

The Windy City

University of Chicago



Theta's 111th chapter, Epsilon Phi, is causing the hottest reaction at the University of Chicago since the world's first self-sustained nuclear chain reaction, which took place on this campus 40 years ago.

The University of Chicago is known more for its academics than its social life, is an intense taste of the private college experience. The University has an academic undergraduate population of approximately 30,000—40 percent of which is female.

Kappa Alpha Theta, only the second women's fraternity to establish on the Chicago campus, provides an opportunity for female camaraderie, which is sometimes difficult to find at a university like this. New initiate Faye-Marie Morgan said, "I'm very excited about the way our group has come together to be exactly what I always wanted from Greek life; old friendships given a new, special meaning and new friendships with other amazing people I would never have otherwise known."

These friendships are with women who are involved in a myriad of activities. Epsilon Phi members include Navy ROTC trainees, prospective Olympic skiers, cheerleaders and varsity athletes. They are winning Truman Scholarships, editing for the campus newspaper and leading in student government. Also, in keeping with Theta's scholastic ideals, many members are on the Dean's List; the chapter grade point average is 3.3.

Epsilon Phi's installation weekend began November 7, 1986 with a loyalty service conducted by Grand President Sue Supple, Grand Vice-President Sue Blair-Sheets and

Epsilon Phi members at the University of Chicago reception held on November 8. From left: Esta Spalding, Chrissie Wright, Andreana Turano, Renata Vairakojis, Carrie Levine, Liz de Grazia



University of Chicago Thetas Laurel Buerk, left, and Monica Casper at the chapter's loyalty service

Colleen Rouzer, college district president for District II. That night, the pledges met local alumnae, and collegians from the University of Wisconsin, who came to welcome the new chapter.

The installation team who initiated the women of Epsilon Phi on

November 8 included: Grand President Sue Supple; Grand Vice-President Finance Sue Blair-Sheets; College District President Colleen Rouzer; Alumnae District President Lyn Allison; College Regional Director Melanie Dowell; Central Office Associate Executive Director Nancy Frick; Central Office Director of College Services Betsy Sierk; and Tracy Modeer and Caroline Coleman, chapter consultants. The local installation chairman was Gail Emmitt, and Tau Chapter from Northwestern served as the assisting chapter.

The charter service and banquet were held at Hyde Park Hilton, where many parents and guests gathered to share in the celebration. The weekend culminated November 9 with a church service at Rockefeller Chapel, a model chapter meeting and a campus reception for

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Laubenheimer; and College District President Joyce Anne Vitelli. The assisting chapters were Chi/Syracuse and Iota/Cornell. Members from Epsilon Tau/Yale were also present. Special thanks go to the local installation committee, co-chaired by Maggie Means and Leslie Fouts, for the hard work that made the weekend possible.

Sue Supple presented the new chapter with their charter Saturday evening at Ferris Booth Hall. After the service, chapter members were joined by family and friends for an unforgettable banquet. Members of the installation team welcomed the chapter. The collegians showed their appreciation by presenting flowers and a slide show, and awarded outstanding sisters.

Final events on Sunday began with a church service and model chapter meeting. The weekend was

complete as Thetas received University officials and friends at a reception at Ferris Booth Hall.

Looking to the future with energy is typical of the Epsilon Upsilon women: Members are already preparing to join Alpha Phi's Colum-

bia chapter for the first women's rush on campus. Epsilon Upsilon is eager to share their new-found bond as they grow to build another strong link in Theta's chain.

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other members of the University to meet the new chapter.

The Epsilon Phi installation followed an educational pledgship, during which the women learned about one another and also learned how to work together on a variety of projects. Pledges raised money, with Alpha Delta Phi, for United Way with a dunk booth at the annual Summer Breeze Festival. They also conducted a canned-food drive and helped in a fund-raising campaign for the local Ronald McDonald House. Activities also included social interaction with other fraternities.

The new Epsilon Phi members learned about Theta love when the local alumnae enthusiastically took part in the chapter's Big/Little Sister Program. New initiate Stephanie Rada said, "So far, my expectations of the Fraternity have been exceeded. Not only have I formed a special bond with the women at my college, but with women from many other colleges in the U.S."

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