

# The Secretary's Page

Larry Norton

The twenty-eighth national convention of Pi Kappa Delta will be held on the campus of the University of Nebraska at Omaha from March 26 to 30. A national Pi Kappa Delta convention is designed for experienced and talented forensic students who are ready for something more than can be offered by the ordinary tournament. It is planned to emphasize both the convention and the contest features of a national assembly. From the opening memorial service and charter presentations on Monday evening to the installation of officers and presentation of awards on Friday evening, the program includes 16 scheduled meetings for student and faculty delegates in addition to the 39 contests in eight forensic events and a choice of the scheduled tours.

The result of the chapter balloting on extempore subjects appears elsewhere in this issue. The first choice was "Changing American Values" which received 135 points for the low total of rankings. It received 34 first place votes of the 79 valid ballots returned. "American Foreign Policy" placed second with a total of 158 points and "Ecological Balance" ranked third with 175 points.

**Convention Attendance** — With our convention centrally located this year we can expect a maximum number of chapters represented. Many of our chapters which have not been active during the past two or three years are indicating a revival of interest on the part of students. Remember to check Article V, Division A, Section 13 of the constitution in regard to convention attendance. Any chapter failing to have a delegate at two consecutive national conventions shall be placed on probation. Attendance is defined as answering present to roll call at not less than two business sessions of the convention and one of these must be the final session.

**Convention and Contest Rules** — Be sure to read and reread the rules carefully. There are several changes from two years ago. Note that extempore debate has been continued as an event but there will be only six rounds. Individual events have been reduced from four to three rounds. Informative speaking has been added as the experimental event for this convention. Some interesting changes have been made in the discussion subject and procedures. Give special attention to rules for debate entries. Be sure that all contestants are members of Pi Kappa Delta.

**Entry Forms** — These will be mailed in late January so that you should receive them by Feb. 1, 1973. If you haven't received the form shortly thereafter, let us know. The entries must be returned to show a postmark no later than March 1, 1973. We are setting this date a week closer to the convention than in previous years so that your list of entries can be accurate. A confirmation of your entry will be sent within a few days of its arrival.

**Registration** — The registration desk will open on Monday, March 26 at 8:30 a.m. It will close at 6:00 p.m. to permit all delegates to attend the opening meeting of the convention that evening. If you cannot arrive in time to complete registration before 6:00 p.m., please call long distance and permit the contest committees to make their final plans.

**Housing** — Housing information will be sent to the chapters with the entry form in late January. You will find that the rates are reasonable. Note that you will write directly to the place of your choice for reservations.

**Voting Delegate** — If you haven't already appointed your official voting delegate, now is the time. The voting delegate may be a student or faculty member and should be well informed about the purposes and ideals of Pi Kappa Delta.

**Charter Presentations** — We are assured of having an impressive number of new chapters represented in Omaha to receive charters on Monday evening. Let us all be there to welcome them into Pi Kappa Delta.



# CONSTITUTION REVISION PROPOSALS

The following proposals, originated by the Constitution Revision Committee (Jim Grissinger, John Burt, Bob Lyon) or by the National Council, were discussed and recommended for submission by the National Council in August of 1972. They will be considered in business sessions at the March Convention.

## AMENDMENT 1

Strike the word "Competitive" in all references to the present Order of Competitive Speaking, and substitute the word "Individual" so that it will read: Order of Individual Speaking.

## AMENDMENT 2

Article IV, Division C: strike all paragraphs describing the Order of Competitive Speaking and substitute the following descriptions in appropriate place.

(N.B. all sections of the amendment to be considered at one time to insure unity within the Order.)

**[Fraternity]** 1. (a) Order of Individual Speaking. The candidate shall have represented his college in six rounds at recognized inter-collegiate contests in events approved by the National Convention; or have presented six non-classroom speeches; or a combination of six contest rounds and non-classroom speeches.

**[Proficiency]** 2. (a) Order of Individual Speaking. In at least two college years and with at least two subjects, the candidate shall have participated in 12 rounds at recognized inter-collegiate contests in events approved by the National Convention; or have presented 12 non-classroom speeches; or a combination of 12 contest rounds and non-classroom speeches.

**[Honor]** 3. (a) Order of Individual Speaking. In at least two college years and with at least three subjects, the candidate shall have participated in 18 rounds at recognized inter-collegiate contests in events approved by the National Convention; or have presented 18 non-classroom speeches; or a combination of 18 contest rounds and non-classroom speeches. He may also qualify by receiving a rating of "Excellent" in a contest sponsored by the National Convention.

**[Special Distinction]** 4. (a) Order of Individual Speaking. In at least three college years and with at least four subjects, the candidate shall have participated in 24 rounds at recognized inter-collegiate contests in events recognized by the National Convention; or have presented 24 non-classroom speeches; or a combination of 24 contest rounds and non-classroom speeches. He may also qualify by receiving a rating of "Superior" in a contest sponsored by the National Convention.

## AMENDMENT 3

Article V, Division A, Section 1, lines 2 and 3: strike word "persons eligible to membership in" and substitute "members of."

## AMENDMENT 4

Article V, Division A, Section 3, line 9: insert between the words "graduates" and "may" the phrase "and faculty members."

## AMENDMENT 5

Article V, Division A, Section 13: add "Under exceptional circumstances, chapters in good standing may petition to be excused from National Convention attendance. Petitions, available from the Chairman of the Charter and Standards Committee, must be filed prior to the National Convention and then approved by a majority vote of the National Council and by the appropriate Province Governor."

## AMENDMENT 6

Article V, Division B, Section 2, lines 2 and 3: strike "Lieutenant Governor" and substitute "Governor-Elect."

## AMENDMENT 7

Article V, Division C, Section 3: insert between "c" and "d" (and advance lettering of "d" and "e" to "e" and "f") "The National President will appoint a Nominating Committee of at least three persons to make such nominations as required by the National Constitution to be filled by election at the National Convention."

## AMENDMENT 8

Article V, Division C, Section 5, paragraph (b), lines 5 and 6: strike the sentence "Each member to be rotated on a two year basis," and substitute the sentence, "Each member shall serve for two years."



# First Province Produced Leaders

D. J. Nabors  
Historian

When Pi Kappa Delta organized its Provinces, The Plains was designated as Province number one. The Plains deserves this distinction because it was the scene of much of the activity in the formative days of Pi Kappa Delta. The germinating idea for the society that has become the largest and most active forensic organization in the world developed at Ottawa University in the minds of a sophomore student and his teacher, John A. Shields and E. R. Nichols. Without their untiring efforts for several years Pi Kappa Delta might have died in infancy. Pi Kappa Delta has placed a plaque at Ottawa to commemorate this event, and Ottawa holds the honor of being chapter number one.

The Province of the Plains contributed another first to forensic history by holding the first intercollegiate debate tournament when 10 teams from the Province met at Southwestern College in 1923. This event did more to change the structure of college debate than anything since the first intercollegiate competition was held. The National Convention quickly adopted the idea of the debate tournament and included it in the 1926 National Convention program which was held in the Province of the Plains with meetings at Greeley, Estes Park, and Ft. Collins, Colo.

The Plains has provided a significant number of the leaders of Pi Kappa Delta. Six of the National Presidents taught at colleges and universities in the Plains: E. R. Nichols, J. R. MacArthur, Alfred Westfall, George R. R. Pflaum, S. R. Toussaint, and Francis Short. Another President, W. V. O'Connell, received his indoctrination into Pi Kappa Delta from Pflaum while a student at Emporia State College. Two other Presidents, Ed Betz and Martin Holcomb, taught in colleges in the Plains but were elected from other Provinces. Six of the 10 men who signed the first constitution as National Founders taught in the Plains and brought in chapters. Another, Nichols, brought in chapters at Ripon and Redlands after leaving Ottawa.

The Plains has provided other leaders important to Pi Kappa Delta in its early

years. The National Secretary during the first 40 years was in a school in the Plains except for one four year period. The Editor of the *Forensic* was from the Number One Province for half of our 60 years.

An Honor Roll for the Province of the Plains would include names such as J. Thompson Baker, Leroy Allen, R. H. Ritchie, J. H. Lawrence, G. S. Fulbright, J. R. Pelsma, Enid Miller Hoffman, Maurice A. Hess, Charles T. Battin, Leroy Laase, C. Horton Talley, Jack Howe, and Edna Sorber in addition to those mentioned earlier. Many of these were highly successful debate coaches, tournament directors, province officers, members of the National



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Council, and chapter sponsors. Some are now deceased or retired while others have moved to other fields of service.

The Province of the Plains was host to the National Convention five times during its first quarter century, the last one being the Silver Anniversary Convention at Topeka in 1938. After an absence of 35 years Pi Kappa Delta returns to the Number One Province to observe its 60th Anniversary, a Province rich in Pi Kappa Delta history.



# "One Man Speaking" — A Valuable Thing

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Much has been written in recent forensics magazines about the advantages and disadvantages of the stalwart of most forensics programs — debate. The emphasis on winning, the lack of real "relevance" in terms of teaching the ability to communicate, the proliferation of the "little furry critter" cases have been weighted against the purported benefits of teaching the student to listen critically, to organize clearly and to think on his feet.

Interestingly enough, very little controversy has been raised about the "other part" of many forensics programs — the individual events. This may be because some of the more successful debate schools do not consider individual events "legitimate". To me, this is unfortunate: individual events offer concrete values to the students participating and to the forensic program itself.

Individual events offer the student a chance to measure his efforts against others. The oral interpreter who communicates literature successfully to the Rotary club finds a different experience in testing his performance against others. The speaker who impresses his beginning speech class with his persuasive speech sees his efforts in a new light when he measures his presentation against other contestants. In listening to others the student becomes familiar with new materials, gets new perspectives on old ideas and discovers effective — and not so effective — methods of communication.

The person participating in individual events is evaluated by a variety of judges. I will grant that some students might discount the advantage of receiving diametrically opposed critique sheets when they made their presentation "exactly the same way," but they need to know that while some experts found quality, others found flaws in their presentation.

Individual events provide a rich variety of experiences. The old standbys, oratory and extemp are being challenged in popularity by oral interpretation. Rhetor-

ical criticism, after dinner speaking, informative public address, and impromptu are among some of the more specialized events. Whether in a festival or tournament setting, each type of event offers special benefits and they all provide the student the chance to perform and to be evaluated before an audience and under conditions different from a classroom. How can he learn poise and competence without new challenges and experiences?

For those planning to teach speech or theatre in high school, participation in individual events prepares them for the principal who announces, "And of course you will prepare the students for the District Speech Contest." Most of us know at least one or two high school speech teachers who are learning about individual events by coaching them and this is usually unfortunate for the teacher and the students.

Another advantage of individual events is that it offers the student who does not debate a way to become involved in forensics. Some students seem frightened of the very idea of debate. Others feel they cannot spend the time debate requires, but they enjoy working on an oration, doing extemp or preparing selections for interp. They enjoy spending a weekend away from campus and competing with students from other colleges.

By involving "non debaters", individual events make a major contribution to the forensics program as a whole. As institutional budgets suffer from decreasing student enrollment and increasing expenditures, forensic budgets also suffer, and the "art of persuasion, beautiful and just" becomes the only way to convince the President, the Student Senate, or whoever parcels out the money that a forensic program cannot exist on words alone. While my school has not yet gone to cost accounting, the number of students actively involved in the program is an important statistic! I need a sizeable group of individual eventers to count. I have also found that the most effective recruiting device is an enthusiastic forensics person encouraging a friend to "join the squad", and the more people involved — the more potential recruiters.



Then there is the matter of trophies and awards. Fortunately, my administration does not require "winning teams" as a prerequisite for a renewed contract, but they are very aware and very complimentary when the forensic squad does well, and so far, the majority of our "winners" have been in individual events.

At Wesleyan the oral interp events have been effective in bridging the gap which sometimes exists between the "theatre bunch" and the "forensic freaks". Many of our theatre majors participate in tournaments and enjoy listening to other events. Occasionally they even tag along with our debaters, "just to see what it is really like". On rare occasions some

"theatre people" have ventured into the debating arena, with varying degrees of success and failure. This cross-fertilizing between the speech and theatre areas has been very beneficial.

I am sure many of the criticisms currently leveled against debate may also be applied to individual events. Perhaps we place too much emphasis on the competition and on winning; perhaps the situations in which our people perform and the events they prepare for are not really "relevant". All of us who have coached individual events recognize some flaws in the way we are now doing things, but I firmly believe that individual events can be beneficial to the individual and to the forensic program.

## ***Help Us Select Leadership Carefully***

The National President has appointed and the National Council has approved the following Nominating Committee to help screen candidates for the new Council to be elected in Omaha:

Grace Walsh, Chairman, University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire

Hollis Todd, Member, Mississippi College

Ray Yeager, Member, Bowling Green State University

Roger Hufford, Member, Clarion State College

Hal Bochen, Member, Fresno State College

We ask that you submit as soon as possible the names of those whom you believe would make significant contributions to national leadership. Please supply names along with whatever pertinent supporting material you wish to the Chairman or other member of the Nominating Committee. The constitution requires submission of at least five nominees, three of whom have never been on the National Council.



# CHAPTER NOTES . . . *Edited by Phyllis Bosley*

## PROVINCE 1 2 Chapters Reporting

COLORADO STATE UNIVERSITY  
*Reporter: Pam O'Shea*

The 1971-1972 school year culminated for members of the CSU Forensics Team on May 12 when our annual spring banquet was held at the Holiday Inn. We were proud to initiate nine members into Pi Kappa Delta and our new officers were elected: Bob Trierweiler, president; Mike Weber, vice-president; and Pam O'Shea, secretary-treasurer. Bob and Pam were named by Mr. Bill Haskins, coach, as being the outstanding forensic participants at CSU for the year.

The goals of our program are to teach rational discourse, to be able to communicate with all types of audiences, to train the student to be analytical on a variety of topics, and to improve the student's communicative skills. Our activities took place with those goals in mind. We were especially pleased with the results of our newly developed "On-Campus" programs which included discussions aired on CSU's radio station, debates presented for the benefit of CSU students, and bringing guests to speak on campus. Women's Liberation, Busing, Population Stabilization, Presidential Nominees, and ROTC on the College Campus were among topics of discussion. Our special guests included two debaters from Great Britain who discussed the merits of the British system of education, and a team from the Air Force Academy who chose to discuss Public Drunkenness. We were also fortunate enough to be able to host two high-school tournaments at CSU and our forensic members thoroughly enjoyed being invited to hold high-school workshops in debate and special events at schools throughout the state. In May, six members of Pi Kappa Delta traveled to Missouri and were rated excellent at the Province Tournament.

Our team members have also been extremely active in non-forensic activities. Bill Donovan is co-chairman of CSU's

Student Senate and has been nominated to appear in the National Student Register. Bob Trierweiler is president of the Natural Science Council and has been appointed to the President's Roundtable as a representative of that organization. Mike Weber has earned a position on the Creative and Performing Arts Council and has been selected to appear with the University Chorus. Dave Cain was the star halfback for one of CSU's intramural football teams. Cindy Smiley is active in Citizens for Colorado's Future, and Kim Hanson is a member of CSU Women in Broadcasting. Our two Greeks, Steve Teumer and Pam O'Shea, have been active in Sigma Alpha Epsilon and Alpha Chi Omega.

This year, CSU Forensics hopes to further develop the on-campus program. In November, members of the Denver Olympic Committee came to CSU to discuss the advantages of the Olympics in Colorado. Other topics of interest include Sexism at CSU and the Mass Media in Society. We have already held our first high-school tournament, and Marti Lengel deserves special recognition for handling the tournament superbly. We are looking forward to this year and hope that it will be as rewarding for us as last year.

## SOUTHWESTERN COLLEGE, KANSAS

*Reporter: Jan Schuetz*

Chapter officers this year are Wendell Barker, president; Cathy Graber, vice-president; Steve Hailey and Don McKinney, initiation chairmen and Julia Rhodes, secretary. Our chapter sponsor is Jan Schuetz.

Chapter activities for the past year included a fall departmental reception for freshmen; a September high school invitational debate tournament; a December college invitational debate tournament and a May state high school forensics competition. We hosted the British debaters; sponsored a Pi Kappa Delta initiation and dinner and the PKD Alumni





*Members of Pi Kappa Delta at Southwestern College, Winfield, Ks., display some of the trophies won during the past year.*

drive and we participated in high school recruitment seminars during the spring semester.

Our chapter activities for this year will be the same as in 1971-72 except that we won't host the British.

We have several outstanding Pi Kappa Deltans. Wendell Barker is college defense attorney and Steve Hailey is college investigating attorney. Ron Gore and Cathy Graber are Student Senate delegates.

Several of our PKD past officers are attending law school. Attending the University of Kansas are Hal Reed, chapter president for 70-71 and Sarah Graber, chapter secretary for 69-70. Don Lawrence, chapter president for 69-70, is a law student at the University of Colorado.

Last year, our chapter members participated in sixteen tournaments and won 21 trophies and awards. The team won 70 per cent of all the rounds in which they participated. Active PKD members include: Wendell Barker, Steve Hailey, Cathy Graber, Julie Rhodes, Don McKinney, Ron Gore, Marilyn Taylor and John Phillips.

## **PROVINCE 2 1 Chapter Reporting**

### **WILLIAM JEWELL COLLEGE, MISSOURI**

Never a dull moment at William Jewell. Flying off to North Dakota State, Fargo, for a tournament, the debaters left behind their 50-pound file of extemp material, and it took all but a highway patrol escort to get it on a later plane. But the chase paid off: Bill Book won first in extemp, and Georgia Brady won third. The squad placed third in sweepstakes, with only five students entered.

Chapter officers hold monthly dinner planning-meetings, and the culmination of one was the mailing of Christmas cards to all of our alumni who have contributed to our scholarship fund. A before-Christmas party brought together our new potential members for an evening of fun.

Our Blizzard tournament will take place Feb. 9-10, and will include extemporaneous speaking and persuasive speaking on Friday evening. If you want to be invited, just let us know.



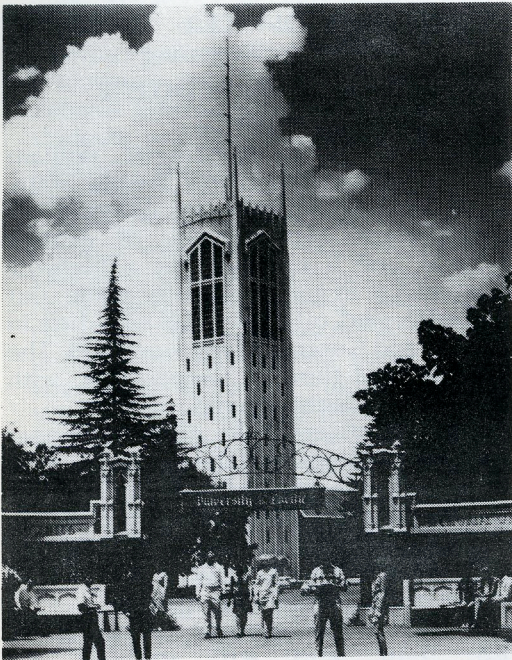
## PROVINCE 4 2 Chapters Reporting

### UNIVERSITY OF PACIFIC, CALIFORNIA

The largest annual speech tournament in the nation was held Nov. 22-25 at University of the Pacific. The Western Speech Communication Association Forensic Tournament involved approximately 1000 people, with the participants coming from some 85 colleges in 11 western states.

They competed for 152 trophies in a variety of divisions and categories. Individual events included interpretative reading, persuasive speaking, extemporaneous speaking, and expository speaking. There were four divisions of debate: junior and senior men and junior and senior women.

Assisting UOP in sponsoring the tournament was Delta College, where Ginger Vogler is director of forensics. Dr. Paul Winters, director of forensics at Pacific, was chairman of the tournament. He also is speech activities coordinator for the Western Speech Communication Association



*University of Pacific hosted the Western Speech Communication Association Forensic Tournament last November.*

## CALIFORNIA STATE, STANISLAUS

Reporter: Jim Austin

1971-72 was an active year for forensics at CSCS and '72-'73 looks like more of the same. Last year we attended the Provincial tournament and this year our plans include the Nationals at Omaha.

Last year our chapter sponsored a Readers' Theatre Workshop. This year we are co-sponsoring with the Speech Department a full-scale Oral Interpretation and Readers' Theatre Festival with six individual events and two Readers' Theatre events.

The women have come into power this year. Our officers are: Marie Blocher, president; Sue Christman, vice-president; Sharon Wallace, secretary-treasurer and Donna Oppelt, reporter.

At the Provincial tournament last year, our sponsor, Richard Lucas, was elected secretary-treasurer of the Province. His wife, Doris J. Lucas, was bestowed honorary membership last year and his daughter, Marcia, is also competing for recognition. Forensics has become a family affair with them.

California Chi will soon obtain their first members of Distinction. Anne Konzi and Jim Austin have met the requirements.

We plan on growing as much as last year and we plan on keeping busy. We only wish that someone could plan a 28-hour day for all the things that we want to do.

## PROVINCE 6 5 Chapters Reporting

### HARDING COLLEGE, ARKANSAS

Arkansas Zeta chapter began its 1972-73 year with the following officers: President, Tom Estes; vice-president, Richard Paine; secretary-treasurer, Jana Smith; and parliamentarian, Roger Castle.

Pat Garner, a former Harding debater, has returned from attending graduate school at Illinois State to assume teaching responsibilities here. He is also acting as assistant debate coach and co-sponsor of Pi Kappa Delta.

In tournament competition, the Harding debaters have consistently advanced to elimination rounds and have won numerous individual events. Tournaments already attended include Middle Tennessee University, Lamar University, and





*L-R: Larry Wilson, Richard Paine, Susan Clark, Jana Smith, Joe Cardot, Joe Koram, Harding College debaters, won second place, novice division and third place sweepstakes.*

Louisiana Tech University. Harding captured the third place sweepstake trophy at Louisiana Tech.

Plans for future activity include a student congress to be held in Little Rock in order to allow college and high school students of Arkansas to participate in a simulated congressional situation. Harding's annual high school debate workshop and tournament took place early in December.

The chapter is engaged in plans to initiate a speaker's bureau on the Harding campus. The purpose would be to keep a file of campus entertainment groups and speakers who would be available for organizations upon request. We feel this will benefit both the individuals participating and the college community.

#### STATE COLLEGE OF ARKANSAS

*Reporter: Eulea Knowles*

Arkansas Eta chapter has elected the following officers: John Townsley, president; Phyllis Garcia, vice-president; Eulea Knowles, corresponding secretary,

and Pam Myers, recording secretary. Dr. Glenn Smith, chairman, Department of Speech and Theatre Arts, is our sponsor.

In conjunction with the Speech and Theatre department, our chapter sponsored a high school workshop in October. Members have also been active in debate tournaments hosted here and at other schools. Excellent and superior ratings were awarded in many areas for competition at Louisiana Polytechnical University in Ruston in October.

The chapter plans a forensic event for area high schools in the spring.

President John Townsley, also president of the Student Senate, has been active with women's rights reform on campus and other issues.

Eulea Knowles, recently selected to the *Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges*, was elected the first student ex-officio member to the Regional Council of the Southwest Theatre Conference at their meeting in November.





*One way to get to a tournament is via Winnebago, owned by La. Tech's debate coach. The team uses the doggy bus to travel to tournaments in a six state area.*

## LOUISIANA POLYTECHNIC UNIVERSITY

*Reporter: Patricia Spessard*

Louisiana Tech hosted their 23rd annual college debate tournament on Oct. 27-28, 1972. Twenty area schools attended. Dr. E. R. Minchew, past governor of the Province of the Lower Mississippi, and the Speech Department sponsored the tournament. Dr. Marty Beasley, Tech's debate coach, served as tournament director. Paula Pennington, PKD president, assisted with the postings and presentation of awards. She was aided by other PKD members who served in various capacities.

The tournament offered five individual events contests with both men's and women's divisions and two divisions of debate. Sweepstakes awards went to the University of Southwestern Louisiana, followed by North Texas State University and Harding College.

Tech has scheduled their high school tournament for mid-January.

## CENTRAL STATE UNIVERSITY, OKLAHOMA

*Reporter: Stephanie Pierce*

In a flurry of excitement and hard work, the debate squad at Central State University began its sixth year under the direction of Mr. Douglas Duke. We are honored that Barbara Norman, Director of Forensics at Central State, was named Governor of the Province of the Lower

Mississippi. New Pi Kappa Delta officers this year are Lee Sherman, president; Gary Hulse, vice-president; and Stephanie Pierce, secretary-treasurer. CSU is proud to add two new members to its squad. They are freshmen Rick Gregory and David Clampitt. Also, Dale Woody, a former debater at CSU, has rejoined us.

The highlight of the first semester's activities was the annual Broncho Debate Tournament Nov. 10-11. CSU will host its annual high school tournament in February. Debaters spent the early weeks of the fall semester doing research and sponsoring a speaker's bureau for local clubs and organizations. The debaters, with the cooperation of the Student Senate, are again sponsoring a series of student forums. These sessions center around campus-related activities and controversies.



*CSU debaters attended the Oklahoma Christian College debate Tournament on Nov. 3-4, 1972. CSU won sweepstakes as well as 1st place in the Senior division and 1st and 3rd place in the Junior division.*



## UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS, EL PASO

*Reporter: Penny M. Byrne*

The University of Texas at El Paso chapter of Pi Kappa Delta has elected new chapter officers: President, David Miller; vice-president, Rod Steinburg; secretary, Eileen Gorman.

Our major activity for this year will be aiding and abetting the University of Texas at El Paso Forensic Tournament — April 6-7. We will be providing transportation and guides into Juarez, Mexico as an extra added tournament attraction.

We are proud to report that two Pi Kappa Delta graduates are now at Harvard Law School — Bob Malone is in his second year, and Robert Fuentes is in his first.

This has been a "building" year for Pi Kappa Delta and the squad as a whole. Unfortunately the squad was "ravished" by graduation, but we have many eager freshmen pledges, and we will soon have many new members.

### PROVINCE 7 2 Chapters Reporting

#### HOPE COLLEGE, MICHIGAN

*Reporter: M. Harold Mikle*

New officers for Michigan Gamma are Vicki Tenhaken (Birnamwood, Wis.), president; Joan Lautenschleger (Dorr, Mich.), vice-president; and Marla Dannenbring (Santa Ana, Calif.), secretary-treasurer. Vicki Tenhaken, our president, was chosen this fall as Homecoming Queen.

Last year we were very successful. We won the sweepstakes at Battle Creek Community College and at the Bi-Province Convention at Gatlinburg, Tenn. Paul Bach won the National Extemp Championship at the Tournament of Finalists, DePaul University, Chicago. Joan Lautenschleger won the Michigan Extempore Championship for Women. And Hope was declared the winner of the Michigan Discussion Festival.

Probably our best known Pi Kappa Delta graduate is Guy VanderJagt. He was reelected to Congress in November.

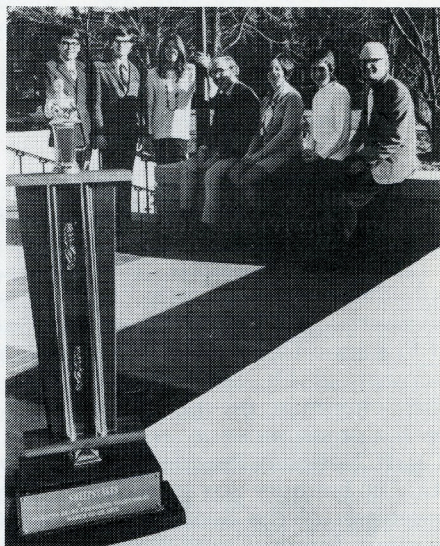
#### THE DEFIANCE COLLEGE, OHIO

*Reporter: Jan J. Younger*

The Defiance College Chapter of Pi Kappa Delta began in 1971 as Ohio Pi. The speech program has won almost 250

awards in the past five years. In its final two contest activities of the 1971-72 school year, it continued to experience success. The Defiance College team won the sweepstakes award at the first National Tournament of Finalists in Selected Individual Events at DePaul University, Chicago. The five team members of the Ohio Pi Chapter at the DePaul tournament were Jeff Rafsky and Alice Busson, who finished second and third respectively, in extemporaneous speaking; Candi (Winston) Tapscott in oratory; and Sue Skinner and Jane Bayles in interpretative reading. In the 99th Interstate Oratory Tournament held at Western Kentucky University, Bowling Green, Ky., Candi Winston Tapscott won first place in women's oratory. Candi was the second in her family to place at the Interstate Contest. Thirty years ago Candi's father, Julian Winston, finished second at the Interstate Tournament held at Northwestern University while speaking for William Penn College. Mr. Winston was also a member of Pi Kappa Delta.

Defiance is planning on attending its first Pi Kappa Delta National Tournament and Convention this year. It hopes to receive its charter at this convention. Dr. James Grissinger, Otterbein College, served as chapter sponsor.



*Hope College sweepstakes winners at Gatlinburg, Tenn. From left to right: Chad Busk, Paul Christenson, Karen Kent, Paul Bach, Molly Gates, Joan Lautenschleger, and M. Harold Mikle [Coach].*





*The Defiance College Speech Team were winners of the DePaul University National "Tournament of Finalists." Back row [L-R]: Candi Tapscott, Jane Bayles, Sue Skinner, and Alice Busson. Front row [L-R]: Jeff Rafsky and Prof. Jan Younger [Speech Coach].*

### **PROVINCE 8 3 Chapters Reporting**

SAINT OLAF COLLEGE,  
MINNESOTA

Reporter: James W. Pratt

Last April, Minnesota Beta Chapter hosted a Fiftieth Anniversary Banquet on the Saint Olaf campus. The banquet commemorated not only the fiftieth anniversary of the founding of the Saint Olaf Pi Kappa Delta Chapter but also the retirement of Dr. Theodore F. Nelson, former chairman of the Department of Speech, Communication, and Theatre Arts and past National President of Pi Kappa Delta. The banquet was attended by about 75 members of the Beta Chapter. Salutes to various forensic activities and to Dr. Nelson were presented by Dr. Ruth McGaffey, director of forensics at the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee; Mrs. Pauline Krieger, Rochester, Minn.; Mr.

Robert Forsythe, Saint Paul, Minn.; and Miss Martha Levardsen, a Saint Olaf debater. Dr. James Pratt, director of forensics and chapter sponsor, initiated four new members of Pi Kappa Delta. Dr. Kenneth Wilkens, department chairman and former chapter sponsor, was master of ceremonies. Dr. Nelson gave the anniversary address.

This fall, the Beta Chapter sponsored the first annual Saint Olaf Debate Tournament. The tournament, held in late October, was attended by about 200 students representing 30 schools from 7 midwestern states and California. The University of Iowa was the first place team in senior division; and MacAlester College was the first place team in junior division.

In January, the chapter sponsors the 18th annual Saint Olaf High School Forensics Tournament for schools in Minnesota and neighboring states.