

Montreat-Anderson College Alpha Chi Member

A major milestone in the development of Montreat-Anderson College's academic program was reached on November 14 when the college was chartered as a member in Alpha Chi, a National College Honor Scholastic Society.

Alpha Chi is a co-educational society whose purpose is to promote academic excellence and exemplary character among college and university students and to honor those who achieve such distinction.

As a general honor society, Alpha Chi admits to membership students from all academic disciplines.

Membership in Alpha Chi recognizes previous accomplishments and provides opportunity for continued growth and service. It seeks above all else to serve the needs of the students who comprise its membership. As a phrase from its constitution suggests, Alpha Chi seeks to find ways to assist them in "making scholarship effective for good."

According to Dr. Tisa Lewis, a Christian ministries and human development professor at Montreat-Anderson College and the Alpha Chi sponsor, active membership in Alpha Chi is restricted to not more than the top ranking ten percent of members of the junior and senior classes.

"High scholarship is the primary requisite for membership," Lewis said, "but good character and reputation are also essential characteristics. I think it is important to recognize these students. Hopefully, these students will encourage other

students at Montreat-Anderson to excel. Alpha Chi membership is a worthy goal for freshmen and sophomores to seek."

Recipients and founding members of the Montreat-Anderson



ALPHA CHI MEMBERS - Six Montreat-Anderson College students were inducted into Alpha Chi as founding members. The students are (top row left to right) Knox Bridges from Charlotte, North Carolina; Kristine Buckwalter from Litz, Pennsylvania; and Jeff Kuhn from Newland, North Carolina. The bottom row (left to right) is Dr. Lewis, Janet Grogan from Statesville, North Carolina; Pandy Linder from Middletown, New York; Tracey Sauls from Bowling Green, Kentucky; and Dr. John T. Newton. Dr. Lewis and Dr. Newton are co-sponsors and professors at Montreat-Anderson College.

College Charter are Jeff Kuhn, president; Kristine Buckwalter, secretary; Knox Bridges, student delegate; Tracey Sauls, Janet

seminars on various disciplines such as history, family science, Bible and religion, and promote excellence in scholarships."

Grogan and Pandy Linder.

"Even though the charter group of students is small, I would put our students up against Alpha Chi members at much larger institutions," Lewis said. "The majority of the students would go on and apply to graduate school."

Participating in the chartering ceremonies were President Silas M. Vaughn; Dr. Lewis; Dr. John T. Newton, Bible and philosophy professor; Dr. Joseph E. Pryor, executive director of Alpha Chi; and Dr. Larry Wilson, vice president/dean of the college.

Showing obvious pleasure with the recognition, Dr. Vaughn said, "We are honored and pleased that we were asked to join one of the top three national scholastic honor societies so soon after becoming a four-year college. This is certainly a history-making step for us. Next to accreditation, to be recognized by an honor society is extremely important in attracting able students and is an indication of our being recognized for academic excellence."

In related news, Dr. Lewis said that Dr. Newton had been nominated and appointed as assistant sponsor to Alpha Chi.

As for the future Lewis said, "Alpha Chi members could start tutoring students who may have academic trouble, sponsor scholarly

B.B. Barns

A Store Worth Hiking To

By **TIM PERRY**
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Being at Montreat, chances are that sooner or later you'll end up in one of Ben Fortson's classes, or just being surrounded by all the Appalachian beauty, you'll do the unthinkable and start to enjoy nature. You'll be needing some hiking boots and outdoor clothing, and if you're not careful you can end up spending a fortune on it. Well, throw away that L.L. Bean catalog and drive out to B.B. Barns Outdoor Specialties, just across I 240 from River Ridge Mall on Fairview Road. in Asheville.

You'll find everything you need from wool socks to sweaters to incredibly cool hats, and at reasonable prices. They've even got topographical maps (like the ones Ben has) of Montreat and anything else in the area.

Now if you're like me, and you've decided to enjoy nature through your windshield, do your

camping in a Winnebago, and never again break a sweat, the clothes still look great and there's lots more.

They've got gourmet tea and coffee, and you can sample a cup while you browse. They've got soup mixes, oil candles, lots of brass stuff your mom would kill for, a great selection of gardening supplies and English gardening tools, plenty of books about hiking, camping, gardening, and nature in general. There are also a few unusual things like Pawley's Island hammocks and real wooden toboggan sleds. If you think that's a lot, I left out half of it for the sake of brevity.

The owners, Barney Bryant and Ned Gibson, have tried to create a store that carries the kind of quality stuff you'd normally have to order from specialty catalogs. I think they've succeeded, and the place has more character than any other store I've found in the area. Check it out for yourself.

Writing Contest

Submit an article or story to the Aletheia by the 29th of January and you could win one of the prize packages listed below.

RULES

The contest is open to all M-AC students and all entries must be received by the stated deadline. Articles will be run in the Aletheia as deemed appropriate by the Editor and judging will take place from among the entries that are printed. Judging will be conducted by a panel of three judges from the staff of the M-AC English Department and all decisions are final. All entries become property of The Aletheia and may be published at a future date with no further compensation. All entries must be submitted in typewritten double spaced format to Mark Neil, M-AC Box 462 to be eligible. Good Luck!

First Place (\$57 Value)

Dinner for two at Pizzeria Uno (\$25 Max.), Pentel Pen from Carolina Office Supply, 2 pairs of movie passes for two at the Mall or Terrace Theatres, 2 Roller skating passes from Tarwheels Roller Skating Rink

Second Place (\$25 Value)

Free Oil Change from Black Mountain Tire and Service Center, 1 movie pass for two from the Biltmore Twins Cinema

Third Place (\$10 Value)

Free Haircut and Style from New Self Image and 2 Roller Skating passes from Tarwheels Roller Skating Rink

Several Prizes to be awarded for the First Entries Received