New Members Added to Alpha Chi

By Cheryl Aldridge

Twenty-two students were inducted into Alpha Chi National College Honor Scholarship Society on November 15 in the President's Dining Room of the cafeteria. The candlelight ceremony was presided over by Winona Bierbaum, sponsor; Dr. Jim Lenburg and Dr. Donald Russell, associate sponsors. Each inductee pledged to continue striving toward fulfilling their academic potentials. At the conclusion of the ceremony, Dr. Richard Hoffman, Academic Dean, commended the new members on the honor they had just received and asked them to continue promoting academic excellence and exemplary character.

Following Dr. Hoffman's address, the college honored the members with a dinner. Lynn Greene Miller provided musical entertainment at the piano.

A business session was conducted after the meeting, at which time officers for 1978 were elected and installed. They are: Sally Phillips, president and official delegate to the Regional Convention of Chapters in Atlanta; Scott Hughes, vice president; Diane Ledford, secretary-treasurer.

The new members inducted were: Cheryl Aldridge, Barbara Buckner, John Carson, Charles Dulaney, Joseph Evans, Ellen Evans, Daniel Greene, Nancy Hall, Rena Harris, Thomas High, Barbara Hill, Karen Hinton, Melody Hogan, George Holland, Scott Hughes, Augusta Jenkins, Diane Ledford, Debra Parks, Randy Robinson, Judy Houston Snow, Susan Vickery, and Linda Wells.

Alpha Chi was first established in 1915, at Southwestern University, Georgetown, Texas, with the purpose of promoting high standards of scholarship among under graduate students by recognizing and emphasizing the advantages to be derived from superior intellectual attainments. The organization has grown to encompass 160 chapters in 39 states and has more than 73,900 active members.

In the fall of 1971 the N.C. Epsilon Chapter of Alpha Chi was established as the official MHC honor society. Membership in the campus chapter is open to juniors and seniors in the top 5% of their class who have an overall quality point ratio of not less than 3.5, and are active at MHC.

Old and newly inducted members of Alpha Chi, the National honor society honoring scholastic achievement on our campus.

Photo by Kirk Hall

In Retrospect

By Wright Culpepper

It seems as if it were only last week when I felt that lump rise in my throat as I passed by the sign that said, "MARS HILL, MARSHALL - NEXT LEFT." Even though my summer seemed short I was still excited about being back at school.

Looking back over the past semester, I think about my accomplishments, my failures, my grades, my friends, and the tests that are coming up. There have been good times, and there have been bad times. There have been things that did not go the way I hoped they would, and there have been things that worked out better than I ever dreamed.

Pressure is building as we move into next week's examination period. Sometimes it seems that there is just no way possible to get everything done. We pray, hope, cry, bite our fingernails, and work like crazy to get the things done that we have been putting off all semester. Our heads seem to spin as we try to cram our whole semester into this last week.

But after next week, it will all be over. The festive atmosphere of the Christmas holidays will make us forget about all the papers, tests, and eight o'clock classes that this semester gave us. We will tend to remember the good times and good friends that have come our way. And when our grades come soon after Christmas we will not worry, because we will already be thinking about next year and what it will have to offer.

Thank goodness Christmas comes when it does. Thank goodness Jesus came when he did. If Christ had not come, we would all be lost and we would have nothing. But because of Jesus we are heirs according to the promise God gave to Abraham (Galations 3:29). Therefore, through Christ we have everything that God has promised. Let's all remember this as we go into these last few days of this semester. May God be with you all.

Have a Merry Christmas.

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Union Offers Holiday Cheer

The Wren College Union Christmas Party will be held on Dec. 9, 1977. Activities will include:

1 P.M. Children from the handy school will visit the coffee house for entertainment and snacks. Outreach committee and Inter Greek Council (The coffee house will be decorated on Thursday Dec. 8 by the coffee house committee).

3 P.M. Close building to general public. Union Board, SGA, Inter-Greek Council, and CSM will all be asked to pitch in to help decorate the building.

7 P.M. Reception in the coffeehouse for invited guests. (committee members serve)

8 P.M. (Recreation committee).

8 P.M. Building open to general public.

8 P.M. - 10 P.M. Bookstore Sale.

8 P.M. - 10 P.M. Crafters in the snack bar.

10 P.M. + "The Sword and the Stone" - movie

10 P.M. + Mini concert - snack bar

Lounge activities:

8:15-8:45 - CSM Performance
8:45-9:15 - Sing Along
9:15-9:45 - Special song
9:45-10:00 - Gift giveaway

To top off this fun-filled Christmas party, Santa Claus will be on hand to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas. Come out and enjoy the Wren College Union Christmas Party and get into the Christmas spirit early.

Final Totals - Entertainment Survey

Males . . . 242 Females . . . 304

Total Responses . . . 546

Most Popular Form of Entertainment:

Event	Total Votes
Popular Concerts	435
Musical Theatre	120
Classical Ballet	44
Popular Films	350
Serious Drama	109
Comedians	238
Speakers	105
Classical Concerts	68
Modern Dance	137
Classical Films	76
Television	196
Coffeehouse	216
Opera	11

Most Popular Type of Music:

Show Music - 83
Country - 48
Symphonies - 44
Jazz - 98
Hard Rock - 187
Country Rock - 196
Chamber - 26
Top 40 - 25
Disco - 17
Soul - 9

Most frequently find out about upcoming events through:

Announcer 151
Posters 440
Events Calendar 239
Hilltop 90
WVMH-FM 87

Support for Appalachian Craft Classes:

Yes = 233 No = 205

Most Frequent Free-Time Activities:

Watching T.V. 297
Going to the Gym 157
Hiking 102
Going to the Recreation Room 124
Reading 180
Dancing 148
Movies 350
Lectures 47
Hobbies 127

Preference For:

Concerts = 267 Dances = 274

Will Attend Tuesday Night Movies:

Yes = 326 No = 97