

*"Sakes alive  
Rochester Alumnae Panhellenic  
Is seventy-five!"  
Nineteen ninety nine on first of May  
We are celebrating our Birthday!!*

Fond memories of fun and sisterhood of our college days spark wishes of "if only we could go back," but time marches forward not backwards. There is a marvelous substitute - Alumnae groups! I imagine that is what Mrs. Charles Heston, Pi Beta Phi had in mind in March 1924 when she welcomed 20 women representing nine different sororities to an informal luncheon at the Adelclaire. They formed the Rochester Panhellenic Association.

The first spring luncheon, May 10, 1924, was held at Tealls. Invitations were sent to all National Panhellenic Council sorority members in the Rochester vicinity. The 77 attendees, representing 12 sororities, were considered charter members. A stunt, song, or toast, performed by each sorority delighted the group.

Thus our traditions began. Reviewing our history I find our activities have continued to follow the same pattern with modifications made to keep in tune with the times. Places changed. Some no longer here mentioned were the Normandy, Hotel Seneca, the DAR House, the Alexandra, Ye Olde House, and the University Club. In 1927 it was the new Oak Hill Country Club and in 1934, the new Cutler Union.

**Read these highlights to find history does repeat itself.**



#### THE TWENTY'S:

Formal Dances and Bridge parties were enjoyed  
Business wise, Constitution and By-laws written and approved.  
"Members brought sandwiches or small cakes. We bought the punch."  
Board needed to "decide troublesome questions." Mentioned was the  
treasury balance: \$1.39.  
First fund raiser. Performance of Eugene O'Neill's play, "Beyond the Horizon"  
at the Laboratory of Theater Arts. \$200 were sent for bonds to purchase  
NYC Panhellenic House.)  
Five piece band for dinner dance cost \$35.



## ROCHESTER ALUMNAE PANHELLENIC ANNUAL MEETING AND LUNCHEON 75TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

May 1, 1999

### PROGRAM

President's Message  
Opening Prayer

Luncheon

Business Meeting

Scholastic Awards to Collegiate Chapters

Presentation to Girl Scouts

Speaker: Maureen Syring  
NPC Alumnae Panhellenic Chairman

Installation of 1999-2000 Officers  
Rochester Alumnae Panhellenic

### MENU

Warm Roasted Pecan Crusted  
Chicken Breast On Field of Green

Spiced Apple Chutney

Rolls

Strawberry Short Cake

Coffee    Tea





### THE THIRTIES

Dances continued. Favors featured.

On the down side, events changed because of the Depression. "a tiny American flag in each fresh strawberry sundae." Tribute paid to Dot Green, Chi Omega, creator of place cards, etc for years, "without her Panhellenic just couldn't have a party." "because of economic situation" (the Depression), the formal dinner dance was replaced with an informal supper dance. Dinner Dance \$2.50 per couple including corsages for the women, boutonnieres for the men, floor show by Enid Knapp Botsford students. "this year has been such a happy one for the board, that it was with real reluctance this final meeting was adjourned." Guests at the fall luncheon were seated by colleges. Dance "dinner must start at 7 or extra .15 per person will be charged," 81 couples came. Many others did not have reservations in on time "the meeting was adjourned so we could address invitations." Dance expenses included \$8 fee for a demonstration of the Big Apple.

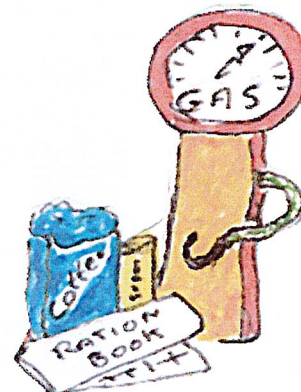
### THE FORTY'S

Notable effects of second World War.

First vote to join National Panhellenic Association.

Establishment of Scholarship Award.

The members of the board were a most congenial group. We met often and we welcomed the opportunity to relax. Each sorority took turns supplying someone to man the War Savings Booths each day at Lorenzo's and Kresge's. Met at Chamber of Commerce, centrally located for those low on gas coupons. Food rationing. Dinner dance cancelled. Only dessert served at Spring Luncheon. At Fall luncheon, it was considered great to be served meat-SPAM. Board felt The Association needed a more serious purpose to justify its existence. A Scholarship was established and the first was awarded. Dues were raised from 25 to 50 cents. Increase reserved for scholarship fund. Central Recommendation Board formed to handle recommends for all sororities. Dues were paid to NPC between 1943-50, but no constitution revision.



## PAST PRESIDENTS OF ROCHESTER ALUMNAE PANAHELLENIC

74 Ms. Robt Kleinschmidt Sigma Kappa  
75 Ms. Don Casper Alpha Omicron Pi  
76 Ms. James Schaeffer Zeta Tau Alpha  
77 Ms. H.B. Russell Alpha Gamma Delta  
78 Ms. Ron Root Alpha Delta Pi  
79 Ms. Wayne Fix Delta Zeta  
80 Ms. Richard Pixely Phi Mu  
81 Ms. Darlene Fitch Kappa Delta  
82 Ms. Neil Richards Sigma Sigma  
83 Ms. Raymond Baker Alpha Sigma Alpha  
84 Ms. Dawn Wilkins Pi Beta Phi  
85 Ms. Walter Gilgess Kappa Kappa Gamma  
86 Ms. Dawn Gehrke Delta Gamma  
87 Ms. Pat Schutt Gamma Phi Beta  
88 Ms. Linda Russell Alpha Chi Omega  
89 Ms. Dana Davies Alpha Xi Delta  
90 Ms. May D. Nicholson Chi Omega  
91 Ms. Marcia Turpin Sigma Kappa  
92 Ms. Terry Bruno Alpha Omicron Pi  
93 Ms. Joanne Brock Zeta Tau Alpha  
94 Ms. Jeannine Gambrel Delta Zeta  
95 Ms. Betsy Helfrich Kappa Delta  
96 Ms. Marcia Miller Sigma Sigma  
97 Ms. Barbara Stoutz Pi Beta Phi  
98 Ms. Mary Converse Kappa Gamma

49 Ms. Edwin K. Haas Tri Delta  
50 Ms. George Helberg Alpha Zeta Delta  
51 Ms. F.J. Mulligan Chi Omega  
52 Ms. Wm. McDonald Sigma Kappa  
53 Ms. Charles Prister Alpha Omicron Pi  
54 Ms. Wm. Kenyon Zeta Tau Alpha  
55 Ms. Ralph Watkins Alpha Gamma Delta  
56 Ms. George Jewell Alpha Delta Pi  
57 Ms. Mable Priest Delta Zeta  
58 Ms. Allen Gardner Phi Mu  
59 Ms. Herbert Watkins Kappa Delta  
60 Ms. Daniel Bokkin Beta Sigma Omicron  
61 Ms. Robert King Sigma Sigma Sigma  
62 Ms. Robt. Stevenson Alpha Sigma Alpha  
63 Ms. Robert Gobell Theta Phi Alpha  
64 Ms. Glen VanSaun Pi Beta Phi  
65 Ms. Kenneth Link Kappa Alpha Theta  
66 Ms. Willes Converse Kappa Kappa Gamma  
67 Ms. Harold Plough Alpha Phi  
68 Ms. Wm. Gay Delta Gamma  
69 Ms. A. Ross Kitt Gamma Phi Beta  
70 Ms. Paul Krueger Alpha Chi Omega  
71 Ms. Robert Carlson Tri Delta  
72 Ms. Ronald DeBlase Alpha Xi Delta  
73 Ms. Philip Schnip Chi Omega

24. Ms. Charles Heston Pi Beta Phi  
25 Ms. Frank Biddle Kappa Alpha Theta  
26 Ms. Mable M Allis Kappa Kappa Gamma  
27 Ms. Harold Bartlett Alpha Phi  
28 Ms. Marion Munson Delta Gamma  
29 Ms. C.H. Steele Gamma Phi Beta  
30 Ms. Lucile Carter Alpha Chi Omega  
31 Ms. Edmund Randall Tri Delta  
32 Ms. C.L. Townsend Alpha Xi Delta  
33 Ms. Charles Green Chi Omega  
34 Ms. J.E. Hoffmeister Sigma Kappa  
35 Ms. John Lawrence Alpha Omicron Pi  
36 Ms. Carl Hoehe Zeta Tau Alpha  
37 Ms. John Beyers Alpha Gamma Delta  
38 Ms. Wm. Dunkman Alpha Delta Pi  
39 Ms. Vernon Parks Delta Zeta  
40 Ms. George Waugh Phi Mu  
41 Ms. Jack Dunlap Kappa Delta  
42 Ms. Fred Darling Pi Beta Phi  
43 Ms. Phillip Kimmell Kappa Alpha Theta  
44 Ms. John Irving > Kappa Kappa Gamma  
45 Ms. Seward Smith Alpha Phi  
46 Ms. F.D. Russell Delta Gamma  
47 Ms. Charles Payne Gamma Phi Beta  
48 Ms. Mason Gaffney Alpha Chi Omega





## THE FIFTY'S

Constitution revised.

Teas held for high school seniors.

Rummage sales to support scholarship.

Constitution revised with new name, Rochester City Panhellenic. Purchased rubber stamp for endorsing checks and tickets bearing name Rochester Panhellenic Association. (? Name change)

Charter members honored at lunch celebrating 30th Anniversary; reservations for 170 but crippling snow storm cut attendance to 60. High school seniors in Monroe Co. and their mothers invited to Tea. First Rummage sale tried as fund raiser.

Members gave a "day" to the Association for the Blind.

Senior Teas no longer satisfactory, because of "anti-sorority" feeling. Two scholarships given.

Rush tea resumed.

Tried new fund raiser - sold "Dining Out" Booklets. Rummage sale, also.



## THE SIXTY'S

Scholarship Savings Account started

Other community projects and volunteer work.

Supported the Baden-Ormond Scholarship Fund.

Volunteer work at Strong Memorial Hospital.

Raised money for the YS by selling add on card tables.

Dinner Dance changed to Subscription to realize more income.

Began listing duties, suggestions, and comments of officers.

Film from NPC used at fashion tea.

Excise tax on dances cancelled.

Constitution updated.

First edition of the Newsletter for paid members.

Information (goals, etc.) folders given to Board delegates.

Began honoring 50 members of member sororities.

Work with RIT Panhellenic began.

Rec sys changed over years. Also difficulty getting schools to cooperate. Not much response from graduating seniors.



## THE SEVENTY'S

Closer ties with RIT Panhellenic collegians

50TH ANNIVERSARY celebrated!

New fund raisers initiated.

Board helped RIT Panhellenic by providing food for Fall Rush.

President's questionnaire circulated to members asking how scholarship funds were to be raised and used.

Meetings conducted by Roberts Rules of Order.

Constitution revised for update.

Successful Monte Carlo Night replaces dance.

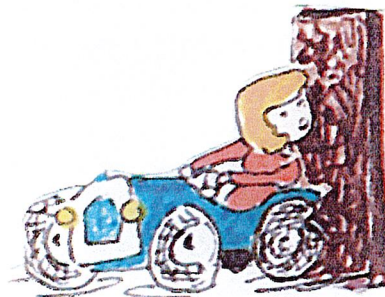
Monte Carlo Night mixed by ABC Board. Replaced by a

Road Rally, followed by a dinner-dance. Enjoyable and made \$840.

Information sheets organized for girls to attend Panhellenic colleges.

Constitution revised in regards to handling the scholarships.

Tried contacting guidance counselors at area high schools to talk to girls about our available scholarships. Many applicants this year.



## THE EIGHTY'S

First Tasting Luncheon

Continued Support of Collegiate Panhellenics

Change in Scholarship Awards

First Tasting luncheon fun and successful as money raiser.

Added to schedule with Pittsford Musicals and Spring flower sale.

Kudos to Linda Russell, who created our beautiful cook book and program covers throughout this decade and into the next.

Scholarship winners to be chosen from Rochester area applicants who are active collegiate Panhellenic members.

U of R and Brockport organize National Panhellenic groups.

Plaque awarded to collegiate Panhellenic chapter on each campus with highest grade point average.

Constitution and By-laws revised and updated.





## *Officers for 1999 -2000*

<i>President</i>	<i>Brenda Munch</i>
<i>Vice-President</i>	<i>Koggy Newcomb</i>
<i>Secretary</i>	<i>T B A</i>
<i>Treasurer</i>	<i>Michelle Gennarino</i>

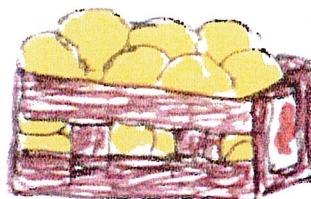
## *Outgoing Officers*

<i>President</i>	<i>Marj Converse</i>
<i>Vice-President</i>	<i>Brenda Munch</i>
<i>Secretaries</i>	<i>Lisa Stevens</i> <i>Beth Woolever</i>
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## *Luncheon Committee*

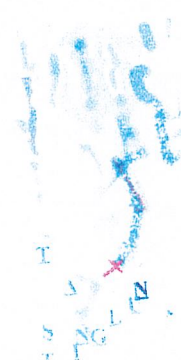
*Bernice Blake*  
*Debbie Bohil*  
*Faye Cole*  
*Betsy Helfrich*  
*Brenda Munch*  
*May D. Nicholson*  
*Sue Pixle*  
*Diana Pankavich*  
*Carol Saylor*  
*Sally Spencer*  
*Sarah Spencer*  
*Barbara Stoutz*  
*Beth Woolever*

*Thanks to Bev Pullis for sponsoring the luncheon*



### **THE NINETY'S** **1991 Ice Storm of the Century.** **Long Range Planning Committee Developed** **Scholarship Fund Invested** **New Fund Raisers** **75TH ANNIVERSARY celebrated !**

With parliamentary business meetings are more efficient and shorter.  
Quorum of 18 present, despite crippling ice storm .Cancel Tasting Luncheon.  
Long-range Committee to plan three year fund raising schedule.  
A tour of Memorial Art Gallery and Fruit Sale are new fund raisers.  
Scholarship invested in mutual fund with growth potential to increase income.  
A large turn out of members enjoyed a Fall Get-together - Covered Dish Supper.  
Created a brochure to encourage high school women to consider NPC membership.  
Scholarship funds awarded to Senior Girl Scout Troop.  
Panhellenic past presidents invited to attend 75th Anniversary Luncheon.



### **THE MILLENNIUM** **AGE OF CYBERSPACE**

To Brenda Munch, our navigator as we enter the new Century,

We present you with our past history of goals, traditions and memories to use with modifications needed to keep in tune with the times.

May the future continue the "deep friendships of Panhellenic life with opportunities for wide and wise human service, through mutual respect and helpfulness" outlined in our creed.