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CHI'S OCTOBER MEETING

For our October meeting, we ran into a series of surprises! When Maryann went to open the room on meeting day, she found a construction company on the premises who had already knockeddown the common wall to our reserved two room suite! This caused a problem with both the accommodations and our usual conveniences, not to say the attendant publicity which would have resulted. A quick telephone call to our President, Deanna, brought about a consensus that it was much too late to attempt to change the meeting location on such short notice. What to do? Deanna told Maryann that our only options were to cancel completely, or to throw ourselves on the mercy of the motel management and request a suitable exchange of rooms. With much trepidation. Maryann went back to the motel, explained our exact situation to the manager, and asked for help. The manager was both very understanding, and apologetic for the remodeling which was underway which was at the direction of the ownership and not properly coordinated. When he was made aware of our particular problem, he not only quickly made available alternative rooms, but also provided additional chairs and other necessesities, and also arranged a "private" entranceway to our new set of rooms! We were very appreciative to the motel management, and will hold future meetings there in consideration of their courtesy and understanding. In fact, the management has assured us that at the end of their remodeling, there will be a new meeting room complex, which will be entirely suitable to our needs, and will be made available to us. They want us back! This only proves what Virginia and Carol have told us many times: If you behave yourselves, and don't cause a problem, "Money talks." It sure did, and we expect to utilize this motel complex in times to come, as necessary when we need to meet in a "Motel." Although we always comport ourselves with discretion, whenever we utilize this particular Hyatt Motel we need not fear the trauma of an unexpected "discovery."

Even though there was a last-minute change of meeting rooms, we had a very large group in attendance for a "Motel" meeting: Karen IL-3-M, Joan IL-6-C, Mitzi IL-8-C, Donna IL-11-S, Rachel IL-14-B, Linda IL-16-S, Betty Ann IL-17-A, Fran IL-19-M, Lillian IL-24-C, Deanna IL-25-G, Kay IL-44-N, Linda IL-200-G, Maryann IL-203-B and Kathy, Mickey IL-204-S, Cheryl IL-206-P, Evyonne IL-210-P and Shirlee, Cheryl IL-213-M, Nancy IL-215-M, Lois WI-13-V, Jana IO-201-T, and prospective member Karen.

For our November meeting, we have as a tentative guest Angela, the Cosmetologist. She has been with us before (in March), and we are sure that she will again be most helpful. Most of our professional/commercial guests visit with us at no charge to the Chapter, but they are hopeful of "selling" their expertise or products to our membership. If you have need of cosmetics (in this instance), please patronize Angela; this will insure that she will continue to meke herself available to the Chapter. Our friends sincerely love to help us, but they also have to make a living. Use their services, assisting both them and the Chapter, but don't make a pest of yourself! If you wish to consult our friends on a professional basis, make a personal appointment but don't make a bore of yourself (and the Chapter) by constantly telephoning them at their home or place of work just to "talk;" they just don't have the time!

CHI	TREASURER'S	REPORT		
			Balance on hand, September 30th:	\$129.08
			Meeting Fees:	+105.00
			Regular Member Dues (½ year):	+ 9.00
			Associate Member Dues (½ year):	+ 4.00
			Donation:	+ 3.00
			Reserve Fund Interest:	+ 11.30
			Meeting Room:	- 74.00
			Refreshments:	- 41.00
			Postage:	- 21.15
			Supplies (Envelopes):	- 1.81
			Miscellaneous:	- 3.00
			Chapter Reserve Fund:	- 11.30
			Balance on hand, October 31st:	\$109.12

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The nomination of CHI Chapter Officers for 1981 will be held during our November meeting, with further nomination and the election of Officers during our December meeting. To be elected are: President, Vice-President, and Secretary/Treasurer. Any Regular Member of CHI is eligible to vote and to be elected to office, but those running for office should be persons who attend Chapter meetings on a fairly regular basis and are willing to accept the small amount of work the position requires. To be nominated a person must either be present on either of the nominating nights, or have given prior written consent to the nomination. If you won't run for an office, and/or come out and vote, don't complain! This is your Chapter.

ADVANCE NOTICE

Another joint meeting of CHI and Delta Chapters is now scheduled for the weekend of March 7th, in the Holland, Michigan, area. The weekend activities will be open to all Tri-Sigma members in the Great Lakes Area and surrounding States (you need not belong to either CHI or Delta Chapters to attend), as well as prospective members of the Sorority. Further information will be published shortly, so reserve this weekend now! Advance reservations <u>will</u> be required (with nominal "down-payment"), so appropriate plans for the weekend activities can be made.

CHI CHAPTER RESERVE FUND

At our September meeting, a question was raised about the purpose and use of our Chapter Reserve Fund. It was explained at that time that this fund was established primarily as a cushion against the time the Chapter would be short of cash for motel rental, refreshments, etc. It was also intended that the fund could serve as assistance for any member who had a legal problem concerning cross-dressing, and was willing to pursue it in the Courts. The question was tabled, for further consideration at our October Meeting. After further discussion at our meeting last month, it was agreed that there would be no change in the purpose, or handling, of our Reserve Fund monies. The Chapter Reserve Fund will remain as a cushion against unexpected Chapter obligations, or for any other specific purpose that the Chapter as a whole may choose to support.

FUTURE OUTING

CHI is planning a Special Event, after the first of the year, for couples only. Under the sponsorship of Maryann, the Chapter is planning another theater outing. This is intended as a strictly social evening (no dressing), to allow everyone to get together on a strictly "fun" basis. It will also be a good time to introduce your wife or girlfriend to the "group," to break the ice if she has never met us before. We are tentatively planning a dinner at the Blackhawk Restaurant, followed by the show "Evita" (provided it is still playing at that time). Otherwise, another alternate dinner/show will be selected. Full details will be published as soon as firm plans are made. Advance reservations will be required. A MATTER OF COURTESY

CHI regularly has professional guests at our meetings. They always have something say, or to demonstrate, which is of interest to our Chapter membership. But, during their presentation, our members seem to have a need to walk in-and-out, or to engage in personal conversations. This is a discourtesy to our invited guests, and is a reflection on our Chapter. None of our guest-presentations is overly long, and we do not think that it is unreasonable to request your courteous (and silent) attention during that period. Our guests are giving us of their time, can't you give them your undivided attention during the period set-aside for them?

SUPPLEMENTARY CHAPTER ACTIVITIES

Since many of our CHI Chapter members want additional opportunities to express their "Femmeselves," we plan to hold an <u>extra</u> social get-together each month in addition to our regular monthly meeting. This Social will be strictly optional, and not involve a formal "meeting" or the collection of dues or fees for the Chapter. The first Social will be held at the Lite Factory on November 5th, starting at 7:00 P.M. Jack and Gayle, the owners of the Lite Factory, are aware of both CHI Chapter and Tri-Sigma Sorority, and encourage our attendance "en-femme." We are welcome to attend that evening (or any other); see you there?



CHI'S CHRISTMAS MEETING

As usual, we would like to hold our December Christmas meeting "in the home," rather than in a motel. But, to do this, we need a volunteer to be hostess for our Christmas gathering. Any volunteers? If you are interested in supporting your Chapter in this way, please drop a note to Donna Martin before the November meeting or let us know that night. If there are no volunteers, we will be "in a Motel" for our Christmas meeting. Please discuss our Chapter's problem/situation with your (accepting) spouse, and let us know!

VIDEO TAPE EXCHANGE?

Your Editor, Donna Martin, now has a video recorder (Beta II/III system), and would be interested in receiving and exchanging tapes on cross-dressing programs which are produced on a local (non-network) basis. CHI can also make similar tapes available to all of our Chapters on a nation-wide basis, with such a program perhaps being coordinated by Carol Beecroft in California. Please let me know if you have equipment and would be interested in participating in such an exchange program, and/or if you have available the necessary duping equipment to overcome the differences between the Beta/VHS systems. If enough members are interested, we will see what we can do to establish a national exchange system to benefit all of our Chapters and kindred organizations.

CHI'S NOVEMBER MEETING

The next meeting of CHI Chapter will be held on the third Saturday of the month, November 15th. Details of the meeting place and time will be found on a separate sheet (Chapter and Associate members only). Regular members please promptly return the post card enclosed with this newsletter; Associate members who plan to attend the next meeting please drop a note to Donna Martin, so we will know to expect you.

Until next time.

at (312) 455-3709, or call the motel and ask for the "Tri-Sigma Room." Our room numbers will also be listed on the bulletin board in the main lobby of the motel under "Tri-Sigma."



Our November 15th meeting is scheduled for the Midway Motor Lodge, 1600 Oakton Street, Elk Grove Village. The motel is located just northwest of the intersection of Route 83 (Oakton Street) and Route 72 (Higgins Road), just a few miles northwest of O'Hare Airport. We have reserved a suite (Rooms 160/162/164) on the first floor, with access through the entrance marked number "6" on the northwest side of the motel complex. (Alternate suite will be Rooms 166/168/170). Our rooms will be open after 2:00 P.M. for the convenience of our members who are traveling long distances, with the usual sign on the room door for identification. If any out-of-town members would like overnight accommodations, please add a note to your postcard reply and we will do our best to reserve a room for you in the immediate vicinity of our meeting rooms.

If you have a last-minute problem, or change of plans, please telephone Deanna (Dave) at (312) 455-3709, or call the motel and ask for the "Tri-Sigma Room." Our room numbers will also be listed on the bulletin board in the main lobby of the motel under "Tri-Sigma."

