



Virginia Tech installed Oct. 28-30 in Blacksburg, VA

By Elizabeth Sager

Virginia Polytechnical Institute and State University

It was a beautiful fall day in Southwestern Virginia when Kappa Alpha Theta installed her 102nd college chapter, Epsilon Nu, at Virginia Polytechnical Institute & State University. More commonly known as Virginia Tech, the campus is located in Blacksburg, VA, a small town resting in a plateau between the Blue Ridge and Allegheny mountains.

Epsilon Nu was colonized in the Spring under the guidance of Eliot Jarvis, a traveling consultant from Gamma Rho, UC-Santa Barbara, who finished her year as Resident Counselor for the new colony. Elizabeth Sager, Iota, Cornell University, has been the resident counselor for the colony since September and will continue working with the new chapter for the remainder of the academic year. Elizabeth, a colony member of Iota during its recolonization at Cornell in 1980, is enrolled full time in Virginia Tech's graduate school pursuing a Masters Degree in Business Administration.

The installation events began on Thursday evening with the Loyalty Service, held at the Christ Episcopal Church in downtown Blacksburg. Following the service a reception was sponsored by the East Tennessee/SW Virginia Alumnae Club where refreshments were served and gifts were opened. Initiation services were held Friday and Saturday at the church. Assisting with the initiation services were members from Beta Lambda chapter at the College of William & Mary. They included Beth McGaffey, chapter president; Pam Howard, who served as song leader; Leigh Ashley, Heidi Carr, Joanna Asworth, Lauralynn Sessoms, Barbara Carpenter, and Lauren Cunningham.

The celebration continued Sunday with a church service written by some of the new chapter members. The Installation Tea was held later in the afternoon at the University Club.

The banquet and chartering service, held at the Donaldson Brown Center for Continuing Education finished the weekend festivities. Attending the banquet were Theta relatives of three of Epsilon Nu's new initiates. Mary Kay Keller and Grace Keller had their mother, Virginia Entenza Keller and Grandmother Virginia Holt Entenza, both Beta Nus at Florida State, as guests. Katie Krysa had her sister Carrie, a Beta Lambda come down for the weekend.

Headed by Grand President Lissa Bradford, the installation team included: Grand Vice-President Lynn Davis, Council Members at Large Annetta Potts and Sue Blair-Sheets, Executive Secretary-Treasurer Marcia Bond, Associate EST Susan Herring, College District President Gwynn Gieger Mannes, Alumnae District President Joan Fletcher, Colony Adviser Patricia Forbes, Traveling Consultant Nancy Demond, and Counselor Elizabeth Sager.

Members of the local installation committee included: Sandy Birch, Alpha Sigma; Carol Eggleston, Patricia Forbes, Chi; Virginia Keller, Beta Nu; Louise Roselle, Louise Wells, Beta Rho; Maureen Schnittger, Alpha Omega; Maryanne Scheneman, Alpha Mu.

Epsilon Nu Charter Members

Deborah Atkins-Savannah, GA Ellen Bollinger-Newport News, VA Linda Borsetti-Lutherville, MD Sabrina Bowman-Ridgeway, VA Martha Brownrigg-Greenville, SC Elizabeth Buckner-Springfield, VA Diana Buhl-Vienna, VA Laura Burman-Springfield, VA Jackie Butler-Winchester, VA Karen Casey-Bristol, TN Jeanne Chung-Mclean, VA Jo Clingempeel-Warrenton, VA Kappie Cook-Alexandria, VA Chris Cornell-Dumfries, VA Stacy Cox-Roanoke, VA Eileen Dahlstedt-Richmond, VA Marybeth Donahue-Oakton, VA Annie Engle-Vienna, VA Kristin Fegley-Wilbraham, MA Lynn Findley-Alexandria, VA Lori Firestone-Virginia Beach, VA Marianne Gavlak-Burke, VA Carlyn Guarnieri-Great Falls, VA Christina Hadley-Richmond, VA Pamela Hale-Virginia Beach, VA Robbin Harmon-Richmond, VA Terry Harris-Yorktown, VA Kerry Hemings-Westhampton Beach, NY Peggy Henner-Bristol, VA Karen Howe-Vienna, VA Laurie Hunt-Alexandria, VA Donna Izzo-Newport News, VA Lisa Johnson-Springfield, VA Laura Kane-Midlothian, VA Grace Keller-Blacksburg, VA Mary Kay Keller-Blacksburg, VA Beth Kenney-Fairfax, VA

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Three generations participated in the initiation of charter members Mary Kay Keller, far right and her sister Grace Keller third from the right. Their grandmother Virginia Holt Entenza, Beta Nu stands between them, and their mother, Virginia Entenza Keller, Beta Nu is at the far left. In between the family members are two installing officers, Grand President Lissa Bradford, and Grand Vice President Lynn Davis.

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