

Belle class and club activities for 1980-81

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The Bennett College classes, clubs, and sororities are sponsoring several activities this year.

Senior Class:

November—Senior class will be responsible for ordering announcements.

December—Sponsoring a dance and also a Christmas raffle.

Junior Class:

November 21-22—Sponsoring a Marathon Dance

December 1-7—Junior Week
Monday—Fleamarket. People are asked to bring clothes and other items they wish to sell.

Tuesday—Sip and Chat held with little sisters.

Wednesday—Records day. Juniors use this day to check academic

records.

Thursday—Bake Sale

Friday—Ball. This will be main event of the week. The theme of the Ball is "Winter Wonderland." The Ball will be a formal affair and the entire faculty, staff and students are invited. Tickets will be on sale.

Saturday—Free Splash Party—offered to all those that bought

tickets and came to the Ball.

Sunday—Small Vesper Service

Birthday Dinner

The junior class president, Josie Hudley, said, "The reason I'm emphasizing the ball is because I was very disappointed when I came to Bennett that there were no big social affairs." She also hopes that the Ball will become a traditional event sponsored by future Junior classes.

Sophomore Class:

The sophomore class has many tentative ideas which include: bake sales, candy apple sales, an arts and crafts festival, a fashion show, a Big Sister project for community children, fund-raising for Sickle Cell Anemia Fund, and the annual sophomore weekend.

Freshmen Class:

January—Disco

February—Selling of carnations
Bake Sale

Debate Society:

The Debate Society is now responsible for the radio show, "Bennett Belles on the Move," which will be broadcast from A&T State University campus. The show will focus on interests of both the Bennett and black communities. On Nov. 14 the Society will sponsor a dance, "Belles Sisters Dance," which is a spin-off of the Blues Brothers. Debates are also scheduled this year; topics will include School Budget and Cafeteria Food. Fund raisers will be the selling of doughnuts and a Tupperware Party.

Pre-Alumnae Club:

October 24—Sponsoring a dance from 9 p.m.-1 a.m. in the Student Union. Proceeds from the dance will be given to the United Negro College Fund.

October 25—Sponsoring a carnival on Bennett's Campus.

October 26—Miss Pre-Alumnae dinner will be held in the dining hall.

November 7—A Supper Club will be held from 8-11 p.m.

February—Members of the Pre-

Alumnae are planning a trip to the United Negro College Fund Conference in Chicago which will involve all 41 black colleges. Officers will be elected for the National Alumnae Association and the National Pre-Alumnae Association.

Student Music Educators Association:

October—Selling Katherine Biech Candies to raise money to attend the National Conference of Music Educators which will be held in Winston-Salem Nov. 7-9.

Photography Club:

The Photography Club is sponsoring a campus wide photography contest. The contest is opened to all the administration, faculty staff and students. Each contestant can submit a maximum of three photographs, either black and white or color. The entry deadline is Nov. 26. For additional information, contact a member of the photography club.

Delta Sigma Theta:

October 30—Sponsoring a Halloween Party for the children of McIver School.

November 8—Sponsoring a spaghetti dinner in the coffee house.

November 25—A Thanksgiving basket will be given to the needy.

December 18—A Christmas basket will be given to the needy and clothes will be shipped to the Haitian people.

Alpha Kappa Alpha:

October—A Health Fair will be sponsored consisting of a variety of health agencies talking about health policies.

November—A fashion show to raise money for a Thanksgiving basket.

December—A fund raising activity to raise money for a Christmas basket.

Yearly—Assist in tutoring in the Upward Bound program which is to prepare high school students for secondary institutions.



These unidentified goblins are just one feature of the haunted house, an annual October event sponsored on campus for Halloween.

Alpha coronation held

Tina M. Johnson

The Alpha Phi Alpha fraternity held its Miss Alpha Coronation on Thursday, Oct. 8, in the A&T Student Union Building. Among the participants was a Bennett freshman, Rhonda Whitted. Miss Whitted, who is an ISP major from Fayetteville, N. C., was requested by an Alpha member to take part in the Miss Alpha Contest.

The judges committee for the contest consisted of 14 Alpha members. The criteria used to judge the girls involved was appearance, personality, poise, an

oral interview, and a talent segment. For her talent exhibition Miss Whitted did an original modern dance. Her music was, "Behold The Only Thing Greater Than Yourself: Birth" from the "Roots" soundtrack.

When asked what the fraternity wanted in Miss Alpha, Alpha Phi Alpha's chapter president James Wood said, "We are looking for a young lady who exemplifies today's woman with an awareness of current news and the world around her. We did not want someone who was just pretty."

The Alpha Phi Alpha Court for

the 1980-81 year is as follows:

5th runner-up, Miss Sphinx-

man: Zelda McCauley

4th runner-up, Miss Alpha

Sweetheart: Cheryl Gibson

3rd runner-up, Miss 1906:

Rhonda Whitted

2nd runner-up, Miss Seven Jew-

els: Janice George

1st runner-up, Miss Beta Epsi-

lon: Karen Scott

Miss Alpha Phi Alpha: Karen

M. Reynolds

The Miss Alpha Court rode in the parade at half-time during A&T's homecoming game last Saturday.

Players welcome new members

Terri Ford

The Bennett College Players welcomed freshmen and new members to the B.C. drama club on Oct. 7, 1980 in the little theatre. They introduced themselves by performing a little skit to make everyone feel comfortable and excited about joining.

President Cynthia Mitchell talked about meeting dates and possible plays to be performed. Those plays include *West Side Story*, *Porgy and Bess*, *Guys and Dolls* and many other productions. There are usually two plays during the first semester and one big spring production.

The B.C. players isn't just acting. It's a variety of things. Working behind the scenes is just as fulfilling as performing. For instance, working with the lights, costumes, and props is an excel-

lent experience for anyone.

The question is where do you start? You start at a point called initiation. To be a Bennett Player a person has to go through an initiation period which lasts a week. The "Playees" have to follow specific rules in order to become a B.C. Player.

Some of the purposes of the B.C. Players are:

1. To provide a feeling of unity

in working with others.

2. To help develop and improve one's speech.

3. To provide a means of self-expression for members.

Persons can join the club on a semester basis, which means each semester the club takes in more people. The people who join second semester also have to go through an initiation period, but it's all in fun.

Good year ahead for Omicron Eta Chi

Twenty-three new members were recently inducted into Omicron Eta Chi, the Bennett College Chapter of the American Home Economics Association.

Some activities scheduled for the school year are: Bake Sales, Dessert Tasters Party, An Alterations Pool and attendance at the Annual State Meeting to be held in Fayetteville, North Carolina.

The officers for 1980-1981 are: Seated from left to right: Joan Walker, Vice-President and Wynnetta Scott, President. Standing: Leisha Thornton, Treasurer, Billye Davis, Secretary, Sabrina Sturgis, Parliamentarian and Robin Thornton, Reporter, Miss Swanda McCormick, Supervisor Home Management Residence, serves as Advisor.

Calling all talented writers

The Communications Conference will sponsor its Tenth Annual Essay Contest for students interested in career in writing. The following guidelines should be observed:

1. Any college/university student with an interest in communications is eligible to enter.
2. Entrants in this contest should submit an original essay on the subject of "The Impact of Communications of the Family: Responsibilities and Strategies."
3. Entries must be typewritten, double-spaced, on one side of the paper, with margins of 1-1½ inches on all sides, and error-free. The manuscript should be identified only by title. A separate cover page

should include entrant's name, address, phone number (including phone number, student ID number, and the location of her school). NO MANUSCRIPT WILL BE RETURNED.

4. The entries must have approximately 750-1000 words in length.

The winner will receive one of the following awards:

FIRST PLACE: Expense-paid trip to the Howard University School of Communications Tenth Annual Communications Conference, Feb. 13-16, 1981. Included in the package will be roundtrip transportation to the conference, lodging for four nights at the Harambee House Hotel; registration and admission to all conference events.

SECOND PLACE: Lodging (four nights) at the Harambee House Hotel; registration and admission to all conference events.

THIRD PLACE: Registration and admission to all conference events.

Submit all entries to:

Mrs. Peggy D. Pinn
Conference Coordinator

Tenth Annual Communications Conference

Howard University
Washington, D. C. 20059

Please submit by Jan. 12, 1981.

Winners will be honored at the Frederick Douglass Luncheon (Saturday, Feb. 14) and will be presented with a commemorative award. This contest is brought to you by the Interdisciplinary Studies Program at Bennett College.

Belles participate in Sigma pageant

Andrea Burch

The first annual Miss Phi Beta Sigma pageant was held in the ballroom of A&T State University on Oct. 11.

The contestants from Bennett included Arlene McNeil, Rennett Edwards, Portia Griffin, Lynn

Thorne, Sandra Nelson, who placed second runner up, and Yolanda Moore who was first runner up.

The entertainment during the evening included a song "Belles Add Life" by the Jones Hall girls, lead singer Lei Miller, accompanist Shawn Miller.

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