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The Department of Languages has a new chapter of the national French honor society Pi Delta Phi. The national president, Dr. Elizabeth Brandon of the University of Houston, came to South Carolina expressly to establish the charter at an initiation and banquet in the Clemson House on April 2.

Twenty-three charter members were inducted: Carolyn Adden, Jill Arey, Debra Bedenbaugh, Susan Carter, Gail Chappelear, Mary Nagel Cushman, Catherine Ford, Claire Garrett. (See p. 2.)
(HONOR SOCIETY)

Also Carol Kennedy, Margaret Latimer, Kathleen McCreight, Elizabeth Finson, Debra Robinson, Cynthia Turner and Alfred Willis.

Honorary members are Dr. Jerome Mandel of the Department of English, Dr. Rob Roy McGregor, chapter adviser, Miss Jo Ann McNatt, Mr. Jordan Dean, Mr. York Brannock and Mr. Daniel J. Calvez, all of the Department of Languages.

Presiding at the initiation were the officers of the new chapter: Al Willis, president; Jill Arey, vice president; and Margaret Latimer, secretary-treasurer.

Affiliate members are H. E. Stewart, Cynthia Williams and Jacques Macy.

KOLKHOZ

On January 10, the Russian Club began the semester with a Christmas party. Since the Russian Orthodox Church still celebrates holidays according to the Julian Calendar, January 10 is the fourth day of Russian Christmas. Accordingly, with a Christmas tree on display, 30 members and guests began the celebration with a banquet, which featured Boeuf a la Stroganov as the main course. Numerous Russian songs were sung to the accompaniment of a guitar.

On February 5, the Russian Club presented two Soviet films. The first -- "Students in Colleges and Universities" -- offered viewers an opportunity to compare higher educational institutions in the USSR and in the USA.

The second -- "A Festival of Music, Song and Dance" -- set the mood for the traditional coffee hour and exchange of opinions.

On March 10, the Russian Club, together with the Foreign Film Series, sponsored the Soviet movie "And Quiet Flows the Don," which depicts Cossack life based on Mikhail Sholokhov's novel.

BEGEHNUNG IM BALKANEXPRESS, L-R:
Jennifer Tallent, Danny Patterson, Rob Miller

BEGEHNUNG IM BALKANEXPRESS

The German play Begegnung im Balkanexpress by Wolfgang Hildesheimer was presented February 24 in the Food Sciences Auditorium and February 27 at Eastside High School in Greenville. Dr. Judith Melton directed.

Students participating were Danny Patterson, Bill Zuber, David Williams, Jennifer Tallent, Rob Miller, Rosalyn Sandifer, and Adam Rutter.

Staging was handled by Dennis Buthmann and Mary Jo Barnes. Emmett Wicker was in charge of advertising.

GERMAN AND SPANISH CLUBS HOLD PARTY

On Valentine's Day, a joint party was held by the German and Spanish Clubs in the Byrnes Hall basement party room beginning at 8 p.m. The German Club provided an oom-pah band composed of members of the Tiger Band, which provided German waltz and polka music. The Spanish Club pro-
vided Spanish and Latin music. Dancing was continuous and lively. Both faculty and students helped provide the varied snacks, including specialties from both language areas: Räderkuchen, Lebkuchen, chili dip and Sangria.

Since February 11 is Fasching in Germany, a holiday similar to Mardi Gras in this country, some of the German Club members came in appropriate costumes. Among those taking part were an oil sheik, a fat Bavarian from the University of South Carolina and a gorilla.

The oompah band was led by Phil McClaren. The members were Celia Suratt, Tommy Waldrop, Neil Simmons, Chuck Woodhead, Terry Turner, Jim Cheatham and Dale Smoak.

SIGMA DELTA PI

On March 8, the Iota Phi, Clemson's chapter of Sigma Delta Pi, the Spanish Honorary Society, held a ceremony in which eight students were initiated. The students were Sharon Apps, Teresa Houston, Marta I. Pérez, Beverly Joyce McCown, Anne L. McKeown, Marianna M. McKeown, Ralph E. Rynes, and Roger K. Simpson. The ceremony was presided over by Suzanne Havird.

The new officers for the coming year are: Ralph Rynes, president; Anne McKeown, vice president; and Teresa Houston, secretary-treasurer. Refreshments were served after the ceremony.

FRENCH CLUB HEARS WILLINGHAM

On February 6, Mr. Russell Willingham, of the language faculty, treated the French Club to a slide presentation and commentary on Martinique's culture and geography. He also had some artifacts to illustrate his presentation.

On February 18, the Club elected new officers for the spring semester and discussed the trip to Atlanta.

The newly elected officers were

Leo Jacobs, president; Richard Nelson, vice president; Debbie Bedenbaugh, corresponding secretary; and Ann Rauscher, recording secretary. Mr. Jacques Macy is the new club advisor.

LATIN STUDENTS CELEBRATE

On Valentine's Day, students of Latin honored the amiable Latin deity Cupid with heart-shaped sweets.

For Easter the same students celebrated the spring festival of new beginnings with strawberry and coconut creme eggs and candy-filled plastic eggs.

L-R: Elizabeth Balk, Jerry Patterson, Deborah Henry, Sharon Apps, Scott Ziegler, Anne McKeown

LANGUAGE STUDENTS RECEIVE HONORS

At the annual Honors and Awards Day, the Department of Languages recognized those students who have done outstanding work in French, German, Latin, Russian and Spanish.

This year, for the first time, one student received two awards. Sharon E. Apps (Greenville, S. C.) received the American Association of Teachers of Spanish and Portuguese Medal of Excellence and the Spanish Club Award of $25. Miss Apps also received the Russian Certificate of Excellence and an accompanying award of $25.

Deborah Smith Henry (Clemson) was
presented the American Association of Teachers of French Medal of Excellence and the French Club Award of $25.

Jerry Daniel Patterson (Simpsonville, S.C.) was given the Jan Kleinewefers Award for Excellence in German. This award of $100 is donated each year by the B.K. Textile Machine Company of Pendleton, S.C.

Anne L. McKeown (Roebuck, S.C.) received the $100 Dow Badische Award for Distinguished Achievement in German.

Elizabeth Fleming Balk (Blackville, S.C.) was presented the American Association of Teachers of German Certificate of Merit in addition to the German Club Award of $25.

J. Scott Ziegler (Mt. Pleasant, S.C.) received the Certificate of Excellence in Latin, which is accompanied by an award of $25. This is the first time this certificate and award have been presented.

COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS SUPPORTS PI DELTA PHI

Pi Delta Phi wishes to express its appreciation to the College of Liberal Arts for making funds available to help defray the expenses entailed in the establishment of Clemson's new chapter of this French national honor society.

GERMAN HONOR SOCIETY

The national honor society of Delta Phi Alpha has approved the establishment of the Theta Phi Chapter at Clemson University. Students who have a 3.0 GPR and a 3.5 GPR in 300- and 400-level German courses will be invited to join. Initiation will be on April 22.

CU IN PARIS: (Standing, L-R) Lynn Stewart, Kirsten Austin, Nan Stewart, Jean McComb, Jill Romney, Mary Ellen Mathis, Carolyn Duncan, Debra Henry, Oscar Henry, Harry Stewart, Elizabeth Perry, Jacquelyn Gerald; (Kneeling, L-R) Margaret Latimer, Scott Stewart, Beverly Hipp, Stacy Rollins. Not Pictured: Len Carson, Libby Wallace, Martha Reid.

STUDENTS ENJOY PARIS

The Clemson-in-Paris program for 1974-75 was a great success. Fifteen students spent 23 days during the Christmas holidays studying French, attending plays, touring (Versailles, Chartres, Aix-en-Provence, etc.) and generally soaking up French Culture. Dr. H.E. Stewart, group leader, reports that, although there were some flu casualties, all the students returned safely, if somewhat reluctantly.

Clemson students making the crossing were Len Carson, Martha Reid, Jill Romney, Libby Wallace, Jean McComb, Kirsten Austin, Mary Ellen Mathis, Carolyn Duncan, Debra Henry, Oscar Henry, Elizabeth Perry, Jacquelyn Gerald, Beverly Hipp, Margaret Latimer and Stacy Rollins.
23 CASTS IN VIDEO SKIT CONTEST

The third annual Videotape Skit Contest of the Department of Languages was held March 11-13. The contest is open only to students at the 102 level. Students write and direct their entries.

This year for the first time the skits were taped in color with new equipment recently acquired by the department.

Participating in the contest were 23 casts, of which eleven were in French, seven in Spanish, three in German and two in Russian. The performances were judged by a panel of judges consisting of two professors and one advanced language student. The student judges were Peggy Deadwyler (French), Gabrielle Johnson (German) and Marilyn Martinez (Spanish).

The following had winning skits.

FRENCH: 1st place: 102-08 (David Jones, Carolyn Helena, Brian Davis, Steve Godfrey); 2nd place: (tie) 102-01 (Debbie Rowell, Leroy Gordon, Ricky Fenters, Danny West, Karen Hays, Gail Jordan); 102-12 (Julia Davis, Sandy Davis, John Dickenson, Gus Reese, Mike McWhorter); 3rd place: 102-11 (Chip Blair, Debbie Hayes, Debby Isbell, Hal Smith, Jimmy Weeks).

SPANISH: 1st place: 102-10 (Richard Edwards, Linda Hogarth, Suzi Logan, Tim Looper, Lynda Ward); 2nd place: (tie) 102-03 (David Doolittle, Patricia Bailey, Christine Guide, Jill Adams); 102-05 (Jerry Ballinger, Peter Bethany, Chris Chappell, Sharon Hooper, Sharon Parker); 3rd place: 102-06 (John Morris, Sali Smith, John Baker, Kenneth Jones, Frank Workman.

GERMAN: 1st place: 102-03 combined with 102-04 (Anna Gibson, John Bane, Ken Greene, John Gramling, Doris Calhoun, Danny Jones, Vincent DiGirola.)


SCOGS

SCOGS (South Carolina Organization of German Students) held its first meeting at U. S. C. in Columbia on April 5.

Mike Newman, local NFSG president and statewide organizational chairman, was elected president of the organization for 1975-76. Working with Mike were Emmett Wicker, NFSG vice president, and Dr. Patricia Wannamaker, SCOGS sponsor.

Clemson University will host the 1976 SCOGS Convention.

FL STUDENT TEACHERS

Eight students are doing student teaching in foreign languages this semester. Those teaching Spanish are Perrin Coxe at Seneca High School, Mary Nell Hockett at Daniel High School, and Cindy Parker at Westside High School in Anderson. In French those student teaching are Vicky Ballard at Westminster High School, Gall Chappelear at Pickens High School, Beverly Hipp at Seneca High School, Kathy Newland at Westside High School in Anderson, and Barbara Sears at Hanna High School in Anderson.

LE TRÊTEAU DE PARIS

Le Trêteau de Paris, the French touring company, performed Molière's L'Avare in Columbia on February 16. The Department of Languages sponsored a caravan for students and faculty.

The students who attended were Yvonne Price, Susan Raines, Douglas Taylor, K. Y. Ostergaard, Gabrielle Johnson and Debra Bedenbaugh.

Faculty attending were Jo Ann McNatt, Cynthia Williams, Jac Wall and York Brannock.
DIONYSIA 75

Dionysia 75, the fourth annual drama competition for high school and college foreign language students of Georgia, North Carolina, South Carolina and Virginia, hosted 175 guests on the Clemson campus on April 11-12.

Activities included an open house and a courtesy performance by the Clemson Players of two plays by Eugene Ionesco: The Lesson and The Bald Soprano. The highlight of the day was a lecture by Dr. Harold Clurman, noted director and drama critic, on "The World of the Theater."

On Saturday the students competed in scenes from French, German, Russian and Spanish plays. At an afternoon awards ceremony, prizes of engraved plaques (first place), books, records and souvenirs were presented.

Winners of the plaques for French were: Hendersonville High School; Level I--University of South Carolina; Level II--Agnes Scott. First place winners in German were: T. L. Hanna High School; Level I--East Carolina University; Level II--Duke University. Winners of the plaques for Russian were: Booker T. Washington High School; Level I--University of North Carolina at Greensboro; Level II--Emory University. First place winners in Spanish were: A. C. Flora High School; Level I--Greenville Technical College; Level II--East Carolina University.

Also, individual prizes were awarded for the best actor and actress in each category.

The panels of judges consisted of professors from neighboring universities and native speakers. Also, Dr. Clurman judged the French college competition.

In addition to the plaques and prizes provided by the Department of Languages, prizes were donated by: Goethe Institute of Boston, Belgian Embassy, Embassy of the Dominican Republic, French Service Culturel, L'Ecole de l'Alliance Française, Embassy of Switzerland, Embassy of Ecuador, Canadian Consulate General, Consulate General of the Federal Republic of Germany, Embassy of Venezuela, Belgian Consulate General, Embassy of Spain, and Austrian Consulate.

The language faculty and the secretary of the department, Mrs. Pat Hawkins, were hosts at large. The following Clemson students graciously served as aids in various capacities, and the department wishes to express its appreciation to them: Dee Candle, Margaret Latimer, Ralph Rynes, Doug Taylor, Wanda Crapps, Leon Hayes, Wayne Owens, Danny Jones, Lynn Allen, Dianne Adams, Sandra Muckenfuss, Robbie P. Allen, Steve Anderson, Ann McKeown, Mary Jane Lord, Dona Speer, Sharon Marshall, Tamara Suther, Dave Jones, Cindy Hollis, Rob Miller, Aline Crews, Diane B. Eskew, Susan Ford and William Brown.

FRENCH CLUB TO RUE DE PARIS

On Thursday, April 3, the French Club traveled to Atlanta to spend the afternoon at the Cumberland Mall. Members browsed through the many interesting shops and culminated the evening with an excellent meal at the famous French restaurant Rue de Paris.

Those who made the trip included Jill Romney, Pam Stevens, Ann Rauscher, Shelley Thomas, Gable Johnson, Peggy Deadwyler, Debbie Bedenbaugh, Terry Monck, Leo Jacobs, Jill Arey, Cyndie Castleberry, Susan Taylor and Charles Bradford. Mr. Jacques Macy, advisor, accompanied the group.
The play Victimes du devoir by Eugene Ionesco was presented in Daniel Auditorium on January 28 by a group of French students. The play was directed by Mr. Jacques Macy.

The following week, the cast presented the play for a group of French students from all Greenville County Schools at Greenville High School.

The cast: Al Willis, Jill Arey, Leon Hayes, Charles Bradford, Debbie Bedenbaugh.

The lighting was handled by Tom Pender and Larry Huff.

Eight members of the Russian Club and friends went to Atlanta on Saturday, March 29. The group visited the Memorial Arts Jenter, ate dinner at a Chinese restaurant, and spent the entire evening at Atlanta Underground.

Among the guests were four recent emigres from the Soviet Union.

The students who traveled to Atlanta were Soheila Dianati, Wade Facey, Sharon Apps, Kenneth Rendall, Susan Ford, Paul Aaron, Thomas O'Dare and Raymond Morrison.