawrenceville, N.J.; Mary C. Coleman, Charleston, S.C.; Lloydette Humphrey, Beckley, W.Va.



Planning and talking—about the installation, about the future of the chapter, about the work of the Advisory and House Corporation Boards—were an important part of the installation weekend. Shown here are visiting and local dignitaries, Thetas all, at work. Left picture, on davenport, Vice-President McCelvey, Grand President Edwards. Right picture, in front of window, Vice-President Hunt. In corner, MAL Lewis; second from right, ADP XVI Borland.