

Social Clubs

Since Ward-Belmont has no national sororities, the necessary contacts for individual progress are met in the social clubs under which system ^{there} ~~there~~ is no opportunity for discrimination. Naturally there is organized and supervised "rushing" during which ^{time} ~~not only~~ does every girl become a member of a club, but also ~~may choose~~ the club which she prefers. There are ten of these clubs for the boarding students and each has its own club house in soft grey stucco with red tile roof in the "Club Village" on the lower campus. Around these clubs is built both the social life of the campus and the competition found in ~~interclubxxsntext~~ interclub contest^s such as athletic^s, scholarship, and citizenship.

In these club houses every form of social training is possible, from preparing an informal Sunday breakfast or serving tea before the open fire to practicing parliamentary law at regular meetings. The athletic contests are inter-club tournaments with the trophy going to the victorious club at the end of each sport season. The scholarship award is presented at the end of each semester to the club with the highest academic average, but the Citizenship Cup is only awarded at the end of the year, and then to the club whose members have accumulated the greatest point average after having been graded by various committees and groups on Athletic Participation, Academic Attitude, Attitude Toward Rules and Regulations, Attitude Toward Campus Responsibility, and Creative Attitude.

* The social activities of the clubs include formal dinners, teas, open houses, and formal dances.

Each club house is equipped as a comfortable tasteful home except that there are no bedrooms. Each has a great living room with fire place, a small room for a library, a writing room on the upper floor, and a kitchen. The members of each club buy and maintain the furnishings.

The set-up for the day student clubs is different from ^{that for} the boarders. Selection of new members is based entirely upon the drawing of names, so that each club received the same number of new girls. The day students have their own club house, each