

Fund. Through the annual campus phonathon, students have been able to raise about \$100,000, one-fifth of the total Annual Fund.

This year, the students far exceeded their phonathon goal and gathered more than 2,100 pledges for a total of \$111,329, an average of more than \$50 a gift.

Under the direction of junior co-chairpersons Jack Krissing of Lancaster, Pa., and Kristine Werner of Cascais, Portugal, the students were recruited to staff the battery of 24 telephones installed in Alumni Gymnasium. Fraternities, sororities and other living groups took turns providing the calling power and competed to see which group could raise the most in pledges.

Jeffrey Purdon '83 of Atlanta, Ga., Pamela Passman '83 of Alexandria, Va., and Linda Grebe '81 of Peekskill, N.Y., served as group chairpersons. Purdon was on hand as a caller for each of the 10 nights. He and freshman Karen Fried of Chappaqua, N.Y., were the top scorers in the phonathon.

### The Wrong Theme

Several individuals and campus organizations responded angrily to a party advertised as "Back to the Womb Night" at Delta Upsilon fraternity.

Held in late February, the party was described in the student newspaper as including "stairway walls decorated with pink tissue paper, which was illuminated by red lightbulbs, a mattress shaped to resemble a giant tampon, inflated condoms above the bar, a sign below the bar reading 'ALW [or Association of Lafayette Women]—Association of Lafayette Wombs,' and one person with a hanger around his neck dressed to resemble an aborted fetus."

President Ellis said in *The Lafayette* that the party gave expression to "both vulgar and degrading behavior. It shows a lack of understanding of responsibility and sensitivity in human relationships. This type of action is totally antithetical to the mission of an institution of higher learning, which

must include the preservation of the dignity of human beings."

Delta Upsilon President Robert Roth '81 pointed out that "the party was very crowded, with both men and women enjoying themselves into the early hours of the morning." He also told *The Lafayette*, "We are a fraternity that enjoys having fun. No harm is ever meant by one of our parties."

Seniors Chris Neff and Melissa Galbraith, co-presidents of the Association of Lafayette Women, said that criticism of the event did not represent "a battle of men versus women."

Said Galbraith, "It is a matter of making people more sensitive to the needs of others. . . . [DU] wouldn't have had a theme party demeaning an ethnic or minority group, but they apparently felt that it was all right to have a party offensive to many women." Neff added, "If anything, we hope that this party and the reaction to it will lead to better communication among all people on campus."

In a letter to the student newspaper, the Professional Women of Lafayette, a faculty and staff organization, claimed that the popularity on the "Back to the Womb" theme party "signifies that the sexist climate here is so pervasive that many women feel powerless and afraid to challenge it. Many students are consequently led to accept the terms of social life as dictated by the male tradition of the campus."

Expressing concern about student relationships in general, the faculty overwhelmingly approved a motion deploring "those activities and actions which demonstrate a blatant disregard for the dignity and welfare of any member of the campus community," and instructing "the appropriate agencies to take prompt and proper measures against any violations of human decency which jeopardize the integrity of campus life."

Thomas W. Norton '59, associate professor of sociology, proposed the motion.

In late March, the Student Conduct Committee—which includes both

faculty and student representatives—directed Delta Upsilon to contribute \$1,000 for a lecture program. The program would be for the purpose of fostering "better communication and respect among all students on campus." DU President Roth called the fine "inappropriate," saying, "I don't understand how the committee has the ability to put a price tag on such an unquantifiable and vague concept as alleged emotional damage."

After considering an appeal by the fraternity, the faculty-student Committee on Appeals modified the original penalty. Rather than making a \$1,000 contribution, DU members will now be expected to plan, implement and fund a conference focusing on human relations. Such a conference is to be offered annually for three years. It must be developed with other College organizations and approved by the dean of students.

### For the Sports-Minded

Lafayette is offering several sports programs this summer, including the first-ever residential camp for boys and girls with a basketball interest. Directed by Basketball Coach Will Rackley, the program includes both games and instruction. It also features appearances by players from the New Jersey Nets and the Philadelphia 76ers.

The residential basketball camp will run from July 26-31; a second, non-residential program will run from August 3-7.

From July 20-24, Swimming and Lacrosse Coach Bill Lawson will offer an "All-Sports Camp," with instruction in physical fitness, swimming, tennis, basketball, volleyball, field hockey, lacrosse, racquetball and softball. A Tennis Academy under Tennis Coach Pete Tomaino, to be held in five-day sessions during June and August, will focus on tennis techniques for adult players.

Throughout the summer, Lafayette coaches will also lead camps in wrestling, cheerleading, development swimming and competitive swimming.