

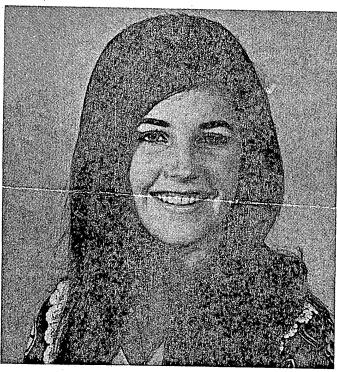
# B. O. BLAST

# BETA OMICRON PI KAPPA PHI

Pi Kappa Phi

NORTHWESTERN STATE UNIVERSITY

Spring 72



DEBBIE WALLACE Rose Queen

## ROSE

Our Rose for the 1971-72 year has been Miss Debbie Wallace. Debbie is a senior at NSU majoring in speech pathology. She is very active on campus. She is a member of Sigma Kappa Sorority and secretary of the Student Union Governing Board. Debbie has been Mardi Gras Queen, State Fair Queen, and has been on the Homecoming and Winter Ball Courts. Debbie is one Beta Omicron's biggest assets and she helped us an awful lot during rush, planning parties and is in charge of our Little Sister chapter. We wish Debbie the best of luck after graduation and we hope to hear from her when she leaves.

On Debbie's court are Lynn Allen and Katie Van Asselburg. The brothers of Beta Omicron are very proud of our Rose and her court.

#### ARCHON'S REPORT

This year the Beta Omicron Chapter of Pi Kappa Phi seems to have proven itself again—the fraternity leaders of Northwestern.

The Brothers of Beta Omicron are extremely involved at NSU in Student Union Board, IFC, Cheerleading, SGA, Band, Football, Baseball, and ROTC. The brothers of B. O. are involved in all phases of student life, is your chapter?

The Pi Kapp Raiders defeated all fraternities in football this fall, but were defeated by a non-fraternity team in the play-offs. In basketball, the Raiders finished up tied for first place in regular season play. We are currently in second place in overall intramurals at NSU, and with Greek Week just weeks away the brothers assure us that the B. O. Raiders will capture first place and the trophy. Good luck brothers!

Intramurals is not all the brothers excell in. Last fall, the Chapter earned the President's Cup at NSU for having the highest fraternity average on campus.

Having finished initiation our brotherhood was expanded by eight new brothers. Congratulations men, your presence cannot be measured in physical or monetary value. Another initiation is in the eyes of the brothers for five hold-over pledges sometime in the spring.

Plans are still underway for the selection of a fraternity home for the brothers of B. O. with absolutely no help from National—the brothers must share this burden alone. A Chapter of this caliber and the quality of its members which it possesses surely deserve a house beyond its present site.

The Brothers are anxiously awaiting the Supreme Chapter Convention in Atlanta this August, "with plans to capture the 'Grand Master Chapter Award'."

Congratulations Brothers, this year will certainly be recalled as the year of the "Beta Omicron Rebirth."

David Morgan Archon Beta Omicron

#### ROSE BALL

Beta Omicron's Rose Ball this year will be the biggest and best yet. It will be held on April 29. The theme will be "Going down the river." The setting will be a riverboat sailing down the river and the passengers just relaxing and having a good time. To get everyone in the right kind of mood, we're having a party the night before. Sunday, day after Rose Ball, there will be a "recuperation" party out at Kisatchie Falls.

This year we are hoping to have more alumni present than ever before. One of our honored guests will be Mrs. Eola Rooks, who has been a house mother for several Pi Kapp Chapters and is helping our chapter immensely. We would also like to invite the members of other chapters to come if they can. This year's Rose Ball will be one to remember for a long time.

# PI KAPPS ON CAMPUS

Pi Kapps have been pretty busy around campus lately. Many of our brothers hold down important jobs and others are in various organizations. Val Marmillion is president of the Student Union Board and David works under him as vice-president in charge of entertainment. Monte "Captain Carrot" Robinson was a cheerleader this year, but he's so clumsy he kept dropping his partner. We've got two brothers in the band. Lee Murray plays the drums and David Rosenthal plays the trumpet. Lee seems to have an easy time with girls because his hands are so fast he sends 'em spinning. "Hot Lips" Rosenthal is always getting in trouble with his girl because he won't stop kissing other girls.

Then there's Choo Choo Dalton, the old man of Beta Omicron. He's decided to get himself another degree, this time in nursing. That's enough to keep anybody from getting sick. How would you like to wake up in a hospital bed with Choo Choo standing over you cackling while he gave you a shot.

Brothers Travis McManemin and Stan Brouillette are on the football team. Maybe that is why the school's football team lost every game. Not really, we had a good season and Travis and Stan played a big part in helping the team win. Brother Mike Allain is a member of the baseball team. He's a freshman and is first string catcher. We're proud of Mike for doing so well his first year here.

One of our pledges, Mark Ezarik, is the sports editor of the campus newspaper. Another one of our pledges, Dale Anderson, is also a member of the band.

All in all, Pi Kappa Phi is well represented in all phases of campus activity.

# PLEDGE CLASS, SPRING '72

The Pi Kappa Phi pledge class began the first of February when seven young men from seven different walks of life recited the pledge. From that time on we were to work as a unit with the brothers of Beta Omicron.

As time passed, everyone could plainly see this pledge class had endless possibilities, responsibilities, and goals—also a few problems. The few problems were soon ironed out by a combined effort of both the brothers and pledges, and now we are truly striving for the ideal chapter.

The president of our pledge class, Howard Eggerton, is a sophomore from Alexandria. Scott Roach, from Natchitoches, fills the position of treasurer of our pledge class. These are the officers of the current pledge class. The remaining five men who comprise the class are David Varnell from El Dorado, Arkansas, Dale Anderson from Slidell, Buddy Lewis from Alexandria, and from Houma, Stan Brouillette and Mark Ezarik. Stan is a member of the Northwestern football team. These men have worked hard together to help make this one of the most outstanding pledge classes ever. They are currently working diligently to learn the true meaning of Pi Kappa Phi fraternity and brotherhood.

Finally, the biggest factor in this semester's pledge class is brotherhood itself. Rush was marked by a consistent effort on the part of most brothers to meet the rushees and to communicate with them. The product of this work is the pledge class of Spring 1972.

# TREASURER'S REPORT

This year has been a very prosperous one for us at Beta Omicron. Financially, we have had a very stable checking and saving account. Although, to be able to compete with modern times and rising prices, dues were raised. Instead of \$10.00 dues, which was established in the early 60's, we found it necessary to raise them to \$13.00. With \$10.00 dues we were able to meet our debts, but was not able to save any money. A three dollar increase will enable us to establish a bigger housing and savings fund.

Our disbursements for the months of March and April total out to \$1,825.22. According to the recent budget submitted by our Budget and Finance Committee, after Rose Ball we will only be in the red about \$100.00.

This is fantastic! Rose Ball for 1972 will be one to remember. Never before has so much time and effort along with funds been allocated toward Rose Ball.

Yes, we are definitely growing financially as well as in membership. Our treasury has come a long way. Debts are few, and our savings account is great. No longer is it a problem collecting dues, which is a treasurer's dream. I forsee a great future for Beta Omicron treasury and finances.

RUBEN TWEEDY Treasurer

# **NEW INITIATES**

Eight more brothers were added to the roll on February 27, when Mike Allain, Robert Broadwell, Tommy Chevalier, Steve Hutchins, Jerry Lee, Bill Traylor, and Robert Wagnon were initiated.

Harrell Enis, an anesthesiologist, was initiated as an alumni into Beta Omicron Chapter. These new members have worked very hard and we are proud to have them as our brothers.



Front Row—Bill Traylor, Robert Broadwell, Steve Hutchins. Second Row—Robert Wagnon. Third Row—Tommy Chevalier, Jerry Lee. Not shown, Mike Allain.

# **TIDBITS**

First place in Homecoming display . . First place in Sign Contest for Tech Weekend . . Won spirit stick for most spirit during Tech Weekend . . . Won President's Cup for highest scholastic average among the Greeks for the fall . . . Etheredge and Fisher tied the knot . . . Bitowski and Yates are about to tie the knot

Marmillion was elected Mardi Gras King . . . Got an air-conditioner . . . Got a pool table for the house . . . Helped Delta Zeta lay their sidewalk for their house . . . Morgan served on the Mardi Gras Court . . Football game with Beta Mu Chapter, we won . . . Skating party with Little Sisters . . . Weiner roast after the basketball game . . . New initiates made a sign for the house . . . Had a visit from the Traveling Secretary . . . Presented Campus Security with a soap cake . . . !

# **INTRAMURALS**

Pi Kapps started the intramural season with a bang by taking first place in football. We started off a winning season by being defeated in the first two games. But under the coaching of brother Hollis Thompson, the remaining regular season games were victorious. A record of 10-2 was compiled. During our strong comeback, Pi Kapp defeated all other Greeks. Our team made it to the play-offs, but we were defeated by an independent team.

Thanks goes to brothers Ronnie Fontenot, C. K. Carter, George Fink, Cecil Sandlin, Robert Broadwell, Pat Burns, Jerry Lee, Robert Wagnon, Charlie Brown, Bob Bitowski, and Hollis for spending their time and effort on the team.

Basketball also proved to be a very prosperous season after compiling a 7-2 record for second place. Our team then advanced to the play-offs where we were defeated by the score of 98-69. The players are brothers Ronnie Fontenot (player-coach), Paul Begue, Danny Vestal, Tommy Chevalier, Robert Broadwell, Jerry Lee, Cecil Sandlin, and Frank Dies.

Cross-country was not as successful but the Pi Kapps will be looking for some new runners next year. Brother Ronnie Fontenot placed fifth in the race, and other contenders were farther back.

The other sports have not yet begun, but we are looking forward to putting much effort into winning them all.

# SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

One of our social highlights for this year was a bus trip to Lafayette, La., for a football game against Southwestern La. We chartered two Trailways buses and went down, bottle in hand to the game. Everyone was having a fantastic time drinking, yelling and giving the bus drivers hell.

To liven up the trip back, our football team won the game and that left everyone's spirits even higher. Pi Kapp was the only fraternity from Northwestern at the game. Also, we had parties after every home game.

Many times after an intramural game, the brothers and their dates would go up to the house to eat hamburgers or hot dogs and play pool.

Tech Weekend was another social highlight. We rented a whole floor of a hotel and had a party for one solid weekend. We lost the football game but had a great time anyway.

The weekend after Easter, the Chapter is planning a pig roast at Choo Choo's place. We will leave Saturday morning, roast the pig Saturday night and come back Sunday afternoon. Everyone is looking forward to this as we have not done this in a while. This and other parties will lead up to our big event of the year, Rose Ball.

# **OFFICERS**

The officers at Beta Omicron Chapter for the Spring of '72 are: David Morgan, Archon; Mike Edwards, Vicearchon; Ruben Tweedy, Treasurer; Paul Begue, Secretary; Travis McManemin, Warden; David Rosenthal, Historian; and Bill Traylor, Chaplain. This is a young Executive Council with many new ideas to put into effect. Officers for the fall of '72 were recently elected.

They are: Ruben Tweedy, Archon; Mike Edwards, Vice-archon; Travis McManemin, Treasurer; Paul Begue, Secretary; David Morgan, Warden; David Rosenthal, Historian; and Bill Traylor, Chaplain. Ruben was also elected Treasurer of IFC.

# LITTLE SISTERS

For the first time, Beta Omicron formally initiated our Little Sisters in a quiet ceremony. Those initiated were Vivian Carriere, Diane Doucet, Patricia Liberto, Lissa McCaleb, Norma Oliver, Ouida Rice, and Patti Stewart.

The Little Sisters were given a Big Brother and for a month the girls did not know who their Big Brother was. A skating party was held and then the girls ex-

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changed small gifts with their Big Brothers. The Little Sister Chapter has 11 members with several more waiting to be initiated in the very near future. They had a cake sale and a raffle in an effort to help us raise money for Rose Ball. In the future, they are going to help the brothers run a booth at the fair here at Northwestern in another money-making project. Our hearts go out to each and every one of them and we love them dearly.

# **PROJECTS**

Pi Kapp has been very active in working for the city of Natchitoches. Several months ago, the brothers participated in a mile of pennies. We got a mile of tape and covered it with pennies. This was done for the Heart Fund in Natchitoches.

We also helped the Natchitoches Sanitation Department clean up a mile of highway outside of the city in an effort to help improve the conditions of the city.

To help raise funds for our Rose Ball, we are now selling light bulbs. If we sell as many as we are counting on, we will make \$400. Also, we raked a yard for one of the teachers here at Northwestern in an effort to raise money. We received \$50 for this.

More projects are planned in the future. One of them is running a booth at a fair that will be held at NSU and sponsored by the Student Union Governing Board. We are hoping to make some money off of this project and to have a good time also.

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