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Alpha Theta's sweetheart for the coming year is Miss Judy Wuerstner, a sophomore at Wellesley College. Judy received this honor in an impressive ceremony during intermission at the Sweetheart Ball. Judy is majoring in economics, with a minor in art history, and her interests include skiing and dramatics.

EIGHT SENIORS GRADUATING

In June Alpha Theta will lose its eight members of the class of 1960. Unlike so many of the previous classes, only one Senior, Bryant K. Vann will be returning to MIT for graduate work. Bryant has been awarded a National Science Foundation Fellowship which he plans to use to obtain a M.S. in Electrical Engineering before fulfilling his N.R.O.T.C. obligation. James Overbeck has also won a similar fellowship which he will use to study physics at Princeton.

John Beckett and Tom Stone are both facing the cold, cruel world - John as a mechanical engineer for Lear Inc., of Elyria, Ohio, and Tom as a Second Lieutenant in the Army.

The rest of the class has taken up the cry "Westward Ho" and is going to Stanford. Mark Jensen plans to get a Master's Degree in Electrical Engineering before going into the Navy, and Bob White has accepted an assistantship with the Physics Department. Edward Neild and Jim Long will enter the Graduate School of Business Administration.

All of the brothers join in wishing the Seniors good luck in their endeavors.

CHAPTER NEWS

Alpha Theta has continued to exemplify its tradition of excellence in all phases of Institute life, and the following summary is only a partial listing of chapter activities.

IFC HEADLIGHTS SOCIAL SEASON

Under the leadership of social chairman, Winn Martin, the spring term has been one of the most successful in recent years. The term began with a mixer with thirty Wellesley girls, selected and secured through the efforts of Brothers Martin, Tarter and Jensen. This was soon followed by Sweetheart Ball Weekend held March 5,6,7, which, despite the twenty inches of snow, was an excellent weekend.

Many other smaller parties, including a Beatnik party and a theatre party, sustained social life until the culmination of the spring season, IFC weekend. This year IFC featured Maynard Ferguson's orchestra for the Friday night formal. Saturday, there was the traditional beach party and Tech Night at the Pops climaxed the weekend on Sunday evening. The term ended with a very enjoyable party at the home of our Chapter Adviser, Gene Chamberlain.

Perhaps the most important part of the social spirit at Alpha Theta is the warm cooperation of all the brothers. It is rare that an attractive girl appears in the house without she and her date being immediately surrounded by all the brothers.

In a less coeducational vein, the Alumni Open House and the Faculty Open House have been Sunday Afternoon features of the spring term. The presence at dinner of many distinguished guests, including Dr. James R. Killian and President Julius Stratton, has been a very pleasant addition to our social calendar.

VOLLEYBALL TEAM PLACES THIRD

Spring term has seen the brothers engaged in such a variety of both intramural and intercollegiate athletics that space permits the mention of only a few of the more prominent activities.

In winter sports John Rupert, '62, and Hank Schleinitz, '61, both played on the varsity hockey team and John was named to the All-Eastern Honorable Mention Hockey Team. Jed Engeler, '62, was on the varsity swimming team and set an MIT record in the 440 yard freestyle.

Crew occupied the central position in the spring with seven brothers rowing in the various shells, and Ed Neild, '60, was elected Commodore of The Boat Club, the crew honorary. Jim Long, '60, competing in the weight events, is one of the top men on the varsity track team. Sigs are also active in varsity and freshmen tennis, lacrosse and baseball.

The highlight of the intramural season was the third place finish of the volleyball team, headed by Al Brennecke, '61, Dave Baldwin, '58, and Tom Dupree, '56.

