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CHI'S MARCH MEETING

Our meeting last month found us in what seems to be our new-found home, the fabulous motel complex in Elk Grove. We met in our usual two-room suite, but we were unable to secure the usual attached (bed)room unit which gives us additional space for our activities. Those in attendance were: Karen IL-3-M, Joan IL-6-C and Pat, Mitzi IL-8-C, Linda IL-16-S, Sharon IL-25-H, Janna IL-28-P, Deanna IL-35-G, Mary Ann IL-203-B and Kathy, Mickey IL-204-S, Naomi IL-212-O, Susan IO-1-T; prospective members Susan, Alicia and Cindy, Barbara, Eve, and John. An especially warm welcome to newcomers Barbara and John, with a special word of thanks to Sharon for her fine work in recruitment!

The formal portion of the meeting began at 9:00 P.M. We started the business portion late because all those present were having too good a time visiting to begin any earlier. Deanna apologized for not securing the attached bedroom for "breathing room," but with the smaller crowd it worked out better, especially financially, for the Chapter. Deanna asked that anyone send to Donna Martin any suggestions or ideas that could be used to interest couples in a future Lover's Night "on the town," for social purposes only (no dressing).

Deanna then reported on our recent weekend gathering in Holland, Michigan, co-sponsored by CHI and Delta Chapters. Thanks were extended to all who attended, especially those who assisted in any way in making this a successful weekend. (A full report on the gathering will be forwarded for inclusion in the next issue of the Femme Mirror, so we won't go into the details now). We're all looking forward to next year, when we will probably return to the same location for another annual get-together.

Missing from the March meeting, among others, was our Secretary/Treasurer Donna Martin. Donna was involved with moving the household of her Sister-in-Law, Dee (whom many of you know), and just didn't have the strength or ambition to try and collect herself to attend our meeting after a hard day's work. Donna, a white-collar worker, later reported that she discovered muscles and nerve-endings that she didn't know were even in her body!

Our Vice-President, Karen, reported that several members attended the March Social at the Lite Factory. The idea of having a regular monthly social, in addition to our formal monthly meeting, has proven to be one of the best programs that the Chapter has initiated in the past few years. We're glad that our membership has made this a success, and have a special word of thanks to Gayle and Jack of the Lite Factory for being such gracious and supportive Hosts! The next social will be held on April 1st, an advanced date dictated by our early monthly Chapter meeting which was scheduled to avoid conflict with the Easter Holidays and the spring vacations of the schools.

Deanna reminded everyone of increased Chapter costs, caused by inflation, which were reported in detail in last month's newsletter. Additionally, since last month, our postage costs have increased 20% (courtesy of the U.S. Postal Service). Since we are all living in an inflationary period, we will have to learn to live with it. We hope that the recent increase in the meeting fee, from \$5.00 to \$7.00, will off-set our financial situation and avoid further increases in the near future. However, your Chapter Officers will keep close watch on the financial position of the Chapter, and report to the membership if further problems develop.

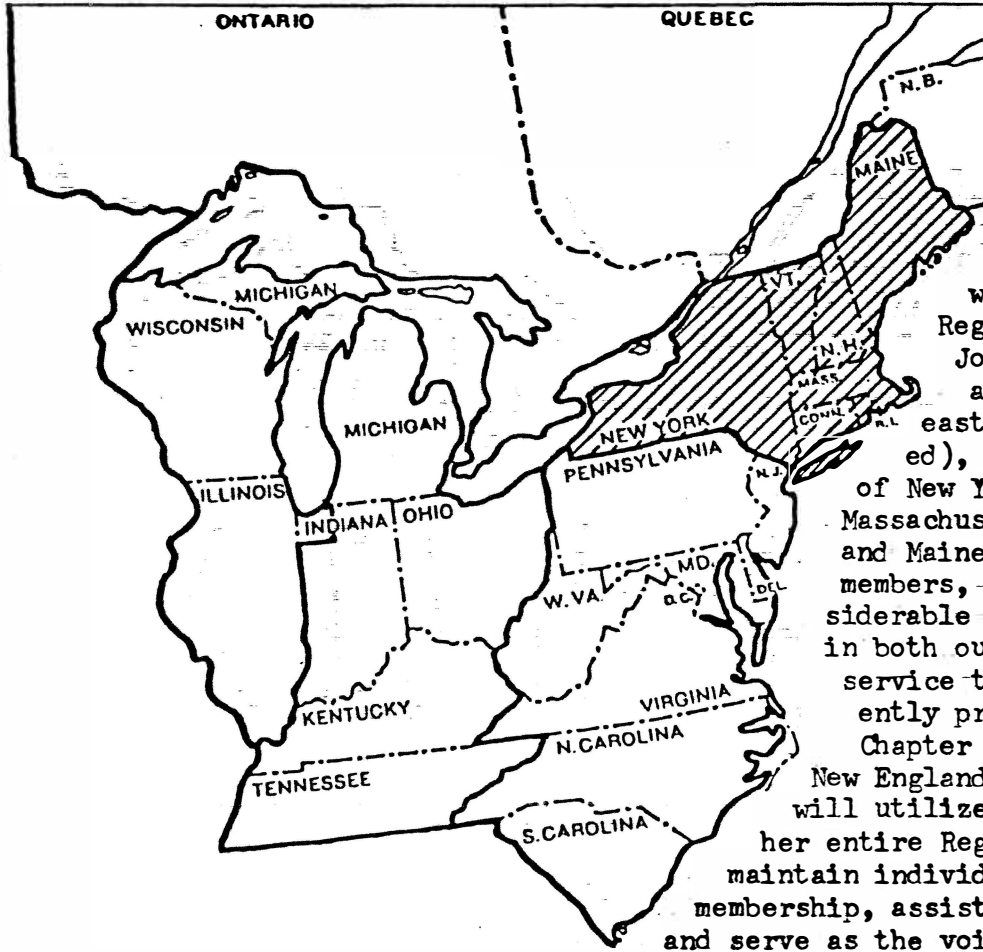
(Special thanks to Deanna, who prepared this report of the March meeting in the absence of your Editor, Donna).

DELTA MEETING

There will be a major reorganizational meeting of Delta Chapter, sponsored by Elaine MI-16-W and Nancy MI-22-H, in Ann Arbor, Michigan, on Saturday the 16th of May. Nancy and Elaine will be contacting the Central Region members directly, in the near future, to provide further information and details. The meeting will be open to all Tri-Sigma members who wish to attend, to prospective members of the Chapter and/or Tri-Sigma, and to invited guests who have shown support of of Tri-Sigma's policies and activities. All those who would like to see renewed Tri-Sigma activity in the Central Region, and a revitalized Delta Chapter, are urged to attend the meeting or to make their interest known to Elaine or to Nancy if you cannot attend.

NEW APPOINTMENT

Because of continued growth in the Great Lakes Area, it has become necessary to expand our Area Leadership to properly serve the membership. The Great Lakes Area is presently divided into five Regions, three of which have been served by active Regional Coordinators:



Elaine MI-16-W for the Central Region, Betty Ann VA-10-L for the Mid-Atlantic Region, and Cecily FCO-2-C for the Canadian Region. Donna IL-11-S has been covering the "open" Western Region and Northeastern Region. It is with the greatest amount of pleasure that we announce the latest of the

Regional Coordinator appointments. Joyce NJ-206-M will be the Regional Coordinator for the "North-eastern" Region (name to be selected), which will comprise the States of New York, Connecticut, Rhode Island, Massachusetts, Vermont, New Hampshire, and Maine. Although one of our newer members, Joyce has demonstrated a considerable amount of ability and interest in both our national organization and service to our membership, and is currently promoting the formation of a

Chapter to serve those in the southern New England area. We are sure that Joyce will utilize her talents for the benefit of her entire Region. As Coordinator, she will maintain individual contact with her Regional membership, assist in the formation of new Chapters, and serve as the voice of the New England area in our national councils. She will also serve as an

advisor to the Area Director, and assist in the planning of Area-wide programs and activities. We trust that each and every member of her Region will give Joyce their fullest support!

CHI TREASURER'S REPORT

Balance on hand, February 28th:	\$298.56
Meeting Fees:	+105.00
Associate Member Dues:	+ 12.00
Meeting Room:	-125.00
Refreshments:	- 42.32
Postage:	- 26.50
Supplies (Envelopes):	- 2.70
Newsletter Printing (March):	- 18.04
Balance on hand, March 31st:	\$201.00

Thank you for letting me be
 The girl that is deep inside of me.
 I want all to know I'm glad to be male
 But I really do love the part that's female.
 I just want to be caught up in the whirl
 Of being "Tri-Sigma," and being a girl.
 Oh, the tension and frustration of having to hide
 The female creature that dwells inside.
 For the first time in my life I'm really at joy
 Because the girl inside broke away from the boy.
 I just don't know how I can express my pleasure
 Other than "Thank You," Tri-Sigma, you're a treasure.
 To all of my new Sisters and loving friends
 I, Karen, thank you and my poem ends.

Karen II-216-P

CHI'S APRIL MEETING

The next meeting of CHI Chapter will be held on the second Saturday of the month, April 11th, to avoid conflicts with the Easter Holidays/spring vacation. Details of the meeting place and time will be found on a separate sheet (Chapter and Associate members, and invited guests, only). We hope to see you there, this month!

Donna

"Here's my latest definition of a transvestite: A fellow who likes to eat, drink and be Mary."

— Orson Welles



Our April 11th meeting is scheduled for the Midway Motor Lodge, 1600 Oakton Street, Elk Grove Village. The motel is located just northwest of the intersection of Route 83 (Oakton Street) and Route 72 (Higgins Road), just a few miles northwest of O'Hare Airport. We have reserved a Suite (Rooms 160/162/164), on the first floor with access through the entrance marked number "6" on the northwest side of the motel complex. (Alternate Suite will be Rooms 166/168/170). Our rooms will be open after 2:00 P.M. for the convenience of our members who are traveling long distances, with the usual sign on the room door for identification. Although adequate changing rooms will be available in our Suite, any member who wishes to reserve their own room should make arrangements directly with the Motel; tell them that you are with the Tri-Sigma group, and you will be given a room as close to the meeting Suite as possible.

If you have a last-minute problem, or change of plans, please telephone Deanna (Dave) at (312) 455-3709, or call the motel and ask for the "Tri-Sigma Room." If you received a post card with this newsletter, please fill it out and return it promptly so that we can make the necessary arrangements for the anticipated attendance; Associate Members please telephone Deanna in advance, for the same reason, if you plan on attending.

