

Student Affairs, Division of - Peppers and Mortar Board Files

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Pepper’s was founded on November 29, 1924; in 1936 the name was changed to Pepper’s Women’s Honorary. The purpose of the organization was to promote activities, scholarship, and character in university women. They also provided service for the university and the community. Membership was limited to thirteen women per year who were of junior or senior standing, had a minimum 2.8 accumulative average, and showed outstanding work in extra-curricular activities. Activities included “Smarty Party’s,” Alumni Teas, Women’s Songfests, and various other activities. Tapping was held at Women’s Songfest.

On September 27, 1979, the Pepper’s name was changed to Pepper’s Honor Society to reflect the coeducational membership.

Pepper’s had no formal alumni organization, however, they did maintain a list of alumni.

In the early 1980’s, Pepper’s petitioned to become a chapter of Mortar Board. On November 17, 1982, Pepper’s was accepted as a chapter of the National Mortar Board and was installed as such on May 15, 1983.

Mortar Board is committed to recognizing and honoring juniors that exemplify “outstanding scholarship, leadership, and service.” Active membership is for one year and is restricted to students of fourth year standing.

This collection includes constitutions, minutes, applications to Mortar Board, alumni lists, activities files, correspondence, and miscellaneous files concerning Pepper’s, Mortar Board, and Songfest.

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