

# Chapter Chatter

November 2001

## Alpha Master (# 116)

As all good Sorority sisters would do -- we'll start by reporting on our SOCIAL life.

❖We ended our 2000-2001 Sorority year with two functions. Our Wind-Up Luncheon was held on May 23<sup>rd</sup> at the Canal Ritz. We were pleased to have Ruth Barber, Reta Leishman and Phyllis Beveridge join us.

On June 6<sup>th</sup>, we were royally entertained by our Sisters of Alpha Upsilon Master at the home of Shirley Westeinde. Sipping wine and enjoying the sunset on the Ottawa River started us off on the right foot (although those pesky skeeters eventually drove us indoors). We feasted and chatted and sipped some more! The gals in Alpha Upsilon Master know how to entertain. A most enjoyable get-together and a great way to end our year.

Nine of our members attended the Fall Dinner October 11<sup>th</sup>. Hats off to Laureate Alpha Upsilon for a job well done and the to Greely Players for providing the entertainment.

On October 19<sup>th</sup>, Bonnie and Floyd Bjerke hosted a Wine and Cheese Party for Deanna and Art Hebert. The Hebert's are pulling up stakes and heading for Ingleside. We'll miss them!

Alpha Master will be hosting the November 29<sup>th</sup> City Council Christmas meeting.

Plans are afoot for our December 17<sup>th</sup> Chapter Christmas Party, to be held at the home of our "Snowbird", Phyllis Beveridge. We are hoping that Ruth Barber, Bun Howitt and Reta Leishman will be joining us.

Isn't it interesting that be they Laureate or Master, those gals of Alpha Upsilon have shown Alpha Master that they know how to entertain.

## WAYS AND MEANS

Our major project is the sale of "Gifts from the Heart" (\$16.95). A great gift idea. Look for us at the Civic Hospital Arts and Crafts show on November 30<sup>th</sup> where we will be selling (out) our remaining stock. (If we do sell out - you can still get a copy by contacting our members.

We continue to sell Regal.

Check out our Christmas Reindeer Raffle Basket. It's well worth a Loonie (for 1 ticket) or a Toonie (3 tickets). Draw takes place on November 29<sup>th</sup>. Maybe you'll be the one to take it home.

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### SERVICE

We donated \$300 to Alzheimer and \$375 to Breast Cancer from our fundraising efforts. Thanks to all our Sisters for their support.

### PROGRAM

This year we have chosen Canadian Authors. We read and critique books by authors such as Charles Lynch, Bonnier Burnard, Carol Shields to name but a few. We have stimulating discussions and, to quote our Program Chair, it allows us to get our "intellectual" selves involved. We'll be "well read" by Spring.

Please not changes in our Executive / Committee make up (\*) for 2001-2002.

President	Audrey Couzens
Vice-President	Dency Sharkey
Recording Secretary	Jacque Brewe
Corresponding Secretary	Dianne Wheeler
Treasurer	Marjorie McDonald-Stevens
City Council Rep (*)	Dianne Wheeler (eff Jan 2002)
City Council Alt	Joyce Shearer
Social	Bonnie Bjerke
Ways and Means (*)	Grace Sutherland
Program	Dency Sharkey
Service	Grace Sutherland
Telephone	Bonnie Bjerke

### HAVE A HAPPY HOLIDAY

Prepared by Dianne Wheeler  
Corresponding Secretary  
Alpha Master Chapter

## Laureate Alpha Iota - Beta Eta Master

LAI is now a new Master Chapter and we have our charter and we are officially known as Beta Eta Master.

Joan Cameron had her photo taken and was shown on the news. She laid a wreath at the War Memorial on behalf of Beta Sigma Phi. She also was wearing her medals and was not in uniform. I do not think it would fit. hehe lol.

Joan Cameron also received an award from M.S.

Dolores Macfarlane received her Preceptor Degree Nov. 13, 2001

...your sister....Joan Carroll-Watts



## Preceptor Delta Epsilon

Preceptor Delta Epsilon have been busy weaving Webs of Friendship throughout the Ottawa area. Several Sisters helped out at the Navan Fair taking tickets, parking and meeting many nice people. Then from September 18th to 22nd got involved at Rural Expo 2001 - International Plowing Match - parking cars and once again enjoying the people. The Chapter has decided to make Fred Shortt our First Envoy member. Fred is extra special as he always does something special for all sisters in the group on Valentine's Day and this makes each one of us feel so special. Now we want Fred to feel **Special**.

## Laureate Alpha Upsilon

Members enjoyed bar-b-ques both for our closing and our beginning this year. In addition we have just held our mixed Fall Dinner where members and spouses enjoyed a lasagna dinner with all the trimmings. We will have a mixed Christmas luncheon and a members Christmas Dinner in December.

We also hosted this years Fall Dinner at Capone's Banquet Hall where members enjoyed a revue featuring the Greely Players. Our dinner co-ordinator Marg Van Dusen and her husband Ron have been active and talented players with the group for many years.

Wendy and Murray Russell played major roles in September's Rural Expo or "Ploughing Match"

Marjorie Wickens had a special program in September when she led us in an ecumenical service in remembrance of the tragedies of September 11.

We have already held one cold weather clothing drive to help out those living on the streets or in shelters. This is a continuing project. In December we will put together a Christmas hamper with food and gifts for a less fortunate family.

Members were saddened in August with the death of member Anne Dawson's husband Mike. Anne was a tower of strength and courage during his long, long term illness and we wish her only good things in the future. Best wishes to all chapters for a safe and happy Holiday Season.

## Preceptor Alpha Eta

Seeing as how the theme for this year, 2001-2002, is "Weaving a Web of Friendship" we in Preceptor Alpha Eta started early. Mid July we met at Joanne Heinbuch's cottage in the lovely Gatineau Hills at Halverston Lake for an afternoon of fun. A leisurely time was had by all while peddling around the lake on a peddle boat, basking in the sun on the deck overlooking the lake and generally enjoying each others' company. Some of us took along our spouses and we promptly put them to work at the barb-be-que. What a great time!

Beginning Day in August took us to the Canadian Museum of Civilization to see an exhibit of Nurses Caps from the past century. Some members of our chapter are nurses so we were able to share some history on the exhibit. After the exhibit we convened at Kathleen Willekes' home to enjoy refreshments.

Our first meeting of the year, September 12<sup>th</sup>, found us sharing our feelings and stories after the day that changed the world forever. God Bless America.

October 11<sup>th</sup>'s Fall Dinner was well attended by our members and we enjoyed a lovely evening with sisters from across our fair city. All enjoyed a fabulous meal and very funny entertainment.

A mixed social was held on October 27<sup>th</sup> at Bonnie von Wurden's to celebrate Hallowe'en. Our meal was pot luck and we collectively decided that the best costume award went to Lois Feinholz who cleverly dressed in a brown velour bath robe complete with a hood, rope belt, large dangling cross and covered in small bags of "Tortilla Chips" making her a "Chip Monk!"

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Although the year seems to be moving quickly we have, as always, a full social calendar ahead of us(Christmas wine and cheese, Irish Stew Night, Guess Who's Coming to Dinner, Pub Night etc) in our work to continue to "Weave a Web of Friendship".

Submitted by Bonnie VonWurdon

## Zeta Chapter

Zeta chapter now has 9 members and are quite busy. During the summer the chapter had a social at the Rideau Carleton Racetrack. In September we had a Retro 80's Rush party and 5 guests attended. At our last meeting we also had 3 guests. In November the chapter will be contributing to the Help Santa Toy Parade. Also in November at the Preferential Tea, Shaundra Mitchener will be pouring tea. Zeta chapter will be entertained this year by Laureate Alpha Iota. Robin Borne is expecting her first child in December and another sister Cathy Neville-Henseler had her son on May 28<sup>th</sup>, 2001. For those interested Zeta is still making pin badges.



## Calendar of Events

FEBRUARY 7, 2002

MARCH 7, 2002

APRIL 4, 2002

MAY 2, 2001

**FOUNDERS DAY**

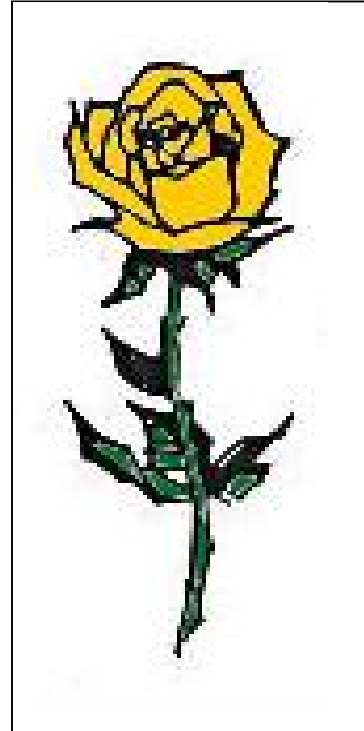
**THURSDAY APRIL 25, 2001**

**GOING TO THE CHAPEL ...**

REGAL

By using this number --  
**9156918** -- you can receive a  
45% discount on your Regal  
orders - making this a fantastic  
Ways and Means project for  
your Chapter.

This number is in the name of  
Laureate Lambda - Helen  
Barnard



**May the Lord watch between me and thee, while we are absent  
one from the other.**