

FOR THE LADIES

AKA ENDORSES STATEHOOD FOR WASHINGTON, D.C., AIDS SOMALIA



U.S. Sen. Florence Pendleton (C) and Alpha Kappa Alpha (AKA) international president Dr. Mary Shy Scott of Atlanta, Ga display a flyer which AKA will use in its effort to help D.C. gain statehood. Looking on are other AKA leaders, along with representatives from area chapters (L, L-R) Ms. DeVera Redmond, XI Omega; Mrs. Allison Alexander, executive director; and Dr. Eva L. Evans, first vice president; and (R, L-R) Mrs. Ferial S. Bishop, president, XI Zeta Omega, and Mrs. Barbara Quick, connection chairman, Rho Nu Omega.

An endorsement of statehood for Washington, D.C. and a response to the Somalian crisis were two of the activities which kept Alpha Kappa Alpha (ASKA) international president Dr. Mary Shy Scott busy during the annual Congressional Black Caucus Legislative Weekend held here recently. The announcement came at a luncheon featuring Florence Howard Pendleton who, along with Jesse Jackson, will represent Washingtonians in Congress if H.R. 2482 - which would admit D.C. to the union as New Columbia,

the 51st state - is approved.

Dr. Scott also used the occasion to announce that Baido Hospital in Somalia will be receiving additional emergency medical supplies as a result of a \$17,000 contribution by AKA.

Agreeing that Washingtonians deserve representation like all others Americans, Dr. Scott said, "Too long have the more than 600,000 citizens in Washington, D.C. been without a voice, and we (AKA) intend to lobby to help them gain what is rightfully theirs."

Sen. Pendleton told the

group, "Getting the legislation passed will be a hard fought battle, but in order to live up to the true meaning of democracy, this land known as the United States of America, the land of the free and the home of the brave must include the territory and the citizens of the nation's capital on an equal footing with every other citizen with respect to congressional representation."

Continuing, Sen. Pendleton said, "AKA will provide additional arsenal for this battle, and I thank you for voluntarily enlisting." The effort began with D.C. area chapters who pushed for international support this summer at AKA's international meeting.

The check for Somalia was presented to Africare's C. Payne Lucas when Dr. Scott met with him to review the numerous African projects supported by AKA contributions of which have exceeded \$500,000.

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PINS ARE IN

Newest Fashion Sparkle — Champagne Diamond Lunch Pin

(NU) - "Guys and Dolls" gangster-inspired menswear looks are redefining "power dressing" for women this fall.

Tailored silhouettes are popping up everywhere. Daytime and evening jackets, worn with or without a blouse, feature a variety of collar lapel treatments — wide or narrow, notch or shawl, deep peaks or asymmetrical closings.

Pins are emerging as a way to soften these mannish silhouettes. Oversized or diminutive, serious or silly, retro or contemporary, pins are in, worn alone or in clusters. And the newest category features a touch of Champagne.

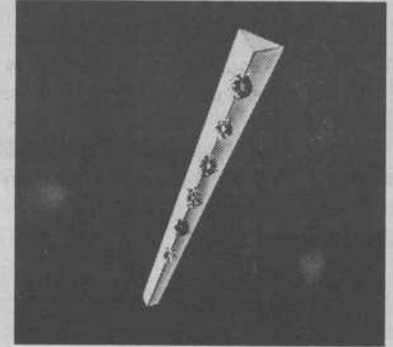
With a special warmth, Champagne Diamonds are the newest sparkling fashion "must have" — and the Champagne Diamond lunch pin, featuring a distinctive blend of Champagne and colorless diamonds, adds a new dimension to the design possibilities.

Creative Themes

Contemporary U.S. jewelry designers are creating a variety of Champagne Diamond lunch pins. Leading jewelry designers such as Whitney Boin, Paul Klecka and David Yurman are tapping into a wealth of creative themes — from naturalistic or feminine influences to geometric forms. The solitaire Champagne Diamond bar-shaped lunch pin by Charles Krypell, with contrasting white baguettes, is a look of understated panache. The rainbow-colored butterfly pin by Tina Segal features a blend of precious Champagne, pink and yellow diamonds.

Historically, pins have been used

as symbols of affluence as well as for functional reasons. In Celtic Europe, pins were sometimes used as cloak fasteners, on one or both shoulders. In the 14th century, royal families adopted eagle brooches for state occasions. Henry VIII purportedly owned 39 heart-shaped pins. In more contemporary times, Harry Winston collected pins ranging from a 42.5 carat Crown of Charlemagne to the 970 carat Star of Leone.



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In the 1950s, when a man bought a pin for the woman, she was considered formally "spoken for," the closest thing to engaged. Today, research shows, the woman of the '90s doesn't wait to receive the Champagne Diamond lunch pin as a gift — she makes the purchase herself.

Diamonds come in an array of colors, including pink, blue, green, yellow and orange. Champagne Diamonds are a gem of a different color. With all the fire, sparkle and personality that only diamonds possess, Champagne Diamonds are now available in a distinctive new color palette, adding a look of feminine individuality to a new age of masculine dressing.

SCORE SEEKS WOMEN VOLUNTEER COUNSELORS

The Las Vegas Chapter of Score (Service Corps of Retired Executives), is currently recruiting retired and actually employed women volunteer counselors who have had successful busi-

ness careers as company executives or owners of their own businesses.

If qualified, the volunteer would counsel people starting their own small businesses, or established business people in need of some help.

Marianne Gray, Chapter Coordinator for Women's Business Ownership (WBO), wants to enroll more women counsel-

ors: "About 51% of people currently going into business are women. Many of our women clients seek advice from women counselors because they better relate to and recognize the barriers in business that men did not face."

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