Phi Kappa Phi celebrates 10th anniversary

by Lori Yost

"Let the love of learning rule mankind," is the motto of the national honor society of Phi Kappa Phi.

The YSU chapter of Phi Kappa
Phi will observe its 10th anniversary at its annual convocation/dinner Thursday, May 20. A reception will be held 6 p.m., Special
Lectures Lounge, Kilcawley, followed by a dinner 6:30 p.m.,
Ohio Room, Kilcawley.

To help celebrate this special year, guest speaker will be Dr.

John McDow, national president of Phi Kappa Phi.

"Phi Kappa Phi is the second oldest national honor society in the country," said Dr. Juanita Roderick, elementary education, and president of the YSU chapter of Phi Kappa Phi. "The society recognizes superior scholarship in all academic disciplines.

The society was founded in 1897 at the University of Maine by 10 students who felt the need for an honor society on broader lines than any then in existence.

It now has 230 chapters, including Puerto Rico and the Philippines, and 370,000 members.

The YSU chapter has 367 faculty and student members, Roderick noted.

The purpose of Phi Kappa Phi is to recognize and to encourage superior scholarship, bringing together the best scholars in all disciplines to foster mutual respect and cooperation to the benefit of all. The selection of members is based on excellence of scholarship and integrity of character.

In keeping with the tradition of excellence of scholarship, the YSU-chapter of Phi Kappa Phi will award its second annual scholarship of \$500 for graduate study.

The membership of Phi Kappa Phi consists of the highest ranking students, electing no more than the upper 10% of a graduating class. Undergraduate students are eligible for consideration if they are seniors and have attained a minimum GPA of 3.50. Graduate students are eligible if they have attained a minimum (cont. on page 12)

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GPA of 3.70.

Also faculty, administrators, and alumni who have achieved scholarly distinction may, in limited numbers, be elected to membership.

Members are selected and voted upon by Chapter faculty, administrators and student members. About 70 students, will be inducted this year, Roderick said.