

# THETA RHO

Completing 18 years of college life, Theta Rho, local social sorority, has come to be the largest social Greek-letter group on the campus. Back in 1922 when sororities were not considered so matter-of-factly on the campus, fourteen women with an ideal and interest in common, formed the nucleus of the organization which has grown steadily.

Miss Lucy Prichard was the original sponsor of the group, which had as its basic requirement an academic average of "B" besides suitability to group. Several years later after Pan-Hellenic rules were formed, the average was set in accordance with those rules. Miss Charlotte Berryman has acted as advisor of the organization for the past nine years.

The chapter's house is a large brick home excellently equipped to house fifteen women in addition to the house mother.

Theta Rho was set up, organized, as a local social sorority, with the goal and ideal of becoming associated with a national social sorority in the future. Toward this goal the members have continually bent their individual and organized efforts.

Coeds from the Theta Rho house are active in almost every phase of campus life. College Theatre has claimed members for leads in two of its productions this year. For two consecutive years, there have been three representatives from the sorority chosen for the coveted position of Victory Queen attendants during the annual Thanksgiving celebration.

Social activities of the group are varied. During the Homecoming celebration, house members had as their guests the Victory Queen and her attendants from Toledo university.

Besides Founders' Day, which is celebrated each year, many informal as well as formal entertainments are planned. This year on November 17, an informal party was given at St. Clouds' Commons. The winter formal was held at the Huntington Woman's Club house January 13 with the decorations attuned to the *Sweetheart Ball* motif. Large red hearts were used in decorating the hall, while at one end of the ballroom, a large heart served as the entrance for dances taking part in the grand march.

Each year at Christmas time, the sorority entertains a group of needy children with a tree, presents and a dinner. The party this year was held on December 18 for about 20 children. Following the children's party, members and pledges exchanged gifts.

Several informal parties preceded the spring formal held late in the season.

The sorority's colors are gold and purple, a royal combination which exemplifies the standards which members of Theta Rho have set for themselves. They aim toward good scholarship, and attempt to develop whole-hearted cooperation with the ideals of the college for student life; to serve the college community; and to maintain a fine social standing.

Sports are not neglected in the members' activities. Although not always coming out on top, Theta Rho has always entered a team in the intramural activities of the physical education department, enjoying basketball, volleyball, bowling, and the other tournament sports.

The official seal of the chapter are the Greek letter attached to a crescent.

An active alumae chapter of the sorority is of great assistance to the active chapter throughout the year. Theta Rho members come from many scattered parts of the country—New York, Florida, Ohio, Pennsylvania and many other states.



An interior view of the chapter house of Theta Rho sorority at 1665 Fifth Avenue. Officers of the sorority are: upper left, Grace Seymour, president; upper right, Betty Parrish, vice-president; lower left, Mary Frances Norton, secretary; lower right, Norva Hutson, treasurer.





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Top: Marie Garrett, Charlotte Watkins, Susan Schramm, Margaret Ann Gibson, Emmy Lou Kittle, Mary Jo Blackwood, Ava Marie Halstead, Elizabeth Hill, Jane Proffitt, Opal Hamilton, Doris Irion.

Second row: Ruth Rothgeb, Marie Osbourne, Alene Atkinson, Sue Hill, Ruth Ashworth, Betty White, Betty Walter, Bettie Bassford, Bettie Burkheimer, Barbara Barrett, Helen Lewis.

Third row: Virginia Maxwell, Agnes Givens, Jo Reeder, Mildred Snider, Julianne Hagan, Nan Smith, Gladys Morrison, Betty Campbell, Jean Shanholtz, Kathryn Morris, Anna Belle Heiner.

Fourth row: Augusta Runion, Louise Douglas, Margie Fisher, Nancy Deardorff, Gene Turley, Jane Preston, Dorothy Prince, Mary Ruth Chambers, Anna Louise Cottle, Ann Doom, Billee Burnett.

Fifth row: Betty Amos, Nancy, Marcum, Marcella Pinson, Thelma Tyree, Marjorie Sutton, Bruna Rezzonico, Margie Linkenhoker, Margaret Lee Garretson, Hope Fisher, Willa Briggs, Dorothy Brookman.

Bottom: Mary Stevens, Maxine Jarrell, Margaret Mott.



# PI KAPPA SIGMA

" . . . to promote a well-rounded social life, to train women to work together for educational improvement and social training, to encourage greater interest in extra-curricular activities, to stress character development, and in general to provide a fuller and better balanced mode of living for college women . . . " is the purpose of the Pi Kappa Sigma sorority.

Founded June 3, 1923, this organization, in its seventeenth year of existence, boasts an active roll of twenty-nine actives, with its pledges numbering twenty-four.

Pi Kappa Sigma sorority was founded with 13 charter members November 17, 1894, at Michigan State Normal College, Upselanti, Michigan. New chapters were established and the national organization founded with central offices in Cincinnati, Ohio. There are now 27 chapters. Omicron chapter at Marshall was installed June 3, 1923, with 15 charter members. The sorority colors are turquoise blue and gold, and the flowers are jonquils and forget-me-nots. The sorority District Three Convention was held in Huntington, in October, 1939 for one weekend. An extensive program was carried out with a model pledging and a model initiation, a banquet, a dinner and an alumnae tea at one of the downtown hotels. The grand president from Cincinnati was the chief speaker. District 3 is composed of chapters from Virginia, Florida and West Virginia.

The sorority obtained a new chapter house this year at 1715 Fifth avenue. Six active members live at the house with Miss Hila Richardson as the housemother. The house is the scene of many social gatherings including openhouses which the sorority held for all the fraternities on the campus, faculty receptions, dinners, slumber parties and other informal gatherings. Other social funtions of Omicron chapter include a winter formal, January 16, and a spring formal, May 17, two informal dances, luncheons and banquets, and teas.

The chapter has participated in numerous campus activities embracing Homecoming house and float decorations, radio broadcasts and such sports as volleyball, basketball, and bowling.

Pi Kappa Sigma members hold many important campus offices. Helen Camp, president of the sorority, is also president of the Junior class and assistant business manager of the annual. Peggy Dunbar is treasurer of the Junior class, Dorothy Jane Adams is treasurer, of the Senior class, and of Pan-Hellenic; Virginia Daniel is president of the Fourth Estate and managing editor of the *Parthenon*; Margaret Darnall is pledge mistress of the Fourth Estate; Juanita Wright is society editor of the *Parthenon* and treasurer of the Fourth Estate; and Elaine Adams had the leading role in the College Theater production *Winterset*.

Mrs. Cyrus Van Bibber acts as faculty advisor of the sorority.



An interior view of the chapter house of Pi Kappa Sigma sorority at 1715 Fifth Avenue. Officers of the sorority are: upper left, Helen Camp, president; upper right, Rose Flynn, vice-president; lower left, Elizabeth Wagner, secretary; lower right, Virginia Daniel, treasurer.





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Top row: Virginia Alice Turley, Arvenia White, Betty Jane Lamb, Dora Jo Chambers, Lucille Turley, Peggy Dunbar, Ruth Adams, Eleanor Sloman, Cora Margaret Collins.

Second row: Ruth E. Butler, Jane Wright, Betty Thompson, Elizabeth Gillespie, Virginia Cunningham, Jane Collier Belsches, Elanore Rogers, Nancy Layne, Jeannette Kinnaird.

Third row: Ruth Miller, Patricia Mullarky, Jane Lattimer, Elizabeth McGuire, Watha Carter, Althea Hatcher, Ann Hope Taylor, Dorothy Jane Adams, Lllias Fern Clark.

Fourth row: Margaret O'Neill, Margaret Darnall, Betty Jane Douthat, Frances Isham, Elaine Adams, Barbara Hogg, Margaret Ann Wagner, Joan Cummins, Catherine Brooks.

Fifth row: Claire Varney, Mary Edna Stevenson, Margaret Elizabeth Harper, Reba Asbury, Lynette Tate, Rosalie Saunders, Virginia Lee Silvey, Frances Logan, Mary Louise Taylor.

Bottom, left, Betty Fitch; right, Anne Cartwright.

Additional Member: Jean Gibson.



# SIGMA SIGMA SIGMA

Six women were responsible for organizing Psi chapter of Sigma Sigma Sigma on March 17, 1922. The purpose of the organization was to promote sisterhood within the group, to promote campus interests and activities, and to set higher standards in the teaching profession. Today there are thirty-nine active members and four pledges.

The national chapter of Sigma Sigma Sigma was founded on April 20, 1898, at Farmville State Teachers college, Farmville, Virginia. The eight founders wanted an organization stronger than a club to hold them together and patterned the new sorority after the fraternities in the school. After its formation Sigma Sigma Sigma spread rapidly through the South and from there to schools all over the country. In 1911 it became an educational sorority and was limited to teachers' college campuses.

A skull and cross-bones on an indented triangle of black and gold make up the pin of Sigma Sigma Sigma. The flower is the violet; the jewel, the pearl; and the colors, royal purple and white.

Sigma Sigma Sigma is governed by a national council and standing committees. Every three years a national convention assembles to discuss problems of the chapters and make plans for the future. *The Triangle*, national magazine is published quarterly.

Mrs. George Lyons, of the home economics department, recently was chosen faculty sponsor, filling the vacancy left by Miss Attarah Blackwood. Meetings are held each Monday in the chapter rooms in College Hall.

During the term 1939-1940, Sigma Sigma Sigma actively participated in intramural sports—volleyball, basketball, aerial darts, and bowling.

Chosen by the Varsity M Club, Elizabeth Stairs, junior pledge, of Beckley, reigned as home-coming queen. The sorority's float "Orchids to the Herd" took the cup in the parade at the half of the Homecoming game.

Also queen during 1939, Genie Goff, of Ashland, was chosen by popular vote as to reign as Miss Victory at the Victory Ball on Thanksgiving evening. Last year, Beatrice Hardwick, president, was chosen as Victory Queen.

In November, Psi chapter entertained the national president, Miss Mabel Lee Walton, of Clermont, Florida.

Each year the actives hold two formal and two informal parties, and a faculty reception. The theme for the winter formal was a *Champagne Waltz* at the Student Union. In the spring, a dinner-dance was given at the Guyan Country Club.

Back in 1922, the charter members gave a Saturday morning hike as their first rush party. From this get-together Psi chapter's rush parties have evolved.

This year a tea at the home of Mrs. George I. Neal, patroness of the sorority, opened rush week. The second party was a "hobo" picnic at the home of Dottie Sammons Duncan, alumnae member. The traditional mock wedding ended rushing.

Sigma Sigma Sigma was one of the first Southern sororities founded. Before 1898, Greek letter organizations had spread through the northern and eastern schools. The first sorority was founded at Depauw in 1870. At this time women began to follow the pattern set by the men in the organization of fraternities.

The founders of Sigma Sigma Sigma intended to establish a social sorority with high ideals and a high scholastic standing. When it was found that the sorority had spread to several different types of schools, it was limited to an educational sorority.

Plans have been formulated for a chapter house next September.



An interior view of Sigma Sigma Sigma chapter room located on the third floor of College Hall. Officers of the sorority are: upper left, Shirley Martin, president; upper right, Rae Poteet, vice-president; lower left, Carolyn Jasper, secretary; lower right, Jean Groves Hanna, treasurer.





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First row: Mary Logan Jones, Lois Rouse, Peggy Anne Newberry, Letha Mae Hardwick, Maxine Procter, Glenyce Jackson, Merle Davis Lucas, Jean Branham, Elizabeth Stairs.

Second row: Betty Wright, Helen Elsey, Georgia Pack, Emily Wright, Ruby Lee Leftwich, Mavis Mann, Annetta Trapp, Shirley Waters, Betty Bandy.

Third row: Mary Preston, Virginia Brooks, Elizabeth Beane, Ruth Raiguel, Betty Dean, Alice Cochran, Genie Goff, Dorothy Wygal, Sara Louise Brunk.

Fourth row: Dorothy McVae Buckner, Nancy Bates, Virginia Winn, Miriam McLaughlin, Joan Conklin, Patty Blackburn, Mary Spitler.

Last row: Elizabeth Robbins, Caroline Friel, Marie Phillips.

Additional Members: Molly Rosson Webb, Barbara Binns, Mary Klumpp, Frances Meanor, Betty Mae Ward.



# DELTA SIGMA EPSILON

Established June 14, 1921, Lambda chapter of Delta Sigma Epsilon sorority, was perhaps the first sorority to be organized on the Marshall campus. As a chapter of the national organization, Lambda chapter strives to encourage scholarship and social activities on the campus. Chapters of the national organization are located on teachers' college campuses throughout the nation.

Miss Fanny Burgess was the first faculty sponsor of the charter members and under her guidance the chapter grew to fill an important place in Greek-letter life. Miss Ruth Flower now assists the members with their work.

Intramural sports of basketball, volleyball and bowling as well as badminton, tennis and other sports play an important part in the life of the "Delta Sigs". For two years in succession the sports-minded members of the group won bowling plaques to be proudly displayed on the walls of the chapter house at 1745 Fifth Avenue. In the basketball tournament this year, the team was named runners-up.

In competition with the other Greek-letter groups, the chapter entered the house decoration and float contests for the Homecoming celebration. During the week-end, actives gave a tea for the visiting alumnae.

Social activities keep the "Delta Sigs" busy throughout the year. Two formals, the winter and the spring, are the high points of each semester.

The time between the two formals is not void of headline-making society. Each year the sorority entertains with a formal reception for all faculty members and their wives, and a reception for all the Greek-letter groups—sorority and fraternity members. During May, the sorority is hostess to the Mothers' club, made up of the mothers of sorority members. Interspersed among these activities are two informal parties each semester. The mothers of sorority members. Interspersed among these activities are two informal parties each semester. The beauty of the chapter house as well as numerous other aids.

Members of the sorority and the group, as a whole, assist in doing social service work and in contributing to the Community Chest drive each year.

Other activities on the campus attract the attention of the "Delta Sigs" in the various extra-curricular work of the college.



An interior view of the Delta Sigma Epsilon chapter house, 1745 Fifth Avenue. Officers of the sorority are upper left, Evelyn Clark, president; upper right, Jacqueline Wagers, vice-president; lower left, Irene Mayenschein, secretary; lower right, Mary Price, treasurer.





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Top: Lelia Halloway, Betty Mead, Carline Dorr, Mary Jane Rymer, Ruth Dial, Doris Downs, Pearl Nelms, Charlotte Nix.

Second row: Lucy Woods, Irene Brown, Betty VanCamp, Lois Rogers, Martha Gano, Suella Wiseman, Frances Jarrell, Mercedes Denny.

Third row: Mary Foster, Anna Marie Young, Patricia Wilcox, Dorothy McCoy, Juanita Halstead, Edna Edwards, Betty Jo Barribeau, Ethel Dulaney.

Fourth row: Audrey Burgess, Henrietta Blazer, Mary Vernon, Ruth Carpenter, Betty Brothers, Dorothy Spencer, Ann Comm, Frances Whitt.



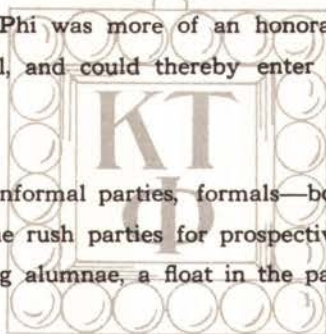
# KAPPA TAU PHI

"To organize a group of women to be active during the college year, composed of persons of high ideals, good moral character and high scholarship in order that they may enjoy each other's companionship to the pleasure and profit of all" was the code set up when Kappa Tau Phi, local sorority, was established on the campus in 1927. Mrs. W. A. Mudge was the original faculty sponsor. Miss Virginia Foulk acts as advisor for the group now.

For a number of years, Kappa Tau Phi was more of an honorary scholastic group, but within recent years became a member of Pan-Hellenic Council, and could thereby enter the various social activities of the campus Greek letter groups.

Social activities for this year include informal parties, formals—both winter and spring—and many different parties for alumnae members as well as the rush parties for prospective members. Homecoming celebration for the sorority was a gala occasion, with returning alumnae, a float in the parade, and a party following the game.

Kappa Tau Phi has the distinction of being the only sorority on the campus which has won the Pan-Hellenic Scholarship cup for the third successive year. Each year the Council awards to the sorority attaining the highest scholastic average, a cup with that sorority's name engraved upon it. Last spring the cup went permanently to the Kappa Tau Phi's for the consistently high academic record of the members. Kappa Tau Phi is the only sorority on the campus which has made such an excellent standing, and one to be aimed at by the other Greeks.



An interior view of the usual meeting place in the home of one of the members of Kappa Tau Phi sorority at 1630 Third Avenue. Officers of the chapter are: upper left, Nellie Maud Smith, president; upper right, Alice Butts, vice-president; lower left, Marinda Perry, secretary; lower right, Grace Greenawalt, treasurer.





## KAPPA TAU PHI

Top row: Betty Grimm, Jenoise Kimes, Sarah King, Mary Kathryn Johnson, Mary Lee Drown, Genevieve Suiter.

Bottom row: Virginia Hinchman, Jacqueline Browning, Dorothy Buzek, Marion Johnson, Rose Marie Sheets, Kathryn Kehoe.



# ALPHA SIGMA ALPHA

"To produce women of poise, power, personality, and purpose" is one of the important aims of Alpha Sigma Alpha, national educational sorority.

Rho Rho chapter made its debut on the Marshall campus in 1927 and has remained the only chapter of Alpha Sigma Alpha in West Virginia. Six women under the sponsorship of Miss Irene Glazik brought the group into being.

At the present time, meetings are held in the chapter rooms in College Hall. During the past year, members took an active part in W. A. A. tournaments and entered a float in the home-coming day parade. Miss Mary Wood Whitehurst is the present faculty sponsor.

An important event of this year's sorority activity was entertainment for Mrs. Wilma Wilson Sharp, of Independence, Missouri, national director of the sorority.

On November 15, 1901, five co-eds of Farmville State Teachers' college at Farmville, Virginia, founded Alpha Sigma Alpha sorority. The need for more strong organizations in the southern schools led to this step.

The aim of these founders was to establish a sisterhood with the four-fold object of the physical, intellectual social and spiritual development of its members.

The pin adopted was a diamond-shaped bit, of black enamel and gold heading a crown and a star with the Greek letters of the organization. Crimson and white were chosen as the official sorority colors.

At the present time there are thirty-three chapters with a national headquarters in Buffalo, New York. The sorority is governed by a national council, and by conventions which are held every two years.

This year Rho Rho chapter sent several delegates to the Regional meet in Washington, D. C. in April. They have been invited to play a part of the program at this convention.

Alpha Sigma Alpha has sponsored many social activities. One of the most entertaining was a Valentine dance, held at the Student Union on February 12.



An interior view of the chapter room of Alpha Sigma Alpha sorority, located on the third floor of College Hall. Officers of the sorority are: upper left, Josephine Peters, president; upper right, Rose Louise Williams, vice-president; lower left, Rowena Mayse, secretary; lower right, Esther Boyce, treasurer.





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Top row: Bettie Flickinger Purdy, Pauline James, Ethel Hazel Wall, Elizabeth Stepp, Alice Graham, Picky Brown.

Bottom: Betty Humphries, Ethel Dulaney.