Dear Jackie:

You're a very lucky gal to be chosen President of a group as fine as Boxerettes. The responsibility of guiding them through their activities and duties is yours and with God's help you'll do a wonderful job and have a fine year.

Your work will begin this summer when you begin looking ahead and making plans for the Fall. The following is a brief outline of our activities for the Fall. I hope that it will help you in your planning.

I. BOXERETTE WEEKEND-RETREAT

Saturday, the 12th, we arrived early, moved into the dorm and then left for Blest Haven out beyond Banks late Saturday afternoon.

The gals living in F. G. took care of arrangements for sleeping bags and food. Miss Lundborg made arrangements for Blest Haven. She is wonderful for advice and support. After dinner on Saturday night we had our organizational meeting for Orientation. This took a while, but it was important for each girl to know what we were to do. Sunday, our Chaplain led us in a devotion after which we left for F. G.

I felt that this weekend at Blest Haven played an important part in the success of Orientation because we gained a wonderful spirit in our group.

II. ORIENTATION

On our arrival on campus on Saturday the Presidents of Boxerettes and I.K.'s met with Mr. Trombley for an organizational meeting.

Uniforms were worn during Orientation and registration so that we were on duty all the time.
Our duties in general were:

Registration in dorms
Campus tours
Help to administer tests
Mixing at meals
Boxerette Mixer

Our motto was "Helpfulness, and friendliness at all times." Each morning before our day began, we met in Walter Lounge for prayer meditation and questions. This seemed to be helpful to the spirit of the group.

II. BOXERETTE MIXER

We had the regular committees for the Mixer:

Decorations if you want them

Games

Clean-up

Refreshments
Chaperones
Arrangements for Warner Hall
Game equipment

Publicity is important. We felt that perhaps the Boxerettes and I.K.'s could work together on the dance and help in getting the new students to mix and meet. Out M. C. was very good and aided in making the Mixer a success.

IV. HOMECOMING

Our main duty was selling Mums. Included is a report that should prove helpful in your plans. We had a sophomore and a Junior working together on this project so that we would have one carrying over to the next year. Each year is different, but we hope that these notes will help. Also, a conscientious chairman is necessary.

V. FALL TAPPING

This was held at the Independent's Dance in Warner Hall in November. The President presided at the tapping. She read off the qualifications of the new girls, introduced the out-going gals and presented the Boxerette of the Year. The new gals were given a corsage and a Boxer pin. Miss Lundborg was very helpful in preparing us for the cutting sessions which are very important.

We had a part after the dance in Walter Hall basement and we presented our juniors with red rose buds which had red and black ribbons on them and the letters of Box erettes. We formed a friendship circle and sang some songs. Perhaps next fall the gals could learn our new song for this. We have enclosed some extra copies of it along with the ditto. Also, we presented the copies of the constitution to the new gals.

VI. WASSAIL PARTY

We worked with Oak Leaf on this project. We were in charge of serving the wassail and the raisins. You might check with the Oak Leaf president. We saw that the utensils for serving were there and then organized our pourers and servers. Serving went well since we had gals starting from both the front and back working towards the middle. Two other gals served the raisins down the middle aisle. Clean-up consisted of picking up the cups and anything else necessary.

VII. SOME EXTRAS

- 1. We helped the house mothers in their orientation because they, too, were new.
- We had a Boxerette-I.K. get-together at Miss Lundborg's. This, we felt helped in creating a closer relationship between the two groups. This could be held at any time.

- 3. We served at elections. You might get in touch with the elections chairman at the first of the year.
- 4. We ushered at the plays. Mr. Ericson didn't contact us so we checked with him. Each time is different and you will be able to judge how many girls to sign up for this.
- 5. We sold programs at football games and we tried this year to have a sophomore and junior girl in charge. Again, this is for carry over to next year. We had a talk with Dr. Stagg before the games started so that we would know what he expected of us. This helps in better relations and the girls know what they are to do. We are enclosing a report for this fall's sales.
- 6. We sold tickets at basketball games. We also arranged transportation with Coach Tallchief.

VII. INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

This Fall, we had our banquet in the smaller of the cafeteria banquet rooms. After this we went to the Chapel for our installation-initiation services. This was something new and I hope that it will be carried on because it seemed to make our calling as Boxerettes to service more meaningfull. The candles were very effective. Our Chaplain gave a fine meditation to us.

We invited Mrs. Ritchie to be our honorary advisor and she attended both the banquet and the services at the Chapel.

Well, Jackie, that is about all for last Fall. It was the most wonderful honor serving as president and working with the gals. We had fun and we worshiped together. Boxerettes will always have a special place in my heart.

God bless you. You have a fine group to work with.

Barbara Boates

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