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Kansas City Convention Reveals Delta Pi's Strengths

by Scott Singletary

After a 23 hour ride on the activity bus, the 17 members of Delta Pi and their sponsors stepped out onto the streets of Kansas City, Missouri. They had ridden all night and had gotten little sleep. Within minutes after their arrival, they all had changed clothes and were downstairs campaigning. It didn't matter to them, for they had waited for months to be here at the National Phi Theta Kappa convention.

Delta Pi's colorful campaign for Donna Harriger highlighted the entire convention. Hearing the theme "Get on the Harriger Express" and seeing trains everywhere, no one left the convention not knowing who Donna Harriger or Delta Pi was.

Delta Pi was highly honored when they received a "Top Ten in the Nation" award. This award goes to the ten chapters in the nation which the National office feels have contributed the most to the efforts of Phi Theta Kappa. This award was really not expected and when announced the members went into a state of ecstatic shock.

The Brevard chapter also received many individual awards. The National Music Award recognizing the best original

composition went to John Meadows, a sophomore at Brevard College. Joan is a music major and is the accompanist for the Collegiate Singers. Brevard College has received the National Music award for two consecutive years.

Cyndi Blalock was presented a scholarship to Florida Atlantic University. This scholarship was given to three outstanding college students this year. After Cyndi won the scholarship she phoned her parents and found out that her sister had been awarded the Sims scholarship to Brevard College that same day.

The convention also sponsored a two-mile run called the "Scholar Jogger." Well, Delta Pi refused to be left out in this area as Mr. Gene McDowell won first place among the male sponsors at the convention.

The group also performed two songs at the sponsor's meeting. They were later asked to perform their songs for the entire convention. Nervously, the members of Delta Pi lined across the stage and sang "Sweet Survivor" only to end to the sight of a crowd rising to their feet with applause.

The three days of the convention proved to be very busy ones for the students. When they

weren't out campaigning they were going to discos, ballets, concerts, baseball games, etc. At night, they went to parties that lasted until the wee hours of the morning.

Most of all, the convention produced unforgettable memories for them all. They will always remember such things as the sense of accomplishment that they felt when they got to hang their banner across the stage, the sense of "freezing to death" that they felt while waiting to get into the baseball park, the sense of pride they felt as they finished their song to a standing audience, the sense of closeness that they felt toward each other and to their new friends, the sense of boredom during Hazel's long speech, and a sense of sincere appreciation for their sponsors: Mrs. Sarah Beard, Mr. Gene McDowell, and Mr. Claude Stulting.

The excitement of this year's convention made them yearn even more for next year's convention in Washington, D.C. So, look for Delta Pi to be "flying high" all the way to Washington.



Sophomore Elaine Myers is measured for her cap and gown as graduation draws nearer.

Graduation Set For May 13th

Graduation exercises for the 1979 sophomore class will be held Sunday, May 13, at 2:00 p.m. in Boshamer Gymnasium. Commencement speaker will be Dr. Allen K. Jackson, President of Huntingdon College in Montgomery, Alabama. Dr. Jackson is a Phi Beta Kappa graduate of the University of Denver and holds a Ph.D. in Sociology from Emory. He also attended Cambridge University in England on a Fulbright Fellowship.

The Baccalaureate service will be Sunday morning at 11:00 in the Brevard First United Methodist Church sanctuary. Dr. Jacob B. Golden, Waynesville District Supervisor of the United Methodist Church, will be the featured speaker.

On Saturday, May 12, an Alumni Luncheon for all previous graduates, faculty, and current graduates will be given. The luncheon will begin at 1:00 p.m. in the A.G. Myers Dining Hall.

Concert Band Closes Life and Culture Series

by Donna Mulford

The Brevard Concert Band appeared Thursday, April 19th, in the last Life and Culture Series. The humanities series went out victorious with the 1812 overture commemorating a Russian victory in battle.

The band was directed by Ms. Virginia Tillotson. This director's vitality coaxed not only the musician's best effort but seemed to tell the notes themselves what to do.

The program included many types of music. "Broadway Show Stoppers" presented a medley of popular show music for the

theatre fans. "Rocky" brought back memories of the movies. For the opera lovers was "Vesti La Guibba" and "Salce, Salce." Mr. Wally Pallas sang an excellent tenor part as Canio in "Vesti La Guibba". Ms. Pat Robinson also sang well as Desdemona in "Salce, Salce."

This semester's band concert was more varied than the last and there was also considerable improvement. A better effort was made to please more tastes and the concert was indeed enjoyable.

SGA Makes Another Year Successful

by Vanessa Davis

The Student Government Association has worked hard to complete the academic year of 1978-79. Even though the association was confronted with various problems such as non-attendance at meetings, lack of workers for the Coffee House and lack of support for various committees, the year turned out to be a good one.

The SGA sponsored various events and activities for the participation of the students. The Social Board branch made events like the Homecoming Weekend, Parents Weekend, the Christmas Dance, the Valentines Dance and the Spring Dance, all possible. Social Board provided all the movies you saw on Sunday nights, and the Coffee Houses on Thursday nights. These events were all worked and set up by the Social Board members, Dean Houk and Don Scarborough's assistance.

SGA help sponsor many clubs

such as Phi Theta Kappa's tripto the National Convention in Kansas. They made it possible for the cheerleaders to attend the basketball Regionals in Rocky Mount, Virginia and they also sponsored a bus to take students to the game.

On behalf of the students and faculty, the SGA would like to take this opportunity to thank the volunteers for their participation in the SGA projects. They would like to especially thank Dean Houk and Don Scarborough.

Presidential Award Winners Named Today

The following Brevard College awards were presented this morning during the Honors Day program. Congratulations to these outstanding students.

Freshman Scholar Award

Donna Harriger
Alicia Kinard
Jeff Loftin
Tom Snyder

Presidential Award for Achievement
Cross Country Team
Phi Theta Kappa
Men's Basketball Team
Chico Horton

Presidential Award for Leadership
Margaret Gosnell

Presidential Award for Service
Big Sisters
Karen McCall

Presidential Award for Scholarship
David Roberts
Sandra Wilson
Tim Gunter
Robin Kilgo
Margaret Gosnell