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The Alphabet

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DEDICATION

We dedicate this issue to Mrs. Lucille T. Carnahan, the "founding mother" of ABA, for her inexhaustible energy and devotion to Alpha Chapter, ABA, and the library profession.

Executive Secretary's

Column

Greetings to all of you! As we begin our fifteenth year we can look back upon a noble past and forward to a bright future. This is the year of the Seventh National Convention to be held May 7 and 8 on the Campus of Eta Chapter in Denton, Texas. You should start soon to plan for the "Big Event".

For us here at National this is also a momentous year. The Library Science Department has just moved into attractive new quarters and one room is marked "National Alpha Beta Alpha Headquarters." At last all Alpha Beta Alpha materials are in one place with spacious files. Working has been much easier this year. When visitors come we point with pride to this important room. We wish you could all drop in to see it.

Alpha Beta Alpha is expanding: we have three clubs seeking chaptership. Clubs at Shippensburg State College, Shippensburg, Pennsylvania; at Glassboro State College, Glassboro, New Jersey, and at East Carolina State College, Greenville, North Carolina are petitioning for membership in Alpha Beta Alpha. You will be called upon to vote upon their petitions during the year.

Election of officers was belated; however, your officers are working hard now that they have taken office. To our officers of last year we say "Thank you for your work well done!" and to our new officers for 1964-65 we pledge our loyal support and look forward to a growing Fraternity under their leadership.

The pressing work of the year is the consideration of the Constitution. A committee has been working on a revision and this will be presented to you for your consideration at the Convention in May.

Iota and Theta are back with good active memberships this year. Our very best wishes go to these two chapters which, because of changing academic patterns on their campuses, had real membership problems for a year or two.

My wish for you is that this year may be one of professional growth, of personal satisfaction and of dedication to the high ideals for which Alpha Beta Alpha stands.

Fraternally,
Eunice H. Speer
Executive Secretary

Convention Notice

May will be convention time for Alpha Beta Alpha. Lou Wescott, President of Eta Chapter at Texas Woman's University writes about the convention:

"The biennial convention of Alpha Beta Alpha is to be held on the campus of the Texas Woman's University in Denton, Texas, from May 6-8. Denton is a small city of about 35,000 in northern Texas, located 35 miles north of the Dallas-Fort Worth area. Our campus is a beautiful, friendly spot. It should be warm in May unless Texas weather plays a trick on us."

It's our convention, so let's all support it.

Dr. E. P. Watson

Memorial Fund

Though definite plans have not been made in connection with Alpha Beta Alpha's memorial to our late founder, Dr. Eugene P. Watson, each chapter is still accepting contributions to a fund that will eventually lead to the establishment of a national scholarship of some kind.

Those who knew Dr. Watson remember that he frequently expressed the hope that Alpha Beta Alpha would be able to establish a scholarship to be given annually or biennially to a worthy library science student. His feeling was that this scholarship would serve both to stimulate an interest in the field of librarianship and to publicize our fraternity.

If you have not already contributed to your chapter's fund, do so as soon as you can. We all look forward to The Alpha Beta Alpha E. P. Watson Scholarship.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

1963-64 (Summary)

Cash Balance at Beginning of Fiscal Year\$1,603.53

INCOME

Initiation Fees\$ 430.00

Membership Dues:

Active Student\$ 781.00

Active Professional 147.00

Alumni 261.00

Life, Contributing & Associate 309.00

Back Dues 22.00

Total Membership Dues\$1,520.00

Fines 25.25

Over-Payments 32.00

Renewals for "The Alphabet" 7.00

Total Income\$2,014.25

Total Cash and Income\$3,617.78

EXPENDITURES

Stationery and Supplies\$ 25.37

Wages 213.30

Postage, Freight, Telegraph 103.80

Signature Stamps 12.30

"The Alphabet" 359.00

Flowers 7.65

Refund on Over-Payments 29.00

Total Expenditures\$ 750.42

Cash Balance at Close of Fiscal Year\$2,867.36

Autobiographies



OUR PRESIDENT

I was born in Chattanooga, Tennessee, and now live on Signal Mountain, a suburb of Chattanooga. After graduating from Chattanooga High School in 1961, I came to Knoxville to attend the University of Tennessee. I am now a senior and plan to graduate in June. Before graduation I will be student teaching in an elementary school. I will work in both a classroom and the school library.

At the University my activities include the Professional Action Committee for Education, S.N.E.A., Campus Executive Club, and Alpha Xi Delta, a social sorority. I have enjoyed my work with Omega Chapter of Alpha Beta Alpha as president during this year. Along with these activities and school work, I still manage to find time for reading, piano playing, and bowling.

I am very excited about taking the trip to Denton, Texas, for the convention this spring. It will be a good opportunity for me to meet and work with many of you at that time. I hope it will be possible for a lot of you to be present at the convention to help talk about and make plans for the future of Alpha Beta Alpha.

Julie Rankin
National President

VICE-PRESIDENT

I was born in Dunmore, a small town on the outskirts of Scranton, Pennsylvania, and have lived there ever since. My family consists of my father, mother, and 14-year-old brother, Roy.

When I have spare time, I enjoy playing the piano. For several years I studied music, and during my senior year in high school I received a diploma from the National Guild of Piano Teachers. Another of my interests is sewing, especially making my own clothes.

Before entering college, I attended Dunmore High School, where I became interested in library work. For four years I was a student librarian, and this experience was the deciding factor in my choice of a profession. I am now a junior library education major at Kutztown State College and while attending school, I live in the town of Kutztown. I have been a member of Alpha Beta Alpha since the beginning of my sophomore year and I am now serving as president of Rho Chapter.

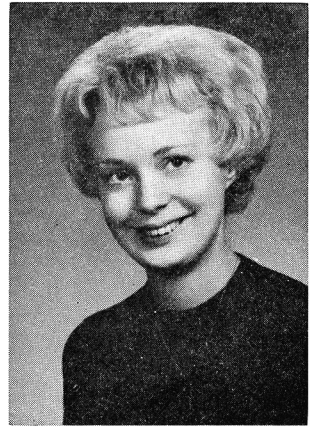
Janet Scherrer
Vice-President

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National Officers

President, Julie Rankin, Omega Chapter, University of Tennessee; Vice-President, Janet Scherrer, Rho Chapter, Pennsylvania State Teachers College; Treasurer, Judy Kaye Walley, Mu Chapter, Illinois State University; Executive Secretary, Miss Eunice H. Speer, Mu Chapter, Illinois State University.

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OUR TREASURER

I was born and raised in a small town in northern Illinois called Garden Prairie. I attended grade school at Kishwaukee School. I went to Belvidere High School at Belvidere, Illinois. I was active in Future Teachers of America, G.A.A., and Pep Club. I also was in Chorus.

In the fall of 1962, I came to Illinois State University where I am now a junior majoring in Business Education and minoring in Library Science. I hope to become a school librarian upon graduation. My hobbies are reading, cooking, and writing letters.

I am looking forward to meeting and corresponding with all of you this year as I serve as national treasurer of Alpha Beta Alpha.

Judy Kaye Walley
Treasurer

**Attend
National
Convention
May 7-8**

NEWS FROM OUR CHAPTERS

ALPHA

Alpha Chapter began its spring semester with a Mardi Gras social for all members and also for prospective pledges. Dedicated to Louisiana Cusines, the members chose a court to rule over the affair. From the throne the king and his court directed several games for which prizes were given. Each member and guest present were presented a carnival favor from the king.

The annual Louisiana Library Association Convention met March 18-20 in New Orleans. Alpha Chapter and Northwestern were well represented.

Money making projects include the selling of felt turtles and French Cookbooks. Sales have proven successful during the past two years.

The annual Library Career Day and Founders' Day picnic will be held later during the semester. It is hoped that each will be well represented as it has in the past.

Mrs. Yvonne Carter is efficiently filling the vacancy in the library science department created by the sabbatical leave of Mrs. Lucille Carnahan. Alpha extends a cordial welcome to Mrs. Carter, and we also wish Mrs. Carnahan the best during her leave of absence.

DELTA

The theme "It's Like This" has been selected by Delta Chapter for the 1964-65 year. Programs have included "Its like this in library school," given by Miss Alice Freeman, 1964 graduate from Louisiana State University Library School; "Its like this in a new library," given by Mr. Joe Jackson, Secretary of Alabama Library Association; and for the Christmas program "Its like this in Formosa," given by Feng Ying Sun, graduate student from Formosa.

Some of the projects this year include the annual ABA Banquet in January with Dr. James Macmillan, head of the English Department at the University of Alabama as guest speaker. Another project is Recruitment Day for Alabama high school library assistants in February.

EPSILON

The year's activities for Epsilon began with a chili supper to which all members and persons interested in pledging were invited. Later in the year, a surprise birthday party was given for the sponsor, Miss Rezina Senter.

The Christmas social was held in the home of Mrs. Edna Darnall, Epsilon's co-sponsor. The guest of honor, a student from Iraq, told about the Christmas customs of his homeland.

Plans have been made for the annual spring banquet, held in February.

ETA

Eta Chapter started its year of activities with an annual September picnic at the Golf Clubhouse which was attended by approximately 100. At the October meeting fourteen graduate students were initiated as members and thirty-six undergraduates were initiated as pledges. In November Dr. Don Strout, Professor of Library Science at TWU, showed very colorful slides of Maine, his native state. At this meeting president Lou Wescott confirmed the fact that the National Alpha Beta Alpha Convention will be held at Texas Woman's University from May 6-9, 1965.

The Christmas party in December was especially nice with the pledges presenting a program concerning Christmas in other lands. The Christmas project this year was to purchase a gift for decorating the lounge.

Special honor came to the department and a member when Lou Wescott was selected to Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges.

KAPPA

In October Kappa Chapter held a luncheon with Mrs. Evelyn Anderson as guest speaker. The Chapter took first prize for display during Homecoming and also sponsored a very successful cider pour. During November, Kappa Chapter was privileged to pledge seventy prospective members.

XI

To introduce prospective pledges to librarianship, Xi Chapter's September meeting was a field trip to the local high school to point out the values of carpeting in the library and to observe the programed learning center. The October meeting was a get-acquainted time for the pledges and members, with library oriented games being played. November brought forth a tour of Australia led by Miss Mary K. Eakin, Youth Collection Librarian of State College. The annual Christmas party was held at the home of the sponsor, Miss Eileen Noonan.

OMICRON

The Omicron Chapter of ABA began a successful school year by pledging thirteen "little books." The theme for the program this year has been "Recruitment for Librarianship." Professional members have been speaking to the members on the aspects of librarianship.

The chapter sponsored the annual Christmas party in which the attendance exceeded one hundred and fifty.

RHO

Rho Chapter opened the year with a meeting on October 6 at which Mr. Roger Straus, president of Farrar, Straus & Young, Inc., a New York publishing company, spoke on "Book Publishing Today."

During National Book Week, the Chapter held a Book Week Tea, initiated 24 new members, and after the business meeting on November 19, saw "And Something More" a film about elementary libraries, and held a get acquainted coke party.

In December, Rho members participated in the annual project of decorating the library for Christmas.

UPSILON

Upsilon Chapter is happy that they will have a place in the new library now being built at Shepherd College. The Chapter has added six new members thus far this year. Upsilon has had its speakers for programs this year, Miss Alice VanderLindt from the Veteran's Administration Center, as well as librarians of note from the Maryland and West Virginia Public School Systems.

PHI

This fall Phi Chapter initiated fifteen members and pledged fourteen. Central Michigan University campus was also the scene of a leadership conference which was attended by Phi's officers. The semester was brought to an end with a Christmas tea attended by library students, faculty and family.

PSI

Psi Chapter of Cape Girardeau had a meeting December 2. The featured speaker was Mr. Warren Black, area supervisor for the State Board of Education. He stressed the growing need for more librarians and for adequate library schools to train qualified persons.

The chapter also participated in College Day, December 5. High school seniors in the Southeast

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NEW MEMBERS

Alpha Chapter

Five-Year Alumni: Mrs. Eloise Richmond Lloyd; Fleming A. Thomas.

Gamma Chapter

New Student Members: Judy Gaskins, Wadesville, Ind.; Frances Gehrke, Whiting, Ind.; Jeanne Harris, Crown Point, Ind.; Judy Majors, Wadesville, Ind.; Patti Powers, Washington, Ind.

Delta Chapter

New Student Members: Elizabeth King, Blountsville, Ala.; Donna Ott, Montgomery, Ala.; Bonnie Ray Miller, Linden, Ala.; Stella Sun Feng-Ying, Republic of China; Jean Trice, Decatur, Ala.

Theta Chapter

New Contributing Members: Janet M. Abbott, Irene K. Pomeroy, Phoenix, Ariz.; Karl B. Johnson, Coolidge, Ariz.

Iota Chapter

New Student Members: Anita Bachant, Kerman, Calif.; Barbara Krug, San Jose, Calif.; Vivian Bates, San Leandro, Calif.; Liz Bezerides, Stockton, Calif.; Inez Bliven, Newport, Calif.; Nancy Callis, Redwood City, Calif.; Charles Roland Clair, Lompoc, Calif.; Carolyn Clapp, Waterford, Calif.; Virginia S. Clarke, San Jose, Calif.; Judith Anne Courtney, Torrance, Calif.; Carol Dinkelman, Denair, Calif.; Ardra FitzGerald, San Jose, Calif.; Gayleen Gaylord, Visalia, Calif.; Mary Alice Greene, San Jose, Calif.; Frazier J. Haynes, Chico, Calif.; Virginia Ruth Herfel, Ione, Calif.; Ruth Lawson, Mountain View, Calif.; Barry Leach, San Jose, Calif.; Janet Elizabeth Miller, Los Gatos, Calif.; Doris Ann Pulliam, Encinitas, Calif.; Susan Schlotterbeck, Santa Clara, Calif.; Esther Smerdan, San Jose, Calif.; Lois Trabing, Santa Cruz, Calif.; Dora Tsai, Hong Kong, China; Dolores Elaine Victorian, Menlo Park, Calif.

Mu Chapter

New Student Members: Frances Boucher, Litchfield, Ill.; Maureen Brady, Chicago, Ill.; Barbara Johnson, New Windsor, Ill.; Maralea Keefe, Urbana, Ill.; Karen Morgan, Bloomington Ill.; Penelope Moshonas, Freeport, Ill.; Sondra Newman, Paxton, Ill.; Virgine Powell, Polo, Ill.; Jan Sarver, Chillicothe, Ill.; Mrs. Kathryn Schmitgall, Normal, Ill.; Vida Scott, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Sandra Smith, Amboy, Ill.; Donna Taylor, Waverly, Ill.; Judy Walley, Garden

Prairie, Ill.; Sharon Wavak, Villa Park, Ill.; Tom Wiser, Round Lake, Ill.

New Professional Members: William Easton; Mrs. Hazel Hassan; Mrs. Phyllis Morales; Jess S. Mullen.

Five-Year Alumni: Mrs. Barbara Francis Altum, Coal City, Ill.; Mrs. Carol White O'Donald, Pekin, Ill.

Pi Chapter

New Student Members: Evangeline Campos, San Antonio, Tex.; Sylvia Flores, San Antonio, Tex.; Janice Davis, San Antonio, Tex.; Mrs. Frances George, San Antonio, Tex.; Marjorie Holliday, Randolph Air Force Base, Tex.; Mrs. Helen Jeffery, San Antonio, Tex.; Mary Ann Montgomery, Ponca City, Okla.; Christina H. Peters, Devine, Tex.; Linda Russell, San Antonio, Tex.

Rho Chapter

New Student Members: Laimite Asaris, Quakertown, Pa.; Karen Biddle, Neshaminy, Pa.; Peter Boccardora, Easton, Pa.; Carol Burgerhoff, Scranton, Pa.; Mrs. Dorothy Drummer, New Tripoli, Pa.; Susan Gilbert, Allentown, Pa.; Judith Henkins, Scranton, Pa.; Marian Klock, Lansdale, Pa.; Susan J. Kubiak, Philadelphia, Pa.; Judith McVaugh, Doylestown, Pa.; Richard Morello, Pottstown, Pa.; Sherry Nefos, Reading, Pa.; Mrs. Barbara Rambo, Spring City, Pa.; Richard Richvalsky, Levittown, Pa.; Ruth Shoup, Kingsley, Pa.; Peggy Silfes, Lyons Station, Pa.; Linnette Stauffer, Boyertown, Pa.; Anne Wasser, Allentown, Pa.; Louise Werley, Hamburg, Pa.; Kay Wilcox, Horsham, Pa.; Mrs. Polly Williams, Virginville, Pa.; Diane Young, Allentown, Pa.; Edward Young, Weatherly, Pa.

Sigma Chapter

New Student Members: Patricia Conor, Galesburg, Mich.; Harriet Ann Frostic, Lansing, Mich.; Rochell L. Halperin, Farmington, Mich.; Margaret J. Horrigan, Flint, Mich.; Marilyn J. Kraas, Big Rapids, Mich.; Karen J. Puffer, Iron River, Mich.; Carolyn L. Cummings, Jackson, Mich.; Ruth M. Sirovy, Muskegon Heights, Mich.; Nancy Walker, Chicago, Ill.; Mrs. Ada Wilkinson, Galesburg, Mich.

New Professional Members: Alberta Brown, Mildred Winslow.

Upsilon Chapter

New Student Members: John Hill, New Castle, N. H.; Kathryn Kidwiler, Junction, W. Va.; Alice

Ring, Martinsburg, W. Va.; Doris Beam Roderick, Fort Ashby, W. Va.; Mary Elizabeth Wysong, Shepherdstown, W. Va.

Phi Chapter

New Student Members: Lurea Benton, Millington, Mich.; Nancy Bradburn, St. Joseph, Mich.; Freida Busaid, Saginaw, Mich.; Elzine Coellner, Mt. Pleasant, Mich.; Lettie Collins, Otter Lake, Mich.; Linda Davidson, Flint, Mich.; Lou Ella Dove, Reese, Mich.; Nancy Elwart, Imlay City, Mich.; Nancy Johnson, Mt. Pleasant, Mich.; Jerilyn Kellogg, Ithaca, Mich.; Marcia Leander, Detroit, Mich.; Andrea Lorentz, Sebawaing, Mich.; Kathleen Schultz, Waterford, Mich.; Leslie Waters, Grand Rapids, Mich.

Psi Chapter

New Professional Members: Mrs. Blanche LeRoy, William LeRoy.

Life Member: Mrs. Sara Johnson.

Omega Chapter

New Student Members: Mariane Eubank, Hendersonville, N. C.; Betty Herron, Maryville, Tenn.; Ann Mercer, Knoxville, Tenn.; Cynthia Nixon, Knoxville, Tenn.; Mrs. Dortha Skelton, Maryville, Tenn.; Nancy Tice, Martin, Tenn.

NEWS FROM THE CHAPTERS

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Missouri area were guests on this occasion. A display of books in Kent Library made available to the students information about various phases of library work, and possible careers open to those interested in books and people. Members of the Chapter distributed pamphlets concerning Alpha Beta Alpha, its work and its meaning to students.

CHI

In September under the leadership of new officers and the sponsor, Dr. Webb, Chi Chapter began its year by making plans for the rush party, Fall Frolic, which was held in October. Following the rush party, twenty persons were accepted to pledgeship. The government documents librarian, Velma Lee Cathey, presented the November program entitled "Uncle Sam's Storehouse." Homecoming day, ABA and Alpha Lambda Sigma, in cooperation with the library service department, gave a coffee for all past and present library service students. In December, Chi Chapter gave its annual Christmas party at the Denton State School, followed by its own party at the home of Dr. Webb.

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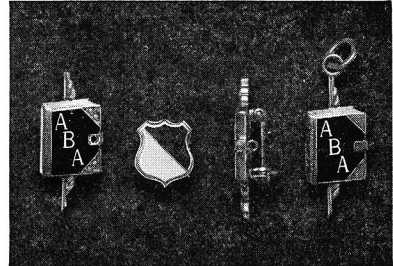
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