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## The President's Message—

### Uncommon Bonds Common Benefits

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Duck, Rabbit, Squirrel, and Eagle all went to school together. Duck made excellent grades in swimming and passing grades in flying but was a little slow in running. In fact, Duck sometimes had to stay after school to practice running. Rabbit started at the top of the class in running but was not very successful in swimming. Squirrel was excellent in climbing but was frustrated in flying class because his teacher wanted him to start from the ground up instead of from the treetop down. Eagle could beat everyone to the top of the tree in climbing class but insisted on using his own way to get there. All four students excelled in lunch and even though they liked different foods, they found out that they had many other things in common and they developed strong bonds with each other.


An entertaining story—one that demonstrates Psi Beta membership. Each member has very special and unique abilities. When Psi Beta faculty advisors provide the opportunity for students to come together for a common purpose, the students also share common benefits that Psi Beta membership can provide. Advisors are responsible for more than just identifying students who are eligible for the honor of membership. And, as I've met and talked with many faculty advisors, it is crystal clear that they spend a great deal of energy and enthusiasm stimulating and motivating members to get the most out of belonging to this uncommon group. There are many identifiable opportunities in Psi Beta, but there are many unexpected surprises, also. For example, a common activity for many local organizations is to provide a leadership training session for members. This is an easy activity (there are exercises in the Officers section of the handbook) with the goal of teaching leadership skills to participants. In my experience, students have gone far beyond the intended objectives. Students begin to view themselves differently. Often what they had perceived as weaknesses in themselves, turned out to be assets to the group when faced with a particular challenge. Another example is when students take a simple field trip that involves time together in a vehicle. After this bonding time, I have seen students' commitment to their education increase and their grades have definite improvements. They take their studies more seriously. Frequently, students begin making plans for continuing higher education, although previously they



**Beverly Burton**  
*Psi Beta National President*

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### Distinguished Lecturer

Robert J. Sternberg, PhD, of Yale University, will be Psi Beta's Ruth Hubbard Cousins Distinguished Lecturer for the 2002 American Psychological Association convention in Chicago, Illinois. His topic will be "The Best Advice I Have to Give: How Can Students Use Psychology to Make the Most of Their Lives?" Dr. Sternberg is the President-Elect of the APA. 



**Dr. Robert J. Sternberg**  
*Yale University*

### Online Orders Activated!

**Donna Stuber-McEwen, PhD, Psi Beta Webmaster**  
*Psi Beta Distribution Center, Wichita, Kansas*

Psi Beta faculty advisors may now register new members and order merchandise online. To access the advisors' site, advisors must first obtain a login (User Name) and password for their respective chapters by emailing the Distribution Center at: [orders@psibeta.org](mailto:orders@psibeta.org), or by calling (316) 722-0648.

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### How to Do Research

**Kenneth Gray, PhD, Psi Beta Midwestern Vice-President**  
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Last fall, I offered reasons why you should do research at community college. Now, I will tackle the more challenging problem of suggesting how to do research. I should state at the outset that it is extremely difficult to conduct research without an institutional infrastructure to support it. You must be extremely committed and willing to put forth a great effort. Here, then, are a few key pieces of advice.

#### Coming up with an idea: KISS (Keep It Simple, Student)

Many beginning researchers choose a too-ambitious project, one designed to answer all of the questions on a given topic. You need to have realistic expectations. All research is constrained by the paramount practical issue: can you reasonably accomplish it? You

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Psi Beta students, faculty and friends visited and snacked in the Psi Beta hospitality suite at the 2001 APA convention in San Francisco.

## President's Message

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
had not thought of that as an option. Retention improves! The opportunity to get together on a regular basis prompts the sharing of budding ideas that can grow into life changing events. It really does make a difference when you feel that you are a part of something bigger than yourself.

It's this partnership that sometimes makes a difference in whether we take the next step or develop the personal insight necessary to tackle the challenges that await us. I know that I more readily enjoy the simple things in life like going out to eat or taking in a movie, when I share the event with someone else. And, usually, where I go out to eat and what movie I choose to see is based on input from someone else who knows more about it than I. It's the same with Psi Beta membership.

Advisors, with their wealth of experience, can take the lead in providing information and opportunities for members to cross into new frontiers. Both Psi Beta advisors and members can encourage each other to take a step into research and consider submitting a paper for competition. They can challenge each other to commit themselves to participating in community service that becomes the best project in the nation. Also, they can get the entire chapter involved in deciding that they are going to receive national recognition as Psi Beta's outstanding chapter. And, don't forget that advisors can encourage attendance at local and national conventions.

Regional psychological association conferences usually are held close enough for a group of students to be able to attend and see what students are doing across the region and on other academic levels in psychology. Sometimes it only takes seeing it to know that you can do it, too.

Encourage your school to send students to national meetings. The American Psychological Society national convention will be held in New Orleans June 6-9. The American Psychological Association national convention is scheduled August 22-25 in Chicago where Psi Beta will host speakers and present national awards.

Just as our members are uncommon, these too, can be uncommon activities to participate in and events to attend. But there will be a common thread that runs through all. Honor. It is indeed what has entitled each person, who has come to join Psi Beta, the right to membership. 

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## Faculty Advisor Benefits

Dave Murphy, EdD, Waubensee Community College (IL)

My affiliation with Psi Beta has breathed new life into my 27 year teaching career. The interaction with students on a new different level has added a dimension to teaching that I never knew existed. The opportunities to meet new colleagues from around the country have been exciting and refreshing, especially with regard to their enthusiasm towards their students and the discipline of psychology. All together, this is a great organization that has provided me with a richly rewarding experience.



David Murphy, seated on the left, enjoyed his visit in the Psi Beta hospitality suite with Dr. Philip Zimbardo, the Ruth Hubbard Cousins Distinguished Lecturer at the 2001 APA convention. Standing, left to right, are council members Tonja Ringgold, Betty Matheson, Beverly Burton, Ken Gray, Sharon Burson, Robbye Nesmith and Jaye Van Kirk.

Jerry Rudmann, PhD, Irvine Valley College (CA)

In my pre Psi Beta days, I often had trouble gaining the level of classroom rapport I sought with my students. Since there were no extra-curricular activities available for psychology students at that time, my college's psychology faculty seldom got to know students beyond the classroom. Now, since starting a Psi Beta chapter, I always have Psi Beta students sprinkled among my students in the classroom. Psi Beta students are the cream of the crop (sharp, motivated and really interested in psychology), and they serve as great role models for the other students. I know them by name, they sit up front, and they help make teaching even more satisfying.

Psi Beta's advisors also benefit from the incredible networking



Psi Beta students at Irvine Valley College (CA) joined their faculty advisor, Jerry Rudmann, PhD, in front of their poster presentation at the 1996 WPA conference in San Jose, California.

available through the organization. Because of having started a Psi Beta chapter at IVC, I have teaching colleagues from across the country that have become valued friends and resources. Also, because of connections made through Psi Beta, I am actively involved in both regional and national psychological associations. I am truly blessed by what Psi Beta has contributed to my professional development and my life!  $\psi\beta$

## How to do Research

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simply cannot do a longitudinal study of the environmental and genetic influences on alcoholism while you are a community college student. You must scale your idea down to something manageable. By the way, this is the way research is done in general. Individual research projects are typically not designed to answer grand questions. Scientific progress occurs in small steps. Think of it as the "divide and conquer" strategy. Solve one piece of the problem today; leave other pieces to another day or another researcher. The total research literature on a topic provides the answers to the big questions. Your job is to identify an interesting topic and generate a research proposal that is a modest advance of some previous research. If you cannot accept that this is reasonable and useful scientific progress, you will never be satisfied doing research.

### Learn how to collaborate

Many honors students prefer working alone. They may even eschew assistance from faculty members in the belief that they are expected to know and do everything independently. You are a novice researcher, however. Research skills develop best under the apprenticeship system of learning. Consequently, you should hope to receive assistance from experienced researchers. Even as your expertise increases, you will often work with and learn from peers and advisors. Examine some journal articles. Many of them have Author's Notes acknowledging the contributions of others (many of the articles themselves are co-authored, clearly demonstrating that they were collaborative). Research is a creative enterprise. It is a myth that creative work usually emerges from the mind of a solitary creative genius. Rather, creativity typically results from embedding oneself in a collaborative, creative environment.

### But realize that this is your responsibility

By now you know how important research is. It will be a tremendous boon to your academic record for you to complete an original research project as an undergraduate. So, although you should learn to work with and count on others, you must realize that the primary responsibility for the project is yours. There will be no one to assign homework to help structure the work. Any deadlines will have to be self-imposed. If you take a month break from doing the research, NOTHING gets done. All of this seems obvious now, but it is striking how quickly people overlook the long-term benefit of research when class deadlines and work responsibilities loom.

### Look for other support for your efforts


It takes extraordinary vision and discipline to see the value of research and to commit to completing a project. Again, you need not rely solely on your own resources. Look for resources at your college that will support your efforts. For example, if your school offers Research Methods, take the course, even if it will not transfer. Perhaps you can complete your project as an Independent Study course. This will allow you to schedule regular time to complete the work, and might even reward your faculty advisor with a stipend for supervising your project. Devote some of your Psi Beta meetings to research. Members can brainstorm, discuss their ideas, and begin collaborative relationships. Invite professors from nearby 4-year colleges/universities to present their research at your campus (or attend talks at their campus). Finally, set a goal for yourself. For example, plan to enter your research project in the Allyn and Bacon/Psi Beta Research competition or to present it at a regional conference.

I wish you the best in starting and completing your research projects. I know it will be difficult, but don't give up; it will be worth the effort.  $\psi\beta$

## Functions of an Honor Society

Did you know that in 1994 Psi Beta was the first two-year college honor society to be accepted as a member of the Association of College Honor Societies (ACHS)? The ACHS defines an honor society as "an association of primarily collegiate chapters whose purposes are to recognize and encourage high scholarship and/or leadership achievement in some broad or specialized field of study." Psi Beta national honor society is proud to be a member of this organization which sets standards and certifies college and university honor societies. ACHS collaborates with college faculty and administrations to develop and maintain high standards and useful functions within honor societies. Functions encouraged for honor societies by the ACHS, as listed on the ACHS Web site and relevant to community colleges, are to:

- confer distinction for high achievement in undergraduate studies, student leadership and research.
- foster the spirit of liberal culture.
- stimulate and encourage mental development.
- stand for freedom of mind and spirit and for democracy of learning.
- provide spiritual and intellectual leadership.
- preserve valuable traditions and customs.
- associate outstanding leaders in mutual understanding for the advancement of society in the art of democratic living.
- stimulate worthy attitudes for the improvement of the general welfare of the institution.
- impose upon members high citizenship responsibilities.
- emphasize deeper study and discussion of the American tradition--its characteristics, ideals, and possibilities.

You may wish to visit the ACHS Web site, [www.achsnatl.org](http://www.achsnatl.org), for additional information on the benefits of honor society membership. The site lists all ACHS member honor societies with information and links to their Web sites. 

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## Allyn & Bacon Research Award Requirement Revisions

- Style must conform to the manuscript instructions in the Publication Manual of the American Psychological Association, *Fifth Edition, 2001*.
- Cover sheet must be signed by student(s) and Psi Beta faculty advisor. It should be **mailed or faxed** to the Psi Beta National Office.
- **Papers must be submitted electronically (in Microsoft Word format). Email as an attachment or mail a computer disk** to the Psi Beta National Office. Paper must include title page and abstract.

## Online Orders

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### HOW TO REGISTER NEW MEMBERS:

Go to Psi Beta's Web site at: [www.psigbeta.org](http://www.psigbeta.org) and select **Membership Registration Online**. Again, you'll need a login (User Name) and password to access this advisors' site.

Once on the Advisors' Web Page you will find a list of active forms: *Register New Members, Update Faculty Advisor Information, Update Member Information, Update Chapter Information and Online Merchandise Order Form*. Select **Register New Members** and complete the first form. This form asks specifics about your upcoming induction. Fields marked with an asterisk (\*) are required, which means the items cannot be left blank. Please be sure the form is completed fully to ensure that information and orders are processed correctly and expeditiously.

Primary advisors are listed alphabetically by first name on a drop-down menu. (See footnote at the end of this article about shortcuts for using drop-down menus.\*\*\*) If the primary advisor's name is not listed, select "not listed" at the bottom of the drop-down menu and type the alternate name and position in the comment box at the end of the form.

Chapters are also listed alphabetically by college name on a drop-down menu. If you do not see your chapter's name, select "not listed" at the bottom and type your chapter's name in the comment box at the end of the form.


Complete the remaining sections and click the **SUBMIT** button and then thoroughly read the **Confirmation** page. If you discover any errors, follow the directions indicated. When ready, select **Click here to begin entering new members**.

Because of the way forms are handled by our servers, some information must be re-entered for each new member (advisor, college and induction date). Again, note that fields marked with an asterisk (\*) are required. It is important that this information be filled in completely; otherwise the form will not work properly.

To maintain accurate membership records, it is important that the National Office collect detailed information on its members. This includes the member's Social Security Number, which is a required field on the registration form. Please be certain that this information is accurate. If a member does not have a Social Security Number (e.g., foreign students), you can obtain a substitute number by clicking the lime green SS# box and following the directions. Personal information is collected only for our records and is never distributed to a third party.

When the form is complete, click the **ADD** button. You will receive another **confirmation** page, which should also be checked for accuracy. You then have the option of registering another member, returning to the Advisor Web Page, returning to the Psi Beta Home Page, or leaving the site.

To order merchandise online, return to the Advisor Web Page and click **Online Merchandise Order Form**. Advisors may submit their orders online, indicating how the payment will be made. For credit card orders, the credit card information may be faxed or called into the national office or faxed to the distribution center.

Although this may seem complicated, especially to the Internet novice, completing online forms is easy to learn. Eventually, the process will be more simplified. Advisors are able to update advisor, chapter and member information. In the future, students will be able to order merchandise online, as well as revise personal information. 

\*\*\* To quickly access names on a long drop-down menu list, you can take a shortcut by 1) clicking on the down arrow, and 2) typing the first letter of name you are looking for (e.g., advisor or chapter name). If the name appears in the drop-down box, simply click on the name. Or, using the scroll bar to the right, scroll up or down to find the name.

### [www.psychteachers.com](http://www.psychteachers.com)

Visit this Internet Web site founded by Fullerton College (CA) Psi Beta Chapter alumnus Payam Heidary for the "purposes of promoting teaching excellence through the exchange of ideas and information related to teaching psychology at the community college level."

## Chapter Activities

The editor hopes that this report of activities will serve not only to inform and recognize members and others who participate in Psi Beta programs, but also to stimulate an exchange of program ideas among chapters. In addition, the contributions made by the chapters and their participants will be preserved for historical purposes, including preservation in the Archives of the History of American Psychology, Akron, Ohio.

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#### EPA, MARCH 7-10, 2002, BOSTON, MA

Friday, March 8, 2002

All Day Session - *Diversity Project 2kB Regional Meeting*  
Chair: Dr. Robin Hailstorks, Prince George's Community College (MD)

Saturday, March 9, 2002

Session 1 - *Forming A Campus Honor Society: How and Why?*  
Presenter: Dr. Tonja L. Ringgold, Psi Beta President-Elect, Baltimore City Community College (MD)

#### Session 2 - Chapter Exchange

Chair/Facilitator: Dr. Tonja L. Ringgold, Psi Beta President-Elect, Baltimore City Community College (MD)

Session 3 - *Yes! High School Students Do Research Too!* A poster session of high school student research from Walt Whitman High School in Bethesda, MD.

Chair: Dr. Tonja L. Ringgold, Psi Beta President-Elect, Baltimore City Community College (MD)  
Facilitator: Mr. Craig Gruber, AP Psychology Instructor, Walt Whitman High School (MD)

#### Session 4 - How to Conduct Undergraduate Research and Present at Professional Conferences

Chair: Dr. Tonja L. Ringgold, Psi Beta President-Elect, Baltimore City Community College (MD)  
Participants: Celesti Colds Fechter, PhD Candidate, Assistant Director, BA Program, New School University  
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2ND ANNUAL MIDWEST INSTITUTE FOR STUDENTS AND TEACHERS OF PSYCHOLOGY, MARCH 1 AND 2, 2002, COLLEGE OF DUPAGE, GLEN ELLYN, IL. For program information, contact Ken Gray (grayke@cdnet.cod.edu) or Pat Puccio (puccio@cdnet.cod.edu)

#### MPA, MAY 2-4, 2002, PALMER HOUSE, CHICAGO IL

May 2, 3-4 pm. CTUP Symposium: *How to Handle Student Problems and Problem Students.*

Moderators:  
Martha Zlokovich, Southeast Missouri State University  
Ken Gray, College of DuPage (IL)

#### Psi Chi/Psi Beta Service Learning: Putting Theory into Practice.

Moderator: Donna Stuber-McEwen, Friends University (KS)  
Panel participants:  
Bill Allan, Friends University (KS)  
David Murphy, Waubensee Community College (IL)  
Lisa Franks, College of DuPage (IL)  
Shelby Wagner, Friends University (KS)  
Daniel Willard, Friends University (KS)

*Psi Chi/Psi Beta The Psych Follies*

*Psi Chi/Psi Beta Awards Presentation*

*Psi Chi/Psi Beta Social Hour*

COLLEGE OF DUPAGE (IL) chapter members helped organize and volunteered at the annual NAMI Walk for Mental Health in October. They also traveled to Chicago to visit the Library of Congress traveling Sigmund Freud exhibit at the Field museum. Currently, the chapter is helping plan the Midwest Institute for Students and Teachers of Psychology, which will take place on March 1 and 2 at the College of DuPage.

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#### SEPA, MARCH 21-24, 2002, ORLANDO, FL

Each year the Psi Beta chapter at BREVARD COMMUNITY COLLEGE (FL) strives to meet three requirements established by its charter: academic, social and community outreach achievements. For academic achievement, the chapter invited prominent guest speakers from the community. Christine Boland, spoke about the effects of divorce; Dr. Lahton spoke about healthy separation from the family; Drs. Lavooy and Newlin, psychology professors from the University of Central Florida, spoke about various careers in the psychology field; and Dr. Stewart talked about healthy relationships. Members participated in supervised clinical case presentations at Circles of Care, which is a nonprofit mental health agency. The greatest achievement, however, was attending the Eastern Psychological Association's national meeting in Washington, DC, last spring! This trip, plus the induction ceremony and a visit to theme park Universal Studios, fulfilled the social goals. Also, Psi Beta members formed study groups, which increased bonding. For community outreach the chapter participated in the Cancer Walk-A-Thon, held a Heather's Bears drive, contributed to the September 11 Fund and sponsored a fundraiser to buy Christmas presents for foster children. They sponsored free educational seminars for the public. Brevard's Psi Beta members are continually striving for and achieving success on campus and in their community!

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#### SWPA, APRIL 18-20, 2002, CORPUS CHRISTI, TX



San Diego Mesa College (CA) Psi Beta members took a "behind the scenes" tour of animal training and husbandry at Sea World. Enjoying the outing are, left to right in the front row, Frances Parker, Ulla Anderson, Kim Chen, Diana Russell, Katherine Mapalad, and Aunesto Quilop. On the back row, left to right, are Laura Umpierre, Jennifer Lamberth, Maggie Sanders, Bryan McQueen, Erica Lee, Junko, faculty advisor Jaye Van Kirk, and Adam Druck.

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**RMPA, APRIL 5-7, 2002, PARK CITY, UT**

**WPA, APRIL 11-14, 2002, HYATT REGENCY, IRVINE, CA**  
 Student Research Poster Feedback Session

*Chapter Exchange and Social Hour*

**DP2kB Panel:** Educational perspectives from underrepresented groups from the post doctorate level, pre-doctoral level, upper division undergraduate and ABD.

Presenters:


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 Emilio Ulloa, MA, postgraduate, University of Arizona  
 Jason Daniel, undergraduate, San Diego State University and  
 Psi Beta alumnus, San Diego Mesa College (CA)  
 Jaye Van Kirk, MA, ABD

*Innovative Teaching Session.*

Panel presenters:

Joline Bourdages, San Diego Mesa College (CA)  
 Maria Chavira, Mesa Community College (AZ)  
 Jeana Wolfe, Fullerton College (CA)

*Special Invited Speaker:* Lisa Eyler Zorrilla, PhD, Research Health Scientist in the VA Mental Illness Research, Education and Clinical Center, San Diego (CA) and an Assistant Clinical Professor of Psychiatry at the University of California, San Diego

The SAN DIEGO MESA COLLEGE (CA) Psi Beta alumni participated in welcoming the new members following their candlelight ceremony. The chapter involved new members in many activities. They shared information on chapter activities and displayed pamphlets and a photo board during Club Week. Current and alumni members held a "mixer" picnic at Mission Bay park. It was a wonderful opportunity for the new members to get to know alumni and to have fun. Psi Beta alumna Kristie Meze-Darr, dolphin trainer at Sea World, shared her knowledge of operant conditioning techniques during a chapter field trip to the water park. A successful and fun fundraising event was a Car Wash. To assist others related to the 9/11 event, the chapter adopted USS Stennis crew members and provided reading material. For another community service project, members participated in the San Diego AIDS walk. 



In the hospitality suite in San Francisco, Cerritos College (CA) Psi Beta Faculty Advisor Todd Gaffaney, PhD, and his wife celebrated his 20th anniversary as an advisor. Dr. Gaffaney was a member of the first Psi Beta National Council that incorporated the honor society in 1981.


## Annual Report

Psi Beta had several milestones during 2000-2001. In preparation for Psi Beta's 20th Anniversary to be celebrated during the American Psychological Association 2001 National Convention in San Francisco, members and friends donated an unprecedented \$10,000 to cover the special plans made by the council and Presidents Circle. The funds supported a hospitality suite, receptions, 20th anniversary banner, cake and pins, plus special tee-shirts for the DP2kB participants. The council elected two national honorary members to be announced during the 2001 APA convention: Philip Zimbardo, PhD, of Stanford University (CA) and Harold Takooshian, PhD, of Fordham University (NY). Also, the council presented a plaque of appreciation and recognition to Sandra Ladd for founding, implementing and directing the Diversity Project 2000 program since 1994. Former national president Ann Garrett Robinson, EdD, contributed money to establish the Ann Robinson College Life Award to be initially presented during the 20th anniversary convention.

During 2000-2001 Psi Beta presented six national awards and sponsored four programs plus the 7th DP 2k Summer Institute during the 2000 APA convention held in Washington, DC. Psi Beta placed an ad in the 2001 program catalog for the APS convention held in Toronto, Ontario, Canada. The National Council collaborated with the APA's Office of Ethnic Minority Affairs, Education Directorate and CCWG (Community College Working Group), chaired by former national president Ann Ewing, PhD, Mesa Community College (AZ), to increase recognition and benefits to two-year college faculty and students. The executive director represented Psi Beta at the 76th Association of College Honor Societies Annual Meeting in Albuquerque, NM, and served as chair of the ACHS Eligibility and Admissions Committee.

The Midwestern and Southeastern regions elected vice-presidents Ken Gray, PhD, College of DuPage (IL) and Betty Matheson, MA, Northeast Technical College (SC) respectively to serve for 2001-2003 on the National Council. Active chapters elected Tonja Ringgold, EdD, Baltimore City Community College (MD), as president-elect for this year.

The executive director completed a 3-year appointment by the National Council on which she serves as the Secretary-Treasurer. After serving 20 years as the sole employee with one volunteer, cofounder Ruth Hubbard Cousins, the council supported the director's wishes and offer to accept a 42% less salary (which had not changed for four years) and moved Psi Beta certificates and merchandise out of her home. Former Psi Beta National President Donna Stuber-McEwen, PhD, and her husband, owners of SyCom Systems in Kansas, contracted to host and maintain the Psi Beta Web site and to handle all membership and merchandise orders for 2001-2004. The national office and distribution center planned to rely heavily on technology to coordinate the offices and better serve the chapters.

Revenues increased 21% from the previous year and reached \$75,900 for the first time. The generous donations provided 14% and merchandise orders represented 15% of the income. The lifetime membership fee was raised from \$30 to \$50, which included a pin, on January 1, 2001. Membership and charter fees generated 69% of the revenue. There were 109 active chapters, including the 8 new chapters. 1,307 new members were registered bringing the cumulative total to 18,029 members on June 30, 2001. Total expenses were \$60,900. After several years of increasing costs for upgrading computer technology, printing, and postage, and declining assets, the year ended with Psi Beta's net assets of \$59,600 almost equalling one year of expenses, as planned. 

## DP 2kB Announcement

Psi Beta regrets that the DP2kB Summer Institute program has been suspended because of a funding crisis.

## New Members

These are the names of new members whose registrations were received by the Psi Beta national office after publication of the Fall 2001

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