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## Xi Sigma Pi

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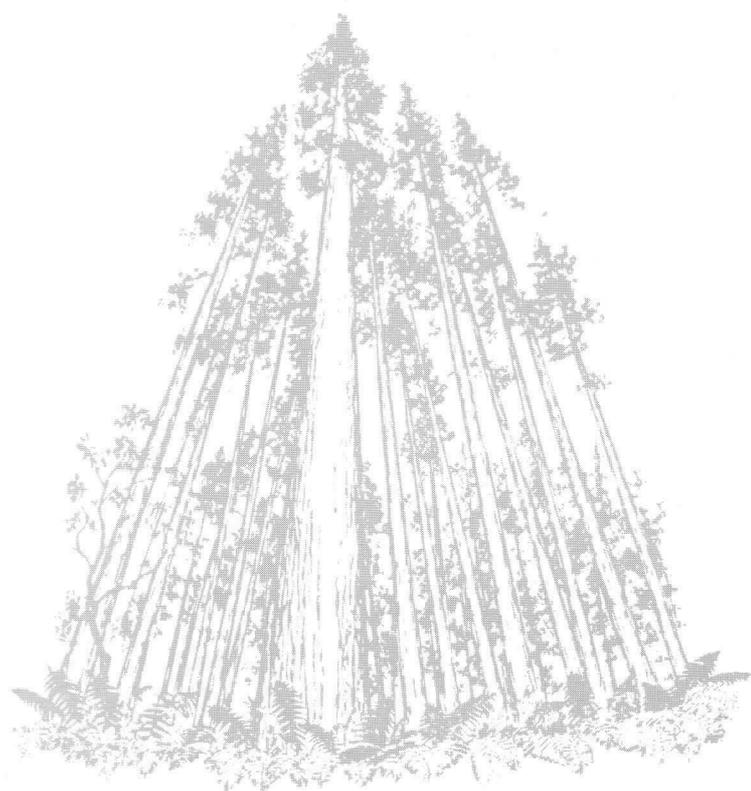
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*Xi* Sigma Pi, founded in 1908 at the University of Washington, is the National Forestry Honor Society. The Alpha Gamma chapter was chartered at Iowa State in 1965. Our local chapter conducts member initiation, sponsors service projects, and gives scholarships and awards.

Initiation was held in October, and although only three people responded to invitations to join, the week was a success, thanks to the enthusiasm of the initiates. Stephen Kolison, Liberia, Africa, Kyu-sung Lee of Seoul, Korea, and Lori Zipse of New Hampton, Iowa were pledged. Initiates and officers spent a Saturday afternoon at the Iowa Arboretum helping to protect a native prairie from invasion by woody shrubs and trees. The initiation banquet at the Cardinal Room of the Memorial Union was attended by thirty people. Besides a good meal, we enjoyed an informative talk by Dr. Lois Tiffany of the Botany Department on Iowa's morel mushrooms.

Alpha Gamma Chapter once again awarded two scholastic honors. The Keith A. Bauer award for the outstanding sophomore in forestry went to Mark Adkins. Mark received a collection of books. The G.B. MacDonald Senior Leadership Award for Advanced Studies was given to Vikram Yadama. Vik received a cash scholarship to continue in graduate school. We also nominated Christopher Larkin for a Xi Sigma Pi National Scholarship.

Finally, we participated in the statewide junior and senior high Hawkeye Science Fair by providing financial support and volunteer judges. Thanks to officers Michelle Cram, Kelley Peters, and Vik Yadama for making this a good year.

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