

The Big Apple was the host for a celebration honoring 25 exceptional young women, as they became the newest members of the oldest fraternity for women: The weekend of October 17, Epsilon Upsilon Chapter of Kappa Alpha Theta was installed at Columbia University.

The new Theta members represent nine states and all three undergraduate colleges of Columbia University (Columbia College, Barnard College and the School of Engineering). The young women bring together many different talents and convictions, and are involved in activities ranging from student government to varsity sports.

The women of Epsilon Upsilon have dealt with some negative stereotypes of the Greek system at Columbia. Together, they have learned to rise above them. They have been supported in all their efforts by Theta alumnae. In addition to national guidance, the chapter is privileged to have the love and support of a dedicated advisory board and interested New York Alumnae Chapter. Both groups took an active part in the colony's Big Little Sister program. This was just one





Grand President Sue Supple with two new members of Epsilon Upsilon Chapter at Columbia University during installation weekend—Oct. 17, 1986

of the activities the chapter participated in before and after their pledgeship. Others included service projects, fraternity mixers, a kite fly and chapter dinners.

Epsilon Upsilon was begun almost two years before the members were pledged. A few Columbia women, in search of a means to enhance their college experience, expressed an interest in forming a second women's fraternity on the campus (Alpha Phi was the first to colonize at Columbia.) to the National Panhellenic Conference. The women were impressed with Theta's tradition of promoting high academic achievement, spirit of striving to reach full potential, and promise of a lifetime of fellowship.

The installation of Kappa Alpha Theta's 108th college chapter began Friday evening, October 17, with a loyalty service and reception. Chapter President Christine Jamgochian

Epsilon Upsilon charter members.

opened gifts presented to the new chapter from Grand Council, the New York and Fairfield County alumnae chapters and the chapter's advisory and house corporation boards.

Initiation services were held Saturday morning at Riverside Church. The installation team included: Grand President Sue Supple; Grand Vice-President College Lil O'Rourke; Grand Vice-President Development Marian Paoletti; College District President Virginia Calvert; Alumnae District President Diane Scherer; Executive Director Marcia Bond; and Chapter Consultants Karen Rathgeber and Joan Hastings. Other special participants were: Former Grand Vice-President College Carol Brehman; Former Grand Vice-President Finance Carryl Krohne; Former Grand Council Member-at-Large Betty Lambert; Chapter Consultant Ann