SOULS holds first meeting of school year

SOULS (Society of United Liberal Students), held its first meeting Thursday night with President Dalton Nicholoson presiding.

Approximately 200 students attended.

In introductory remarks, Nicholoson explained the purpose and objectives of SOULS as stated in the SOULS Constitution.

Nicholoson said, "The brothers and sisters of SOULS of East Carolina University try to insure social and academic justice to all students on campus and in the community.

"The Purpose of this organization shall be for the betterment of race relations on the East Carolina University campus," he said, "and to unite Black students and to aid in the unification of the Black Community, with our ultimate goal being the preservation of the dignity and the worth of Black people in a racist filled society."

Following his remarks, Nicholoson introduced the newly created Black Executive Board.

The purpose of the Board is to come together periodically to evaluate the progress of Black students, according to Nicholoson. The Board should give SOULS a great deal of insight into what is going on in the campus community.

The Board is composed of a representative from each Black fraternity and sorority, the Secretary of Minority Affairs, the officers of SOULS, the editor of EBYONY HERALD, and the chairman of the Minority Arts Committee.

Also, two at large members and two members of the SOULS Planning Board are on the Black Executive Board.

During the meeting, four persons were elected to the SOULS Planning Board.

They are Michael "P-Nut" Taylor, Loren-Hawkins, Paula Murphy and Neomis "Joe" Evans.

The Planning Board is responsible for scheduling activities in the Afro American Cultural Center.

Following the committee elections, SOULS Treasurer, Sheila Judd, suggested that SOULS members pay annual or quarterly membership dues.

After several minutes of debate, it was decided that members will pay $5 a year or $2 a quarter for SOULS membership dues.

Deadline for paying the dues was set at Oct. 1st.

Other business during the meeting included assigning persons to the Fund Raising, Black Awareness, and Informers committees.

During announcements, Michael Taylor announced that the Black House needs volunteers. Taylor, vice-president of the Real House, said it is a "crisis prevention center." Persons interested in working with Real House can either contact Taylor or call 759-Help.

SOULS meetings are tentatively scheduled for the first Thursday night of each month.

Black Arts Cultural Week
planned for October

A Black Arts Cultural Festival will be observed during the week of October 3 through 9.

Coveta Rushing, chairperson of the Minority Arts Committee, is responsible for scheduling the events of the week.

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The festival is being held in October rather than during National Black History Week as usual, because of budget problems, according to Rushing.

The Black Arts Festival begins Sunday, Oct. 3, with a gospel music program. The program will feature four outstanding groups—the Revelation Singers of Goldsboro, the Carrie Harrison Singers of Roanoke Rapids, the Interdenominational Choir of Farmville and the Andrew A. Best Chorale of Greenville.

Beginning at 6 p.m., the program will be held in the Mendenhall Student Center Theatre. There will be no admission charge.

On Monday, Oct. 4, an African Foods and Dance Symposium is slated to begin at 7:30. It will be held in the Multi-Purpose room of Mendenhall.

Various African dishes will be available for sampling and several African rhythmic dances will be demonstrated and taught.

Twenty-five cents for admission will be charged.

Tuesday, Oct. 5, Donald Bogie, author of the award-winning book, Tom's Coonts, Mulattoes, Mamies and Beads, will be present with a lecture and slide program on "A History of Blacks in the Cinema." Bogie's book won the Theater Library Association Award for best film book of the year in 1973. During his presentation he will take a close look at the stereotypes blacks portray in the movies.

The presentation will begin at 8 p.m. in the Student Center Theatre. Students will be admitted with their I.D. and activity card.

Wednesday night's main attraction will be the award-winning classic, "The Jazz Singer." The autobiography of Al Jolson will be presented in Wright Auditorium at 7 p.m.

"The Cotton Club" ran on Broadway for three years winning wide acclaim and numerous top theatrical awards.

Kicking off the week's activities will be the movie, "Claudine," Friday night. Starring Diahann Carroll and James Earl Jones, "Claudine" is one of the first Black movies not made for television outside of the realm of "blacktoplation."

"Claudine" is enjoyable. It is funny yet sincere and touching. It is one of the best black movies in recent years.

And if you are a soul music buff, remember Curtis Mayfield wrote and produced the music for the movie. Also remember Gladys Knight and the Pips sang the theme and other songs from it. Her opinion will be one hit, "On and On," was from the movie.

The Black Arts Cultural Festival concludes Saturday night, Oct. 9, with a disc jock victory dance. The Soulful Strutters, one of North Carolina's hottest discio bands, will provide the music.

The dance begins at 10 p.m. following the ECU vs. Southern Illinois game. It will be held in Wright Auditorium and the admission is $1 for ECU students, and $2 for the public.

Other events during the week include an art exhibition.

Student observs frats, cites services projects

By JOYCE EVANS
Staff Writer

Alpha, Kappa, Omega are not just the beginning, the middle, and the end. They are three Black fraternities—Alpha Phi Alpha, Kappa Alpha Psi, Omega Psi Phi. Alpha, Kappa, and Omega members stride across ECU's campus with pride.

These brothers encourage togetherness and individualism. Kappa stresses achievement and self-confidence among its members. Alpha expresses a desire for "cohesive unity" among its members.

Numerous service projects show worth-while, essential goals accomplished within the Black Community and ECU's campus. The fact that each organization has specific goals to work toward expressed unity in a broad sense.

The fraternities are concrete proof that one does not have to lose his identity while attending a predominantly white university.

The Alpha Phi Alpha projects include—Thanksgiving projects (collecting canned foods and distributing among the underprivileged families), and hiding eggs and jelly beans at Easter. They also sponsored the Black and Gold Ball.

Kappa Alpha Psi and Omega Psi Phi are engaged in working with the community, too. All three fraternities past records of achievement speaks for itself.

Blacks, as a people, need activities to which they can relate.

And we, Blacks, can be thankful that the fraternities periodically sponsor parties on and off campus.

The social life of those who wish to be socializable is, without a doubt, bright! We can get on down and party doing our own special thing!
By members of fraternities and sororities

**Pros and cons of pledging Greek discussed**

By LINDA CLARK
Staff Writer

Black sororities and fraternities offer a unique way of life for many East Carolina University students. Each sorority has its purpose, and its advantages and disadvantages.

Getting sisters and brothers to talk about the advantages of his or organization is relatively easy. But, getting them to talk about the disadvantages they have encountered because of their sorority or fraternity affiliation can be somewhat difficult, to say the least.

Nevertheless, the task was successfully undertaken.

"I felt the need to be a part of a sisterhood," explained Sharon Jones, an Alpha Kappa Alpha. "I wanted to know togetherness and a feeling of security." Jones said the opportunity to meet people nationally who share the same basic goals and interests as she does is an advantage which she treasures. Then in true sisterhood spirit, she declared, "There are no disadvantages which are important enough to mention."

"It gives me a feeling of belonging," commented Vanessa Henderson. "I enjoy helping others through projects sponsored by Alpha Kappa Alpha."

"The major disadvantage I see is the competition among the members of sororities and fraternities. I think the competition creates jealousy and an air of 'my sorority or fraternity is better than yours.'" Delta Sigma Theta soror, Pat Jones, related that she joined a sorority because of the influence of friends.

"Also," she continued, "it was a good place for me to start to become involved saw that there was always someone to turn to."

"The idea of sisterhood and belonging, and the opportunity to help others on a large scale as a group appeals to me. Groups can do more than an individual."

"The disadvantage I find in being a sorority member is the stereotype role one receives after he or she becomes a member."

Another Delta, Pam Cathy revealed, "I wanted to join an organization before I graduated. Joining a sorority has allowed me to experience a special closeness with the sisters."

"Disadvantages enter when people stereotype and stigmatize members. This creates distrust among the sororities and fraternities." ECU has three black fraternities. Alpha Phi Alpha is the oldest at ECU. The other two are Omega Psi Phi and Kappa Alpha Psi which is the most recently established one.

"Do sisters and brothers differ in their opinion about their respective organizations of sisterly or brotherly love and togetherness?" Alpha Phi Alpha member, Mel Duckenfield said he joined a fraternity because as a freshman he wanted to meet new friends and work in a service organization.

"An advantage I have experienced through my membership is the fraternity is learning to cooperate and work with people to accomplish specific goals," Duckenfield continued.

"Disadvantages or complications may arise when members do not set priorities or schedule their time wisely."

"Although fraternity life demands quite a bit of time, there are other things which may mean that the fraternity cannot come first." Alpha member, Carter Suggs, said he joined a fraternity because of the services a fraternity can provide and because of the services he can offer a fraternity.

Suggs, who runs track for ECU, said he finds "limited social activities" a disadvantage of fraternity membership.

Charles Avery, like many fraternity brothers and sorority sisters, voiced the typical fraternity rhetoric in explaining his reasons for joining a fraternity.

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**Alpha Kappa Alpha exemplifies service**

Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority (AKA) proposes to facilitate the bonds of sisterhood and render service to all mankind, according to its members.

To accomplish its goals, in the past the ECU chapter has sponsored a Heart Fund Drive, a Hypertension Clinic, a social to collect food for underprivileged families and airway clinics.

Also, it has sponsored Man-of-the-Year contests, a tutoring service and several adventure hikes for disadvantaged youths.

"Everyone comes to college with expectations of belonging or fitting into a college atmosphere," said a member of the fraternity. "Many of the students join Greek organizations in order to fulfill their personal expectations."

"So with a spirit of belonging and rendering service, many college women join the Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority," she concluded.

**Alpha Phi Alpha promotes unity**

By TONI HARRIS
Staff Writer

The goal of Alpha Phi Alpha is to unite Blacks on campus and open new avenues for Black culture.

Alpha Phi Alpha was the first Black Greek-Letter organization established at ECU. The Eta Nu Chapter was started in 1910.

The Alpha Fraternity is for the unity of all, according to its brothers. Its purpose is to promote brotherhood, understanding and a cohesive unit which can only be achieved by being an Alpha.

The Alphas have served the Black community through a variety of projects. Among them are collecting canned food for underprivileged families for Thanksgiving, hiding eggs at Easter, a jelly bean guess, also at Easter.

It was prompted when a group of well-educated men of common literary interest realized that the social life for Blacks was almost nonexistent at Cornell, a predominantly white school.

The young men formed a literary club which later became a social fellowship. The social fellowship became the Greek letter, Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity. The Alpha plan to have pledge periods during Winter and Spring quarters.

Alphas who have achieved national prominence include Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., Thurgood Marshall, and Julian Bond.

**President of SOULS**

There exists on the campus of East Carolina University, as well as on other campuses, a new generation of awareness. This was not surprising. It was destined to emerge.

The past has not produced a generation that will act, with the explosive tactics of the sixties, but a generation that can act with effectiveness.

From a decade of passive participation, this group is here; its direction and purpose is clear.

The stage is set. Let any adversary be aware for we now know...That there is a time to be aggressive and a time to be passive, a time to be together and a time to be alone; a time to fight and a time to love; a time to cry and a time to laugh; a time to confront and a time to withdraw; a time to speak and a time to be silent; a time to hurry and a time to wait.

Reelected for the 1968-1969 term, the new SOULS president is Robert Franklin. Franklin was re-elected for the position he has held since 1967.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Ebony Chimes**

Ebony Chimes (Spiritual) Choir will hold its first meeting Wednesday night at 6 p.m. in the Mudd building. All interested persons are invited to join.

**Herald address**

Poetry and/or letters to the editor of Ebony Herald may be mailed to Ebony Herald, c/o SGA, Mendenhall Student Center, Greenville, N.C. 27834.

**Cultural Center**

The Afro American Cultural Center is now open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. weekdays. Visit! President's hours

Office hours for Dalton Nicholson, SOULS President, are noon to 1 p.m. weekdays.

**ANAUNEMENTS**

**Ebony Chimes**

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President of SOULS

Dalton Nicholson
Kappas stress brotherhood

By TONI HARRIS
Staff Writer

Kappa Alpha Psi works to promote finer manhood and brotherhood, according to its members.

The fraternity stresses the achievements of promoting the spiritual, social, moral and intellectual welfare of the greater society of man, the brothers agree. Kappa was started at East Carolina University in 1973 with Men Interested in Kappa (MIK).

The following school year, a pledge period was begun. It lasted 12 weeks. The first members were initiated in December 1974. The present chapter of Eta Psi was officially chartered in February 1975.

Presently, the Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity at ECU has 15 members. "We try to pass the thought of achievement to all the brothers, even if they are not a Kappa," stated Kappa member Tony Morris.

Grover Cooper said that to promote finer manhood and brotherhood, Kappa emphasizes peace and brotherhood. And in emphasizing peace, Kappa hopes to avoid conflict and confusion in society in general, according to Cooper.

Kappa service projects were a factor in Tony Morris' decision to join the organization. "I was impressed with the Kappa service, and I agreed with working with the community, and I agree with stressing achievement."

Ques' uphold distinctive image

By C.R. KNOTT Staff Writer

Through the principles of manhood, scholarship, preservation and uplift, the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity strives to uphold an image of distinction.

Omega Psi Phi Fraternity was founded at ECU on May 15, 1973. The national fraternity was founded at Howard University on November 17, 1911. The fraternity originated as a service fraternity, but since has stretched an arm into the social realm as well.

In spite of its several annual service programs such as Talent Search, Achievement Week, and scholarship programs, the organization also lends itself to social activities such as parties, picnics and dances. Such activities add flavor to the fraternity's overall outlook.

A desire to cover all facets of college life is predominant with the fraternity members. Consequently, the fraternity operates not only as a brotherhood for its own sake but as a subsidiary of an even larger brotherhood.

Here at ECU, "the Ques" (members of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity), strive to 'sense the needs of the students and react to them," according to a member of the fraternity.

One has to go through several steps to become a Que.

First, the interested persons form an interest club (IG). While in the club, the candidates are exposed to the fraternity as well as observed. They are also urged to think seriously about whether or not they want to pledge Omega.

After the observation period, the candidates are asked to submit a letter stating their reasons for wanting to become a Que. Sometimes during the post-observation period, the fraternity holds a 'snore'.

A 'snore' is a question and answer session about the fraternity.

Following the deadline for letters, the applicants are screened and initiated into the Lampade Club if they meet specific club requirements.

The brothers of Kappa Alpha Psi agree that their fraternity is a stepping stone. George Bryant Lewis said he has found self-confidence by participating in the fraternity.

Brian Kelley refused the popular assumption that one must give up his individualism to become a true fraternity brother...

"Contrary to popular rumor that fraternities subtract from one's individuality," Kelley said, "Kappa Alpha Psi offers one a chance to enhance his individualism."

"Kappa looks at people as individuals and not as labels. "Kappa stresses achievement. A person must strive for his own achievement," Kelley explained. "Through individual achievement, a person enhances his individualism."

George Lewis also referred to the assumption saying, the "self-confidence" he has found through the fraternity is a "positive factor toward individualism."

The Kappas have two pledges on line this quarter. They are Walter Hooker and Keith Mullin. Hooker and Mullin must remain on line eight weeks to successfully complete the pledge period.

Another part of the Kappa Fraternity is the Kappa Sweethearts. Kappa Sweethearts are girls elected by the Eta Psi Chapter of Kappa Alpha Psi, according to Kelley. The duties of the Sweethearts are to work with the fraternity and to represent the fraternity in certain functions.

The Kappas also sponsor a Miss Kappa Alpha Psi.

The national chapter of Kappa was founded January 1911 at Indiana University. Prominent national members of Kappa are Dr. Ralph Abernathy, Authur Ashe, Rev. Leon Sullivan, and Mayor Thomas Bradley.

These men are a living testimony of the Kappa objective-achievement.
Pirates survive Indians’ scare

By BILLY DAVIS

The William and Mary Indians seemed well prepared for the arrival of the East Carolina Pirates to town, as the Indians provided the Pirates with the most formidable contest of the season, with the Pirates emerging as the 20-19 victors, thanks to the leg of Pete Conaty. The Pirates extended their winning streak to ten games, but had to arise at keypoints during the game to stop the Indians’ attack. Ernest Madison made the big play of the day by picking off a William and Mary punt returner Tom Rozanz with less than a minute to go, to preserve the victory for the Pirates. It seemed rightfully fitting for Rozanz to knock down game for glory, for Rozanz, and his Indians had a very successful day passing the ball. But in all fairness to the ECU secondary, they were involved in some very controversial calls, and William and Mary had luck riding on their side, as several times during the game Pirate defenders swatted the ball with the Indian receiver being able to come up with the ball.

The Pirates drew first blood as Raymond Jones plunged over from the one yard line, capping off a 41-yard drive on the Pirates’ first possession. William and Mary tied it right back at seven all, as Rozanz hit Ken Clouch on a 13-yard scoring play. The Pirates struck right back as big Zak Valentine, the lanky sophomore defensive end continued his outstanding play by breaking through on fourth down to block a William and Mary punt, with Fred Chavis recovering the ball on the Indian 11-yard line.

Raymond Jones continued his act taking it over from the one, scoring the final ECU touchdown of the day. The Indians scored again in the second quarter making the score 14-3, missing the extra point which proved to be the crucial miscalculation in the game for the Indians. All the other Pirate scoring in the second half was a field goal by Pete Conaty of 33-36 yards. William and Mary also had two second half field goals.

As the second half progressed the Pirate defense was sternly tested by William and Mary, and the Greenville gang met the challenge, and brought home victory number three for the Pirates.

OUTSTANDING PIRATES

ERNST MADISON

The senior right cornerback of the Pirates made the play of the day against William and Mary by snatching his first (Bingo interception of the year stopping the William and Mary drive with less than three minutes remaining in the game. Although this was Ernest’s first big play of the year, it wasn’t by far his first big play. Madison was responsible for breaking up the pass intended for Elijah Marshall against N.C. State, the result being an interception by Jim Bolding. Madison is a hitter and he’s really being stuck playing, and he’s been playing the run and pass well. Ernest is just playing his way to achieve many post-season honors, which the senior from Norfolk, Va. deserves. Keep sticking ’em, Ernest.

RAYMOND JONES

The versatile Pirate fullback recorded his best game to date of the season against William and Mary. The speedy fullback from Roanoke, Va. carried the ball 27 times for 109 yards and scored two touchdowns. The last couple of games Raymond has begun to shine as the Pirates’ threats. Hawkins and Hicks has been slowed down a little. Raymond has been called on to carry the load and he has responded well being the most consistent back in the first three games.

ERNST MADISON, ECU’s ‘super quick’ defensive back.

Hawkins and Hicks are super backs, but the man running and blocking in front of them is a Super Brother, and is a break-away threat to be reckoned with alone, by opponents. So Keep on Truckin’, Ray.

Harold “Too Small” Randolph is a junior linebacker from Greenville, N.C. It is hard to say anything else about him or the nickname he has picked up since being at ECU.

Harold was in on 27 tackles and just hitting and getting after people as an All-Conference and possibly All-American linebacker should. Harold Richardson, in a class of his own, his speed and quickness, and the desire to play the game makes him one of the best at his position and one of the finest linebackers ever to play for ECU. So Eat ‘em Up, Too Small.

ZACK VALENTINE

Zack Valentine, the lanky sophomore defensive end from Edenton, N.C., started for his second year and is really progressing super. He surely is a winner as Coach Pat Dye calls his starters. Zack continues his fine play as he blocked a punt and had numerous tackles and assists. Zack had a little extra load in the William and Mary game due to the absence of Cary Godette, but he arose to the occasion well, and made a fine effort for the Pirates.

Indians stain

William and Mary experienced a very successful afternoon against the ECU Pirates, offensively and defensively. The Pirates won but the Indians made several dents and recorded several firsts, in the Pirates statistics for the season.

The Indian defense held the Pirates to 278 total yards, the least for the Bucs in three games, and their first game under 300 yards total offense. The Pirates also were unable to complete a pass to a wide-receiver. The offensive unit just wasn’t as sharp as in the previous games.

The defense unit again proved to be the strong point of the team, but it also had its vulnerable spots as the Indians were able to amass 333 total yards, the most given up by the defense to an opponent this season. William and Mary had a very balanced attack against the Pirates, being fairly successful passing the ball.

ECU pass rush was very weak throughout the game, though on several occasions the Indians put good pressure on Rozanz. The lack of a good rush can be partially attributed to the absence of All-American defensive end candidate Cary Godette. Godette who is recovering from a knee injury against N.S. State dressed for the game, but didn’t see any action.

Godette’s absence was missed in stopping the Indian running game also, but most of all his leadership was missed. Cary is definitely the leader of the defensive gang, and a team leader. He exemplifies to the utmost the senior leadership which coach Dye stresses for his team. Godette will be ready for The Citadel this week.

The Pirates were severely tested by William and Mary, and in all honesty, the game won’t be considered one of the finer performances of the year, by the coaches or players. But the fact remains we won when we played bad, which is a bright spot, and a good team has the character and class to do this. Coach Dye’s bunch showed they had a lot of both as they arose to the occasion to hand William and Mary its first defeat of the season.