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### ALPHA

#### **Allegheny College**

After hours of hard work and vital communication between the undergraduates, chapter advisor Dr. Tony LoBello, Allegheny College staff and the Housing Corporation, we finally have a fully operational kitchen. This marks the first time we have had a meal plan since 1996. Thank you to the House Corporation and Alumni donors, who, without their support, such a huge task would not have completed.

In addition to the kitchen, Alpha has completed a number of other shelter improvements: a new study lounge and a large painting of the coat of arms in the stairwell. Future projects include a flagpole and a spotlight to illuminate the letters on the side of the Shelter.

We also undertook a number of philanthropy projects this semester two of which included our Adopt-a-Highway road cleanup and brother Anthony Paravati's organization of the Andy Fund 5k Run. This event helped to raise money for brain cancer patients.

Alumni involvement remains strong, and we appreciate all who visited. This year, 26 Alpha graduates returned to Allegheny for our homecoming barbecue to commemorate the opening of the kitchen. We hope to see them and many more during our spring golf tournament in April.

On the college campus at Allegheny, Delta Tau Delta has established itself as an example of excellence in leadership. We currently have 11 members who sit in non-chapter executive positions, five of whom are presidents of their respective organizations. If you would like to know more, please check out our new website location at [www.adelts.org](http://www.adelts.org).

### BETA

#### **Ohio University**

Going into fall quarter the Beta Chapter had a few challenges to overcome. We had only 29 brothers living in the shelter compared to 35 last year, mainly because of the shelter's condition. After discussing this matter with our house corporation president, Terry Russell (Ohio, 1961), almost all the problems with the house were dealt with and five brothers moved into the Shelter for the winter quarter. The shelter will be renovated following the academic year and will take 14 months. We were able to lease a similarly-sized house on College Street for our shelter next year.

At our annual retreat we addressed many issues. After seeing our grade point average drop last year, our academic advisor, Dr. McCarthy, and brother Tyler Gattermeyer implemented a new grade policy to promote academic success. Our overall GPA improved during the first quarter.

During the fall quarter the Beta Chapter recruited 23 men. These young men have been active with the chapter and we now have a campus-high 98 members. During Homecoming week we placed fourth overall and received first place in the float competition.

### GAMMA

#### **Washington & Jefferson College**

Gamma Chapter started the year moving into our new 26-man shelter. The shelter is a vast improvement over the 30-year-old house we occupied before. The alumni who returned for homecoming were as excited to see the new shelter as we were to show it off. The turnout for our homecoming reception at the end of September was large. Many Gamma Chapter alums returned to visit the current brothers, tour the new shelter and share old stories with us.

So far this year Gamma Chapter has had a strong presence on our campus. Our see-saw marathon for hurricane Katrina victims raised more than \$750. We won first place in Washington and Jefferson's Homecoming float parade, first in Greek Week and our representative for the Kappa Alpha Theta Greek God contest also took top honors.

Gamma Chapter welcomed one pledge during the fall semester. We are pleased to have Matt Kozar working towards his goal of becoming a full member. We also look forward to continuing our fall rush program in the hopes of having another great pledge class for the spring semester.

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### DELTA

#### **University of Michigan**

The recolonization of Gamma Tau is schedule for the fall 2006. Alumni assistance is needed to help establish an Alumni Advisory team and officer mentors. For more information, contact Garrett Hall at [ghall@visteon.com](mailto:ghall@visteon.com)

### EPSILON

#### **Albion College**

The beginning of the semester brought a few changes at the shelter, including new carpet, freshly painted walls and two trees removed from our landscape to make our letters more visible. We are currently renovating our active room.

We completed three successful philanthropy events to bring in hundreds of dollars for our charity, Albion Interfaith Ministries, during the semester. Our two bake sales have been a hit on campus for hungry students in between classes. We also held a major philanthropy/rally with our Bash Wabash for Charity, which included a member's car being smashed by students and faculty to rally for our football team's first round playoff game against Wabash College. Our inaugural Snowbowl is scheduled for the spring semester.

Homecoming weekend featured a great alumni event, with the commemoration of the old Delt house and a reunion of the class of 1975. A plaque was placed on the rock where the former Epsilon shelter once and many of the Deltas who once resided there attended. After the commemoration and the football game, alumni, family and undergraduates were entertained with a live jazz band, food and great stories.

### ZETA

#### **Case Western Reserve University**

The fall 2005 semester began with the initiation of 15 men into the Zeta Chapter, all of whom have shown great spirit and been extremely active in this semester's events. The Zeta Chapter should graduate 19 men at the end of the spring semester and our younger continue to accept positions of leadership.

Zeta chapter held a successful dinner with 10 faculty members who were served a three-course meal, given a tour of the shelter and received a thank you gift for their hard work and inspiration. Each semester we honor professors who have had a significant positive impact on our academic experience.

The men of Zeta chapter continue to hold several positions in the Interfraternity Congress. Chris Thomas and Jameson Root are vice president of administration and vice president of programming, respectively. Brandon Roush has assumed the position of Greek community educational consultant and has done a fantastic job improving the Greek academic community.

A 24-hour fast was held to help raise money for The Cleveland Providence House, a local crisis nursery. Our goal is to donate \$2,500, an amount we continue to approach as we raise money through the holidays with a donation booth located at our student center.

Sixteen alumni attended an Alumni Barbeque during homecoming weekend. The barbeque began in the early afternoon and continued through the early evening. Hamburgers, along with several side dishes and drinks were provided for the alumni, their families and the undergraduates.

### THETA

#### **Bethany College**

The fall semester at Theta Founding Chapter has been special with many individual and group achievements accomplished. In many aspects it was one of the more prominent semesters in recent history.

Four men pledged and were initiated. The chapter dedicated itself to excellence in academics and anticipated having one of the top grade points averages for the fraternities when results are released. The brothers also won Greek Week, nearly sweeping every event. Also we had great success in both road clean up and Big Brother/Big Sister Halloween event. Senior president Joe "Tuna" Allen won "Big Man on Campus," helping place Delta Tau Delta at the top of Bethany College fraternities.

The feeling of brotherhood is clearly seen and strong. Together we attempted to make our shelter more appealing. We have discovered the need for extra office furniture such as tables, rugs, or chairs and would appreciate any help provided.

Plans for the spring semester include working more closely and spending more time with alumni. Also further working on our philanthropic projects, as well as striving forward in our academics. We are also looking

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for many good men to join this spring. In all, the sense of pride and brotherhood are flowing well throughout the chapter.

### KAPPA

#### Hillsdale College

The recolonization of Kappa is scheduled for the fall 2007. For more information or to assist with recolonization plans, please contact Sandy MacMechan at [Hotpenguin1@aol.com](mailto:Hotpenguin1@aol.com).

### MU

#### Ohio Wesleyan University

The Mu Chapter maintained a strenuous pace with our involvement in community affairs, academic success and furthering our role as future leaders.

Justin McCoy recently was elected as the president of Ohio Wesleyan's Interfraternity Council. Furthermore, our community service projects have caught the attention of the Delaware community. We were recently highlighted in the local newspaper for our donations to the Red Cross and our house corporation made generous donations by matching every dollar that we raised for charity.

In September, we recognized Edwin Heminger (Ohio Wesleyan, 1948) as a distinguished Alumnus at our annual President's Dinner. Mr. Heminger has served the Fraternity extensively since graduating from college, including as international president and president of the Educational Foundation. We had great attendance from local alumni and the night was a great time for the undergraduates to converse with some very successful men.

Recently, both public safety and the campus Greek advisor commented on the safety of our shelter. They feel that we have taken great strides in maintaining a safe environment for student guests. Furthermore, they mentioned that our shelter is generally one of the cleanest on Fraternity Hill. Our image has been greatly benefited by our new policies.

These successes would not have been possible without the lifelong commitment of many of our alumni. They make our jobs much easier and are always willing to provide advice. Thank you to those involved for helping bring great leadership to a seamless organization.

### RHO

#### Stevens Institute of Technology

Rho has been doing exceptionally well in the past semester internally, on campus and in the community. All aspects of brotherhood, leadership, philanthropy and academics are going strong.

Leadership within the chapter and on campus was strong. Three members are on the executive board of the Interfraternity Council and 99 percent of our members are involved in either varsity athletics or a registered student organization.

Rush has started strong despite not having a shelter. The chapter congregates every Monday with select freshmen and transfer students to watch Monday Night Football as well as once a month for a chapter dinner.

Service within the community has become as normal as homework. This semester's philanthropy events outnumbered past efforts by almost 3-to-1. This semester, two trips were taken to the Adopt-A-Highway location on Route 3 in New Jersey as well as weekly trips to the Hoboken homeless shelter. This semester marks the first semester working with the American Heart Association and we raised more than \$2,000.

### TAU

#### Pennsylvania State University

This fall Tau has seen its ups and downs but we have not faltered from our path to becoming a top-notch chapter. Recruitment went well and our pledge class of 16 men worked very hard to learn what it means to be a true Delt. Each man brings an interesting dynamic to the Fraternity that makes us a better house overall.

Homecoming was a huge success. We had an ice sculpture with the inscription "Welcome Back Dels" and had the event catered by the best barbecue restaurant in central Pennsylvania. Another event Tau chapter is particularly proud of is Greek Sing, an event where fraternities and sororities pair together to perform condensed versions of popular musicals. This year, with the help of the wonderful women of Delta Zeta, we placed second.

This fall also saw great success in a joint philanthropy with the women of Alpha Chi Omega supporting victims of domestic violence. The event titled the "Pumpkin Smash" had teams competing in a pumpkin

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carving contest, then smashing the pumpkins after the contest was judged. Tau Chapter President Brad Fitzpatrick was recently elected to the executive board of the Interfraternity Council as the vice president of communications.

### UPSILON

#### Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute

We had successes in academics, brotherhood and community this semester. We started by implementing several plans to promote our academic success while continuing to maintain our commitment to all forms of excellence.

During the RPI Parents Weekend, we hosted a social hour and dinner for the families and friends of the Upsilon Chapter undergraduates. The dinner marked the beginning of a promising year of success and improvement.

We helped the Cathedral of All Saints in Albany improve and renovated the church. We hope to make it either an annual or bi-annual event.

Our chapter has also had a successful semester in sports. Our soccer team was undefeated in our division and we showed a promising display in intramural hockey before the end of the semester.

We continued to repair and expand our shelter as well as the surrounding property. We renovated the volleyball court, repaired blemished walls and, our most important accomplishment, replaced over 20 windows in the house with the tremendous help of our alumni. The new windows were essential heading into the winter with the heating of the house, as well as with its overall appearance.

### CHI

#### Kenyon College

Chi Chapter had a wonderful fall semester. Academically, we leapt up two spots in the rankings of all fraternities during the spring semester to third and we expected to advance another position during the fall semester.

Outside of the classroom we excelled as well. Delts took third in intramural football despite a 3-2 record. Pete Scherer, IM chair, coached the team as Kenny Sengen took charge of offence as quarterback.

Chi continues its hard work improving the Lodge and our relationship with the neighbors on Kokosing Drive. After an unfortunate series of complaints from neighbors, we decided to have a coffee hour with the neighbors and talk about some of the issues. Attendance was remarkable with 18 neighbors participating and the conversation produced some concrete guidelines through which we can continue strengthening our relationship.

Additionally, we held our second "Love Your Lodge Weekend" during which we repainted the basement, removed trash and unnecessary items, washed the windows, re-organized the utility closet and added the 1881 Pub to the basement. The final project (funded only by the undergraduates) included painting the wall around the bar area a brick color and installing a CO2 tap. Other improvements to the Lodge this semester include a new big screen TV and sound system.

Aside from having men on the swimming and lacrosse teams, members are involved with other organizations such as: Archons, Chasers, Kenyon Men Against Sexual Assault, Beer and Sex. Alums will also play a big role in rush this year since our celebration of Chi's 125th anniversary coincides with our annual Steak Dinner rush event. The event is January 28 and we hope many of our alumni will return to the Hill for this momentous occasion.

### OMEGA

#### University of Pennsylvania

This year has been a glorious year for the Omega Chapter at the University of Pennsylvania. After four and half years of arduous labor, the Omega Crescent Colony finally achieved its chapter status. Among the founding fathers, many of us had started with the chapter at its embryonic stage and it was breathtaking to see it come together. Numerous alumni came back for the initiation and were once again reconnected with the chapter and the Fraternity.

Detailed planning for rush has been underway for a long time and as the semester is wrapping up rush meetings are being held to finalize the final few details. We have a strong list of 15-20 men going into Spring

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Rush and it is definitely looking to be yet another strong recruiting season for us. Recruiting remains one of our top priorities.

On a more personal note, many of the seniors have more or less decided on what they will do after graduation. It's been a long ride of four years.

### **BETA ALPHA**

#### **Indiana University**

Our recruitment chairs were able to kick off the semester with our biggest pledge class in years – 44 men were selected from a record of more than 1000 men who went through formal rush. We look forward to developing these men into future Delt leaders.

On campus, Beta Alpha continues to fill leadership roles. Mark Adams and Jay Astrove are recent additions to Interfraternity Council. Jordan Swanson has been very active as a member of the Indiana University Student Foundation steering committee, working on scholarships and Little 500. Our bike team has never shown more promise. Actively training are D.W. North, Matt Lee, Brad Owens and Palmer Hart. The chapter recognizes their hard work and determination as they prepare for The biggest college weekend in the country.

The house was able to raise \$500 to contribute to the Katrina Relief effort with a dunk-a-cop tank and slip-and-slide event. The funds were given to the United Way to help contribute to the campus' goal of \$10,000.

Delts are currently working on a campus-wide recycling campaign set to kick off on Earth Day. Our doors have been open to a number of guest speakers including Tom Gegax, who spoke to the chapter on the topic of motivation and achievement, and Tom Gelke, who met with our executives to work on goal setting.

### **BETA BETA**

#### **DePauw University**

The Delts of Beta Beta Chapter have been increasingly felt throughout the surrounding communities. The chapter sponsored a local youth football team and following a successful intramural season on campus, we hosted an informal celebration for our men, parents and fans that attracted a number of people.

Additionally the Delts have volunteered one weekend in coalition with the Pi Beta Phi sorority chapter to generate funds from a car wash, with all proceeds going to The One Foundation. This year's Delts have already volunteered to participate again in the 2006 Special Olympics Indiana Women's State Basketball Tournament, which is held at the university. The men will be cheering on designated teams and even assist in refereeing several of the games slated for March.

The executive officers and chapter volunteers have been meeting for the past two months discussing events around the 2006 Putnam County Relay for Life. The Delts aided in last years efforts raising over \$230,000 for cancer victims and families. In closing, the house had an extremely strong rush in the spring semester and currently 21 new Delts are living in the house.

### **BETA GAMMA**

#### **University of Wisconsin**

At Beta Gamma we raised our bar of excellence by exceeding previous accomplishments and established an aggressive new goal of earning the "Court of Honor" distinction.

Our first accomplishment was recruiting a pledge class of 10 men, the largest pledge class in 15 years, who increased our chapter size by 55 percent. We now have more than 30 men in our chapter and are striving to having 40-50 men by the 2006 Fall semester.

On campus, we continue to promote excellence, holding a seat on the Interfraternity Council. The undergraduates enthusiastically participate in both intramural sports teams including football, tennis and volleyball and Humorology, a Greek-based musical competition benefiting charity.

At the end of last year our house achieved the highest grade point average on campus. This year, our goal is to maintain that honor encouraging the most important aspect of college – academics.

We hosted an alumni homecoming football game event in October that resulted in the best turn out in recent years. We want to extend a special thanks to Dick Schilffarth (Wisconsin, 1953) who donated \$500 to provide the wonderful food and refreshments for event. We are a strong chapter but our strength can only increase with active alumni participation as mentors or as a member of our Alumni Advisory Team under the direction of our Chapter Advisor Bruce Peterson. Please contact him if you can contribute 1-2 hours a month for the advancement of our men and our chapter.

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To all alumni: please feel free to stop by, the door is always open.

### BETA DELTA

#### University of Georgia

Beta Delta has enjoyed another complete semester. At the beginning of the semester, we received great news that the alumni supervisory committee would be disbanded within a few weeks because we fulfilled all of our requirements. This news energized the chapter during rush and we recruited 34 men. This number reflects the second-largest pledge class on campus out of 27 other chapters and is also above the average class size of 28.

We came into the semester with the sixth best grade point average on campus for the chapter, with only more room and motivation to move up in the rankings. One of our brothers, Steven Levitt, was inducted into the Order of Omega, which is an organization composed of the top two percent of Greeks academically. Furthermore, our academic chair put in a place a new academic program that helps brothers receive new information on career choices and internships.

On community service, the brothers kept up their relationship with Chase Street Elementary by helping to starting a new tutoring program with the children at the school. Over 25 percent of the chapter spends an hour or two a week tutoring kids who need more attention than the school can provide. Furthermore, Beta Delta had a delegation for every sorority philanthropy and members on committees for the Dance Marathon.

Also, Beta Delta held its inaugural "Delt Winter Wonderland." We decorated the house in splendid décor and invited the kids from the elementary school to visit Santa Claus and get treats. The brothers also conducted a toy drive in participation with the sororities, gathering toys for the local branch of Toys for Tots in Athens.

Beta Delta held a successful alumni event during homecoming weekend. Over the course of the day, the brothers were able to meet more than 60 alumni and we hope to see more than 100 alumni drop by the shelter for 2006 homecoming. Beta Delta also was the overall winner with Alpha Gamma Delta for Homecoming Week on campus, winning the float and street painting competitions.

Overall, the chapter has continued to improve and push towards excellence. Our new alumni chair is Michael Murray-Hobbs. He will be in contact with many of you soon.

### BETA EPSILON

#### Emory University

The Beta Epsilon chapter has continued its tradition of being a leader in the Emory University community during the Fall of 2005. With philanthropy events such as Greek Physique, Emory Sports Camp, Students Promoting Education Among Kids, Safe Halloween, and hosting a benefit for the Barton's Child Advocacy Center, we have risen to the challenge brought upon by our own brothers to increase our volunteer activities.

Our chapter continues to make strides in athletics, with successful seasons of softball and football behind us, and our best sport of street hockey coming up in the future. Socially, we held our annual semiformal at the beautiful Hilton Atlanta for the third consecutive year. Academically, we rank well above the all-fraternity average and the all-male campus average.

But the hallmark of the Beta Epsilon chapter is our campus involvement. We have members who are on the executive boards of BBA Council, the Emory University Pre-Law Society, No Strings Attached (Emory's only all-male a cappella group), and Take Back the Night (Sexual Assault Awareness). Other brothers are active participants in club sports, residential life, Theater Emory and the nation's third-ranked tennis team.

This involvement in the Emory community can be shown by our outstanding fall recruitment, and we are looking forward to continuing our successes in recruitment, philanthropy and more during Spring 2006.

### BETA ZETA

#### Butler University

This semester has been filled with successes and accomplishments for the men of Beta Zeta. Not only are we celebrating yet another successful academic semester, but also Butler University's 150th birthday.

We accepted one pledge, Andy Seibert. We have all worked hard, along with our great pledge educator, Tyler Klaehn, to help him learn what it really means to be a Delt.

In October, we not only celebrated homecoming with dozens of alumni, but also celebrated the life of an exemplary Delt, Russ Potts, a beloved Beta Zeta alumnus who passed away in the spring from cancer. We were able to celebrate his life through our "Fallen Brother" ceremony that made us all proud to have learned from him. As formal rush approaches, we are constantly working hard to have a positive impact on the Butler

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community. We hope to enter the spring semester with a strong pledge class that will continue to strive to make Beta Zeta a recognized leader on Butler's campus.

### BETA ETA

#### University of Minnesota

This semester has proven to be a great success not just for the results that our chapter has achieved, but especially for the great effort that has been given by nearly all members. It was filled with older members leading the way and younger members showing the future of this fraternity is in good hands. For example, our Spring pledge class posted one of the top overall grade point averages among all pledge classes.

Along with the newest members providing what looks like a great future, the alumni have continued to provide a support and interest in the operations of the chapter. We had another successful annual Alumni Breakfast/Social during the Homecoming Parade. We are continuously improving our relations with our the alumni and many have attended multiple events, including initiation ceremonies and an alumni dinner.

The undergraduates have been very involved in leadership roles on and off campus. Two-term chapter President Alex Vu was recently elected as the president of the Interfraternity Council. Seth Normington was elected to his second term on the IFC and is in charge of programming and recruitment for all fraternities on campus.

Other members who have been involved in volunteer work include: Corey Coonen, Erich Heber and Brian Curry. Corey has been the Spring Jam co-coordinator for the past two years and is very active in student programming on campus. Erich has helped a great deal with local kids at Logan Park. He helped set up a Halloween event at Logan, in which the entire Greek Community sent representatives. Brian has been a representative for FPA. Like Coonen and Heber, Curry has held a large role in the chapter itself, including being a two-term treasurer and the Health Advocate for the house.

Above all else, the greatest improvement in this house was the renewed emphasis put on Philanthropy. Philanthropy Chairman Brooks Johnson established numerous extremely successful events in the community. Brooks, being a volunteer of numerous activities on his own time, was a logical choice to administer our community service events this semester including our very successful at Feed My Starving Children. With 40 men helping, we fed thousands of hungry people and set a new record for most food packaged.

### BETA THETA

#### University of the South

Beta Theta Chapter did not submit a chapter report for the fall semester. Please contact the chapter president, William Brown, at 931-598-1352 or via e-mail at [brownwg0@sewanee.edu](mailto:brownwg0@sewanee.edu) for more information about this chapter.

### BETA IOTA

#### University of Virginia

Beta Iota had another exciting semester. We initiated seven new members who accepted leadership roles almost immediately. John Agostini, one of our newest members, was elected treasurer and we are excited by the energy and new ideas that everyone in this class brings.

We undertook two major projects to improve our shelter. With the help of our House Corporation, we resealed all the wood floors in the house and we renovated our academic room.

This was also a good semester for alumni relations. The chapter hosted several tailgates during football game weekends for alumni, with especially big turnouts for the Florida State and Virginia Tech games. We are looking forward to 2006 as the 35th anniversary of Beta Iota, and we plan for an alumni banquet.

Our members stay involved in the university community, as well. For example, Matt Klopfer was selected as both an Honor Committee support officer and as a member of the prestigious Thomas Jefferson Debating Society. Matt Nicholson serves as the lead prosecutor for the Honor System and as selections chair for the university's oldest academic honor society, the Raven Society. Many other brothers are involved in service activities, such as coaching youth basketball teams and tutoring at schools.

The brothers also sponsored a family of six affected by Hurricane Katrina and sent them food for a Thanksgiving dinner.

### BETA LAMBDA

#### Lehigh University

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After completing a very successful academic year in the spring of 2005, the Beta Lambda Chapter has continued to grow and strengthen its brotherhood with the addition of seven sophomores this fall. The chapter received a "Silver" rating by Lehigh University's new accreditation process and finished first among 22 fraternities in both grade point average (3.19) and intramural sports.

Beta Lambda was presented the Lehigh University Community Service/Philanthropy award for our work both on campus and in the surrounding neighborhood. It marked the second consecutive year Beta Lambda earned the honor. We raised more than \$700 for the victims of Hurricane Katrina with a "Delts Dunk Tank." The tank was placed at the campus center and we accepted donations from people who attempted to dunk a brother. The chapter also participated in numerous events sponsored by various Greek organizations including Strikes for Tykes, Pink Day and the Good Scholar Election.

The members of Beta Lambda served in several organizations outside the Fraternity. Matt Diana currently serves as president of the Interfraternity Council and Joe Curatolo has been active on Interfraternal Judicial Committee. Curatolo and Mike Collins are members of Leadership Lehigh, an organization devoted to the leadership development of its members.

Members of the Beta Lambda chapter are well represented in athletic clubs on campus as well. Josh Margolis and Oliver Josephs both serve as co-presidents of the club soccer team, Brian Roth is the secretary of the club tennis team and Kevin Albano serves as treasurer of the club water polo team.

### **BETA NU**

#### **Massachusetts Institute of Technology**

We at the Beta Nu chapter are proud this fall semester was healthy. We continued our strong campus leadership presence with the recent election of junior Isaac Tetzloff as the new Interfraternity president. In addition to heading a handful of student groups, the Beta Nu chapter brought its leadership to numerous varsity sports teams where we remain the captains of both the varsity hockey and golf teams. In other areas of leadership, sophomore Joe Dieguez dedicated a great deal of time this summer to attending conferences, both the Undergraduate Interfraternity Leadership Conference at the University of Maryland and the Monster Diversity Leadership Conference at St. John's University.

Beta Nu has remained vastly ahead of the curve in recent years with recruitment and we have continued to excel by rushing a healthy 2009 pledge class of 13 members. Spring Rush is an area we will be focusing on for years to come in order to build a working system that we have not used for many years.

In addition to fielding 21 varsity athletes from our chapter, we have proven successful on the intramural fields as well. Our dodgeball and football teams have both progressed to the league championships.

### **BETA XI**

#### **Tulane University**

Tulane University closed for the fall semester after much of the campus was flooded following Hurricane Katrina in late August. The men of Beta Xi Chapter, along with the rest of the student body, are scheduled to return to campus in January when classes resume.

### **BETA OMICRON**

#### **Cornell University**

This semester has brought a number of positive developments to Beta Omicron Chapter. Vice President Joe Meyers and Brotherhood Chairman John Shand organized a Brotherhood retreat held in September. Brothers spent the night camping and having fun near Cayuga Lake. Shand has also continued to direct brothers' involvement in intramural sports and fun weekly events like bowling and football.

Our shelter was kept in impeccable condition thanks to the tireless efforts of House Manager Marshall Thomas. Thomas, with the invaluable help of Chris Litvin, Robert Waskis and Mike Combs, has also overseen a renovation of the billiards room, new landscaping work and the continuation of the house painting begun last semester.

Philanthropically we scheduled a joint event in order to raise money for cancer research. Brothers also continued to contribute to the community on their own time, participating in tutoring, Collegetown cleanups, promoting awareness of health issues and a number of other worthy causes.

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On the recruitment front, things look good. We have several solid candidates committed for the Spring. Each is a good man now, but will be a great Delt in the future. We are also working tirelessly to expand our recruit base before Rush Week.

### BETA PI

#### **Northwestern University**

The Beta Pi Chapter did not submit a chapter report for the fall semester. Please contact the chapter president, Kyle Luhr, at 503-799-8355 or via e-mail at [k-luhr@northwestern.edu](mailto:k-luhr@northwestern.edu) for more information about this chapter.

### BETA RHO

#### **Stanford University**

Life on the Farm has been busy this quarter and the combination of extremely rigorous academics and conflicting extracurricular schedules has left Beta Rho with a limited event calendar. We activated our most recent pledge class prior to Thanksgiving break. We are holding a few brotherhood events (planned by the pledge class as part of their Pledge Ed.) before Dead Week and Finals Week are upon us. Next quarter we will be looking to bolster our ranks with a mid-year pledge class of second and third-year students.

Many Beta Rho alumni were on campus during the past week to witness the final football game to be played at Stanford Stadium before work began on a \$90-million renovation plan, including NFL great and fellow Delt John Elway. The chapter also had the pleasure of rooting for No. 77, David Long, one of our new members. Stanford baseball coach, Mark Marquess (Stanford, 1969), who played football and baseball at the Farm was also at the festivities.

### BETA TAU

#### **University of Nebraska**

Things are going swimmingly for the brothers of Beta Tau. The newly implemented eight-week initiation program was a great success. The new members are doing very well and we're excited about what they will bring to the campus and Fraternity.

The chapter is only getting better and better academically. Along with academics, Deltas are strong on the intramural scene. Recently the Delt soccer team won the all-fraternity soccer championship. With such success all over campus, we're all looking forward to another exceptional semester here at Beta Tau.

### BETA UPSILON

#### **University of Illinois**

As one of the largest fraternity chapters on the Illinois campus, Beta Upsilon has tried to live up to the challenging responsibilities of a 120-person chapter. We have served the community, reached out to former alumni and family and improved our scholastic performance.

Preparations has begun for our springtime philanthropy event, Deltona Beach. We are negotiating with sponsors and coordinating the resources in hopes of bettering last year's \$4,500 donation to the United Services Organization.

We also participated in many sorority philanthropy events and Brent Simerson started a collection fund for New Orleans victims following Hurricane Katrina. He gathered donations over a three-week period and raised \$750.

During our Homecoming/Dad's Day weekend, we had a cookout with our new grill pits and had multiple bags games on the front lawn. On Saturday night of that weekend, John Gleeson (Illinois, 1953) rocked out our basement with his graying cover band, *The Executones*.

Our academic chair, Justin Montminy, has enacted a much stricter study hours program with our 30 pledges. It is one step, in addition to revamping much of our study room, in the plan to raise our house grade point average.

We have fared very well in intramurals. Our football team won a championship over the dreaded Sigma Chi fraternity and our soccer squad finished in third place.

### BETA PHI CRESCENT COLONY

#### **The Ohio State University**

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The Beta Phi Crescent Colony at The Ohio State University made enormous progress toward becoming a chapter and Beta Phi received many honors and recognitions since the 2005 spring report.

In May, we finished second in the Interfraternity Council and first in overall pairings for Greek Week, with Sigma Phi Epsilon and Kappa Kappa Gamma fraternities. Recording Secretary Eric Samuels received the New Member Award at Ohio State's Greek Celebration and was elected to a second term as diversity senator in our Undergraduate Student Government.

Corresponding Secretary Tim Hensley was selected as a 2005 Ohio State All-Star for his contribution to the residence hall committee in his first year. At the end of the 2004-2005 academic year, Delta Tau Delta has performed more than 1,000 community service hours, the most of any Greek organization on campus. We also rated sixth out of 31 in fraternity grade point averages with a 3.25, an improvement from 11th with a 3.14 in winter. Our improvement was also evidenced by the addition of new Kirshner Scholars, from 14 in the winter to 23 in the spring.

We paired with Kappa Delta sorority for the 2005 Homecoming Festivities in which we won both the IFC and overall standings. Our float, with a theme of "Athletes Through The Decades" took third out of more than 100 entered in the 78th annual homecoming parade.

Tim Hensley and Cole Richter are currently two of the five men on the Undergraduate Student Government's Greek Committee. Eric Samuels was co-chairperson of 2005 Residence Hall move-in, which welcomed more than 6,000 new students and President Sam Eguizaoui was accepted into the Order of Omega, making him Beta Phi's third brother in two quarters selected for the honor.

### BETA PSI

#### Wabash College

We have 60 dedicated brothers who work to make our chapter and shelter one of the elite groups on campus. We had a successful fall rush and initiated 18 members into the Fraternity. This was the first year we implemented the eight-week pledgeship program and it went extremely well.

We continue to have many brothers performing community service such as working with the Boys and Girls Club of Crawfordsville, Adopt-a-School and Adopt-a-Highway.

In intramurals, we continue to be the top fraternity on campus and have more than 90 percent of the members participating. We won first place finish in cross country and volleyball and had strong finishes in football, billiards and chess. We hope to bring home another overall title this year.

We have many other leaders in our chapter who include the president and vice-president of the Sphinx Club, a leadership organization on campus. We also have the secretary of the Student Senate. In other news, we recently completely our Faculty Delt Dinner. With the help of our Mark Elrod (Wabash, 1999), it continues to be the best faculty dinner on campus. Other notable events were our inaugural Father's Day and our annual haunted house that we hold for the local Crawfordsville community.

### BETA OMEGA

#### University of California

We initiated four great men who have proved to be an incredible addition to our chapter this semester.

We redoubled our efforts to reach out to alumni. At the center of this effort is our new website at [www.caldelts.org](http://www.caldelts.org) that we are continually updating in order to let all Delts know what's happening at the shelter! Our major alumni events this semester were the USC game (after which we hosted our brothers from Delta Pi and alumni for a post-game barbecue) and our tailgate of the Big Game at Stanford.

The Dels have also been very involved in the Greek community. This summer, President Billy Robbins was selected to serve on the prestigious Chancellor's Task Force and worked with city and university leaders to address concerns about the Greek system's impact on Berkeley. Risk Management Chairman Roger Issa was a charter member of the new Interfraternity Council program Greeks for the Mature Management of Alcohol. Vice President Nikhil Bhagat served as a member of the IFC judicial committee and at the end of the semester was elected to the post of IFC vice president for risk management. New member Kevin Reyes was a participant in the Mr. Gamma Phi philanthropy pageant — we raised the most money per capita among all Cal fraternities!

Due to our recruitment success, we are seeking the acquisition of a new shelter. With the tremendous help of Delt Properties General Partner Jim Thompson, House Corporation Chairman Richard Leigh, and the International Fraternity we are searching for ways to fund this ambitious project.

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### GAMMA BETA

#### Illinois Institute of Technology

This semester was for Gamma Beta. We started strong by pledging 17 men during an exceptional Recruitment Week. We continued our recruitment during the rest of the semester and pledged two more men.

After having an excellent semester academically last spring, we look to attain an even better overall grade point average this semester, hopefully becoming the top fraternity on campus. Also, we have a Faculty and Staff Dinner, which are always successful events. Each man has pledged approximately 10 hours of community service. We have done a variety of events such as helping the American Liver Foundation, Special Olympics and Lamb's Farm to helping out at the Chicago Marathon and participating in our school's Day of Service.

We also recently changed the way the executive board runs by making the president and vice president positions into a year-long position, thus helping greatly with our past continuity problems. We have also just finished setting up a Wiki website to help each committee maintain continuity. The Wiki website is like our own personal house Facebook. Each brother can personalize his own profile. We also purchased a brand new house server. The new house server allows us to keep track of all the committee documents for a longer period of time without losing them and thus better continuity between semesters.

### GAMMA DELTA

#### West Virginia University

We had an incredibly successful rush and brought 14 pledges into the brotherhood — each individually committed into becoming active, honorable and successful Deltas. The chapter also fiercely competed for best chapter on campus, placing second in both the Greek Games and Homecoming competitions. Our chapter also boasts having the Student Government Association's Athletic Council winner as a member — Thomas Skaff.

This semester, although a thriving one, proved to be equally tragic. It was marked by the heartbreaking death of Brandon Rogers — an undergraduate from Alexandria, Va. Brandon died on October 28, 2005, just three weeks after the death of his beloved father. Thirty of his Gamma Delta chapter's brothers and their advisor, made the 10 hours round-trip to the funeral and served as honorary pall bearers.

### GAMMA THETA

#### Baker University

Gamma Theta Chapter made many strides to improving our shelter. Former President Michael Dizney headed the reform of the University's Interfraternity Council Constitution and three members of Delta Tau Delta are now members of the IFC: sophomore Reginald Rodgers and freshmen Kyle Ruona and Justin Lake.

Junior Tanner Purdum is on the Champions of Character board, an NAIA sponsored organization committed to uphold sportsmanship. In the fall, 24 members of Gamma Theta chapter were members of the Baker University football program and two men, seniors Kevin Sullivan and Jeremiah Gress, were named to the Heart of America Conference All-Conference team.

We had the largest pledge class in three years, with 13 members joining. The quality of these men will insure the success of the chapter for years to come. We also continued our unparalleled success in community service events. Along with the customary events Gamma Theta has participated in past years such as Adopt-a-School, Trick-or-Treat for Canned Goods and Angel Tree, we helped run Terror Tracks, a haunted train put on by the community theater group.

### GAMMA IOTA

#### University of Texas

This semester proved to be yet another successful one for the Gamma Iota Chapter. The summer's formal rush was very successful and in November, 41 new members of Delta Tau Delta were initiated, boosting our chapter to 136 undergraduates.

Gamma Iota obtained new positions in the Silver Spurs, as Roddie Castells and Jeff Finley were invited into the organization this past semester. Zack Peckham also represents Deltas as a member of the Texas Cowboys.

Our Parent's Weekend casino party and Greek Auction were held at the Omni Hotel in downtown Austin with Delta Delta Delta sorority. The venture was so successful, we made a \$4,000 donation to a local Austin charity that offers services to young children with severe disabilities. The Adopt-a-School program was another highlight of our philanthropic efforts this semester, as a large percentage of the undergraduates assisted in tutoring the children of Ridgetop Elementary School.

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Once again, we took the championship trophies in the Fraternity "A" and "B" league of intramural football and made the basketball playoffs. Throughout all of these great accomplishments, we stayed focused on our studies and can boast about the second highest grade point average among the 22 fraternities on campus last spring.

Hook 'em!

### GAMMA KAPPA

#### University of Missouri

The Fall 2005 semester was one of the busiest the men of Gamma Kappa have seen in a long time, but it was also one of the most fulfilling. On November 12th, 2005, we celebrated our chapter's 100th anniversary. Alumni and family from came back for this special occasion, including dozens of alumni who were able to attend the Centennial Initiation on the night of November 11. Having Chuck Safris, Western Plains Division president, and Jim Russell, executive vice president, attend the celebrations and speak at the banquet was an honor and made the weekend more memorable.

Early in the semester, Gamma Kappa participated in the "Anchor Splash" philanthropy, held by Delta Gamma and came in first place. We finished first in service during Homecoming and also recently held a service night at the local area food bank.

Academically, we're making steady improvements. With increased involvement with our faculty academic advisor and raising the emphasis on grades throughout the chapter, we hope to be ranked highly on campus over the upcoming semesters.

Our pairing with the women of Kappa Alpha Theta and the men of Pi Kappa Alpha for Greek Week 2006 is very optimistic, as is our much anticipated philanthropy in the spring. If you have any questions, feel free to contact our shelter at 573-443-3159.

### GAMMA LAMBDA

#### Purdue University

Gamma Lambda enjoyed a productive fall semester thanks to a strong rush, our involvement within the Greek system and throughout campus. This is a result of our strong brotherhood and the support of our alumni.

Topping our list of successes was our fall rush and new member education program. We initiated 21 of 22 new associate members within the eight-week period as now mandated by the Fraternity.

Involvement on campus was outstanding. It included three Deltas initiated into Gimlet, the campus Greek leadership honorary. Those men were junior Eric Uebelhor (Indianapolis), senior Troy Lewis (Garrett, Ind.), and senior Kevin Kelleher (Marshfield, Mass.). Senior Chris Deyo (Maineville, Ohio) served as president of the Purdue Old Masters program which brings prominent Purdue alumni to campus for a week to share their experiences with students.

Senior David Fox (Naperville, Ill.) is completing his term as vice president of administration for the Interfraternity Council. He also recently competed for the winning team in the annual Indiana Case Challenge which matches Purdue's Krannert School of Management against students from the Kelley School of Business at Indiana.

Kevin Smosna, a senior management major from Schererville, Ind., is the chapter president for 2006. He can be contacted at [ksmosna@purdue.edu](mailto:ksmosna@purdue.edu). Serving with him are vice presidents Dan Uebelhor (Indianapolis) and Paul Bertucci (Oak Lawn, Ill.), and treasurer Mike Cianciarulo (St. Charles, Ill.).

Finally, alumni who wish to recommend a member should contact recruitment chairman Mark Irving at [mairving@purdue.edu](mailto:mairving@purdue.edu).

### GAMMA MU

#### University of Washington

Gamma Mu chapter had another strong start in academics, athletics and philanthropy. We are ranked in the top eight among Greek houses on campus with a cumulative grade point average of 3.26.

In athletics, our basketball team placed high in the intramural league. The soccer team went to the semi-finals in the ZTA crown cup and the football team won the intramural championship.

This will be the 20th year for the Miss Greek pageant and so far, \$980,000 has been raised for the Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center. We look forward to breaking the \$1 million mark in 2006 after

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contributing \$60,000 in 2005. This upcoming year looks bright as we plan for a new major Alumni event in addition to Founders day.

Here at Gamma Mu we continually strive for excellence in what we do. We are thankful for our Alumni and all of those who have contributed their time and treasure towards the Fraternity. As we approach a new year we hope the best for fellow Deltas everywhere.

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### GAMMA NU

#### University of Maine

The Gamma Nu Chapter had an exceptional year. After our initiation last November, we worked diligently to get the Delt shelter and we did. This year we did a lot of work around the shelter and enjoy it tremendously.

Recruitment went very well with nine pledges, one of the best classes we have had. The alumni generously donated to our chapter and the pledges took the initiative to completely redo one of our kitchens.

We have also had a great year for community service. Many brothers volunteer at the local elementary school and we also participated in this years Riverfest and Haunted Fort.

### GAMMA XI

#### University of Cincinnati

This autumn quarter at the University of Cincinnati was an eventful one. It started in early September with the completion of "the nicest Delt house in the country." On October 15th, homecoming at UC, dozens of Gamma Xi alumni celebrated the dedication of the new shelter with the undergraduates. It was a wonderful day that started with a brunch at the shelter followed by the dedication of the shelter. Shortly after the ceremony about 200 Delt alumni and undergrads ventured onto campus to tailgate, where men of several generations talked about the chapter and shared stories.

After the Bearcats defeated Connecticut, the Grand Gala of celebration was held at 7:30 p.m. Both undergrads and alumni arrived at the Hyatt Regency Grand Ball Room for a magnificent evening of dinner, dancing and speeches. The speakers included University President Dr. Nancy Zimpher, Mike Ullman, chairman of JCPenny, Peter Woo, chairman of the Hong Kong Trade and Development Council, and several other influential Gamma Xi alumni.

The interaction of alumni has been indescribable and completely unexpected. There is also an open invitation to any Delt around the country to visit and tour one of the best shelters within Delt if not within the international Greek community.

### GAMMA OMICRON

#### Syracuse University

Fall 2005 has been an astounding success for Gamma Omicron. We started by taking nine sophomore pledges, the largest number of fall recruits in the past 10 years.

Junior Tyler Achilles took over for senior Jay Biba on the Syracuse University Interfraternity Council Executive Board as the Vice President of External Affairs, the third highest position on the board.

Gamma Omicron continued to offer time to several community service partners. At Mill Run Park, a storm knocked down hundreds of trees and damaged property five years ago and the clean up continues today. Over 25 brothers have volunteered at the park to get it back into shape. This semester also offered us a new community service partner: the Josalyn Gage House in Manlius, NY. Ms. Gage was a women's liberation activist alongside Susan B. Anthony, and her home has become a historical site. The wonderful, retired women that run the house need our help in general repair inside and outside, as well as the lifting of boxes and antiques the house possesses and auctions.

One of the more exciting events of this semester was the Gamma Omicron Alumni Weekend. The chapter decided we would start a tradition of having our own homecoming celebration outside of the University's weekend. In October, 60 made the trip from all over the country to celebrate the past and look towards the future of Gamma Omicron. Some of the more interesting men with whom to talk were members of the chapter who graduated in the 1950s, several of whom served in World War II. These men came to Syracuse University as part of the GI Bill and eventually re-colonized the chapter and we have been here ever since.

This event gave every brother a different perspective on life at Gamma Omicron because the people who came before us did so much and hold the house in such high regard even after being away for so many years. The stories and advice are something that no undergraduate brother of Gamma Omicron will soon forget.

The chapter would be anywhere near where it is today without senior president Tim Morgan. Tim devoted the last year to Gamma Omicron and established an upstanding reputation of himself, and, subsequently, the chapter. As a biochemical engineering major, Tim is always in the research facilities and sometimes found it

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easier to sleep on the couch in the labs. Yet, even with a schedule no one envies, he made ample time to run the chapter with great success.

Tim worked on the chapter this summer, keeping in touch with the other officers through e-mail while he interned in Strasbourg, France. Tim's work with the dean of Greek life at Syracuse has been laborious and rewarding at the same time. The dean knows Gamma Omicron as a chapter that is as solid as its president and thanks in large part to Tim Morgan, a chapter that will be well established at Syracuse University for years to come.

### **GAMMA PI**

#### **Iowa State University**

Recruitment is at an all time high with 25 new members retained from the summer and fall rush. Gamma Pi also successfully implemented the new eight-week member education program with few problems.

Philanthropy chair, Jim Heldt, added two new philanthropies and did a lot to organize our previous commitments. Adopt-a-Highway and the Deltas Frozen Tailgate were the newest addition to our community services. The Deltas Frozen Tailgate is a cookout that's held in the heart of the tailgating parking lots during our last home game. This year we donated proceeds to Hurricane Katrina relief.

Campus activity is always important to Gamma Pi. This fall we pulled out all the stops for Homecoming with a second place overall finish. Our Yell Like Hell skit and lawn display we're outstanding, with a second place finish in Yell Like Hell and first place win in lawn display. This year's lawn display was, possibly, the largest constructed in Iowa State history. Our lawn display, in a Wizard of Oz theme, featured a 35-foot tall campanile, a working waterfall, a 30-foot tall moving hot air balloon and a 40-square foot spinning house.

### **GAMMA RHO**

#### **University of Oregon**

Over the past few years, Gamma Rho has a chapter with potential. This past term Gamma Rho has become a chapter of achievement.

One of our members was elected IFC Community service chair. We were above the all-fraternity grade point average with above a 3.0 for the third-consecutive term. We recruited 11 pledges who have all been working harder than any of us could have expected. Each one of our members and pledges are averaging at least twice the minimum hours of community service thanks to our participation in a day-school Halloween Party and our Adopt-A-Highway. Some of our dedicated Deltas recently completed work on our newly renovated third floor bathroom. This process took three months.

Chauncey Freeman, our community services chairman and the newly elected IFC chairman has gone beyond setting an example for servicing our community. The minimum number of hours for fraternities is three hours per member. Chauncey gave each one of our members a chance to have at least nine hours of community service per member.

### **Gamma Tau**

#### **University of Kansas**

The recolonization of Gamma Tau is schedule for the fall 2006. Alumni assistance is needed to help establish an Alumni Advisory team and officer mentors. For more information, contact Nick Goldsberry at the Central Office or [expansion@deltas.net](mailto:expansion@deltas.net)

### **GAMMA UPSILON**

#### **Miami University**

In our first semester back, the brothers of Gamma Upsilon would like to announce our excitement in rejoining and improving the Greek community at Miami as well as Delta Tau Delta.

We have a very diverse group of men taking part in many different extracurricular activities such as Associated Student Government, Big Brothers/Big Sisters, Habitat for Humanity, Miami University Glee Club, marching band and Student Foundation as well as the Collegiate National Honors Society, Alpha Phi Omega Service Fraternity, Miami Business Enterprises, Residence Hall Association and WMSR - Miami student radio.

Already we have the highest grade point average among fraternities and we have set up successfully functional administrative and executive boards who meet on a weekly basis. Thus far, we have had men participate in a Kiwanis-sponsored community food drive, an after-school program called Living Water and

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two philanthropy events sponsored by sororities. We also had a large group of men listen to former Soviet Union President Mikhail Gorbachev speak as part of the Miami University lecture series. We are thrilled about the buzz going around about our return to Miami and we are working hard and looking forward to recruitment next semester.

### GAMMA SIGMA

#### University of Pittsburgh

The men of Gamma Sigma had a very successful Fall semester. We pledged 21 men, the largest class we have had in five years. The pledge period has been going very well and these men are integrating themselves into our chapter.

We also updated most of our chapter's bylaws and added many needed sections. We have been recognized for our community service on campus since we have consistently had the most number of volunteers attend a community service program known as Adopt-A-Block. Among other philanthropy events, we are currently fundraising for Pediatric Cancer Research and anticipate a total of \$3,000 by the end of the semester.

Three members of our chapter have also founded a campus leadership organization known as the Druids. These three members are also the executive board of the organization. They are President of the Druids, Ben Johns, Vice President Nick Kennedy, and Business Manager Greg Wolfe. This organization was created to recognize both Greek and non-Greek leaders on our campus.

Finally, we have had a successful semester of alumni relations. Our alumni homecoming went very well. Our relationship with our alumni has also helped us to update our chapter room by laying down new carpet and purchasing new leather couches and other furniture. Gamma Sigma is truly advancing itself in the Greek community and showing that Delta Tau Delta is based upon excellence.

### GAMMA CHI

#### Kansas State University

The men of Gamma Chi have had an exciting semester. We excelled at intramurals, many of our members have been very involved in activities outside the Greek community and we have had some great additions to our alumni advisory board.

We are also very proud of our newly elected President Paul Titterington who has been teaching an introduction to leadership class and our newly elected Vice President Nick Sutcliffe, the treasurer of the Students for Environmental Action who is also a founder of the disk golf club and part of the Student Government. We are very pleased with our rising alumni support, especially with the new addition of Curtis Burkett to our Alumni Advisory Board. After going through some rough times, our chapter is very upbeat and with 10 very promising new initiates, we are looking forward to a solid spring semester.

### GAMMA PSI

#### Georgia Institute of Technology

Through the chapter's extraordinary efforts and involvement in the CAP program, Gamma Psi has had an incredible Fall semester. Throughout the semester, the chapter increased its philanthropic involvement, improved its academics and strengthened its brotherhood.

This semester Gamma Psi participated in several service-oriented events, including the Adopt-a-School program at Woods Acre Country Day School in Marietta and Taste of Atlanta, which benefited local food banks. Academically, Gamma Psi posted a near Dean's List house average and ranked sixth on campus.

However, most importantly, the chapter had an incredible rush and pledged 25 men and initiated 22 of them. Finally, the chapter would thank its alumni for all their participation with rush and especially homecoming. Also, we invite you to come meet our new members, see the redesigned dining room and hidden bar or even just stop by to enjoy the brotherhood.

### DELTA ALPHA

#### University of Oklahoma

Delta Alpha set the pace for all chapters to be jealous of in 2005. We were in the Top 5 of the 18 fraternities on campus. In the fall, we initiated 38 members and have been one of the most active chapters on campus. After our success in homecoming in which we took third place, we participated in Adopt a Professor, community service projects and the Delt Dive Volleyball tournament to raise money for breast cancer research.

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We celebrated the reunion of the 1980 and '81 pledge classes. We held a breakfast at the shelter and went to the Penthouse that night. The event was a huge success.

The current level of participation with the university is amazing. We just celebrated the new Interfraternity Council elections with Delta Alpha members who were elected to represent the university and govern the Greek system.

The current quality of living at the shelter is a huge state of success. Over the summer with alumni, parent and member donations, we completely furnished our house with new furniture, a big-screen TV and old Delt pictures on the hallway walls to remind us of the tradition of our past.

We would like to congratulate our members, parents and alumni who helped Delta Alpha take one step closer to the chapter it once was. We welcome any alumni for questions and comments about Delta Alpha by contacting [jeremy.spearing@ou.edu](mailto:jeremy.spearing@ou.edu). Go Sooners!! More Delt, Less Self!

### **DELTA GAMMA**

#### **University of South Dakota**

Delta Gamma continued to live by the values set forth by Delta Tau Delta. Last spring, we won the all-fraternity highest grade point average on campus again with a 3.21.

In philanthropy, Delta Gamma made the most progress seen in years. In our annual Teddy Bear Run, we raised a record \$3,200 for the Children's Care Hospital and School in Sioux Falls, S.D. For the event, we ran a teddy bear from our front door 50 miles on the interstate to the hospital and spent the afternoon with the children. We accumulated over 800 hours of service elsewhere.

Recruitment went great for us this year. We recruited 24 four of the 90 total men who rushed at our campus.

Delta Gamma also remains very involved in organizations around campus. Our members hold top offices in at least five large campus organizations, including the student association vice president. Intramurals are also going great, for the first time in many years we won the top intramural points award.

A loss of moral seems to be occurring that can be contributed to the condition of our shelter. Behind the walls our Hugh Shields flag, we have water and structure problems. We plan on renovating our bathrooms and pillars because they are becoming unsafe and a risk to the shelter. Thanks to the alumni donations we have raised \$8,000 and plan on starting renovations soon!

On a sadder note, our chapter advisor for the past thirteen years has decided to resign. Dr. Mike Card definitely put his time in and he will be missed. He has stuck with Delt through thick and thin, and has showed undergraduates what living a life of excellence really is. Thank you Dr. Card for your help and support during all of these years.

### **DELTA EPSILON**

#### **University of Kentucky**

Coming off of our first Hugh Shields award in more than 25 years, Delta Epsilon celebrated the reopening of our renovated shelter. The house had been under renovation for more than years and the project cost more than \$2 million. A ceremony was held in the shelter's back yard Labor Day weekend during which more than 450 alumni and undergraduates attended. It was truly a great night for Delta Epsilon. With the help of our alumni, we will hopefully begin an addition to the back of the house in the next couple of years.

The chapter also competed well in homecoming, winning the float category for a fifth consecutive year. We are currently competing for the intramural title with championships already in soccer and tennis singles. Fall rush went well as 36 men accepted bids we initiated 34 of them, something the brothers are very proud of.

### **DELTA ZETA**

#### **University of Florida**

With Delta Zeta chapter's prime location across from Florida Field at Ben Hill Griffin Stadium, the new successful reign of Urban Meyer's Florida Gators mirrored the success of our own chapter this fall. We brought in 25 new brothers, which was one of the top-three pledge classes at UF this fall and it came of our 80th anniversary. We held a huge alumni banquet on Sept. 16 and 17, the same weekend as the much-anticipated Florida-Tennessee football game.

Thanks to the alumni drive, we renovated our upstairs bathrooms and spruced up our alumni room. Also, our entertainment room was furnished with nine brand new couches, seated stadium style, around our new 57-inch high-definition television. Thank you to all alumni who contributed.

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On a much more somber note, a newly initiated brother, Brandon M. Johnson, 23, passed away. From Shelby, N.C., Brandon was a Southern gentleman and true friend. He would not walk into a room without greeting everyone, but on Nov. 21, 2005 we were forced to say goodbye. With sincere thoughts and memories he takes rest in all our hearts.

### DELTA ETA

#### University of Alabama

As the fall brought Delta Eta's first semester off of probation in three years, the chapter has showed many signs of solidification and intense growth. The chapter started the semester with several major undertakings.

We recruited a pledge class of 20 excellent men. One of which is a fourth generation Delt, who was pinned with his grandfather's pin. These men proved to be of incredible caliber as they showed selflessness many times throughout the semester. The pledges eagerly volunteered their time to the Hurricane Katrina Relief Drive. They spent three consecutive days collecting supplies to fill a semi-truck donated to the chapter to carry the estimated \$30,000 worth of supplies to Hattiesburg, Miss.

They also organized many volunteer events for the chapter to participate, including the YMCA 10-12-year-old basketball team the chapter sponsored and coached. This team consists of underprivileged children who are from the Tuscaloosa area and in great need of role models. Tim Conley has been serving as head coach for the team and most of the chapter has been helping the children get rides to and from practice and games.

Also showing the growth of the chapter, plans are underway to secure a loan for renovation of the Shelter with an addition of large party barn to the back of the house. We hope to have construction underway by the summer of 2006. The brothers also welcome Ms. Stella Nash as our new housemother for the fall. She has been an integral part to bringing stability and structure to our growing chapter.

The chapter also recently elected new officers for 2006 with former treasurer Lucas Hayes as the new president and a strong officer corps under him. With the new officers installed, and the ambition carried with the new members, the brothers of Delta Eta chapter look forward to the spring of 2006.

### DELTA IOTA

#### UCLA

After three years of hard work, dedication and commitment, the Deltas at UCLA finally found a place to call home. This fall marked the return of the brothers of the Delta Iota Chapter back into the shelter as a chartered chapter.

With the shelter, brotherhood factor has greatly risen. Living in the house has given everyone the chance to learn more about their brothers. In May, Delta Iota was installed as a chapter at the LAX Marriott. The initiation ceremony and banquet were a great way to end the year; especially for the seniors who had worked hard to build up the chapter. Also, this past summer, two members attended the Leadership Academies, which marked the third consecutive year Delta Iota had members participate in these beneficial programs.

This quarter's highlights included numerous philanthropy events, including UCLA's Community Service Day, and brotherhood events such as Friday Night Smackdown. At the end of the first quarter as a fully installed chapter and in the shelter, the future is looking bright for Delta Iota. We are anticipating great winter and spring rushes as well as hoping to participate in UCLA's Spring Sing and host our own philanthropy event.

### DELTA KAPPA

#### Duke University

The Delta Kappa chapter is in the midst of another successful year at Duke. We have an aggressive recruitment plan for the spring semester, we are continuing our commitment to community service and we are helping lead the Duke community through our philanthropic and academic programming.

With 88 active members and one recent alumnus in only three years of existence, the Dels at Duke are seeking to grow upon our recent success in the recruitment process. We expect to add between 20 and 25 new members in the spring semester. We are looking for campus involvement, community awareness and academic aptitude in each of our new members.

We will have logged more than 500 hours of service by the end of the fall semester through our adopt-a-school program and other personal service endeavors. We are very excited about our new philanthropic organization called DeltAIDS, which seeks to unite the University and Medical center in the global fight against HIV and AIDS. Additionally, through our other philanthropy events, we have raised more than \$3,000

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which has gone towards hurricane Katrina relief and Operation Smile. We are also continuing our flagship academic program, Science Café, where we bring together students and faculty in an informal academic setting. Most recently, Daniel Gauthier, Duke's physics department chair, discussed his experience in multi-disciplinary research in biology and optics.

We look forward to the return of our brothers who are currently abroad and for continued success in the spring semester.

### **DELTA MU**

#### **University of Idaho**

As the fall semester comes to a close here at the University of Idaho, the men of Delta Mu are able to proudly reflect on a successful semester. Although small, our pledge class of 14 turned out to be a strong asset to the house. We also have prospects of a strong winter rush class.

Another emphasis Delta Mu has had is our involvement in the community through philanthropies. We once again put on our Adopt-a-School philanthropy in which we carved pumpkins with West Park Elementary school students. We are also planning to participate in another highway cleanup.

We have recently had elections on new officers and everyone is very excited about the new panel of leaders. We currently have three members involved in IFC and one involved in the university's student government.

In addition to everything going on at school our chapter raised more than \$1.2 million toward our remolding project set to begin next summer. We would like to thank everyone for their donations and continual support for the project.

### **DELTA NU**

#### **Lawrence University**

The fall term at the Delta Nu Chapter was an eventful one with activities filling up nearly every week. Due to the large number of football players in the house, lots of support for the group has been a weekly event at both home and away games. Also the chapter was able to get an alumni/undergraduate tailgate party before one of the games that was a great time for all who attended.

Hockey also brought back a lot of old faces with their annual alumni hockey game which led many Delt alumni to come back and visit their old stomping grounds. A large group of Delts who play on the Lawrence basketball team had a once in a lifetime experience when they played at University of in an exhibition game.

The holidays brought about a lot of fun for the chapter as well. For Halloween, the chapter was decorated and opened for the public and some fun pumpkin painting in the basement. The spirit of Christmas is also prevalent with lights and stockings hung and the Christmas tree lit. These decorations are accompanied by a newly reorganized war room that is a great place for Delts to work and study.

Rush events have also filled up our calendar with weekly events held that are open to the entire campus. We are expecting a good turn out for this year's pledge class with all the positive experiences that have occurred over the term.

### **DELTA XI**

#### **University of North Dakota**

Delta Xi remains one of the top fraternities at UND. We just activated a class of 14 members, one of the biggest pledge classes on campus. We are following that up with a mid-semester rush, which already consists of six men and four more with grades pending. We hope to activate all 10 in January before holding spring rush. This will help us remain at the top of fraternities at UND for numbers and to continue as the force on campus.

We have men working with a couple sports teams at local high schools and are still participating in Adopt-a-School. Already in November, we have completed almost 700 hours of service in the community. This is accompanied by the approximately \$1,000 we raised at our annual Haunted House for a local student battling cancer.

Delta Xi, with great thanks to our alumni, also boasts giving out over \$10,000 in scholarships to our chapter at our Fall Formal. This is more than all the other fraternities and sororities on campus combined.

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### DELTA OMICRON

#### Westminster College

Delta Omicron remains a leader in and out of the classroom at Westminster College. Last semester, DO had the highest grade point average among all fraternities on campus by almost half a point.

DO continues to excel in the realm of campus leadership with executive roles in almost all of the organizations at Westminster. These include two of the Skulls of Seven and the president of the Interfraternity Council. Delta Omicron also controls the vice president and treasurer of the Student Government Association.

The Delta Omicron shelter also underwent a wide array of renovations from new flooring on the first floor to all new bathrooms. The basement is the next project on the list of renovations.

Delta Omicron remains the leading organization on Westminster Campus in the field of community service. DO put on a rock concert for the United Way, maintained an outstanding Adopt-a-School program and has logged almost 1,000 hours of community service during the fall 2005 semester alone.

### DELTA PI

#### University of Southern California

This fall has been an exciting time for Delta Pi. Since returning to USC in 2002, Delta Pi has been making a name for itself and is now one of the strongest fraternities on campus.

After initiating 16 members this fall, Delta Pi is nearly 70-members strong. Recruiting quality men has always been our first priority and this semester every rushee who was offered a bid accepted! Delta Pi is on pace to have more than 80 members within one year.

Besides growth, Delta Pi has been concentrating on keeping our academic performance strong. Last semester, the men of Delta Pi posted a grade point average of 3.27, good enough for third best out of 18 chapters. We are doing everything we can to be No. 1 this fall.

Additionally, Delta Pi has been working hard for the community. We hosted a wall ball tournament at the shelter in which all sororities on campus competed in. After Delta Gamma was crowned champions of the First Annual DTD Recess Revival, Delta Pi was able to donate more than \$2,500 to the City of Hope Cancer Research and Treatment Center.

Delta Pi alumni have also been flocking back to the Delt house for various events. About 30 Delta Pi alumni from several generations helped raise more than \$20,000 for Delta Pi's educational foundation – a tax-deductible fund that will grant scholarships and money for educational purposes to the men of Delta Pi. Many alumni also visited the Delt booth on campus for USC's homecoming. Our next Alumni event will be an Alumni Golf Tournament on March 25th in Costa Mesa.

If you would like to help Delta Pi in any way or would like more information, please contact President Pat Coyne at [pcoyne@usc.edu](mailto:pcoyne@usc.edu). Until next semester's update, FIGHT ON!

### DELTA SIGMA

#### University of Maryland

The Delta Sigma Chapter did not submit a chapter report for the fall semester. Please contact the chapter president, Ryan Russell, at 732-771-7897 or via e-mail at [rynruss@umd.edu](mailto:rynruss@umd.edu) for more information about this chapter.

### DELTA TAU

#### Bowling Green State University

Our chapter recently completed our fundraiser with CitiBank in which we raised more than a \$1,000 for our chapter. This money will be used towards purchasing new computer equipment and office supplies.

Also, this spring we will again be participating in Adopt-A-School with Crim Elementary School. We will tutor fifth- and sixth-grade students as they prepare for upcoming proficiency tests.

We are currently first in all sports at Bowling Green placing first in both A and B team football. This might not seem like a great accomplishment but flag football is very competitive on campus especially among Greek life, and we took pride in taking first place in both leagues.

We have also tallied a very high number of new members with a total of 21 which is much higher than our previous number of eight. All-in-all, this year started off very well and we hope to continue with our excellence throughout the rest of the year.

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### DELTA PHI

#### **Florida State University**

The Delta Phi Chapter did not submit a chapter report for the fall semester. Please contact the chapter president, Keelan Cottle, at 813-477-6071 or via e-mail at [keelancottle@yahoo.com](mailto:keelancottle@yahoo.com) for more information about this chapter.

### DELTA CHI

#### **Oklahoma State University**

The annual Delta Chi Chapter charity fundraising carnival held during OSU's homecoming has come and gone. This year's donations are being sent to aid Habitat for Humanity's hurricane relief effort, "Operation Home Delivery." We raised more than \$5,000 for the cause.

The past few months have been a remarkable improvement over the last school year for the Delta Chi Chapter. We pledged 19 intellectually and morally sharp young men for the fall 2005 semester and have a total of 51 men in the chapter. This is well below the numbers we once maintained, but it is a good starting point for our return to prominence. Please visit our website at [www.okstatedelts.com](http://www.okstatedelts.com) to stay up to date with the latest news involving our chapter.

The Delta Chi Chapter has had a series of "bumps" in the past decade which have made it difficult to achieve the Fraternity's mission. For a time, the purpose of the Fraternity had been lost. That purpose in plain words was and always will be to create a stable values-based environment whereby young men away from their families can receive an education which no university is able to provide. In this environment, young men should learn to respect themselves and others, gain organizational experience, obtain a sense of communal responsibility, mature socially and increase their overall confidence in themselves and their fellow man while simultaneously forging lifelong friendships that will serve to bolster such an education.

This purpose is one of self-improvement and societal improvement. For various reasons this purpose became and lead to a rapid loss in retention of older members and a general disinterest of alumni, both of which are key to maintaining a chapter's continuity and success. After the most recent series of bumps, a plea went out to our chapter's alumni and the call was answered. After many brainstorming sessions, reorganization of alumni groups and a review of the membership, we are now moving in a positive direction.

Our new alumni advisor is Todd M. Baker (Oklahoma State, 1978) and without him we would not be here today. Todd has made good on his oath to the Fraternity by giving his time and talent as well as his financial resources to rally and organize more alumni support and keep the chapter afloat. He is not the only alum to be thanked, but clearly without his support and his leadership we would not be here to write this report.

### DELTA OMEGA

#### **Kent State University**

Delta Omega looked to continue the success it achieved in the spring 2005. It is safe to say we succeeded in our mission. Justin Jeffery was elected Kent Interhall president and was involved in a close political race for the Kent City Council. The Kent Interhall Council also welcomed Dejan Radosavljevic as a delegate at large. In addition to these positions of leadership, Brian Strebler was elected president of the Interfraternity Council and Warren Sill was elected secretary.

Delta Omega also exceeded the recruitment goals set for the fall semester. Our goal of 10 men was exceeded when we initiated 14 new members into the Fraternity.

Philanthropy also continued the success it had grown accustomed to in the spring. Our annual "Week to be Delt With" raised an unprecedented amount of money for our suicide prevention and our Adopt-A-School and Habitat for Humanity efforts continued to flourish. Delta Omega is actively looking to make improvements and have nothing but high hopes for the coming semester.

### EPSILON ALPHA

#### **Auburn University**

This was a very impressive year for the Epsilon Alpha Chapter at Auburn University. We recruited a close-knit pledge class of 13 that will be the backbone of our chapter in the future. One week after initiation, four were elected to office including vice president and executive vice president of recruiting.

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Epsilon Alpha also received numerous awards from the Interfraternity Council. These include: The James E. Martin Awards (small fraternity division), Overall Award, Overall Community Service/ Philanthropy Award, Overall Campus Involvement Award and The Overall Risk Management Award.

Epsilon Alpha brought more awards than the other 25 fraternities on campus. We also are preparing to begin construction of our new shelter. The university has granted us a lease for the next 50 years and construction is expected to be finished by 2007. We have completed numerous repairs on the temporary shelter to raise the standard of living for the brothers currently lining in the house.

We have many leaders on campus who have represented our chapter as well. David Johnson, our treasurer, is involved in Delta Sigma Pi business fraternity and has received several academic scholarships. Drew Nelson and Matthew Williamson both served as Camp War Eagle counselors. Several of members participate in the famed Auburn University Marching Band and symphonic band and Justin Saia is involved with both Tiger Hosts and the IFC.

### **EPSILON BETA**

#### **Texas Christian University**

The Deltas at TCU have been doing extremely well and because of a highly motivated chapter have accomplished a lot. Our Adopt-A-School program at Lily B. Clayton is flourishing with more brothers actively participating than recent memory can share.

The chapter is also flourishing in competition; placing higher in homecoming, Delta Gamma Anchor Splash and intramurals. While the competition is time consuming, Epsilon Beta has found success in academics as well. We place third in grades which excited the chapter and gave us reason to look for new ways to improve.

With all of this success, we felt the shelter needed to feel as well as we do. So, with much hard work, the brothers have installed new doors to the chapter room, painted the hallways and adorned the stairwell with our letters in purple and gold. The work to the shelter is not done and will continually be improved.

The next area that we hope to find success is our relations with Alumni. In our 50th year, we realized just how hard our alumni worked to make this chapter what it is, and so, we will host more alumni events to give Epsilon Beta Deltas, undergraduates and alumni, the chance to make the bonds of our brotherhood the strongest it has ever been.

### **EPSILON GAMMA**

#### **Washington State University**

Here at Washington State we continue to excel in the areas of community service and intramural sports.

In intramural sports we led last year by more than 400 points, making it to the finals in many sports including football, which is one of the most competitive. As far as community service goes we are leaps and bounds above the other chapters on campus, leading the pack by hundreds of hours put toward the community. Also our Adopt-A-School efforts are in full swing at one of the local middle schools. Adopt-a-school operates four days a week with two people attending after school helping students with their homework; we are currently working on trying to coach a sports team or to take on another school.

### **EPSILON DELTA**

#### **Texas Tech University**

Epsilon Delta had another successful year. With outstanding membership, Intefraternity Council representation, Student Government representation, community service hours, philanthropy and alumni relations, Epsilon Delta is regarded as the top fraternity at Texas Tech University. We are also No. 1 in the Big Greek Division of intramurals.

Recruitment was a big success as we pledged the 28 best rushees. We were also able to exceed more than 900 hours of community service with the Children's Home of Lubbock by participating in weekly recreational activities at the home.

Epsilon Delta participates in numerous Texas Tech functions including presidential dinners, hosting meetings for GAMMA – Greeks Advocating the Mature Management of Alcohol – and holding numerous positions with IFC and the student government association. We are also hosting staff dinners with other non-Greek organizations next spring. This is to help the Greek community expand beyond the normal parameters for Greek organizations.

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### EPSILON EPSILON

#### University of Arizona

The fall semester began early in the summer for the men of Epsilon Epsilon. After a few years with troubled rush numbers the members came up with a strategy. Hard work and determination paid off as the chapter finally met and surpassed its goals and pledged a record 43 men.

The hard work did not end there. The men repainted the inside of the house including all of the room doors with the help of chapter consultant Jack Kreman. A majority of the men also participated in many of the philanthropies organizations had, including donations to the Hurricane Katrina relief efforts.

Epsilon Epsilon is also in the process of creating a contact booklet for alumni that is nearing completion. With the transfer of executive offices to newer members in the house, the chapter looks to continue towards its goal as being the strongest house on campus.

### EPSILON ZETA

#### Sam Houston State University

The EZ Chapter is proud to report on a successful semester. To start the semester, we extended 15 bids to men we felt were the best in their rush class and exemplified Delt values and character. All 15 men were recently initiated and have begun their journey as Delts.

In intramural sports, we have dominated the Greek League by going undefeated in all sports thus far, taking first in both football and soccer. We are ranked second on campus academically out of 10 chapters and hold a grade point average above the all men's and all fraternity average.

The chapter has recently taken on many service projects as well and received praise from university and city leaders. This semester, we have taken part in the Adopt-A-Highway program, held a blood drive, worked a benefit to help fund health care for an alumnus' daughter and volunteered for the Huntsville Chamber of Commerce.

Also, two Delts were recently voted as Interfraternity officers: risk management and athletic positions. Homecoming was a great success this year as we invited our alumni to join us for our tailgate and the game.

We plan to continue on all of these great successes on and off campus by sticking to our mission of being committed to lives of excellence and setting the standard for what a great fraternity should be.

### EPSILON ETA

#### Texas A & M – Commerce

In other news, Epsilon Eta Chapter is approaching the 45th anniversary of its founding in 1961. The undergraduates are planning a celebration to bring the alumni back to Ol' ET, Commerce, Texas to share memories and reunite with brothers. We are expecting a large turnout including head faculty members from the school, undergraduate and alumni brothers and brothers of the Arch Chapter. The celebration is January 20-22, 2006 at the Delt Shelter and Sam Rayburn Student Center on campus.

Epsilon Eta had a successful fall semester with Haunted House in October, raising more than \$1,400 and Purple Haze in November raising a substantial amount of cans for a canned food drive to benefit the victims of Hurricane Katrina now living in the Northeast Texas. We have set up a chapter website at [www.EHDeLts.com](http://www.EHDeLts.com) in which 97 alumni have logged on and registered and another 325 have been input to use as a database and a calendar of all events in which Epsilon Eta will be hosting/participating. We are looking forward to the spring and the first semester of deferred rush on the campus of Texas A&M University – Commerce as we have set our rush goal at 20 pledges in the spring. The annual BS Open will be held in April at Buffalo Creek Country Club.

Elections for new executive officers were held on November 20 and we would like to recognize the future leaders for the next year: President Will Vess, Internal Vice President Chris Shelton, External Vice President Randy Staten, Director of Academic Affairs Blake Campbell, Director of Risk Management Rube Glover, Secretary Joel Broker, Sergeant at Arms Carson Holmes, Treasurer Justin Doughtie and Pledge Educator Andrew Repp.

### EPSILON IOTA A

#### Kettering University

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Our brotherhood continues to grow, as we recently held a summer pledge class. Both the added support we received from the recent initiates and the championship intramural soccer team filled with rushees, gave us an extra edge during recruitment and has us all looking forward to the upcoming winter term.

Strengthening our community is essential. We volunteered at the Salem Housing project and Flint's CRIM Festival of Races. We also opened the doors to a new long-term community service project with the Flint Children's Museum. We helped them with their restoration efforts, along with completely renovating one of their displays, allowing the children to have more interaction with a transportation exhibit.

We would like to recognize Vice President Kyle Smith and brother Sam Cooper. Kyle was honored for his outstanding leadership and commitment to the community, by recently being inducted into Kettering University's Robot Society. Sam has recently been elected as Kettering's Student Alumni Council president. Our campus influence still stands strong as we hold a significant number of leadership positions in the American Society of Mechanical Engineers, Up 'Til Dawn and Interfraternity Council.

Socially, the term went great. We had a great opportunity for our families to spend time with their sons together at our Shelter during our annual Parent's weekend. After a spectacular dinner cooked by our house mother Deana McMullen, we had an auction which raised \$1,800 for St. Jude Children's Hospital. We also went on a new brotherhood camping trip to Camp Copneconic during which we participated in activities such as rock climbing, zip line, kayaking and other fun events. This brought the house closer together; making more apparent the great brotherhood we have.

### **EPSILON IOTA B**

#### **Kettering University**

Once again Epsilon Iota B is in the busy mix of school and work as usual. We are all about to return to work after completion of the holidays. Our house went through many changes this past term, including having our roof re-done. Also we upgraded our pledging requirements, from a grade of an 81 to an 83 (roughly a 2.8), this is above the usual 80 among all other fraternities on campus.

Our leadership is increasing on campus; most notable is house president Jeremy Baker, who was recently elected Interfraternity Council president. Also on IFC is newly appointed Greg Semrau to social committee chair. Baker is currently junior class representative to student government. We have many others around campus in leadership positions like David Blankenship as station manager and Greg Semrau as music director of Kettering University Radio Station 94.3-FM. Greg Semrau is the vice president and tournament coordinator of the KU Frisbee club; Tim Moyer is the Firebirds President and Alex Jones is the club Advisor. Xiaowie Ng is the soccer club president and is the Asian-American Association vice president. Steve Proper was just inducted to the Robot Society, the most prestigious society on campus and we have five members who were offered to join Phi Eta Sigma, a freshman honor society.

This term we have reached a record number of 52 members. We had three pledges this term. Unfortunately, we part with seven graduating members this term and they will be dearly missed. Our rush term has been very successful; we issued 38 bids to a very solid freshman class.

Philanthropy is going well this term. We are very active in Adopt-A-School with a local Flint middle school, one that truly is thankful and needing of our help. We have also made our presence in the community known by aiding a local children's museum. Also, we are approaching our annual Christmas Party, we have upgraded this year from a small rental hall to a larger banquet hall.

### **EPSILON MU**

#### **Ball State University**

The men of the Epsilon Mu Chapter would like to congratulate the new members initiated this semester. There has been all kind of activity in our chapter this semester. Our philanthropy event, Watermelon Bust, brought in nearly \$9,000 this year. We have also had over 600 hours of community service through programs such as Adopt-a-School and Lead Based paint walks.

We would also like to congratulate all the new executive board. We hope that through you we can usher in more improvements to our chapter. We also hope we only continue to grow as men and as a chapter.

### **EPSILON NU**

#### **University of Missouri-Rolla**

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The Epsilon Nu Chapter regard the growth of our fraternity, both in number and quality, and our relationship with the community in high regard.

We pledged nine new members this semester. Though, we still want a few more pledges, we are pleased with our new members. The pledges went through our first successful eight week program. We are pleased with their progress and hope they develop even more as members.

We strive to keep our relationships with our alumni as close as possible. During homecoming, we treated them to a few feasts and allowed them to meet our pledges. During this time, the pledges learned how great our alumni are and how they are instrumental to the success of our fraternity.

Ensuring the community grows is another key point that our chapter holds in high regard. We are involved in the community; from jobs helping neighbors, to blood drives and even creating a haunted maze that raises money for charitable organizations. Our chapter and community must constantly grow to achieve success.

### **EPSILON XI**

#### **Western Kentucky University**

The fall semester was one of the greatest in recent memory for Epsilon Xi. After a concentrated effort, we finally developed a suitable eight-week pledge program and on November 28, Epsilon Xi initiated seven new men into our brotherhood. This semester proved our chapter can survive and even grow after the loss of our shelter.

In October, we won our first homecoming title in over a decade. The brothers of Epsilon Xi teamed with Alpha Delta Pi sorority and Lambda Chi Alpha fraternity to bring home first prize during the annual event.

Delts also remain very active on the campus. We currently have members on the executive board of Interfraternity Council and others who are involved with the American Marketing Association, Young Republicans and the Dynamic Leadership Institute. We are currently in the process of attaining a housing corporation and/or an alumni advising team.

Any information regarding Epsilon Xi alumni would be great...we basicly would just love to hear from you! Finally, the brothers of Epsilon Xi would like to wish the entire Delta Tau Delta family a wonderful holiday season and an even better new year!

### **EPSILON OMICRON**

#### **Colorado State University**

Epsilon Omicron uses its time and talents for the betterment of the community and for the betterment of each member that takes part.

CSU Delts are known as leaders. We hold two major positions in Interfraternity Council and are striving for more. Each member is involved in a student organization, many of which the individuals started themselves.

We also lead by example in the area of academics. We maintain a logbook of study hours that are mandatory not for pledges and actives. This is a big help keeping everyone's focus on the right priority.

One of our most reputable areas is philanthropy. Apart from involving ourselves in numerous food drives and other charities around campus, we take part in Adopt-a-School. This is a fine example of how we are using our time and talents for the betterment of our community.

Recruitment for us this year was very good. We achieved our intended goal and met it with guys of quality. The new recruits have a bright future at CSU. All in all, we Delts of CSU are headed in the right direction.

We have handled changes and whatever else the university has thrown at us tactfully and respectfully. We have held on to our brotherhood through thick and thin. We are CSU Delts and proud of it.

### **EPSILON UPSILON**

#### **Marietta College**

Our men hold many leadership positions on campus. We have nine residence assistants on campus: Tim Roberts, Jeff Wojton, Will Kauff, Justin Rosenberg, Nick Aylward, Jeff Houston, Tyler Okel, Chris Lieb and Hunter Jonsson. We also have six men in Student Senate: Ashley Wollam (Treasurer); Brian Ashton (Judicial Chair); Hunter Jonsson (Senior Representative); Andy Byers (Junior Representative); Tyler Okel (Sophomore Representative); Mac Bishop (Representative). Epsilon Upsilon has three men on the College Union Board: Craig Sundstrom (Musical Entertainment Chairman); John "Goose" Kitson (Comedian Chairman); Justin Rosenberg (Tournaments Chairman). Lastly we have two men in Omicron Delta Kappa Leadership Honorary: Jordan Herrick (Treasurer/Secretary); Jeff Houston.

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The men of Epsilon Upsilon chapter have been committed this past year to Adopt-A-School for the first time in awhile. All 46 men commit one hour a week to tutor at Marietta Middle School. We have also done other philanthropic events such as Campus and City clean-up, program selling for the local Sternwheel Festival, setting up the stage for Sternwheel Festival, participating in a mock murder and trial for a professor and volunteering at the local Special Olympics.

The men of Epsilon Upsilon had a successful homecoming the weekend of October 22nd. More than 30 alumni attended the weekend's events and the weekend was topped off when Chapter President Jordan Herrick was crowned Marietta College's 2005 homecoming king. This is the third consecutive year a Delt has been crowned homecoming king. The weekend culminated on Sunday with the annual Alumni-Undergraduate football game. Continuing with tradition, the undergraduates won handily.

The men of Epsilon Upsilon chapter had a successful fall rush pledging 11 men, all of whom initiated November 13 bringing Epsilon Upsilon to 42 initiated members and four pledged men. We hope to initiate these four next semester. However, we will start the spring semester with 45 members, losing fifth-year senior and two-term Treasurer Justin "Bam" Nethers.

### **EPSILON PHI**

#### **Southeastern Louisiana University**

The Brothers of Epsilon Phi are at the close of another semester. As everyone knows, Hurricane Katrina had a huge impact on our area.

Although our shelter did not receive damage, many brothers were affected by this devastating storm. All of our lives were altered by the storm, some more than others. Our prayers are still with Tulane and Southern Mississippi as they continue to rebuild.

Since we weathered the storm relatively well, Epsilon Phi came together for the better good of Louisiana. We spent countless hours cleaning and rebuilding what was destroyed in our local communities. Our members volunteered their time and energy in numerous Hurricane shelters and relief centers. After all of the work was finished, we were able to earn over 1,000 community service hours.

As the university returned to normalcy, so did recruitment. Although recruitment was altered, Epsilon Phi had a structured and successful recruitment. Our recruitment event gathered more than any of the other fraternities on campus. In the end, we extended 15 bids - again more than any other fraternity on campus.

We would like to congratulate the following members who were elected to the Intefraternity Council Executive Board: Nick Locasico (president); Chris Barcelona (first vice president); Rudy Koppenol, (secretary); Chris Peltier (treasurer). Epsilon Phi now holds four of the six IFC executive board positions. We wish you luck in the upcoming year.

The brothers of Epsilon Phi would also like to thank all of our alumni and advisors for helping us through this difficult semester. Finally, it is a great day to be an E-Phi Delt.

### **Epsilon Omega**

#### **Georgia Southern University**

The recolonization of Epsilon Omega will begin on February 1, 2005. Specific information is available at [www.delts.org](http://www.delts.org). For more information, please contact Nick Goldsberry at the Central Office or at [gsu@delts.net](mailto:gsu@delts.net)

### **ZETA BETA**

#### **LaGrange College**

The fall semester at Zeta Beta has been absolutely amazing. Fall rush went great with Zeta Beta grabbing 11 of the finest men at LaGrange.

In philanthropy, our chapter continued to improve. The Adopt-A-School program has been going very well. We are participating with the Hollis Hand Elementary School ACE Program, which consists of tutoring, mentoring and playing with the children. This is working well for our chapter, as brothers have been developing personal relationships with the children that are mutually fulfilling. Watching children grow and learn has had a profound effect on our brothers. Zeta Beta also assisted families in Ocean Springs, MS by cleaning up after Hurricane Katrina.

Alumni brothers have increased their involvement this semester at Zeta Beta. We have had five alumni events, with almost 70 alumni participating in one way or another. These included a homecoming cookout and

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increased alumni participation in formal rush. The homecoming cookout was the highlight of the semester. Thirty-two alumni returned to the recently renovated shelter, including five of Zeta Beta's founding fathers.

### **ZETA DELTA**

#### **Texas State University**

Zeta Delta had a very strong semester with significant progress made in all aspects of operations.

Zeta Delta has promoted excellence by winning Texas State's overall homecoming. Most recently, the chapter won first place in the Greek Olympics for which we received \$300.

Athletically, the chapter placed first in soccer Greek league and third place in football. We had a two-day chapter retreat during which the men focused on a five-year strategic plan and the next day the chapter participated in a high ropes course.

The men received special recognition from the school for their community service work of cleaning up an illegal dumpsite. Currently, the chapter is in the top five of Greek organizations for community service hours. Delts placed second overall in Delta Gamma Sorority's philanthropic "Anchor Splash" event.

Over the summer, the chapter remodeled several areas of the shelter including new siding on the back, a new floor and paint in the living room, a new wall in the bathroom and we replaced a collapsed sewage pipe. The chapter is looking forward to another strong semester where Zeta Delta will be recognized as a leader on campus.

### **ZETA ZETA**

#### **Morehead State University**

The members of Zeta Zeta are beginning to see the results of its rebuilding process. A new sense of brotherhood has come through the chapter making our work more enjoyable and giving us purpose. A sign of our new sense of being Delts is in our pledges. We have a strong pledge class with potential for every member to become leaders within the chapter and community.

To show the chapter their ability to organize, they planned and followed through on a "Delt Auction" during which they auctioned Delts for services or a date. With the recent success, Zeta Zeta is looking for a promising spring semester to come.

The chapter was quick to respond when the need for help arose in the midst of Hurricane Katrina. We held several car washes to raise money for "Delts helping Delts."

### **ZETA THETA**

#### **Villanova University**

We won the Greek Chapter of the year for 2005 and placed second among fraternities with a grade point average of 3.2. The bylaws have been amended to require brothers with less than a 2.8 to attend study sessions.

Zeta Theta had the largest pledge class of the fraternities in the fall with 15 and an equally large class in the spring. The Delts have one of the best and most innovative rush programs on Campus. The Chapter has created a new pledge program "New Member Education Program." They have gotten very high marks from the university, the Interfraternity council and the Villanova Alumni Association.

### **ZETA LAMBDA**

#### **Western Illinois University**

Zeta Lambda Chapter has done very well so far this year. We have members active in Interfraternity Council and Mike Crosby is treasurer of IFC.

Zeta Lambda had a very successful Big Wheels event this year, an annual philanthropy during which we raised \$300 for the local community elementary school. We also won the Alpha Sigma Tau Challenge of the Fraternities against all other fraternities on campus.

The house and grounds committee helped improve the shelter with a new tile floor, motion faucets and by fixing the showers. Overall we have had a very successful semester and hope to improve more next semester.

### **ZETA OMICRON**

#### **University of Central Florida**

The Zeta Omicron Chapter enjoyed a fun and productive fall.

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Zeta Omicron along with partners Kappa Kappa Gamma, Alpha Epsilon Phi and Phi Delta Theta took first place in UCF's homecoming competition. We won top honors in the float competition, sidewalk chalk drawing, banner competition and finished second in Skit night.

The chapter also placed second in Alpha Xi Delta's philanthropy, "Breakfast with Alpha Xi," during which money and supplies were raised for the Beta Center that benefits young women and children. Zeta Omicron also participated in multiple intramural sports, and increased its overall point standing by 50percent.

The chapter wrapped up its fall semester by taking its annual beach weekend trip to Daytona. Daytona proved to be a great way to unwind from the busy semester and relax and grow as a brotherhood. The chapter has found itself growing together and looks forward to a very productive and exciting spring semester.

### ZETA PI

#### Indiana University-Pennsylvania

The Zeta Pi Chapter had a very productive semester.

We recruited seven members who successfully went through our pledge program. We held one of the best initiation ceremonies in years and initiated eight new brothers.

We have been very active participating in charity events such as the Zeta Tau Alpha Kick-Out for Cancer Soccer Tournament, sponsored and participated in Mr. IUP and the Delta Zeta dodge-ball tournament helping raise money to fight cancer.

We are all very excited about future plans for our shelter. We are working with an architect, coming up with ideas and suggestions for the design of our new house. Construction on the house should begin this summer and continue until the spring of 2007. Hopefully we will have it ready for open rush of spring 2007.

### ZETA RHO

#### Eastern Illinois University

The fall semester of 2005 has been very productive for the Deltas at Zeta Rho.

Our membership currently resides at 73 members, a number not reached for many years. The Beta Beta pledge had 20 members, also a pledge class size not seen for a long time.

One of the biggest improvements to the chapter and that will continue to improve is the accountability of its members. With the development of a Membership Accountability Program due to take effect the beginning of next semester, chapter participation in all aspects will improve even more than that already have.

A philanthropy organized this fall was the "Rock for Hurricane Relief." Local bands got together and played for five hours in the Univeristy Union while prizes donated by local businesses were raffled. The event attracted a large number of people and raised just under \$1,000.

Alumni Weekend 2005 was a huge success as well. With one of our best turnouts in the past few years, alumni came to revisit their college days. The banquet went well and everyone had a great time.

The highlight of the semester was homecoming. Finishing second and just a few points behind the leader, the Deltas at Zeta Rho were more enthusiastic than ever seen. Lastly but certainly most important is academics. We are trying extremely hard this semester to get out grades above the all-men's average. The academic committee has done an exceptional job in organizing programs to improve our members grade point average.

### ZETA SIGMA

#### Texas A & M University

The Zeta Sigma Chapter finds herself amidst some of the best times the chapter has ever seen; our brothers are dedicated men who have devoted themselves to making Zeta Sigma the best chapter on the Texas A&M campus.

In the past two semesters, the chapter has focused its attention on improving relationships with both our alumni and our parents. In the spring, Zeta Sigma hosted our annual Parent's Weekend event at Messina Hof Winery and Resort. During the event, many of our brothers were recognized for their merits and received chapter awards, while the chapter and our parents enjoyed a wonderful luncheon overlooking Messina Hof's blooming vineyards. The event turned out to be a great success with over 140 guests in attendance. We received nothing but positive feedback from all of our parents.

This fall allowed us to further our alumni relations by inviting our alumni to join the chapter for the Oklahoma State-Texas A&M football weekend. Alumni were encouraged to attend a barbeque at the shelter the night before the game to catch up with their brothers and to meet new members of the chapter. The next day the

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alumni and the chapter attended the game together to support the A&M football team. Alumni Weekend was a wonderful success and allowed both alumni and actives to exchange stories and renew friendships.

Zeta Sigma is very proud of our greatest accomplishment of the past year – our new shelter. Our chapter has put in countless hours and worked extremely hard to make this dream a reality. The new 7,200-square foot shelter is located on more than 24 acres and is a major advancement for Zeta Sigma. This house accommodates our growing chapter and will certainly be an invaluable recruiting tool for years to come.

### **ZETA TAU**

#### **University of NC-Wilmington**

The Brothers of Zeta Tau are still working toward reclaiming our previous dominance on UNC Wilmington's campus. Academically we are steadily improving. Our flag football team went to the quarterfinals and allowed only 28 points all season. When disaster struck our nation through the form of Hurricane Katrina, we led the Greek community in getting involved with the Red Cross to begin raising money the day after Katrina made landfall.

Currently our members are involved in various other campus activities. We currently hold offices as Interfraternity Council president and IFC vice president for marketing recruitment. Brothers also participate in varsity track and field, club soccer, club baseball, club rugby and club triathlon.

Zeta Tau pledged and initiated 12 members, the second most on campus, and graduated three seniors this semester. The 3rd annual McGregor 5k and Alumni Weekend will be March 25, 2006.

### **ZETA CHI**

#### **University of Southern Mississippi**

For Zeta Chi, the Fall has been a time of immense planning. It is no secret for the brothers of Zeta Chi that our chapter grade point average from the spring fell far below our standards of excellence. Yet, taking this in stride, the brothers worked hard to correct their previous missteps and help ensure the same mistakes will not happen again.

We are proud to announce the creation of the "Emerging Leaders Program." The program, created with the help of Associate Chapter Advisor Sid Gonsoulin, aligns the men of the Fraternity into four teams, based on big brother/little brother families. These teams compete in all areas of achievement in the Fraternity. The winning teams in academics and grades earn awards and we trust this program will hold members more accountable and grow the spirit of brotherly competition.

In community service, we are slated to hold our annual Association of Office Professionals/United Way Garage Sale. Our participation in other Greek philanthropies has been excellent. Paired with Kappa Delta for Homecoming, we won the "Over Homecoming Week" Award.

On November 22 we initiated six men of excellence. Using the new eight-week pledge program has proved a success in molding men that will be leaders of Zeta Chi for many years to come. Looking into the spring, the brothers of Zeta Chi feel the setbacks of the semester have proven a valuable learning experience.

In the spring, we will celebrate our 20th anniversary at the University of Southern Mississippi.

The event will be a monumental touchstone in the history of our chapter and we expect to see a great amount of our Alumni reunited.

As the semester comes to an end, we bid farewell to past president John C. Allen.

### **ZETA OMEGA**

#### **Bradley University**

The past year has shown great progress for Zeta Omega. The executive board made special efforts to improve key areas and did a fine job. We earned Bradley Interfraternity Council's Ed King Award, the highest award for fraternity success.

The all-house grade point average is currently higher than at any other time in the past year and our academic program has won IFC's Best Scholarship Program two semesters running. We have increased our alumni contacts and orchestrated an outstanding Alumni Weekend last spring. With alumni help, the chapter has funded construction of a new retaining wall in the front of the shelter. This handsome improvement was completed just in time for the Lucky Boys Confusion Concert and fall recruitment.

The concert was an idea born almost a year ago. Ticket sales approached 2,000 with all proceeds benefiting Bradley's Habitat for Humanity chapter. We were proud to work for a good cause and publicly show our

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support for Habitat for Humanity. During spring break of 2005, 10 members participated in Habitat's Collegiate Challenge. For a week we worked building houses in Florida and meeting many new friends outside the chapter.

Aside from our efforts in our own Adopt-a-School and Red Cross blood drive, we have participated in events supporting the Susan G. Komen Foundation, Children's Hospital at St. Francis, Campfire USA, Alzheimer's Association of America and many more.

### THETA DELTA

#### Baylor University

Theta Delta is proud to be a strong chapter on and off the campus this academic year.

Over the past year, the chapter has excelled in its service field. Theta Delta was awarded the Volunteer Group of the year at the chapter's philanthropy, Waco Center for Youth. There were over 100 groups up for the award.

The chapter has participated in the state's Adopt-A-Highway program for the past 10 years and the campus wide Steppin' Out. In October, Theta Delta with the Baylor University chapter of Kappa Kappa Gamma won best homecoming float. This is the chapter's fourth consecutive year to win this award, the most in Baylor's history.

At the beginning of the semester the chapter sent out alumni newsletters and received donations towards float and other activities for the chapter. The chapter always holds an alumni breakfast on the morning of the homecoming parade and football game. This year's attendance and donations were astounding. Also, in the spring, we will be hosting our inaugural "Delt Crawfish Broil."

### THETA EPSILON

#### American University

This fall has been great for Theta Epsilon as the chapter continued to reestablish itself as the leader on American University's campus.

Theta Epsilon continued its Adopt-A-School program with Amidon Elementary School in downtown Washington and organized a sale of Mardi Gras beads with Alpha Chi Omega for Hurricane Katrina relief. Theta Epsilon also was an active member of the Greek community, participating in and winning Delta Gamma's Anchor Clanker and Phi Mu's Big Man on Campus.

This summer, Theta Epsilon sent two men to Leadership Academy with Director of Academic Affairs Dave Brown experiencing the Expedition Academy in Colorado and Guide Cody Jameson going to Bethany, W.V. President Jesse Epstein went to Undergraduate Interfraternity Institute in Indiana and will be serving as a mentor at Futures Quest in January. Joining him at Futures Quest will be members of the Beta Xi pledge class (initiated this spring), Greg Giusti and Kyle Butts.

This fall, Recruitment Chairman Matt Wells led a process that recruited nine new members of Theta Epsilon, the largest fall class ever. The class was by far the largest on campus among fraternities, and almost double the next largest pledge class of five. With an added emphasis on recruitment as well as the naming of two recruitment chairmen, Theta Epsilon set itself up for a very successful spring recruitment and beyond.

Also this fall, the chapter went on its first brotherhood retreat in three years. Brotherhood Chairman Greg Giusti planned a weekend which included a night's stay at the Gamma Sigma Chapter in Pittsburgh, a visit to our Founder's House at Bethany College and camping at Deep Creek Lake in Western Maryland. The retreat was a great chance for the brothers to bond and grow together away from campus.

The highlight of the semester was certainly the chapter's 15th anniversary celebration in October. Over 30 alumni came back to DC to participate in a weekend filled with athletics, barbecues, a performance of the Ritual and plenty of time to celebrate. The weekend culminated in the 15th Anniversary Gala which took place on Saturday night at the Doubletree Hotel in Crystal City, Va. Founding Father Preston Wright was finally initiated into Delta Tau Delta and International President Carl Brantley joined Theta Epsilon for the celebrations.

### THETA GAMMA CRESCENT COLONY

#### Arizona State University

Who is Delta Tau Delta at Arizona State? As of a little over a year ago we were just a memory.

However these days it is a different story for the men of the Theta Gamma Crescent Colony. We just completed our pledge education program for our fall rushees. We successfully initiated nine men of the highest

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caliber on November 19 and have set our sites on our goal of attaining enough men to be chartered within the next two semesters.

With our newly elected officials taking office in January, we have no time to waste with our transition program.

We have one of the highest GPA's of the Greek community. Several members are involved in the college senate and we have done almost 1,000 community service hours this semester. We have moved into the Adelphi two commons on campus and have plans to make it "DELT" in December.

So who are we? We are the new fraternity on campus steam rolling our way to the top!

### THETA ZETA

#### University of San Diego

Fall 2005 proved to be both a successful and humbling time for the Theta Zeta Chapter. Perhaps because of this, the chapter has continued to grow and excel in all its endeavors.

Academically, the Theta Zeta Deltas maintained a grade point average above that of the all-Greek average. In addition, the chapter has also maintained good standing with the university and with the Central Office with no MRG violations or incidents. The chapter has also continued to excel in its philanthropic efforts. It raised money for charity with its first ever Delt Dodgeball Tournament and looks forward to its First Annual Delta Queen Pageant to be held on December 6, 2005.

The chapter has also rallied together in support of a brother in need. Jeffrey Piatt was diagnosed with Hodgkin's Lymphoma and forced to withdraw from the university in order to undergo both chemotherapy and radiation treatments. In response, Theta Zeta created the Bleed Purple Foundation to raise money for Jeff's care. The organization raised more than \$3,000 in a head-shaving auction in which many brothers and campus friends contributed their hair to the cause. To learn more about or to donate to the Bleed Purple Foundation, please visit [www.bleedpurple.org](http://www.bleedpurple.org).

On a brighter note, Theta Zeta is proud to announce that Scott Chesrown, president-elect, was accepted to the Undergraduate Council. He is the lone representative of the Western Pacific Division. Brother Gabe Hernandez, Interfraternity Council Vice President of Programming, directed a successful Greek Week and was subsequently appointed as next year's IFC President. Brother Adam Steinman was appointed to IFC Vice President of Recruitment and Brother Dan Hughes was appointed as Director of Special Events.

Nov. 10, 2005 marked the chapter's 15<sup>th</sup> anniversary. Appropriately enough, the Theta Zeta Deltas were honored with the University's Dean's Trophy for top house. On the same night, Brother Jeffrey Jahnke was selected as Greek New Member of the Year. To celebrate all of this, that chapter hosted its 15<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Charter Ball in luxury in San Diego's Mission Beach.

### THETA ETA

#### University of South Carolina

Theta Eta had a great semester at the University of South Carolina. Our grades continue to be above the all-male and all-fraternity averages. This past August, our chapter pledged a good group of upstanding men to join the Fraternity.

Our brothers logged an impressive amount of community service activities over the past few months, participating in a number of service projects on and off campus such as Dance Marathon and the Clemson/Carolina Blood Drive. Planning continues for the 2006 Fidler 5K, our annual race for the Columbia Leukemia and Lymphoma Society.

Theta Eta also enjoyed a successful intramural season, reaching the finals of the flag football tournament. Winter conditioning sessions for the basketball team began November 14.

Theta Eta remains very involved with the Carolina Greek Community, participating in the Greek Leadership Retreat, Greek Camp, Alpha Series and Sigma Series. Theta Eta continues fundraising efforts for a new shelter in the University's Greek Village. We've maintained good a relationship with our alumni to facilitate these efforts.

Finally, Theta Eta's brothers are leaders on the University of South Carolina's campus.

Chris Floyd recently completed his term as vice president of recruitment for Interfraternity Council and continues to serve as a senator for Student Government. Drew Janney was recently elected as the treasurer for IFC and also serves as a vice president for the Carolina Finance Club. Matt DeAntonio is the vice president for community service for the Garnet Circle Student Alumni Council, Keith Barron is the president of Campus

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Eagle Scouts, and Delta Tau Delta continues to be the leading fraternity in regards to Dance Marathon participation.

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### THETA KAPPA

#### University of Nebraska-Kearney

The men of Theta Kappa have had a busy fall semester.

On November 19, we initiated 10 brothers. We are currently planning a celebration next fall for our 200th initiated brother since our installation in 1991. Two of our brothers, John Riens and Nathan Buell, were elected to executive cabinet seats on our Interfraternity Council for the 2006 term. Our members have also been busy in the classroom and on the intramural fields and courts.

### THETA LAMBDA

#### UC-Riverside

Theta Lambda this fall has once again been recognized for its standard of creative leadership and excellence among, not only, UC Riverside's fraternities, but all campus organizations!

This past summer proved to be fruitful for our outstanding chapter. We had the opportunity to meet potential members during UCR's summer freshmen orientations in July. Brothers Gabe Cheng, James Clarke and Jimmy Ancheta were privileged to be on the counseling staff for UCR's "Bearfacts Orientation." Not only did we have an outstanding recruitment program over summer with various trips and events, but the University asked for Theta Lambda's assistance with the set-up and take-down of the Activities Expo at Bear Facts Orientation which is only asked of an organization that is "competent and trusted."

The brothers of Theta Lambda also carried on the tradition of assisting the Beta Omega Chapter at California-Berkeley; once again expanding ideas and international brotherhood.

The weekend before the academic year started, we held our annual chapter retreat in the local mountains. Along with catching up with our fellow brothers and sharing stories of summer experiences while camping, we held recruitment and ritual education workshops, discussed our relations with the university and ways we can improve as a chapter.

On October 22, the chapter welcomed in the 15-man pledge class of Alpha Beta who, in January, will be replacing their pledge badge with the golden badge of Delta Tau Delta. Our chapter boasted the second largest pledge class out of the 10 Interfraternity Council fraternities on campus. Our chapter grade point has remained higher than the all-men's and all-Greek average. In addition to being second in academics among all IFC Fraternities, this past fall we have become the top house on campus with 63 members.

I regrettably write that one of our most recent alumni, Jeremy Harrison, past away after his long battle with Leukemia. Jeremy served the chapter, the university and his community with pride and humility. He truly was the epitome of what Delta Tau Delta truly embodies.

### THETA XI

#### Eastern Michigan University

The men of Theta Xi chapter have had successes across the board this past semester. We have found ways to constantly push the threshold of our own habit in making this chapter better for the future. It can be found in our scholarship, our involvement, our athletics and our conduct.

Let us highlight our semester in these four brief topics:

Theta Xi's fall semester grade point average is on the verge of shattering an all-time chapter high and ranking us above most honor societies on campus.

We have been acknowledged as the one of the leading fraternities for campus involvement and Greek Leadership. It is very important to our chapter to have a balance of education inside and outside of the classroom and it can be noted by our representation in student organizations with almost our entire chapter involved in outside organizations and many holding officer positions in them.

Theta Xi has topped the intramural charts again with championships in softball and top placements in all other sports.

Yet, most importantly, our reputation as a fraternity of gentlemen is constantly noticed by students, staff and faculty across campus and in the surrounding community and for this we are eternally thankful.

We would like to wish all Deltas across the nation a Happy Holidays, reminding you all, "it is yet another great day to be Delt!" God Bless.

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### THETA OMICRON

#### University of Northern Colorado

Delta Tau Delta's Theta Omicron Chapter kicked off the Fall 2005 semester with a renewed vigor and enthusiasm following an eventful summer that saw us move into a newer, larger house on the other side of the UNC campus. This fervor, along with a revamped agenda for rush week helped to catapult us headlong into recruitment season and demolish our rush goal by pledging 17 men.

We were also able to continue our standing tradition of committing to service in the Greeley community. We had 15 members present for clean-up duty at the annual Cattle Baron's Ball (benefiting the American Cancer Society). We have also had active participation at Adopt-A-School at Monfort Elementary. Several members also showed up for the pledge class philanthropy of blood donation at North Colorado Medical Center.

Our social and athletics programs have also improved over the past semester. September 24-25, Theta Omicron won the Interfraternity Council softball championship, took second place in the homecoming competition and secured another second place finish in football (with a 6-1 final record), giving us an early lead, with 24 points, toward UNC's Greek Cup.

### THETA RHO

#### University of Dayton

The fall semester has been an exciting and productive one for the Theta Rho chapter.

We would like to welcome our new members who will be great assets for the betterment of our chapter. We would also like to wish the best of luck and congratulations for our members graduating this December.

Our chapter has demonstrated great service to the community this semester in a few key facets. Several brothers participated in various service activities around campus and in the community including work at Patterson Kennedy Elementary School. Many will also participate in the Christmas on Campus event, which will provide many underprivileged children with a great Christmas experience. We also have several brothers already participating in and leading the organization of Christmas on Campus.

In addition, our chapter teamed with the Phi Rho sorority on campus to organize Hopewalk, a 5/10K run which raises money for the American Cancer Society. These events, as well as the individual commitment of our brothers have allowed us to better our campus and the local community.

On the academic front, we have worked hard to continue the improvement in grades from last semester. Our study table programs and the commitment of our brothers might allow us to regain the top spot in academics on our campus.

The Theta Rho Chapter has continued to outshine the others in our intramural sports. We have excelled in several sports including a championship in flag football, which puts us well on our way to another fraternity cup championship. There has also been a great increase in brotherhood support at our sporting events which has been a great advantage to our teams. It has also proved a great way to build brotherhood.

### THETA TAU

#### Moravian College

Our dedication towards excellence on Moravian's campus continues and is more apparent than ever. Our chapter has campus-wide leadership, fronting our student government, with three out of four of the executive board members being Delts, as well as two Senators, and our brothers also hold executive positions for the Sophomore and Junior classes. This year, Delts have been honored by being elected as the junior and senior Homecoming Ambassadors.

We have had the additional honor of conducting the installation ceremonies for the Omega Chapter at the University of Pennsylvania earlier this Semester. Our chapter has also welcomed a small, but extremely dedicated and enthusiastic new pledge class of four men. The brothers of Theta Tau anticipate a future of increasing excellence and once again, we expect another large spring rush, based on the enthusiasm of freshman towards our brotherhood.

### THETA CHI

#### Muhlenberg College

This semester, Delta Tau Delta has continued to be prominent in the Greek world as well as the rest of campus. With the fall class of the '05 recently initiated, Delta Tau Delta is now the largest fraternity on campus.

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We certainly come a long way since our rechartering in 2003. Aside from our numbers, the Muhlenberg College campus community recognizes Delta Tau Delta as "a group of awesome guys."

Just recently, there was an exhibit on campus on how much food Muhlenberg students waste in one day. When study body representative Kim Nygun needed help collecting trash from our eateries and lining academic row with it, she came to Delta Tau Delta. We are proud that we were the only Greek organization to offer a helping hand to her. As for other community service, our chapter also held a great Halloween party at the Boys and Girls club in Allentown.

Although the semester is coming to a close, we still have several community service events left. Dodgeball is another event that Theta Chi prides itself on. The second annual tournament was held in November and we are proud to say the event was just as big as it was last year. Not only is it a great fundraiser, but it also brings all sects of Muhlenberg life together to compete in a friendly atmosphere. Through our philanthropy, fundraiser and numbers, Theta Chi is certainty a positive role model to the rest of Greek life as well as the college campus.

### THETA PSI

#### **Albertson College of Idaho**

Theta Psi has been very busy this term. We conducted a successful fundraiser, selling Varsity Gold discount cards to the community. That effort was headed by President Jeff Deininger.

This chapters most diligent worker over the fall semester has been secretary Mike Wells. He also serves as ACI's Swing Dance Club president, a peer mentor and the vice president/treasurer of the newly-formed ACI Wine Club.

The Swing Dance Club has tripled attendance from last year, and aided with Theta Psi's Winter Charity Ball. He serves in a consulting role to the president on many occasions and offers his aid without hesitation.

### THETA OMEGA

#### **Northern Arizona University**

This Fall was a great semester for the brothers of Theta Omega. We held our annual philanthropy in memory of the late Chris Freeman. The event "Chris Freeman's Powderpuff" was a great success. Eighty percent of the sororities on campus participated and we raised about \$800.

Our most memorable intramural moment was defeating Sigma Chi 7 -5 in flag football. As well as our first fundraiser in three semesters. The "Date A Delt" auction raised \$425 and only had five participants. Brother Scott Hinkle helped raise \$155 dollars.

This semester, the men figured out why they love Delta Tau Delta. We have re-established our identity on campus and increased chapter morale by ten fold. The future of Theta Omega looks very bright. Our leadership is strong and we hope the positive attitude we turn into large recruitment numbers. That is the next obstacle to tackle.

### IOTA ALPHA

#### **DePaul University**

Fall quarter for the men of Iota Alpha at DePaul University has been an exciting quarter. We started the year with a great cookout and softball brotherhood/alumni event. Many alumni were present, providing Iota Alpha support and a great example of what brotherhood really is. The event set the tone of the quarter, in which brotherhood within the chapter was improved greatly.

This positive attitude, along with the hard work and dedication of the chapter, led to a great fall rush in which we successfully rushed and initiated 11 excellent young men. Iota Alpha also prides itself on being the standard of campus leadership. Currently brother Sonny Thatch sits as the current Residence Hall Council president and brothers Sean Varner and Michael Strama currently are members of the Interfraternity Council executive board. The chapter was also recognized as achieving the highest academic grades within DePaul's IFC for spring quarter of 2005.

Iota Alpha had four very successful service events during the quarter. The one that had the most positive feedback from our brothers was DePaul University's fourth annual Halloween funhouse, in which brothers of Iota Alpha served food, handed out candy, played games and otherwise were just there in any way for the children who live in the DePaul area.

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Iota Alpha's vice president, Dan Ostin, suffered greatly after his mother past away after an eight-year courageous battle with cancer. Eighteen brothers made the trip from Chicago to Detroit to attend the funeral and support brother Ostin. Please be sure to keep brother Ostin and his family in all of your thoughts and prayers.

Iota Alpha hopes to continue to keep up the high spirits and dedication to all that Delta Tau Delta stands for. We hope that all chapters had a great fall term and continue to have a great year.

### IOTA BETA

#### **Wittenberg University**

The Iota Beta Chapter is thriving in the local Greek community. This year we welcomed the extraordinary number of six new brothers, the largest pledge class of any Greek organization on campus.

We also have members who hold various leadership roles in the community. Senior Jonathon Stewart is a member of numerous honor societies, including Phi Beta Kappa, Mortar Board, Phi Eta Sigma – for which he is the president – Order of Omega and Honor Society – for which he is the vice president and he is head orientation assistant. Junior Kyle Barger is traveling to Auckland, New Zealand in February to play rugby with a semi-professional rugby club. Junior Eric Rey is the captain of the Mock Trial Team that received Best Attorney at the Regional Mock Trial Tournament the past two years.

Not only are our brothers committed to lives of service through leadership, we also serve the community in other fashions. We've held events such as our annual Texas Hold 'em Poker Tournament, have provided sexual-harassment speakers and have supported the community through our Adopt-A-School program with Lagonda Elementary.

One of our favorite events this year was our annual Texas Hold 'Em Poker Tournament. The tournament gave both students and faculty the ability to interact with the brothers of Delta Tau Delta to continue our excellent image of service to the community. Overall Iota Beta continues to lead the Wittenberg Greek community by continuing our lives of excellence.

### IOTA GAMMA

#### **Wright State University**

The Iota Gamma chapter experienced an extremely successful fall quarter, one in which several records were broken. In terms of recruitment, we had an entire chapter effort that enabled our chapter to pledge 21 quality new members, a record high for Iota Gamma. With 21 pledges effectively doubling the size of our chapter, brotherhood and alumni events are necessary to help bring us closer together and to connect them with brothers that have paved the way for them.

In our annual Fall Football Classic, our alumni were able to use their size advantage to "outweigh" the undergraduates and pull off the victory, 35-21. In other sports, we were able to increase our intramural flag football victory total over last year by one game and finish with a 2-2 record.

On the financial front, we were able to raise well over \$750 through fundraising to provide for brothers attending the division conference and Karneia this summer. We are not sure how many brothers will be attending either event, but with both roughly 90 minutes away this year, we hope that a majority of our chapter will be able to attend.

### IOTA DELTA

#### **Quincy University**

Iota Delta made progress in the fall semester of 2005. We celebrated our fifth year as a chapter of Delta Tau Delta with the celebratory weekend kicking off with a chili cookout. We also held a formal dinner that weekend and university officials and alumni members entertain us with speeches.

There were numerous alumni that made the journey to the chapter to celebrate what they created. Among those alumni were many of our founding fathers. The banquet ended with a slide show consisting of most of the memorable moments in Iota Delta history.

Also, the chapter was successful in conducting our famous Jell-o Wrestling. Many of Quincy Universities' students got "Wet, Wild, Ooey and Gooey" as we raised money for Dewey Elementary.

Quincy University changed its rush policy and now has deferred recruitment. So this fall, we initiated a class of upper-classmen. In the future, we are looking forward to our spring recruitment as well as Northern Division Conference in St. Louis.

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### IOTA EPSILON

#### Chapman University

This fall marks the fifth anniversary for the Iota Epsilon chapter on Chapman's campus. We recently completed another very strong rush, initiating all 16 men of Kappa class.

Continuing to be well represented throughout campus life, we at Iota Epsilon have further expanded our reach into different campus organizations. Currently, there are 12 brothers involved in student government (including student government president Nate Robbins), 19 in the Orientation program, six resident advisors and four Chapman Ambassadors, an exclusive program of student representatives.

We have continued to maintain a strong relationship with university administration. The chapter held its third annual Faculty Recognition Reception to honor distinguished faculty members nominated by each member.

The chapter has continued to stay involved helping the community. Our members stay active in the Adopt-A-School Program and coordinate other events, including a pancake breakfast and a kickball tournament to raise funds for Hurricane Katrina victims.

We look forward to a strong year in 2006, due to the leadership of our newly elected officers and the enthusiasm of our new members. We are excited to begin the next five years and look forward to building more programs, more brotherhood and more success.

### IOTA ZETA

#### Virginia Polytechnic Institute & State University

Iota Zeta Chapter has had a very successful fall semester. With four brothers returning from leadership academy and our chapter's success in the Delta Tau Delta Educational Foundation's "Deltas All In" campaign, we went into recruitment with a strong result of eight pledges and two deferments to the spring.

Shortly after Hurricane Katrina, our brothers worked together with our Adopt-A-School site, Harding Elementary, to help the children in their "Laps for Katrina" fundraiser. Our brothers helped in the supervision and monitoring of the children in addition to walking and running laps to raise money.

Our momentum continued through homecoming week with the women of Zeta Tau Alpha. Sadly, the week ended with the departure of brother Adam Stevens who is now in Iraq with the Army National Guard. We wish him the best of luck and he is in our thoughts until he returns home to us.

Shortly after homecoming, we sponsored the Redbull Motocross Team for the second year in a row to perform for the public at our tailgate for the Boston College game. Recently, we held our formals in Charlotte, N.C. celebrating our chapter's third anniversary.

Right before finals, our brothers had a great time at the ACC football championship game in Jacksonville while spending time with alumni who were able to join us. As the semester ends, we say good-bye to a small, but still important, group of seniors. We wish them the best of luck in their endeavors and hope to see them back in Blacksburg soon.

### IOTA ETA

#### Belmont Abbey College

This semester has been interesting to say the least. Our chapter has made great strides in the right direction.

We participated in several community service projects, including the Great American Smoke in which we helped raise awareness about the effects of smoking and encouraged people to quit smoking for 24 hours.

Also we have had several brothers become active leaders on campus in student government and also in College Union Board.

All things considered we have had a very productive semester and are looking forward to next semester.

### IOTA THETA

#### Kennesaw State University

This past November, Iota Theta celebrated its first year as a chapter. This year has proved to be a challenge, but the men of Iota Theta have emerged as better leaders in the chapter as well as on campus. Through facing these obstacles, the brotherhood has grown stronger than in the past.

Academics has also grown in strength, as our grade point average continue to set the standard for Greek life. Delta Tau Delta continues to take the lead at Kennesaw State University in more ways than academics. This

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year we have had brothers elected as the Student Government president, the Interfraternity Council president and the IFC Vice President. We also have a brother that serves as president of our Campus Activities Board.

Our presence on this campus is taken to a new level with every passing semester. During the fall, we managed to pick up four amazing pledges who were recently initiated. One of these men has been elected as next year's IFC president. With these newly found brothers among our ranks, we stand to make 2006 an even better year for Iota Theta.

### **JOHN CARROLL CRESCENT COLONY**

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