

Betas Become Zetas

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Final merger of Beta Lambda chapter of Beta Sigma Omicron with Zeta Tau Alpha, International Sorority, was completed Sat., Oct. 3.

Paulette Yaklich, local president of Beta Sigma Omicron, accepted the national charter from Mrs. Harold W. Kerr, national president of Zeta Tau Alpha, in a formal

ceremony held at Pollock House. Formal installation of officers into ZTA was also held at this time.

Sixth Largest Sorority

Zeta Tau Alpha, sixth largest national sorority, was originally

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chartered as a fraternity on Oct. 15, 1898, at Longwood College, Farmville, Virginia.

Formal merger plans were completed with Beta Sigma Omicron on June 24, 1964, in Miami, Florida. The Youngstown chapter, now designated as Zeta Gamma, becomes the 104th chapter of Zeta Tau Alpha.

Initiation of all local actives and alumni was held Sat., Sept. 19, at Pollock House. An installing team, headed by Mrs. Robert Helser, Province President of ZTA, and aided by ZTA representatives from Baldwin-Wallace College, inducted 45 actives and 40 alumni from Beta Sigma Omicron into Zeta Tau Alpha.

Open House Held

Following the presentation of the national charter, an open house was held in Pollock House, with more than 300 guests attending. Dignitaries present were Mrs. Kerr, Mrs. Helser, Mrs. John Belka, ZTA national alumni president, Mrs. Rosemary Pipoly, local alumni president, Dean of Women, Edith P. Painter, and chapter advisors, Mrs. Edna McDonald and Mrs. Mary Ellen Browne.

A banquet, commencing the installation, was held Saturday night at the Holiday Inn. Miss Yaklich, serving as master of ceremonies, introduced Dean Painter, Dean of the University, Joseph E. Smith, who welcomed Zeta Tau Alpha into the University sorority system.



Officials of Zeta Tau Alpha National Sorority cross their hands in a symbol of unity during the local sorority's formal installation ceremonies held at Pollock House Saturday. Pictured from left are Andrea Cernock, local vice president; Paulette Yaklich, local president; Mrs. Harold W. Kerr, national president; Mrs. Robert Helser, province president and Mrs. Rosemary Pipoly, local alumni president.