

"Hats On"

Mortar Board Tapping
Is Only One of the Many
Honors Given to Home
Economics Women

Honoraries Recognize

# OUTSTANDING WOMEN

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DON'T BE surprised this spring when some of your junior and senior friends suddenly are honored by national honorary organizations for their scholarship and leadership.

The Mortar Board ceremony is one of the exciting parts of Veishea. Last spring 14 women were tapped under the Campanile, climaxing 3 years of high grades, leadership in clubs, service to the school and good character. It is the highest honor given to Iowa State women. You've probably seen the white suits with the black and gold emblem many times during

the last year.

Mortar Board conducts the traditional Freshman Induction Ceremony every fall. This year freshmen were greeted by Juliann Barker, home management senior, during the candlelighting ceremony in dormitory court. Mortar Board also sponsors Women's Day in March.

#### Phi Kappa Phi

Don't forget the graduating seniors during Veishea. The upper one-sixteenth of the class is accepted into Phi Kappa Phi. Last year 96 new members were chosen, of which 25 were women. This is one of the oldest national scholastic fraternities, founded in 1911.

Home economics honoraries are busy the year around with projects and meetings. The hot cross buns sold at Easter time will send Omicron Nu delegates to a national conclave in Kansas this summer. Requirements for membership in Omicron Nu are a 3.2 grade-point for juniors, 3.1 for seniors and leadership and research in home economics.

Upperclass women majoring in journalism are

eligible for Theta Sigma Phi. President Joan Ahern, technical journalism senior, recently announced three new members. They had each done outstanding work on three campus publications, completed at least nine credit hours of journalism with a B average, had an all-college average of 2.5 and are planning professional journalism careers.

Honoraries are not only active in campus life but will be valuable in professions later. Jeanne Mann, household equipment senior and president of Omicron Nu, thinks that her membership in a national honorary will help her establish contacts with other home economics women after graduation in any part of the country and will serve as a good recommenda-

tion for getting a job.

There is an important local honorary at Iowa State—the Women's "I" Fraternity. Women interested in athletics participate in three WAA clubs for six quarters. When they have earned white sweaters with a small "I," they are considered for "I" Fraternity on the basis of scholarship and leadership. Members wear white jackets with a large "I." They are active in selling mums at Homecoming, selling tuberculosis Christmas Seals and helping with WAA events.

Honoraries give recognition in order to encourage outstanding students, set high standards for the rest and stimulate interest in the field. Scholarships are sometimes given, but usually the reward is a pin or emblem which indicates achievement of the most important goals in college—scholarship and leadership in home economics.

Maybe you were one of the customers who bought one of the 400 pounds of fruit cake sold this year by Phi Upsilon Omicron, women's professional home economics honorary. Phi U has about 45 members now. Twenty-five were initiated last quarter. They meet every 2 weeks and have special programs for Founder's Day in February and for the alumnae in May. Their big project every year is the traditional fall fruit cake sale.

Requirements for membership in Phi U include being in the upper one-third of the junior or senior class and having high professional home economics standards. Candidates must show interest in professional home economics through campus activities related to home economics.

Special talents and interests are recognized by honoraries also. Delta Phi Delta marks its pledges with traditional orange smocks and artist's palettes. As you may have guessed, it requires art ability and high scholarship and its purpose it to stimulate interest in professional art.

#### Iota Sigma Pi

If you're a whiz at chemistry, Iota Sigma Pi is the one for you. Thirty credit hours of chemistry with an 85 percent average grade are required.

Several women are accepted into Psi Chi, national psychology fraternity, every year. The meetings feature special speakers on subjects of interest in psychology.

The 14 Sigma Alpha Iota, women's music fraternity, members usher at concerts and help with other musical events. Nan Bernstein, child development senior, is president. She presides at the two meetings per month, one musical and the other business. Musical ability, an all-college average of 2.25 and a sincere interest in promoting music as a profession are requirements for membership.

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