

# Women's Affairs Center In Dean Weston's Office

"The dean of women's office, located in 105 Old Main is a personnel center."

This is the definition of the office as written in the official University bulletin. But in reality, the office functions in a warmer and more friendly manner than a professional personnel center.

Pearl O. Weston, dean of women, has an executive position and sets policies for the office. She is a liaison between the administration and women students. In addition to handling major infractions of University rules with women and parents, she looks into major policy-making cases that effect any and all women.

Miss Weston was appointed dean in 1946, and from 1943 to 1946 she was assistant dean of women to Miss Charlotte Ray.

In addition to her office activities, Dean Weston is a member of All-University Cabinet and All-University Senate. Her office is open at all times to any student who wants to see her about studies, personal problems, or vocational guidance.

### Orientation Program

All freshman women are given an opportunity to meet personally with the dean and her staff by means of the teas that are held in Dean Weston's office from 4 to 5 p.m. on various days of the



Pearl O. Weston  
Dean of Women

week during the school year. Each week invitations are sent out to small groups of freshman women. Hatwomen and members of Women's Student Government Association assist at the teas.

There is also an assistant dean of women in charge of housing in the office. This department is in charge of making room assignments in the seven living units and cottages for undergraduate women. Freshman assignments are made before the student arrives on campus to avoid further confusion and trouble. It is a responsibility of assistant dean in charge of housing to assign roommates to those students who request them. The only knowledge she has about the individuals is from personality sketches sent in by the women. Room assignments for upperclasswomen are made in the spring by drawing numbers in relation to class standing.

### Assists Dean Weston

Edith G. Zinn, assistant to the dean of women in charge of freshman women and freshman activities, served in this capacity from 1947 to 1950. She returned to the University last fall after a four-year absence which she spent at East Carolina College, Greenville, N.C., and Meredith College, Raleigh, N.C. Miss Zinn is supervisor for Orientation Week, planned to acquaint freshmen with their new environment, to make them feel at ease and comfortable in new surroundings, and to help them adjust more quickly to University life.

### Women's Honorary

In addition to supervising the Orientation Week program, Miss Zinn is adviser to Alpha Lambda Delta, national freshman women's honorary society, Chimes, junior woman's hat society, Freshman Council, and Leonides, independent woman's organization. She is also co-adviser to WSGA Senate.

Miss Zinn conducts personal consultations with all freshman women to acquaint herself with the women on campus and to make recommendation and reference files for future use. She also helps girls find jobs as checkers in the living units, in part-time work in the dean of women's office, and

## Tryouts Planned For Thespians' Original Revue

Tryouts for the Penn State Thespians fall original revue, "Take Ten," have been scheduled for 7 to 9:30 p.m. next Sunday, Monday and Tuesday in 410 Old Main.

The revue will be presented on homecoming weekend, Oct. 13-15. Needed for the show are singers, dancers, actors, backstage hands, musicians, writers, pianists, and anyone interested in musical production, according to Michael Rosenfeld, organizer.

Thespians produce two shows a year, an original revue in the fall and a Broadway show in the spring. First semester women are not permitted to try out for the production.

as supervisors for the Sally's sandwich concession conducted in the dormitories.

Miss Zinn believes that the "personal" touch between students and her office should be kept to as great a degree as possible.

The third assistant to the dean of women is Jeanne Lindaman, who is in charge of activities. Miss Lindaman, who came to the University last February, is adviser to Panhellenic Council. She works with all sorority groups and alumni advisers and helps plan the rushing code of ethics for the two rushing seasons, in the fall and spring. She is also adviser to WSGA House of Representatives.

When exchange dinners are arranged between men and women's dormitories or between fraternities and cororities, Miss Lindaman acts as coordinator. She is in charge of completing arrangements for the special candlelight dinners that are held in dining halls once a month.

Cwens, sophomore woman's hat society, is another group for which Miss Lindaman is adviser. This group acts in advisory capacities to freshman women during Orientation Week.

Miss Lindaman stated that she is willing to answer any questions that freshman women may have concerning phases of sorority life.

Scholarships and other financial assistance may be arranged for through the dean of women's office.

## Glee Club To Audition This Week

The Glee Club, a 60-voice male organization, holds tryouts during Orientation Week for its membership. Each member tries out annually for the group.

The organization is directed by Frank Gullo, associate professor of music, and annually presents a concert before and after its tour. The tour, last spring, included singing engagements in Reading, Bethlehem, Philadelphia, Smithtown, N.Y., and East Orange, N.J.

Included in the Glee Club are two special groups, the Hy-Los and the Varsity Quartet. The Hy-Los, a comedy group composed of about 20 members, presents separate numbers at the concerts. The Quartet gives variety to the concerts.

The Glee Club was organized in 1887 by George C. Butz, a professor and graduate of the University, as the result of an article in the "Free Lance," the first student newspaper. There were 11 members, including Butz, when the group toured nearby communities in 1888.

In 1913, the group made a coast-to-coast tour and in 1928, they went to Europe. The Spring tour tradition began in 1920 when the group went to Wilkes-Barre and Binghamton, N.Y.

The Varsity Quartet was organized about 50 years ago. Its first appearance was with the Thespians to sing parts of the performance, "Russian Honey-moon," and to provide between-acts entertainment.

Members of the club who have been on two tours are presented with a key at the annual Spring banquet. Officers for the coming year are elected at the banquet.

### \$50 Presented to Fund

Pastors attending the 17th annual conference for town and country pastors at the University this summer contributed \$50 to the University which will be added to the Helen Eakin Eisenhower Chapel Fund.

## Hatwomen Marked By Grey Felt Hats

Grey felt hats with red, blue or yellow symbols on the front, and a small gold pin are the trademarks of the sophomore, junior, and senior hatwomen on campus.

Four hat societies are organized at the University to give recognition to women for their leadership, scholarship, and service. The purpose of the groups is to promote University spirit, maintain a code of honor in all student relations, and preserve University traditions.

Mortar Board, oldest national honorary society for senior women, and Scrolls, established at the University two years ago, recognize senior women. Chimes is the junior society, and Cwens was founded for sophomore women.

### Mortar Board

Mortar Board taps sixth semester women in the spring semester. An average of .3 above the All-University women's average is required for membership.

The pin, shaped like a mortar board, carries the words Pi Sigma Alpha to signify service, scholarship, and leadership—the objectives of the society.

Each year the group sponsors the Mardi Gras—an indoor carnival in Recreation Hall. Profits go to the Charlotte E. Ray scholarship fund. Other activities of the group are assisting with Orientation Week and acting as hostesses for receptions with women from other honoraries.

### Scrolls Is Newest

The most recent women's hat society to be chartered on campus is Scrolls. Sixth and seventh semester women who have not been recognized by a hat society previously are chosen on the basis of scholarship and service.

Members of Scrolls act as ushers for the Community Forum and assist in the Orientation Week activities.

The purpose of Chimes is to honor junior women who have shown loyalty to the University by giving their service and leadership to the advancement of its

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## 3 Curriculums Represented on Phys Ed Group

The Physical Education Council represents students enrolled in physical education, health education, and recreation curriculums. It aims to establish better student-faculty relations.

Among the projects it sponsored last year for students enrolled in the College of Physical Education and Athletics were the Sportsmen's Holiday, and the awarding of the Paul Smith memorial trophy.

The trophy honors a former physical education major who died in 1946, three months before he was to graduate. It is awarded annually by the council to an outstanding senior male physical education major.

The Descobalus, a physical education newsletter, is published by the council. The open house held in the spring also is the responsibility of the Council.

Membership on the council is limited to 17, including officers, two representatives from each class, president of the recreation and representative of the health education organizations, two faculty members and the Descobalus editor.

Anyone may nominate himself for council election by submitting to the council a petition signed by 15 physical education majors.

This year's president is Dean Mullen.



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