

Leonides Serves Interests Of 1750 Independent Coeds

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Members of Leonides, independent women's organization, number approximately 1750 women.

The organization was formed in 1948 under the direction of Pearl O. Weston, dean of women, who attended a meeting at Ohio State University in 1947 and heard how the independent woman's organization was formed there.

Dr. Robert E. Dengler, professor of Greek, suggested the name "Leonides," from Greek mythology, which means "lion-like," or "Lady of the Lion."

All freshman women are automatically members of Leonides, and upperclass coeds who do not wish to affiliate themselves with a sorority, retain their membership.

Edith G. Zinn, adviser to Leonides, is assistant dean of women and attends its council meetings. The 21 unit groups represented in Leonides elect a representative and an alternate to the council which meets Monday nights of the school year.

Member of N.I.S.A.

Leonides is affiliated nationally with the National Independent Student Association which was organized after the first World War to supply the "youth of America with education in group living as well as book education."

Officers of Leonides are Judith Pendleton, senior in physical education from Bryn Athyn, president; Norma Talarico, junior in education, from Bradford, vice president; Gwendolyn Pardo, sophomore in home economics from Valhalla, N.Y., recording secretary; Anne Campbell, senior in education from Confluence, corresponding secretary; and Joy Oram, senior in education from Washington, D.C., treasurer.

Leonides functions and activities are varied. From Orientation Week until the school year closes, they are planned specifically with the independent woman in mind.

During Orientation Week, Leonides sponsors a Dink Debut jointly with the Association of Independent Men to acquaint freshmen with the two organizations. Leonides women also plan an original skit one night during Orientation Week to acquaint freshman women with officers and other members of the organization.

A pamphlet, "Leonides at Penn State," is published every other year to acquaint women on campus with the purposes and functions of Leonides. This year it was mailed to all new women coming to campus.

Joint Events With AIM

Among joint events sponsored with AIM are the Autumn Ball, town Christmas caroling, booth at the Mardi Gras carnival held in November, and Spring Week activities. Projects for Spring Week include sponsoring a contestant for Ugly-Man contest, a booth for Carnival, and a float for the parade.

AIM and Leonides offer prizes for the best Christmas window decorations in men's and women's dormitories. During NISA Week, which is usually in March, Leonides sponsors a spring dance with

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Independents' Group Governs Male Frosh; 5000 Are Represented

As soon as a male student enrolls at the University, he automatically becomes a member of the Association of Independent Men and remains an "indie" throughout his college life unless he pledges a social fraternity.

AIM is the student government organization of approximately 5000 men.

Within the next few weeks, male students living in dormitories will elect unit officers and the president will serve on the area council. The area councils are West Halls, Nittany, and Pol-



Bruce Lieske
AIM President

lock. A fourth group, Town Independent Men, deals with upperclassmen living in State College.

The area councils sponsor social events and discuss the many problems confronting the area.

The president, vice president, secretary, and treasurer of the councils, and one representative-at-large for every 500 students in

each of the areas, represent the areas on the supreme governing body of AIM, the Board of Governors.

This board, according to the AIM constitution has "the power to enact any legislation, resolutions, recommendations, or appropriations that concern the Association of Independent Men or two or more councils thereof."

Officers of AIM are Bruce Lieske, president; Nelson Sidel, vice president; Leonard Richards, secretary; and Harry Martini, treasurer.

The program of AIM this year, according to Lieske, will be built around the four councils. He will endeavor to strengthen "the four legs of the table of AIM." Closer cooperation with Leonides, independent women's association, is also a major part of the program, Lieske said.

This year's orientation program will be directed at "how the local councils affect the student." In the past the program was directed at promoting AIM, Lieske said.

The main social event of the year is the annual Autumn Ball, to be held October 15 in the Hetzel Union Building. In addition, the area councils sponsor dances during the year at regular intervals.

AIM is reportedly rated as one of the top schools in the East in the National Independent Student Association, which is composed of approximately 90 schools. The University is in the northeast district, along with such schools as Cornell and St. Lawrence.

Trustees Vote School of Art In LA College

A School of Fine and Applied Arts within the College of Liberal Arts will open Feb. 1.

The Board of Trustees on August 27 also approved the establishment of a department of art education in the College of Education.

The new school will be composed of three departments: art, music and theatre arts. A director for the school will be named at a later date.

Architecture, which will continue as a department in the College of Engineering and Architecture, and the departments of art education and music education, will be affiliated departments of the new school.

The organization plan calls for the section of fine and applied arts, now in the College of Engineering and Architecture, to become the new department of art.

The department of theatre arts, which replaces the section of dramatics, now administered in the department of English literature,

Speech Department History Published

A history of the activities of the department of speech in the College of the Liberal Arts has been published by the speech department.

The booklet lists the objectives of the department, has the history of the men's and women's debating groups, and includes a section on current activities of the department.

The publication is dedicated to John Henry Frizzell, professor emeritus of speech, who joined the faculty in 1902 and who became the first head of the speech department in 1940.

will embrace work in the theatre and will develop programs in motion picture, radio, television and the dance cooperatively with other departments now concerned with work in those fields.

In recommending to the Board of Trustees the establishment of the School of Fine and Applied Arts, President Milton S. Eisenhower followed the recommendations of a committee appointed to propose a new administrative organization at the University for the arts.



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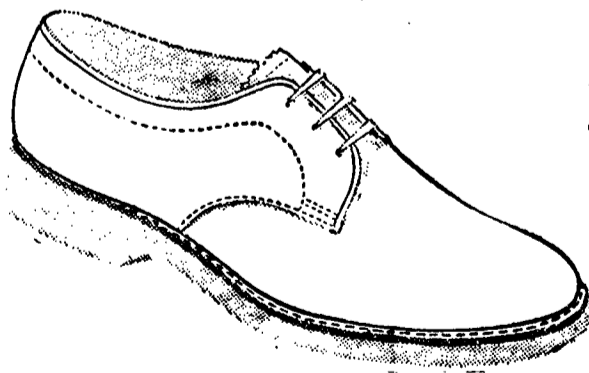
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