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SWISHER ELECTED 32ND PKD PRESIDENT

Penny Swisher of William Jewell Col. In Liberty, MO was selected as the 32nd President of Pi Kappa Delta last night at the second business meeting of the 33rd National Convention and Tournament held here in Estes Park, CO. 109 ballots were turned in, only 6 were voided due to failure to comply to the preferential voting system. All eight council members voted, all the six alumni chapters voted, and 95 undergraduate chapters out of 110 present at the Convention cast ballots. Ms. Swisher is our youngest president ever elected by Pi Kappa Delta. Tom Harte who was elected in Seattle, WA as President and who served in that role at the St. Louis Convention in 1979 had been the youngest president until last night. Tom confided in the Pre-Conference program that he had just reached his 40th year and therefore supposed that he could be called an Old-Timer but he preferred not to be and that his wife didn't appreciate the designation at all even though she is considerably younger". If you can subtract, you will realize that Tom was elected President when he was 34; we did not feel it was discreet to ask the lady's age; if you want the specifics, feel free to ask her.

GARY HORN SELECTED VICE-PRESIDENT

A: that individual receiving the second highest number of ballot votes during the election last night, Gary Horn, Host of the 33rd Convention of Pi Kappa Delta and former Governor of the Province of the Plains, was elected to serve as Vice-President during the next two years until the 34th Convention which will mark the 75th anniversary of the founding of Pi Kappa Delta. Prof. Horn, in addition to being Director of Forensics at South-Western Col. in Winfield, KS. Having served on the National Council since his

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election in St. Louis in 1979, Gary has been extremely active both in and outside Pi Kappa Delta. Currently, he is serving as President of CEDA (1982-83); has taught in and directed the debate activities at the first two Summer Institutes for Pi Kappa Delta in CEDA and Individual Events; and he manages to host and co-host numerous state and regional tournaments during the year.

On his campus, Gary serves as a faculty representative on the Board of Trustees, giving him ample opportunity no doubt to practice the art of persuasion. Whether his work with administrators and trustees is "beautiful and just" we are not sure, you'll have to ask Gary yourself, if you want to know his technique for increasing a debate and forensics budget without getting other faculty members to cry "conflict of interests."

As founder of the Junior Varsity Nationals in Kansas City, KS., Gary has been instrumental in helping not only Pi Kappa Delta members and coaches but also in aiding in the development of small budget, small enrollment, and beginning two year programs of all types as well as stimulating growth in those Junior Varsity programs which were already well established in major forensic schools throughout his area and the entire forensic community.

SUNDAY RELIGIOUS SERVICES

CATHOLIC Mass will be offered Sunday morning, April 17 at 6:15 a.m. in Hyde Chapel where all the Pre-Conference Programs were conducted. Father Nicholas Rausch, O.S.B., Pi Kappa Delta Sponsor at St. Martin's Col. in Lacey, WA. invites all Catholics and any other PKD members or friends who wish to attend to be there on time.

SLATE FOR NATIONAL COUNCIL MEMBERS

The Nominating Committee announces its slate for the three slots on the National Council to be filled by members of the Order of Instruction. The candidates, listed in alphabetical order are:

Mike Bartanen, Pacific Lutheran U.
Terry Cole, Appalachian State U.
Robert Littlefield, North Dakota St.
David Ray, University of Arkansas at Monticello
Harry Strine, Bloomsburg State Col.

Supporters of each candidate will be given five minutes to speak on behalf of the person. Voting delegates will express their choices on a preferential ballot.

Delegates will have the opportunity to make nominations and give support speeches from the floor.

The Committee thanks all the students and faculty who placed names in nomination for the National Council slots.

Carolyn Keefe, Chairperson
Jeff Lukehart
Donna Tobias

MICHAEL BARTANEN cont. p.3

My association with Pi Kappa Delta began at Western Washington University where I vigorously pursued the debate and forensic program, achieving the degree of Highest Distinction in Debate. After completing my PhD in Communication Arts and Sciences from the U. of Southern California, I was named the Director of Forensics at Pacific Lutheran U. and have revived a competitive program in both Debate and I. E. until it now has a growing chapter averaging 12 to 15 members each year. I hold an order in Instruction in I.E. and Debate in the degree of Highest Distinction. Also I serve as Chairman of District II NDT Comm. and am a National Council Member of CEDA, and a former Governor of the Province of the Northwest; and have served on several AFA regional & Nat. Comm.

TERRY COLE

Having served on the National Council since my selection in Gatlinburg in 1981 as the Chairman of Charter and Standards, I have been fortunate enough to have a key role in solidifying old ties with Pi Kappa Delta chapters and in having the good fortune to work with administrators, faculty, and students in creating 19 new chapters for Pi Kappa Delta that received their charters during the first business meeting on Monday evening. I feel that the contacts that I have developed through this position will be helpful to the continued growth of PKD. If elected, I shall request to remain as the Charter and Standards representative on the National Council; I feel that a measure of continuity in this office is especially important to the on-going growth of the organization.

In my term on the National Council, I have come to recognize the problems facing Pi Kappa Delta in the future and have developed insights into possible solutions. I am particularly anxious to be a part of PKD growth and development in the next two years.

I remain committed to the objectives of Pi Kappa Delta; I remain committed to increasing involvement of all PKD members in the affairs of the organization; and I remain committed to serving Pi Kappa Delta by utilizing the experience and insights gained through my work with PKD to date.

ROBERT LITTLEFIELD

My Ph.D. in speech communication from the Univ. of Minnesota will be conferred this year, but my involvement with forensics and PKD began 12 years ago when I became a student member of PKD at Moorhead State in Minn. Through my involvement in debate and individual events activities I accumulated the necessary requisites to achieve the degree of Highest Distinction in PKD as a student in both I.E.'s and Debate Orders.

Having completed several years of coaching at North Dakota State U. in Fargo, ND, I also have achieved Highest Distinction in Instruction of both orders.

MICHAEL BARTANEN cont.

Pi Kappa Delta ought to be a leader in the forensic community. We ought to stress the traditional strengths of our organization -- its diversity, its commitment to friendships and other non-competitive values as well as the educational value which comes from hard work and competition. Pi Kappa Delta should meet the challenge of the 1980's and I would be proud to lend my efforts to this end.

DAVID RAY

I am a graduate of Texas Tech. U. in Psychology and a M.A. in Speech Comm. Currently, I am serving as the Director of Forensics and Debate at the U. of Arkansas at Monticello. Additionally, I have been cited as an Outstanding Educator of America, listed in Personalities of the South, and also cited in Outstanding Young Men in America. I also serve as a communication consultant to business and industry, am an author on business and professional communication, and have served previously as President of the Arkansas Speech Comm. Association. As an active church member, community and civic worker, I have additional opportunities to practice my skills of persuasion and to set an example for my students of democratic interaction.

When asked to establish an Undergraduate chapter of Pi Kappa Delta at U. of Arkansas at Monticello in 1973, I was delighted; that delight has grown with the years. Pi Kapp has a long and proud tradition. My students and I are most pleased to be a part of the PKD tradition. My colleagues have honored me by this nomination for membership on the National Council of Pi Kappa Delta. I look forward to the service with enthusiasm, if elected.

HUMOR IN THE RANKS WHATEVER THEY ARE ! !

Which Upper Miss. Student fell off a top bunk onto a judge in her round?

Which Upper Mississippi Student backed a car over someone's extempt. file?

ROBERT LITTLEFIELD cont.

North Dakota Delta, my chapter, received a special award at the 1981 National Convention at Gatlinburg for having the largest number of initiates for a two year period; we average 35 new members per year and have approximately 70 active members of our undergraduate chapter.

I have served as Sec.-Treas. of the Province of the Sioux, and have been privileged to work with Dr. C.T. Hanson, Province Governor, in assisting him with RKD activities as well as various AFA-NIET and Interstate Oratorical activities. Additionally, I have served on the the past two National Tournament Committee and have served on the Public Relations Committee for this Convention.

Pi Kappa Delta always has been important in my life. From 1971 to the present, I have been an active participant and advisor for Pi Kappa Delta chapters in the Province of the Sioux and in the Province of the Upper Mississippi.

As a young coach, I believe that I can represent and identify with the interests and concerns of both the members and sponsors of Pi Kappa Delta Chapters. I will do my best to maintain the high ideals of the order.

HARRY C. STRINE, III

I have served as the Director of Forensics for the past eight years at Bloomsburg State Col. in Pennsylvania and I have attended every Pi Kappa Delta National Tournament and Convention since 1973. I have served as Governor of the Province of the Colonies and as President of the PA Forensic Association

I appreciate the opportunity to run for the National Council. I have served on the National Tournament Committees at past conventions and have enjoyed the experience. Should I be fortunate enough to be elected I will continue to do my best to help Pi Kappa Delta in the years to come. At the tournament we host, we received a grant from the Reader's Digest Corp. that virtually paid for all aspects of the tournament. If elected, I will strive to search for outside funds to aid PKD with increasing costs.

VALUE CONFERENCE SCHEDULED

The Providence of the Lakes will hold the second annual Eastern Value Conference Workshop in West Virginia either the last weekend of September or the first weekend of October. The workshop will emphasize analysis of the Fall CEDA topic as well as novice and varsity theory sessions. For more information contact Brenda Logue, Towson State University, Towson, MD 21204.

TOWSON STATE HOST FOR 85 AFA-NIET

Towson State University has won the bid to host the 1985 AFA-NIET. The tournament will be held in Baltimore, MD., on April 13 - 16, 1985.

ON THE ROAD AGAIN

It has come to the attention of the national council that an amazing feat of endurance has been accomplished by one of our small but ACTIVE chapters for the Province of the Plains, (Chadron State College). Upon undertaking the adventuresome trip over snow packed, icy roads and hazardous weather conditions to reach national competition at the YMCA of the Rockies, they encountered not one but two - YES TWO - YMCA's of the Rockies. After strenuous competition against the 4 people lodged at the Snow Mountain Range in Granby, Colorado, (where by the way, they took top forensics honors, being the largest squad there, of course), they then took it upon themselves to drive 137 miles out of their way to grace this convention and tournament with their professional forensicators and oral activists. IN OTHER WORDS -- THANK GOD - WE'RE HERE!

OR

"What do you mean there are two Y's here?"

SUPPORTING THE SMALL

As a coach, for a college with an enrollment of 1,800 and a forensics budget of \$2,200, I would like to take this opportunity to comment on the discussion that took place regarding Amendment 504 at the Thursday evening business meeting. I feel that adding the sentence: "Any chapter MAY request exemption from probationary status due to extenuating circumstances." to clarify the intent of 504.2 is essential. It allows the proposed amendment to fulfill its goal of weeding out the institutions which may be using the prestige of the fraternity without planning to make any active contribution

Amendment Discussion Cont.

to the organization, and yet allowing schools such as mine to stay in good standing through lean years of low enrollment and extreme Budget Cuts. It is in no way an apology or a humiliation for any chapter to take this step, only a means of communication of individual chapter status to the National Council. Possibly with this information they can even help us with suggestions for funding and boosting our ranks! It is my finding that their goal is only to increase participation in forensics and encourage any type of active participation no matter how small. Please, understand the revision and amendment for their overall purpose -- to strengthen Pi Kappa Delta -- and then vote for the revision to the proposed section of 504.2.

Gretchen Wheeler
Chadron State College
Province of the Plains

FINTON'S TOUR SERVICE

Dick Finton has compiled some personal evaluations of the facilities that exist in the Estes Park Area and since he is the Pi Kappa Delta Ambassador to any town or city in which our National Tournament is located, you will want to pick up copies of this at the Chamber of Commerce table in Longhouse. He establishes clearly which attractions are unique, those that are merely middle of the road, and all those you could find easily in your own home town. Since tomorrow may be your last time to see Estes Park the natural area or the town, we recommend Dick's suggestions and urge you to pick up your copy of the results of his investigation by early morning so that you will be set for a day on the town or in the country.

DON'T FORGET PICTURES PICTURES

A second National Convention Picture is scheduled for Saturday at 8:15 a.m. in the paved parking area east of the Long House. EVERYONE BE THERE'. Also squad portraits may be taken Saturday 6:30-7:30 p.m. in the Dining Area.