

REFRESHMENTS TO BE SERVED!

MEALS WILL BE "POT LUCK"

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By the time you receive this newsletter, both Christmas and New Years Day will have passed, and we will have entered into 1981. In the first issue of our newsletter each year, we take a moment to look backward, then forward. And, this year is no different than the years which have already gone by. Another milestone was reached this year in continuing efforts to improve our national organization by Carol Beecroft, through the strong support and assistance of your National Officers, Area Directors, Regional Coordinators, Chapter Officers,

and YOU, the individual member! Tri-Sigma, as both an organization in its own right, and as a voice for our interests at large, is growing stronger on a daily basis. Another milestone event was the second national Tri-Sigma Convention in New Orleans last fall. We will look forward to continued interest and participation in annual conventions in the future, with the next one scheduled for the west coast in the fall of this year. On a local basis, CHI Chapter improved in both interest and participation in the last twelve months, with attendance at our monthly meetings reaching an all time high. We have grown so much that we have had to seek larger quarters for our meetings, to better serve our Chapter membership. Many new and potential members have been located, through the earnest efforts of a few dedicated Chapter members. Many new Chapters are in the process of being formed, with the latest recognized Chapter being Lambda Delta which serves central and southern Indiana, southern Ohio, and central and northern Kentucky. We expect that in 1981 even more Chapters will be formed, to serve our membership on a more local basis. This issue of the "CHI Tribune" is the Fourth Anniversary Edition of an expanded CHI newsletter for all members of the Great Lakes Area, and we hope that those of you who have been regular readers have enjoyed it. For those of you who are not associated with a Chapter, we have tried to let you learn about Chapter activities and hopefully encourage you to join or form a group. So, another year has passed. What does the future hold for CHI Chapter, the Great Lakes Area, and Tri-Sigma Sorority? Although it may seem repetitious, I continue to hold the same hope that it holds the promise of further increasing our membership, to help open more of those "locked doors" which we all know so well; I hope it holds the promise of all of us working together in harmony for the common good; and I hope it holds the promise of our continuing to be an active and progressive organization. Do you have these same hopes? Let's see what we can do together in 1981!

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 are open to all Tri-Sigma members in the Great Lakes Area and surrounding States and Provinces (you need not belong to either CHI or Delta Chapters to attend), as well as prospective members of the Sorority who are vouched for by Chapters, or personally by individual Sorority members. A separate "flyer" on the meeting is enclosed, and reservations are being accepted now; first come, first served, for the most favorable accommodations. Full details will be forwarded to all who forward their registration and deposits, but additional information may be requested through the address shown on the flyer.

CHI'S DECEMBER MEETING

Wow, what a meeting! Since our current generation of records have been kept (since January, 1974), this was the best attended meeting CHI Chapter has had. We were enthused and overwhelmed to have with us: Karen IL-3-M, Joan IL-6-C and Pat, Mitzi IL-8-C and Phyllis, Donna IL-11-S, Rachel IL-14-B, Linda IL-16-S and Gerry, Betty Ann IL-17-A, Elaine IL-22-A, Lillian IL-24-C, Sharon IL-25-H, Janna IL-28-P, Deanna IL-35-G and Marilyn, Kay IL-44-N, Maryann IL-203-B and Kathy, Naomi IL-212-O, Cheryl IL-213-M, Jean WI-3-S, Carolyn IN-7-B, Susan IO-1-I; prospective members Susan, Karen B., Karen G., Lorna and Teri, Julie, Laurie, Michelle and Sue, Jo, Tina, and Barbie; Guests (friends and co-workers of Deanna) Micky and girlfriend Kathy. Although it's a repetition, additional thanks to the wives and girlfriends who attended our Christmas meeting: Pat, Phyllis, Gerry, Marilyn, Kathy, Teri, Sue, and (the other) Kathy. We really appreciate the "real" girls being with us; it adds so much to our social well-being, and feeling of understanding and acceptance. Special thanks to them all!

We had another "first" for this Chapter meeting. Since it was the Holiday time of the year, with a greater than usual attendance expected, we felt that it would be most unfair, and a burden to ask our "home hostess" to prepare the customary Christmas buffet. So, we decided in November to have the refreshments 'catered' for our meeting last month. We had a choice of three entrees, along with salads, etc., and the caterer provided the plates utinsels, and warmers. Everyone (including our home hostess) could enjoy themselves, without concerning themselves with the preparation of refreshments. Everyone present felt that it was "well worth it," and we hope we will be able to continue in a similar way on future special occasions. A special word of thanks to Kay, who opened her home to us and provided additional special amenities which made our evening most enjoyable.

Deanna opened the short (but necessary) formal Chapter meeting with a "thank you" for those who have opened their homes to us during the 1980 calendar year: Rachel and Ellen, Linda and Gerry (twice), Deanna and Marilyn, Mitzi and Phyllis, and Kay. (Deanna omitted herself and Marilyn during the 'thanks,' but your Editor has included them in this listing for the record, as they should be!). Our Chapter would not be in the position it is, both socially or financially, without such wonderful members and wives as they are. Our deepest thanks to them all, and we hope that we will continue to be welcome in their homes.

Deanna reported that there was a good attendance at the special wig demonstration/sale early in December (date established too late to be included in the December newsletter, but reported at the November meeting), and at the monthly 'social' gathering at the Lite Factory on December the 10th. Approximately eight members attended each, and enjoyed themselves thoroughly.

Prospective member Michelle attended our last meeting, along with wife Sue who owns a lingerie shop. Sue has advised that she is ready to serve our members, on a most discreet basis, if they will contact her and make prior arrangements. (See her card, elsewhere in this issue).

FOR OUR "BEST GIRLS"

CHI is planning a Special Event, February 14th (Valentine's Day), for couples only. Under the sponsorship of Maryann and Deanna, 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, in a strictly social atmosphere. We will be having dinner at the Candlelight Dinner Playhouse in Summit, Illinois, followed by the in-the-round play, "The Follies." The basic cost includes a fine dinner (alcoholic beverages optional/extra), and the play. The cost will be \$25.00 per person, payable at the time the reservations are made; refunds (if any) for cancellation after the reservations are made will be strictly in accordance with the policy of the Playhouse, since the Chapter is sponsoring the evening as a courtesy only (no profit). Early reservations are required to insure that we both have dinner, and attend the play, as a group. Please forward your reservations (and monies) promptly to one of the co-sponsors, Maryann or Deanna; if you don't have either of their addresses you may send your reservation and fee to Donna Martin who will insure that one of the sponsors promptly receives it. Don't delay, decide now! This would make a fine Valentine's Day present for your Best Girl.

NEW OFFICERS

Final nominations, and the election of CHI Chapter Officers was held during our December meeting. Running without opposition, and elected by unanimous consent, were Deanna IL-35-G for President and Donna IL-11-S for Secretary/Treasurer. Karen IL-3-M and Linda IL-16-S were nominated for Vice-President; Karen was elected. Your new Officers thank everyone for their support and pledge their efforts toward maintaining and improving general plans and programs for the benefit of all Chapter members. However, your Officers cannot do everything themselves, and expect that each member will both help and cooperate as much as possible for the general good of the Chapter.

FUTURE CHI ELECTIONS

For more years than any current member has been associated with CHI Chapter, our annual election of Officers has been held during our December meeting. Due to our increased membership, and the "social" aspect of our Christmas meeting, the nomination and election of our Officers during the Holiday Season has become a burden. A motion was made, and approved, at our last meeting that future elections be held in the spring of the year to coincide with the renewal of Tri-Sigma national dues for the majority of our members. As part of the same motion, the term of office for our newly elected Officers will be extended approximately three months, thru March of 1982. Our next nomination and election of officers will be held in the spring of 1982, for a term of office of 12 calendar months rather than the present calendar year (January thru December). We hope that all members will understand the rationale for this change in our traditional procedure, and support it.

CHI TREASURER'S REPORT

Balance on hand, November 30th:	\$116.67
Meeting Fees:	+145.00
Regular Member Dues:	+ 60.00
Associate Member Dues:	+ 16.00
Donation (November Refreshments):	+ 57.50
Donation (Misc.):	+ 4.00
Meeting Room & Refund Fee:	- 55.00
Refreshments (Catered):	-134.47
Refreshments (Misc.):	- 18.00
Postage:	- 27.17
Supplies (Envelopes & Name Tags):	- 4.62
Miscellaneous:	<u>- 15.00</u>
Balance on hand, December 31st:	\$144.91

As reported by Cecily FCO-2-C, our Canadian Sisters have finally discovered the reason for the slowness of the United States and Canadian Postal Service mail deliveries! It seems that the C.I.A., and its Canadian opposite number, are jointly involved in developing a special breed of Turtle for a super-secret scientific purpose. Since funding by those agencies would "blow the cover," the project was assigned to the Postal Services of the two countries. The additional monies required for the project explains the exorbitant rates we have to pay for mail "services" on both sides of the border. Now turtles, like all other animals, have to have proper exercise. So, our mail is now being transported by Postal employees as they are exercising the turtles. Since this is a secret project, the turtles are popped into a mail sack whenever a taxpayer is sighted so few of us are able to see one of them. Curiously, the Canadian Government recently issued a postage stamp depicting a turtle. This stamp was quickly withdrawn, and its use discouraged, since it was a violation of the "Official Secrets Act." So, our rotten mail service is only a result of a plot to deceive the Russians; but, if the Russians do discover the project they wouldn't believe it anyway. I don't believe this story either, so the plan must be working in a wonderful way!

THE 'LAW' STRIKES, BUT WITH UNDERSTANDING!

One of CHI's Associate Members was recently stopped for speeding, by an Illinois State Trooper, while she was driving "dressed." Our member produced a valid driver's license in her legal (male) name. The Trooper very courteously proceeded to write the speeding ticket in a routine fashion, but checked off both the "Male" and "Female" boxes on the form! He apparently couldn't have cared less about the reason for cross-dressing, or the real sex of the person involved. A car with driver had been stopped for speeding, and a ticket was the order of the day. Our member paid the fine in the customary manner (without protesting the citation in Court, since it was "earned"), without any questions or problems. Case closed. A "Bouquet" to one very understanding Officer of the Law.

CHI'S JANUARY MEETING

The next meeting of CHI Chapter will be held on the third Saturday of this month, January 17th. Kay has again volunteered to be our Hostess. Details of the meeting place and time will be found on a separate sheet (for Regular and Associate members only). To assist Kay in preparing refreshments (not on a "catered" basis this month), please return your Post Card directly to Kay; Associate members either drop a note to Kay, or telephone her if you plan on attending. While no special program can be announced at this time, there is a possibility of a "special guest" in attendance. No promises, but come and find out!

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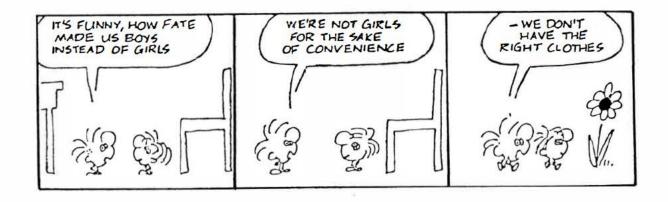
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Our meeting on January 17th will be held in Kay's home, Rik Grove. Although we will not be meeting in a motel, the current \$5.00 meeting fee will be collected to maintain our Treasury and to cover the refreshments.

Take any convenient route to Avenue, between and the part of the north. Drive is the third intersection on the left, going north on the south of the street. Park in the driveway if space is available. If you get lost, or have any last-minute problem, telephone Kay at Since our meeting is again in a private home, please return your post card promptly to kay so she will know how many to prepare refreshments for. Should your plans change after the post card is mailed, please telephone. You may arrive any time after 6:00 P.M., and if you arrive dressed Kay requests that you use discretion because of the neighbors.

