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by Eleanor Chase, Alumni Editor



EVEN when your diploma is tucked safely away in a desk drawer, your college days are not over!

Your connection with the Alumni Association begins now, while you are a student, and can last the rest of your life. You are being represented on the governing body of the association, the Executive Committee, by six student members. The president of the student body and one person from each division help carry on the association's business.

The Alumni Association works with the students to bring as many people to the campus as possible. You've seen it functioning at Iowa State's two big events of the year—Veishea and Homecoming. Wallace "Red" Barron, alumni director, serves as advisor to the Veishea and Homecoming committees.

Help for students

Are you one of the students who has a scholarship or loan from the college? Last year alumni contributed more than \$26,900 for undergraduate scholarships, and \$8,700 for student loans, through the Alumni Achievement Fund. They gave more than \$2,800 to student activities—YWCA, musical organizations and judging teams. Altogether more than \$81,000 was attributed to the fund, in amounts ranging from \$1 up. A committee of students helps determine how the money will be used.

The Alumni Fund, a part of the association for many years, is operating under a new and expanded general solicitation plan begun in 1950. Quaiife Ward, '40, arrived on campus in December to take over the job of fund director, following the resignation of E. R. Hergenrather, '40.

When you graduate, you will automatically become a member of the Alumni Association for one year. A small amount is taken from your activity fee each quarter to pay for your class group membership. As a member, you will receive a year's subscription to *The Alumnus* which is published every two months to help

you keep up with your friends and with events on campus. You will be entitled to vote in elections and take part in general meetings.

After the year is up, your membership expires unless you renew it. Then you may decide whether you wish to pay each year, to take out a life membership, or pay for three or five years at a time at a special rate.

Alumni clubs

Over sixty alumni clubs are scattered throughout the United States. Some of the especially active ones are in Des Moines, Chicago, Waterloo, Sioux City, Milwaukee, Southern California and Denver. If you move into a city where there is a club, your name will be sent to the club officers so they can add it to their mailing list for meeting announcements. Right now clubs are making plans to celebrate the college birthday, which falls on March 22. The Alumni Office helps them by sending out announcements, checking addresses, making suggestions for programs, and contacting faculty members who can attend meetings.

Alumni clubs are always happy to welcome students and prospective students and their parents at meetings. One of their main purposes is to encourage students to enroll at Iowa State. For instance, the Chicago Club, the oldest and one of the most active, provides two \$360 scholarships to outstanding Illinois students. One of them is held this year by Shirley Bee Zust, Home Economics freshman.