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The Delta Tau Delta Educational Foundation 40 Under 40 highlights rising entrepreneurs, educators, nonprofit leaders, service members, executives and many others nominated in 2021.











#### PRESIDENT'S LETTER

## STRENGTHENING COMMUNITY IS ESSENTIAL TO OUR VITALITY



International President Bruce L. Peterson (University of Wisconsin Milwaukee, 1975) president@delts.org

Brothers, as you receive this edition of *The Rainbow* I hope Delt undergraduates have had a near-normal campus and Delt experience in the fall. I again ask for your patience and restraint regarding each institution's COVID-19 safety guidelines, for they are meant to protect you, our members, and our community so that everyone can remain safe and healthy.

The winter *Rainbow* issue is dedicated to civic engagement and contains personal reflections from several members on a core Delt value of "Strengthening community is essential to our vitality." These good Delts act with a heightened sense of responsibility to their community by using their talents and passion to benefit the next generation, thereby raising the community around them.

We know today's members want more than a social experience-they want their fraternity experience to prepare them for their future career success and prepare them personally and socially for effective and civil participation in society. Delta Tau Delta promotes ethical development in our members through service and civic engagement. I believe civic engagement positively affects our members' experience by increasing knowledge of contemporary social issues, critical thinking skills, listening and communications skills, and improving their mental health outlook. This type of experience prepares them to respond to important issues

affecting their communities and entrench the desire to serve after graduation.

I am proud of the good work we do for our national JDRF philanthropy working to end type 1 diabetes. Brothers, we will win this battle. Further, I am grateful how our chapters also engage in many other local service projects, partnering with sororities and other service groups to benefit their communities. For all the good we do, it is unfortunate that Delts and other Greek organizations receive so little credit for the many hours and work they do to improve their local communities. Our challenge is to find ways to better promote the good work and positive impact we create in our local communities which can also aide in recruiting future generations of men to further our future impact on our communities as Delts.

I want to thank our many alumni brothers who volunteer their time or treasure because of the

Fraternity's tremendous impact on their lives and careers. Our alumni are giving back to those who follow, so that future young Delts can benefit from the same life and fraternity experiences. It goes without saying that the Fraternity offers many work and life skills. I have found our Fraternity has a tremendous ripple effect in guiding men to participate and contribute to their community well beyond their college years.

Before I close, I want to thank our chapter presidents, chapter advisors and house corporation volunteers who are doing an excellent job of supporting our young men by providing a safe environment and helping rally our men during these unprecedented times.

Brothers, I know you will find this issue inspirational as it confirms our mission to educate, develop and support our young brothers to lead lives of excellence.

It is truly a great day to be a Delt!  $\Delta$ 

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Forty Delts who are rising entrepreneurs, educators, nonprofit leaders, service members, executives and more.

The next issue of *The Rainbow* will include stories with a focus on health and wellness. Do you or a Delt you know have a related story to share or do you have a future topic to suggest?

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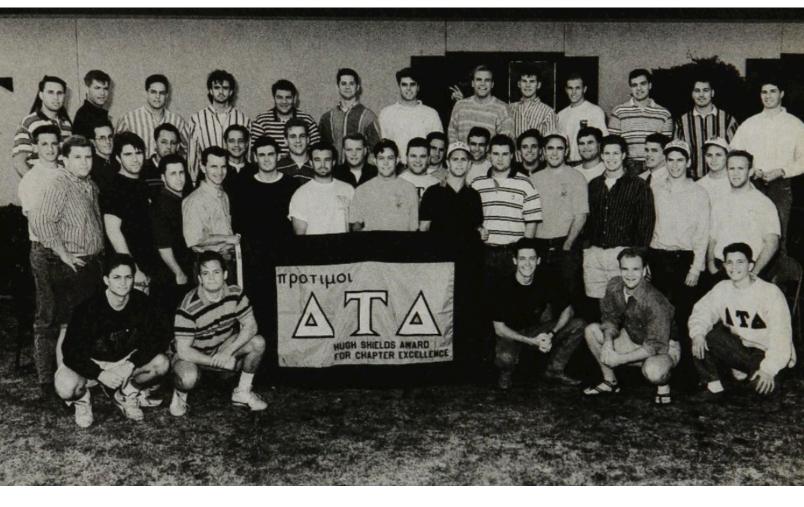
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# 10 TO 100 YEARS AGO IN *THE RAINBOW*



#### 10+ Years Ago (2011)

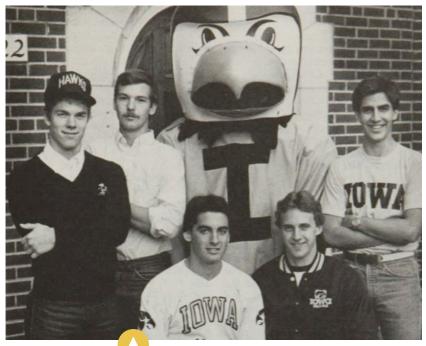
The Fraternity mourned the passing of former President Edwin L. Heminger (Ohio Wesleyan University, 1948). He died peacefully in his Findlay, Ohio, home at age 85. In his *Rainbow* essay, sitting President Alan Brackett (Tulane University, 1982) provided a heartfelt tribute to a Delt for the ages. "Our brotherhood has had its share of 'giants,' Brackett said. "Without question, Ed was one. He was the embodiment of phrases that run through Delt-speak—a Good Delt, a patrician soul, a man who lived an unselfish and noble life.

"He modeled the values we seek to instill in all our members. He is a man we cannot forget to remember, because all of us, young and old alike, should continue to emulate his example of service. The Chapter Eternal is a richer place with Ed around. Our job is to ensure that all he gave to our brotherhood lives on."

## 30 Years Ago (1992)

Members of Epsilon Delta Chapter at Texas Tech University with their coveted Hugh Shields flag. This photo ran in conjunction with the 1991 division conference recap in the spring 1992 issue of *The Rainbow.* 

Compiled by Jim Russell (Purdue University, 1975)



### 40 Years Ago (1982)

**Iowa Delts with Herky the Hawk.** From left, Craig Standish, Mike Manfull and Scott Angle, David Gross and Kevin Krause. Herky had been making in-the-feather appearances since the mid-1950s and his care, provided by Omicron Chapter since 1961, was unofficial until the beginning of the 1982 academic year. Then the Iowa Department of Men's Intercollegiate Athletic Department decided to take Herky under its wing. As a result, the five Delts (above) who share Herky activities made it to all out-of-town games, including the Rose Bowl.

#### 80+ Years Ago (1941)

As World War II loomed, 23 Delts were listed in the 1940-41 edition of Who's Who Among Students of American Colleges and Universities, including two who would go on to distinguished professional and civic careers. Several decades later, the Fraternity would honor both with its Alumni Achievement Award. James R. McCartney (West Virginia

#### 100 Years Ago (1921)

Portending the challenges of news dissemination and discernment a century in the future, editor Frank Rogers (Stanford University, 1899) offered this sharply written rejoinder in the final *Rainbow* edition of 1921. University, 1941) was a varsity basketball player and his senior class president. Serving as a U.S. Army tank commander in North Africa and Europe, he participated in the D-Day invasion. He was awarded a Purple Heart and the Silver Star with Oak Leaf Cluster. Ward L. Quaal (University of Michigan, 1941) started his radio career while in high school at Marquette, Mich., and continued in college at major station WJR in Detroit.

"It came nearly two years into the nationwide constitutional ban on the production, importation, transportation and sale of alcoholic beverages. Prohibition would last until 1933. Fraternity men all over the country should regard this problem with the seriousness that it deserves. So called

#### 40+ Years Ago (1981)

Anticipating the upcoming 125th anniversary of the Fraternity's founding, the Arch Chapter announced the creation of the Delta Tau Delta Educational Foundation.

"This is something the Arch Chapter and a great many other active alumni have been planning for a long time," said Fraternity President Ken Folgers (Illinois Institute of Technology, 1958). Folgers said the Foundation recognizes many needs for funding scholarships and educational training programs for undergraduates.

"It fits the direction our Fraternity must take in becoming more involved with academic roles on campuses," he said. "With universities and colleges straining to meet needs of students, we can make important contributions to assuring sound educations for more and more deserving people." Al Sheriff (Washington and Jefferson College, 1949), executive vice president of the Fraternity, was named president of the new foundation.

Immediately after graduation he joined WGN in Chicago. Six months later, he read breaking dispataches from Hawaii in the wake of the Japanese bombing of Pearl Harbor. After three years of U.S. Navy service, he returned to WGN and eventually became its president, building the station into a powerhouse media brand and becoming an industry stalwart. Both men reached the age of 90, entering the Chapter Eternal four months apart in 2010 and 2011.

jokes only serve to present fraternities in a false fight and should be suppressed as vigorously as possible. Fraternity men on newspapers should exercise their judgment to keep such obviously false items out of the daily press."

## VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

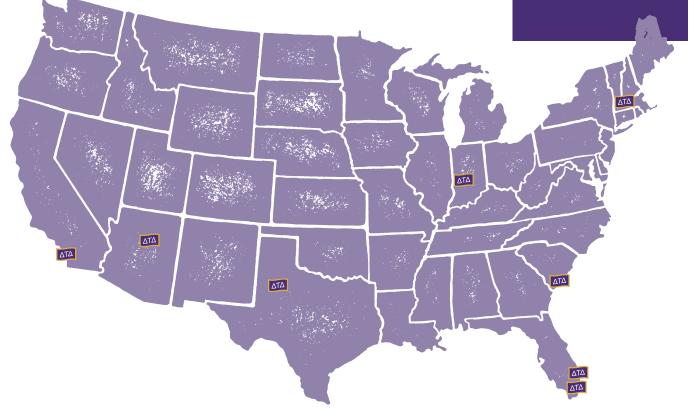
Delta Tau Delta volunteers strengthen communities, undergraduates and themselves as part of a Volunteer Advisory Team. Volunteer Advisory Teams are designed to benefit each chapter and colony by providing advisors for each undergraduate officer and committee. Volunteer Advisory Teams help volunteers focus on one area of operation and share the time commitment associated with advising chapters and colonies. The list below includes chapters, colonies or planned colonies in need of alumni volunteers. **Those in bold are in need of a lead advisor and are "more urgent," while the others need assistant advisors or other types of volunteer support.** 

- Theta Omega CC Northern Arizona University (Flagstaff, Ariz.)
- Delta lota University of California-Los Angeles (Los Angeles)
- Beta Beta DePauw University (Greencastle, Ind.)
- Epsilon Delta Texas Tech University (Lubbock, Texas)
- Kappa Zeta College of Charleston (Charleston, S.C.)
- Iota Nu Florida Atlantic University (Boca Raton, Fla.)
- Florida International University Spring Expansion (Miami, Fla.)
- Keene State College Spring expansion (Keene, N.H.)

#### Consider volunteering on a Volunteer Advisory Team (VAT) or as a facilitator at one of Delta Tau Delta's many leadership experiences.

Chapter Advisor Asst. Chapter Advisor Asst. Advisor: Finance Asst. Advisor: Recruitment Asst. Advisor: Ritual Asst. Advisor: Risk Management Asst. Advisor: Member Development Asst. Advisor: Alumni Relations Asst. Advisor: Community Service Faculty Academic Advisor

For information about volunteer opportunities, please contact Volunteer Recruitment Coordinator Nick Pidgeon at nick.pidgeon@delts.org.



## **Investing in Our Volunteers**

Delta Tau Delta offers a comprehensive volunteer onboarding and training process for all newly appointed advisors. This process includes information on soft skills and coaching, Fraternity-specific information, introductions to stakeholders and important contacts and access to countless online resources. At the end of the training process for lead chapter advisors, you will have the opportunity to meet with a Central Office staff member and review all aspects of advising. The Fraternity also continues to provide new, narrated online courses through myDelt covering a wide range of topics.

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Katone T. Roberts (University of Cincinnati, 2017)

# VOLUNTEER Q&A WITH

## HOW DID YOU GET INVOLVED AS A VOLUNTEER?

After graduation I was recruited to the Alumni Board by the chapter advisor, Ashley Wollam [Marrietta College, 2008]. Shortly after that, he informed me he was looking to get more involved with the national office, and his seat as advisor would be available soon. After about a year of working with him as the assistant advisor, I caught the volunteer bug and I have been the chapter advisor for a little over three years now.

## WHAT INSPIRES YOU TO VOLUNTEER YOUR TIME?

The undergraduates are my inspiration. I believe we are in the business of creating connections. I challenge the executive team to envision the general members as not just their brothers, but as their customers. How do you keep them coming back? How do you convince them to be positive stewards of your brand? How will you create experiences that they will never forget? Once an executive team can answer questions such as these, I know we are on the path of creating those lifelong connections that every chapter aspires to have.

## HOW HAVE YOU BENEFITTED FROM BEING INVOLVED?

The biggest benefit is the transferable skills I obtained as both an undergraduate executive member and an alumni volunteer. Working as an HR professional, I realize it is critical to have the emotional intelligence to understand how your words impact other people. My involvement with Delt has helped me harness that skill and be more self-aware, realizing what you say in the moment can be monumental to a person's development as an active member of the chapter and a professional in the workplace.

## HOW DO YOU MANAGE TO BALANCE Volunteer Time with work and life?

It's not easy. However, I didn't sign up to give my time because I thought it would be easy. It's my belief for what the organization can provide that keeps me motivated. I tend to stay out of the day-to-day relationships, drama and operations of the chapter to allow the leadership team room to grow. I advise with a top-down strategy. Spending most of my time as an open line to executive members and devoting a large volume of time to executive transitions and mid-term goal resets.

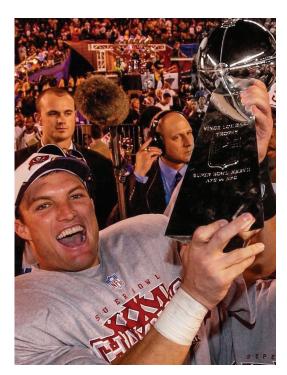
## HOW HAS THE PANDEMIC IMPACTED YOUR VOLUNTEER ROLE?

The pandemic made me realize the chapter is even stronger than I believed it to be. Watching the undergraduate members unite and find a way to provide a quality program and recruitment while dealing with the weight of the pandemic revitalized my love for the power of teamwork. I also realized I don't need to be physically in front of them to be the best advisor. Having regular FaceTimes, video chats and phone calls with executive members helped me connect on an informal level.

## DO YOU HAVE A MENTOR AND WHAT VALUE HAVE YOU FOUND IN HAVING A MENTOR?

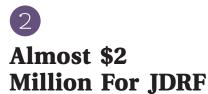
My professional mentor is Tom Cassady, the Midwest CEO of the organization I work for. While he is not a Delt, he is extremely devoted to his Fraternity. He helped me realize the value of not making work the center of my world. His love for his family, Fraternity and alma mater, made me understand just how rewarding it is to make an impact through volunteering your time and skills for the betterment of others. ∆

# Rah Rah Delta Orthongs that make





Football legend and Delt John Lynch (Stanford University, 1993), was enshrined into the Pro Football Hall of Fame on Aug. 8, 2021. The former Buccaneers and Broncos defensive back played 15 seasons and accrued nine Pro Bowls, four All-Pro recognitions and a Super Bowl championship during his time.



Since 2012, Delta Tau Delta's national philanthropic partnership with JDRF has raised nearly \$2 million for T1D research and contributed countless hours of service through local JDRF chapter events.

**Beta Beta plans** to steal the moon

The men of Beta Beta Chapter at DePauw University were the masterminds of a hilarious halloween group costume. They dressed as minions from Disney's Despicable Me movie to recreate the scene where Gru shares his plan to steal the moon. Their video went viral and gained more than 50 million views on Tik Tok and Instagram through various accounts. The video even prompted reactions from the official Minions Tik Tok commenting on the post.



## 4 Academic Excellence

The University of Nebraska at Kearney Fraternity and Sorority Life Academic Banquet honored Theta Kappa Chapter with the prestigious William R. Nester Cup for earning the highest fraternity GPA with a 3.51 average.



## Notable→

The Fraternity reported **1,929 NEW MEMBERS** this fall compared to the 1,263 new members in fall 2020—a **53% INCREASE** from last fall. Thank you to all the chapters who continue to work hard recruiting the next generation.







Baylor University Men's Basketball Coach Scott Drew (Butler University, 1993) received his 2021 Championship ring at Baylor's home opener against the University of the Incarnate Word.



## 6 Together at Catalyst

For the first time since the start the pandemic, Delta Tau Delta hosted in-person educational programming. Volunteers gathered for Catalyst, Delt's volunteer learning experience, in Kansas City, Mo. in November. They received world-class training from DMB Coaching focusing on the characteristics of excellent coaching.

## Norfolk Karnea

After the virtual Karnea in 2020 Delts are excited for the in-person gathering of the "Greatest of All Delt Events" at the 2022 Norfolk Karnea. Delts will convene at the Norfolk Waterside Marriott in Norfolk, Va. August 3 - 6, 2022.



success of a chapter.

## Delt Spotify Playlist

The playlist ranges in genres. You can find everything from country to classic rock to hip hop. If you are a Delt musician, or if you know one, help make sure the Fraternity can share more music from brothers. We need your help to grow this playlist. Send links to rainbow@delts.org.



## World Series Umpire

Mike Muchlinski (University of Washington, 2000), a Major League baseball umpire, was part of the crew working the 2021 World Series. For Game Six of the World Series, he was the home plate umpire. Muchlinski worked his first All-Star Game in 2018 in Washington, D.C.





**New Officers Step Up** 

The Fraternity welcomes many newly elected chapter officers and thanks those who served over the past year. The process of transitioning officers is one of the most critical steps in the long-term stability and

> Texas A&M University-Commerce President Mark Rudin, Mayor Wyman Williams and past International President "Rock" Clinton, along with Epsilon Eta House Corporation Director Rene Griffin (1975) and Derald Bulls (1977) spoke at the shelter ground-breaking.

## SPRING GROWTH UPDATE THE WORLD NEEDS MORE DELTS

The Fraternity believes in future growth. As an organization, we are charged with identifying new colleges and universities where we would like to expand, colonize and plant a Delt flag. Delta Tau Delta will continue to grow in the spring with the establishment of two colonies:

Keene

STATE COLLEGE



#### FLORIDA INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY: FIU CRESCENT COLONY

From top-ranked academic programs to top-tier research designation, Florida International University is a South Florida anchor institution and a solutions center for the world's toughest challenges. As Miami's public research university, FIU emphasizes research as a major component in the university's mission and is dedicated to enriching the lives of the local and global community. With a student body of nearly 54,000, FIU is among the top 10 largest universities in the nation. More than 115.000 of its 200.000 alumni live and work in South Florida. The fraternity and sorority community at FIU consists of 29 fraternity and sorority chapters made up of more than 1.100 students.

For updates on the colony, search for Delta Tau Delta at Florida International University on Facebook and follow @FIUDelts on Instagram and Twitter.

### KEENE STATE COLLEGE: KSC CRESCENT COLONY

Keene State College is a public liberal arts college in Keene, N.H. Part of the University System of New Hampshire and the Council of Public Liberal Arts Colleges, Keene State was founded in 1909 as a teacher's college and has an enrollment of more than 3,000 undergraduate students. The college provides a learning and living environment honoring all voices and perspectives. Diversity, equity and inclusion are intimately connected with Keene State's priorities of academic excellence. student success. institutional effectiveness and financial stability. Keene State boasts three international/national fraternities and three sororities.

For updates on the colony, search for Delta Tau Delta at Keene State College on Facebook and follow @KeeneDelts on Instagram and Twitter.

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#### **GAMMA SIGMA INSTALLED**

Delta Tau Delta is pleased to announce the installation of the Gamma Sigma Crescent Colony at the University of Pittsburgh on December 4. Look for coverage of the installation in the summer issue of *The Rainbow*.

## RECRUITMENT SUPPORT

Recruitment is the lifeblood of the Fraternity and this rings even more true following a school year filled with Zoom calls, limited gathering and recruitment limitations due to the pandemic. In response, Delt entered a partnership with CAMPUSPEAK to provide dedicated recruitment support to a small group of chapters that applied for the opportunity. In addition, the Central Office staff is working with several chapters and colonies who are taking part in a recruitment support track provided by the chapter support coordinators. To learn more contact delts@delts.org.

## HOW CAN YOU GET INVOLVED?

**Volunteers:** If you know alumni, potential volunteers, friends or potential friends of Delta Tau Delta who may be interested in learning about ways to be involved as an advisor or volunteer for one of the new colonies, please contact Volunteer Recruitment Coordinator Nick Pidgeon at nick.pidgeon@delts.org.

**Referrals:** If you know current undergraduates or high school seniors who could be potential members of one of the new colonies, who already attend one of the institutions or who may be attending in spring 2022, please contact delts@delts.org.

University of Connecticut

## KAPPA THETA Chapter Installed

Delta Tau Delta welcomed 37 founding fathers of Kappa Theta Chapter at the University of Connecticut in Storrs, Conn., on Oct. 9, 2021. The chapter's initiation included 17 returning alumni and on Nov. 11, Kappa Theta Chapter initiated 21 new members.

International Vice President Anthony Albanese (American University, 1996) and Eastern Division President Ross Theriault (University of Maine, 2008), joined Chapter Advisor Anthony Sansone (University of Iowa, 2016), **Division Vice President** Dylan Pyne (George Washington University, 2012) and Chapter Support Coordinator Justin Vatti (Moravian University, 2020) for the installation. The chapter celebrated with an initiation banquet at Georgina's Banquet Hall in Bolton, Conn.

Iota Psi Chapter from Northeastern University performed the model *Ritual* and welcomed the founding fathers to the Fraternity. "It was an incredible honor to be a part of something as historic as a new chapter installation," said Daniel Schultz (Northeastern University, 2022), Iota Psi Chapter president. "I'm very grateful that Iota Psi was invited to participate and that our Ritual team was able to share in the experience. I enjoyed meeting the Kappa Theta Chapter's founding fathers and I'm confident they'll be a great representation of our values for years to come."

The four expansion team members who began recruiting on campus in the fall of 2017 included Anthony Sansone along with Jacob Cantu (University of Oregon, 2017) Nick Yarbrough (Baker University, 2017) and Ben Grothe (University of Iowa, 2017). The chapter was installed just three days after the four-year anniversary of its colonization, having persevered to continue its growth through the COVID-19 pandemic.

"It was moving to celebrate the men of Kappa Theta and all their hard work. While



the chapter's history has been marred by adversity, the men have continuously demonstrated incredible resilience throughout their four years as a Crescent Colony. Their fighting spirit has been inspiring to witness, and that spirit is why I am confident we will see excellence out of Storrs for generations to come," said Theriault.

Kappa Theta Chapter is the fourth Delta Tau Delta Chapter installed in the Constitution State joining Iota Mu Chapter installed at Quinnipiac University in 2011 and Iota Tau Chapter at Sacred Heart University in 2013. Gamma Zeta Chapter, originally installed at Wesleyan University in 1902, has not been active since 1989.

Kappa Theta Chapter shared the following message on social media, "As a chapter, our goals continue to be promoting lives of excellence and promoting our values of truth, courage, faith and power among the University of Connecticut community. We strive to create the leaders on campus and strengthen the brotherhood among the members of our chapter. This journey has just started, and we're looking forward to what we'll achieve in the future."

Founded in 1891, the University of Connecticut is a top-ranked research institution. The public land-grant research university in Storrs. Conn. includes a 4,400acre primary campus in Storrs, approximately a 30-minute drive from Hartford With more than 2,700 members and more than 40 chapters organized in four councils, the University of Connecticut boasts of a fraternity and sorority community of commitment that has been a University of Connecticut tradition for more than 130 years espousing the values of excellence, integrity and honor. 🛆

## Delt Back at Ole Miss

Delta Tau Delta welcomed 21 founding fathers to the Pi Crescent Colony at The University of Mississippi on Sept. 24, 2021. Ole Miss is a public research university adjacent to Oxford, Miss. Including its medical center in Jackson, the University of Mississippi is the state's largest university by enrollment and is Mississippi's flagship university.

In September, Ole Miss colony members participated in a virtual JDRF program to learn about the organization from a family impacted by type 1 diabetes.

The Fraternity expansion team of Bradon Burks (Western Kentucky University, 2021), Brady Deprez (University of Nebraska at Kearney, 2021)



and Dalton Ford (Kennesaw State University, 2019) conducted the Colony New Member Ceremony attended by Southern Division President Mark Nichols (Kansas State University, 1991), TJ D'Angelo (University of Louisiana-Lafayette, 2021) and several university guests.

Following a retreat, Bradon Burks began officer training for the new members. "Officers are in place and they are excited knowing the work that lies ahead of them and eager to learn," Burks said.

Originally installed in 1874 only 16 years after the founding of Delta Tau Delta, the Pi Chapter closed in June 1942.  $\triangle$ 

## **Delt Revitalized at UCLA**

Delta Tau Delta welcomed 30 men to the reorganized Delta Iota Chapter at the University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA) on Nov. 12, 2021. Fraternities and sororities have been an integral part of the UCLA campus since 1923. Today UCLA, with a student population of nearly 32,000, is home to 66 inter/national and local Greekletter organizations, six governing councils with approximately 3,800 students which represents 13 percent of the undergraduate population. The community is committed to academics, community service and developing leaders within and beyond campus.

Senior expansion consultant Dalton Ford (Kennesaw State University, 2019) conducted the new member ceremony along with Expansion Support Consultants Bradon Burks (Western Kentucky University, 2021) and Brady Deprez (University of Nebraska at Kearney, 2021). Cyrillus Tan (Emory University, 2018) a member of the Volunteer Advisor Team also welcomed the new members.

Dalton Ford began training officers in November. "We are excited to present the re-founding members of the Delta Iota Chapter. These new members are eager to forge the Fraternity culture at UCLA guided by Delt values," Ford said.

Delta Iota Chapter was first installed at UCLA in 1926, closing in 1973.  $\Delta$ 





## **BEING THE CATALYST**

On November 4-7 2021, more than 70 fraternity volunteers converged in Kansas City, Mo. for Catalyst—the Fraternity's second volunteer coaching summit. Volunteers from across the country received world-class training from DMB Coaching focusing on the characteristics of excellent coaching, helping them become more impactful coaches and mentors to students and fellow volunteers.

The skill and knowledge chapter advisors, assistant advisors, division vice presidents and house corporation board members gain through Catalyst increases the ripple effect of their coaching throughout the Fraternity.

lota Sigma Chapter Advisor Connor Johnson (North Dakota State University, 2012) said participating in Catalyst was amazing. He enjoyed the opportunity for community building with brothers who hold similar volunteer roles while working through a valuable curriculum.

"We have the expectation of lifelong learning and growth and it's pretty awesome the Fraternity does that not only for its active chapters, but also for its alumni. Following through with who we say we are definitely makes me better for my chapter," Johnson said.

Catalyst was the first large scale Fraternity event held since the 2020 division conferences took place prior to the pandemic shutdown. In the effort to gather in a safe environment, the Fraternity required all participants to provide proof of vaccination. The value of gathering together to advance the Fraternity's mission and support men who aspire to live lives of excellence was apparent throughout the conference.

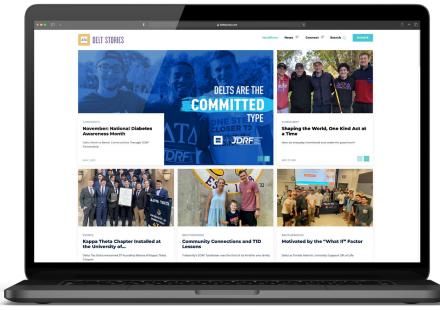
"It was a breath of fresh air to see brothers in person in this setting," Johnson said. "I didn't realize it was something I missed as much as I did until I was here."

While each volunteer found his own value in the curriculum, Johnson's number one takeaway from Catalyst was chasing persistence. "Life gets so busy, and we spoke on persistence—sticking with it. That's the number one thing I need to work on, especially coming out of the crazy pandemic climate owning your time, taking ownership of your choices and decisions and being persistent with the things you want in life." A

## **PresX and New Member Educator Training Focus on Empowering the Chapter Experience**

Undergraduate chapters are the core of the Delt experience, and the Presidents Excellence Institute (PresX) and New Member Educator Training seek to upskill two keystone leaders of the chapter experience. Over the past few years, Delta Tau Delta has been shifting from a philosophy focused on new member education to building a strategy focused on the new member experience. This subtle shift has led to many revelations, including the need to invest in chapters' new member educators. These men are tasked to be peer leaders, role models and educators. Their example sets the tone for the Delt experience. The focus of New Member Educator Training is building key skills associated with peer-leadership and preparing men for success within Delta Tau Delta.

The Presidents Excellence Institute also focuses deeply on skill development. Chapter presidents are the CEO of their chapter's Delt experience. Being an executive leader is often a shift in skillset for men assuming this role and Delta Tau Delta's Central Office is focused on the support of each chapter's top leader. New Member Educator Training and PresX are both cost-free for undergraduates to attend through partnership with the Delta Tau Delta Educational Foundation. Eliminating cost as a barrier for these events is essential to the mission of empowering the chapter experience. Be on the lookout for updates on the impact of these two events scheduled for January 6-9, 2022, near Dallas, Texas. ▲



## INTRODUCING THE NEW DELT STORIES

In the fall of 2020, the Fraternity conducted a communications survey to improve the understanding of member needs. The opinions shared were instrumental in guiding plans over the past year.

Results showed many continue to value the print magazine—*The Rainbow*—and look forward to receiving it twice each year, and that will continue. Others shared their desire for more frequent news to be delivered digitally.

Your opinions and perspectives resulted in reviewing existing resources including both digital and print publications, and the best options for sharing valuable Delt news with you. To meet member needs, the Fraternity integrated the best of our past electronic communications to complement our print offerings.

In mid-September 2021, the Fraternity introduced a new central news hub. Delt Stories, gives you 24-hour access to the most recent Fraternity news. You'll find feature stories and highlights about our brothers, our chapters and our communities. In addition to the headline page, there are six distinct news sections, with trending stories and more, and all the content is searchable including by chapter and university.

Delt Stories currently promotes fresh, new content along with some of the great news featured in our previous publications over the last eighteen months. But don't wait for others to seek out every story, because you can submit news through the "Content Submission Form" found under the "Connect" Menu.

#### Access Delt Stories from delts.org or directly at deltstories.com.

#### **A FEW FEATURES OF DELT STORIES**

- Frequent, timely news about our brothers, chapters and communities
- Opportunity for every member to contribute news
- Ability to register and receive immediate notifications when the latest news posts
- Monthly broadcast emails highlighting feature stories
- Integration with Delta Tau Delta social media channels

## SHARE YOUR FEEDBACK

Share your feedback through the 2021-2022 communications survey.

Use the QR code to take the survey now.



## UPDATE YOUR ADDRESS

To receive all Delt communication, please ensure your contact information is current. Visit delts.org and click on MYDELT LOGIN in the upper right corner.

If you have not yet created a myDelt account, **click on GET ACCESS** on the log-in screen and follow the instructions.

Once you log in, go to EDIT MY PROFILE in the upper left corner beneath your name.

Look for the **PERSONAL INFORMATION** heading in the purple bar and click the edit/pencil icon.

Save your selection by clicking the yellow UPDATE PROFILE BAR.

To update by email, send your full name, chapter, graduation year and contact information to rainbow@delts.org.

## SURVEY RESULTS DRIVE FRATERNITY STRATEGY

In fall 2021, the Fraternity announced results from surveys conducted in 2020-2021 focused on communications, volunteer support and Ignite, the emerging leader experience for new members. Those who patiently respond to surveys enable the Fraternity to collect, analyze and use data to formulate strategy and improve Fraternity offerings.



## Volunteer Survey

In summer 2021, the Central Office completed its annual survey of chapter advisors and front-line volunteers. Roughly half of all chapter advisors completed the survey. From that data, the Central Office learned:

- 86% of volunteers agree or strongly agree they are satisfied in their current role.
- 50% of lead advisors who participated in the survey identify utilizing an advisory team. The most common areas for assistant advisors are finances, *Ritual* education, recruitment, member development, and alumni relations.
- Nearly 98% of volunteer respondents believe they have access to Central Office staff. Volunteers reported wanting access to additional training sources, namely mental wellness, communicating and connecting with Generation Z

students and adapting to change within the Fraternity.

Based on this feedback, the Central Office plans to make the following modifications in the 2021-2022 year:

- With half of reporting advisors stating they use a team of volunteers, this tells us another half isn't. One staff goal for the year is developing a plan to help chapter advisors grow their volunteer teams.
- Communicate more accurately an estimated time commitment to prospective volunteers
- Provide training opportunities, including Catalyst, division conferences, Karnea and modules within the Fraternity's learning management system, to focus on key priorities identified by our volunteers.

Learn more and read the executive summary: deltstories. com/volunteer-support-surveysummary

## **Communications Survey**

Nearly 2,000 members of all ages completed the communications survey in 2020. Another communications survey is taking place this winter. Among the key findings from the 2020 survey:

- Email appears to still be the preferred method of outreach from the Fraternity across all demographics.
- Students are rapidly moving to Instagram and Snapchat. In the 2020 data, 90% of students identify as operating an Instagram account and 91% identify as operating a Snapchat account.
- The Fraternity website continues to be a key source of information for members. The printed edition of *The Rainbow* is as important as ever.

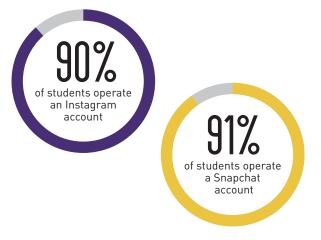
Based on these findings staff implemented the following changes to our communication strategy in 2020-2021:

- Increased Instagram presence to meet target audience, especially specific to programming for undergraduates.
- Launched a new format of Delt Stories to amplify the

coverage of news and events.

• Updated sections of the printed issues of The Rainbow as of summer 2021 issue.

Learn more and read the executive summary: deltstories.com/communications-survey-findings





## DELTS CELEBRATE THE DEDICATION OF A NEW Shelter at oklahoma state university

"What a glorious day for Delta Tau Delta at Oklahoma State University," declared Stephen E. Reel, (Oklahoma State University, 1970) chairman of the successful "Pledge Delt Again Campaign." He proudly reported the campaign had met and exceeded its goal of \$5,500,000 just days prior to the Sept. 2, 2021, celebration. Those in the overflow crowd roared and applauded their approval.

House Corporation President Ival Gregory (Oklahoma State University, 1972) served as master of ceremonies for the event. To the delight of everyone in attendance, he introduced President Dr. Kayse Shrum as the first woman to lead Oklahoma State University. She kicked off the celebration by receiving a standing ovation and welcomed Delt alumni and their families and friends back to the campus for the first home football game. Three of her children are members of Greek-letter organizations at Oklahoma State University. She recognized the contributions that fraternity and sorority members have given the university over the last 100 years.

Emcee Gregory then recognized the two honorary co-chairmen Vaughn Vennerberg (Oklahoma State University, 1976) and Joe Eastin (Oklahoma State University, 1992). They provided transformational gifts which were the foundation of the successful campaign. Both Vennerberg and Eastin are inductees into the Oklahoma State University Hall of Fame. Reel credited



teamwork and unwavering, indefatigable energy as the key ingredients for the success of the campaign. He recognized the excellent fundraising consultants, Bob McKinney, CEO of Pennington & Co., the campaign's Executive Committee, the Stillwater House Corporation Board of Directors and the more than 200 donors. Reel recalled those Delts who dared to dream in 2015 what could be and the Delt doers and donors who transformed the dream into a Delt reality in 2021.

House Corporation Treasurer and Campaign Executive Team member Joe Millar (Oklahoma State University, 1968) reported 60 Delt brothers played in the annual golf tournament on the Friday preceding the dedication. That night 150 brothers and family attended a packed cookout at the new Delta Chi Shelter. The grand finale was the dedication ceremony with more than 180 in attendance from nearby Texas, and as far away as Ohio and Florida. Some brothers had not seen one another in more than 50 years!

Executive team member Chip Woodward (Oklahoma State University, 1968) presented first-time alumni awards of "More Delt Less Self" to Joe Millar, Larry Blackledge (Oklahoma State University, 1963), Bill Peacher (Oklahoma State University, 1969) and Stephen Reel for their extraordinary efforts during the campaign. The recipients were surprised and humbled by these awards. Woodward expressed the hope that the award would inspire other alumni to dedicate their time and talents.

Chapter President Ryne Garrison (Oklahoma State University, 2022) eloquently provided a stirring speech to the alumni on behalf of the undergraduate chapter in his remarks. He thanked the alumni for a house they can take pride in and where they can share the brotherhood the chapter enjoys. "We thank you for representing our values today and always giving us a rich tradition and network that makes us proud to say we are Delt men of Oklahoma State University," Garrison said. "This house is much more than a building. This house is a

to the Foundation.

has provided us in our lives. Today [in] this house it is evident the impact that the values of truth, faith, courage and power hold in your lives and ours, even to this day." Jack Kreman, CEO of Delta Tau Delta and Steve K. Vedra, president of Delta Tau Delta Educational Foundation presented nine green Bethany Society blazers to brothers Joe Eastin, Jim Blevins (1975), Jim Carson (1973), Brian Callahan (1994), Kerry Alexander (1986), Stephen Reel, Bill Peacher and Matt Waits (1999). The Society recognizes those who donate \$25,000 or more

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is now the seventh new fraternity building

Delta Chi Chapter

new fraternity building on the OSU campus representing over \$50 million of new Greek construction projects. The 48-month campaign had an initial goal of \$4 million. As that goal was nearing, a new goal of \$5.5 million was set. The total cost of construction was \$6.5 million. Timberlake Construction Co. of Oklahoma City was the general contractor. The architect was Larry Blackledge of Blackledge and Associates in Oklahoma City. The new shelter has the capacity for 84 men with 39 percent of the space dedicated for scholarship and leadership development.



The previous shelter was dedicated in April 1963. It was expanded in the 1980s to hold 85 men and remodeled several times since.  $\Delta$ 

Campaign Chairman Stephen Reel (1970) and House Corporation Chairman Ival Gregory (1972) announce a successful \$5.55M campaign. The original goal was \$4M and increased to \$5.5M as momentum built during the campaign.



to right) Shelby H. Green III (1966), Joseph E. Eastin (1992), James B. Blevins Jr. (1975), Jim Carson (1973), William Peacher (1969), Lynn Ruffin (1986), Matthew D. Waits (1999) and Stephen Reel (1970).

## FOX TO SERVE FRATERNITY AS COORDINATOR OF WELLNESS AND WELLBEING



In November, the Fraternity announced Kelley Fox as the organization's first staff member with the primary focus and responsibility for the wellness and well-being of Delt undergraduates. She served as a chapter support coordinator since June 2020.

The coordinator of wellness and wellbeing is responsible for the development and implementation of the Fraternity health and wellness initiatives in alignment with the mission. values and strategic plan of the Fraternity. Fox will manage all health and wellness programs including individual and chapter online resources and undergraduate outreach initiatives. Curriculum focused on wellness and wellbeing, is

an integral component of the position.

Fox graduated from the University of Rhode Island in 2016. She served Zeta Tau Alpha as a leadership consultant from 2016-2018, participating in two expansions. She completed her master's degree in higher education from the University of Arkansas where she served as a graduate assistant in both the Greek Life office and the Office of Student Activities working with the Associated Student Government. Fox also served as an intern in the Office of Student Standards and

Conduct and a graduate volunteer on the All-University Conduct Board.

"Kelley brings creativity, enthusiasm and a desire to create meaningful experiences for members of Delta Tau Delta. I am excited for the impact she will make in the lives of our members," said Andy Longo, vice president of education and programming and Fox's new supervisor.

Look for the health and wellness topics in the summer 2022 issue of The Rainbow. If you have a related story to share, please reach out to rainbow@delts.org



## PARAGON JOINS FOUNDATION STAFF AS COORDINATOR OF COMMUNICATIONS

The Delta Tau Delta Educational Foundation welcomed Abigail M. Paragon to the staff as coordinator of Foundation communications starting in October. In this role, Paragon supports the Foundation's efforts to cultivate, raise and grant funds in accordance with its mission.

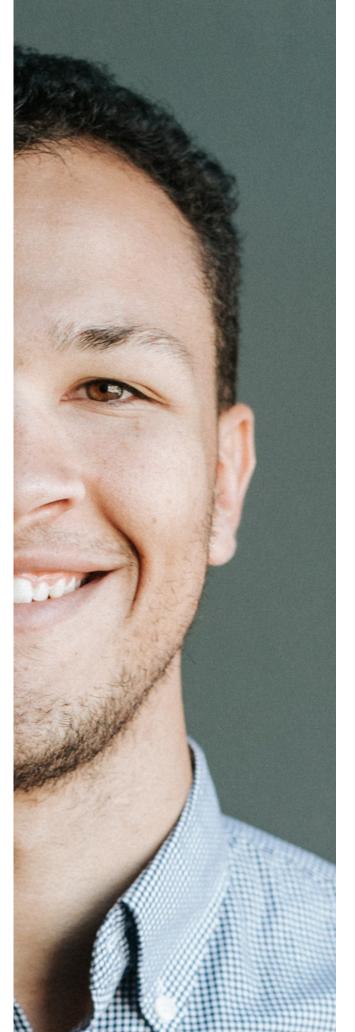
Paragon is a 2019 graduate of the Butler University College of Communications. At Butler she joined Kappa Alpha Theta. Prior to joining the Foundation staff, Paragon spent two years as an athletics communications assistant in the Grand Valley State University Athletics Department while earning her master's in communications. In that role, she served as the primary communications contact for the 2021 NCAA DII Women's Indoor Track & Field and 2021 NCAA DII Men's Outdoor Track & Field National Championship teams.

Paragon enjoys exercising outside, cheering on her Butler Bulldogs and the New York Yankees.

## CONGRATULATIONS CARLA J. PARENT For 16 Years of Service

Please join the Delta Tau Delta Educational Foundation in celebrating the faithful service of Parent who retired in 2021 after sixteen years with the Delt Foundation. For many years, she was a stalwart at Fraternity and Foundation events having attended six Karneas. A proclamation was adopted at the Foundation's fall board of directors meeting in her honor. Please join us in congratulating Parent on her much-deserved retirement.





BROTHERHOOD COMMUNITY DIVERSITY EDUCATION MENTAL HEALTH GROWTH SUPPORT FRATERNITY **MATTERS** 

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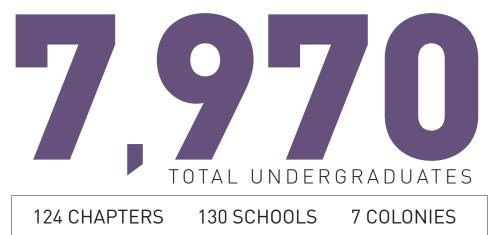


The Fraternity and the Delt Educational Foundation are two organizations united in purpose COMMITTED TO LIVES OF EXCELLENCE.

 83% of members indicate stronger leadership confidence as a result of their fraternity membership.

 Fraternity members show significantly higher learning gains than their peers in their first year of college.

Source: nicfraternity.org/research Fraternities are an accelerator for success, in college and beyond.



Last year one of our focuses was the growth and retention of members. From 2019 to 2020, **Delt saw only a -2.3%** dip in membership. **The National Fraternity average was** 

During the heart of the pandemic the narrative around Fraternities by critics was "are they necessary" and "they're just leisure activities" but the data disagrees. Compared to true leisure activities membership in the Fraternity remained strong...

Lifetime Fitness\*: \$948M vs. \$1.9B (-50.2%)

**Carnival Cruise Lines\*:** \$5.6B vs. \$20.8B (-73.1%) Hilton Hotels\*: \$4.3B vs. 9.4B (-54.3%)

**Delta Airlines\*:** \$12.9B vs 47.0B (-72.6%)

\*Data from 2020 annual reports

## **Chapters Opened:**

East Carolina University University of Arizona Sacred Heart University University of Mississippi

## Chapters Suspended:

Vanderbilt University American University Univ. of Pennsylvania Ohio University The Fraternity and Delt Foundation intentionally collaborate to provide members with world-class resources and support.

**S3064265** Total dollars raised from **5,602 GIFTS** in FY21



Total dollars granted to the Fraternity by the Delt Foundation







Delegates and unique views of Karnea



Karnea virtual programming attendees



Fraternity Programs

supported by the Delt Foundation

DELT ULIFELINE viewers



Held in place of 2021 Division Conferences



- Fraternity members report higher levels of positive mental health and less depression or anxiety than unaffiliated members.
- Nearly 80% of fraternity men report excellent to good mental health and wellbeing.
- When fraternity members seek help, they are twice as likely to turn to a brother than anyone else.

Source: nicfraternity.org/research



- 78% of fraternity members feel a strong connection to campus and are more satisfied with their experience.
- Fraternity members spend significantly more time volunteering, mentoring and doing other types of service work, and they feel like they belong in their communities.
- Nearly half of fraternity members serve in other campus leadership roles.

Source: nicfraternity.org/research

## Fraternities create lifelong connections to campus, community and peers.



Including Arch Chapter, Foundation Board, Division Vice Presidents, Assistant Chapter, Advisors, Finance Advisors, House Corporation Presidents, Recruitment Advisors, Risk Management Advisors and more valuable volunteers.

The Fraternity has filled **98% OF CHAPTER ADVISOR** roles and **95% OF DIVISION VICE PRESIDENT** roles compared to 2020 when the DVP vacancy rate was **30%**.

Total educational grants, scholarships and fellowships awarded by the Delt Foundation

## ONE DAY. \$2800000 FOURTH DELT DAY OF GIVING RAISED FROM 489 GIFTS

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## FRATERNTIY FISCAL YEAR END 2021 STATS

**Operating Revenue:** \$2,460,127 **Operating Expenses:** \$2,624,919 Net Operating Revenue: (\$164,792)



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## **Community Connections and TID Lessons**

Michelle Hertzke never expected her volunteer service to result in her family building a relationship with a Fraternity chapter through their fundraiser for JDRF. In the spring of 2021, Herztke helped set up a fundraiser in Story City, Iowa to support a friend whose son has a rare neurological condition, SLC6A1.

At the event, Hertzke met Andy Longo, vice president of programming and education for Delta Tau Delta, who decided to run in the local 5K while he was visiting his in-laws in Ames. After winning his age division, Longo started talking with Hertzke and discovered that her four-yearold son, Roy, was diagnosed with type 1 diabetes as a toddler.

In his role with the Fraternity, Longo leads the Delt partnership with JDRF: the leading global organization funding type 1 diabetes research. Established in 2012, the Fraternity's partnership has resulted in nearly \$2 million of support for JDRF and countless volunteer hours. Over the summer, Longo introduced Hertzke to Gamma Pi Chapter leaders at Iowa State University who then invited Hertzke and her family to their fall fundraiser for JDRF: Delt Guys Gamma Pi Chapter President John Swanson (Iowa State University, 2022) welcomed Michelle Hertzke and her son Roy to the chapter's fundraiser for JDRF. The Hertzke family has lived with type 1 diabetes since Roy's diagnosis in 2018.

#### Burgers and Fries.

The Fraternity's JDRF fundraiser, held at the Gamma Pi Shelter, was the first of its kind for Hertzke's T1D family. "Roy was diagnosed with T1D just after he turned two in 2018 and the first year was a whirlwind," Hertzke said. "We weren't ready to jump in and get involved with JDRF and then COVID happened."

Because he was so young when he was diagnosed, Roy doesn't know life without T1D. Hertzke said he knows he has a pump and a glucose monitor, but there was no formal conversation about type 1 diabetes. Before the Delt event, she had that first conversation with Roy, framed in terms for a four-year-old. "We're going to a party and it's kind of all about you," Hertzke said. "They are raising money and it goes to people like your doctor who work to find a way for you not to have an insulin pump."

Knowing how his pump helps, Roy was skeptical, letting his mom know he wants to keep the pump because he doesn't want more insulin shots. "He's just too young to fully understand," Hertzke said. "At the event he was a little overwhelmed, but the guys were so sweet. He thought their house was a hotel, so he wanted to go see the beds and find the pool! The guys took him to their meeting room, and it was so nice for them to get to know him and make a connection."

Gamma Pi Chapter President John Swanson (Iowa State University, 2022) said it was an absolute joy to host Hertzke and Roy at Gamma Pi's fundraising event. "Roy was amazed at the chapter house and the layout of the building. He ran laps around the formal room, which was perfect since we had comfortable couches and a soft carpet," Swanson said. "Roy wanted to show how fast he could run and how strong he is becoming. "Hosting and connecting with Michelle and Roy was an honor and an unforgettable experience for myself, the members and the chapter. If Andv hadn't reached out, we would've likely missed out on such a great opportunity. We hope to connect with Michelle and Roy again for future JDRF fundraising events."

"Roy was an absolute legend," said Gamma Pi Vice President Kade Gannon (Iowa State University 2023). "He was very outgoing and willing to run around and meet everyone, I loved his energy, and he made me laugh and smile nonstop. It was a great feeling to have Michelle and Roy there since it made our philanthropy feel so much more authentic."

Roy was just 14 months old when his parents noticed he was drinking a lot of water. His pediatrician tested his blood sugar, and it was normal. They thought he was just a kid who drinks more water. His parents have a close friend with T1D and are familiar with the signs of type 1 diabetes. Over the next nine months Roy continued drinking more and more water and started leaking through overnight diapers. This prompted Roy's parents to make another appointment with the pediatrician.

The weekend before the appointment Roy became so desperate for water he began crying while they were in a grocery store. Hertzke bought him a 24-ounce bottle of water, and he drank the whole thing in less than two hours. She refilled the bottle, and he drank another 24 ounces of water.

"Having that particular bottle and knowing just how much water he drank—we knew it was too much,' Hertzke said. After Roy was diagnosed, their friend with T1D spent most of the next two weeks with the family as they learned how to manage Roy's blood sugar. Hertzke is grateful for the guidance of their friend and hopes to pay it forward by helping another family with a new T1D diagnosis in the future. Roy was fortunate that he did not need to be hospitalized upon diagnosis but Hertzke said being sent home from the endocrinology clinic hospital just a few hours after diagnosis was terrifying.

Now that she is an experienced T1D parent, Hertzke is able to help educate others, beginning with sharing their family's experience with Gamma Pi Chapter to help them understand the impact of T1D and who they are working for in their efforts to help JDRF find a cure.

Vice President of Philanthropy and Community Service Luke Spinner (Iowa State University, 2022) said having Hertzke and Roy visit Gamma Pi Chapter was a special way to help brothers understand why they are supporting JDRF. "It made us understand how our philanthropy events go beyond simply raising money and rather support research funding to help kids like

## **#DELTSFORJDRF**



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We had a blast seeing you all at PIE A DELT. The Delts have always been on the go to give back just this time we got dirty alongside! We were able to raise about \$317 (75 people average turnover). 100% proceeds go to JDRF.

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#### **@OKLAHOMA\_DELTS**

What a way to end our JDRF fundraiser for 2021. It was great to finally experience our first One Walk since 2018. We were once again the highest-fundraising Delt chapter in the country with \$17,250. Can't wait to see what the next few years bring!



#### **@GVDELTS**

It was a pleasure to help out and raise money for JDRF and the fight against type 1 diabetes at the JDRF One Walk!! #rahdelt #jdrf #deltsforjdrf



Team McGuire: Brian McGuire (center in hat) with his youngest daughter Tracy to his left, his wife, Joan, kneeling to his right and Delt brother Dennis Rainey (University of Southern California, 1978) (far left in white).

## Humbled by the Spotlight Brian McGuire's Life Experience Becomes the Cause

Brian McGuire (University of Southern California, 1977) knows the satisfaction of giving back to his community. He understands the importance of raising awareness for a cause. And he feels the gratitude felt by those who are on the receiving end of the efforts of a community. Not just because he's witnessed it, but because he lives it. Every single day.

In 2014, at the age of 59, McGuire was diagnosed with Parkinson's disease. And although giving back was nothing new, his own experience also became a cause for others.

"It's a double-bladed sword. I think most of us figure out pretty early in our lives how good charity makes us feel, whether it's in a direct giving way, or indirect way. My wife and I love giving to people within our church and making it anonymous. We don't want the attention," he said.

"But when it gets very focused and you happen to be the one the spotlight is on, it's very humbling. I never expected to be in this situation. It really changed my outlook."

McGuire found himself drawn to the Michael J. Fox Foundation and its focus on research to finding a cure and improving the lives of those with Parkinson's. And he got involved through the SoCal Ride for Parkinson's which benefited the Michael J. Fox Foundation.

"I got involved with it the second year. Bob Lear, the primary guy who started it, likes to call it divine intervention," he said, as Lear was thinking of making that year the last. "I don't think it was that dramatic, but I went to lunch with him about a week after the event and told him I found something I really wanted to get behind and wanted to be one of the planners and really promote it and help raise money. That's when he decided he would keep going." And although that third year held the challenge of the pandemic and all things virtual, the event still managed to raise about \$14,000 through individual rides.

This year, however, the race

was held in person and McGuire credits its great success to friends Dennis Rainey, a fellow USC Delt (1978) and Emile Bayle, a UCLA Beta Theta Pi alumus. The men capitalized on the rivalry of the two alma maters to develop a fundraising contest between USC and UCLA. "Not only did their contest sprout wings-Dennis raised about \$3,600 and Emile raised about \$3,900-but it also really provided a spark for the rest of the event," McGuire said. "The word got out and encouraged more people to take it a little more seriously and I really give them credit for creating a spark that grabbled the imagination of a lot of people." The 2021 race, in fact, raised nearly \$50,000! Find more information about the race at socalride.net.

Through his experience living with Parkinson's and giving back through community involvement, McGuire has learned much along the way—some about facts and figures and some about human nature.

He was certainly grateful, but not surprised by the support he received from his friends like Rainey and Bayle. He knows them well and knows the kind of people they are. But when it came to others, McGuire considered it a turning point of sorts. "I looked at all the dozens of other people, our neighbors who were more like acquaintances, who stepped up to ride in the event, volunteer to help man the event, contribute money. All of the things from people I didn't expect it from is probably the most heartwarming," he said. "In my mind it's just going to get bigger and better because of all the people I've mentioned who are coming out of the woodwork."

Of course, standing by his side throughout his journey is his wife along with their three daughters, whose giving spirits were developed from a very young age. As they were just beginning to raise their family, McGuire and his wife, Joan, got their daughters involved in the National Charity League which provided an opportunity for all of their children to discover the satisfaction of helping others through hands-on experiences, like working at summer camps for special needs individuals and their families.

And it's through these experiences and his own example that he hopes to continue to reinforce their ability to enhance their own communities, in their own individual ways. "Beyond that, I would like to demonstrate to them that you can make a difference," he said. "That's it."  $\Delta$ By Janine Wampler

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Brian McGuire (University of Southern California, 1977)



Brian McGuire (University of Southern California, 1977), Dennis Rainey (University of Southern California, 1978) and Emile Bayle a Beta Theta Pi alumnus from UCLA. Rainey and Bayle jump started fundraising efforts and personally raised \$7,500 toward the SoCal Ride for Parkinson's benefiting the Michael J. Fox Foundation.

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Phil Jaynes (Oklahoma State University, 1988)

#### GO BIG OR GO HOME.

For most of us, it's an either/or statement. But Phil Jaynes (Oklahoma State University, 1988) couldn't do it that way. For him to go big, he literally went home, in a very big way!

Jaynes is the president of the Southern Highlands Community Association in Las Vegas, Nev. There are currently around 25,000 people living in more than 8,000 homes within the Southern Highlands borders and the development is not yet complete. As future development is completed, there will be around 10,400 homes as part of the homeowners association on the southernmost edge of Las Vegas.

Although it entails an abundance of volunteer hours, he has found the effort to be rewarding. "When I got involved, I was having an issue with some development that was going on in my community," he said. "I've always been of the opinion that if you have a problem, you get involved; you don't just sit back and complain about it. So when a seat came up, I ran for it and got in.

"It seems like every time someone gets on an HOA board it's because they have their issue. Then they realize this is a lot more than my little issue. You are volunteering for the community and doing good for the community. I've been doing this since 2006. I took a two-year break where I didn't run but then I got back into it." With around 30 sub associations, Jaynes is somewhat removed from the day-to-day issues that arise, which gives him the flexibility to focus on the master community.

And part of that focus includes community events, which have proven to be very successful for the Southern Highlands neighborhood. The annual Memorial Day event, complete with fireworks, bounce houses, parks, raffle tickets and more is the main fundraiser that supports Operation Warm Heart, a charity supporting the airmen and civilians at Nellis Air Force Base and Creech Air Force Base, providing financial relief in emergency situations. Since 2010, in fact, they've raised more than \$250 million dollars.

Jaynes remembers an example of an airman who was a recipient of some of those funds. "He was in Los Angeles for the weekend and his wife was pregnant and she ended up having the baby premature. Since it was premature, the baby had to stay in the hospital, and it was in Los Angeles. And he was just a young airman," he said. "He's not making a lot of money, and he can't pay for the hotel room and things like that, so the charity stepped up and took care of his lodging for an extended amount of time."

Having grown up in the Air Force community, being a part of an effort to give to young men and women who serve really resonates with Jaynes.

But just as there are great rewards, there have also been great challenges. "The 2008-2009 foreclosure situation with the housing market was a huge challenge," he said. "You've got so many houses people are walking away from and you're not getting the money you are supposed to be getting, it really starts affecting your budgets."

Most recently, the pandemic created the need to make operational adjustments to continue thriving as a growing community. But Jaynes was no stranger to seeing the pandemic dictate changes in day-to-day life.

In his professional career, Jaynes is the president of the International Alliance of Theatrical Stage Employees, Local 720, a role he has held since January 2020. He has been a stagehand since 1994 working behind the scenes of the entertainment industry. It is a job that serves him well and has allowed him the opportunity and time to become involved in his community.

"When I first got involved with the HOA, back in 2006, I was the head carpenter of the Folies Bergere, which at the time was the longest running show in the United States," he said. "It was at the Tropicana Hotel. I would go in and was in charge of making sure



Phil Jaynes joined Delt brothers for a getaway trip in August 2021.

technically the show went on without a hitch every night, six nights a week. So, it freed up my days.

"I used to walk out with my girlfriend, now wife, and she would ask how the show went and I would say, 'Nice and dull, the way I like it.' Because if it wasn't dull, that meant something broke, something happened."

Today, he and his wife have two young kids in whom

they strive to instill the value of community pride. "Be involved. Volunteer your time to help people. If you are involved in something, you are not surprised by something. You have a say in the outcome," Jaynes said.

"I take them to events, so they see me doing it. So they can see the value, not just see me leaving the house," he said. "When our youngest was born, we realized we don't have any water parks, splash pads, in our community. I sat down and figured out how much one would cost, and they opened one up. It's now the Jaynes' Family Splash Park."

So, for a guy who spent his youth moving every four years in a military family, Jaynes has learned to settle in and make his mark on a community by getting involved and making a difference.  $\Delta$ 

By Janine Wampler



The annual Memorial Day fundraiser supporting Operation Warm Heart, a charity supporting the airmen and civilians at Nellis Air Force Base and Creech Air Force Base, providing financial relief in emergency situations.

# AMBIGUOUSLY BLIND:



John Grimes (Texas Tech University, 2000) producer of the "Ambiguously Blind" podcast. Grimes explores life after bacterial meningitis caused sudden blindness.

As a college sophomore, John Grimes (Texas Tech University, 2000) felt sick with what he thought was the flu. The next day, his Delt big brother Brad Smith (Texas Tech University, 2000) found Grimes unconscious on the floor in his apartment. Smith called 911 and Grimes was rushed to the hospital by ambulance.

"When I got to the ER unconscious, I was presenting like somebody who was having some sort of a drug overdose. That wasn't the case at all, but that's what they thought," Grimes said. "In the ER they finally did the spinal tap and discovered it was meningitis."

He spent 21 days in the hospital—seven in a coma, fighting bacterial meningitis, which is caused

by meningococcal disease (Neisseria meningitidis bacterium). Bacterial meningitis can cause the tissues around the brain to swell and can be life threatening. Though rare, meningococcal disease can develop rapidly and claim a life in as little as one day. While antibiotic treatment is available, 10 to 15 percent of those infected will die because the disease is so rapid in its onset. Transmitted by respiratory droplets, the infection can start with symptoms that present similar to the common cold or flu. Anyone can get it, though teens and young adults are at increased risk due to adolescent behaviors including being in close contact. One in five survivors will have permanent disabilities such as hearing loss,

blindness or amputation.

As a feeding tube and ventilator kept Grimes alive, his parents were told the outlook was grim—their son might not live or if he did, he might not have any [meaningful] cognitive function. Grimes credits his recovery to a higher power and the fortitude of his parents who pressed the hospital administration to assign a different doctor. Grimes began to improve, but his life had changed dramatically.

"Once they understood it was meningitis, they could treat it correctly, but before they got that far, the swelling had gotten so bad in my cranium that they thought they were going to have to crack my head open to release the pressure. The pressure cut off circulation to my optic nerves and optic nerves are an extension of the brain—it's what connects the brain with the eyeball," Grimes said.

When he left the University Medical Center in Lubbock, Texas, in March 1998, he faced rehabilitation to learn basic life functions like sitting up, swallowing and standing. The most obvious change though is his loss of vision. "I'm totally blind in one eye and have a 20/300 vision in the other eye and some other nerve damage," he said. "I don't need a cane or a guide dog. I appear normally sighted. I can see enough to be dangerous, but I can't see enough to drive. My vision is not correctable."

Additional nerve damage

means some areas of Grimes' body don't have sensation. "The nerve that connects my brain with my bladder was disconnected or damaged, so since 1998 at the age of 19 I've been using a catheter for urination around four times a day. That coupled with normal college lifestyle and the vision change certainly made for some unique and challenging opportunities especially socially. When I went back to school in the fall, I didn't have any friends who used a catheter, nor did I have any friends who were blind. There was a lot of relearning, a lot of exploration," Grimes said.

When he returned to campus, Grimes lived with chapter brothers, Smith and Kevin Christian (Texas Tech University, 1999) who were instrumental in helping him navigate campus and the Fraternity helped him reconnect with friends.

"Brad was pivotal because if he hadn't come over that day, I would not have lived," Grimes said. "Meningitis is fast-acting. I felt like I had the flu about 24 to 36 hours before I was admitted to the hospital. I took some medicine, went to bed and woke up seven days later. Without Brad, then that's where the story would have ended," Grimes said.

Having a strong support system in navigating a new reality proved invaluable. "Finding all the new ways to do things, was the key. My family was a major support system as equivalent to my faith as a strong Christian. Then also, my

friends who were at school with me," Grimes said.

His return to college in August 1998 took immense energy and effort but with persistence he conquered new learning styles and graduated in five years total-including the six months of recovery at home. Grimes graduated on August 11, 2001—just one month before September 11, 2001. He began working with an insurance agent and two years later, when his father retired from a corporate insurance role, they opened an insurance agency together.

Things like dating were also different for Grimes, but in 2009, he met his wife whom he married in 2011. And how they met? "It was kind of a blind date, in more than one sense," Grimes said of a connection made through his parents meeting other volunteers at a local food bank. Grimes and his wife have three daughters aged six, five and four.

Grimes continues to face dark days but remembers to keep the correct mindset and keep pushing forward. In doing so he produces the podcast, "Ambiguously Blind," the term he uses to describe himself. On the air he shares his experiences and connects with others to discuss thriving with visual impairment and overcoming life's challenges. "I'm ready to start talking about it now. I'm trying to do everything I can to talk about the experience, to talk about meningitis," Grimes said.

Along with his wife, Erin, Grimes has turned to advocacy



volunteering with the National Meningitis Association (NMA). Since 2002, the NMA has worked to protect families from the potentially devastating effects of meningococcal disease by educating the public, medical professionals and others about the disease and its prevention. For the best protection, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) recommends a first dose of the MenACWY vaccine at ages 11-12 and a second dose at age 16. Parents should also talk with their teen's doctor about the MenB vaccine. Though it wasn't available to Grimes in the 1990s, the MenACWY vaccine was added to the recommended immunization schedule in the U.S. in 2005.

Through this advocacy work in September 2021, Grimes joined Molly Ringwald the first national spokesperson for The 16 Vaccine campaign (an educational initiative launched in 2018 by NMA

in collaboration with Sanofi Pasteur for the CDCrecommended second dose of the meningococcal meningitis vaccine) in a panel discussion. Ringwald, a mom of three kids and award-winning actor, singer and writer, is an advocate for meningitis prevention aiming to educate parents about the CDCrecommended second dose of the meningococcal meningitis vaccine.

As a survivor, parent and advocate, Grimes said his goal is to help educate and inform as many people as he can about the fast-acting nature of meningococcal disease and the long-term effects on survivors and families.

Talk to your doctor and visit nmaus.org and 16vaccine. org to learn more about meningococcal disease, a rare but potentially deadly bacterial infection that can present as meningococcal meningitis or meningococcemia. A



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## Support Community Youth

Nilson Goes (Texas Christian University, 2004) is a committed man. Whether it's living a healthy life, running a successful business (or two), keeping up with a growing family or making his community the best it can be, Goes has mastered the art of finding the time to do it all, and has turned it into a science.

He came from humble beginnings. His family immigrated to the United States from Brazil when he was just six years old so his father, an electrical engineer by trade, could further his education. Learning the value of hard work early in his young life, Goes watched his father earn a Ph.D. and go on to found a successful construction business in 1996, never imagining that he would one day hold the reins.

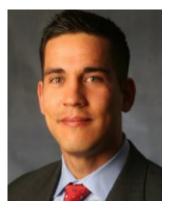
But after more than 10 years post-graduation from TCU, and a career in the pharmaceutical industry, he returned to the midwest to further his own education at Washington University in St. Louis and to be near family. He joined his father at Infinite Energy Construction. "I came on essentially as an operations guy," he said, "then worked my way as my father started slowly releasing the reins."

Nilson Goes is a man who leads by example.

Now, as president of IEC, headquartered in Kansas City, Mo., Goes' personal commitment to making a difference in his community is enhanced by his drive to create a culture within the company that encourages everyone to help build stronger communities.

Much of his energy toward giving back goes to community youth. "Kids are, to me, our most redeeming element as a species," he said. "They represent the best versions of ourselves and probably give us the best reason for hope."

As he remembers his own youth, he reflects on the idea that although he has worked very hard in his life for the things he has achieved, he recognizes part of that success comes down to luck. "When I look at my own trajectory how I ended up where I ended up—there were things where I was fortunate enough to be in the right place at the right time,



and I was fortunate to have the right people in my life.

"It's an appreciation for my humble background. On paper you see somebody who has gone to expensive private schools and has expensive hobbies, but you also see someone who came from a developing country," he said. "I've seen both sides of that fence and have never lost the appreciation for how a lot of people live their lives and work through challenges."

Today, he strives to be the right person in the lives of children who just may need a little luck.

One way he does this is by volunteering each week with a local organization called Cornerstones of Care, focusing on children who don't fit into traditional foster care. "These are kids that may come from atrocious abuse scenarios. I leave work a little bit early once a week to help them with homework," he said. "For that hour, about half of it is homework and half of it is just listening to them and being a positive interaction with an adult."

Beyond the one-on-one time he devotes to kids at Cornerstones, he has also served for the past five years on the board for Wonderscope, the Children's Museum of Kansas City, which recently built and moved to a new location funded through a \$15 million capital campaign. "It's a pretty ambitious undertaking as a board, but it's gone well," Goes said.

He was drawn to the project as a great fit for his own values and those of his company. "It is a STEAM museum—science, technology, engineering, art and math. I value a lot of those hard skills and that thought process you can apply to anything. It's not dissimilar to a CrossFit gym, just exercising a different part of your body."

And Goes knows about CrossFit.

Goes and his wife, a former competitive athlete who he met at TCU, place high value on fitness and wellness. So, when the opportunity presented itself



Above: Working on a Habitat for Humanity project in Kansas City with the Infinite Energy Construction team. Left: Dedication of a dog park built for the families at Fort Irwin Military Post (U.S. Army) at Fort Irwin, Calif.

in a community improvement district that could enhance both the landscape and health of the neighborhood, they took it and opened Martin City CrossFit Gym. "I call it a passion time and energy to his family. The youngest of four children and the only boy, he enjoys a tight-knit nuclear family as extended relatives remain in South America. And he is

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project," he said. "There was a concerted community effort to develop the area. I saw a vacant building that obviously wasn't generating any commerce, anything good."

And of course, Goes devotes

instilling those same values in his own children.

So, when it comes to scheduling his time, he makes strategic decisions that allow him to maximize his family time. He has turned his love of motorcycles into a penchant for dirt-bike racing so that he can share the fun with his son, and perhaps alleviate a little worry from his wife. Obligations as a board member for the children's museum are also activities his kids can enjoy.

"I'm a really structured person," he said. "I'm up at 4:30. I work out. I don't watch TV. I'm just really deliberate with my time and try to structure it really carefully."

At the end of the day, the lessons he hopes to pass along to his children are simple: work hard and be kind. "If you can do those two things, I'll take care of the rest for a long time," he tells them. "I'll try to put you in the best situations in school, just work your tail off when you're there and be kind to people."  $\Delta$ 

By Janine Wampler



Tom Connelly (University of North Dakota, 2013) and Matt Munoz (University of North Dakota, 2010) as volunteer coaches for Minneapolis Titan Youth Hockey.

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As a volunteer youth hockey coach, Tom Connelly (University of North Dakota, 2013) is committed to sharing his passion with the next generation. He started playing hockey at age five and he credits those who came before him with his ability and the inspiration to coach young kids today.

Connelly grew up in Boston but decided to explore outside New England for college. "North Dakota seemed to be a good fit because the hockey program is the only show in town, so to speak," Connelly said. "Having hockey as your favorite thing and having it be everyone else's favorite thing was definitely a cool experience."

As an undergraduate, he joined Delta Xi Chapter brothers as a volunteer with the Adopt-a-School program where realized he enjoyed coaching and interacting with kids. Connelly participated in the Undergraduate Interfraternity Institute, a North American Interfraternity Conference program focused on elevating leadership skills and igniting change in 2012. Then after graduation he worked for Delta Tau Delta as a chapter consultant through 2014. His experience working with Delta Tau Delta paved the way to his career in higher education with Northwestern Health Sciences University, a smaller chiropractic alternative medicine university in Minnesota offering programs for chiropractors, massage therapists and acupuncture professionals.

After he moved to Minnesota, Connelly began volunteering as a coach for the Minneapolis Titan Youth Hockey. He learned about the coaching opportunity with the Titans from a fellow Delt volunteer who had also worked as a chapter consultant for the Fraternity. Matt Munoz (University of North Dakota, 2010) and Connelly then coached together for three years.

"This organization gives kids in north/northeast Minneapolis the opportunity to play and the chance to participate. They were looking for people who had a background in playing hockey, because there weren't a lot of parents who have experience with the sport," Connelly said. "I've had a few important coaches that helped me along the way. And they really inspired me to get involved and find areas where I could serve that role and kind of pay it forward," Connelly said.

"Giving kids who wouldn't normally have a chance to play hockey the opportunity to learn how to play is definitely a really cool experience. It was a big selling point just to be able to do something a little different and make a difference in people's lives," Connelly said of the many hours he's spent volunteering.

"Being involved with the Fraternity definitely helps drive my commitment. In our *Creed*, commitment to the community is essential. And I definitely agree with that. I think it's important that we're doing our best to create the kind of environment we want to live in. And having people with talents pass those on to another generation is huge," Connelly said.

Connelly learned this lesson loud and clear from his great uncle who taught a kid named Mike Eruzione how to skate. Eruzione is best known as the captain of the 1980 Winter Olympics United States national team that defeated the Soviet Union in the famous "Miracle on Ice" game, in which he scored the winning goal.

At his great uncle's funeral, Connelly heard Eruzione recount how he used to show up every Sunday to watch other kids play hockey. "One day my great uncle stopped him and asked him why he wasn't going to play," Connelly said. "Mike Eruzione explained that he couldn't afford the pads and didn't know how to skate. The following Sunday, my great uncle got to the rink early and waited for Mike Eruzione.



He had pads and skates and everything and taught Mike Eruzione how to skate. Just knowing that if, he hadn't been there, who knows what would have happened in the 1980 Olympics. Just to be able to give a kid a chance to learn and see where they go with that is the coolest thing ever. Who knows if I'll inspire any Olympians? I doubt it, but I don't think that was my great uncle's plan when he taught him how to skate."

Connelly worked with the Minneapolis Titans for six years before a move across town prompted him to look for other coaching options with less of a commute. He got involved with Armstrong Cooper Youth Hockey. The volunteer time commitment was easier when Connelly was single living in an apartment but has been more challenging as Connelly and his wife welcomed their first child in October-the busiest month leading into hockey season. In the ebb and flow of volunteering, Connelly is sitting out this season, but the lure of teaching the next generation will continue.

"Everyone has their own set of skills, and everyone has his own expertise. If you're able to pass on expertise to another generation, you're able to

not only make an impact on their lives, but you also could even make an impact on the generation after them. That the downstream effect can be massively positive," Connelly said. "If everyone was able to take a little time and pass on some of the skills they were fortunate to take on-and it doesn't have to be anything immaculate or amazing. I can't say every single practice or every single game has gone amazing for us. It's just been something we've been committed to and to give the kids you work with the opportunity to learn. It just makes all the difference in the world." 🛆

# FINDING PURPOSE IN EDUCATING OTHERS FOLLOWING TRAGEDY



Stevan Stankovich with other members of the Beta Psi Chapter who joined in fall of 2008.

The chapter was suspended, and the charter was withdrawn following the death of Johnny Smith (Wabash College, 2012) in October 2008.

Beta Psi Chapter was rechartered in 2016 and Stevan Stankovich and 10 classmates were initiated as alumni in September 2021.

As a volunteer for Make Good Decisions, Stevan Stankovich (Wabash College, 2012) has worked to make a difference by educating teens and young adults on the signs of alcohol poisoning and the Indiana Lifeline law. His commitment to educating others and shining a light on the issue to help save lives grew out of tragedy in the fall of his college freshman year-the death of a classmate (Johnny Smith, Wabash College, 2012) due to alcohol poisoning.

Stankovich and Smith were among 28 men who joined Beta Psi Chapter just five weeks before Smith's death in 2008. As an 18-year-old college freshman, Stankovich didn't know the signs of alcohol poisoning or the potential for alcohol consumption to lead to death. "I saw a lot of people drink, I saw a lot of people drink too much and pass out, but no one had died before and I never even thought that was possible," he said.

On the weekend of homecoming, Stankovich, who had not been drinking and was studying for a calculus exam set for the following Monday, was asked to watch over Smith who had returned to the shelter intoxicated and barely walking. Smith was placed on a mattress on the floor to "sleep it off."

"At one point, Johnny had rolled off the mattress and I asked a couple guys to help me put him back on. They did. I should have known something was wrong, but I did not. He was unresponsive. He was breathing, though, and we assumed he was fine. The fact that he was unresponsive when we moved him back onto the mattress, should have said something. He also had very bloodshot eyes and just rattling breathing. It was a deep rattling breathing," Stankovich said.

Stankovich left to drive

some people home and when he returned around 3 a.m. he checked on Johnny one more time. "He was still breathing. Again, it was that deep rattling breathing that I will remember for the rest of my life," Stankovich said.

He assumed Johnny would be okay, but the next morning Johnny he was unresponsive. "I just freeze. I don't know what to do. One of my pledge brothers rushes over and starts administering CPR. At that point, I just kind of blank and I leave the room. I go downstairs. The ambulance comes. I point them in the right direction and the last time I see Johnny, he's getting wheeled out of the back of the house on a gurney in a body bag.

"That image will be in my mind for the rest of my life."

"I just wish I knew then what I know now, and I would have been able to do something. That's why I joined Make Good Decisions and went around the state to help educate others about the signs of alcohol poisoning and the Indiana Lifeline Law," Stankovich said.

The non-profit initiative, which is part of the Indiana Youth Services Association, originated following another tragic death. Brett Finbloom, an 18-year-old high school graduate, died in 2012 due to alcohol poisoning the summer before he left for college. Brett had been drinking with underage friends in an Indianapolis suburb. He drank too much, too fast and passed out. Friends at the party did not know the serious dangers of binge drinking and the importance of calling for help immediately.

They feared getting in trouble if they called for help as they did not know about Indiana's Lifeline Law. If they had called 911 immediately and stayed to cooperate with first responders, they would have had immunity from underage drinking and many related offenses pursuant to Indiana's Lifeline Law. Most importantly they may have saved Brett's life.

Through the formation of Make Good Decisions, Brett's parents, Norm and Dawn Finbloom, work to empower other teens and their families with life-saving knowledge about the warning signs of alcohol poisoning, the dangers of binge drinking, Indiana's Lifeline Law and to basically make good decisions.

Stankovich was inspired by how the Finbloom's channeled their grief into a positive action to try and help and save lives. "They mean everything to me. I was able to join [Make Good Decisions] to go around the state and start talking at high schools as well as colleges and fraternities and sororities and juvenile detention centers to try to share our stories as well as the facts about alcohol poisoning," Stankovich said.

He committed to working with the Finblooms in memory of Johhny. "The most important thing is that there's no more Johnnys out there, no more Bretts out there, and that there's no more Mr. and Mrs. Finbloom and Mr. and Mrs. Smith who get the phone call that their son has passed away," he said. "Finally, that there's no more countless other lives that get shattered."

The Beta Psi Chapter at Wabash was closed a month later. "At that point it didn't feel like I lost one brother, it felt like I had lost 70 brothers," Stankovich said.

"After that night, I would pretend everything was okay and I was there for other guys to have a shoulder to cry on and just be there for them. I tried to hide it. I'm good at compartmentalization, or, at least, I thought I was. I would just compartmentalize all this grief, depression and guilt that I was feeling. I ended up becoming president of four or five different clubs on campus, tried to help a bunch of other organizations. I still had good grades but, on the weekends, I turned to drinking."

Stankovich suffered from horrific nightmares and was diagnosed with PTSD and anxiety. One night he left a suicide note on his computer. "Luckily, I didn't pass away from that evening, but my pledge brothers found my suicide note and got me the help I needed, for which I will be forever grateful."

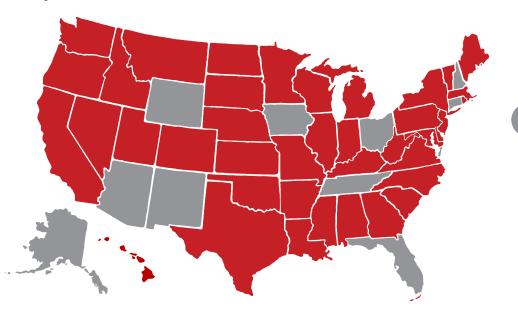
Having a professional to talk to was beneficial and he encourages others not to fear seeking help for any depression, grief or guilt. "You shouldn't think you have to be everything and be able to just cope with it yourself because that's not healthy. Self-medicating is actually the worst thing you can do for yourself," he said.

The memories from that night haunt him. "I will always wish I could redo that night over again and bring Johnny back. There's nothing more in my life that I wish to be able to do [than] that," Stankovich said.

Helping educate others through Make Good Decisions, Stankovich strives to live his life right by Johnny and prevent other families and friends from unnecessary and tragic loss.

Stankovich encourages everyone to make the good decision pledge because you never know when you might need the call, or to make the call to save someone's life.  $\Lambda$ 

**Stevan Stankovich** works in commercial property management and redevelopment for Simon Property Group. He loves connecting with fellow Delts, Hoosiers and Wabash graduates helping foster growth and connections however he can.



#### WHAT CAN YOU DO? KNOW THE SIGNS.

It is impossible to accurately tell on the scene if someone is passed out or dying. Even doctors need medical equipment to fully assess. Any one of these signs or combination of these signs, and you need to call 911 immediately:

- Acting unusually confused
- Repetitively throwing up
- Breathing is different than normal
- Skin looks pale or bluish
- Loss of bodily functions
- Snoring unusually or loudly
- Passed Out (meaning you can't wake the person up to an alert state)

**Every 44 hours** a collegeaged person dies from alcohol poisoning. Most teen-drinking deaths aren't traffic related. They are from other alcohol infused accidents such as falls, homicides, suicides and alcohol poisoning. **9%** of the teen alcohol deaths are from simply drinking too much, too fast.

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#### Medical Amnesty—also

known as the 911 Lifeline or 911 Good Samaritan Law in some states—is a state-wide law which grants intoxicated minors a limited legal immunity when they seek help for themselves or another individual who is in need of immediate medical attention. The states on the map shaded red are all states with medical amnesty.

Source: Make Good Decisions, Indiana Youth Services Association and medicalamnesty.org



















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CODY J. DEWRELL (Kennesaw State University, 2014)

Dewrell took ownership of his role as account manager of Pharma Intelligence at Informa, LLC in February. In this position, he renews roughly 100 accounts while also upselling new business targets. It's safe to say he has discovered his key to success, as he is responsible for having produced a 117 percent increase of target renewal. In another field, the baseball field, Dewrell spent three seasons as an account executive in membership sales for the Atlanta Braves and sold more than \$1.1 million in new business revenue.



#### BRYSON R. BROWN (University of Kansas, 2019)

Brown is part of the research and development team for Spirit AeroSystems supporting various programs across commercial aircraft and business jets. He develops new product configurations, designs, manufacturing processes and advanced technologies for new aerostructures. He is also pursuing an MBA through the Kenen-Flagler Business School at University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.



#### **TOMAS ŠIURNA** (Illinois Institute of Technology, 2018)

Šiurna didn't wait for his graduation from the Illinois Institute of Technology to make his mark; in 2013, he created one of the biggest mobile games in Lithuania to date (Kviz!) that garnered more than 300,000 downloads and held the No. 1 chart position for months following its release. In April 2019, Šiurna created and co-founded brandù, a digital marketing agency that already has an established name in the market and is working with some of the most prominent brands in the country. In 2014, he launched the inaugural "Smart Day," that has now taken place four years total, and connected six sciences into one experience for one of the largest STEM contests in Lithuania. More than 15,000 people took part since 2014.



#### BRYAN R. DAVIDSON (Washington & Jefferson College, 2005)

Davidson has made a substantial impact on his community as an English teacher for the PA Cyber Charter School and as manager of the Bellevue Farmers Market. When the world shut down at the height of the COVID-19 pandemic, Davidson did not. On March 14, 2020, he became a founding member of the Feeding Neighbors Program which prepared and delivered meals three times a week to aid those affected by the pandemic and food insecurity. Over the course of four months, the Feeding Neighbors raised more than \$100,000 from the community and foundations which helped Feeding Neighbors prepare and deliver more than 30,000 meals to more than 250 homes.

#### LANDON E. BAHL

(University of North Dakota, 2015)

One might call Bahl a superhero. In 2017, Bahl donated bone marrow to save the life of a Delt brother who was the transplant recipient. When not wearing a cape, Bahl serves as director of development for the University of North Dakota (UND) Alumni Association and Foundation where he raises funds for current students through building and maintaining relationships with alumni. Bahl earned degrees in marketing and entrepreneurship that propelled him to pursue entrepreneurial endeavors. He currently owns and operates three successful businesses in North Dakota.





#### CHARLES G. MCDANIEL (Duke University, 2021)

After graduating from Duke University magna cum laude, McDaniel was hungry for more knowledge. As a student in the Cincinnati College of Medicine, McDaniel is pursuing M.D. and Ph.D. degrees with a focus in molecular and developmental biology. Following his 2021 graduation, McDaniel began conducting ongoing research on the pathogenesis of pediatric vascular disease. Previously, McDaniel was awarded a Dean's Research Grant to spend nearly two years researching pediatric coagulation, which included a peer-reviewed publication on coagulopathy in pediatric COVID-19 patients. He also co-authored on a manuscript on pediatric coagulation accepted at Molecular Therapy—Nucleic Acids.

#### KATONE ROBERTS (University of Cincinnati, 2017)

Roberts made history at USI Insurance Services in 2020, as he was named the first diversity and inclusion manager. He is now responsible for impacting the work culture for 8,200 employees in a \$2 billion insurance brokerage. Roberts oversees a diversity and inclusion council comprised of 20 industry experts who represent five focus areas, including education and training, career progression and mentorship, partnerships and networks, service and philanthropy, and diversity in hiring. In 2020, he was recognized for his achievements with a spot on the Cincinnati Insurance Boards 20 Under 40 list. In back-to-back years, Roberts received the Summit Award, the highest recognition given to non-sales employees, for his efforts and successes at USI Insurance.





#### MARK R. HIRSCHFELD (Marietta College, 2009)

Hirschfeld serves as the vice president of the Marietta Delt Alumni Association and the grant chairman for the Marietta Delt Education Foundation. In 2018, Hirschfeld earned the Northern Division Chapter Advisor of the Year award. Throughout the Columbus community, Hirschfeld lends a hand in the Central Ohio Housing Action Network and the Columbus DSA, which help those experiencing homelessness and those facing eviction further understand their rights. Possessing nearly a decade's worth of experience at Maronda Homes, Hirschfeld was promoted to the director of digital marketing in 2020. In his current role, he creates, implements and manages marketing campaigns across all channels responsible for building messaging, content and social media network.



#### JUSTIN W. MOED (Butler University, 2006)

Justin W. Moed was first elected to the Indiana House of Representatives in 2012. He serves as the Democratic Whip in the Indiana House of Representatives and is the ranking minority member of the Public Policy Committee. Moed also serves on the Agriculture and Rural Development, and Local Government committees. Moed began his work at the Statehouse as a doorkeeper and worked his way up to senior policy analyst before deciding to run for office. His nominator stated. "In addition to his work at the Indiana Statehouse, Moed is a community and thought leader in Indianapolis and throughout Indiana. He is highly involved with the local community and owns and manages an urban farm. He grows hyper-local produce for some of Indy's coolest restaurants in Fountain Square and Fletcher Place neighborhoods and donates fresh produce to local food banks."

#### **RIAN M. MEHTA, PH.D., GSP** (Florida Institute of Technology, 2013)

After two years as an assistant professor in the College of Aeronautics, Mehta, was promoted to division director and currently oversees all aspects of academics and department management. Having taught 11 different classes as an assistant professor, Mehta currently resolves student academic issues, enforces department/university academic and administrative policies and directs students on their progress, advising and degree requirements. Since 2014, Mehta has published more than 90 pieces of work, going well above and beyond the typical average. Recognized by both his peers and students, he was named Faculty of the Year (fall 2018-spring 2019) as voted on by student submissions.





#### JUSTIN M. POCHÉ

(Southeastern Louisiana University, 2007)

In his current role as a sales executive at Lipsey's Firearms, Poché is responsible for generating sales within the metrics and goals established by his team. The former vice president and president of Epsilon Phi Chapter at Southeastern Louisiana University, Poché earned several undergraduate accolades for his devotion to the Fraternity, including Outstanding Chapter President and SLU Greek Man of the Year in 2007. In 2018, Poché's continued service and dedication to the Fraternity was recognized with the William J. Fraering Award.



#### DANIEL R. HERNANDEZ

(University of California-Riverside, 2007)

Hernandez holds a special ability to impact lives in and beyond his professional life as an employee relations specialist at the University of Texas at Dallas. He serves as the chair-elect for the Coalition of Multicultural Affairs for the American College Personnel Association (ACPA) and was previously the chair for the Latinx Network for ACPA. In these roles, Hernandez provides mentorship to Latin identified professionals in the field of higher education. He lends another hand to the Culture of Respect for NASPA as a member on the board of directors. After a couple of years at the University of North Texas, Hernandez found his spot at the University of Texas at Dallas, for the last decade. In his role as employee relations specialist, Hernandez directs special projects and operations daily while acting as a liaison with stakeholders to address issues and implement solutions in a professional, confidential manner.



#### TIM P. CULLEN (Tulane University, 2009)

As the director of development and alumnae relations at Immaculate Heart High School and Middle School, Cullen works to raise nearly \$3 million annually to enhance the student experience in the form of scholarship and financial aid. Cullen also acts as a nonprofit management and fundraising consultant to assist organizations in the conceptualization and implementation of fundraising initiatives. In 2008, Cullen was elected student body president at Tulane. He originally began his career with the Prostate Cancer Foundation where he managed the Athletes for a Cure and Major League Baseball's Home Run Challenge campaigns to fundraise more than \$4 million annually. He is a board member for the Delta Tau Delta Educational Foundation and serves as head coach of the Immaculate Heart track and field team.

#### ASHLEY J. WOLLAM

(Marietta College, 2008)

Wollam has led enterprise-wide learning and development initiatives for companies like Macy's and Amazon and is committed to valuesbased leadership. Wollam regularly volunteers with organizations that mirror his personal values and sense of purpose. He serves on the McDonough Leadership Center Advisory Board, the Governor's Council on People with Disabilities and the Harvard Business School Publishing Advisory Board. One nominator wrote, "Ashley is an individual driven to do good in the world. He has many accolades to his name; yet, he is humble and welcoming to all he meets. We are lucky to count him among our brothers."





#### **GRAHAM C. REEVES**

(Case Western Reserve University, 2012)

Reeves continued to devote his time to the Fraternity after graduation. For two years he served as a chapter leadership consultant for the Fraternity. He then took roles at Bunnell Idea Group, Inc., Bluewolf and Canpango before landing at his current role at GearsCRM. For the past year, Reeves has been tasked with leading and managing executive level client engagements and ensuring quality communication to various groups.



**DAVID S. MORA** (University of Southern Mississippi, 2006)

Mora, more commonly known as "David NOLA" or "#FutureKing" has a day job, but the job he is most famous for is his role as a social media ambassador for the City of New Orleans. Mora was named by Louisiana Lieutenant Governor, Billy Nungesser, as a True Louisiana Ambassador for positively portraying Louisiana tourism on his social media channels. His Instagram account has more than 43,000 followers who delight in beautiful scenes from around The Big Easy. One nominator wrote, "If you take a look at the images he captures on his Instagram account and the delight people get from his interactions with them, you understand why David is so special." Mora is also a dedicated member of the Krewe of Endymion, where he is one of 3,000 riders who put on the largest parade during Mardi Gras. Mora devotes his work hours managing the Tulane Learning Management System and assisting with the technical development of asynchronous online learning modules.



#### JACKSON W. VAUGHT (Vanderbilt University, 2016)

Vaught is the deputy head, strategic client engagement–global wealth management where he is responsible for maintaining and deepening UBS' most strategic institutional wealth relationships, almost exclusively with Fortune 250 companies. He uses the leadership and relationship-building skills he learned through Delta Tau Delta to influence and transform the world around him. Vaught serves as the head of employee engagement and events for the UBS PRIDE Americas executive board where he secured UBS' first ever presence at the New York City PRIDE parade. Additionally, Vaught has led efforts to host events focused on transgender issues and established a UBS presence at several LGBT-focused recruiting events across the United States.

#### MICHAEL R. BONACUM

(Cornell University, 2010)

As a senior staff engineer at GE Edison Works Bonacum creates technical content and develops new products. Bonacum oversaw a team designinging and fabricating two advanced aerodynamic rigs to support the T901 and other U.S. Army helicopter engines. He created a military competitiveness team focused on shaping GE's strategy and product positioning for future U.S. Government opportunities. He earned a master's degree in aerospace engineering in 2011 and in 2018, he earned the GE Young Engineer of the Year mention. Bonacum is the house corporation trustee, assistant chapter advisor, capital campaign board member and a mentor and leader of the Beta Omicron Chapter alumni group.





**RYAN L. RING** (University of Wisconsin–Eau Claire, 2019)

The legislative aide to Senator Howard Marklein, and formerly to Congressman F. James Sensenbrenner, Jr., Ring has made a lasting impact on the state of Wisconsin. As a Regent on the University of Wisconsin System Board of Regents, Ring devoted time to improving the teacher shortage and lobbied for various efforts including the reauthorization of the Federal Perkins Loans for lowincome students, reauthorization of the Higher Education Act and increased funding for university research. His services were vital during the height of the pandemic, as he assisted residents with various issues involving state agencies. Ring also serves the Fraternity as chapter advisor to lota Phi Chapter at University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire.



**CYRUS S. MOSTAGHIM** (Virginia Polytechnic Institute, 2006)

In his seventh year at Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (CFPB), Mostaghim leads the day-to-day operations and work distribution of the compensation team and trains new compensation specialists. Throughout his career, he has identified major systemic and structural issues in the compensation program that led to the Bureau initiating a strategic working group to address and reform the issues. Serving as the chair for both Delt Pride and CFPB Pride, Mostaghim advocates for diversity and inclusion within his place of work and beyond, impacting the lives of both LGBTQ+ undergraduate and alumni members of the Fraternity. The Washington, D.C. resident also spends time as the assistant advisor for finance at the Gamma Eta Chapter at The George Washington University.

#### DYLAN F. PYNE (The George Washington University, 2012)

The Gamma Eta Chapter at The George Washington University owes much of its success to Pyne, a founding father of the chapter in 2010. Impressed by his devotion to the Fraternity, the Educational Foundation capitalized on Pyne's directional and control skills for five years as the eastern leadership gifts officer and eventually as the director of leadership gifts. Pyne is credited with the launch of Sarah Lawrence College's new leadership annual giving society, which includes oversight of the marketing collateral and the communication strategy. Additionally, Pyne helped implement a policy within the relaunch of the college's family philanthropy group that resulted in more than 300 percent growth in revenue raised during its inaugural year.





#### RYAN A. ESTARIS, M.D. (Tulane University, 2003)

#### EVAN R. FINKELSTEIN (Carnegie Mellon University, 2014)

In taking recent ownership of his role as a consultant at ProspHire, Finkelstein currently serves as a project manager and management consultant to a regional health insurer's Medicaid Quality Department serving over 300,000 covered lives. Finkelstein also held stints at UPMC Presbyterian Shadyside as an administrative fellow and as director of operations in the Department of Orthopaedic Surgery where he was responsible for leading a team of more than 100 administrative and clinical reports to deliver care to hundreds of patients each day. He also helped raise more than \$130,000 for local charities. After receiving his bachelor's degree in policy and management from Carnegie Mellon University, Finkelstein earned a master's degree in health administration from the University of Pittsburgh Graduate School of Public Health.

Dr. Estaris is a founding father of Beta Xi Chapter at Tulane. He is currently the senior executive director of operations at Canon Healthcare for the New Orleans, La.; Baton Rouge, La.; Northshore, La.; and Gulfport, Miss. locations. Estaris is also an adjunct associate professor of microbiology and anatomy & physiology at Herzing University – New Orleans. He earned his bachelor's degree in cellular and molecular biology from Tulane, a master's degree in health care management from the University of New Orleans, a master's in bio-medical science from Mississippi College, a master's in public health also from Tulane, and his Medical Doctorate from Louisiana State University – New Orleans. He currently gives back to his chapter by serving as an assistant chapter advisor.



#### CODY M. CLEMENS, PH.D. (Marietta College, 2013)

Clemens has dedicated his professional career to the overarching study of communication and has a handful of degrees–and peer-reviewed articles–to prove it. Aside from his work as an assistant professor in Marietta College's department of communication, Clemens finds time to take part in eight other professional organizations, including acting as the vice president of the Ohio Communication Association, and as a reviewer and member of the editorial board for the Journal of Autoethnography. He also volunteers his time in 10 positions at Marietta College. Clemens has been a member of the Marietta Delt Education Foundation since 2013 and was recently appointed the programming chairman. He has served as Epsilon Upsilon Chapter advisor at Marietta for the past two years.





#### JONATHAN R. DURAJ, PH.D. (Wittenberg University, 2009)

Duraj holds more than a decade of experience in the higher education administration field and was recently named of assistant vice president for student development and senior associate dean of students at Wittenberg University. Duraj was selected as one of 27 higher education leaders with promise to assume institutional leadership roles as part of the prestigious Council for Independent Colleges Senior Leadership Academy. A torchbearer for the student experience, Duraj founded student success initiatives across Wittenberg's campus.



#### MICHAEL R. GREAVES, D.D.S. (Westminster College, 2013)

While serving with the U.S. Army in 2021, Greaves established a dental clinic in Powidz, Poland in support of Operation Atlantic Resolve. Greaves rotated throughout Poland to provide dental care and COVID-19 vaccinations to service members. Serving in the National Guard with the 28th Infantry Division, Greaves maintains the dental readiness of over 3,000 soldiers. He practices as a dentist and is a director of a Comprehensive Care Unit at MOSDOH, where he leads a team of dental students and faculty in the care of patients.



**RAYMOND R. GOULET** (University of Maine-Orono, 2015)

As a systems engineer, Goulet designs and maintains software test tools to comply with customer requirements while also providing on-site integration support. Additionally, he administers collaboration meetings between a software development team and the system integration team to ensure successful operations. Aside from his position as systems engineer, Goulet also devotes his time as a community service lead and communications lead for the Young Employee Success Network. For more than a decade, he has held active roles in the Delta Tau Delta International Fraternity, currently acting as the chapter advisor of the Beta Sigma Chapter at Boston University and the vice president of the New England Delts Alumni Chapter.



#### MAJOR JAISON D. DESAI, PH.D., U.S. ARMY (American University, 2006)

Desai has more than 15 years of active-duty service in the U.S. Army and currently holds the rank of major. He is a data scientist with U.S. Army Cyber Command and serves as acting chief of staff for the Army Enterprise IT as a service (EITaaS) pilot. He completed two year-long deployments to Iraq for Operation Iraqi Freedom (2008-09) and Operation New Dawn (2010-11). For nine years, Major Desai was an armor and cavalry officer and served in numerous positions of increasing responsibility, including as commander of a regimental headquarters troop of 365 soldiers and deputy chief of operations for a 3,000-soldier task force across five provinces of southern Iraq. He also commanded a cavalry troop in Iraq, serving as principal advisor to a provincial Anti-Terrorism Unit, two mayors, two Emergency Response Unit Brigades and a senior tribal sheikh.

#### SCOTT D. SNYDER (Kettering University-B, 2012)

Snyder not only served as a chapter advisor for four years and a division vice president for three and a half years, but he also has the making of a Delt chapter right under his own roof. Snyder is the dad to six boys (including triplets) all being raised to be good men instilled with Delt values. Snyder credits Delta Tau Delta with teaching him what it means to be a good person, how to network and to lead with integrity. In his professional life, Snyder knows how to get business done. In 2020, he exceeded his sales targets by a mere \$19 million securing \$26 million in new business. For his efforts Snyder was presented a Gold Star Award for going above and beyond his job expectations. By late 2021 he was projected to exceed his current sales target by 60 percent or more.







A pioneer in the Northern Kentucky media industry, Collier provides a steady voice in today's media, holding the trust of Northern Kentucky elected officials, organizations, business leaders and the community as chief executive officer at Fort Thomas Matters and Living Media. He built "Fort Thomas Matters" from the ground up to become a trusted resource with more than 30,000 social media followers. The blog creates news content, content marketing and social media tactics for more than 100 local businesses. Upon acquiring the Living Magazine in 2017, Collier executed a successful rebrand now printing and mailing the magazine to 20,000 subscribers each month. For seven consecutive years, Collier created and co-hosted a benefit for the Brighton Recovery Center for Women raising more than \$120,000 in direct support for the center. He serves on College of Communication Dean's Leadership Council for the University of Kentucky and is a member of the Leadership Northern Kentucky Steering Committee.



#### NATHAN C. PLY (Kettering University-B, 2012)

As one of the creative masterminds at the Ford Motor Company, Ply, has held an integral role in the success of vehicle model creation at Ford since 2013. In his current role, he leads vehicle prototype build for all body exterior issues at the New Model Product Development Center. Holding an emphasis in creation of the Ford Expedition and Lincoln Navigator models, Ply delivers change and cost objectives for Ford's engineering teams. Over the course of his career, he has helped his team launch seven vehicles, both for commercial and everyday use, from initial conception to mass production. Receiving high praise from his colleagues, Ply earned the highest honor within the Ford Human Resources system, the Top Achiever nod, in two of the last four years, for his devotion to product development.

#### DANIEL W. WAGNER (Lehigh University, 2007)

Wagner is a self-starter with a record of driving high-impact, strategic initiatives. In addition to his role with Signature Biologics, Wagner and his wife, Christine, own DWC Strategies International, an international MedTech consulting firm, serving early-stage companies with breakthrough technologies. Wagner is a pro at global business customs and is fluent in English, Spanish and Portuguese. He is regularly solicited by top global firms to provide consulting expertise on medical devices, sales operations optimization and cultural transformation. Wagner has also been recognized outside his professional acumen. In 2003, he earned the rank of Eagle Scout. In 2015, he was awarded the William J. Fraering Award. Wagner also serves his Catholic Church congregation as delegate to his respective district.





#### CAPT. JUSTIN A. WILLIAMSON,

**USAF** (Southeastern Louisiana University, 2015)

Capt. Justin A. Williamson, USAF has completed four combat deployments to Djibouti, Somalia, Afghanistan, Iraq and Kenya totaling over a year of deployed time earning overseas long tour service credit. Williamson has completed more than 1,630 flight hours including 1,200 combat hours across 260 combat sorties. Williamson is a standardization and evaluation liaison officer for the 318th Special Operations Squadron where he conducts flight evaluation folder reviews, documents training certifications and updates flight crew information files and special interest items. Williamson has been awarded an Air Medal with 12 Oak Leaf Clusters and gold "c" device with wreath, the Air Force Commendation Medal, Army Achievement Medal, Combat Readiness Medal and many more.

#### JEFFREY R. SORENSEN

(Grand Valley State University, 2014)

Sorensen is setting a standard for values congruence in his personal and professional life. He uses his time and talent to make a difference in his community through volunteer service and a professional commitment to the local non-profit community where he serves as the inaugural executive director of Out on the Lakeshore. Sorensen is also making strides in his volunteer work to increase the focus on diversity, equity and inclusion in Michigan. He serves as a council member of the OutPro Council, is the president of the Grand Rapids Young Professionals where he was a founding co-chair of its Diversity, Equity and Inclusion advisory council.





#### JOSEPH R. WILSON, III

(Clemson University, 2017)

As an undergraduate, Wilson started a sexual assault awareness movement, closely involving Delt and working with President Biden to address the issue nationally. Wilson also served as Clemson's student body president, earning a B.S. in bioengineering. He then pursued graduate degrees in China as a Schwarzman Scholar at Tsinghua University and in the U.K. at Cambridge University, earning master's degrees in global affairs and oncology. Currently, he works as a life science strategy consultant in Munich, Germany with the ultimate goal to expand access to heathcare and innovative health technologies.

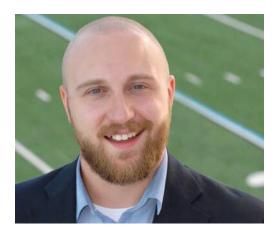


ANTHONY R. JACOBSMEYER (Chapman University, 2013)

In 2018, Jacobsmeyer was tagged on the National Parking Association's list for his successes with SpotHero. Upon his arrival in Washington, D.C. in 2015, Jacobsmeyer was the first on-the-ground hire and worked his way up the ladder at SpotHero. Beginning as an operations associate, he held stints as a senior account executive, general manager and director of revenue enablement prior to taking the reins of his current role. As of August 2021, Jacobsmeyer is responsible for leading cross functional goto-market strategies for new products and lines of business. After graduation, Jacobsmeyer landed his first post-graduate position with Delta Tau Delta Fraternity as a leadership consultant. For nearly two years, he provided management and operations consulting for more than 30 fraternity chapters, which included developing unique solutions and advising on change management initiatives.

#### VINCENT A. RUSSO, III (Robert Morris University, 2017)

"Russo is an extraordinary human, by any metric you can think of," said one nominator. Russo recently joined the ProspHire team as a business analyst after more than four years working for Delta Tau Delta Fraternity and Foundation. Additionally, Russo received two Mid-Atlantic Emmy's as a sports play-by-play broadcaster. He also gives of his time, talent and treasure to numerous organizations including service on the YPO Board of Big Brothers Big Sisters of Pittsburgh. He delivered meals to those in need during the peak of COVID-19 through Bellevue Farmer's Market, serves as the assistant chapter advisor at the Zeta Mu Chapter and is a Big Brother in the Big Brothers Big Sisters organization. In his spare time, Russo provides play-by-play and color commentary as the broadcaster for Gateway High School football and the TribLive High School Sports Network.





#### BRYAN S. ADAMS (University of Maine-Orono, 2007)

#### ANTHONY J. SANSONE (University of Iowa, 2016)

Sansone serves as a health services administrative officer for a forward resuscitative and surgical team while also supporting a 20-person unit comprised of surgeons, nurses, anesthetists, surgical technicians and combat medics for the U.S. Army Reserve. In his other role, Sansone was chosen to partake in a two-year post-graduate leadership development program as a fellow for Allegheny Health Network. There, he worked to limit the spread of COVID-19 by volunteering at vaccine clinics and he built a template to analyze future sterilization processing department expenses and data information. He volunteers as a member of the American College of Healthcare Executives, Generation Business Resource Group and the Voices of Employees That Have Served business resource group. Fraternally, he serves as the advisor to Kappa Theta Chapter at the University of Connecticut and is a member of the *Ritual* Committee for Delta Tau Delta International Fraternity.

Adams was recently named the director of alumni engagement at the University of Southern Maine Foundation. Previously, Adams spent more than a decade in the Boston University Student Activities Office concluding his time as the senior associate director. In that role, he oversaw the Student Activities Business Office that processes \$2 million in annual financial transactions and facilitated the planning for fall welcome programs for more than 5,000 students and senior week festivities for 4,000 students. Adams graduated with bachelor's degrees in psychology and history from the University of Maine-Orono. He currently serves as the international secretary for Delta Tau Delta Fraternity.



#### ALEX R. SCHRIVER (Auburn University, 2010)

Since Alexander R. Schriver earned his degree in political science in 2010, he has frequently served as a political commentator for CNN, Fox News Channel, MSNBC, NBC News, C-SPAN and PBS and has appeared in publications like *The Wall Street Journal, The New York Times* and *The Washington Post*. Prior to his current appointment, Schriver served as the Chief of Staff for U.S. Representative Bradley Byrne (AL-01) and was a national chairman on the College Republican National Committee where he raised a record-setting \$16 million budget. Schriver now conducts integrated solutions for Fortune 500 corporations, coalitions and causes. He also leads the firm's public affairs practice at Targeted Victory. In 2012, he earned a trio of awards including the D.C. Republication Party 35 Under 35 award, the Delta Tau Delta National Young Alumni Award and the YCC Buckley Award.



# **40 YEARS OF PHILANTHROPY**



Since its official incorporation in 1981, the Delta Tau Delta Educational Foundation has awarded more than \$26 million in the form of scholarships, fellowships and educational grants.

This monumental achievement is only possible through the generosity of many Delts and friends of the Foundation who have given of their time, talent and treasure. Today, the Foundation has recorded gifts from nearly 34,000 donors contributing 284,516 gifts to the Foundation.

The impact of the Delt Foundation can be felt through the generations of young men who have benefitted from the generosity of donors. If you have ever attended a Delt program like Ignite, The Charge or Karnea; received a scholarship or fellowship from a Chapter Educational Fund; met with a chapter consultant; learned from an Aspire module; taken advantage of health and wellness resources or participated in Delts Talking About Alcohol, you have been the recipient of Delt Foundation support.

For 40 years, the Foundation has played a major role in the Delt experience. Please join us in celebrating 40 Years of philanthropy to Delta Tau Delta. To honor the past, present and future of Delta Tau Delta make a gift at Delts.org/give.

The enormous success of the Foundation is in large part due to the visionary leadership of Alfred P. Sheriff, III (Washington & Jefferson College, 1949) who served as the Foundation's inaugural president and Fred C. Tucker, Jr. (DePauw University, 1940), John W. Galbreath (Ohio University, 1920), Kenneth N. Folgers (Illinois Institute of Technology, 1958), John W. Nichols (University of Oklahoma. 1936), Edwin L. Heminger (Ohio Wesleyan University, 1948), Wayne A. Sinclair (West Virginia University, 1968). John W. Fisher, II (University of Tennessee, 1938), Grover C. McElyea (Ohio Wesleyan University, 1947), Donald G. Kress (Lafayette College, 1958), David L. Nagel (Iowa State University, 1963) each serving on the initial board of directors.

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# **ALUMNI** NEWS



#### TWO DELTS NAMED TO CSCAA'S 100 GREATEST SWIMMERS LIST

In conjunction with the College Swimming and Diving Coaches Association of America's 100th Anniversary, the organization released its lists of the 100 Greatest Men Swimmers and Divers of the Past 100 Years. Among the honorees were Chi Chapter alumni Marc Courtney-Brooks (Kenyon College, 2004) and Dennis Mulvihill (Kenyon College, 1988).

Courtney-Brooks earned the maximum 28-career All-America awards and claimed 23 NCAA event titles, a total one short of Kenyon's all-time record. While setting multiple program records, his collection of 16 NCAA relay titles is tied for the most in program history. He remains the only Kenyon athlete to be voted the NCAA Division III Swimmer of the Year for three consecutive seasons.

Mulvihill won 18 national titles during his collegiate career and set seven Division III records. He was a 23-time All-America and a member of an elite group of Kenyon swimmers to earn All-America status at the Division I level. He accomplished the feat with a 15th-place showing in the 200-yard freestyle at the DI nationals in 1988, the same season he was named the NCAA Division III Swimmer of the Year.

#### EMMY FOR "THE REAL BEDFORD FALLS"

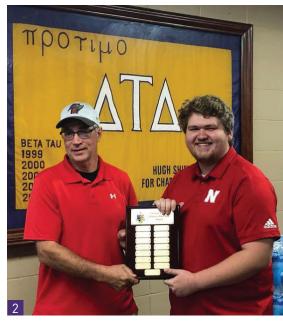
New York Times Best Selling Author Bob Dotson (University of Kansas, 1968) wrote and narrated, "The Real Bedford Falls." It tells the untold tale behind the creation of that beloved Christmas movie, "It's a Wonderful Life." The movie premiered 75 years ago. The New York Chapter of the National Academy of Television Arts and Sciences awarded an EMMY for Best Nostalgic Long Form Content to a documentary.

#### **ALUMNUS OF THE YEAR**

<sup>2</sup> Beta Tau Chapter recognized Jim Murphy (University of Nebraska, 1978) as alumnus of the year stating, "Brother Murphy lives a life truly committed to excellence."

#### FACULTY EXCELLENCE AT FLORIDA INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY

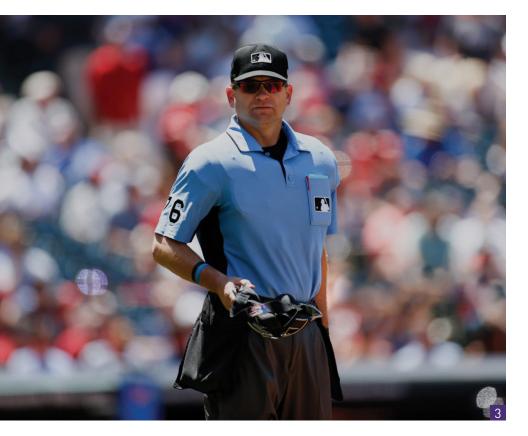
Rian Mehta (Florida Institute of Technology, 2013) earned the Andrew W. Revay, Jr. Faculty Excellence Award from the Florida Institute of Technology Faculty.



Mehta said it has been a real privilege to work at the College of Aeronautics at Florida Institute of Technology and he looks forward to many more amazing years ahead.

#### ROCK MUSICIAN AND ENTERTAINMENT ATTORNEY LAUNCHES NEW ALBUM

1 In 2021, Houston musician Al Staehely (University of Texas at Austin, 1967), who was the lead singer and chief songwriter for psychedelic rock band Spirit and The Staehely Brothers in the 1970s, released "Post Spirit Vol. 1 (1974-1978)" -a 14-track album of rare solo recordings written over 40 years ago during Staehely's days in Los Angeles in the 1970s. His songs have been recorded by Keith Moon, Bobbie Gentry, Patti Dahlstrom, Nick Gravenites, John Cipollina, Marty Balin, Peter Cox and Hodges, James & Smith. A segue into a successful career as a Houston entertainment attorney didn't deter Staehely from continuing to write and perform music. Read more at Delt Stories or learn more at alstaehely.com and music-lawyer.com.



#### **MLB UMPIRE**

3 Mike Muchlinski (University of Washington, 2000), a Major League baseball umpire, was part of the umpire crew working the 2021 World Series. He has been a major league umpire since 2014 and spent time as an active minor league umpire. For Game Six of the World Series, he was the home plate umpire. Muchlinski worked his first All-Star Game in 2018 in Washington, D.C. He also was in Tokyo for the 2019 Opening Series between the Mariners and the A's, which was the farewell for Seattle great Ichiro Suzuki. He began to umpire in the Minor Leagues in 1999. As an undergraduate at the University of Washington, he served on Delta Tau Delta's Undergraduate Council.

#### **TEACHING ASSISTANTSHIP**

Neal Hayhurst (Wabash College, 2021) accepted a United States Teaching Assistantship (USTA) in Rotholz, Austria. The USTA program selects American citizens who have attained at least a bachelor's degree to teach English at Austrian schools. He is an English teaching assistant for students at an agriculture and nutrition institute and serves as a cultural resource and ambassador at the school. Read more at Delt Stories.

#### **BRIDGE BUILDER AWARD**

Allan Lutes (University of Michigan, 1987) was recognized with Delta Tau Delta's Bridge Builder award. Lutes has been involved in fraternity leadership for more than 35 years. He served as chapter president at the University of Michigan and founded the University of Michigan Alumni Interfraternity Council and Alumni Housing Association, serving as the IFC president as an undergraduate. He continued as an alumni leader on his chapter's house corporation board and the University of Michigan Alumni Interfraternity Council. Lutes is also the founder and executive director of Sigma Pi Lambda. After college, Allan obtained his real estate license and began managing commercial and residential property. In 1989, he launched his construction company, now operated as Alpha Design+Build, which focuses on designing and constructing high-end residential and commercial projects. Alpha Design+Build has completed over 400 major projects for



fraternity and sorority clients including designing, developing and constructing chapter houses.

#### PETER PEIRCE/JOHN GALBREATH Memorial Scholarship Golf Classic

The Delta Tau Delta Educational Foundation and the Central Ohio Alumni Association co-sponsored the 27th Annual Peter Peirce/John Galbreath Memorial Scholarship Golf Classic and Dinner on Sept. 17, 2021, followed by dinner at the Scioto Country Club and the Ohio State football game on Sept. 18.

#### **DRY EYES INNOVATION**

Optometrist Joshua Davidson (University of Michigan, 2013), a founding father of Delta, joined two business partners in developing "Dry Eye Drink." This powdered substance is added to water and helps patients suffering from dry eye which affects about 30 percent of the U.S. population. Read more at Delt Stories.

#### **LEGAL OPERATIONS AT META**

Matthew Tufankjian (Babson College, 2021) accepted a role in intellectual property, legal operations at Meta.



Tufankjian graduated from Babson College with Summa Cum Laude honors and concentrations in business analytics and finance. As an undergraduate, he joined Delta Sigma Pi Professional Fraternity, Beta Gamma Sigma international honor society (serving business programs) and the Babson Armenian Student Association.

#### **BIDEN ADMINISTRATION APPOINTEE**

Ike Umunnah (University of North Dakota, 2012) is the senior advisor, assistant secretary for Global Markets and director general of the U.S. and Foreign Commercial Service for the U.S. Department of Commerce. He most recently was director of the office of public affairs for Commerce's Economic Development Administration.

### REUNION AT SAM HOUSTON STATE UNIVERSITY

In June 2021, 25 members of Epsilon Zeta Chapter from Jan. 9, 1960, to the present gathered including the first two presidents. "The young Delts living in the shelter witnessed real brotherhood," said Former International President Bob Roush (Sam Houston State University, 1964).

Epsilon Zeta photo: Two Epsilon Zeta



founding fathers, Joel Barnard (Sam Houston State University, 1961) and Jerry Franklin (Sam Houston State University, 1961) (2nd and 3rd from left), with Bob Todd (Sam Houston State University, 1964) and Ray Matthews (Sam Houston State University, 1964).

#### ADVOCATE FOR INTENTIONAL STUDENT SUCCESS PROMOTED

In summer 2021, Jon Duraj (Wittenberg University, 2009) was promoted to assistant vice president for student development and senior associate dean of students at Wittenberg University. In a statement, Wittenberg University said Duraj has consistently advocated for intentional student success models aimed at creating belonging and lifelong connections. Such advocacy and leadership contributed to the creation of Wittenberg's COMPASS: Sweet Success Center in 2016, which continues to be a first-stop shop for student success, academic advising, disability services, tutoring, leadership development, student employment and so much more. Duraj's passions for student development, equity, growth, marketing, leadership development and intercultural awareness

led him to pursue making an impact in higher education focusing in student affairs, access and success, and marketing/ communications.

### ATTORNEY MAINTAINS COMMITMENT TO COMMUNITY SERVICE

In June 2021, Chad Pace, Esq. (Pennsylvania State University, 2004) left the Douglas County, Nev., District Attorney's Office to begin his own law firm. C. Pace Law is a business litigation firm based at Lake Tahoe, Nev,. Pace is an experienced trial lawyer who is committed to representation of small businesses and dedicates a portion of his practice to pro bono representation of indigent clients including children. He is a board member at Healthy Community Coalition which runs the food banks in Lyon County, Nev., and he volunteers on the State Bar of Nevada's continuing legal education committee. The committee provides leadership and direction to the educational programs for lawyers to understand the particular nuances of Nevada law and to maintain and enhance the skills of practicing lawyers.





#### INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS PARTNERSHIP

Oscar Guzman (Illinois Institute of Technology, 2017) and Tomas Siurna (Illinois Institute of Technology, 2018), who believes he may be the first Delt from Lithuiana, recently partnered to launch Brandu, a design and web development agency. The duo is passionate about helping growing businesses improve their digital presence and their U.S./Lithuania partnership allows them to work with organizations that cannot traditionally afford these services.

#### ALUMNI INVEST IN GREEK BROTHERS SUCCESS

The Marietta Delt Educational Foundation has for a second year followed the mission to invest in its membership through the use of its Maloof Grant program led by not only Epsilon Upsilon Chapter alumni at Marietta College chapter but also its continued friends and current faculty.

"The foundation is composed of alumni from Marietta College and friends of Delta Tau Delta at the college. Basically, we looked to our experience as undergrads, and those who were from lower socioeconomic statuses or were first-generation college students. We wanted to come up with a program that could help undergraduate men join a fraternity [without] a barrier of finances," said Dr. Cody Clemens (Marietta College, 2013).

Thus, in the midst of a pandemic in the 2020-21 academic year, the Maloof Grant program was born and relieved a portion of membership dues for two active members.

Greg Maloof (Marietta College, 1967), was a founding member and president of the local fraternity Beta Delta Epsilon in 1966, which became the Epsilon Upsilon Chapter of Delta Tau Delta in 1968. He remains the chapter's oldest living alumnus.

#### FREELANCE WRITER, CARTOONIST AND MUSICIAN ENCOURAGES CREATIVITY FOR CHILDREN

Freelance writer, cartoonist and musician, Michael Artell (Southeastern Louisiana University, 1971) was named Literary Artist of the Year by St. Tammany Parish in Louisiana. He has received several accolades from science publications and a literacy group. In 2009, his book "Petite Rough—A Cajun Red Riding Hood" received numerous awards and was named the Read Aloud Book of the Year by the National Association of Elementary School Principals. "Petite Rough" was also selected for the Louisiana Young Readers' Choice Award and become a musical production in New York, London and across the United States. Artell remains committed to sharing his talent by teaching children in school locally and across the globe to think, write and draw more creatively.

#### **ALUMNI LEAD REMODELING OF SHELTER**

Remembering his days as an undergraduate inspired Kyle Barger (Wittenberg University, 2007) to take on the project of remodeling a home to be used as the Iota Beta Shelter. Owner of Champion Trading Group in Columbus, Ohio, a third-party purchasing and sales division for customers in the steel and metals recycling industry, and a co founder of Make-A-Day Foundation in Columbus, Barger and a group of Wittenberg alumni including Matt Reck (2007), Paul Miller (2004), Scott Armstrong (2005), Patrick Rittenhouse (2017), Lucas George (2018), John Kolberg (2018), Mike Pickarski (2002), Jon Duraj (2009) and Justin Luby (2019) formed a housing corporation and have been helping to renovate the home.  $\Delta$ 

Get ready to forge the bonds of brothers and celebrate the "Greatest of All Delt Events."

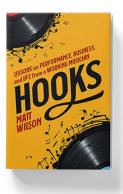
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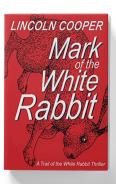


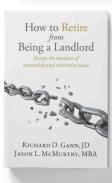
Invisible Solutions® Stephen Shapiro (Cornell University, 1986)

New Eyes: A Unifying Vision of Science and Spirituality Steve Treu (Allegheny College, 1990)

#### Hooks: Lessons on Performance, Business, and Life from a Working Musician,

Matt Wilson (University of Texas, 1996)





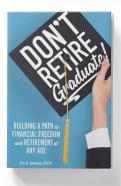
Mark of the White Rabbit Scott Brinkmeyer (DePauw University, 1971)

Don't Retire... Graduate!: Building a Path to Financial Freedom and Retirement at Any Age Eric D. Brotman, CFP® (University of Pennsylvania, 1994)

Fishing Buddies—A Spiritual Tale Thomas R. Martin (University of North Dakota, 1985)

The Road Is Always Forked Joseph E LeBlanc Jr. (Louisiana State University, 1969)







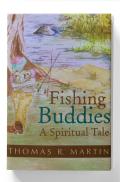
How to Retire from Being a Landlord Richard D. Gann, JD (University of California-Los Angeles, 1993)

Feedback Control of Dynamic Systems

Franklin, Powell, and Emami-Naeini J. David Powell (Massachusetts Institute of Technology, 1960)

Overcoming the Odds: Jerome Kersey's Path from Clarksville, Va., to the NBA Kerry Eggers (Oregon State University, 1975)







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## **CHAPTER ETERNAL**

Delta Tau Delta Fraternity received the following Chapter Eternal notices at the Central Office between May. 1, 2021 and Oct. 31, 2021. Call 317-284-0203 or email rainbow@delts.org to notify the Fraternity's Central Office of a member who has entered the Chapter Eternal.

#### BETA

**Ohio University** Robert B. Payne, 1946 Oscar Clippard, 1954 Linden Shepard, 1961

#### GAMMA

Washington & Jefferson College Allan D. McDonald, 1985

#### DELTA

University of Michigan William J. Balgooyen, Jr., 1952 Thomas F. Jones, 1959 Stephen G. Smith, 1964 Lee H. Clark, 1978

#### ZETA

**Case Western Reserve University** James William Gibbs, 1950

#### ETA

**University of Akron** John L. Zaegel, 1982

#### THETA

Bethany College-West Virginia Mitchell Alexander Sotera, 2023

#### IOTA

Michigan State University David L. Hoffmann, 1951 Harry J. Susla, 1957

#### **KAPPA**

Hillsdale College Russell W. Rowe, 1948 Richard L. Avery, 1949 William M. Friedrichs, 1949

#### MU

**Ohio Wesleyan University** Jerome K. Bechtle, 1964 Daniel Evan Niese, 2010 James N. Sanzone, 2016

#### NU

Lafayette College Richard D. Lemen, 1956 John B. Winsor, 1958 John Richard Seed, 1959 Robert C. Wolf, 1964

#### **OMICRON**

University of Iowa Charles G. Gately, 1957 David B. Vetter, 1958 H. Jack Pillmore, 1963

#### RHO

Stevens Institute of Technology George H. Miller, Jr., 1950 Charles Wesley Coe, Sr., 1951 Donald V. Landmann, 1951 Charles Lathrop, 1956

#### UPSILON

Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute Robert J. Cushman, 1948 Paul N. Mussen, 1948 Joel Godston, 1955

#### PHI

Washington and Lee University John J. Fox, Jr., 1957

#### CHI

Kenyon College David M. Bell, 1950 Charles L. Thomas, Jr., 1950 Roland M. Webb, 1957 Gordon Grant Fraser, 1997

#### OMEGA

**University of Pennsylvania** Robert J. Ayers, 1959 Gregg E. Springer, 1967

#### **BETA ALPHA**

Indiana University Donald R. Wright, 1959 Frederick T. Hill, Jr., 1961 Robert R. Goss, 1964 Mark D. Hogan, 1971

#### **BETA BETA**

**DePauw University** Glen A. Halbe, 1954 James G. Carr, 1955 Patrick M. Ewing, 1958 Charles H. Colin, Jr., 1961

#### BETA DELTA

**University of Georgia** C. Jackson Thompson, 1960 Nelson D. Whitley, 1966

#### BETA GAMMA

Univ. of Wisconsin-Madison Richard H. Eulitt, 1949 William G. Kuhns, 1949 William B. Winter, 1951 Richard A. Outland, 1953 Stanley F. Stitgen, 1954 Gerald C. Gant, 1955 Thomas H. Ullsvik, 1964 BETA DELTA University of Georgia James O. Applewhite, III, 1967

**BETA EPSILON Emory University** Peter F. Dias, 1968

BETA ZETA Butler University Frank J. Moynahan, 1949 Jerry D. Garrett, 1956

#### BETA THETA Sewanee: The Univ. of The

**South** John G. Horner, II, 1959

BETA IOTA

**University of Virginia** Joseph A. Burnett, 1991

#### ΒΕΤΑ ΚΑΡΡΑ

University of Colorado Boulder Jack N. Bell, 1950 Albert H. Hesse, 1957 F. Rodney Drake, 1962

#### **BETA LAMBDA**

Lehigh University William B. Eagleson, Jr., 1949 Richard N. Franz, 1949 Bruce G. Higley, 1980

#### BETA MU

**Tufts University** Robert C. Loring, Jr., 1949 Robert B. Taylor, 1956 Joseph J. Kerby, 1957

#### **BETA NU**

Massachusetts Institute of Technology John Kenny, Jr., 1979

#### **BETA PI**

Northwestern University John S. Gardner, 1951 Robert W. Christensen, 1955 Edward T. Hogan, 1961

#### **BETA RHO**

**Stanford University** Joseph R. Pinotti, 1951 John F. Schacht, 1956 Anthony R. Delellis, Jr., 1964

#### BETA TAU

**University of Nebraska-Lincoln** John W. Clark, 1958 Timothy Hoins, 1991

#### **BETA UPSILON**

**University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign** Ronald B. Hopkins, 1970

#### **BETA PHI**

The Ohio State University Edward W. Moeller, Jr., 1942 Howard H. Harcha, Jr., 1948 Tony L. Lunka, 1949 D. Stuart Wilson, 1949 James M. Mills, 1950 Donald D. Kindler, 1955 Charles D. Schwindt, 1960 David G. Blackburn, 1962

**BETA CHI** 

Brown University Kenneth L. Holmes, 1951

#### **BETA PSI**

Wabash College Ronald R. Grimes, 1956 David Hadley, 1965 Philip C. Wescott, 1965 Robert J. Adair, 1973 Tyler Jordan Scheidt, 2023

#### **BETA OMEGA**

University of California-Berkeley

William J. Bird, 1950 Donald A. Dodson, 1951 Norman S. Lien, Jr., 1951 L. Kent Stainfield, 1952 Ronald W. Frieberg, 1959

#### **GAMMA BETA**

Illinois Institute of Technology Ernest W. Nordquist, 1950 Milton E. Cox, 1951 Daniel P. White, 1967 Arthur D. Wellington, 1979

#### **GAMMA DELTA**

West Virginia University Clarence P. McKinley, 1954 Michael Stephen Walker, 1969 Edward W. McAllister, 1980

#### **GAMMA ZETA**

Wesleyan University Louis P. Willsea, II, 1950 William V. Fries, 1953

#### GAMMA ETA

**The George Washington University** Stephen W. Klare, 1968 Edward W. Arnold, 1978

#### GAMMA THETA Baker University

Harold E. Horn, 1947 William W. Eddy, Jr., 1954 Charles E. Hill, 1956 Carl M. Anderson, 1959 John T. Jacobs, 1963 Caleb David Addington, 2022

#### **GAMMA IOTA**

University of Texas at Austin Wayne W. Clements, 1960 Edward B. Reeves, 1962 Michael J. Hinton, Sr., 1963 Richard L. Lipscomb, 1968 Fred C. Morse, III, 1969 William R. Newton, Jr., 1987

#### GAMMA KAPPA

University of Missouri Stanley K. Gutekunst, 1957 William A. Dyer, 1965 Donald Perkins, Jr., 1977 Richard Carl Drexler, Jr., 1996

#### GAMMA LAMBDA

**Purdue University** Phillip D. Conreaux, Sr., 1960 James Beirne, 1968 Gary Katona, 1983

#### GAMMA MU

**University of Washington** Kevin P. Sullivan, 1976

GAMMA NU University of Maine-Orono Desmond A. Coy, 1969

#### GAMMA XI University of Cincinnati

Jerry L. Keltch, 1956

#### **GAMMA PI Iowa State University** F. Alton Erickson, 1948

Robert J. Montgomery, 1954 Keith G. Erickson, 1957 Leo H. Smith, 1971 Jeffrey A. Lange, 1977

GAMMA RHO University of Oregon Vernon D. Beard, 1952 John S. Richardson, Jr., 1957

GAMMA SIGMA University of Pittsburgh Robert L. Murphy, 1950 Louis Kenneth McLinden, 1951

#### GAMMA TAU

University of Kansas James C. Buckley, 1951 Robert J. Hettinger, 1955 O. Newton King, 1963 L. Ashley Elbl, 1965

#### GAMMA UPSILON Miami University

Francis P. Avellone, 1946 Richard Farmer, 1956 Richard M. Johnson, 1956 Roger L. Koehler, 1957 Anthony F. Fata, 1959 Mike Christopher Galla, 2001

#### GAMMA CHI

Kansas State University John C. Floyd, 1958 R. Kent Polfer, 1971

#### GAMMA PSI

Georgia Institute of Technology J. Robert Heard, 1953 Walter R. Herbert, III, 1961 Clyde R. Wentz, Jr., 1964

#### **DELTA ALPHA**

University of Oklahoma Chester L. Byrd, 1958 Charles M. Ellet, 1958 Robert L. Rountree, 1959 Kay S. Cohlmia, 1968 Gerald G. Zellmer, 1973

#### DELTA BETA

Carnegie Mellon University L. George Lang, 1952 John A. Ekiss, 1957 Ronald G. Kracht, 1973 Paul H. Dunn, Jr., 1976

#### DELTA GAMMA

University of South Dakota Marvin G. Knittel, 1955 Rex L. Polsley, 1973

#### DELTA EPSILON

University of Kentucky John V. Levas, 1957 Edwin Thomas, 1961 Raymond Larson, 1966 Richard B. Brumfield, 1974

#### **DELTA ZETA**

University of Florida Hugh O. Fleming, 1954 Kendrick W. Williamson, 1961 Robert L. Waldron, 1982

#### DELTA ETA University of Alabama William I. Lumpkin, 1950 Patrick F. Moore, III, 1966

DELTA THETA University of Toronto Lorne B. Browne, 1971

#### DELTA IOTA

University of California-Los Angeles Ken Gunn, 1960 Scott Neely, 1971

#### **DELTA KAPPA** Duke University

James E. Matthews, 1958

#### **DELTA LAMBDA**

**Oregon State University** Gordon T. Poole, 1950 Thomas R. Kasari, 1975

#### **DELTA MU**

University of Idaho David L. Williams, 1954 David J. Lau, 1956 James L. Berry, 1965 Joseph R. Rimsa, 1983

#### **DELTA NU**

Lawrence University Theodore S. Roeder, 1948 Robert C. Hanisch, 1951

#### DELTA XI

**University of North Dakota** John Alan Hauser, 2024

#### **DELTA OMICRON**

Westminster College John K. Christian, 1948 Allen H. Burgess, Jr., 1956 John W. Clement, 1970

#### **DELTA PI**

University of Southern California Jud O. Roberts, 1950 Ronald M. Johnson, 1955

DELTA RHO Whitman College Lee H. Spencer, 1968

#### DELTA TAU Bowling Green State University James A. Armbruster, 1950 Donald W. Thomas, 1950 John E. Harris, 1957 David L. Siders, 1964

DELTA PHI Florida State University Haywood O. Taylor, 1953

#### DELTA CHI Oklahoma State University J. Leroy Folks, 1953 William R. Meacham, 1957 Kerry Kampschmidt, 1985

DELTA PSI University of California-Santa Barbara James A. Bottoms, 1952 William E. Tico, 1958

William F. Tice, 1958 Dylan Rockne Flanagan, 2016

#### **DELTA OMEGA**

Kent State University David J. Miletich, 1959

#### **EPSILON ALPHA**

Auburn University Paul S. Powers, Sr., 1953 Frank H. Price, Jr., 1959 Alton B. Clingan, Jr., 1960 Herman Wilkes, 1963 Henry Q. Wilson, II, 1967

#### **EPSILON BETA**

Texas Christian University J.Ray Taylor, 1956 H. Dean Raish, 1960 James R. Marshall, Jr., 1962 Thomas H. Wilson, 1963 Darrel L. Fillip, 1964 C. C. Odom, II, 1966 Kenneth H. Field, 1970 Lloyd A. Ochterbeck, 1972 William M. Newsom, 1985

#### **EPSILON DELTA**

**Texas Tech University** John Sporar, 1958 Robert G. Wheeler, 1982 Richard Ryan Henderson, 1996

#### **EPSILON EPSILON**

University of Arizona R. Kent Dussair, 1962 Fred W. Neher, Jr., 1962 Richard E. Young, 1962 Chad Allen Ashcraft, 2017

#### **EPSILON ZETA**

Sam Houston State University Robert E. Johnson, 1964 N. Andrew Lowery, 1968 Mark E. Kirchgessner, 1987

#### **EPSILON ETA**

Texas A&M University-Commerce Robert K. Williams, 1948 William M. Campbell, Jr., 1968 Mark T. Sargent, 1987

#### **EPSILON IOTA A**

Kettering University Glen T. Smith, Jr., 1967

#### **EPSILON KAPPA**

Louisiana State University John Burgess, Sr., 1967 Rhett G. Roy, 1968 Steven J. Kiffe, Jr., 1973

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EPSILON LAMBDA Texas A&M University-Kingsville Larry W. Newton, 1965

EPSILON XI Western Kentucky University James A. Sexton, Jr., 1966 Larry W. McClave, 1970

#### EPSILON PSI

University of Louisiana-Lafayette Harold J. Klein, 1985

#### **ZETA BETA**

LaGrange College Jack R. Hunnicutt, Jr., 1973

#### **ZETA GAMMA**

Lamar University Charles E. Gibbs, Jr., 1982 ZETA DELTA Texas State University-San Marcos George F. Mason, 1984

ZETA THETA Villanova University Michael O'Brien Farrell, 2023

ZETA LAMBDA Western Illinois University Allan R. Moy, 1991

ZETA NU Jacksonville State University Hugh R. Gamble, 1976

#### ZETA RHO

**Eastern Illinois University** Kevin William Stren, 2006

#### ZETA SIGMA Texas A&M University

Thomas W. Plagens, 1985 Jeffery Adam Dorrow, 2021 Tre Jordan Steen, 2021

ZETA PSI Stephen F. Austin State University Jerry D. Dent, 1988

ZETA OMEGA Bradley University Jerry Anderson, 1993 Kevin Michael Graham, 2000

THETA GAMMA Arizona State University Richard Norman Raithel, 1995 Micaiah E. Thomas, 2019

#### THETA ETA

**University of South Carolina** Timothy George Hefner, 2005

#### **THETA RHO**

**University of Dayton** Garrett John Kelley, 2017

#### **IOTA SIGMA**

North Dakota State University Luke Bakken, 2015

#### **KAPPA EPSILON**

The College Of New Jersey Luke Weyant Kearney, 2019

#### LOUIS MCLINDEN

(University of Pittsburgh, 1951)

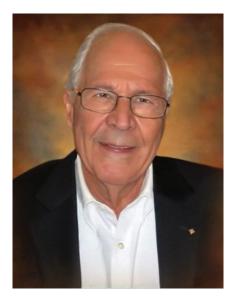
Former Eastern Division President Louis McLinden died Oct. 22, 2021, just shy of his 92nd birthday. A member of the Distinguished Service Chapter, McLinden was initiated into the Gamma Sigma Chapter on June 12, 1949. He was first installed as Eastern Division president in February 1989. He also served a division vice president and chapter advisor for Gamma Sigma Chapter and was a mentor and inspiration to countless Pitt and Delt alumni over the years.

McLinden earned a degree in economics and subsequently received two masters of education degrees in 1969 and 1975. He was active within the fraternity and sorority community at the University of Pittsburgh serving as an advisor to the Interfraternity Council.

He began his career at the Penn Sheraton

Hotel (now the Omni William Penn) in Pittsburgh and went on to become sales manager at Sheraton-Carlton Hotel in Washington, D.C. He later worked at the Pittsburgh Convention and Visitor Bureau. McLinden worked at the University of Pittsburgh for 25 years starting in 1966, holding numerous positions in the Office of Student Activities, the School of General Studies and in his later years, managing the operation of the William Pitt Student Union.

McLinden was the husband of the late Mary Margaret (Peggy Collins). He was predeceased by his brothers, Hugh (Jocelyn) and Dennis McLinden and survived by brother, Torrance (Shirley) McLinden of Sarasota, Fla. McLinden is survived by his five children, Molly (David) Scherer, Julie (Steve) Jacob, Louis, Jr. (Jill), Dennis II (Linda) and Terrence (Stacy) McLinden. He was blessed to



have 18 grandchildren and four greatgranddaughters. He is also survived by two sisters-in-law and many nieces and nephews.

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Join the Delta Tau Delta Educational Foundation in congratulating its 2021 class of award recipients. Watch for full profiles on these honorable Delts at deltstories.com in early January.



#### NORVAL & DIANE STEPHENS OUTSTANDING PHILANTHROPIST AWARD

Wayne A. Sinclair (West Virginia University, 1968) & John N. Dinapoli (George Washington University, 2010) are recognized for their contributions of time, talent and treasure to the Delt Foundation and for inspiring others to do the same. Wayne and John are fixtures at Delt events across the country and are remarkable examples of what it means to be a Delt. Wayne and John are members of the Bethany Society, the Heritage Society, and the Order of the C—.



#### OUTSTANDING YOUNG PHILANTHROPIST

Evan R. Finkelstein (Carnegie Mellon University, 2014) is recognized as a graduate of the last decade who has taken steps toward a lifelong commitment to supporting the Delt Foundation. Evan began a tradition of giving as an undergraduate, joining the Crescent Society in 2011 and has given for the past ten years. Evan is a member of the Delta Alpha Kappa Society and the Order of the C—.



### OUTSTANDING FOUNDATION VOLUNTEER

*Richard T. Tyner, Jr. (University of Maryland–College Park, 1966)* is recognized for his meritorious service to the Delt Foundation having served in a volunteer capacity as de facto chief investment officer overseeing the Foundation's financial investments for more than 20 years. Rick tirelessly provided research, benchmarks, managed allocations and used his industry expertise to ensure sustained growth of the Foundation's investment portfolio. Rick has retired from his volunteer post and we are grateful for his diligent stewardship of the Foundation's assets.



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