Alpha Phi celebrates 40 years

Members of Gamma Sigma chapter of Alpha Phi international fraternity and the earlier local organization, Pallas Athene, gathered on the UW-Stout campus to celebrate Alpha Phi’s 40 years in existence Saturday, May 1. Sara Garay Encide ‘93, Illica, N.Y., chaired the planning committee. Joining together for an afternoon luncheon and program were 110 returning Alpha Phi alumni and campus actives. Chancellor Charles W. Sorensen greeted the attendees. Patty Hendrickson, a motivational speaker and Alpha Phi, provided both educational and entertaining words of wisdom for the members. She also shared some of Alpha Phi’s latest programming projects. The Gamma Sigma actives retrieved historical photos of both Pallas Athene activities and present Alpha Phi photos for the enjoyment of fraternity members.

Pallas Athene was established in 1936. Ruth Bubeck Voll ’36, a charter member now residing in Milwaukee, was in attendance with her daughter, Christine Voll Chernin ’70, an Alpha Phi from San Francisco. Ruth credited Freda Bachmann with their successes throughout the years.

Members of the first Alpha Phi fraternity were initiated in 1958. Anne Marshall was their advisor, and several of the first initiates were in attendance.

In honor of the occasion, the planning committee also established the first Alpha Phi Scholarship on the UW-Stout campus. The scholarship will be awarded once the fund reaches $10,000 and becomes income-producing. Members plan to award the first scholarship in 2000.

Plans are underway to meet again in 2008 to celebrate 50 years on the UW-Stout campus.

Wanted: Families With More Than Two Stout Graduates

In a future issue of Outlook, we would like to feature families who have had several members graduate from Stout. Please forward the following information to the Alumni Office: name and year of graduation for each family member; degree earned for each; and relationship of family members (may include aunts, uncles, cousins, in-laws—not just parent and child). Also include any interesting or fun tidbits of information, (cousins, in-laws—not just parent and child) and photographs of all graduates, if possible. A group picture would be even better. We look forward to receiving your information.

Committee seeks board nominations

The Nominating Committee of the UW-Stout Alumni Association is seeking nominations for the Stout Alumni Association Board of Directors. Alumni are encouraged to submit recommendations by completing the form below and returning it, along with the nominee’s current resume to the UW-Stout Alumni Association, Nominations Committee, Louis-Smith Tainter House, PO Box 790, Menomonie, WI 54751-0790. All nominations and resumes will be kept on file for future consideration.

Nominees should be:
• Willing to serve a two-year term on the Board of Directors.
• Able to attend two meetings held in Menomonie, annually.
• Willing to serve actively on committees as needed.

Alumni Association Board of Directors Nomination Form

Name of Nominee
Maiden Name
Year of Graduation
Degree
City, State, Zip
Phone
Address
Place of Employment
Position
Employer’s Address
Employer’s Phone
Submitted by:
Name
Phone
Address

New growth and new beginnings

Spring seems to be the favorite season of the majority of those I talk to. It certainly indicates new growth and new beginnings. As I stood watching our seniors go through commencement, I was thinking of their new beginnings and the wonderful opportunities that lie before them—the excitement, and possibly uncertainty, they may have felt as they accepted their diplomas from Chancellor Sorensen.

I also began thinking of all the Stout graduates who have gone before this particular class. Believe, regardless of the era, we all have the same thoughts, feelings, fears and anticipation. Age, race, religion or whatever differences we may have, we are basically the same. Let us all be accepting of others as they are. I encourage all past graduates to welcome the new alumni into our association.

On another note, we have started a new column in Outlook, called Reminiscing. If this column is to continue, we need your input. Please submit your favorite memories or stories about your time on campus (include a picture of yourself as well)

Also, in an upcoming Outlook, I would like to do a segment on families who have had more than two people graduate from Stout. (See box for more details.)

One last bit of information. We are in the process of developing an award to recognize outstanding individuals. Currently, we present the Distinguished and Outstanding awards to graduates who are celebrating their reunion years. By restricting the awards to reunion years only, we are eliminating a number of outstanding individuals. The new award, yet to be named, will be presented at homecoming and will include all nominations received to date, plus those received prior to Sept. 25. A nomination form is being developed. However, if you have someone you would like to nominate prior to receipt of the form, please do so. You may include general information regarding the individual, why you believe this person should be recognized and perhaps letters of recommendation.

It’s A ’70s Blast From The Past!

Homecoming ’98 October 9 and 10

It’s time to pull out all the polyester and vinyl records to prepare for this year’s homecoming. Those glorious ’70s embraced the celebration of the bicentennial, fashion trends like bellbottom jeans and the wave of disco.

This year’s homecoming celebration will include week-long organization competitions; royalty selection (Friday night); Phi Omega Beta Stunt Night (Friday night); reception honoring faculty and staff for their years of service to the university (Friday night); and, of course, the traditional parade on Saturday. This is a week of events you won’t want to miss.

Questions regarding homecoming activities can be directed to For Your Entertainment at 715/232-2432.

Reunions will be held for the classes of 1973, 1978, 1988

Details are still being finalized, so mark your calendar today and watch for mailings.
Gatherings

Orlando, Florida
Orlando Floridians enjoyed a dinner at the Adam’s Mark Hotel and had an opportunity to meet John Murphy, the new dean for the College of Arts and Sciences. Murphy brought greetings from the chancellor and informed the group of the latest happenings at the university.

(1-4) Lawrence Braaten BS ’36, MS ’50; John Stratton ’68; Todd Strole ’86; Tori Giese Fuentez ’75; Patricia Pamela Smith BS ’83, MS ’85; Brian Koziel ’93; Don Winters ’51; and William Gehrand ’68. Not pictured but in attendance were John Murphy and Sue Pittman, alumni director.

Fort Meyers, Florida
The Fort Meyers alumni group was invited to dinner at The Royal Palm Yacht Club. Pat Reisinger, Foundation director, provided an overview of campus activities.


Long Beach, California
Chancellor Charles W. Sorensen met with Essie Hughes Weisenberg ’21, possibly our earliest living graduate, in Long Beach, Calif. Pictures of the campus and the 1921 yearbook were reviewed, with Essie making comments on the Stout Tower. Sorensen presented Essie with a Stout T-shirt and pin. A Southern California gathering was held at the Westin Hotel, Long Beach, where one of our grads, Jeanne Shen MS ’89 is employed.

E. Bernice Johnson Susens ’49, Tom Susens and Vema Borovny Merrin MS ’79 met with alumni director Sue Pittman in Camarillo, Calif.

Phoenix, Arizona
While in Florida, Sue Pittman, alumni director, also visited with other Stout alumni including Stuart Arp ’79, Orlando; Mary Thomsen Broderick ’45, Coco Beach; and James Christoffel ’60, Rockledge.

Foundation director Pat Reisinger met with the “Phoenix” connection. Front (1-4): Reisinger, Eunice Wedekind, Peggy Oslin Trezona ’46, Betty Block Otteson ’40, Phyllis Wagner Schweike ’42. Back (1-4): Arthur Otteson ’40; Norman Wedekind ’42; Richard Trezona BS ’41, MS ’50; Howard Schweike BS ’43, MS ’48.