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The Alphabet

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Dr. Eugene Payne Watson, the founder of Alpha Beta Alpha, was born in Natchitoches, La. on June 29 in 1911. It is fitting that the town in which he was born now has a new library named after him. He gave generously of himself to the young people and dedicated his life to library service.

Dr. Watson got his AB at Northwestern Louisiana State College; his MA at Louisiana; his BS in library science at Louisiana; and his PhD at Texas.

Dr. Watson was affiliated with the Northwestern Louisiana State College for 30 years. He was at first an instructor, then assistant librarian, and finally, librarian until his death in 1964.

He was a member of many organizations including the American Library Association, the Louisiana Library Association, of which he was president twice, National Education Association, Louisiana Education Association and Modern Language Association. He edited two magazines. They were the "Southwestern Library Association" and the "Alphabet".

Dr. Watson was founder of Restoration of Colonial Natchitoches, Inc., he was founder of Alpha Beta Alpha, which now has chapters across the nation, he was on the board of directors of the Exchange Bank and he was a trustee of the Church of the Immaculate Conception. In 1961, Natchitoches voted him Man of the Year.

Perhaps it is significant that Dr. Watson achieved so much even though he suffered crippling poliomyelitis at an early age.

We of Alpha Beta Alpha owe this man a great debt and dedicate this issue of the Alphabet to him as a small way of saying thanks.

LIBRARY DEDICATED IN HONOR OF DR. WATSON

On Friday afternoon, May 11, 1973 Louisiana's Northwestern State University's Eugene P. Watson Memorial Library was dedicated and officially opened at Natchitoches, Louisiana. The formal ceremonies included tours of the new library, a reception for visitors, and speakers giving tribute to the late Dr. Watson.

Dr. Arnold Kirkpatrick, president of Northwestern State University, said in his speech that officially named the new three million dollar library that Dr. Eugene P. Watson "distinguished himself and brought luster to his institution by his active leadership in state and national matters." Dr. Watson was a librarian at NSU for more than 20 years until his death in 1964. He twice served as president of the Louisiana Library Association and was founder of the Alpha Beta Alpha national undergraduate library science fraternity. Dr. Kirkpatrick went on to say that, "There is scarcely an area of library science in which he did not wield influence, and his accomplishments were many. He was respected and loved by his colleagues, who, on his death, unanimously conferred on him the first Essae Culver Award as the librarian who has contributed the most to Louisiana librarianship."

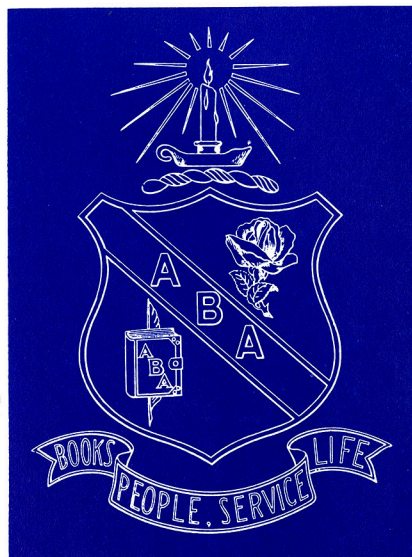
The Northwestern president then announced the establishment of a scholarship fund in memory of Dr. Watson. Its purpose is to assist library science students at NSU. It has been established by Arthur C. Watson, brother of the late Dr. Watson, and Mrs. Watson.

The featured speaker of the dedication ceremonies was William D. Postell, director of the Rudolph Mates Memorial Library at the Tulane School of Medicine and a longtime colleague and friend of Dr. Watson. While speaking of Dr. Watson, Postell said, "Professional, religious, civic, and historical activities benefited from the tremendous drive, intelligence, and charity of this one man." He also added a little later that, "It is amazing when you think about what a great impact he had on the library profession and on our society during his life and how lasting was his influence."

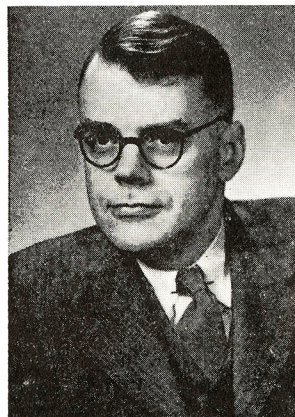
Responding to Mr. Postell's address was Mr. Arthur C. Watson. He expressed the gratitude of the family and friends of Dr. Watson to Northwestern State University officials for naming the new library in honor of the late librarian. Continuing, Mr. Watson also donated a painting by the well-known Louisiana artist, Lloyd Hawthorne of Pineville, La. to the Louisiana Room of the library. Marianne and Eugenie Bienvenu, granddaughters of Mr. A. C. Watson, cut the ribbon and officially opened the library.

The dedication was presided over by Dr. Leo T. Albritten, dean of the graduate school at Northwestern. Welcoming the guests were Dr. Kirkpatrick and the mayor of Natchitoches, Mr. W. Ray Scott. Also on the program was the president of the State Board of Education, Jesse Bankston. The invocation was delivered by W. R. Darville of the First Street Baptist Church, Natchitoches, La. and the benediction was by the Rev. Youree Watson of Spring Hill College, Alabama, a brother to Dr. Watson.

One of the highlights of the dedication ceremony was the presentation of the first national Alpha Beta Alpha Eugene P. Watson Memorial Scholarship to a NSU senior library science student, Debbie Brodnax.



Richard H. Cage of the NSU Department of Music sang the university's Alma Mater during the program and the NSU Woodwind Quintet under the direction of Robert J. Krause played chamber music in the library foyer. Tours of the library were conducted before the dedication ceremonies and a reception and open house followed the ceremonies.



DR. EUGENE P. WATSON

FIRST SCHOLARSHIP PRESENTED

One of the highlights of the program dedicating the Eugene P. Watson Memorial Library on the campus of Northwestern State University of Louisiana at Natchitoches, May 11, 1973, was the presentation of the first Alpha Beta Alpha memorial scholarship given by the national fraternity as a tribute to the late Dr. Eugene Watson, the founder of the national undergraduate fraternity. Dr. Watson, who served as librarian at Northwestern State University from 1940 until his death in 1964, was the national executive secretary of Alpha Beta Alpha from 1950 to 1960.

In presenting the scholarship to Deborah Brodnax, a member of Alpha chapter of Alpha Beta Alpha, Mrs. Lucille T. Carnahan, former library science professor at Northwestern and chairman of the national committee to administer the Alpha Beta Alpha E. P. Watson memorial scholarship, said, "The Alpha Beta Alpha memorial scholarship is more than a tribute to the man that we honor today and more than the recognition of an outstanding student. It is the realization of a goal that Dr. Watson himself had set for the national fraternity founded by him in 1950. Dr. Watson felt that a national scholarship that would represent not only scholastic achievement, but also character and leadership, could become so important that competition for it throughout the nation would make it ABA's greatest contribution to undergraduate librarianship, not because of its monetary value, but because it represented that which makes a student stand tall on his campus."

Shortly after Dr. Watson's death in 1964, the fraternity set up the ABA memorial scholarship fund as a fitting tribute to the man whose vision and determination had brought to reality on the national level an undergraduate library science fraternity. And today, Alpha Beta Alpha is the only strictly undergraduate library science fraternity in respect to numbers of chapters - 42 chapters across the length and breadth of the nation.

Miss Jean Elliott, national executive secretary of Alpha Beta Alpha, at Shepherd College, Shepherdstown, West Virginia, announced that in April the national council of Alpha Beta Alpha had approved the name of Deborah Brodnax of Alpha chapter as the first recipient of the ABA scholarship.

Deborah Brodnax more than meets the qualifications set up by the national fraternity at its 1972 national convention, qualifications that specify a person of high scholastic achievement, one who has rendered reasonable service to library science and to his local university.

Deborah Brodnax is a student who has been active in Northwestern's chapter of Alpha Beta Alpha having served on several important committees and as its social secretary and vice-president. She has held offices in social, scholastic, and honorary organizations during her three years on the campus. Some of these offices are secretary and president of the Student Louisiana Teachers' Association; recommendation chairman of Sigma Kappa sorority; and representative to the Associated Women Students Executive council. She is a member of Phi Kappa Phi, Kappa Delta Pi, and Alpha Lambda Delta. Other recognitions include her having won the Alpha Lambda Delta sophomore award and being on the Dean's List.



LETTER FROM THE EDITOR

Dear Alpha Beta Alpha Members,

This semester, we of the Alpha Gamma chapter, have worked very hard on putting together an issue of the *Alphabet*. When we mailed out the information request forms we hoped for a good response, and we were delighted with the results. We had returned about three fourths of the forms we sent out. We tried to print everything that was sent to us in the exact form we received it. Any changes that were made were made in the way style and form.

We from Alpha Gamma wish everyone a good year, and the deadline for chapter news for the spring issue is March 1, 1974. Don't forget!

Kathy McClary

WATSON LIBRARY MAY BE BEST IN SOUTH

The new Eugene P. Watson Memorial Library is a three story, three million dollar library. It was designed by the architects De Keyser, Pontie and Boutte and L. Jaco LeBlanc. It covers 100,000 square feet and contains more than 190,000 volumes of books and other materials valued at two million dollars. It will hold 350,000 volumes and accommodate more than a thousand people. The library is one of the most extensively equipped, modern libraries in the South. The Watson library will provide opportunities for advanced knowledge, leisurely reading, and study and scholarly research for the people of northwestern Louisiana for generations to come. The library building itself adds architectural beauty, distinction and grace to the campus and community.

ALPHA OMEGA CHAPTER INSTALLED AT SOUTH CAROLINA STATE COLLEGE

Alpha Omega Chapter of Alpha Beta Alpha was installed at South Carolina State College, Orangeburg, South Carolina, on Sunday, October 28, 1973, at 7:00 P. M. in the Lounge of the Kirkland W. Green Student Union Building. Forty-three students of the State College Department of Library Service, along with twenty-three professional and contributing members from State College, from neighboring Claflin College, and from city school libraries were initiated.

Installing officers were from East Carolina University, Greenville, North Carolina. They are as follows: President, Ann Woodard; Vice-President, Beth Punte; Secretary, Janice Corbett; Treasurer, Harriet Rood; and Sponsor, Mrs. Tudi Johnson.

Officers for Alpha Omega Chapter are as follows: President, Mary Smalls; Vice-President, Cynthia Holmes; Recording Secretary, Shirley Carter; Corresponding Secretary, Thelma Tinsley; Treasurer, Linda Johnson; Reporter, Diane Hall; Sponsor, Mrs. R. Rossie Caldwell.

The ceremony was perfectly planned and the entire assembly was impressed by the candle light service.

South Carolina State College is a land grant college with enrollment figures of 2407 undergraduate students and 502 graduate students. The Department of Library Service operates within the School of Education with an enrollment of 53 major students and several minors. Neophyte Bernice Middleton is Chairman of the Department, and Neophyte Rossie Caldwell is her associate.

The neophytes are very happy with their newly acquired status and are looking forward to becoming outstanding additions to the fraternity.



Left to Right: Seated - First Row: Doris Anderson, LaDoris Brandyburg, Shirley Scarborough, Shirley Cooks, Anita Williams, Patricia Knowling, Patricia McBride, Gloria Ranson, Marchia Badger, Shirley Carter, Elaine Green, Rene Knighton, Gloria Atkinson, Mary Small. Second Row: JoAnn Haynes, Shirley Green, Ruby Chapman, Rachel Glover, Sanyne Crockett, Lynda Daniel, Deborah Lewis, Cheryl Bradley, Linda Johnson, Anita Littlejohn, Cynthia Holmes, Carol Edge, Norma Frank, Orelia Hayward, Ray Johnson, H. Standing, Bernice Middleton, Rossie Caldwell, Vera Gover, Cammie Thomason, Calvert DeLong, Anne Jamison, Patricia Sanders, Thelma Tinsley, Lillie Walker, Eva Corbett, Valeria Shiley, Minnie Johnson, Evelyn Hubbard, Veretta Abraham, Doris Macey, Lois King, Gloria Mattison, Mary Felder, Louise Pearson, Martha Bollinger, Edith Frederick, Mary Jones, Louise Robinson, Evelyn Remfield, Diane Hall, Barbara Ramechan.

Chapter News

CHAPTER: Beta

UNIVERSITY: Mississippi State College
for Women

ADDRESS: Columbus, Miss. 39701

SPONSOR: Mrs. Eloise Norton
905 6th. Ave. S.
Columbus, Ms. 39701

PRESIDENT: Miss Nell Graves
MSCW. Columbus, Ms. 39701
Senior

OTHER OFFICERS:

Vice President: Ann Alexander
Recording Secretary: Lynda Dancy
Corresponding Secretary: Kathy Deloach
Treasurer: Jackie Solomon
Parliamentarian: Anita Christian
Reporter and Historian: Brenda Mullins

Active Members:

Pledges:

Pam Stroud	Lenora Rankin
Mary Chambliss	Sue Goodman
Julia Embyr	Sandi Coleman
Clara Cooper	Margaret Gibson
Pattie Gabbert	Mary Price
Martha Ann Jordan	Nora Robillard
	Dianne Till
	Martha Lynn Wheeler
	Barbara Hoggatt
	Karen H. Wilkins
	Edna Bell Isle
	Daffey Proctor

The Beta members attended the Mississippi Library Convention held in Jackson on October 25 and 26th. The outstanding speakers were Turner Catledge, retired New York Times Editor; and Margaret Edwards, in the field of young adult services. At our first meeting six of the ten interns selected by the Mississippi Library Commission shared their experiences as interns in different county libraries. We are proud to say that of the ten selected, six are attending MSCW.

We are planning a Christmas Book Fair for the week of November 13-16, and a book exhibit will be on display for the week. Special entertainment and refreshments will take place on opening night.

CHAPTER: Gamma

SCHOOL: Indiana State University

ADDRESS: Terre Haute, Indiana 47809

SPONSOR: Miss Elizabeth Weller

ADDRESS: 7-A Cunningham Library

OFFICERS:

President - Janice Statler
Address - 506 Hines Hall
Classification - Senior
Vice-President - Debbie Cavitt
Secretary - Debbie Kiefner
Historian - Alice Ann Garwood

Other Members:

Actives:

Pledges:

Janis Ramsey

Ron Sanders

Dennis LeLoup
Shery Midlam
Lane Ralph

Linda Hedge
Janet Rhoads
Robertta Yost
Deanna Davey
Jeannette Swan
Helen Book
Paula Harmon
Nancy Synder
Merri Martin
Lois Bowers
Mary Kesner
Richard Lloyd
Mary Nolen
Karen Kuehl
Janet Meyer
Susan Tulmer

News:

At Christmas we plan to have a party at which homemade Christmas ornaments will be auctioned off. The money will go to a needy organization to help buy library materials.

In February we will have an Anniversary Banquet. After the meal, pledges will be initiated, and we will have a speaker.

We plan on selling popcorn the first semester. Stationary the second semester.

We might go to the National Convention depending on when and where it is.

CHAPTER: Delta

UNIVERSITY: Alabama

ADDRESS: Box 2469, University, AL 35486

SPONSOR: Mrs. Ruth Waldrop

ADDRESS: Box 2469, University, Al. 35486

OFFICERS: Brenda Cantrell, President
Anita Knox, Vice-President
Sandi Johns, Secretary
Buchie Sherer, Treasurer

We have some excellent programs planned for this year. Presently we are involved in "Books on Exhibit," which will last approximately three weeks. Coming up in January, Mrs. Elizabeth Beaupard, Director of the Alabama Public Library Service, will be our guest speaker. In March Mr. Elbert Watson, President of the Alabama Library Association is presenting our program. Along with these programs, we have various programs which have become a part of the Delta Chapter's annual schedule, such as giving Christmas gifts to Bryce and Partlow, institutions for the mentally handicapped in Tuscaloosa.

CHAPTER: Epsilon Chapter

Murray State University
c/o Library Science Dept.
Murray Ky. 42071

SPONSOR: Mrs. Lucille Baird
c/o Library Science Dept.
Murray, Ky. 42071

PRESIDENT: Deborah Craig
Box 6523 Elizabeth Hall
MSU, Murray, Ky. 42071

VICE-PRESIDENT: Deborah Ernstberger

CORRES. SECRETARY: Susan Nanny

RECORDING SECRETARY: Carol Carter

PARLIAMENTARIAN: Peggy Calhoun

SOCIAL CHAIRMAN: Gina Wise
TREASURER: Laura Whyne

Active Members:

Pledges:

Charlotte Shemwell	Fai Na
Clara Williams	Patricia Ellis
Donna Finch	Linda Griffin
Mary McAfee	Kathy Griffin
Carolyn Mills	Sue Gruener
Lou Anne Baker	Vickie Rayl
Ellen Scatts	Rebecca Rhodes
Ellen Phelps	Jill Thompson
Deborah Holman	Rose Beckner

The Epsilon Chapter of Alpha Beta Alpha at Murray State University, Murray, Kentucky, has begun what its members hope will be a very successful year. We began the year with a rush picnic for actives and prospective members which resulted in a pledge class of nine. To raise money for the organization we have had two bake sales and are now involved in a candy selling project. For Homecoming we are designing a house display to be shown on the front lawn of the Murray State University Library. Our October program was a Halloween get-together which included a film on librarianship. In November, Mrs. Margaret Trevathan, the librarian at the Calloway County Public Library, will speak to the group on the problems encountered in a public library. In November, Mrs. Lucille Baird, a new member of the Library Science Department of Murray State University, will replace Mr. T. P. Sholar as sponsor of our chapter. Under the able leadership of our new sponsor and our new officers, we hope to continue to grow as future librarians.

CHAPTER NAME: Zeta Chapter

UNIVERSITY: Concord College.

ADDRESS: Athens, West Virginia 24712

SPONSOR: Mrs. Virginia Fanning and
Miss Mary Jo Thompson.

ADDRESS: Concord College Library,
Athens, West Virginia 24712

PRESIDENT OF CHAPTER: Lynn Stayton

ADDRESS: 304 A Towers, Concord College
Athens, W. Virginia

CLASSIFICATION: Senior.

OTHER OFFICERS

Vice President - Nora Wright

Secretary - Beckie Fink

Treasurer - Mrs. Sharon Turner

Parliamentarian - Margie Price

OTHER MEMBERS:

Donna Bailey (Active)

Patricia Dawson (Active)

Pledges uncertain as of yet

NEWS:

Zeta Chapter of Alpha Beta Alpha at Concord College, Athens, West Virginia, began the school year with an introductory program and party for prospective pledges. Plans for the coming year include making (continued on next page)

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children's books again for the children's ward of the Princeton Hospital, trips to outstanding media centers in the surrounding area, selling stationary, decorating the library for Christmas, providing a children's story hour at the Princeton Public Library, and reinitiating the tradition of awarding a senior in the Zeta Chapter for their outstanding contribution to the organization.

CHAPTER: Mu Chapter
Milner Library
Illinois State University
Normal, Illinois 61761

OFFICERS:

President - Sam Bourke
Vice-President - Bonnie Howell
Recording Secretary - Sue Sheley
Corresponding Secretary - Cindy May
Treasurer - Karen Hoerler
Historian - Mary Dicks

NEWS ITEMS:

Alpha Beta Alpha, Mu Chapter, Illinois State University participated in the annual Homecoming Parade. With our walking entry entitled "ABA says, Make Eastern A Tragedy," we won first place and \$35.00.

Doctor Ozolins has accepted the position of Librarian and Dean of Instruction at Gustavus Adolphus College in Minnesota.

CHAPTER NAME: Nu Chapter
UNIVERSITY: Marshall University
ADDRESS: Huntington, W. Va.
SPONSOR: Ms. Eleanor H. Terry
Box 329
Marshall University
Huntington, W. Va.
PRESIDENT: Linda Goode
1601 Fifth Avenue
Huntington, W. Va.

Vice-President: Sherry Payne
Secretary: Midge Hudson
Treasurer: Nancy Smith
Historian: Sharren Sarver

OTHER MEMBERS:

Actives:
John M. Spangler
Carlyle Mallory
Debbie Bias
Christa Adkins
Lottie R. Simpkins
Denise Fisher
Cathy Spencer
Evonne Evans
Delores Cook
Karen Hale
Jean Borkowski
Naomi Chapman
Barbara Ballash
Ashok Malhotra
Cindy Ord
Donna Riggs
Jennette Bailey

We are re-organizing Alpha Beta Alpha on our campus, thus the great num-

ber of pledges.

For money-making projects, we are planning a book fair for paperback books, selling some type of candy bars for fifteen to fifty cents, and selling "just-a-note" type stationery. The money from these will help to cover the cost of our programs and activities.

The first project we are working on is a directory of Alpha Beta Alpha on Marshall's campus. It will include our members, the services we will offer, such as storytelling, demonstrating book binding, explaining Dewey Decimal System, and helping students at the University library, the charge for transportation if any, and who to contact for each service. These will be distributed to schools in the area, public libraries, etc.

We are trying to get a State Library Commission officer to speak at our next meeting. Nu Chapter is also going to take a field trip to a new audio-visual center near us. It is set up in the modular style.

For librarians, interested students and library science majors or minors, we are planning a Book Binding Workshop. Plans on this are incomplete. We are having someone that is skilled in the book binding art come to demonstrate.

A Christmas Party is being planned in December at the home of our sponsor.

A publication of the Educational Media of Marshall University has agreed to let us have two pages as publicity for Alpha Beta Alpha. It will receive all library science majors and minors, and other interested people. It is called "*Media Major Memo*".

CHAPTER: Rho Chapter
SCHOOL: Kutztown State College
Kutztown, Pennsylvania 19530
SPONSOR: Miss Carol Mann
Rohrbach Library
Kutztown State College
Kutztown, Pa. 19530

OFFICERS:

President - Nancy Romich
Box 203B Deatrick Hall
Kutztown State College
Kutztown, Pennsylvania 19530
Vice-President - Jeanne Rapp
Secretary - Nancy Fielding
Treasurer - Robyn Beers
Historian - Kathy Mincavage

Actives:

Florence Brens	Carolyn Mears
Mary Ann Brossman	Barbara Mendel
Michele Ann Burylo	Sue Pankiewicz
Anne Ruth Charles	Diane Reinhart
Thomas M. Collins	Elizabeth Robbins
Janet Ferrell	Sue Schroyer
Ellen Fetterhoff	Eileen Schroeder
Rich Hill	Gary Schukraft
Michele Hoban	Lynn Shelley
Kathy Izzo	Patsy Sommor
Darlene Johnson	Trudy Swinehart
Karen Kline	Mary Ellen Tirpak
Barbara McTague	Marian Ulincy
Linda Mann	Johnyne Wascavage

Pledges:

Lisa Borell	Mary Ranieri
Carol Ann Buzzard	Jean Rechlicz
Mary Fox	Marianne Washo
Nancy Grega	Virginia Lee Wheeler
Jeanne Hanis	Nancy Williams
Marlene Hersh	Kathy Taras
Betsy Kralik	

NEWS:

Rho Chapter's Book Week Dinner is planned for November 12. The speaker at this dinner will be Dianne Workstein, storyteller at the Hans Christian Anderson Statue in New York City. Other plans for the year are as follows: decorating the bulletin boards in the Library Science Department, a Christmas around the world program with stories and customs, a speaker on November 21, and plans for trying to start a service in the library for blind students on campus.

UPSILON CHAPTER

Shepherd College

Shepherdstown, West Virginia

The Upsilon Chapter of Alpha Beta opened up the 1973-74 school year with the following officers: Susan Feigley-President, Ronnie Ocheltree-Vice President, Ruth White-Secretary, and Linda Campbell Treasurer. The Pledge Captain, Beth Moser, is leading the fall pledge class of seven pledges.

Some of the plans for the pledge class include preparing a display in the college library display case and a Christmas Tea to be held December 1, 1973. Something new in pledging this fall is the "Horn Book" paddles. Each pledge is required to carry a paddle and have it signed by all other members. The old members will have paddles, too.

Other plans for the chapter this year include a trip to the Library of Congress and other library related points of interest in the District of Columbia, various speakers, and a banquet to be held in the spring.

CHAPTER NAME: P si
ADDRESS: Southeast Missouri State
900 Normal
Cape Girardeau, Mo. 63701
SPONSOR: Miss Elizabeth Brewer
410 Marie #310 in Cape
PRESIDENT: Laurel Halcomb
2703 Janet in Cape Girardeau

OTHER OFFICERS:

Vice-President - Pam Uhls
Secretary - Diana Wirfs
Treasurer - Joyce Bucher
Historian - Kathy Gucwa

OTHER MEMBERS:

Marilyn Rickman (A)	Evale Steele (P)
Mickey Irvin (A)	Mary Langston (P)
Mory Anthony (P)	Margaret Little (P)
Pat Prewett (P)	Carol Leider (P)

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Chapter News

- Elma Willis (P)
- Phillip Tucker (P)
- Linda Fields (P)
- Shannon Raye (P)
- Phyllis Van Booven (P)
- Jana Knuckles (P)
- Eleanor Saunders (P)
- Linda Shockley (P)
- Jane Shillito
- Gail Orf (P)
- Kathy Whitsett (P)
- Teresa Clayton (P)
- Chen Schlett (P)
- Judy Metzler (P)
- MaryJo Baldwin (P)
- Tina Kump (P)
- Debbie Hill (P)
- Mindy Springman (P)

Highlights for the coming year:

As a money-making project, we will have our annual book sale next spring. We are planning a Christmas party, a picnic in the spring, and a Founder's Day Banquet.

Psi Chapter would like to welcome its new co-sponsor Mr. Robert Willingham. Mr. Willingham graduated from Kansas State University and is now presently employed in the Cataloging Department of Kent Library, Southeast Missouri State University.

At the beginning of the fall semester Psi Chapter ushered at the dedication of the Jake Well's Mural in Kent Library. Mr. Well has been working on this mural for the past three years in order to get it in readiness for its completion for Southeast Missouri State's Centennial year. The mural depicts the history of Southeast Missouri.

Also to celebrate our Centennial year Psi Chapter threw its annual Coke and Chip Party for all its alumni and charter members. We gladly welcomed back all ABAers of past years.

ALPHA GAMMA CHAPTER
Morehead State University
UPO Box 875
Morehead, Kentucky 40351

Sponsor: Miss Clarica Williams
Library Science Program
Morehead State University
Morehead, Kentucky 40351

Officers:
President - Mary Elaine Walling
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Morehead State University
Morehead, Kentucky 40351

Vice-President - Maxine White
Secretary - Debra Zuern
Treasurer - Mary Fugate
Pledge Chairmen - Janice Burkardt
& Nancy Jones

Actives:
Janice Burkardt
Judy Dyer
Mary Fugate
Nancy Jones
Debbie Mattingly
Mary Elaine Walling
Maxine White
Debra Zuern
Linda Moore
Bonnie Smith
Pledges:
Brenda Barnett
Carmelita Bentley
Pat Caudill
Kathy McClary
Lynn White
Helen Williams
Linda Young
Betty Fannin

NEWS:

Alpha Gamma Chapter holds meetings twice a month and for each meeting we have something planned. For one of our meetings we visited the nearby county high school library. Afterwards the actives and pledges ate dinner together. Our pledge week was from October 22-26. During this week the pledges and actives ate breakfast together and worked on a bake sale that was sponsored by the Alpha Beta Alpha pledges. Other plans for this semester and next include a visit to a nearby elementary school library, a tea at the home of our sponsor, and a field trip to another city's libraries. Pledges will be initiated in the spring at a general meeting. We are also planning to have a speaker at one of our spring meetings. We have asked him to speak to us on censorship. The last big event of the year is our annual Spring Banquet planned by our spring pledges.

ALPHA DELTA CHAPTER
Oklahoma State University
Stillwater, Oklahoma 84074

Sponsor: Mrs. Anne K. Hoyt
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President - Sylvia Bays
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Corresponding Secretary - Robin Rogers
Treasurer - Evelyn Steicher
Pledge Trainer - Karen Erickson
Publicity - Terri Grey
Historian - Jan Duck
Parliamentarian - Debbie Hooper

Actives:
Mrs. Croft
Barbara Cunningham
Scott Draughon
Lone Drummond
Lorna English
Debra Hagy
Lisa Harms
Nancy Hefner
Ms. McCorkle
Debby Powell
Robbye Todd
Pledges:
Suzee Conner
Jane Horner
Mary F. Hunt
Susan Kimbrough
Cynthia Milligan
Nancy Furinsky
Jan Underjill
Mary Ostrander
Vera Delozier
Gayle Williams

NEWS:

Alpha Delta Chapter of Alpha Beta Alpha at Oklahoma State University in Stillwater has plans for a busy year. The week of November 26-30 is the time for the annual paperback book sale sponsored by the club. Proceeds go into a scholarship fund and for books for the neighborhood nursery. Other events include a Christmas party given by the pledges, a February banquet to coincide with initiation of new members, and a picnic in April.

ALPHA ETA CHAPTER
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Greenville, N. C. 27834

Anne T. Woodard (president)
1500 Willow St. Apt. 5
Greenville, N. C. 27834
Senior

OTHER OFFICERS

Vice-president - Mary Elizabeth Punk - Jr.
Secretary - Janice Corbett - Sr.
Treasurer - Harriet Rood - Sr.
Reporter - Lynda Stine - Sr.
Parliamentarian - Lee McLaughlin

OTHER MEMBERS

Actives:
Six Officers
Ann Ward
Andrea Carlin
Patricia Knowles

Pledges:

Elizabeth Rinzo
Kathryn Wilkerson
Jean Dixon
James Erway
Carol Griffith
Rhea Resnik
Brenda Thomas
Gloria E. Williams
Betty Lu Bennett
Deborah Sue Coy
Evern Entwistle
Linda Gardner
Kathryn M. Harrill
Joe Stines
Alice Vann
Gail Holland
Diane Hughes
Judy Moore Nall
Beverly Gail Park
Kathy Phillips
Lou Anne Taylor
Ilet Bert Wells

Also have 4 graduate student members and 4 faculty members

ALPHA ETA NEWS

Try this recipe for success! Mix: 1 pot of pledges, 2 spoonfuls of returnees, and 3 cupfuls of professionals. Add a peck of fun. Result, a successful club for 1973-1974. It worked for us, the Alpha Eta Chapter at East Carolina University. Through the hard work of the nine old members, Alpha Beta Alpha rush brought 21 pledges, 4 alumni members, and 2 professional members. We are anticipating further growth this year.

On October 28, 1973, the officers of the Alpha Eta Chapter; Anne Woodard, Janice Corbett, Harriet Rood, and Beth Punte, travelled to Orangeburg, South Carolina to install the Alpha Omega Chapter of Alpha Beta Alpha. This was a delightful experience as well as an excellent opportunity. The officers enjoyed the visit and the exchange of ideas. Welcome, Alpha Omega.

Many goals and projects have been made for this year. A trip to the Library of Congress and doing volunteer work in the library are among these goals. A money raising project, selling stationery, has already begun.

The Alpha Eta Chapter has revived!

Chapter News

ALPHA THETA CHAPTER
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Asst. Prof. Library Science
College of Education
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Corresponding Secretary - Randy DeSoto
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Clare Buchanan	Martha Leachman
Randy DeSoto	Judy Spicer
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Sharon Barnett	Linda Junk
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Jan Canterbury	Debbie Leo
Diane Dare	Teresa Miller
Mary Finn	Ann Noble
Teri Gaston	Dianne Petty
Janet Gambrell	Judy Poland
Sharon Glasscock	Patsy Spurgeon
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	Christy Wrenn

Professional Members:

Mr. S. A. Dyson
Mrs. Barbara Lipscomb
Mrs. Ruth Shoap
Miss Jeanet Wimberly
Miss Hermione Driskell - lifetime member
Mrs. Gordon Hogan - lifetime member

NEWS:

Alpha Theta is planning to attend the Louisiana Library Association Awards Dinner in Lake Charles, Louisiana, in April. They will have Alpha Chapter members as their special guests for their November meeting. In February, author Mrs. Drew Hays will present a book talk. Other plans are to visit the archives of Prescott Memorial Library with Mrs. Ruth Shoap.

ALPHA IOTA CHAPTER

Glassboro State College
Glassboro, New Jersey 08028

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Evvie Gerofsky	Kathleen Peck
Joan Goss	Theresa Rieca
Joan Krasner	
Barbara Lang	
Beverly Leary	
Karen Sandone	
Lauren Schantz	

NEWS:

Alpha Iota is planning a December trip to the Library of Congress.

ALPHA LAMBDA CHAPTER

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Edinboro, Pennsylvania 16412

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Miller Research Learning Center

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Debbie Bacher	Rosemarie Herrle
Alice Baker	Rox Ann Holmes
Victoria Baressi	Barbara Hook
Dennis Biagonni	Joseph Klan
Marian Buescher	Sarah Lee
Carol Brynda	Dawn Lilly
Eileen Caffrey	Debra Lilly
Mary Cafaro	Susan Lindholm
Jaqueline Callahan	Patricia Liotta
Mary Cannon	Mary Litivenowicz
Robert Capone	Fran McCarthy
Jane Ceglaz	Darlene Menk
Debbie Chontos	Susan Miller
Debbie Dixon	Linda Muntz
Susan Donahue	Keith Revak
Diana Dodson	Keren Schenk
Jane Double	Mary Alice Schneider
Jean Ellis	Cynthia Shank
Kathy Fletcher	Anna Rose Sibeto
Dave Foder	Debra Swanson
Earleen Glaser	Pat Tullio
Jannine Griffith	Beth Woods
Cynthia Gross	Marie Zappitello

Professional Members:

Mrs. Elaine Bercik
Mr. Edward Bercik
Mrs. Virginia Crowe
Mrs. Barbara Culbertson
Dr. Hilda Elkins
Miss Thelma Pascaran
Mrs. Dorothy Hand

NEWS:

The activities and highlights of the coming year for Alpha Beta Alpha at Edinboro State College are as follows:

In September a "Get Acquainted" picnic was sponsored by the Alpha Lambda Chapter. The purpose of this picnic was to bring the library students, the Library Science faculty members, and the library staff together to get to know each other.

Alpha Beta Alpha officers participated in the Edinboro State College Homecoming Parade. A committee decorated the car to be entered in the parade with the fraternity colors.

The chapter is selling donuts as a money making project to finance the way to the Pennsylvania State Library Association Conference being held at Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, in April.

New pledges will be installed on November 8, 1973.

The chapter is planning a Christmas dinner to be held on December 9, 1973.

CHAPTER: Alpha Mu

School: Northwest Missouri State Univ.
Address: Box 82, Library Science Dept.
Northwest Missouri State Univ.
Maryville, Missouri 64468

Sponsor: Mr. James Johnson
Miss Donna Janky
Mrs. Fisher
Address: Same as above

Officers:

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Classifican - Senior

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Secretary - Linda Winkler
Historian - Barbara Petlon

Other Members:

Actives: Julie Payne

Pledges:

Karen Zimmerman	Pamela Draymon
Sue Nielson	Judith Raymer
Sue Herring	Cindy Helzer
Mary Beth Ewart	Valerie Coatney
Sylvia Smith	Peggy Silk
Margaret Kelley	Pat Kliever
Ray Starke	Sue Conally
Patty Speas	

NEWS:

Northwest Missouri State University's Alpha Nu Chapter of Alpha Beta Alpha has found the "happy medium" between business and pleasure this year. The Fraternity's 18 members have gone to Kansas City's Crown Center for the Festival of the Book.

Other plans include: (1) a trip to Missouri Western's Hearnes Resource Center, (2) a program by Missouri History professor at NWSU, Dr. Carneal, (3) a talk by a public and children's librarian, (continued on next page)

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(4) a panel of student teachers discussing their internships, (5) a spring book fair and a pre-Christmas candy sale are the tentative budget builders, and (6) The Annual Pledges' Christmas Party.

The meetings have been held at 5:00 on the first and third Thursdays of the months, following special dinners in the homes of Sponsors and others.

ALPHA NU CHAPTER
Radford College
Radford, Virginia 24141

Sponsor: Mr. Robert Gibson
Radford College
Radford, Virginia 24141
Officers: President - Judy Mason

Radford College
Radford, Va. 24141
Senior

Vice President - Molly Clarkson
Secretary - Jane Fowler
Treasurer - Jane Collins
Historian - Dottie MEEK
Pledge Mistress - Deedy Lawson

CHAPTER NAME: Alpha Xi
Address: Eastern Illinois University
Charleston, Illinois
Sponsor: Frances M. Pollard
Department of Library Science
President of Chapter: Jack Ahola
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Other officers:
Vice President - Linda O'Conner
Recording Secretary - Diane Green
Corresponding Secretary - Wilda Mosley
Treasurer - Marla Prest
Reporter - Richard Walls
Historian - Janet Crowley
Parliamentarian - Kathy Loftus

Other Members:
Catherine Dunn (A) Wendy Visak (P)
Marsha Halford (A) Jennifer Seaward (P)
Debra Westbrook (A) Karen McIlrath (P)
Mary Diebler (P) Chyrel Wessel (P)
Jenna Mueller (P) Susan Mills (P)
Pam Kagami (P) Bobbi Elyea (P)

Highlights for the coming year:
As a part of the Diamond Jubilee Celebration, the Library Science Department is having two guest lecturers in 1974. On February 8, the author Richard Peck will speak. On April 16, 17, 18, Dr. Jesse Hauk Shera from Case Western Reserve University will speak. This lecture is one of the Roscoe F. Schaupp Lectures in Library Science.

This year Alpha Xi plans to visit one or more nearby university libraries. We hope to be able to repay a visit that members from the Mu Chapter at Normal, Illinois made to Eastern last year for our Founder's Day Celebration.

Highlights for the past year:

The spring 1972 pledge class had a Halloween Rush Party on October '24, 1972. There was a costume contest and games. A cookie sale was held on February 4, 1973 as a money-making project for Winter Quarter pledges. Our chapter president represented Alpha Xi on a trip to Springfield on Library Legislative Day last April. Dr. Robert Bingham Downs, Dean of Library Administration and Professor of Library Science, Emeritus, from the University of Illinois, gave 3 lectures on April 23-24-25, 1973. This lecture series was part of the Roscoe F. Schaupp Lectures in Library Science. Miss Eunice Speer from Illinois State University spoke to our chapter on Founder's Day on May 6, 1973. She brought 2 members from Mu Chapter, and they had a picnic lunch with us afterwards.

ALPHA OMICRON CHAPTER
West Virginia Wesleyan College
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Buckhannon, West Virginia 26201

Sponsor: Mr. Keith Burns
Library
West Virginia Wesleyan College
Buckhannon, W. Va. 26201

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Actives:
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Carol Brinkman Ann B. Scruggs
Darmae Brown Stephanie Shelley
Margaret Cox Cathy Voltz
Janet Hudson Trica Prout

NEWS:
On September 28, 1973 West Virginia Wesleyan College had its presidential inauguration for Jay Rockefeller. The library was used for registration and assembly of the visiting representatives of learned societies and institutions. Alpha Beta Alpha members assisted in this registration and assisted in helping these representatives prepare for the academic procession. Following the inauguration ceremony a reception was held in the library. Alpha Beta Alpha members again helped with this reception.

ALPHA PI CHAPTER
Mansfield State College
Mansfield, Pennsylvania 16933

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Treasurer - Kay Young
Historian - Jane Kimmel
Parliamentarian - Patsy Rummel
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ALPHA SIGMA CHAPTER
Sam Houston State University
Huntsville, Texas 77340

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Treasurer - Clyde Ruth Young
Historian - Ellen Spire

ALPHA TAU
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Slippery Rock, Pa. 16057

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Kris Mauck (president)
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SRSC
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OTHER OFFICERS:
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Recording Secretary - Esther Mastronianni
Corresponding Secretary - Patricia Scarnati
Treasurer - Bonnie Macauley
Historian/Parliamentarian - Eileen Sowinski
Pledge Trainer - Bruce Egli

OTHER MEMBERS:

Actives:
Lois DeLuca Kris Mauck
Cathy Kocis Patti Scarnati
Esther Mastroianni Cathy Evans
Nancy Risinger Bonnie Macauley
Bruce Egli Debbie Mild
Rhea Logan Eileen Sowinski

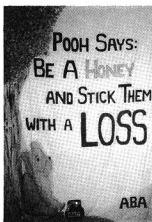
Pledges:
Kathy Beck Margy Kress
Jan Campbell Mary McTigue
Lois Daugherty Sue Tamer
Marian Hollinger Delores Broderick
Betsy Kelso Janet Chinchilla
Diane McGuire Julie Hollander
Debbie Speer Marilyn Kapalko
Martha Bernunzio Mary Manz
Dorothy Catalfano Jean Spears
Pat Hanobik Randy Wolford
Patti James

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Chapter News

ALPHA TAU NEWS

What's that you say? Slippery Rock looks to Winnie the Pooh for team spirit. Yes, that's right, the Alpha Tau Chapter of ABA at Slippery Rock State College was well represented at their Homecoming game - 1973. There stood our banner of Pooh and his honey pot among the other banners representing the various social organizations on campus. Our thanks to Eileen Sowinski and her committee for a beautiful banner.



Alpha Tau's first meeting welcomed new pledges. This year Alpha Tau can boast of twenty-one pledges. The pledges have chosen two very interesting pledge projects. One of which is the organization of a newsletter that would circulate to all members, library science students, student teachers and alumni who are life long members of ABA. The newsletter would include information on field trips, conventions and speakers for ABA programs on campus.

Another pledge project is the preparation of ABA member mailboxes. Each officer and member of the chapter will be assigned his own mailbox which will insure him of receiving all ABA information throughout the year.

Alpha Tau is also planning a program for storytelling presentation. As of yet a speaker has not been determined, but various prominent storytellers have been proposed.

With such wonderful participation from both members, pledges and our advisor, Mrs. Walsh, Alpha Tau is in store for a very active year.

CHAPTER: Alpha Upsilon
 UNIVERSITY: State College of Arkansas
 Torreyson Library
 Conway, Arkansas, 72032
 SPONSOR: Mrs. Gay Moore
 Torreyson Library
 Conway, Arkansas, 72032
 PRESIDENT: Phyllis Burkett
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 Senior
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 Treasurer - Marion Morgan
 Secretary - Karen Sue Wilson

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Mrs. Karen Cramer	Gladys Sachse
Beth Burnett	Opal Walters
Mr. Jerrel Moore	Mrs. Gay Moore
Mrs. Ruth Farmer	Mr. Willie Hardin
LaVonne Blackburn	

Pledges:

Pat Shore	Susan Stark
Susan Cupp	Lou Nichols
Becky Palmer	

Programs for the year will be speakers who are involved in various phases of library science, a member of the State Library Board, a medical librarian and others.

Mr. Francis Gwaltney will be the guest speaker at the banquet in April.

The Chapter sends Newsletters to the alumni and members.

CHAPTER: Alpha Phi
 UNIVERSITY: Jackson State College
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 Jackson State College
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 PRESIDENT: Mr. James Sanders
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OTHER OFFICERS:

Vice-President - Doris Smith
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 Treasurer - Schubert Jackson
 Dean of Pledges - Christine Lloyd
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OTHER MEMBERS:

Teresa Booker	Hazel Rogers,
Linda Dianne Day	Shirley Simmons
Henry Dozier	Phyllis Smith
Agnes Ford,	Rachel Smith
Jackie Galloway	Sandra Viverette
Rosemary Lloyd	Cecilla Ward
Annie Love	Bettye Washington
Nella McGill	Deloris Williams
Katye M. Magee	Juanita Williams
Carolyn Miner	Tryonia Williams

CHAPTER: Alpha Chi
 UNIVERSITY: University of Wisconsin-Whitewater
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 Whitewater, Wisconsin 53190
 ADVISOR: Mr. H. J. Eckes
 Assistant Advisor:
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 Whitewater, Wisconsin 53190
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OTHER OFFICERS:

Vice President - Mary Quinn (1st Semester)
 Pat Geidel (2nd Semester)
 Secretary - Susan Hilleshiem
 Treasurer - Shirley Dohmann
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 Parliamentarian - Mary Burgett

OTHER MEMBERS:

Actives:	Pledges:
Vernita Arnold	Wendy Schuren
Jeff Reed	Mary Dessain
Mary Wallace	Ken Nichols

WHAT IS OUR PROBLEM?

This is the second year that Alpha Gamma chapter has assumed the editorship of the *Alphabet*. This year we decided to print the problems of inactive chapters along with the usual chapter news. Out of thirty-eight requests for chapter news, only two chapters reported that they are now inactive. Even though this is a small fraction of the chapters, the problems of these two chapters should be voiced for the benefit of ABA as a whole.

The form that the inactive chapters completed is as follows:

If not active, check the following reasons:

- No available sponsor
- Students not interested
- Lack of communication between chapters and National.
- Lack of National officers
- Others: Please "Tell it like it is."

WHAT IS OUR PROBLEM?

In this survey, two main reasons for inactivity were stated. The first reason stated was lack of student interest. One chapter had to disband because the undergraduate major is being phased out. It is interesting to note that both these inactive chapters have active local library organizations. The second reason was cited by both chapters. One of their major problems has been a lack of communication between chapters and National. One chapter stated that all it could get from National was a request for more money.

The discontent and problems of two inactive chapters might not seem to be a matter of great importance. However, as a functioning organization of service, Alpha Beta Alpha must take note of these problems and try to remedy them. Please remember that the *Alphabet* is one of the means of communication available to all the chapters of ABA!

Mary Quinn	Nancy Cusic
Ann Love	Pat Schroeder
Chris Hrovat	Susan Demro
Pat Leiser	Vance Nielson
Darlene Stoller	Lora Schallhorn
Mary Lemke	

NEWS:

In Spring of 1973, Alpha Chi members went on a field trip to Western Publishing Company in Racine Wisconsin. A staff member conducted a tour through the plant, and outlined the process of physically making a book.

Also, a book collection was held in the University Center for two days. Approximately 350-400 volumes were donated and then given to the prison library at Waupun, Wisconsin.

On October 10, 1973, a representative from Baker and Taylor Co. gave a very interesting presentation including an audio filmstrip of how his firm operates, and its uses to librarians.