Epsilon Mu president tells chapter's goals at banquet

by Mim Stokes, Epsilon Mu President

I'd like to begin by thanking each of you for coming tonight to celebrate with us this founding of our newest chapter of Kappa Alpha Theta. When we came to Princeton, we never dreamed that we would be involved in such an exciting challenge and undertaking, yet here we are . . . new initiates and charter members of Theta's 102nd chapter. It is with great pride that we, as of today, can call ourselves members of Kappa Alpha Theta.

Today we are starting something new at a very old institution, where attitudes are fixed and slow to accept change, where ivy-covered walls encompass us and impress upon us the value of tradition. And yet we're breaking tradition by adding a new one . . . a woman's fraternity, that of Kappa Alpha Theta, and we feel that this is an addition which will enrich our alma mater just as it will enrich each of us, her students. Both Princeton and Kappa Alpha Theta are old institutions with a lot to offer, and we are excited and proud to be students of both: to learn from them both, to take from them both, and, we hope, to give to them both.

Our goals as members of Kappa Alpha Theta are not different from those that we would seek as students of Princeton University or as members of this community. We will strive to be good students, to achieve high scholarship, and to serve others on campus and in the community. But the difference is that, as members of Kappa Alpha Theta, we will share the pursuit of these high ideals with each other. As friends and sisters we will work together and support each other, and enjoy our achievements not so much because they are for ourselves individually, but for ourselves collectively. I was sent a quotation by the Alpha Theta chapter at the University of Texas that expresses this much better than I can. It says:

Life is made sweet because of friends we have made And the things we share.

We want to live on, not because of ourselves, but because of the people who care.

It's in giving and doing for somebody else—
On that all life's splendor depends,
And the joys of this life, when you've summed it all up are found in the making of friends.

Each of us now has fifteen new friends here at school whom we can share things with, and in addition to that, a bond with Thetas all across the nation. I know that I speak for each member of this new chapter when I say that we are very happy and proud to be members of Kappa Alpha Theta and to be committed to her cause.



Mim Stokes delivered her banquet response with great enthusiasm.

Epsilon Mu . . . Theta's first chapter in New Jersey

Kappa Alpha Theta has not only added another chapter with the chartering of Epsilon Mu in Princeton, NJ, but it has added another state to the list of states where there are Theta chapters.

The new chapter was guided by Terri Tillotson, Gamma Rho, Santa Barbara since its colonization last December. Advisory board chairman is Linda Ewing Maiden.

The Installation Weekend events began Friday evening with the Loyalty Service held at the home of Epsilon Mu's alumnae initiate, Barbara Shafto. Beta Phi Thetas from Penn State assisted with the initiation ceremony. The Installation Banquet and Chartering Service took place in the Prospect Club on campus. Local alumnae serving on the Installation Committee included Linda Ewing Maiden, Beta Phi, Louise Smith Cluff, Rosanna Webster Jaffin, and Elizabeth Szilagyi Luckack.

The celebration continued on Sunday with the Installation Tea attended by Thetas, fellow students and friends of Epsilon Mu members, and the men from the three new fraternities on campus.

Headed by Grand President, Lissa Bradford, the installation team included Grand Vice-Presidents Carol Brehman and Lynn Davis; Council member-at-large Marian Paoletti; Nancy Weess, Executive Secretary-Treasurer; Sally Reinhold, College District President; Sally Hughes, Alumnae District President; Mary Grace Hughes, Colony Adviser; Eliot Jarvis, Traveling Consultant; Terri Tillotson, Resident Counselor and Deanne Worobetz, Resident Counselor at Dickinson College.

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Initiate Jennifer King visiting with an alumna at Installation Tea.

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Festive spirit prevailed among initiates and council members.



Debbie Sharpe talks with a Princeton friend at the tea.



ADP Sally Hughes and new Theta Gretchen Meyer and guest at the tea.