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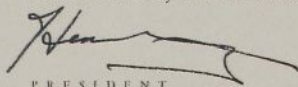
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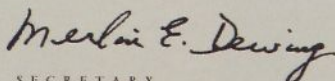
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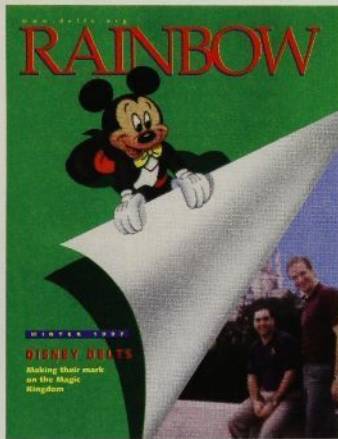
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Unlike most editors, I seldom use up the magazine's precious space to instruct or advise regarding its content. Just this once, I'm making an exception. Many of you write from time to time to complain about various aspects of the magazine. Let me use this spot to address some of your issues. **I don't force chapters to submit reports.** They're sent a report form and a reminder and if you don't see it here I didn't get it. **I don't close chapters.** If your chapter has been killed or simply died its own slow death, write to the Board of Directors, not to me. **I don't verify chapter eternal reports.** If someone writes and tells me someone's dead—I believe them. Thanks to those whose death has been erroneously reported to me for being such good sports. **I'm not a mind reader.** Many of you have your companies send press releases without any chapter or school information. This makes my job much more difficult. **I don't make you read the magazine.** If you can't take five minutes to ask to be removed from the mailing list don't send me nasty letters every time you get an issue. **Realize that when you get an issue I'm already working two issues ahead.** Don't call me when you've read an issue and want to know why the information you sent last week...or even last month wasn't in it. **Don't send me photos of a bunch of people standing around drinking.** It doesn't reflect *A Life of Excellence* and I won't use them. **Label all photographs you send.** I get a lot of mail and they're easily separated from the accompanying copy. Also, If you want photos returned please enclose a self-addressed stamped envelope. **Don't yell at the Central Office staff.** I am personally responsible for all editorial content, layout, production, etc. etc. of every issue. If you're unhappy with any aspect, write to me, in care of the Central Office. Those people work too hard to be treated the way some of you treat them. **Recognize that this is a publication based on voluntary editorial contributions.** For the most part what you send is what you get. In my seven years as Editor, there have only been two contributions that I've been unable to use. **I care what you think.** After thoughtful planning, careful design and a rigorous production process, I treasure each issue like the birth of a new child. I'm always open to new story ideas and ways to improve what we have. In the meantime, I hope you will anticipate *The Rainbow's* arrival, and, if only for a moment, it will make your life-long fraternity experience just a little bit better. Thanks for listening. —K.B.H.

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Right: Ollie Johnston,
One of Disney's legendary
"Nine Old Men."



WALT DISNEY

Making their Mark on the Magic Kingdom

More than seventy years ago, Walt Disney came to Los Angeles, and with his brother, launched a tiny animation studio. Assisted by a sympathetic mouse, a dyspeptic duck, and many talented artists, he built that studio into a production center that made his name world famous. He single-handedly developed the animated feature film—creating classics of the genre—then branched out into live-action films, television and other fields of entertainment. He rethought the amusement park—inventing the theme park—and dreamed of building a prototypical city of the future.

Walt Disney achieved all this while, for much of his career, fending off financial disaster that was just a flop away. For all the precariousness of his position, Disney never wavered in his vision, and time and again he was vindicated by the success of enterprises that observers—including some of his closest advisors—had seen as follies.

So attuned was this vision to public taste that, thirty years after his death, Walt Disney is still a powerful presence in the world of popular culture. In the meantime, the entertainment empire he built has expanded and become more diversified.

Under new management, the revamped company is now a major player in every aspect of entertainment, from the Broadway stage to cable television, but, significantly, much of its strength still derives from the areas with which Walt Disney's name is most keenly associated: animated films and theme parks.

Disneyland and Walt Disney World are probably the most popular and profitable theme amusement parks in the United States, attracting millions of tourists annually. Disneyland opened in Anaheim, CA., in 1955. Walt Disney World, a 28,000-acre tract near Orlando, Fla., opened in 1971 and quickly replaced Niagara Falls as the world's leading honeymoon



BY KERRY HARRISON

resort. Both parks open onto a turn-of-the-century Main Street, U.S.A. Visitors ride, stroll, or boat through their choice of synthetic Disney fantasies, each of which celebrates a shiny, scrubbed-clean, old-fashioned America; or introduces almost-real characters out of fairy tales and Disney cartoons and films; or creates the settings in which visitors can experience their own adventures. Expanded continuously since its opening, Walt Disney World consists of the Magic Kingdom; EPCOT, with its futuristic designs for living and array of international pavilions; Disney-MGM Studios, containing genuine film studios where real films are made; and the Great Movie Ride, a nostalgic trip through movie history featuring famous cinema scenes peopled by computerized "audio-animatronic" figures that look, move, and talk like their flesh-and-blood models. (For those who want to live in Disney's American dream only ten minutes' drive from Disney World, "Celebration"—a small, neo-traditional, Disney-planned community of period houses, which will have a central business district, a school, and all

the other accouterments of a pre-World War II American small town—opened its sales offices in late 1995.) In 1983 a third Disneyland park opened in Tokyo, Japan, followed in 1992 by Euro Disneyland, outside Paris.

Of the tens of thousands who have contributed to their success, a strong cadre of Delts have been numbered among them, ranging from thousands of summer associates to one of the original "nine old men." While each has made a unique contribution, they share one belief: theirs is the greatest job in the world. ♡



Fans of Disney animation owe a large debt to the Great Depression.

If the country hadn't been in the midst of its worst financial crisis and jobs hadn't been scarce in the mid-'30s, one of the Walt Disney Co.'s best animators, **Ollie Johnston**, *Stanford '34*, might have taken his art degree and considerable talent elsewhere.

And the extraordinary images that Johnston and associate Frank Thomas put to films such as *Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs* (1937) through *The Fox and the Hound* (1981) over their 40-plus years with Disney would have been lost.

Both were studying at the Chouinard Art School when they heard Disney was expanding his animation staff. They had been told that no matter how large or talented each group of applicants, only one would be hired. So Johnston sat out the September 1934 call and Thomas applied—and was one of two people selected. Four months later, Johnston applied and was hired. To be more accurate, he made the cut. As Thomas had done earlier, he made it to a tryout phase in which he had to show the skills necessary to be an inbetweeners. An animator does the key drawings for each scene; the inbetweeners does the many taxing drawings which link those scenes.

Johnston's first inbetweening assignment came on the Academy Award-winning *The Tortoise and the Hare*.

At Disney, Johnston found that he could truly express himself through cartoons and took great joy in seeing his character creations come to life. His life took on new meaning, too, with his marriage to the former Marie Worthey, an artist in the Ink and Paint Department.

Johnston remembers: "You could get a 25-cent

dinner and a 15-cent breakfast and a candy bar for lunch and pay for your room in a boarding house."

But the best part, they agreed, was working for and with Walt Disney.

"Walt was the heart and soul of the studio. It was his studio and his hobby. His interest in the place was what you could do playing with ideas. Ideas interested him. He hated it if you told him he couldn't do something."

His boss had the ability, Johnston remembers, to motivate his employees to stretch beyond what they thought were their limits. "Those were exciting days, with Walt inspiring us to do work we didn't think we were capable of."

Advancement came quickly for the two men. It was a textbook example of being the right people at the right place at the right time. The Disney studio was starting work on *Snow White*, the world's first feature-length animated film, and there was plenty of work to be done. Thomas and Johnston were promoted to animator's assistants and ultimately became animators.

Extra work didn't guarantee advancement. At each step they had to prove their talent equaled their ambitions. Thomas remembers the test he and seven other assistants were told to bring to life in order to become an animator. A woman puts a suitcase on the ground. As she starts to walk away, she reacts to a

sound from inside the bag. She is startled by what she hears, walks back to the suitcase, bends down and opens it.

"The thing was supposed to end when she opened it, but none of us could resist putting something inside that suitcase," he says. "The test revealed an artist's ability to re-create realistic human movement, communicate reactions and emotions while keeping the character believable and feminine."

"For someone who had been working on Pluto and Mickey Mouse, it was a bit of an assignment," he continues.

Snow White proved wildly successful. "It was so damn good!" Johnston said. "Every frame was planned. It was miles above anything that had ever been done. It was richer—the characters communicated and never stopped. Good animation acting."

The film *Fantasia* took more than 1,200 animators working six months to complete Disney's vision of a project that was decades ahead of its time—a feature-length film that coupled classical music with animation. It was as groundbreaking in the '40s as MTV was in the '80s.

It was Walt Disney's vision and control of all aspects of the business of entertainment—from the actual drawing of the characters to the distribution of the films—that contributed to his success.

"Sometimes you would

finish a scene and Walt would say, 'This isn't good enough.' Then he would drum his fingers on the chair, and maybe choose two drawings out of hundreds."

Drawing a new character could be daunting for the animators. "With each feature, there was a new rich character to animate," Johnston explained. "My favorite character was the one I was working on. First Pinocchio, then Bambi, Peter Pan—they were all good friends that I remember fondly, but while you're working you don't have time to look back."

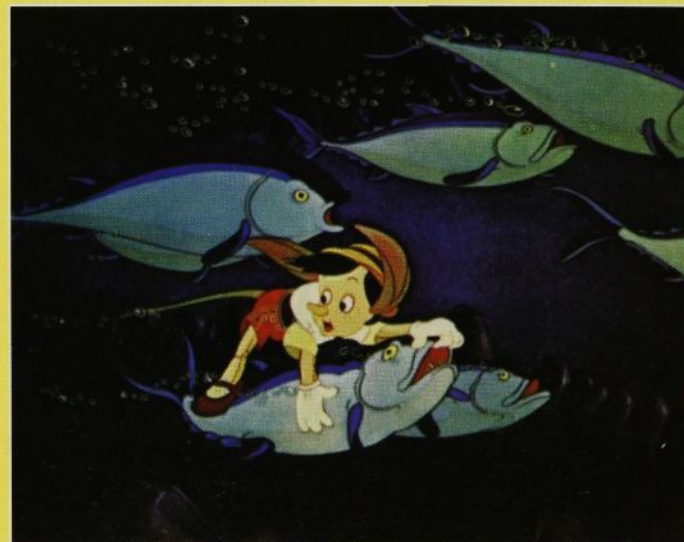
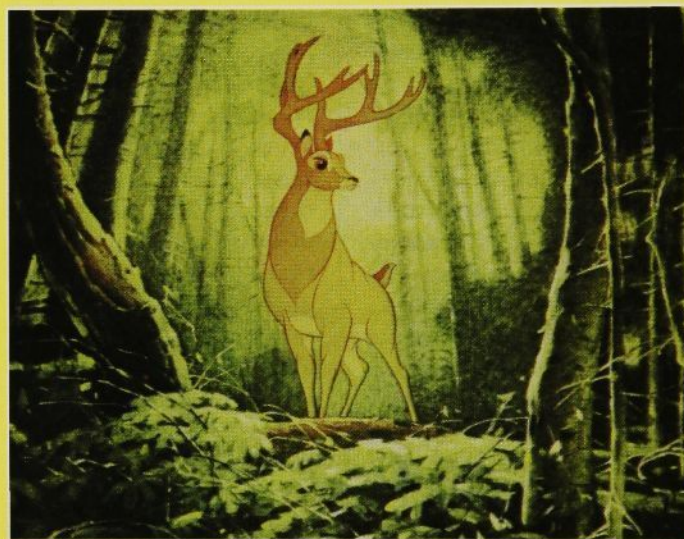
There were a few characters that Johnston doesn't remember as fondly.

"I didn't like the duck. If I had to draw Donald for 43 years, I would have gone somewhere else," Johnston explained. He wasn't too fond of the stepsisters in *Cinderella* either.

The animation of the Frank Thomas—Ollie Johnston team has brought joy to just about anyone on the planet who lives near a movie theater or owns a VCR. They played major roles in virtually all the famous animated features and are numbered among the studio's

"Nine Old Men"—the core of artists whose work distinguished Disney's animation

Right: Three of Johnston's most acclaimed works: *Snow White*, *Bambi* and *Pinocchio*; **Left:** Johnston (far left) with the little boy who would play the voice of Bambi's friend "Thumper."



from all others. Their contributions over the ensuing years guaranteed them a place in Disney animation history. Ollie and Frank were designated “Disney Legends” in 1988 by Michael Eisner and Roy Disney.

After completing some early animation and character development for *The Fox and the Hound*, Johnston retired in 1978. Since then, he and Thomas have traveled to England, France, Germany, Moscow, the former Yugoslavia, and Australia, and are amazed at the legacy their animation has left behind.

“It’s endured because it’s a wonderful medium,” Johnston said. “It shows humor, pathos, heart and excitement. There’s something about animation. We visit galleries around the world where the cels are displayed. People love these pictures and still look at them. They live them!”

Johnston and Thomas have shared their history and insights with the many fans of that animation in three books. *Disney Animation: The Illusion of Life* beautifully details the evolution of Disney animation. *Too Funny for Words: Disney’s Greatest Sight Gags* explains the important role of visual humor in Disney animated shorts and features. *Walt Disney’s ‘Bambi’ - The Story and the Film* tells the complete story of the making of *Bambi*, illustrated by beautifully reproduced artwork—most of it never before shown or published.

The Johnston-Thomas accomplishments have been chronicled in a documentary entitled *Frank and Ollie* by Thomas’s son, Ted.

The 90-minute film premiered at the Sundance Film Festival and has since been shown in cities around the country.

“It’s filled with heart and warmth, and almost everyone cries at the end. But we’re still alive!” Thomas exclaims.

More than 64 years after they met, Frank and Ollie are still friends. Through the years they built houses on adjacent lots. Their wives delivered their first children one week apart. They carpooled for 43 years. They had adjacent drawing boards and, as one of their wives asserts, she never remembers their having had a disagreement.

“What’s there to fight about? You’re better off with a good reliable friend,” says Thomas.

Reflecting back on Walt Disney, Johnston says, “Walt lifted me up above what I felt I could have done without him. Excellent wasn’t good enough for him. If you wanted a compliment, it had to be above that. Something he didn’t expect.”

Something like, yes, *Fantasia*. 🍷

When **David Mouery**, Ohio State ‘80, graduated, he had three jobs in the television business lined up in the Orlando area so he packed up the car and headed south. When he got there

the three jobs were still his to have, but the pay and the jobs were worse than “foot in the door, ground floor positions.” A friend said, “Why don’t you go out to Disney and see what they have?” He came out one day and was interviewed by the front line interviewer. She told Mouery that they really didn’t have any positions in radio, TV or video. At the time, he knew that most large companies were either developing or going to develop internal video departments and although Disney was not on that boat yet, he knew that they eventually would be. Mouery asked her if they had anything close. She responded that they did have something in Audio

in the Entertainment Department and sent him to a second interview with the manager of the Magic Kingdom’s Technical Department. He hired Mouery on the spot and started him the next day, October 4, 1980.

Mouery spent six months “mixing” the sound for the *Kids of the Kingdom* show in front of Cinderella’s Castle. The next six months were spent “mixing” special events like The Spinners, Cab Calloway, Tommy Tutone, Henry Paul Band, Mary Wells, Chuck Berry and Phyllis Diller around the Disney property. He also worked with the Photography Department during this time, doing the sound for their commercials and



videos, and spent some time doing sound at the Polynesian Luau and the *Top of the World* dinner show. At that time, Disney world was only the Magic Kingdom and a couple of hotels, compared to the huge resort with three theme parks, two water parks, two nighttime entertainment complexes and the 18 hotels it's now become.

In 1982, Mouery worked as the lead sound man for all of the sound on the TV specials, commercials and videotaping at the opening of EPCOT Center. Shortly after EPCOT opened, a new department was formed to handle all of the film and video done at Walt Disney World called Media Production. From 1982-88, Mouery's group

handled all of the film, television, and videotaping on the Disney Property. He mixed sound for such shows as *The Walt Disney World Very Merry Christmas Parade*, *Walt Disney's Happy Easter Parade*, *The Sally Jesse Rapheal Show*, *Joan Lunden's Mothers Day Show*, *Dick Clark's Rockin' New Year's Eve*, *BBC's Knockout*, *The Jim Gerard Show*, *Disney July 4th Spectacular* and the list goes on.

In 1988, the Disney/MGM Studios opened. Although they double as a theme park, they are a full operational film and television production studio complex. While the studio

In the Disney-MGM Studios, Mouery combines film, graphics and sound for a wide variety of clients.

does Disney's work, it's also available to do third party work for anyone—the latter of which has grown to comprise about 70% of their workload.

When the Studio opened, Media Productions became Production Operations and Mouery's position became Supervising Mixer. This meant he was in charge of all production sound, and was able to do hands-on work.

From 1988-199 he mixed shows such as the *Parades*, *Teen Win Lose or Draw*, *Start Search*, *That's My Dog*, *Reunion*, *Siskel and Ebert* and *The Mickey Mouse Club*.

In 1990, he was promoted to Manager of Technical Operations, overseeing all sound mixers, camera operators and associated works and the Studio D recording facility in the Magic Kingdom. In 1995, the recording studio moved over to the Disney/MGM Studios Post Production facility and overseeing the Post Production Sound Department was added to Mouery's list of responsibilities.

This past May, he was named Facility Manager of Disney i.d.e.a.s., the Post Production facility at Disney MGM Studios. He remarks, "Nearly 16 years, primarily in TV and Film Production Sound, and I'm finally back to working in a position that involves all of the video areas where I started!"

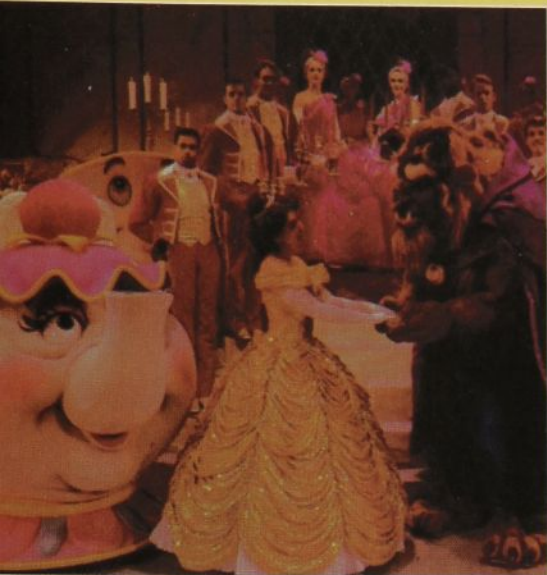
Running Disney

i.d.e.a.s., a state of the art, full-service post production facility, is a juggling act. There, film, graphics and sound are all combined for such clients as ABC College Football, ESPN College Football, ABC Entertainment, Tarzan-The Epic Adventures, Walt Disney Feature Animation, World Championship Wrestling, Fanta, Prestone and Gallon Wines. He has worked on such shows as *The Mickey Mouse Club*, *Thunder in Paradise*, *Big Bag* and *Adventures in Wonderland*.

His sound department has also done Automatic Dialogue Replacement (ADR) sessions recently for such stars as Michael J. Fox, Whoopi Goldberg, Corbin Bernsen and Eddie Murphy.

Mouery's most interesting experience at Disney happened on his second day of work at the Contemporary Resort hotel in the Ballroom of the Americas. They were doing a convention show for a group of people on stage with around 1,500 people in the audience. Cab Calloway, the late blues singer, was on stage singing "Hi-De-Hi-De Ho" in front of a 32-piece orchestra as the climax to the show. Mouery was on a headset so he could hear cues from the stage manager, behind a prop blowing CO₂ smoke out of a canister as an effect. Toward the end of the song, there was to be a cue for another backstage assistant to pull rope that would drop these beautiful Mylar streamers from the lighting grid. The streamers were to come down between Cab and





the orchestra, forming a shimmery red, purple and gold "curtain." Greg, the assistant was backstage at his position, ready to pull the rope that would release the Mylar. As the song was building, Mouery heard the stage manager begin his calls for the Mylar Drop. "Ready on Mylar Drop!", "Stand-by, and....Go! On Mylar drop!"

Nothing happened. Mouery says, "I looked back and Greg was tugging and he's pulling and he's hanging on the rope—and nothing's happening. 'Where's my damn Mylar?' the stage manager screamed several times. I see Greg; he reaches into his pocket and pulls out his knife. He cut the rope...and this giant, 30-foot-long-by 18-foot-high cloth AV screen, anchored at the bottom with 4x4 wood, unrolls and plummets to the stage floor, missing Cab Caloway's head by about six inches and right behind the orchestra conductor's head. Only inches separated Cab and the conductor from some very

serious headaches at best. The audience let out a slight groan, then politely applauded the 'special effect' as if it were some sort of new 'Disney art' that had just tumbled out of the proscenium. There was silence on the headset for what seemed like an hour, then the stage manager said in the calmest of voices, 'Oh,

isn't that nice—who dropped the giant tampon in the middle of my show?' Looking back, no one got hurt, and this giant thing on stage instead of Mylar, did give the moment a sort of surreal air."

Mouery reflects that his fraternity experience taught him how to deal with a wide range of situations and personality types. He also learned a lot about leadership and the responsibilities of leadership and the applications of different leadership styles in different situations. On a personal note, he and his wife have a baby girl and he volunteers for the United Cerebral Palsy telethon. In his off-hours, he also enjoys collecting Hot Wheels and Johnny Lightning and Coca-Cola memorabilia and playing the stock market. Golf has replaced basketball in his repertoire of participation sports.

As for as advice for someone wanting to work at Disney, he says, "First of all,

you have to have a tremendous desire to want to make magic for other people. Second, have a passion and follow your bliss." What he enjoys most about his own job is the variety. He says, "There is never a dull or mundane moment—everyday it's something new adventurous and exciting. There isn't anything that I would change about my job, I have the best job in the world! ♥

When **Patrick Brandt**, Iowa State '92, tells people he's an entertainer at Walt Disney World, he invariably hears, "So you're the guy in the Mickey suit!"

Fortunately, for Brandt, that is not the case. As an Entertainer Principal, as he is formally called, he and a cast of hundreds of singers, dancers and actors do the stage shows like *Beauty and the Beast*, *Hoop Dee Doo Revue* and a host of others.

Brandt himself currently stars in three shows, one of which is *SuperStar Television*. He takes guests out of the studio audience at the Disney/MGM Studios and, through video magic, puts them along side their favorite stars in television shows such as *I Love Lucy*, and *Home Improvement*.

The second is *The Monster Sound Show* which is a short movie starring Chevy Chase and Martin Short. Brandt uses audience members to supply the sound effects for the film using various odd Foley props.

The third show isn't real-

ly a show at all. Whenever a movie, TV or recording star visits the park, they're given a parade down Hollywood Boulevard and they put their hand prints in wet cement on the Walk of Fame. Brandt performs this ceremony and then hosts an interview afterward with the stars with guest questions. In the past, he's interviewed such stars as Marlee Matlin, Patty Duke, David Ogden Stiers and Peter Graves.

How did Brandt's Disney career get started? Shortly before graduation in the fall of 1992 he auditioned in St. Louis for a part in Disney's national audition tour. The scouts see at least 5,000 talented singers, actors and dancers each year and they never take more than 10-15. Brandt was understandably nervous that he was graduating without a job. He was asked to do a monologue, then sing, then do improv and finally dance. At the



Above Left: Stage shows bring together the talents of both Brandt and Mouery; **Above:** Brandt, with a bust of Walt Disney at the Disney Hall of Fame; **Right:** Brandt, and Vinnie Pagliuca, both find time to stay active in the Fraternity, despite their busy schedules

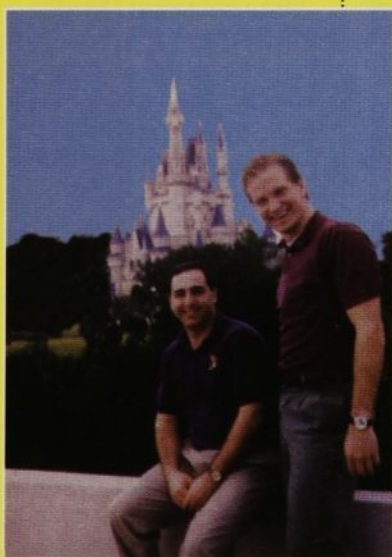
end of the day he was one of a handful still hanging on when they said, "Thank you, you can expect a call around the first of the year if we can use you," and Brandt drove back to the Delt house for finals and graduation. January 6, 1993, the call came. He was in!

What does Brandt enjoy most about *his* job? For him, it's a difficult question to answer. He says, "It could be the honor of working in 'The Happiest Place on Earth' for a Fortune 500 company, or that I only put in four or five days in front of crowds of screaming guests in Florida weather. I would have to say the best things is that I always said to myself that if I could make a living performing I would be happy. I can honestly say I haven't given up on that dream."

What has been Brandt's high point during his career so far? He reflects: "Honestly, there have been so many 'Disney Moments' that no one moment sticks out as the most 'magical.' We call it 'pixy-dusting' around here when a cast member first arrives and is still excited about their job. They also say that the dust wears off if you don't find new moments. I find a new one in the face of every child I put on television and in every laugh or round of applause."

In spite of his success, Brandt is quick to shrug off the credit. "I would never have had the courage to audition for that first play in

college if it hadn't been for the support and encouragement of my fraternity brothers, specifically my Pledge Dad Jon Riebkes and Pledge Brother Ron Ensley. They helped me with lines for the plays and tutored me in Calculus when homework and college took a backseat to my career. For all the help they gave me, however, I owe the most to my father, Larry Brandt, Iowa State '63, who supported me when I said I was going to be an actor, and who came to every performance of every show I was ever in. 🐭



One could say that Vinnie Pagliuca, *Lehigh '87*, has the world's largest closet. As Manager of Design and Administration for Walt Disney World's Creative Costuming division, he oversees the creation and storage of over one *million* garments.

It's a far cry from where his career started out.

After graduation he was working for AMP, Inc. in Harrisburg, PA and was looking for a change. He had applied to grad schools and planned on going back to school full-time to get his MBA. However, while in the office one day he saw an ad in the back of an engineering magazine that Disney was looking for industrial engineers. Just for kicks, he sent in a resume and basically, forgot about it.

In the meantime, he was accepted to a few schools and had planned on attending the following fall when he got a call in late December from the Disney people.

Two phone interviews and two trips to Orlando later, he had himself a job which he could not refuse. He started on April 2, 1990.

He began as an industrial engineer in the maintenance department and spent the first three years of his Disney experience in various areas including the Magic Kingdom, Disney/MGM Studios, Transportation Maintenance and EPCOT Center. In 1994 he moved into the Central Shops, the Park's manufacturing facility, where he was promoted to Senior Engineer.

He later moved to positions in Administrative Support, Distribution Services and Attractions Merchandise.

In 1995 he was promoted out of Industrial Engineering to become the Business Manager of Creative Costuming before being promoted to his current position.

His job comprises three basic functions. The first is to manage the financial office, requiring budgeting, business planning, financial reporting and labor projections. He also spearheads cost saving initiatives.

This is where his industrial engineering background comes in handy in such areas as material handling, workroom efficiency and organization structure.

His third duty is probably the most interesting—costuming. He manages the costuming warehouse, the Character Department which produces character costumes and the Design Department which designs all new costuming for entertainment shows and operational areas.

What does Pagliuca like most about his job? Other than the fact that he can walk out of his office into the park and ride the Tower of Terror, it has to be the people.

Pagliuca says the "cast members" as employees are called, are the most creative group of people he has ever met. Their dedication to putting on a quality show and exceeding the guests' expectations is incredible.

He says, "What they do makes my job as a manager very simple, thus enjoyable. Thus, what I enjoy most is being able to let our cast members do their jobs by

eliminating any barriers they run into and clearing the way for them to put on the great shows you see."

Like his cohorts, Pagliuca says there are so many memorable instances it's hard to single one out. One day he was sitting in a meeting when his character team walked in with Donald Duck. Another time, he was sitting in the cafeteria when Goofy and Mickey walked through. Sometimes, during peak weeks, he and the other cast members are asked to help out in the park by serving soda, greeting and controlling the crowds. It could also be the days he stands watching a new show open with the costumes his group has designed and built. It could also be the days that he stands in the Magic Kingdom waiting for a dress

rehearsal with almost no one in the park, looking up Main Street at a magnificently lit castle. He concludes, "But most likely it is walking out into the park and looking at the little kids smile when they see Mickey Mouse—it give great perspective on what really is important. One day, I will look back on these moments and realize what a magical place this really is."



What advice does he have for someone interested in a Disney career? He says that for someone coming out of school, the key is co-op or internship experience as well as a strong GPA. "In all honesty," he says, "new college grads without at least a 3.0 have little chance of getting in the door in a professional position. However, as an undergrad, if your school has a co-op program such as Georgia Tech, Florida, Purdue or Stanford, schools from which Disney recruits industrial engineers, become involved."

"Otherwise," he says, "find a contact at Disney, somebody who may know of openings and positions. With hundreds of thousands of resumes received each year, a cold call is not likely to get you very far." 🍷

Behind the scenes of a guest's successful experience at Walt Disney World is **Dan Welsh**,

Pennsylvania '67, with the Ride and Show Engineering team. As Project Engineer, Welsh's role is to support the operation of the Theme Parks and insure that they have the resources to provide the best experience for guests to the parks.

One of the most enjoyable aspects of his job is the involvement in the technical side of "making

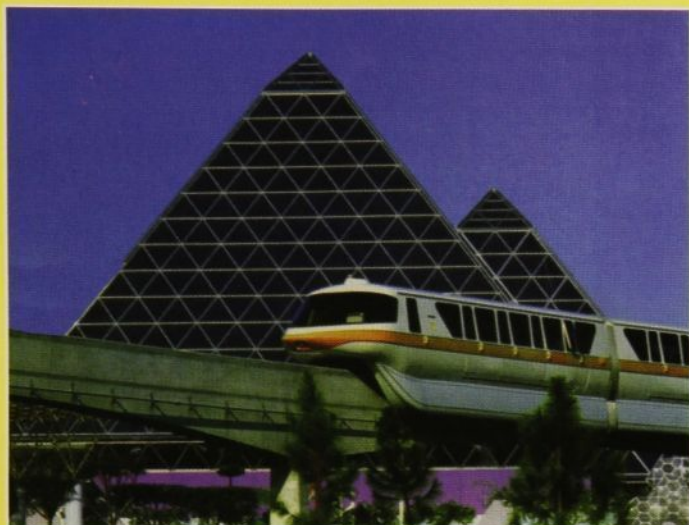
the magic." Each project is unique with a great variety of challenges. Since Walt Disney World is like a city with an on-site population of about 150,000 each day, it takes people with expertise in many roles to run that "city." Welsh has had the fun of working with planners, architects, hoteliers, entertainers and musicians on some very unique projects.

One of his most satisfying accomplishments was the design and construction of Walt Disney World's new Mark VI Monorail fleet which came on line in 1991. It was exciting to see this Disney-developed technology push the envelop with state of the art advances in safety and efficiency. The monorail was a four-year team effort from the opening business analysis through the design, construction and testing. Welsh says, "It's a good example of the satisfaction that comes from being involved in building a new transportation icon for Walt Disney World."

Welsh, married to the former Kathy Gaines, has four children and two grandchildren. Active in many Orlando civic organizations, he recently took up astronomy as a hobby.

Regarding a career within Disney, Welsh says that the key element is in keeping the Guest Experience and the excellence of the show first and foremost. Would he ever change jobs? Not at all. He says incredulously, "You know, they actually *pay* us to work here!" 🍷





Back in 1987, a friend of Scott McLemore's, phoned from Disney World: "You gotta get down here—they're hiring!"

McLemore, *Missouri '86*, felt need for stability so that he could marry Delt Sweetheart, Kimberly Keiser. He flew down to one of innumerable interviews. About a week later he got a call from someone he vaguely remembered speaking with: "I'd like to offer you a job. Can you start next week?"

McLemore was almost available—he had to find his replacement for his current job. His first gig at Disney was on the Easter Parade TV shoot.

Now, he serves as Technical Coordinator for Epcot Entertainment. His department, Guest Talent Programs, presents about two thousand performances annually inside Epcot and Disney-MGM Studios.

In addition to mixing audio for many of these, he's one of two people

responsible for discovering the physical needs of all of these shows.

The performers range from international celebrities all the way down to grade school groups, so there is a great deal of variety. Many of the amateur groups have little experience with professional technology, so what the create really is "Disney Magic."

Even after nine years and thousands of performances, sound is still McLemore's main interest at work.

As to memorable experiences, he reflects that perhaps it was when the 450-person Mormon Tabernacle Choir came and they were afraid the stage was going to collapse or how unsafely loud Michael Bolton's performances in Frontierland were...or maybe it was the shows he ran all over World Showcase from inside a bush where he couldn't hear or see the performance.

McLemore says that his

Welsh's World: **Left:** The state of the art monorail connects all of Disney's Florida attractions; **Below:** John Naglee and his "boss" at an award ceremony.

fraternity experience helped him a lot with his current job. "As a Delt," he says, "I learned a lot of self-discipline, as well as a lot about getting along with people you don't always get along with." Thankfully though, it's been a few years since he heard anyone laugh at the phrase "entertainment industry."

A devoted...and devout family man, McLemore would like to get back into audio, perhaps in the film or recording studio environment.

As to a Disney career, he warns, "Don't fall for the idea that you can take just *any* Disney job and then work your way into the area you are really interested in unless you've got a lot of time *and* patience. Network with someone who is close to where you want to be *then* paper the company with resumes." ♥

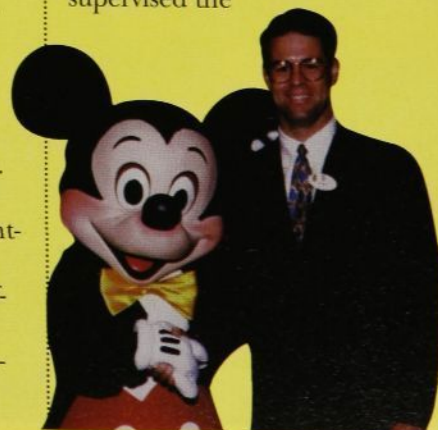
For **John Naglee's** decade-long career, it's impossible to put it in a box and label it as any one thing—it has been too varied to be labeled a job. A career at Disney is like that, he says. It is constantly challenging you with unique tasks. And it's difficult to describe the nature of these tasks without making a few early

points about the Disney "Culture."

Naglee, *Penn State '85*, says that at Disney, you're not given a desk, a pencil cup, a boss and an assignment and told, "Okay, kid—you're on." First you're given a few days of Traditions I (Disney's equivalent to orientation where the company's history and traditions are taught), then at least a week's-worth of training in a specific operating area in a theme park. Then you are tested and checked out by a trainer who is expert in the operation of your particular job.

Naglee says, "Like an actor who must first memorize his or her lines before appearing in a play, you must be familiar with all aspects of the Disney show before you are ever put 'on stage' in front of Guests—we always capitalize the 'G'—an in that respect the differences abound."

The tradition holds that theme parks are a "show" and you are not hired but "cast" into a role in that show. This difference harks back to the days when Walt Disney himself supervised the



theme parks and movie sets of his innovative company. The nomenclature of this culture in itself signals that there is a different working environment that can be found in the standard eight by eight cubicle cluster in the standard third floor office.

After absorbing these ideas and bringing them to heart, Naglee began his career in operations in EPCOT in 1986. After a few years there he moved on to a position in what is now the Walt Disney World Library & Research Center located at

the Disney University.

Last year, he completed the Leadership Skills Development Program—a five-month program that teaches contemporary management theories and practices with a strong emphasis on hands-on leadership.

Naglee went from being a research assistant on a team of twelve to a supervisory team environment where six Guest Service Managers (read: supervisors) ran three Magic Kingdom Park attractions and handled over a hundred Cast Members daily. Heavy emphasis on the word *team*—this was an experience builder for the uninitiated.

When the program ended, he returned to the Library and Research Center to a dual role—Research Assistant and Communications Specialist. In addition to his duties as a Research Assistant, he also takes care of internal communications for the Magic Kingdom Park. This role includes duties of writing articles for the *Eyes and Ears*, Walt Disney World's cast newsletter, contracting for publishing materials for flyers and booklets and even writing speeches. Naglee says that, in

retrospect, the last ten years were not nearly exciting as the next ten will be. The company is poised to grow immensely in the next two years alone. A cruise line division is set to open and a fourth resort, Disney's Animal Kingdom, will open soon. This year, they also celebrated the 25th Anniversary of the Walt Disney World Resort—a 15 month long event.

"Any company that can make a birthday celebration last that long has a lot going for it. We even changed Cinderella's Castle to look like a big castle cake just for the occasion."

His advice to interested future employees? Master as many skills as you possibly can. "You will use all of them in a company as large and diverse as this," he says. "The Disney Company is a phenomenal organization; truly fertile ground for the ambitious and imaginative."

On a plaque in Disneyland's Town Square are these words: *To all who come to this happy place: Welcome. Disneyland is your land. Here age relives fond memories of the past...and here youth may savor the challenge and promise of the future. Disneyland is dedicated to the ideals, the dreams, and the hard facts that have created America...with the hope that it will be a source of joy and inspiration to all the world.*

Little did Walt Disney know the magnitude to which his prophecy would be fulfilled—and how many Delts would become a part of it. ♥



In academic courses, in campus forums and workshops, colleges nationwide are embracing a new subject to study and debate: men.

At Colorado State University last month, hundreds of students flocked to campus sessions on masculinity, including one titled "From Intimacy Phobic to Intimacy Junkie: A New Path for Men." At Hobart College in New York, faculty are tackling the topic with a class called "Theories of Masculinity." In it, students have explored the male predicament by reading, among other works, the novel "Deliverance."

The University of Michigan held a campus symposium on manhood earlier this semester. Ohio University has a new course called "The Nature of Men." At the University of Illinois, dormitory counselors are leading student discussions on male roles and identity problems.

College faculty say interest in studying the history and psychology of men, or what it means to be masculine, is a reflection of other trends evident across American culture—from best-selling books on male spirituality, to last year's Million Man March on Washington, to Promise Keepers, a national movement that urges men to root their lives in Christianity and family.

"More colleges are seeing a need for this," said Guy Davis, an administrator at University of Illinois who develops workshops on men for that campus. "A lot of young men today don't know who they are, or who they're supposed to be in

this society."

That concern is hardly overwhelming academic—at least not yet. Some college officials say they have not noticed much interest in the subject, or dismiss new campus events or courses about men as fads that resound with new-age babble, but lack scholarly merit.

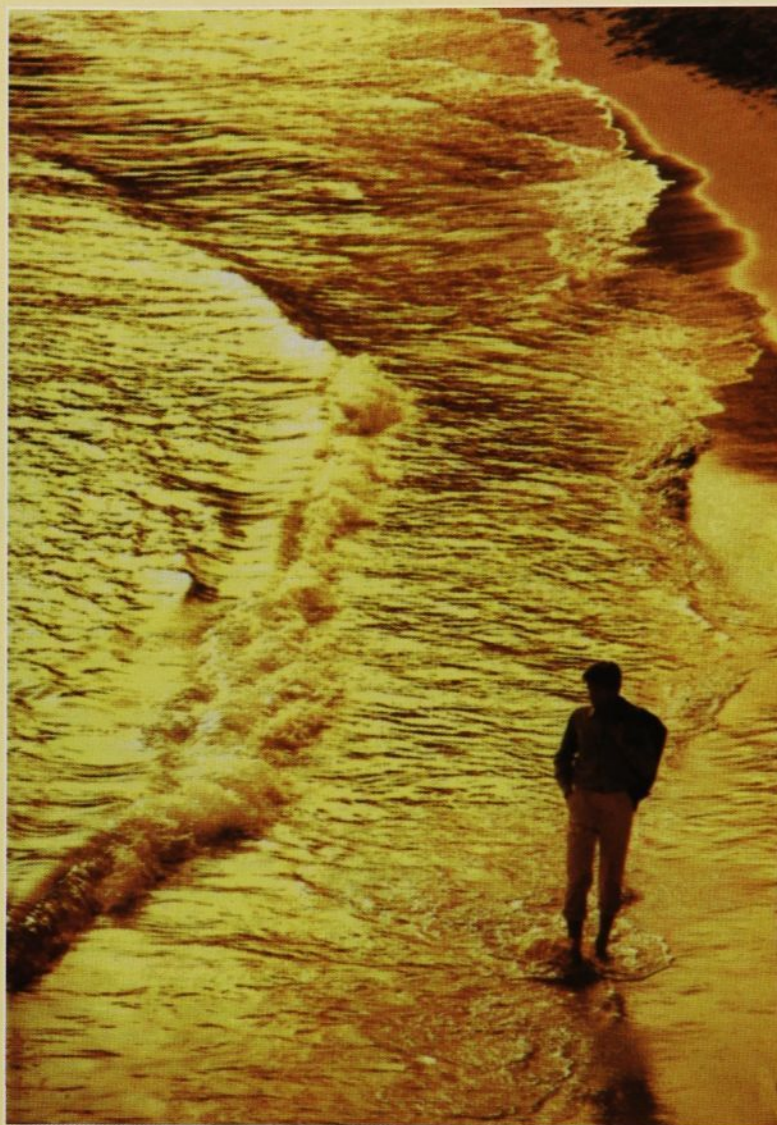
But others are taking the matter seriously. They contend that the increasing academic attention faculty and students are giving men is similar to the rise of women's studies in the 1970s.

That comparison is stirring both hope and alarm.

Hundreds of colleges have academic programs that focus on women. Some of them are welcoming the new interest in studying men and are busy promoting discussion on the subject. On other campuses, however, there are fears that what is emerging is in part a hostile reaction to feminism or the strides women are continuing to make in the work place.

"This is quite a phenomenon on some campuses," said Abigail Stewart, a psychology professor who directs the women's studies program at the University of Michigan. "There is some backlash about shifting gender roles behind this, but the fact is there are conservative and progressive forces in society making people think more about masculinity. Students are curious about what it means for them."

Apparently, the study of men means different things to different colleges. Some campuses are focusing on issues that directly affect and often confuse young men,



The Quest for Manhood

such as relationships with women, or phobias about homosexuality. Others are creating courses or forums on more arcane academic matters—how masculinity has evolved through history, for example.

Inevitably, faculty say, some discussions on the subject become an outlet for the frustrations men have about

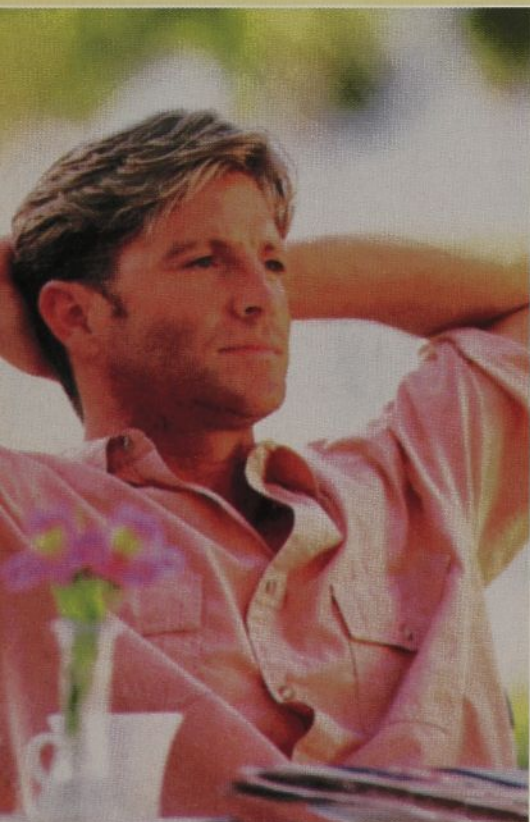
their negative images or their changing roles in society. But many of the workshops and courses are neither coping sessions nor chest-thumping affirmations of manhood. Instead, they are attempts to confront problems in male behavior, to help young men better understand women, or to assess how definitions of mas-

culinity and male roles have changed through history.

At Saint John's University in Minnesota, for example, a campus program called "King Lear and Fathering" used the Shakespeare play to spark discussion on male roles in the family. At Albright College in Pennsylvania, there is a workshop for students called "The Workplace in the 90s: Women Supervisors and Male Workers."

To help develop events like these, the American College Personnel Association, a national group of campus administrators, now even has a standing committee on men.

Colleges that are creating workshops or courses on men say they are popular among students—especially, it seems among young women.



"I thought it would be all guys when I came to class, and the girls thought it would be all guys," said Tom Gresinger, a Hobart freshman from Fort Washington, Md. "They thought we wouldn't want to talk about any of this. But it's good that the class is both. It's a good test to defend yourself, but also to hear their side."

Enticing male students to campus forums about men, particularly those on sensitive issues such as date rape or homophobia, can be difficult, college officials say. For that reason, some campuses are packaging events or courses that focus on male behavior quite subtly, so as not to scare off those they're trying to attract.

Colorado State, for example, has deliberately given general titles to its workshops—which have names like "Sex, Sin and Male Spirituality." It also has used theatrical dramas to explore the subject.

Last year, a campus mock trial on date rape that explored the bounds of appropriate sexual behavior drew more than 1,000 students.

"A lot of young men struggle with these issues," said Sam Sappington, a psychologist at Colorado State's campus counseling center. "And in the privacy of a counseling center, they'll say that they're confused about what it means to be a man, or worried that they're not living up to a certain standard. But out there on campus, in a class or a student event, many of them would never admit that."

At the University of Illinois, Davis said, officials want to promote discussion of male roles and behavior because campus disciplinary

files are dominated by cases involving the conduct of young men.

"And some of it is because they simply do not know how to act around women," he said.

At other colleges, faculty say they are more interested in having students examine the shifting role of men, and the definition of masculinity, in contemporary society.

Jerry Sloan, who teaches at Ohio University, has created an elective course for undergraduates called "The Nature of Men." He said he was inspired by a magazine cover story a few years ago on the declining image of men. The cover illustration featured a man in a business suit, but with a pig's head instead of a human face.

"The standing of men in society has dropped, mostly because of their own actions," Sloan said. "We want to take a look at that."

Still, Sloan said that courses like his could also be a counterbalance to teachings in some women's studies programs. "Women students here tell me that sometimes men get beaten up pretty badly in those class discussions," he said.

Sloan also invited men from Promise Keepers to speak to his class; he wanted students to examine the movement's significance. He also had students visit local elementary schools to learn what young boys had to say about their male role models and their views on what it means to be a man.

Other college courses are having students analyze



men from the perspectives of religious conservatives and feminists, in cultures around the world, or through African American or gay points of view.

Tom Piero, an assistant professor at the University of Rochester who studies gender issues, said that faculty who are promoting men's studies often avoid, or minimize, the feel-good themes about men that abound in bookstore bestsellers.

"Colleges are looking at masculinity in all kinds of serious ways," he said. "It's timely. Families are changing, so is work, and so is the way men consider themselves. Kids in college today are growing up right in the middle of that." ■

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Badger

COLLEGE FOOTBALL

Nineteen Delts contributed to 7-5 Stanford's victorious Sun Bowl season. Named as MVP in the Sun Bowl was QB **Chad Hutchinson**, who completed 22 of 28 for 226 yards. During the regular season, he hit 190 of 312 for 2,134 yards, 10 touchdowns. FB **Jon Ritchie** had 5 receptions in the Sun Bowl and scored a TD. Season-long starters were All-Pac-10 second team OG **Brad Badger**, above, (who played in the East-West Shrine Game), C **Mike McLaughlin** and OG **Andrew Kroeker**. Also seeing starting duty were OT **Jeff Cronshagen**, OT **Nathan Parks**, OT **Eli Burris**, OT **Brian Donoghue** and TE **Tommy Hanson**.

Key players on defense for the Cardinal were Pac-10 All-Academic first team DE **Bryan Werner**, who was sixth with 48 tackles, 10 for losses; All-Pac-10 honorable mention DT **Carl Hansen** (37 tackles, 10 for losses); DB **Tim Smith**, the interception leader with 4, who scored a Sun Bowl TD on a blocked punt; DT **Pete Swanson** (25 tackles); and LB **Marc Stockbauer**. **Kevin Miller** pulled double duty as Stanford's kicker and punter. He led in scoring with 57 points (12 field goals, 21 extra

points) and booted 66 punts for a 40.1 average, including a 75-yarder.

DT **Brian McGavock** started every game for 8-3 Eastern Illinois and ranked seventh with 49 tackles. Also seeing action for NCAA Division I-AA or I-AA schools were QB **Monte Christo** of the 10-2 Nebraska Orange Bowl champs, C **Tim Macias** of Oklahoma, C **Dave Towson** of TCU and Cal-Poly SLO DE **Sean Cavanaugh** (initiated at Stanford).

Named to the American Football Coaches Assn. Division III All-American first team and All-ECAC first team was R.P.I. co-captain/OT **Scott Cafarelli**, who started for the third year. Nebraska-Kearny FB **Shane Hatcher** started for the third year, rushed for 181 yards on 34 carries and excelled as a blocker. Bethany OT **Regis Bane** was named to the All-PAC first team while teammate **Joe Caruso** had 54 punts and kicked 6 field goals in 8 attempts.

Over 40 Delts led DePauw to a 9-1 record and ICAC title. Ranked 14th in Division III total offense was All-ICAC first team QB **Bernie Haskins**, who set new school marks with 192 of 350 for 2,722 yards and 28 TDs. Also on the All-ICAC first

team was OT **Nathan Dilley**. RB **Johnathon Stigall** led in rushing (451 yards on 135 attempts) and was third in receiving (30 for 311 yards). K **Jason Gardner** hit 9 of 13 field goal attempts and 26 extra points to rank third with 53 points while WR **Joe Rogowski** had 10 receptions for 142 yards.

All-ICAC first team LB **Austin Johnson** led DePauw's defense with 76 tackles while All-ICAC first team LB **Michael**

Lewis had 75 stops and 3 interceptions. Other key defenders for the Tigers were LB **Matt MacPherson** (33 tackles) and LB **Tim Cooper** (30 tackles).

Named Northwest Conference Offensive Player of the Year was QB **Chuck Pinkerton**, who led Willamette to a 9-2 record and the NAIA Division II quarterfinals. He led in rushing (809 yards on 143 carries); passing (123 of 235 for 1,728 yards, 18 TDs); scoring (58 points); and punting (58 for a 34.9 average, long of 65 yards). He was Division II Offensive Player of the Week in early November and later had a career best 410 total offense yards in a playoff win over Bethany (KS), including a career high 202 yards on 12 carries.

Another key player for Willamette was **Rich Rideout**, who played both fullback and tailback. He was named to the All-Northwest second team, was second with 636 yards on 113 rushes and caught 16 passes for 143 yards. Also seeing action for the Bearcats was OG **Peter Osborne**.

Three Delts were key players for 7-3 Wabash. Co-captain/WR **Eric Borgert** was second with 30 catches for 455 yards, 4 scores. He concluded his career with 126 receptions for 1,876 yards and 13 touchdowns. RB **Joe Becker** was the Little Giants' top rusher with 684 yards on 176 carries and returned 8 kickoffs for a 20.1 average. WR **Frank Serge** had 19 receptions for 243 yards.

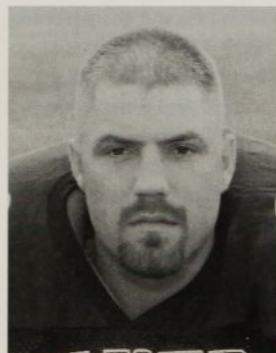
Thirty-three Delts helped lead Baker to a 7-3 season. LB **Ryan Bult** led with 79 tackles (8 for losses) and was on the All-HAC first team. Also playing well on defense were DB **Ben Viets** (42 stops), DE **David Gura** (19 tackles) and DB **Zach Barron**.

FB **Rob Winfrey** was Baker's second-best rusher with 424 yards on 93 carries. Good receivers were **Jay Michaels** (15 for 188 yards, 3 TDs) and **Brandon**

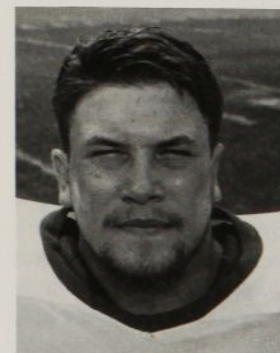
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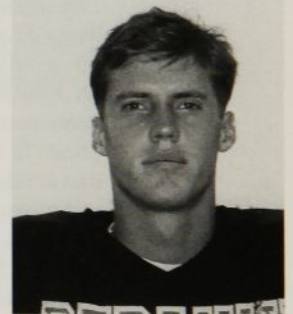
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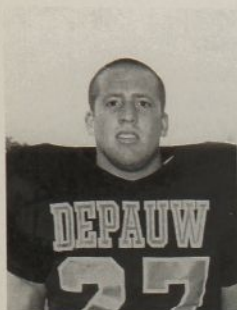
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Becker (9 catches for 158 yards). Offensive line starters included OG **Matt Barber**, OT **Steve Kennedy** and OT **Tim Berg**.

DB **Chad Paolini** was in on 17 tackles for Allegheny's 10-1 Division III playoff squad. OG **David Dostal** started every game for Lawrence while teammate **Mike Moudry** had 8 catches for 157 yards, 2 TDs. Others seeing action included DT **Keith Hovey** of Case Western Reserve, DB **Dave Wymer** of Ohio Wesleyan and DT **Preston Kramer** of Missouri-Rolla.

The most successful Delt head coach during the 1996 season was **Jim Parady**, *Maine '83*, who led Marist to a 7-3 record and third place finish in the Metro Atlantic Conference. **Carmen Cozza**, *Miami '52*, ended his 32 seasons at Yale with a 179-119-5 career record. Georgia Southern's **Frank Ellwood**, *Ohio State '57*, produced a 4-7 record in his first season at the helm.

PRO FOOTBALL

Denver Broncos QB **John Elway**, *Stanford '83*, had one of his best statistical seasons, leading the AFC in passing with 89.2 rating points. He completed 287 of 466 for 3,328 yards and 26 touchdowns. He was named to the AP All-Pro second team and was voted the AFC's starting QB in the Pro Bowl. The December 30th issue of *Sports Illustrated* featured John on the cover once again and **Rick Reilly** wrote an exceptional lead story. Mentioned was the

fact that he has won more games as a starter than any QB in NFL history and his 40 fourth quarter comebacks are also the league standard.

Several other NFL players had good seasons. Tampa Bay DB **John Lynch**, *Stanford '93*, had 3 interceptions and Chicago Bears TE **Ryan Wetnight**, *Stanford '93*, had 21 receptions for 223 yards, despite missing a lot of playing time with an injury. **Chris Dalman**, *Stanford '93*, saw starting duty again for the San Francisco 49ers.

Gene Washington, *Stanford '69*, the NFL's current Director of Football Operations, was chosen by fans as one of three receivers on the San Francisco 49ers 50th anniversary alltime team.

SOCCER

Defenseman **Andrew Parrish** was a regular again for Indiana's 15-3-3 NCAA third round playoff squad. He started every game and had 2 assists as a marking back. Second in scoring for the 8-7-2 Pittsburgh team was **Dean Astorino**, who had 9 points. Other key Panthers included **Mike Dyer** (6 points), **Matt Gray** (4 points) and goalie **Adam Spitzer** (98 saves, 1.31 goals against average).

All-PAC first team forward **Pat Michel** was the leader in points (33) and goals (12) for the 17-5 Bethany squad, which went to the Division III quarterfinals. Also seeing action for the Bison were defenseman **Scott McNeven** and goalie **Dan Lohmann**. **David Sims** saw action for the 18-3-1 Kenyon team which was Division III championship runnerup.

Delts were the key players for the 12-3 Wabash squad.

Forward **Amadou Fye** ranked second in scoring (9 goals, 3 assists) while forward **Josh Robinson** ranked fourth (4 goals, 6 assists). Goalie **Gary Dunn** made 61 saves while allowing just 16 goals (1.33 GAA). Scoring 3 points each for the Little Giants were **Chris Davis** and **Noel Kammerman**.

Several Delts helped lead Stevens Tech to its fourth IAC title. Midfielder **James Kreusch** ranked among the leading scorers with 13 points (6 goals, 1 assist) while defenseman **Jason Tirri** added 3 assists. **Mark Hourican** was in goal for 4 contests for the Ducks and posted 29 saves. Also seeing action were back **Jon Soltz** of Washington & Jefferson and **Bill Torni** of Albion.

ADMINISTRATORS

In late November, **Steve Pederson**, *Nebraska '80*, was named Athletic Director at the University of Pittsburgh. He had been his



alma mater's Associate Director, Football Operations since 1994 and had previously worked on the athletic department staffs at Tennessee and Ohio State.

BASKETBALL

The retirement of former Princeton head coach **Pete Carril**, *Lafayette '52*, was rather brief. During the summer, he joined the staff of the NBA Sacramento Kings as an assistant coach. Also an assistant coach for the Kings is **Mike Bratz**, *Stanford '81*. Pete

was also one of 15 1996 nominees for the Basketball Hall of Fame.

CROSS COUNTRY

Bowling Green State's **Jim Weckesser** competed in 8 events and placed 25th in the Notre Dame Invitational 8K (25:31). He placed 44th out of 253 runners at the All-Ohio 8K, clocking 26:16 and was 48th at the MAC championships (26:26). **Trip Spencer** was Virginia's top finisher at several meets: 30th at the Furman Invitational 10K (32:55) and at the Maryland C-C Open 8K (26:37).

Drew Schnabel of Syracuse competed in three fall events. He placed 10th at the Colgate Triangular 5 mile run (26:46) and was 16th at the Western Ontario five school meet, covering 6.2 miles in 33:53. Good runners for Bethany were **Joe Martin**, **David Pratt**, **Marc Gardner** and **Roger Gomez**.

WATER POLO

Delts dominated the George Washington squad once again and co-captain **Brent Stoll** was named to the EWPA All-Southern Conference first team. Other leading players included co-captain **Peter Clifford**, **Dan Batten**, **Rush**



Taylor, **Brandon Stout**, **Chris Sterling**, **Bill Blackburn**, **Tony Paster**, **Doug Maitz**, **Carlos Nossa** and **Dave Oliver**.

Serving as head coach during the last half of the season was **Trevor Rodin**, *George Washington '96*.

These are the best of times now for the Denver Broncos and recognition for Janet Elway's husband as one of the game's greatest players, but this trek to stardom has been 14 years in the making. What has it been like to be John Elway, *Stanford '83*, the man who determines Denver's psyche each week during football season? To be both loved and hated? To be John Elway for a day?

"I'm signing autographs when I go to buy gas," he says. "I know that. Instead of letting it bother me, I know it's going to happen. What I try to do is frequent the same gas station until the guy gets tired of asking for my autograph and then I don't have to do it anymore. Or, I have someone else get gas for me."

What has it been like for Janet Elway, an Olympic-caliber swimmer in her own right, to live with the most scrutinized athlete in Denver? To raise four children in such an atmosphere? Some days, she says, her husband has been hit harder than any tackle on the field, and yet, he has always gotten up.

"There have been times when it scared me how low he could get," Janet says. "He wouldn't talk about it for weeks on end, but you could feel it, see it, and then one night he would break, and it would almost be like a dam bursting with all these emotions spilling out. He was holding so much in, but once he talked to his dad or to me and he would get it out, then he would pick himself up and go on."

"I don't know how he did it. A lot of things happened with Dan [Reeves], and not that they weren't difficult for Dan too, but it was a bad situation for the both of them. I can't tell you how many times

John decided to quit on Friday only to get up and go in to work on Saturday."

It is difficult to comprehend today after more than 45,000 passing yards and more games played as a Bronco (195) than any other player in team history, but those early years on the job were a test of survival for the Elway family.

"John was such a stand-out at Stanford and then to come here and regress," Janet says. "Nothing was going his way, and it was just awful. There was all this talk about him being the first pick in the draft, so where was all this greatness?"

Before he had thrown a pass in a regular-season game, he was the *Sports Illustrated* cover boy, and as the headline said, "Looking like a million." Met by expectations that might overwhelm some, he embraced the challenge only to be embarrassed by Reeves' inability to patiently develop immature talent.

He was pulled from his first start, and then his second, and before season's end Elway was so confused he was seen lining up behind his guard, mistaking him for the center.

"I was a bust at 23," Elway says with his characteristic self-deprecating sense of humor. "Well, I was on my way to being a bust, and it was everything in my life not to be a bust because I started so slowly."

There was almost daily phone calls to Jack Elway, John's father, and now his best friend. There was so much pressure, so much scrutiny that when Elway went to get a haircut, he required a police escort to avoid the media and autograph seekers.

"I wouldn't change anything that's happened, but if you asked me if you could go back and be 22 again, would

you do it? I'm not sure I'd do it, because it wasn't easy.

People don't realize what a boo makes a young kid feel like. It's like taking a big dagger to a 23-, 24-year-old kid. People expect you to grow up just like that. In the business world, you get a chance to grow."

The Golden Boy, who has been sacked more than 400 times in his career and punished with big hits as a scrambling quarterback, felt abused during one stage in his life. He whined about having no privacy, pointing to the reporters who staked out his house on Halloween to find out what candy the Elways were giving, and he was not happy.

"We grew up together, so that's all I've known," Janet says. "I know when we go places John is going to be noticed. He never wants to be a jerk, so I will be the jerk sometimes and say he's not signing but it's tough."

"At some point it began to feel like too much for him," Janet says. "It was like, 'All I want to do is play football and not have to fill this role of what everybody wants me to be.' He was kind of like a little kid who didn't want to do it, and then he turned it all around."

"I've never felt I was anyone special, and when people talk like that, it's like they are talking about someone else," Elway says.

Never more than a regular guy raised well who happened to have extraordinary athletic talent, Elway has now carved his niche in Denver history as someone to be respected on and off the field.

"If I would have made a blueprint of the ideal son," says Jack Elway, "I would have undershot what he's attained."

It began with a closet but



Mountains of Scrutiny

Elway Enjoys the Best of Times in Denver

By T. J. Simers

is really a room now as Janet tries to control the new articles and memorabilia she has saved for the day when she assembles a scrapbook.

The years have whizzed past, and the young couple who supposedly had it going all their way, knew better and were not overwhelmed.

"Looking back now, we were so young," says Janet. "So much money, so much fame, everyone in Denver was looking at us and expecting so much, our parents were not in town and we were very much alone and not sure how to handle ourselves."

"Golly, there were so many hard times, and we were just so young. But, my, how we've been blessed." ■

A Call to Awareness

On Sunday, November 17, ABC aired a film called "For Hope" about Bob Sagent's sister who was diagnosed with scleroderma.

As some you know, my wife, Kathy has also been diagnosed with a form of scleroderma. Scleroderma is a chronic, degenerative disorder that leads to the overproduction of collagen in the body's connective tissue. Scleroderma is most serious when it affects internal organs, causing severe damage and serious complications to the body's digestive, respiratory, circulatory and immune systems. It is a disease that currently has no known cause or cure.

"For Hope" was an effort to bring national attention to a disease that, although it affects a greater number of patients than MS (approximately 500,000), scleroderma research receives far less government support.

In 1992, the National Institutes of Health provided \$52.7 million for MS research and only \$3.9 million for scleroderma research. Cystic Fibrosis, with only 25,000 patients, received \$53.1 million that same year.

We are posting this FYI as an effort to do our part in bringing an awareness to a disease that has taken over our lives and thousands of others' lives.

—Michael Szczepkowski
Lehigh '88
Past Eastern Division President

Shelter Fires Article Sparks Comment

I commend you for the article, "Avoiding the Agony of a Shelter Fire" which appeared in the summer edition. It was an excellent article that should be made required reading for all chapters.

I have a keen interest in fraternity house fires, as I have been involved in the fire service for the past thirty-five years. Currently, I am the Fire Chief of Alexandria, Virginia. Also, I am a graduate of George Washington University and

remember the brothers talking about the fire that you referenced in your article. That event left a scar on the minds of many people.

If there is an effort to promote fire safety through our fraternity please contact me for assistance. I will help develop fire safety literature or other materials that could be shared with all chapters.

My son is a member of the Delta Eta Chapter so a tradition is continuing. I attended his initiation and was thrilled to be part of his becoming a Delt.

Again, good job with the article.

—Tom Hawkins
George Washington '64
Alexandria, VA

I read your article on Shelter Fires in the Summer *Rainbow* with some interest. I kept anticipating a mention of the big one at Beta Alpha at Indiana University, but it wasn't there.

I graduated from IU in 1935. About the start of the second semester, IU had a basketball game. The game had started at 7:00 pm and most everyone had left for the game. A few of us were still in the House when the fire started. It didn't take long for the fire to engulf the building. It was a complete loss. Of course, all the members lost everything except the clothes they were wearing including books, notes—the works. South Hall was a men's dorm at the time and there was an empty area on the top floor. The University moved us all into this section.

The Fraternity had a blanket insurance policy of \$1,000 for members' belongings. I think we each received about \$35.00, which may have bought a suit at that time. It was tough going.

I was treasurer and was able to crawl through a window and get the cash box which contained mostly checks for house bills that were due. I deposited them the next morning and then spent the next several weeks adjusting the accounts for all those whose parents had pay-

ment on their checks.

We survived but it took a long time for some of us to recoup and pay for everything.

—Thorild Johnson
Indiana '35
Attica, IN

Delt Olympian Feedback

Ouch! You left me off your list of Olympians—my one chance for glory with fellow Delts! I was on the 1984 and 1988 Olympic Handball teams. Please stick me in there for your Year 2000 issue.

—Steve Kirk
Villanova '81
West Chester, PA

For twenty-two years now I have had to periodically remind the Central Office that Delta Tau Delta is an international fraternity.

In this instance I refer to the Summer 1996 *Rainbow*. Although I recognize that the article is about the 1996 Olympics held in the U.S.A., I see no reason to slight your Canadian brothers by the omission of Jim Buchanan, *Delta Theta* '78, from your list of Delt Olympians. Jim, a Canadian, represented Canada in the 1976 Montreal Olympics in the long jump event. Unfortunately, Jim was killed in an automobile accident before he was able to graduate or realize his true athletic potential.

—D. Wayne Taylor
Toronto '77
Hamilton, Ontario

What Happened at Carnegie Mellon?

There has been no mention of Delta Beta Chapter at Carnegie Mellon University in the last several issues of the *Rainbow*, not even in the Chapter news section. Has something happened to cause the chapter to be deactivated?

—John K.E. Horst
Carnegie Mellon '52
Westfield, NY

[Editor's Note: Undergraduate

chapters are responsible for submitting chapter reports and other items of interest for publication in *The Rainbow*. While no explanation for past omissions was offered, we received the following update in response to our query.]

This has been a semester of rebuilding for Delta Beta. We will lose many seniors, yet there are many young members who have picked up the slack. Our newly elected officers, led by President Thomas Francis Gardner, Jr. have many ideas for improving the role of the chapter in local Greek community and in the surrounding neighborhoods. We look forward to initiating several new philanthropy programs such as Adopt-a-School, that help to bring us together as a chapter. We have also undertaken many shelter improvements and our new house manager, Derrick Cissell, has many more planned to improve shelter living conditions.

In intramural sports our football team reached the semifinals, and our darts team won the overall championship last semester. Our basketball and floor hockey teams seek to continue the winning tradition of previous seasons.

We hope to see everyone at carnival this April 11-12. The brothers at Delta Beta hope that alumni interest in the chapter will increase, as it has lagged in previous years. Our alumni newsletter will be sent out in the coming weeks which will contain the carnival schedule and other upcoming events. We wish to extend an open invitation to all alumni and their families to keep in contact as we enjoy hearing from you. We already have many events planned ranging from live bands to luncheons for alumni and as always, parties. Finally, we would like to thank Ken Lambert, Chin Oh, Frank Pecjak and David Berwick for demonstrating that brotherhood does not end with graduation—that it is truly a life-long relationship.

Altman, John W., *Miami '60*, teaches the popular course in entrepreneurship at Miami University. The founder of six companies, famous CEOs and Fortune 500 executives speak in his classes and tell students how they developed entrepreneurial skills to lead companies back from the brink.

Amos, Kent E., *Alabama '83*, has his own business in the investment field and became a first-time parent last fall of a future Delt. He and his wife live in Mobile.

Barger, Richards D., *Indiana '50*, has been appointed Chairman of the Board of Seaboard North American Holdings, Seaboard Life Insurance Company, and U.S. affiliate VASA North America, Inc. He is a partner in the law firm of Barger & Women in California and New York.

Baumbach, Christopher J., *Texas Christian '83*, is working as a Certified Financial Planner for Dean Witter in Oak Brook, IL. He and his wife now have two children.

Bischoff, Paul J., *Baylor '90*, is vice president of McGeorge Toyota-Mercedes Benz in the Richmond, Virginia area and the proud parent of a new baby daughter.

Crowe, Stanley R., *Colorado '42*, retired after a diverse career of construction and real estate investments, and, at the age of 76, took up golf and travel. He and Millie, his Theta wife of 54 years, live in Rockport, TX.

Galzerano, Mark R., *Pittsburgh '82*, opened a second law office in Hopewell

Township where he was recently elected to the Board of Directors of the Hopewell Area School District. His practice specializes in divorce, real estate and business law in the Pittsburgh area.

Gebert, David K., *Washington '71*, is Commanding Officer of the Naval Facilities Engineering Field Activity, in Poulsbo, Washington. EFA NW provides facilities planning, design, construction, environmental, real estate and contracting support for all Navy shore activities in the Pacific Northwest and Alaska.

Geddie, Morgan W., *Oklahoma State '81*, completed his doctorate in occupational and adult education and accepted a position at Arkansas Tech University as an Assistant Professor of Hospitality Administration. He, his wife and their son, Samuel live in Russellville, AR.

Gordon, David A., *Washington & Lee '92*, graduated from Glasgow's Strathclyde Law School and is working in the Legal Services Department of the Bank of Scotland. He is hoping to qualify as a Scottish solicitor in 1998 and become a member of the Chartered Institute of Bankers.

Gray, Jason A., *IIT '90*, completed a masters degree in management from Webster University in St. Louis. He works for Tarlton Corporation.

Heminger, Edwin L., *Ohio Wesleyan '48*, whose family has owned the Findley *Courier* for 105 years, received the "First Families

of Ohio Newspapers" Award in February. As publisher, Brother Heminger oversees the holdings of The *Courier* Publishing company which includes the newspaper and radio stations throughout the midwest.

Hutchins, Charles L., *Wabash '77*, a partner in Sagamore Gas & Appliances, recently opened in West Lafayette, IN. The firm is a propane gas distributor and Whirlpool appliance dealer, and sells and installs gas grills, gas logs and fireplace systems, and gas heaters of all types.

Hoglund, Steven F., *Mankato State '93*, was selected to command the service detachment in the 1st BN 10th Special Forces Group in Stuttgart, Germany. He spent the last three years in Germany with the 191st Ordnance Battalion.

Johnson, Jerome A., *IIT '56*, *Purdue '57*, retired from Motorola with nearly 40 years of service. Prior to his retirement he held various engineering and management positions and for the last several years directed the patent operation which lead Motorola to the Number 3 spot in total U.S. patents in 1995. He and his wife of 42 years split their time between Lombard, IL and Gills Rock, WI.

Johnson, Robert D., *Florida State '59*, retired and moved from Burke, Virginia to Vero Beach, Florida. He and his wife look forward to renewing old friendships and following FSU sports.

Kesler, Joel R., *Kansas State '60*, retired as a Senior

Partner of Black & Veatch after 37 years of service. He led design activities for construction projects at U.S. nuclear weapons plants and various Department of Defense facilities.

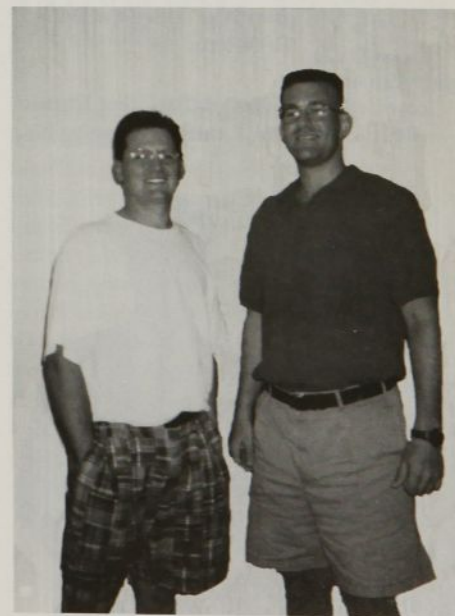
Klevay, Leslie M., *Wisconsin '56*, returned to Grand Forks, ND from Adelaide, South Australia, where he was a consultant to the Australian/International Workshop on Zinc and a temporary advisor to the International Programme on Chemical Safety Task Group on Zinc of the World Health Organization.

Lamar, Howell A., *Washington & Lee '33*, was featured in a recent article about Japan's shipboard surrender 50 years ago. A newspaper writer told of Hal Lamar's role as aide to Fleet Adm. Chester Nimitz when he ran the Navy's wartime operations in the Pacific Theater. A mother clipped the article and sent it to her son in the Navy, her son showed it to his boss and Hal



Barger

Big Brother Dr. Gerald D. Enlow and Little Brother Dr. Chris Cook, Western Kentucky '91, both decided to become dentists. Gerald is in private practice in Newburgh, IN and Chris is in the Navy, stationed in North Carolina.





Altman

was invited to Hawaii to be the keynote speaker at a banquet honoring the Navy's 220th birthday.

Lande, Roger L., Iowa '59, was appointed by Iowa's Governor Terry Branstad and confirmed by the Iowa Senate as a member of the Iowa Board of Regents. This nine-person Board is the governing body for Iowa's three universities and two state schools. Lande's appointment to the Board of Regents is for a five year term.

Layne, Paul H., Sam Houston State '79, was promoted to president of Cullen Center, Inc. in Houston, TX. Mr. Layne oversees six million square feet of office space in the Central United States for TRIZEC Properties, the parent company of Cullen Center. He, his wife and six children live in Houston.

Leatherman, Don G., Iota '50, was recently elected Lt. Governor of Division 39 of the Texas/Oklahoma District of Kiwanis International. Division 39 comprises 12 Kiwanis clubs which he will supervise during the 1997-1998 term.

Lupo, Michael, West Virginia '91, is currently running his

farm in Liphia Springs, Georgia and working as a sheep herder.

Lyons, Shawn R., South Dakota '93, was named executive director of the Arizona Association of Counties in Phoenix, AZ. The association represents all of the state's 15 counties and their elected officials. Shawn and his wife, Stephanie moved from Pierre, SD where he was executive director of the South Dakota Association of County Officials.

Martin, Jeffrey A., Washington & Jefferson '78, was admitted as a Diplomat to the American Board of Anesthesiology. He is currently staff anesthesiologist for the U.S. Navy Submarine Base in Groton, CT. He is also in the medical staff of Yale New Haven Hospital for Yale University.

Middendorf, Matt R., Illinois '92, is a CPA for McGladoy and Pullen in Champaign, IL. He married his one true love, Sally [Schulze] and many of his Delt brothers were on hand to celebrate the nuptials.

Moore, Robert G., Cincinnati '46, writes that he finished a term as Commodore of his Yacht Club in the Florida town where he winters. His wife recently died of cancer after 52 years of marriage.

Nasharr, Daniel J., Hillsdale '85, was recently promoted to Senior Account Executive at Direct Marketing Technology in Schaumburg, IL. He has his wife, Janey, and their two young children live in Batavia, IL.

Nelson, Boyd E., Missouri '93, joined the Raymond James Trust Company as an assis-

tant vice president and trust officer. He holds a bachelors degree in corporate finance and real estate and a juris doctor degree from the Washington University School of Law.

Predmore, Gregory A., Arizona '92, is graduating this May from the University of Colorado Health Science Center with a masters degree in physical therapy. He is finishing his last couple months of clinical rotations.

Race, Daniel G., Michigan State '76, has been named GM Communications Director of GMAC Mortgage, a wholly-owned affiliate of General Motors Acceptance Corporation. They are one of the nation's leading mortgage bankers, servicing first and second mortgage loans for more than 600,000 customers from a retail branch network of 100 offices.

Scanlon, James, Nebraska '65, is a physical therapist in private practice in the White Mountains area of Arizona. He and his wife have been foster parents since 1982, providing love and shelter to more than 100 children.

Schiferl, Kevin C., Purdue '85, an attorney with Locke Reynolds Boyd & Weisell was elected to the board of directors of the Indiana Defense Lawyers Association. The IDLA is the professional organization of civil defense attorneys in Indiana promoting excellence in civil litigation and supporting the administration of justice in the courts and mediation.

Skalla, John L., Nebraska '57, received the Trail Boss Award, the highest honor given by

the Southwest General Agents and Managers Association at the 43rd annual Southwest Management Conference in Houston last December. In 1996, Skalla became General Agent Emeritus of Connecticut Mutual Life Insurance Company, culminating a 40 years association. The Trail Boss Award was created to recognize individuals who have served "above and beyond the call of duty."

Taylor, D. Wayne, Toronto '77, has been elected Chairman of the Board and President of the Victorian Order of Nurses in Hamilton, Ontario. The VON is a national billion-dollar visiting nursing/home care, community health agency with branches across Canada.

Thomas, Mark B., Southeastern Louisiana '92, proudly announced the birth of his son, Ryan Mark. He and his wife, Kelly, live in Covington, LA.

Welsh, Gary B., Missouri-Columbia '72, was named National Sales Manager for the Fiber Treatment Group of the Coatings Division of B.F. Goodrich Specialty Chemicals segment, based in the Atlanta, GA area.

Wilson, Richard P., Southwest Texas State '96, was accepted into the Medical School at the Universidad autonoma de Guadalajara in Guadalajara, Mexico, starting this spring.

Donald A. Wrenn, Oregon State '62, is managing director of investments for Piper, Jaffray, Inc. in Corvallis, Oregon. He has three sons, two of whom are Deltas.

John Skalla, right, receives the coveted Trail Boss Award



“What do you think, Jim? Could we get five Deltas and their wives together to do a houseboat trip on Lake Powell?” Stan Mutersbaugh, *Michigan State '52*, asked his old friend, Jimmy “Ace” Hayes, also *Michigan State '52*. “Boy, I don’t know,” Hayes answered. “Everyone is pretty spread out geographically—and Lake Powell is not just around the corner for most people.”

Mutersbaugh got on the phone and contacted Norm Eipper, *Michigan State '54* in Michigan, Don More, *Michigan State '53* in California and Bob Schnuck, *Michigan State '49* in Florida. Mutersbaugh’s three previous Lake Powell houseboat vacations convinced him that there wasn’t a better place in the United States to hold a mini-reunion. He was articulate in telling his friends about the Lake’s incredible beauty, “I guarantee it—you’ve never seen anything like it.” He proposed a date almost a year in advance: September 1996—and everyone bought it!

On September 12, everyone gathered for a mid-afternoon boat briefing aboard the Admiral, a 59’ deluxe houseboat—soon to be christened the “Delta Queen” and so designated by a handmade sign.

Sleeping bags, cartons of groceries, fishing poles, games and gear were piled in the salon as the young staffer from the Hall’s Crossing Marina explained the operation of the boat. Schnuck, a licensed captain, asked questions about the various mechanical and technical details. The women unpacked groceries and drew straws to determine who would sleep in which stateroom.

The briefing over and gear and groceries stowed, the “Delta Queen” and her crew were ready to be “piloted” outside the breakwater. Schnuck took the helm as the staffer sped off in a dinghy—and five Iota Deltas and

their wives were off on a week of adventure.

Folks settled into comfortable outdoor spots—women upstairs sunning; men trading fish stories on the lower front deck. The air was clean; the scenery grand. The flooding of Glen Canyon Dam that resulted in Lake Powell created a narrow and ragged body of water stretching up the Colorado River for 180 miles. Its extremely high walls were carved out of sandstone and “painted” in red, brown and tan desert varnish with strange and jagged rock formations protruding in unexpected places. Smooth banks resembling giant elephant legs interrupted high red sandstone cliffs. Smaller canyons and waterways twisted their way to crevices, tiny sand beaches and dead ends. Late afternoon shadows created another dimension as irregular dark shapes superimposed themselves on jagged canyon walls. Around every bend a new visual pleasure appeared.

Every day was different. Sometimes the sun shone brilliant and hot; often dramatic clouds swept across the sky providing relief from the heat. One rainy afternoon, waterfalls formed and fell from the high cliffs gushing down in brown torrents. The constant beauty of the rock in all weather conditions was fascinating.

Dinner events were preceded by cocktails on the upper deck as the sun slowly disappeared. Each spouse had pre-planned and prepared an evening meal. Dy Eipper produced books of old college and Delt songs as entertainment after her pork tenderloin dinner. Anchored on a red sand beach up a twisted canyon with no other boat in sight, the “Delta Queen” rocked gently to the tunes of old. Other evenings the men gathered firewood to make campfires. In the dark, as marshmal-

lows roasted, the words of “Delta Queen” and “Down to MaryAnn’s” rang out into the night. When all was finally quiet, the coyotes howled their lonesome songs. Millions of diamonds sparkled overhead, relished by those cozy in sleeping bags on the upper deck.

Fishing was a big preoccupation. The women cheered when they realized that, in the end, Joy More landed the largest fish. Never mind that it was smaller than her hand.

An advance team of three or four piled into the dinghy to explore narrow, winding prehistoric canyons in the late afternoons to find remote beaches for the evening anchorages. Hikes to the heights of dramatic red sand dunes provided stunning views. The way was strewn with rock treasures. Others visited beaches above which Anasazi Indians had made their homes, still visible high up on the rock.

The final evening, when everyone settled down after one last nostalgia-filled campfire, Ann Mutersbaugh summoned Schnuck. Her flashlight beamed into his sleepy face. “Bob, the boat’s swinging around and we’re now 180 degrees from where we were before!” she cried nervously. “Stan wants you to come up and take a look. Hurry!”

Wind gusts of 50-60 knots had dislodged the boat’s bow and while the anchors in the sand still held, the flat-bottomed houseboat had crossed two of the anchor lines and was facing

aft. It was not safe to start the engines because of the possibility of catching the lines in the props.

Bob and Stan awakened the rest of the crew and soon all hands were on deck. After much effort the dilemma was resolved, anchors were re-secured and a weary but relieved crew returned to bed. As if to punctuate an already eventful finale, in the middle of the night a pack of coyotes had a screeching convention on the beach at the bow.



Vacation Voyage

The final day dawned squally and cold. As the “Delta Queen” sailed into her slip once again at Hall’s Crossing Marina, all aboard agreed that bad weather made it easier to leave a comfortable houseboat home and incredible Lake Powell. A highly successful adventure had come to a close, but not before plans were made for another Iota reunion voyage. It’s on to the English canals in 1998! ■

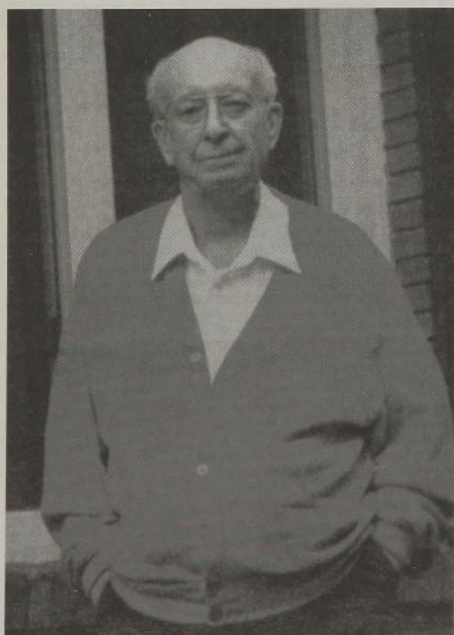
In 1927, a 13-year-old named Wilfred M. Post Jr. fell in love with the sky. Fifty-nine years later Wilfred, better known as Wiley, *M.I.T.* '36, has no regrets about following his passion.

"It was real starvation in those early days," he says, recalling his start in commercial aviation in the 1930. "You had to really love what you did to keep at it."

This is not the future predicted for him when Post was born in Konia, now Turkey, and then part of the Ottoman Empire. He owes his exotic birthplace to his parents, who were serving there as medical missionaries.

Right: Post on his way to the North Pole to get Santa Clause in 1940; Below: Today, retired, with a life of great memories.

REACH FOR THE SKY



Wiley, Sr., like his father before him, was a doctor and assumed his son would follow in his footsteps. But like millions of other boys and girls coming of age in the 1920s, Post saw the sky as the new frontier and pilots as heroes. The newspapers chronicled in headlines every new broken record and continent crosses. It was the era of "Lucky Lindy"—Charles Lindbergh. Post wanted to be one of those pilots.

"Wiley" Post got his nickname from the other Wiley Post, who in 1933 became the first man to circumnavigate the Earth in an airplane.

When Post was 10 his family moved to Long Island. They lived near Roosevelt Field, jumping off point for many trans-Atlantic flights. Post had a front row seat on the development of aviation. Among those he met was arctic flier Richard E. Byrd. "An awful lot of them [pilots] passed through in those days," Post recalls. "Some became famous, others you never heard of again." On May 12, 1927, another flier, a tall quiet young man and former airmail pilot, showed up at Roosevelt Field. Like most of them, he was going to fly to Paris. Wiley Post didn't talk to Charles Lindbergh then. He didn't even know his name. But he was caught up in the excitement of the moment. As the New York press was busy taking Lindbergh's picture, Post pointed his Brownie camera at Lindbergh, proudly standing next to his airplane, a Ryan monoplane nicknamed "The Spirit of St. Louis."

Post did not show up at Roosevelt Field to see Lindbergh take off. "It was a lousy day," Post recalls. "There was a typical northeastern drizzle and not much visibility. Because the weather was so bad, I didn't think he would take off. But the weather bureau indicated he would only be in this weather for a short time."

About 33 hours later, the unknown flier would arrive at Paris's Le Bourget airport, the first man to fly solo non-stop

across the Atlantic Ocean.

Today, a copy of Post's photography of "Lucky Lindy" hangs in his basement office. The original is in the Smithsonian Institution's National Air and Space Museum in Washington, D.C. "They wanted it because it happens to show the bag that holds his sandwiches and maps," says Post.

With Lindbergh's flight, Post got hooked on flying. He began doing odd jobs such as washing planes and sweeping out hangars. In return, grateful pilots taught him how to fly. Post was 19 when he did his first solo flight at Roosevelt Field.

Post first used his skills as a pilot for an air commuter service on Long Island in 1936. "It was started by a wealthy man who didn't like the three-hour train ride from his New York office to his home way out on Long Island," recalls Post. "This way it only took him 45 minutes." The service later expanded to fly wealthy clients from Southampton, N.Y. to Newport, R.I. Tobacco heiress Doris Duke gave Post a \$5 tip after one flight.

In 1937, Post came to Allentown to form the Lehigh Aircraft Co., a flying service, with a former classmate. One of the first people Post met was John Henry Leh, a founder of the airport and partner in the department store, H. Leh and Co. Leh told Post about the difficulties of setting up an airport. Through Leh, Post met other community leaders, among them Samuel and Donald P. Miller, sons of Morning Call publisher David A. Miller. "I taught Sam Miller how to fly," recalls Post.

On May 7, 1937, Post was pressed into service by The Morning Call. He flew Sam Miller and two reporters to cover the crash of the German airship

Hindenburg.

The next day's Call featured photos of the airship's explosion on its front page before most of other newspapers had them. Not long after this, Post found himself doing a variety of community tasks. When Leh's department store needed to

fetch Santa Claus from the North Pole in 1940, Post was there to fly him into town.

By 1946, it was clear that aviation would play a big role in the post-World-War II era. More than 8,000 passenger went through the airport that year. From the late 1940s on, Post began to push for a

modern terminal, arguing that the airport was the first impression people would have of the community. If the airport was up to date, the Lehigh Valley would be judged as a progressive area. Post was proven right.

Post was one of the first airport managers to support the concept of a coordinated effort among airports to share information on snow removal. A quiet man highly respected for his management skills, Post arranged for the first symposium. For the next 20 years, the symposium was held in the Lehigh Valley, moving to Buffalo in 1987.

To honor Post last April, the International Aviation Snow Symposium renamed its Balchen Award, the Balchen Post Award. Balchen refers to the late Col. Bernt Balchen, the legendary Arctic Air Force pilot. "For me there is no greater honor than to be included with a man like Bernt Balchen," says Post.

It's an honor worthy of one of the fathers of modern aviation. ■ —Excerpted from *The Morning Call*



What is the hottest trend sweeping the nation? Anyone remotely near a television, radio, newspaper or magazine these days would know that it is the nation's insatiable appetite for premium quality, hand-rolled cigars. Cigars are hot and not just for men. Women are joining the fast growing list of premium cigar smokers. Cigars Around the World: The Original Cigar of the Month Club founders, John Cawley, *Louisiana State '87*, [right, standing] and Bill Rancic, know exactly how hot cigars have become and quickly decided to begin catering to the fine tastes of the over 9 million and growing premium cigar smokers.

Cawley and Rancic noticed that many people they knew were intimidated by fine retailers of cigars because of the gap in knowledge between them and the retailers' staffs. Like all successful entrepreneurs, they identified a growing need and strategized a way to fulfill it. With the hot trend of cigar smoking sweeping the nation, they decided to create a cigar club that would take the snobbery out of cigar smoking and replace it with an educational approach. "Not only are we committed to sending the freshest cigars on a timely basis but we must also include with each shipment, a newsletter that educates and entertains our customers. The feed back on our newsletters has been phenomenal," says Rancic. "It is critical that we guide newcomers to the past time of cigar smoking and the different processes of selecting, storing and manufacturing."

Cawley grew up in Connecticut but moved to Louisiana after high school, graduating from Louisiana State in 1987. He then accepted a job with the tony F.A.O. Schwarz toy company, moving around the country. He decided to go back

to school and enrolled in Loyola University Chicago's M.B.A. program. The idea of Cigars Around the World came to Cawley and his partner, Bill Rancic, after a graduate class at Loyola University Chicago. After careful planning and strategizing, they opened the "cigar lovers hotline" toll number and the phones have been ringing every since.

Through hard work and perseverance, Cawley and Rancic managed to build Cigars Around the World into a nationally recognized name with thousands of loyal members from coast to coast. "We are blessed to have had the opportunity make appearances on several nationwide television shows as well as in some of the nation's most reputable publications," shares Cawley. In just under six months, Cigars Around the World has been featured on *The Mike and Maty Show*, *Jerry Springer*, *Danny Bonaduce Show*, *NBC Sunday Morning* and in *The Wall Street Journal*. Each appearance has broadened the company's exposure.

Relying on deep industry contacts and independent research, they searched out and evaluated what they feel to be the finest cigars. In each member's package, they include five different hand rolled premium cigars, a complimentary cigar cutter, a newsletter and a personal taste rating card. Contributors to the Cigars Around the World's newsletter, *The Cigar Chronicles*, include authorities in the premium cigar field who pack it with enlightening, educational information. While the perception still exists that Cuban cigars are the best, now, we have excellent tobacco growing in the Dominican Republic, Central America, Brazil, Cameroon, Mexico, Indonesia and other places. Former Cuban growers are no longer in Cuba today because they fled the country with their seeds which they planted, cultivated and nurtured in the countries mentioned above. There, they are now producing the finest, tastiest, most aromatic cigar tobaccos the world has ever known.

Tobacconists mistakenly get the idea that we're competing with them. They think that we not only send out our monthly samples but also sell boxes of cigars in large

broadest range of cigar types that will, ultimately, facilitate the job of the tobacconist. At the very least, we're seeing to it that our members become steady knowledgeable customers."

While cigar advocates point out that since a cigar smoker doesn't inhale the smoke like a cigarette smoker, they don't share the same addiction or



Stogie Success

Delt finds cigar business is smokin'!

quantity," notes Cawley. "We're not positioning ourselves as a full service mail order cigar shop."

Cawley and Rancic acknowledge that there are some cigar clubs that have recently sprung up and are selling box quantities of cigars. "Actually, we're the tobacco retailer's best friend," he asserts. "We are working hard to educate our members and it is this work that will pay dividends to the retailers. Many of our members are new to the pastime of cigar smoking. We educate them by providing them with the

health concerns. However, in light of its efforts to help fraternity members live happy, healthy lives, it's important to point out that studies have shown that cigar smokers have a higher mortality rate than non-smokers. The warning of possible risk doesn't seem to affect the true cigar aficionado. Many share Mark Twain's philosophy: "If I can't smoke in Heaven, I shall not go." ■

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For Bill Richardson, Tufts '70, Rule No. 5 in the thug negotiation handbook is: Always show respect. This, coupled with Richardson's other maxims, has propelled him from an unknown Congressman in an obscure district to one of the most powerful diplomatic posts in the country—the United States Ambassador to the United Nations. The post comes after a meteoric rise into the circles of international diplomacy, preceded by a congressional career reflecting diverse interests and an ever-widening sphere of influence.

In 1984, as a member of the House's Hispanic Caucus, Richardson met with General Pinochet, Chile's hard-line dictator. In 1986, he introduced legislation that dramatically affected the southwest's tourism, establishing a visitors center at El Malpais, New Mexico's hugh lava fields.

In 1987, expressing concern about transportation safety, he opposed a bill to place a nuclear waste repository in southeast New Mexico. In 1988, he would hold talks on South Africa with Angolan President Jose Eduardo dos Santos. In 1989, he met with Aquino and other Phillipine leaders at the presidential palace. Reflecting his diverse interests, he also co-sponsored a bill to regulate professional boxing, proposing that the sport be regulated by a president-appointed Boxing Czar, to help limit the influx of organized crime.

Since December 1994, the eight-term congressman has also bargained for the release of captives in Iraq, Bangladesh, Burma and Cuba. The once low-profile lawmaker is now called the "Clark Kent" of Capitol Hill.

"He conveys an unusual

mix of urgency, force and human compassion," said Bruce Laingen, president of American Academy of Diplomacy and himself a former hostage in Iran.

"He is able to operate as a friend of the administration but not as an agent of the administration," said national security adviser Anthony Lake. "He's energetic, honest and skillful. And he has extraordinary personal chemistry."

Richardson explains: "The reason they use me and not Jimmy Carter or [Jesse] Jackson is 'cause they're lone rangers with their own agenda. I try to stick to the administration's agenda."

Richardson's negotiating skills are gun-barrel smooth. His staff says he likes it when they call him "007," after James Bond, his movie hero.

"I like the challenge, I like the intrigue," Richardson said, explaining his motives. His missions are humanitarian, he says. "The best moment is when you see the hostages rescued, crying, and they hug you and say something nice about America."

Richardson has always been interested in international affairs. He received a master's degree in the subject from Tufts University's Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy and began his career with stints at the State Department's congressional relations office and at the Senate Foreign Relations Committee. But his first diplomatic efforts happened by accident. He was on a one-day visit to Pyongyang in December 1994 to discuss a nuclear disarmament agreement when a U.S. Army helicopter was shot down over North Korea, killing one crewman. He negotiated the pilot's release.

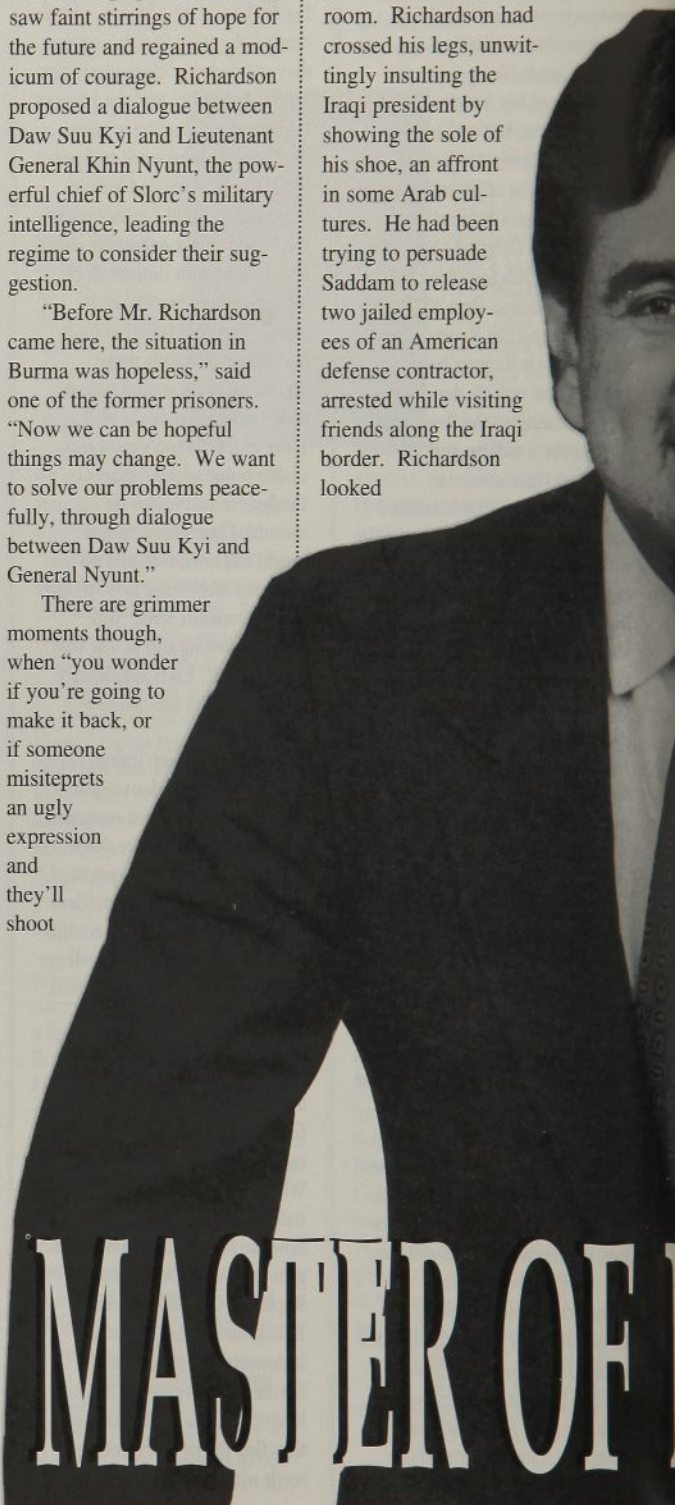
In 1994, after an unprecedented meeting between Burmese leader Daw Suu Kyi and Richardson, five former prisoners in Rangoon's infamous Insein prison, said they saw faint stirrings of hope for the future and regained a modicum of courage. Richardson proposed a dialogue between Daw Suu Kyi and Lieutenant General Khin Nyunt, the powerful chief of Slor's military intelligence, leading the regime to consider their suggestion.

"Before Mr. Richardson came here, the situation in Burma was hopeless," said one of the former prisoners. "Now we can be hopeful things may change. We want to solve our problems peacefully, through dialogue between Daw Suu Kyi and General Nyunt."

There are grimmer moments though, when "you wonder if you're going to make it back, or if someone misinterprets an ugly expression and they'll shoot

you."

Early in his negotiations with Saddam Hussein in July 1995, the pistol-packing dictator stared hard at Richardson, got up and walked out of the room. Richardson had crossed his legs, unwittingly insulting the Iraqi president by showing the sole of his shoe, an affront in some Arab cultures. He had been trying to persuade Saddam to release two jailed employees of an American defense contractor, arrested while visiting friends along the Iraqi border. Richardson looked



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down and saw that his hands were sweating, but he decided not to grovel.

"Mr. President, let me resume," he said, feet planted, when the Iraqi leader finally returned.

After 90 minutes, Saddam granted a pardon. They took pictures and Richardson joked, "This picture is going to cost me some votes."

The Iraqi president retorted, "And you think I look good—posing with you?"

"The most important element is understanding your adversary," said Richardson, expanding on his rules. Before flying into Sudan leader Kerubino's camp, Richardson learned the commander has 11 wives and 26 children, changes his mind a lot, rambles and hates to be interrupted while he's talking.

During his trip, the congressman sat under a mango tree, hand-dipping chunks of goat in a green okra slime, the meat bristling with hair. *Mmmmm*, Bill Richardson said with a deep smile, to Kerubino seated across the table. *Delicious*, he nodded sweetly to the 8-year-old boys toting AK-47s. *Roasted to perfection*. Richardson ultimately triumphed in his negotiations with

Kerubino. He reflects, "For four hours we got nowhere. I said to him, 'You need humanitarian aid. You need immunizations, vaccines. Your kids, your children, your own children are dying here yet you're asking me for arms and weapons.' That got to him."

The State Department usually dreads sending Congressmen overseas because they can be loose cannons in sensitive negotiations. But diplomats say he has never strayed from Washington's instructions and has a knack for finding a warm spot in even the surliest of despots. Knowing that one of Kerubino's daughters had just died of measles, when talks with the chieftain became heated, Richardson took a break and strolled over to a nearby hut to visit one of Kerubino's other children, who also had measles. "It touched him," Richardson said.

Explaining his success, Richardson said, "You try to establish a personal tie." For example, he began by telling Kerubino, "I represent a minority within my own country, as you do. I am a Hispanic."

Richardson's bicultural roots have been crucial to his success. Born in California, he grew up in Mexico City, where his mother, a Mexican, spoke to him in Spanish and his father, a U.S. citizen, was an executive with Citibank. After attending Middlesex, a prep school in New England, he played baseball well enough to be drafted by the then Kansas City Athletics. At his father's insistence, Richardson left baseball behind to attend Tufts University, his father's alma mater. Two decades later, his college French came in handy

on a democracy mission to Haiti.

After graduating from Tufts, he worked in Washington for a few years, before electing to move back to Santa Fe and throw himself into local politics. He won a Congressional seat on his second attempt. When elected to Congress, he had to finesse the art of personal connections. His district is 44 percent Anglo, 34 percent Hispanic and 20 percent American Indian—with 28 sovereign tribes, each ruled by its own government bodies. In fact, New Mexico's Third District is so diverse it seems like a mini-U.N.

Sometimes it's as simple as a single word. When the plane rumbled to a stop in Sudan and Richardson jumped down into the dust, he greeted the militiamen by yelling "Kibak!"

That's Dinka, he said, for "Let's be friends!"

He's the congressman who makes house calls. "I give the adversary the turf," Richardson said. "I negotiate on his terms—but you have to be firm."

One of the toughest times he had doing that was on his 1994 mission to North Korea, to free the helicopter pilot.

"The dinner welcoming me is a disaster," Richardson wrote then in his journal. "The North Koreans had hoped I would drop the issue and enjoy the visit. No toasts were offered; I knew that the North Koreans had been rattled when I informed them that this incident would be my only point of discussion over the next 24 hours."

Richardson wouldn't let go, even after he was asked to leave the country. For three days he consulted with the State Department, racking up

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Richardson, far left, in the Sudan with the freed hostages.

a \$10,000 phone bill.

"My mission is clear," Richardson wrote. "Get information on the incident and the status of the pilots, bring them back to South Korea."

"He's like a pit bull!" as a negotiator, said John Early, the American Red Cross pilot, after his release from the Sudanese rebel camp. Richardson "grabs hold of your ankle, locks his jaw and you have to give in, or be willing to carry him around on your ankle."

"You have to be prepared to fail," Richardson says, but he can't help adding "although I never have."

Part of that could be Richardson's keen instinct for diplomacy, codified in Richardson's rules: (1) make friends; (2) define your goal; (3) shrug off insults; (4) close the deal; and, of course, (5) always show respect.

Showing proper respect has helped him win freedom

for Americans all over the world. Which in turn caught the eye of the president. Four years ago, Bill Clinton considered Richardson as a potential Vice President or for a cabinet post. This time he was in the running for a U.N. Ambassador, Commerce Secretary and Energy Secretary. This year, clearly a rising Democratic star, he addressed the party's convention just before Vice President Gore. His friends say he'd be good at anything. When it surfaced that he was on the verge of joining the administration's inner circle, people asked about his constituents and his plans to run for governor of New Mexico, and questioned whether he might say no. "I think the President wants people with some political background. I've been in the Congress 14 years. But the reality is that what is most important is the personal chemistry that any cabinet member has with a

President. And, he and I are good friends." Plus, as Richardson said with a shrug, "It's hard to turn down a president."

The two men have become good friends, in part because Clinton has so enjoyed listening to Richardson's accounts of his Indiana Jones adventures. Being Hispanic didn't hurt either. With Henry Cisneros and Federico Pena leaving the Cabinet, Clinton was under pressure to name a Hispanic to a top job. When his president did call, Richardson accepted and replaced Madeleine Albright, the newly-appointed Secretary of State. Now Richardson will have to give up the derring-do of his foreign escapades for the more refined cocktail diplomacy of a United Nations envoy. Richardson "has undertaken the toughest and most delicate diplomatic efforts around the world," the President when he announced his nomination. Foreign governments who are hostile to the United States see Richardson as "not the typical-looking American," he says, and that gives him an edge, a way to bond with other outsiders.

In accepting his diplomatic post, Richardson said, "Mr. President, this is an honor and a challenge. The United States was the driving force behind the creation of the United Nations. It was established out of the ashes of holocaust and war for the purpose of making the future less bloody and less unjust than the past. But although we played the primary role in creating the U.N., we've always been ambivalent about it. We support its goals and the principals upon which it is based. But we're jealous of our own

prerogative.

This Administration has sought to meld those attitudes: working hard to reform and strengthen the U.N., while making it clear that we would continue to rely on our own resources and alliances for the protection of our vital economic and security interests.

The next U.N. ambassador will have a new Secretary General with which to work. He will have a robust agenda of reform initiatives to propose. He will have the responsibility of working with other key member states to make U.N. peacekeeping better planned, better managed and more successful than it has been. He will continue to expand the Security Council in a responsible way that does not compromise its effectiveness. He will work with others to encourage implementing a range of consensus international goals in the areas of development, the environment and human rights, including women's rights.

Last but definitely not least, he will need to work closely with Congress to find a mutually acceptable means for paying our outstanding U.N. bills.

This is a difficult agenda, I know it, but I welcome it because it's an agenda that matters to our people, to those from around the world, to look to us for leadership. To the peoples of the developing world of Africa, Asia, and Latin America, I hope to be your bridge." ■

Every time Maggie Clark looks at her quilt, she smiles.

There, in every square of the quilt, is a memory of her years at LSU. Clark made the quilt in 1989, using old T-shirts she had collected during her four years at the university.

"That's where I met my husband," said Clark, pointing to the "Get Nude with Don Ho" square made from a T-shirt from the Delta Tau Delta formal in 1986, where she and husband Rob Clark met. "That one's from my first college party," she said, pointing to another square.

Clark, 29, is not alone in wanting to save her memories. Since making her own T-shirt quilt, Clark has made 34 others.

"It's just grown," said the Baton Rouge native. "Others see it and they want one, too."

She's made quilts for high school and college students, and recently got a call from a Connecticut woman who wants Clark to stitch up a quilt for her daughter. "Somebody she knew was Tri Delt at LSU and she heard about it," Clark explained.

Another project about to get underway comes from Shreveport. A woman there is sending six boxes of T-shirts—one from each of her children—for Clark to make into quilts as Christmas gifts for them.

"I'm a sentimental person. I save everything," said Clark. "My quilt

means so much to me. We look at it and remember all the fun times. It has so many memories, so if I can preserve or package somebody else's memories for them, it's worth it."

Clark charges \$90 to \$100 to make the quilts, plus material for the backing and batting, bringing the total cost to about \$125.

She makes the quilts using anywhere from nine to 30 T-shirts.

"The T-shirts are great because they give you a picture for each square," she said, showing one quilt where colorful T-shirts make a dramatic statement and another where all of the shirts are white and the lettering and artwork tell the story.

The hardest part is cutting out all the T-shirts and placing them so the colors flow," said Clark.

She cuts out the pockets from the T-shirts to make a border across the top of the quilt.

"The pockets tell you what the event was. A lot of times it doesn't say it on the shirt," said Clark.

Navy fabric is often used for the backing and border, but Clark said she's used plaids and checks, too. "It's whatever you want," she said, noting the backing can help further customize a quilt.

Clark says she's learned a lot since making her first quilt, such as how to cut and stitch the T-shirts to keep them from stretching and how to use borders between the squares.

But she hasn't changed her mind about the intended purpose of the quilts.

"I want people to use them" she said. "We bring mine to the football games and the beach. We really use it, and I tell that to all the girls. They should use them and enjoy them. They're really very durable."

They are also one of a kind for the people who get them.

"We do a lot of personal things," she said, noting she made a baby quilt from a friend's husband's favorite Florida State T-shirts.

"We put the baby's name at the top and 'Love, Daddy' at the bottom. Now he likes to put the baby on the quilt because he can show off Florida State and the baby as well," Clark said, laughing. ■

Shirt Story



BOISE VALLEY

The Boise Valley Alumni Chapter meets on the first Wednesday of each month at the El Korah Shrine Club in downtown Boise. In the last issue of the *Rainbow*, Fred Robinson, '37, announced plans for a Grand Reunion of Delta Mu to occur on May 1, 1997, concurrently with the Golden "I" reunion of the University of Idaho alumni. Maury Byrne, '37, is editing the bi-monthly newsletter that is promoting the occasion. Since then the planning has gathered steam. The date is the regular meeting of the classes of '37 and '47 Golden "I" who graduated more than 50 years ago. Men of the classes of '34 through '40 were added to the list since they were all housemates in 1937. The theme of the meeting is "it's later than you think." This propelled the addition of the men prior to

1934 since there is so few of them left. There is a potential of 45. On November 30, 1996, there were 11 scheduled themselves to attend. The Golden "I" reunion and commencement of the University of Idaho will be May 2-4. The Deltas will have their own Grand Reunion meeting May 1. Marcus Ware, '27, joined the Chapter Eternal on September 1996, leaving Leon Weeks, '28, the senior surviving member of Delta Mu Chapter. Last summer the Chapter raised funds to supplement the rush activities of Delta Mu's rush committee. The active co-chairmen reported a very successful rush where they pledged 39 for an all time record. The Chapter maintains records of Delta Mu alumni and the current rosters show 893 survivors and 254 in the Chapter Eternal. The Boise Valley area has 224 surviving Delta Mus and 79 Deltas from other chapters.

The Delta Epsilon alumni reunion sparked a good turnout and a great time.



HOUSTON

The Houston Delt Alumni Association has met three times this past year under the presidency of John B. Evans, *Gamma Iota '48*. Shown here [above, from left] at a recent meeting are Dr. Robert Roush, *Epsilon Zeta '64*, Houston Mayor Bob Lanier, who was presented with a special proclamation from Gamma Iota Delt, Meridith Long and Brother Evans.

prior to game time. The Chapter currently has 101 reserved game seats at \$4.75 each. Contact John Pantzer, (317) 253-5807, to make reservations.

NORTHEASTERN OHIO

Chapter members enjoyed some excellent outings in 1996 including a good showing at the annual golf outing with the Fijis. We had a beautiful day at Orchard Hills Country Club in Chesterland, with a superb dinner afterwards. During our fall gathering at Watermark Restaurant in Cleveland, member Victor J. Voinovich gave a very informative presentation on local development.

Our roster now includes over 170 Deltas who live in northern Ohio. We are fortunate to be chaired by Co-Founder Jim Booker, *Beta '60*. We anticipate a successful 1997 with an event for every season. We look forward to seeing all of you. —David Domitrovich

INDIANAPOLIS

The Indianapolis Alumni Chapter will hold a Picnic Under the Tent at Victory Field, "the best new ballpark in America," on Thursday, July 10, 1997. The picnic, which will be held rain or shine, will be followed by an Indianapolis Indians baseball game at 7:00 pm. Cost for the picnic is \$9.00 per person which includes hamburgers, hot dogs, potato salad, baked beans, tossed salad, soft drinks, beer, condiments and utensils. Picnics begin at gate opening time and end 15 minutes

Alabama Delta Eta

Fall '96 was yet another successful semester for the men of Delta Eta. We maintained a strong chapter, having pledged some fine men, and we thank Rush Chairman Elliott Whitton for his dedication and hard work. Our chapter's academics improved significantly, remaining above the all men's average, excelling from being eighteenth on campus last semester to being seventh among the twenty-three fraternities at Alabama. This was achieved by President Bill Poole and internal vice president Blair Fonville, who strive for excellence by setting high standards of academic performance.

This year's homecoming was celebrated by over two hundred visitors who enjoyed the traditional festivities at Delta Eta. We thank our Alumni House Corporation for their efforts in making the reunion of '67 and '68 pledge classes such a memorable occasion. Delta Eta has been increasingly involved in our community through philanthropy programs. This semester, we supported Ducks Unlimited's cause for environmental preservation, adopted the second and fifth grades at Martin Luther King Jr. Elementary School, providing a volunteer reading program and participated in the "Beat Auburn, Beat Hunger" food drive for homeless people.

Our social calendar was very busy with numerous swaps and band parties including our annual weekend long heathen holiday. Several members were involved in a number of student organizations including the Student Government Association which returned to the university last fall. We congratulate our brother, Eric Rogers, for succeeding as senator for the College of

Commerce and Business Administration.

Albion Epsilon

Greetings from the brothers at Epsilon. We are excited to report that the past year has been another prosperous one for us at Albion College. In addition to our 18 new members, we currently have three pledges this semester to give us one of the largest chapter sizes in years. Once again we maintained our academic excellence in that our GPA ranked first in men's fraternities and bettered the all campus average. In addition, we had the largest number of chapter members in Order of Omega, the Greek leadership honorary.

Homecoming was a tremendous success this year. Deltas were victorious once again in winning a first place trophy. Congratulations to our President, Colby Bodzick, who was elected Homecoming king. He is the seventh consecutive Delt to win that honor. Alumni support was strong for homecoming also with nearly 100 alumni at our annual pig roast. Recently, we revived an old tradition here at Albion—the Hawaiian party, previously the biggest social event on campus, and undoubtedly will be again. Thanks to all the guys who worked so hard to bring that event back to where it should be. Epsilon Deltas are looking forward to our "Empty Bowl" dinner, from which we hope to exceed last year's mark of \$1,200. In addition, our "Rock-a-Thon" helped raise over \$1,000 for Habitat for Humanity. As for our shelter, many improvements are planned, both inside and out. We have finally finished our active room, and it can now serve its intended purpose as a place for us to relax. The Epsilon Chapter is proud of its

accomplishments and will strive to maintain the honor of being a Hugh Shields award winner.

Allegheny Alpha

Members of Alpha Chapter at Allegheny College gathered with members of the Alpha House Corporation on October 12, 1996 to commemorate the \$150,000 renovation of the Shelter completed during the summer. The ribbon-cutting ceremony also honored long-time Alpha House Corporation President Dick Lewis who assumed the Treasurer's office of the House Corporation after more than fifteen years as president.

The extensive renovation is a new milestone in the unique co-operative arrangement between Allegheny College and the Alpha House Corporation. The current Shelter was built in 1967 by the College on land donated by the House Corporation at 607 Highland Avenue. Alpha had owned and occupied the property since 1907. This, the first major renovation since construction, included all new windows, doors, ceilings, floor coverings

and a new wooden deck overlooking the ravine in the back of the Shelter. The improvements make the Shelter an attractive place to live for the brothers at Allegheny. The House Corporation continues to provide furniture and equipment for the kitchen, dining room and living room of the Shelter as well as assistance to the Chapter in maintaining their traditional place as recognized leaders of the Allegheny Greek system. —Keith Steiner

American Theta Epsilon

The verdict is in and it has been another fantastic semester for Theta Epsilon. Things got rolling early with the Karnea in August. Theta Epsilon was granted the high honor to serve as a host chapter and have our brothers as part of the Model Ritual. It turned out to be a fantastic four days and we hope everyone enjoyed our beautiful capital city.

We also brought Theta Epsilon a strong three man pledge class that is sure to continue the legacy of Theta Epsilon. Special thanks to Aaron August for putting

Members of Alpha Chapter at the ribbon-cutting ceremony commemorating major Shelter renovations.



together another great rush. Theta Epsilon was also notified that we led all fraternities for the fifth consecutive semester with a 3.14 GPA last spring. Social Committee, led by Jason Fetter and Steve Hickock have put together a great social calendar. We have also learned the fine points of ballroom dancing and ice skating at the National Mall is also on the agenda. A Brotherhood Retreat Weekend also was held this semester, thanks to the generosity of alumnus Anthony Albanese. Our annual semi-formal is sure to be a treat as Austin Kirk has been working hard to put things together at The Doubletree on Connecticut Avenue.

Some other highlights have been Delta Gamma Anchor Clanker where Theta Epsilon won the penny wars and John Hrubovcak was named BMOC in Phi Mu's Big Man on Campus philanthropy event. The highlight of the semester so far has been Delt Movie Night. Theta Epsilon took over Cineplex Odeon Movie night on November 7 to show midnight movies for one dollar. The brothers banded together to control the crowd, collect tickets and sell one dollar refreshments. Thanks to the more than 1,000 students who attended, Theta Epsilon was able to make a generous donation to DC Central Kitchen including more than 600 canned goods. Also congratulations to Rosario Palmieric and Austin Kirk for putting the entire effort together. —*Kyle Cruley*

Arizona State Theta Gamma

Hello all Deltas from Rose Bowl country! Many things have taken place this fall semester. To start, we initiated a great pledge class after a consistent fall semester rush. After struggling for a while, the Deltas at ASU are definitely an up and

coming chapter. We are confident the pledges are ready to take on the leadership and responsibility of becoming an active, and continue the upward swing of the house. It looks as though we will retain almost everyone for the spring semester and with a strong spring pledge class we'll be back on top. In November, we had our Pledge Presents Formal, and big-brother/little brother miniature golf tournament which were both a great time for everyone who attended. Currently, the Deltas are in the middle of the intramurals standings, but we're slowly moving up, and our strongest events have yet to come, so hopefully we'll have the banner back in our hands soon. Theta Gamma Deltas are also becoming active on campus by volunteering their time for the safety escort service, which provides transportation at night for those on campus who feel that it is unsafe to walk. An Adopt-a-School program is also underway and should prove to be a worthwhile cause. —*Evan Mann*

Stephen F. Austin Zeta Psi

The brothers of Zeta Psi Chapter had quite an eventful semester, beginning with the addition of twelve outstanding men. They were inducted just in time to begin contributing to all of the events that lay ahead. Our fifth annual Bog-N-Grog crawfish boil raised over \$2,500 for the Nacogdoches Boy's and Girl's Club. The event was attended by over 5,000 area residents with approximately 7,000 pounds of crawfish, corn and potatoes being cooked for the town's enjoyment. Along with the Bog-N-Grog contributions came two other community service projects. Together with Delta Delta Delta sorority, Zeta Psi held its annual Boy's and Girl's Club Easter Egg Hunt.

Also, a skating party was held for the local Head Start school.

We strengthened our sorority relations by hosting a food drive with Chi Omega to benefit the homeless of Nacogdoches and an exchange with Zeta Tau Alpha. We also continued our community service program of highway clean-ups by maintaining litter control on Highway 59. Our House and Grounds Chairman initiated many shelter improvement projects also, including repainting and renovating the shelter.

Regarding grades, we improved our academic status from third to second place among all fourteen fraternities on campus.

—*Brent Batchelor/Tere Hancock*

Ball State Epsilon Mu

The brothers of Epsilon Mu had an extremely busy semester with rush, philanthropies, and Homecoming coming on consecutive weeks. With organization and total commitment by each chairman, these three events have become some of the highlights of our year.

Rush kicked off the year by establishing us as some of the best rushers on campus. No other Greek organization took more quality and quantity than Delta Tau Delta. With a pledge class of 38, we hope to have our number of actives reach over 100. With such a successful rush, Chairman Jeremy Walling should be recognized and commended for all his hard work. The following week we put together the largest philanthropic event on Ball State's campus: each fall, Watermelon Bust raises money for area charities and provides a day of fun for students. While games involving watermelons continue all day, two bands played providing alternative sounds. When it

was all said and done, \$5,000 was donated to the Ball State Alumni Center and Special Olympics.

This year's Homecoming Royalty Court consisted of three Deltas, Jeff Hess, and Peter Bohman making the top ten. Deltas also captured first place in the Homecoming basketball tournament and third in the bed race. As the semester wrapped up, we held third in the intramural sports race and hope for a strong finish.

November 12 marked our 30th anniversary on the Ball State campus. The evening featured a new sign presented for the front yard and many alumni returning. We are also currently working on a web page for the internet. —*Peter Bohman*

Baylor Theta Delta

The men of Theta Delta are continuing the tradition of excellence begun on the Baylor campus almost ten years ago. The fall 1996 semester may turn out to be the best ever for the Baylor Deltas. We kicked off with our annual Mekong Delta party which was opened up to rushees for the first time this year, and boasted an attendance of several hundred people. Turnout at other rush events has been more than double than that of years past.

The Baylor Deltas also were invited to perform in Pigskin Revue, a showcase of the top eight sing acts from the twenty-six that competed in February. This year marks seven years in a row the Deltas have participated in Pigskin. As for service, men from our chapter have participated avidly in the Adopt-a-School program, have picked up litter along our adopted stretch of highway, and have volunteered with our local branch of the Salvation Army.

Additionally, each mem-

ber's service hour requirement has been raised by 20%.

Academically, Delt has maintained well above a 3.0 GPA, placing us fourth out of fourteen fraternities on campus. Brothers Seth White, Matt Penney, and Mike Quirin are founders of the local organization ISHAM and are also involved with the WBA along with several Delt from the Epsilon Delta Chapter at Texas Tech. One special honor we received was being invited to perform the installation of the Crescent Colony at the University of Texas at Arlington.

We are also pleased to announce the addition of the seven men who make up the Sigma pledge class taken this fall. Since Baylor has a deferred rush, we are actively piecing together the Tau pledge class, bid in January, and we will no doubt meet our spring rush goal of 25. Theta Delta is establishing itself as one of the top groups on campus, and is moving into 1997 with determination and confidence.

—Dean Underground

Bethany Theta

Since our previous report, the brothers of Theta Founding have continued our forward movement in the Bethany College community and in Greek life. Theta is well recognized throughout the campus as an outstanding organization and with the addition of four new pledges we have increased our membership to thirty-one.

The summer went well with four brothers and an alumnus attending Karnea. Bethany was the location for the annual Leadership Academy and we had two of our own attend, seniors Joe Martin and Tony Michael. Each of the brothers came back this semester with new ideas to better our integrity as a brotherhood. Our chapter advisor and college president, Dr. Duane Cummins, was recognized with an Alumni Achievement Award at Karnea and we are honored to have him as one of our own.

Theta was once again honored with the W. Kirk Woolery Award for the highest fraternity

and men's GPA on campus (3.001). Our officer have settled into their positions and are in full command. The Theta brothers have leadership positions in the Student Government Association and as class officers.

Theta was well represented throughout fall athletics with three soccer players, five football players and four cross country runners. For winter sports, we look forward to three brothers playing varsity basketball and four brothers competing in indoor track.

Finally, our philanthropy program is improving tremendously. Philanthropy Chairman JJ Santos has been checking into the Adopt-a-School program as well as keeping our current engagements. Theta participated in the third annual Heartwalk for the American Heart Association in Wheeling, WV last fall, and is planning to attend the aerobathon in the spring. The Theta brothers are proud to be a part of our community and proud to be associated with the best!—David Pratt

Boston Beta Sigma

The brothers of Beta Sigma ushered in the new school year with enthusiasm and vigor. The previous year has been long and strenuous, resulting in many fruitful accomplishments. Our rush and community service activities have remained among the best on campus, and we have been working to improve all around communication. The 1996-1997 school year truly marks a transition in the Fraternity due to the numerous seniors that graduated and the recent loss of our shelter. With a solid base of 26 willing and able Delt, we are on the way to reestablishing our identity and finding a new shelter.

Our rush activities included a valiant appearance at Boston University's fraternity and sorority fall rush convocation in front of the Marsh Chapel, an outing with rushees to a Red Sox game at Fenway Park, a billiards night, and a rush football game with the brothers. We emerged from rush with the Lambda pledge class of five able-bodied and enthusiastic men led by our pledge educator Dan Wachtel.

Since rush the brothers of Beta Sigma have participated in the following community service activities: the Great Boston City-Wide Serve-a-Thon which helps to improve and beautify the Boston Area; raising money for POW-MIA; and we assisted the Jeanne Jugan Residence Little Sisters of the Poor in beautifying their home for the elderly.

Homecoming/Alumni weekend was our best: 31 alumni returned to BU for a weekend of reminiscing and partying with their undergraduate brothers. There was also a large group of brothers at the Dave Matthews' Band concert in the Fleet Center and at the BU taping of the David Letterman Show. Our intramural basket-



Members of Theta Chapter at Bethany College relax after their Heartwalk which raised money for the American Heart Association.

ball, football, and indoor soccer teams are once again leaving the rest of the competition in the purple haze of our manhood.

The brothers of Beta Sigma continue to excel in all facets of life in and around Boston University and are always striving to reach new heights. We would greatly appreciate any assistance our international brotherhood can provide in our search for a new shelter. Please feel free to contact Jonathan Biegel at (617) 352-9456, e-mail biegel@bu.edu, or write to PO Box 249, Boston University Station, Boston, MA 02215

—Jonathan Biegel/Michael Fuss



Members of
Bowling Green
Chapter

Bowling Green Delta Tau

Here at Bowling Green, the brothers of Delta Tau have been striving to maintain the dominance that has prevailed over the years. Our main goal this semester was to get 15 good pledges and develop a new House Corporation which we did successfully. The new House Corporation has met several times with the hope of raising money to improve the status of our new off-campus house. With the help of numerous alumni we plan to start renovating as soon as possible. If anyone is interested in helping with the House Corporation please contact Rob

Burdine at (419) 354-3444.

This fall the brothers were busy with community service, intramurals, philanthropies and other social activities. Our community service hours have gone way up since last semester with the help of our Adopt-a-School program and our work with the Adopt-a-Highway program. We are also proud to report that we are in second place in the all-sports race and plan to be in first at the end of the semester. We also have many Deltas on IFC and USG that consume much of their already busy schedules. Besides all the busy work we did last semester, we still found time to fulfill our outstanding social reputation. All in all, the Deltas here at Bowling Green have gotten their act together and are psyched for spring semester

—Joe Earley

Bradley Zeta Omega

This semester, the gentlemen of Zeta Omega started things off on the right foot by having an excellent fall rush. Led by brother Mike Delany, we were able to meet our rush goals by pledging 18 of the finest men on campus. These men exhibit all of the qualities of a Delt and we eagerly anticipate the day when they are initiated. We also had the pleasure of initiating Matt Custer into our brotherhood.

At Zeta Omega, leadership is intrinsic in our organization. Not only have we made our Race Against Racism one of the biggest philanthropies on campus, this year it was included in our annual Greek Week competition. This drew heavy participation from all fifteen fraternities and seven sororities on campus, making it the most highly attended Race Against Racism the campus had ever seen. Hats off to

Bradley's Bench at the championship tournament

brother Brian Conway for keeping Zeta Omega on top of Bradley's philanthropy programs. We also lead Bradley's Adopt-a-School program which has members from eight fraternities and sororities tutoring and mentoring in local Peoria schools.

On the social scene, Zeta Omega has been having a great time. On November 2 we had our fifth annual spelunking party. With a huge cave erected in front of the house and stalactites hanging from the ceiling, we dug in deep and threw one heckuva party. On the docket for the rest of the semester is a sorority exchange and a Bombs Away party.

We are most excited about our upcoming formal dance where will be celebrating Zeta Omega's 10th anniversary on April 12. Attending will be alumni from all over the country as well as Arch Chapter members David Hughes and Tom Huddleston. —Michael Walstier

Butler Beta Zeta

After an improving spring semester, things appear to be on the upswing for Beta Zeta. We initiated our 1996 pledge class of eleven, and had four held over along with one fall pledge.

Last semester, we won the

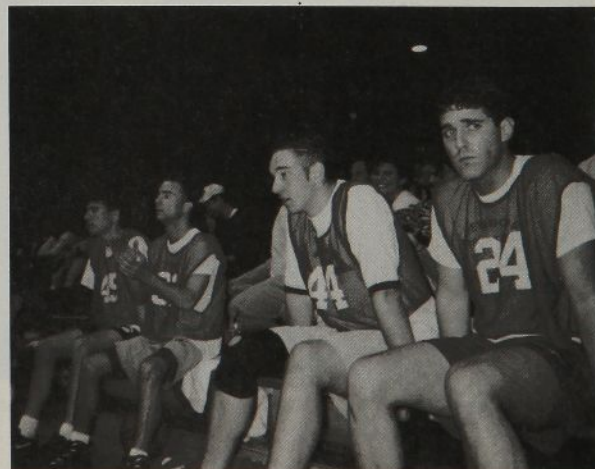
spirit award at the YMCA Spring Sing. In October, the Butler Deltas won the annual Delta Gamma Anchor Splash for the 13th year in a row. We placed third in the Greek Olympics, and placed first in the "Yell Like Hell" competition at the Homecoming pep rally. We also fulfilled our obligations to the university by doing our community service with the campus health center, where we built a promising friendship with the faculty and staff. We have continued our Adopt-a-School efforts by helping local public schools with their daily activities. Beta Zeta once again dazzled the sororities with serenades this fall, which exemplifies something so special here at Beta Zeta that no other fraternity on the campus experiences—our tight brotherhood.

Butler is a school of about 4,000 students so things like rush, intramurals and the fraternity way of life are very competitive. We hope to continue our success here at Beta Zeta and the results of rush week this winter.

—Ryan Brigante

Carnegie-Mellon Delta Beta

This has been a semester of rebuilding for Delta Beta. We will lose many seniors, yet there are many young members who have picked up the slack.



Our newly elected officers, led by President Thomas Francis Gardner, Jr. have many ideas for improving the role of the chapter in local Greek community and in the surrounding neighborhoods. We look forward to initiating several new philanthropy programs such as Adopt-a-School, that help to bring us together as a chapter. We have also undertaken many shelter improvements and our new house manager, Derrick Cissell, has many more planned to improve shelter living conditions.

In intramural sports our football team reached the semifinals, and our darts team won the overall championship last semester. Our basketball and floor hockey teams seek to continue the winning tradition of previous seasons.

We hope to see everyone at carnival this April 11-12. The brothers at Delta Beta hope that alumni interest in the chapter will increase, as it has lagged in previous years. Our alumni newsletter will be sent out in the coming weeks which will contain the carnival schedule and other upcoming events. We wish to extend an open invitation to all alumni and their families to keep in contact as we enjoy hearing from you. We already have many events planned ranging from live bands to luncheons for alumni and as always, parties. Finally, we would like to thank Ken Lambert, Chin Oh, Frank Pecjak and David Berwick for demonstrating that brotherhood does not end with graduation—that it is truly a life-long relationship. —Eric Greenstein

Case Western Reserve

Zeta

Zeta Chapter is currently experiencing chapter growth in both our membership and our shelter. A pledge class of nine quality men has been a fine addition to the active brothers. At the same time, shelter renovations include a new fully refinished and restored living room and basement pool hall in

our turn of the century mansion. The combination of these two projects has helped us stay "Committed to Lives of Excellence."

The brothers of Zeta Chapter often receive distinction on campus both collectively and individually. The chapter as a whole ranked first among the seventeen fraternities on campus with a 3.28 GPA for the 1995-96 academic year, resulting in the chapter receiving the Order of Omega Scholastic Excellence Award. Members are involved in IFC, USG and other campus activities. Kyle Salem has been offered a Ph.D. fellowship in biomedical engineering, specifically Interventional Magnetic Resonance Imaging (IMRI). He also won the Phi Kappa Tau scholarship for Greek leadership. Current President Damon Rossetti recently joined Kyle and Chris Johnson in Order of Omega.

The intramural teams are still within the top five campus wide, including first in the free-throw competition and racquetball. Philanthropy is a big part of Zeta Chapter with five brothers playing an integral part in the establishment of an Adopt-a-School program at Coventry Elementary School.

Zeta Chapter is continually looking to improve and expects continued growth in the coming semesters.

Cincinnati

Gamma Xi

Greetings to all of our fellow Delt brothers! The brothers of Gamma Xi of Cincinnati wish to extend this report to announce that more than ever, brotherhood is alive and active. It has been many years since the gentlemen of this, our fondest chapter, have enjoyed such a brotherhood.

Rush went exceedingly well. Twenty young men have accept-

ed bids, and the man behind this year's rush was Erich Widke. He labored intensively during the summer and all the way through fall rush. We congratulate him. All of the gentlemen of Gamma Xi pulled together to perfect the shelter.

The highest award of "Delt Pillar" has been bestowed on Deric Shuster, Dylan Mosby and Greg Dowling. Greg was inducted into Men of Metro and Order of Omega, to his credit. Also this fall's pledge scholarship was conferred to Jon Bisesi.

Gamma Xi athletics are strong as usual. Eric Bruvold is congratulated; he made the University of Cincinnati swim team. As a varsity swimmer he will take with him Delt pride. This year's intramural football team is currently undefeated. The record to date is 6-0. The TKEs, ATOs, Phi Kaps, Triangles, Sammys and Pi Lams now understand the agony of defeat. Colin Wojik worked diligently to improve the kitchen. To his credit he brought in Denise our new head cook and food engineer. He also fought his way through Health Department standards with great patience and determination. And Denise, thanks for all of your amazing lunches and delicious dinners.

To raise funds for the Delt shelter we participated in a fund raiser by working with the Cincinnati Reds and Paramount's Kings Island. Darran Phan organized this drive, the Delt shelter reaped a bountiful harvest. Thanks you, Darren, and to all the brothers

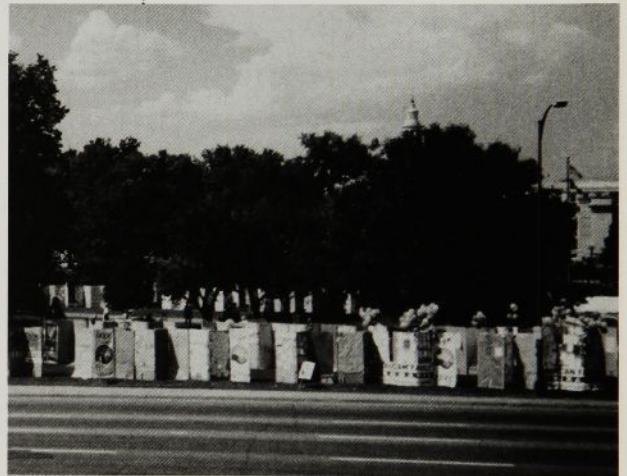
who worked hard for the shelter.

To all our Delt brothers we bid farewell. We welcome you to visit us here in the Queen City anytime. —Ted Allison

Colorado State

Epsilon Omicron

Greetings from the brothers at Epsilon Omicron. We started off the fall semester with great enthusiasm and leadership from Rush Chairman Tim Lathrop and President Rob Sencenbaugh. Our main focus was geared toward accomplish-



ing our rush goal. Although we fell just short of our goal we were extremely pleased with the strength of our 13 man Zeta pledge class.

The Spring 1996 semester proved to be another prosperous year for us in the academic department as we maintained our Number 1 status in grades for an unprecedented second straight year.

This fall also marked the third year of our philanthropy/community service project, Adopt-a-School, with 70% of our chapter participating in the program with Bauder Elementary School.

November 2 marked the date of our Purple Iris Formal, held at the Iron Horse Lodge

Colorado State joined other Deltas to participate in the Mile High Wall of Hope

and Resort in Winter Park. Social Chairman Jeff Sauer did an outstanding job in organizing the event and making it a night to remember.

Last but not least, this report would not be complete without a fitting goodbye for our graduating seniors. Good luck in the future—we have some big shoes to fill with the loss of you guys, but rest assured, you will not be forgotten. —Micah Zogorski

Cornell Beta Omicron

Here we are at the end of another outstanding six months, as our chapter continues to increase its presence on campus and in the community. In addition to Homecoming weekend, for which a significantly large number of alumni returned, we have held two philanthropic events so far this fall, and are preparing for a very large third. Our annual fall

charity event, Fall Rock, went very smoothly this semester. Public Relations Chairman Adam Czekanski also helped in organizing an event encouraging students and faculty to register and vote for the election. By using "Rock the Vote" materials provided by MTV, our chapter helped over a hundred people register in New York State and by absentee ballots. Our upcoming event, a dating game modeled after MTV's *Singled Out*, is promising to have a very large turnout among the Greek community and the campus as a whole. Proceeds from this event, much like those from many of our events in the past, will benefit the Tompkins County Task Force for Battered Women, a local charity that supports the needs of women in the community.

In addition to our busy social and philanthropy schedules, we have also been involved in improving the appearance

and functionality of the shelter. With help from dedicated undergraduates, alumni and the House Corporation, we have been able to perform landscaping improvements to the front of the house, purchase a television and VCR for our newly established "Tube Room," and equip our chapter room with vertical blinds. Future improvements scheduled for the shelter include roof renovations and repair and upgrade the heating system. Also, we recently hired a new cook for the semester who has turned out to be wonderful. Lastly, our newly elected executive board for the upcoming year has all of us looking forward to next semester. We are all confident in their abilities, as well as those of the new chairmen and committee members, to advance our chapter's image further and help maintain our commitment to excellence. We look forward, as always, to welcoming alumni

and new members into our shelter. —Brian Carlson

Dayton Theta Rho

The new Theta Rho Chapter began the 1996 academic year with a renewed enthusiasm after a memorable experience at Karnea. Fall rush brought 12 new prospective Deltas as we began our first Pledge Education Program.

Two early social events were Homecoming and parents weekend. For Homecoming, we teamed with Sigma Kappa and Chi Omega in renting a tent for a cookout before the game. The following weekend, our parents got their first look at our new Delt Shelter as we opened its doors for an open house brunch.

Besides the usual Adopt-a-School program with Patterson-Kennedy Elementary, we have been involved with a number of community service projects including Habitat for Humanity (building of low income housing in Dayton area), Adopt-a-Highway, Greensweep (cleaning of the campus), and Christmas on Campus (sharing Christmas with inner-city Dayton).

In sports, we began to make our mark, finishing fourth in flag football and second in soccer. Other notable events were an acoustic band-backed serenading of sororities and a recent milk and cookies study break with Theta Phi Alpha sorority.

The Shelter has had many improvements including remodeling the attic and the installation of a Delta Tau Delta stained glass window. All in all, the first semester of our existence as a chapter was a success. —Ryan Niro

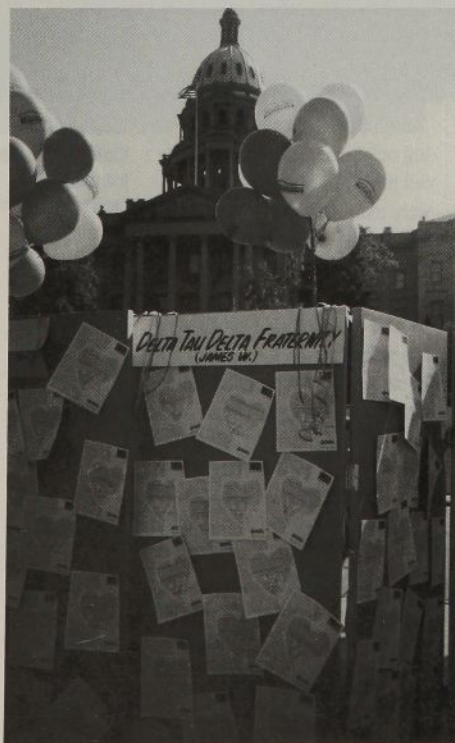
Eastern Michigan Theta Xi

With the onset of the new school year the brothers of Theta Xi Chapter looked for-

Mile High Wall of Hope Kicks Off United Way Campaign

At the Capital Karnea in Washington, DC, James Wallen, *Colorado State '95*, brought up an event being sponsored by the Mile High United Way. About 100 undergraduates filled out questions about what hope is to them and how they provide hope. Wallen then reserved space for them on the *Wall of Hope*, a one mile long wall made of messages about that that encircled the State Capitol. Messages from the Deltas consisted mainly of messages about Adopt-DC since they had just returned from that event when they filled out their messages. Their messages joined nearly 15,000 messages of hope gathered from local businesses, Mile High United Way partner agencies and area residents.

In addressing the crowd which had converged at Denver's Lincoln Park to celebrate the Day of Hope, Gov. Roy Romer said, "Colorado has a rich tradition of caring and generosity in bringing hope to those in need. Mile High United Way plays a big part in this caring spirit and I'm proud to be here today to help kick off their community fund-raising campaign."



ward to spreading our excellence around campus. We accomplished these goals in many ways. One of these was through philanthropic events. We raised money for the American Cancer Society, and the brothers volunteered time at the local Boys and Girls Club. We believe that volunteering in the community shows people that we indeed live a life of excellence.

The academic area of our chapter is very strong with the highest GPA of all fraternities on campus. Academics is the foundation of this chapter and is a guiding light for all its members.

Fall rush was successful with 13 pledges, bringing our total chapter enrollment to a strong 49. The new pledges look forward to being full members of Delta Tau Delta. On a side note we would all like to say hello to our two chapter alumni—Matt Frazier and Richard Schults.

Our chapter participated in the IFC sports programs included football, soccer, softball, tennis, volleyball, bowling and a few other small events. The football team made it to the championship game under the leadership of Mike Kortan and other team members. We were not successful, though taking second was still a great honor for us. Soccer and softball also had great seasons and the chapter is on the hunt for the all around IFC sports trophy. This trophy is the driving force and goal for all athletics.

The socials that we participated in went well with a great variety of socials which helped guide us into being campus leaders.

Under the leadership of President Tom Rang and Vice President Tony Lipps, Theta Xi Chapter looks forward to the remainder of the year and the challenges set forth. By setting a strong foundation of principles and dedication, Delta Tau

Delta is sure to thrive at EMU.

—Rick Hendges

Emory Beta Epsilon

Thanks to the Atlanta Centennial 1996 Olympic Games, the House Corporation of Beta Epsilon benefited from the summer housing income and used that toward renovating and air conditioning in every room in the shelter. The brothers that remained in Atlanta last summer had a great time attending and working at various events through ACOG. The eight brothers that attended Karnea had the privilege of cheering on Chapter Advisor Jody Danneman as he led yet another Ritual team to a flawless performance of the model Ritual. Once again his production of the Karnea video immortalized the Karnea experience for the Deltas who attended and the undergraduate members who had the chance to view the video back at their own chapters.

Under President Jason Lane's administration, Beta Epsilon has triumphed to become the leader of Emory University's Greek system. We cannot forget our dedicated alumni and house corporation for their continued support. Emory's Board of Trustees recently approved our chapter as the only house having excellent living conditions and in good financial stability. We are proud of our shelter and it truly reflects the quality of our brotherhood. Rohit Bhargave, vice president of Beta Epsilon, was recently promoted from IFC Executive Vice President to President. This marks the first time, since recolonization in 1988, that a Delt has served as the president of the Inter-Fraternity Council. The future looks promising for IFC Public Relations Chairman David Kuntz in ascending to a higher executive position on the Council.

Our philanthropy program

continues in traditional Beta Epsilon fashion. This year's Fright Week, in conjunction with the sisters of Delta Delta Delta, was chaired by Geoff Jolley and Justin Gray. Their Herculean efforts led the entire brotherhood to help set-up, staff, and take down the shelter which was transformed into a haunted mansion. Beta Epsilon raised close to \$1,200 for the children of Camp Sunshine of the American Cancer Society. Philanthropy Chairman Josh Singer organized various events from cleaning up roads to raising money for the Make a Wish Foundation.

This year's Delt co-ed league soccer team won the championship match with three seniors scoring in the final game. Scott Rosenfeld, social chairman, coined the term WOMP (Word of Mouth Promotion) for his parties. These social galas attracted record numbers of freshmen and got our "open" rush system off to a great start. Rush Chairman Geoff Deckelbaum spearheaded this program and we intend to bid and get a pledge class of 25 members this spring.

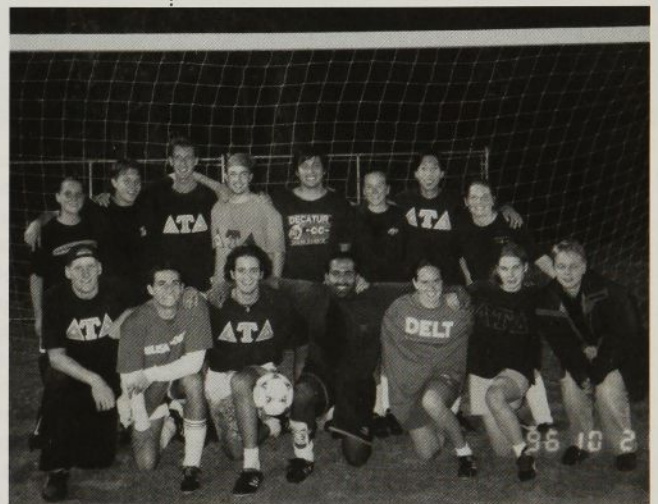
—Alain Borthayre

Florida State Delta Phi

As summer came to a close the brothers of Delta Phi came together for the first chapter meeting with a common agenda: to win our third Hugh Shields Award. After a success-

ful spring semester in which we got our philanthropy off the ground, had several brothers receive praise for strong academic performances, and won the overall all-Greek intramural championship, we would settle for no less than the opportunity to retire the flag.

No sooner did the fall semester begin than did the Florida State Deltas begin execution of our plan. Rush was hugely successful as we pledged nineteen quality men who look



**Emory Deltas
after their
championship
soccer victory.**

forward to carrying forth our standard of excellence. Deltas placed in the top three in two sorority philanthropies thanks in large part the diligence of Philanthropy Chairman Amit Patel. Community service is off to a great start as we have given much of our time to the Tallahassee Housing Foundation and to Kate Sullivan Elementary, our adopted school. Through the efforts of Treasurer Jim Barry and Assistant Treasurer Michael Bryant, our chapter finances are less worrisome. Delta Phi is now happily in the black.

In the intramural sports race, Deltas were dominant in fall sports and well on our way to repeating as overall intramural champions. Our social calendar



Idaho Deltas returned with yet another Hugh Shields Award

for the fall was outstanding and included a Delt alumni weekend and a formal in Savannah, GA.

In other news, brothers Daigler, Beyerle, Felix and Patierno deserve recognition for their participation in the recent installation ceremony for Delta Zeta Chapter at the University of Florida. Their flawless performance helped to make that night an unforgettable one for the new initiates and let them appreciate how glad we are to have them back.

Congratulations to Delta Phi alumnus Larry Campbell who was recently elected Sheriff of Leon County. —Mark Dierks

GMI

Epsilon Iota - B

Our chapter has continued to grow and develop its strengths over the last two terms. Upon our return to campus, we were awarded the Dean's Cup for the second consecutive year that it has been awarded. The Dean's Cup is awarded to the fraternity that excels above all others in the areas of scholarship, school involvement, and community service. We also received honors for having the highest GPA

of any fraternity or sorority on campus and as being the fraternity with the highest number of community service hours per man. Our members' academic performance was extraordinary last term, our chapter average was above the all campus and all men's average, and one third of our members were on the Dean's List. Many fraternities on GMI's campus have received national honors, our Hugh Shields Award combined with Dean's Cup highlights Deltas as the recognized leader on our campus.

One of the most important areas we are looking to improve upon is pledge education. Having completed a successful rush, we will be pushing forward in our "Committed to Lives of Excellence" program. This program will emphasize the importance of pledge class and total chapter unity. The program will also emphasize to prospective members the opportunities that Delta Tau Delta, both our local chapter and the national organization, offers to members. We wish to show our future members that they too can achieve the leadership and strengths exhibited by our current and graduating members, in addition

to the areas in which they plan to excel.

We continue to bring improvements to the shelter's appearance and utility. One of the most notable projects last term was the installation of a computer network by a team of members. This network connects up to two computers in each room to each other, the house computers and the Internet. The network allows members simultaneous access to the Internet, file sharing between individual computers and a file server, network laser printing and network gaming.

Our brothers continue to emphasize community service as one of our most important focus points. We continue to be strongly involved with the Durant Tuuri Mott Elementary School in the Adopt-a-School program. In addition to supporting the students and teachers in the classroom, we have participated in a landscaping project and will be helping with a Halloween Party. We continue to expand our philanthropy to include activities such as Habitat for Humanity, the Jingle Bell Run for the Arthritis Foundation, and Adopt-a-Highway.

The past two terms have been very successful and we look forward to the challenge of maintaining the same level of success in future terms.

George Washington

Gamma Eta

The men of Gamma Eta Chapter began the year on a tremendous high, following the 1996 Capital Karnea which was co-hosted by Gamma Eta and Theta Epsilon. Many of the brothers, along with the men of Theta Epsilon, were part of the "all-star" team which performed the installation of Theta Rho Chapter.

Now that the many varsity

athletes in the house (60%) have completed a very successful fall season we are looking forward to a fun and entertaining winter, highlighted by our annual Champagne Ball Christmas Gala.

The chapter would like to take this opportunity to formally thank Lee Calvert for his efforts in spearheading the restoration of our Chapter Hall. We would also like to welcome Rob Scheller, '85, as our new chapter advisor and thank Laurence Altenburg, Penn '92, GW '96, for all of his efforts over the past three years and wish him good luck as Southern Division Vice President.

Georgia Tech

Gamma Psi

With quarter half over, Gamma Psi kicked off the new school year in true Delt fashion. It started with brothers returning to the shelter for a condensed work week, due to the Summer Olympics, but that did not stop from taking on difficult tasks. Of these the highlight would be the remodeling of the hidden bar into a meeting room complete with dart board and cable television, the office was also made into a working office and bid room for rush.

Rush was very successful, Gamma Psi pledged seventeen of the highest quality men this fall, even with rush numbers less than in years past. The pledge education program is now in full swing and the pledges are showing a lot of promise for the future of Delta Tau Delta on the Georgia Tech campus. The pledges, with the help of the brothers, have taken a very active role in the intramural program and after the second week of competition Delt athletics are exciting and 5-0, undefeated in every sport entered. Homecoming passed and the

alumni turnout continues to improve. Much of this improvement was due to the success of our 75th Anniversary weekend last spring. Overall, the brothers and pledges of Gamma Psi look to turn in another excellent performance across the board this semester and to have even more success throughout the rest of the year. —Jason Stoen

Idaho Delta Mu

On August 23 our chapter was introduced to 36 awesome new men on Bid Day. We'd also like to thank Delta Mu's own Zach Tarter and Erik Nyquist for all of the hard work and effort they put into the new rush program.

We've had some major improvements made on the shelter this summer. Our old floors were replaced with brand new carpet. The walls and old woodwork within the shelter had either been repainted or repolished. This year the freshmen pledge projects is to build an amphitheater on the side of the house. The new addition will be used extensively, whether

it be an all house meeting or used as a place for studying. A barbecue and fire pit will accompany the project.

Delta Mu is looking for another Hugh Shields award. We've already received thirteen honors and are not about to quit. This last year David Spangler, Doug Bown, Erik Nyquist, Zach Tarter and Mike Alexander picked up our thirteenth award. Other awards we received were in academics (above AMA/AFA) and a Court of Honor.

Our alumni involvement is very important and valuable to Delta Mu. Again, we are looking for ways to boost our alumni involvement. Last summer we had a Delt golf tournament in Boise which could have been more successful if there had been more alumni signed up. Next summer we'll have another tournament in which everyone will be invited to participate. Dates and times will be announced in the newsletter. We'd like to give special thanks to Gary Michael for his tremendous help during the summer. Michael is the Chief Executive Officer of Albertson's

Corporation in Boise and a leading alumnus of Delta Mu.

This year we were involved in a philanthropy with Delta Delta Delta sorority. Members and pledges both had to teeter-totter for 48 hours. The Teeter-Totter-a-Thon raised more than \$500 for the Children's Cancer Research Center. We are also learning how to be influential role models to elementary school students at a nearby school, with whom we are partners in the Adopt-a-School program. Activities that are involved within this program are playing with the children on recess and tutoring. At Christmas time, the women of Gamma Phi Beta sorority accompanied us to sing Christmas carols to the Moscow Nursing Home.

Alumni, family and friends are always welcome so please feel free to drop in or contact us. We're currently working on getting hooked up to the internet so you may be able to reach us soon on the computer or by calling us at (208) 885-6676. Thanks to all of our alumni for making this year so successful.

—Jeff Pidgeon

Iowa State Gamma Pi

The men of Gamma Pi returned from the long summer break with excitement and confidence. Excited that our house grade point average was a 2.88 the previous semester, which was the fourth highest out of thirty fraternities, and confident that with the tremendous summer rush we had things would only get better.

The fall semester was a great one. We pledged twenty-seven new members which was the highest number we have pledged in quite some time. This number was even more impressive in light of the fact that many fraternities at Iowa State saw a decrease in new members. Homecoming 1996 was also a highlight for us. We were paired with the men of Theta Delta Chi and the women of Kappa Kappa Gamma. We captured third place in the Homecoming Lawn Display Contest, and third in Yell Like Hell, a small skit based on school spirit and performed by the new members of the Greek system. This was good enough for an overall placing of fourth. Over the Homecoming weekend, we had many alumni come back to the shelter, this was an excellent opportunity for everyone to sit down and meet some of our alumni, swap stories and rekindle feelings of brotherhood.

We hope that our hard work will continue the trend of success that we have been experiencing the last two semesters will carry us into the future.

—Troy Tacke

Georgia Tech Undergrads and alumni gathered to celebrated 75 years of Gamma Psi.

I.I.T. Gamma Beta

Gamma Beta Chapter started off the new school year by declaring this year "A Year of Excellence." Continuing with



this theme the chapter rushed a campus high of 21 pledges. Along with the increase in numbers in the chapter there have been other changes around the Delt Shelter. Among these being a wonderful new cook and a storage room transformed into a recreational area for all to enjoy.

On campus, Gamma Beta Chapter has been involved as well, this year the chapter won the IFC Pledge Football Championship in a hard fought and muddy game. The chapter is also participating in a recycling program to recycle aluminum, plastics and paper. A good number of Deltas are also involved in Inter varsity on campus. Gamma Beta also took part in a phone-a-thon for Illinois Tech's Alumni Event. There is also a Delt radio show on the campus station WIOU.

A Pledge Ball was held in late November. We look forward to continuing our Year of Excellence. —*Duxtan T. Daniels*

Kansas Gamma Tau

Full 1996 has been a very busy time for the Gamma Tau Chapter. Activities ranging from community service to training for on-stage performances have consumed a great deal of time for several brothers in our shelter.

After being recognized by the University of Kansas as having the highest number of community service hours for a Greek living organization, several members have seen to it that our shelter does not lose this distinction. Brother Zach Svoboda, who has recently been elected to serve as president beginning in January, has coordinated an Adopt-a-School program, which several members of our chapter regularly volunteer. Adopt-a-School is a program in which volunteers attend classes

for elementary school students and act as a teachers aid. The volunteers finds the work very rewarding.

Another strain on many brother's time this fall has been Rock Chalk Revue. Brothers Josh Christie, Chris Kemp, Bill Nelson and Richard Bologna have been working on an average of 10 hours a week on this event whose proceeds go to charity.

Rock Chalk Revue involves fraternities pairing up with sororities and submitting an extremely detailed script and tape which includes original music. These packages are called notebooks and they are evaluated by a panel. Those notebooks, deemed to be among the top five, are selected to perform their skits at length before a sold out audience in mid-February.

With barely enough time to catch our breath from the fall semester, we at Gamma Tau hope the spring will bring us recognition and rest.

—*Bill Petulla*

Kent State Delta Omega

The Deltas of Delta Omega are once again at the top of Kent State's Greek system. We have been working with our House Corporation on many shelter improvements. The largest project was the installation of the new roof which was finished during the latter part of November. We also renovated the basement through hanging new drywall and upgrading the lighting. Finally, our lawn is as plush as ever and is the envy of many other chapters at Kent State. For all of this we owe a great deal of thanks to our House Corporation and House Manager Sean Houston.

We spent a great deal of time at formal rush events. Rush at Kent is traditionally

weak for the the Greek system as a whole, but Delta Omega overcame this by taking eleven new pledges. This was the most out of all the fraternities at Kent State. Rush was well planned by Rush Director Andrej Petryna. He went to great effort to emphasize our strong winning traditions. This, accompanied by strong academic and athletic programs, helped us dominate this year's formal rush. The eleven young men we took seem to be very motivated, educated and talented. Best of luck to the Delta Psi Pledge Class.

Another aspect of our life at Kent includes numerous philanthropic events. "Week to be Delt With" was a huge success, and together, we brought in over \$1500 to donate to the Aplastic Anemia Association. We are very proud of this and hope to improve our donations next semester. Philanthropic events excite us and always encourage strong brotherhood. This Delta Omega Deltas dominated the Phi Delta Theta volleyball tournament for leukemia. They beat the Phi Deltas in their own tournament two out of three times for the championship.

This year's Homecoming was yet another success story. We constructed a prize winning float in the city's Homecoming Parade for the third straight

year. Thanks to the alumni who supported us and to Eric Ewald and Mike Burris for al their work on this project.

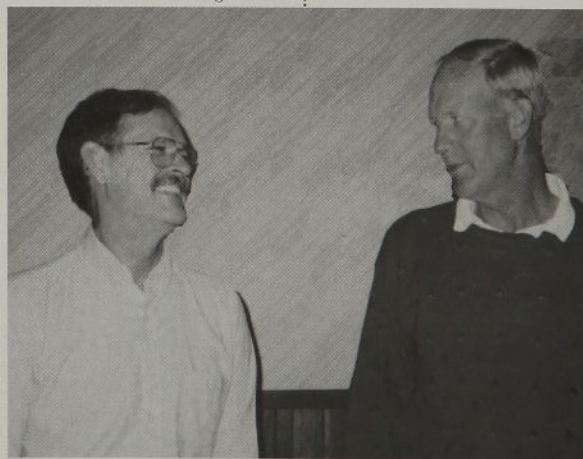
As Deltas we all understand the importance of running a strong risk management program. Mike Healy and Jason Phillips have not stopped short of this. Their hard work and dedication put Delta Omega at the absolute top, that gained us recognition as having the strongest risk management program at Kent State. In October we hosted the IFC Perfect Party, to educate other chapters on the importance of risk management and how to oversee it.

Finally, we would like to extend our special congratulations to Jeremiah Wood on his election to the position of research and development part of the Undergraduate Student Senate. Jeremiah is one of our past presidents and we are proud to see that he has progressed onto leadership duties of greater importance. Best of luck, Jeremiah and to all of the other Delta Omega brothers.

—*Jason Phillips*

Lehigh Beta Lambda

Beta Lambda has been working diligently to improve the "Delt Shelter" in preparation for



Iowa State Delt alumni enjoyed a Homecoming reunion.

the years to come. We are in the process of rushing several young men who we hope will contribute positively to Delta Tau Delta. In terms of house betterment, we are in the process of bringing the house up to meet the university's fire codes which will open three additional rooms and increase the capacity of the house. New shrubs have been planted in the front of the house which has improved the overall aesthetic appeal of our chapter. In accordance with the university police, we continue to participate in the "walking escort" program which provides a safety patrol of the university during the evening classes. Our participation in intramurals has been nothing short of excellent.

After losing first place by mere points last year, we are as enthusiastic about winning this year's title. Recently, Beta Lambda sponsored an AIDS speaker in which a young man, challenged by the virus, gave an educational talk to the students and faculty of Lehigh. We look forward to continuing the strong traditions of Delta Tau Delta in the future and recognize all those who have sacrificed on our behalf.

—Hammond Meuer

Maine

Gamma Nu

This fall semester we were proud to announce that we had eight fine pledges that will provide to be great assets to the chapter. This year's Adopt-a-School program consisted of helping children at the Montessori School carve pumpkins for Halloween, building a handicap ramp for the school, and fixing the fence surrounding their playground. Other public relations projects entailed collecting money from the undergraduate brothers and the sisters of Pi Beta Phi to buy Christmas presents for a needy

family, helping the freshmen move into their rooms, and cooking a nice Italian dinner for the families living at the Ronald McDonald House in Bangor.

The hunt for the BC Kent is on, and we are fired up after winning a two out of three game series to bring home the flag football championship. Presently, we are in third place with only ten points separating us from the leader. At this time, we would like to congratulate the new officers and say thanks to their predecessors.

We have an alumni/brother work project scheduled for the weekend of January 10. I am sure this one will be even more successful than the one we had last year. —Matthew Shumway

Marietta

Epsilon Upsilon

The brothers of Epsilon Upsilon had an exciting and busy fall semester. We started off the year with the Karnea in Washington DC. Our chapter was represented by five undergraduates, five alumni and our chapter advisor

On September 14 we were given the honor of installing Gamma Delta Chapter at West Virginia University. Our ten-man Ritual team spent weeks perfecting our performance of the *Ritual* for this special event. This was a wonderful experience for the chapter and is something we will not soon forget!

Marietta's 1996 Homecoming was a great weekend for EU undergraduates and alumni alike. Along with the women of Chi Omega we won first place in the Homecoming Float contest. The weekend was also special because we initiated Eric Langenfeld into our Delt brotherhood. We had a good turnout for alumni for the weekend of events and, to top it all off, the undergraduates finally won the annual alumni-undergraduate

football game.

Several of our brothers have been selected for various academic honoraries. Brian Stone and Eric Gustafson were inducted into Alpha Epsilon Rho, the national broadcasting honorary; and Brian Stone was selected for membership in both the Society for Collegiate Journalists as well as Alpha Psi Omega, the national theatre arts honorary.

Epsilon Upsilon is now on the World Wide Web. Delt worldwide can check out our homepage at: <http://www.marietta.edu/~delt>. The chapter can also be reached by e-mail at: delt@mcnet.marietta.edu.

Our new officers for the coming year include President Timothy Cox, Vice President Michael Roseman, Treasurer Jeremy Dornon, Recording Secretary Matthew Joy, Corresponding Secretary Barry Schneider, Director of Academic Affairs Eric Langenfeld and Sergeant-at-Arms Buel Hall.

—Eric Gustafson

Maryland

Delta Sigma

Homecoming for the Maryland Delt was a huge success. We received second place in the overall points standings. This was achieved by winning the basketball tournament and the Greek Olympics. We also scored second place in the scavenger hunt and the talent show. The ladies of Delta Delta Delta helped us all week by coming to the events and showing their spirit.

Rush was also very successful for the Delta Sigma brothers. Thirteen out of the fourteen bids were accepted. Our new pledges have shown leadership skills and composure that any good brother would display.

The Delta Sigma's philanthropy volleyball tournament was a great triumph as well. We

had over fifty participants come out and play for the Special Olympics. The proceeds were given to benefit the Special Olympics. Everyone had a great time and it was for a great cause.

—Scott Bryan

Miami

Gamma Upsilon

Once again, the Delt at Gamma Upsilon Chapter are experiencing another fun filled and challenging year. Athletically, we were off to a flying start, making the playoffs in softball and soccer. A fifth place finish in Greek Week and a currently undefeated football team (3-0-1) has also helped us to position ourselves as a strong contender for the annual fraternity "All Sports Title."

Our philanthropy schedule has also been busy this semester. We launched our first annual three on three "Who's Next?" Delt basketball tournament. Twenty six teams entered the tournament and the winner received a cash prize. Money was raised through entrance fee's and T-shirt sales. All profits from the event were sent to the Cincinnati Children's Hospital. Also on this semester's schedule is our third annual "Delt/DG Clothing Drive." Over the past two years we have collected over three tons of clothes from Oxford residents for Cincinnati's homeless shelters. We are confident that this year's drive should, once again, bring together the Gamma Upsilon Chapter and Oxford community for a good cause.

Finally, we have been busy preparing for rush which begins in January. We have an extensive list of outstanding rushees who we hope to develop into Delt. Because of chapter enthusiasm and involvement here at Gamma Upsilon, we believe that, once again, we will attract one of the strongest

pledge classes here on campus.

—Joe Bonidy

Missouri

Gamma Kappa

The brothers of Gamma Kappa continue to excel in all aspects of Greek life. After initiated eleven quality spring pledges, we acquired twenty-five new fall pledges who offer leadership and enthusiasm to continue the dominance of Delts at Mizzou. And dominate we have done. Partnered with the women of Pi Beta Phi, we finished first in House Deck, second in banner, third in float, third in skit, and third in the blood drive: finishing second overall among the fourteen fraternity/sorority partners. After having an all chapter retreat, the brothers of Gamma Kappa are as excited as ever to continue and improve our leadership in campus and community involvement. Brother Alexa Pierrousakos represents Gamma Kappa and the Greek community as IFC president. Brothers Randy Beck and Nick Salvucci were Freshman Summer Welcome Leaders, which is one of the highest leadership positions attainable at Mizzou. Excellence in intramurals and academics are no exception. With the installation of Todd Coleman, our new faculty academic advisor, we are well on our way to continuing our academic success. We are currently ranked in the top five among large houses in GPA, and third in intramurals among the thirty fraternities on campus. Chris Puyear and Matt Beirmann play football for the Tigers. Justin Calame poll vaults for the varsity track team and was ranked second last year in the Big 8. Christ Brothers, Mike Seibert and Jeff Medolla play hockey for Mizzou, and Andy Stann and John Saunders both play club soccer.

Our philanthropy, "Delt Dash" was voted Best New Philanthropy and will continue to be a huge success in raising money for the American Cancer Society. The shelter is looking better than ever and we plan to continue to keep it the best looking house on campus, both inside and out. —Jeff Shaw

Missouri @ Rolla

Epsilon Nu

The brothers of Epsilon Nu Chapter finished up a successful semester. Last spring we initiated the Alpha Pi pledge class, ten men, to carry on the tradition. They have shown enthusiasm and leadership within the chapter and its events. The chapter now has a brand new sand volleyball pit, thanks to them.

The fall semester was very busy. The members started to increase our campus involvement and recognition through campus organizations and social events. The men of Epsilon Nu are proud to have a GPA higher than the all men's average and highest fraternity GPA for the past two years on campus.

Our chapter has been working hard with our House Corporation and alumni this year. During a chapter retreat, the House Corporation and the chapter discussed future expansion of the house and grounds through financial security and rush goals for the next five years.

Epsilon Nu celebrated its 30th anniversary this fall. It was great to see all of the old alumni return and have a terrific time reminiscing. We had our annual Alumni vs. Actives football game, where we let the old men win. A banquet was held in their honor later that night. Ronald Russell Smith, our first initiate, and a couple of other founders were the featured guest speakers for the night. The undergraduates had a lot of

fun socializing and trading stories with the alumni.

For Halloween, the men of Epsilon Nu and the women of Chi Omega set up and put forth the Fourth Annual Haunted House. It was a lot of work but a great success with all proceeds going to Big Brothers/Big Sisters.

It has truly been one of the most successful years in the history of Epsilon Nu Chapter and the men here look forward to the challenges of the new year.

Nebraska

Beta Tau

Beta Tau Chapter has been exceptionally busy within the past few months. We sponsored the Mud Tug philanthropy to help generate financial support for Clinton Elementary School of Lincoln, NE. Our chapter has participated in various other projects including: The Soup Kitchen, Clinton Halloween Day, Honey Sunday, and Highway Cleanup programs.

We'd like to give a shout out to a few outstanding Delts: Ryan Neitfeldt for qualifying for the National Match Play competition in Hawaii; Bob McCarthy for election into Alpha Phi Epsilon Honorary; Ingolf Maurstad for winning the intramural gambling football pick 'em competition, the Delt "A" league football team for winning the men's university championship. In addition, we would like to recognize Kirk Kluer, Tom Wolf and Dave Maloley for their continued excellent leadership as president, first vice president and second vice president, respectively.

Beta Tau has continued its tremendous effort in the classroom. We have raised our house GPA average to an impressive 3.25, ranking among the top three houses on the University of Nebraska campus. Collin Johnson received the

Beta Tau Delt Achievement Scholarship.

We would also like to thank our outstanding alumni and the mother's club for their continued support. Because of their many contributions, we have been able to redecorate the living room area within the shelter. This renovation has been appreciated by every past and present member of Beta Tau.

Nebraska @ Kearney

Theta Kappa

The year started out with a major accomplishment for the men of Theta Kappa. This year's rush resulted in 15 new members. We made many improvements for our house reputation, both on campus and in the community. These improvements include increased intramural involvement, more philanthropic activities and better relations with other Greeks on campus.

This past semester we participated in many activities in the Kearney community. Our chapter was involved in our annual Adopt-a-Highway road clean-up with a sorority on Interstate 80. We also helped raise money for the D.A.R.E. program by running across the state of Nebraska. It was a much needed activity, as many of our members had started to retain a little weight. We also participated in the ARC bowling program and ran a successful blood drive for the American Red Cross and Adopt-a-School program for the Kearney community. Homecoming week was exciting for us as we took first place in the float and banner competition and musical chairs.

Despite all of our activities we managed to do well academically. Our actives have held the highest GPA eight out of the last ten semesters. We also elected our new members of the executive and administrative committees

for the 1996-1997 school year.

The men of Theta Kappa would like to wish our Delt brothers prosperity and good luck in the future as we are all "Committed to Lives of Excellence". —Jay Runge

North Dakota

Delta Xi

It is an exciting time at Delta Xi Chapter. The 1996-1997 school year has been a busy time. Following a successful year last year, the expectations for this year are even higher. We again begin our quest to be number one on campus academically.

We finished our Sixth Annual Tunnel of Terror Haunted House. Working with Pi Beta Phi sorority, \$2,300 was raised for the Big Brother/Big Sister YMCA program. We have another full force of brothers volunteering on the Adopt-a-School project. The chapter also elected new executive officers. With four members attending Karnea, we had many new ideas to move in the direction of excellence. We also have 19 new members from fall rush. Mike Corey, was the third straight

DTAA intern from Delta Xi.

We had a successful homecoming formal. Jeff Heatherington, Past International President of Delta Tau Delta, was the guest speaker. His words of wisdom inspired the brothers to excel and attempt to achieve our fourth Hugh Shields Award in a row. We will be celebrating our founder's day on November 23 with an alumni social and dance at the shelter.

Northern Colorado

Theta Omicron

Once again we had a busy semester. This was our first full semester as a recognized chapter and, so far, we have had relatively few growing pains. After receiving our charter last spring we were officially recognized by the university. This allowed us to be honored as the chapter with the highest grade point average among fraternities with a 3.08. We have been able to accomplish all this while still achieving a rush goal of 15 men.

We had quite a few men inducted into various honor societies on campus. Seven men

were inducted into Gamma Sigma Alpha and five more were asked to join Order of Omega. Not only do we have men being inducted into these organizations, but we also have men being elected into the leadership positions within these organizations. We also have one currently sitting on the IFC, Andrew Brown, who took over as IFC Sports Chairman.

In sports we took second in the IFC softball tournament and in the intramural tournament as well. We did not place in the IFC football tournament but have extremely high hopes for the IFC floor hockey tournament though, where we will be trying to improve on last year's second place finish. We have done this despite the fact that we only have three varsity athletes in our house, all of who are on the track team.

For the second year we are heading up the Adopt-a-School program which has been expanded to two schools this year. We currently have nine men participating and once again hope to expand that number in the coming semester. Other philanthropic events include the Affair-in-the-Square

to help the Greeley Philharmonic and the Guadeloupe House where we cooked and served a meal for the people living at this shelter. We also joined in a twenty-year commitment to adopt a child living in a third world country with the backing of the women from Alpha Sigma Alpha sorority. For Homecoming this year we participated with the ladies of Alpha Delta Pi. Our float's theme was "Unforgettable Moments in Time."

We would like to wish all of the other chapters the best of luck in their upcoming events and endeavors. —Andrew Brown

Ohio

Beta

The men of Beta Chapter are off to a great start in all aspects of college life. The year started with a strong rush in which we acquired fifteen new pledges despite the fact that numbers were down this fall. In October we had our annual "Delt Pumpkin Patch" where we sold pumpkins throughout the month to raise money for the American Cancer Society. The fall quarter only got better when we were paired with Chi Omega for Homecoming week. Both chapters worked long hours all week and won the Homecoming float competition along with a thousand dollars. The week ended with the annual parade and a luncheon at the Shelter for the many alumni who traveled back.

Intramurals are very important to the Ohio Dels, especially when we are competing against other fraternities. We are proud to say that we captured the IFC football title this year and are also the IFC soccer champions for the second year. Practice for these events began early in the quarter and certainly paid off. These are two of the main events on the IFC schedule and



Ohio University Dels after their stunning championship victory in intramural football.



Ohio Wesleyan Delts hosted Nobel Prize winner Rowland Sherwood

we hope to continue our success in other team competitions.

Beta Chapter continues to be at the top of Ohio's Greek community and we are looking forward to the rest of the year. We continue to better ourselves on campus as well as in athletics and academics. Rush is also a top priority here at Beta Chapter and goals have already been set for the winter. With hard work, we should have no problem keeping our fine tradition of excellence. —*John Grove*

Ohio Wesleyan Mu

This semester has been a positive one for the brothers of Mu Chapter. We have been working in the community, renovating the house, participating in activities on campus and with alumni, and, at the same time, keeping academics our number one priority.

Our shelter's renovation has finally been completed, thanks to all of our alumni support. This past summer all the walkways were repaired, including the main walkway which has the names of contributing members engraved in the new bricks. Second floor bathrooms on the east and west wings were also renovated. Since all of the improvements have been made, we have received awards from the university for the outstanding condition of our house. The brothers of Mu Chapter

were happy to see the improvements that were made to the house.

Yet again we had our annual Fall Fest weekend where we greeted many old and new alumni, parents and friends at our brunch, cocktail party and pig roast. The evening was followed with a live band which everyone enjoyed. This was a huge success for us as part of the social scene. Elsewhere on the social scene, many bands have come this fall including the one for our fourth annual Delt Reggae Rage.

In academics we have had four brothers who were recognized for academic excellence in the house. So far our academic year has been positive and we continue to strive to keep it that way.

Rush has been successful in that we have a substantial group of freshmen who have expressed interest in the house. Throughout the semester we have had many Monday night football parties and cookouts. one new event added to rush was a camping trip that involved both freshmen and brothers. This was a lot of fun and proved to be a good rush tool.

We have had many brothers involved in intramurals, including soccer and volleyball. We were the soccer champions in the league this fall.

For community service, we adopted a highway and are in the process of adopting a

school. The brothers also participated in the Crop Walk fight for hunger in early October.

Over all, the brothers have been striving for excellence in all areas this semester. All of the brothers of Mu Chapter are looking forward to a quality pledge class this year. We have been strong in many areas this past semester and look forward to doing better in the semester to come.

Oklahoma State Delta Chi

The fall semester at Delta Chi was highlighted by a number of successes such as rush, campus involvement, and community involvement. In February we hosted the Western Plains Division Conference on Oklahoma City, and there initiated our 1000th member. We currently have 26 pledges and look forward to a strong spring rush. We did not place in the Homecoming house decorations this year, but we did, however, take third for our float in the Homecoming parade.

In early November we received a watch that belonged to one of our founding fathers, Dr. John Venable. Dr. Venable

was a very influential person, not only in our chapter but in the International Fraternity as well. Academics were very important to Dr. Venable and, because of this, his watch, which bears the Delt Coat of Arms, will be passed down as an award given to the chairmen of academic affairs. The watch was presented to us by Pat Venable, his wife, at a formal dinner held at the shelter. The event was attended by a large number of alumni.

Philanthropic endeavors are, as always going strong. Delta Chi is involved in a number of community projects such as Adopt-a-Highway, Adopt-a-School, Big Brothers/Big Sisters and the Harvest II Can Drive. The brothers of Delta Chi also play a large role in campus and in the Greek system. This year one of our brothers became a Student Alumni Board executive, another took over as the new IFC president and we have several Student Academic Mentors in the house.

This year we also gained a new housemother. Her name is Deborah Allen and she is a wonderful lady that is working very hard at improving Delta Chi



Ottawa Delts gather on the steps in front of Canada's breathtaking new embassy on Pennsylvania Avenue.

Chapter. We encourage all alumni to stop by and meet her and to take a look at the house. If you have any questions or would like additional information feel free to call our president, Jess Webber, at (405) 742-0106.

Ottawa
Theta Theta

This year we are looking forward to many great things from both alumni and undergraduate members of Theta Theta. the chapter is growing at a phenomenal rate and new skills are being learned by both undergraduates and alumni with each passing semester. We set our rush goal at an ambitious thirty new men for the year. This year the undergraduates have a new house at 324 Laurier Avenue which promises to be a step up on the great house that the chapter occupied the last two years. Special thanks go to brothers Mike Fitzpatrick, Jared Langdon and David C. Marks for their help in acquiring the new house. Further, we plan on hiring a cook for meals five nights a week in the new house. Any area alumni interested in participating in the meal plan are encouraged to contact our House Steward Sylvester Fink.

The undergraduates also obtained a pool table from Mike Laskosky as well as a Fuzball table from undergraduates Ron and Damian. With respect to philanthropy program, Theta Theta continued to focus on Adopt-a-School and might expand to other areas. Theta Theta learned this past summer that the American ambassador to Canada, Tom Weston, is a Delt from Michigan State. Our very successful Alumni Homecoming took place at his residence in Rockliffe. Much thanks to you, Tom! A special mention should go to Julian Franklin and Eric Macdonald

who took up the challenge of being Eastern Division Vice Presidents. Their work is much appreciated. We would also like to thank brother Simon Burke who continues to fill the role as Theta Theta's chapter advisor. Further thanks should also go to brother Scott Bates who fills another term as chapter consultant this year. It is quite apparent, with special respect to the recent 83rd Karnea, that our chapter is successful, in large part, because of the heart invested by chapter alumni members and to other Delt alumni close to the heart of the chapter. It is our hope that a continuing commitment to the Mission and Values of Delta Tau Delta will insure that we have a very successful year.

—Christopher Tate

Pennsylvania
Omega

The 1996-97 school year is very important to Omega Chapter. In January, we celebrated our Centennial. In March, our new shelter is slated to be completed, thanks to the diligent efforts of the Omega Chapter House Corporation. With these factors in mind, we are looking forward to a successful spring rush. Dels here at Penn have been very active, serving the community with Habitat for Humanity, the Hospice of Philadelphia and the Greater Philadelphia Food Bank, as well as a large West Philadelphia Clean-up operation in conjunction with the University. Another larger scale bed race event is also being scheduled in the spring, benefiting the Children's Hospital of Pennsylvania. Crew Team members Evan Jacobson and James Vergara were part of the Ivy League Championship Penn Crew team last May and Senior J.J. Cramer was named Captain of the varsity tennis team. Past

Chapter President Norm Hetrick, Jr. was awarded Outstanding senior last year by the Interfraternity Council and Neil Sheth was elected senior class president. Homecoming, November 2, was extremely successful for both Penn and the Omega Chapter. Penn's 20-3 victory over Yale was accented by the homecoming of many Dels, including many of the past year's graduates. From Class of '56 to Class of '96, Dels enjoyed the victory and the formal announcement of the beginning of construction of the new shelter.

—James Vergara

R.P.I.
Upsilon

The Upsilon Chapter celebrated the end of another great semester last fall. Once again we had a successful rush that netted 22 new pledges to add to the history of the R.P.I. Dels. A newly elected executive board and changing house officials will bring new blood and ideas to the chapter that will lead us into the spring semester with confidence and positive leadership.

Our chapter also stayed active on campus and in the community. We have a newly elected member on the executive board of the Inter-Fraternity Council and have stayed active in the Adopt-a-School program. We also recently finished volunteering at an Albany city community center, in which we helped clean and restore a swimming facility.

Over the next semester the Upsilon Chapter Dels hope to continue the excellence from the fall semester. We cannot wait to add to our history.

Sam Houston State
Epsilon Zeta

During Homecoming we hosted our annual alumni

barbecue. Thanks to all the help from the brothers it was a great success. Another exciting even this fall was rush. Once again, Epsilon Zeta pulled together to bring in the top men. After receiving twenty quality pledges, our main focus now is spring rush. Community service has also been a focus at EZ. This long time role of the chapter is one reason we have such a high standing in the local community. Brothers have been volunteering at the local elementary as well as keeping our Texas highways clean. Only a few members graduated this past fall but the spring and summer will see many members making the transition from student to worker. —Kasey Kilgore

South Carolina
Theta Eta

Theta Eta is in the midst of our most successful semester here in Columbia. We ended up number two in grades and received awards from Fraternity Council on our academic performance. Theta Eta won Delta Gamma's annual Anchor Splash and participated in the Delta Zeta football classic for the blind. Also, we are participating in Delta Delta Delta's "Frats at Bat" community service event. Dels also helped with the local YMCA's Haunted Halloween trail, and in the Palmetto Place Gala Fundraiser for underprivileged children.

Our hockey team finished second place in intramural competition, placing us as one of the top seeded teams for the playoffs. Theta Eta had a healthy fall rush picking up eight pledges and several prospects for the spring term. Dels also had an active social calendar in the fall. Tailgating brought several alumni out and our mixer with Delta Gamma was very successful.

Homecoming, also with Delta



GMI's Karnea Delegates visit Washington's most famous Shelter.

Gamma, went well, however Theta Eta did not place in the float competition for the first time in four years. Pledges and actives are looking forward to the formal which will take place January 10-12 in Chapin.

We would like to congratulate alumni Tim Thorsen and Michael Martin on their recent marriages. We would also like to thank alumni Jeff Smith for hosting the annual Halloween Party.

—Robert Treme

South Dakota Delta Gamma

We here at Delta Gamma started out our semester by activating eight new members into our ranks. These new actives were lead by two outstanding young men: Kevin Timpe and Troy Gillespie, who both obtained a 4.0 GPA last semester. These new actives are well on their way to becoming the future leaders of our fraternity.

Fall rush went rather well for us, even though we were hampered by a low number of men going through the rush process on campus. Even though the number of new pledges were down for all the houses on campus, we were still able to pledge eleven quality

men. We are happy with our choices thus far, and we are constantly on the lookout for more possible pledges.

This year's Children's Care Hospital Charity Run was a great success. Everyone pitched in and got \$600 worth of donations for this worthy cause. The run from Vermillion to Sioux Falls was a long and wet one, but we made the best of it. Even though it rained on us almost the entire way, the look on the kids' faces made it all worthwhile.

There were six members of Delta Gamma who were able to attend Karnea this past summer in Washington DC. It was a great learning experience that we all completely enjoyed, except getting up early for meetings. The whole Karnea experience was great, and we were able to meet a lot of excellent Deltas from all over the country. Our own Tim Johnson, who was just elected to the U.S. Senate, received an Alumni Achievement Award at the closing banquet.

Delta Gamma had twelve of its members recognized as Kershner Scholars by the International Fraternity, which is given to those Deltas that excel in academic performance, this past semester. One of our brothers,

David Mack, was given his ninth consecutive recognition. This is quite an accomplishment, and he has set a great example for others to follow.

Homecoming was a great experience for all those who attended. We had a good turnout at the shelter and everyone had fun telling stories. Those who were there, were able to see our newly renovated chapter room, which the members worked on in the beginning of the semester. It was a lot of work but it was definitely worth it.

Overall the semester went great here and we look forward to working with our new officers. Please stop by anytime and have a look around at our continuing renovation efforts.

Southwest Texas State Zeta Delta

Zeta Delta had an adventurous and successful fall semester. The chapter has come a long way in just a year's time. In spring 1996, we obtained a new Shelter outside of the city with three acres of land. This brought life into the chapter as we now have a regular meeting place for chapter functions. Fall rush was one example. We fell one short of our goal of ten pledges by getting nine, but they are nine outstanding young men. Our social calendar stayed busy with Delt Draft starting off the semester followed by a mixer with Alpha Omicron Pi. A Halloween date party was successful as all of the Deltas and their dates dressed up in costumes. Mekong was again the biggest party of the semester here at Southwest Texas. A Christmas formal in December saw everyone heading to New Orleans for the weekend.

As for community service, Zeta Delta is one, if not the strongest chapter on campus. We currently are involved in a

Big Brother program at Travis Elementary School here in San Marcos. We also volunteered our time to have a booth at their Halloween carnival. We currently have a two mile strip in the Adopt-a-Highway program, picking up trash twice a semester. We will also be painting a Red Cross sign at the helicopter landing pad at the local hospital here in San Marcos for emergency helicopter landings. We raised the most food out of all Greeks for the local food bank, winning an award from IFC. As for sports, the Deltas placed high in intramural football and are looking forward to basketball and softball, our two strongest sports. Academically, the Deltas are right at the All Greek Men's Average and continue to improve every semester. We have numerous Deltas in high positions on campus in such organizations as Order of Omega, IFC and J-Board, American College of Healthcare Executives, Pre-Med-Pre-Dent, Student Volunteer Connections, and Duck's Unlimited.

Next semester, the Zeta Delta Chapter plans on continuing to renovate the Shelter, stay influential in the community, do well academically and athletically, and continue to improve as a chapter.

—Jon Stepha

Southern Mississippi Zeta Chi

Zeta Chi has enjoyed a successful semester at the University of Southern Mississippi. USM Deltas are close to reaching their rush goal and expect to initiate 100%.

In November, Homecoming brought a large percentage of alumni back to the shelter to visit with old friends and to meet the new pledges. The Golden Eagles beat Cincinnati and the Deltas celebrated with an alumni reception after the game with entertainment following.

"Eagle Fever" was rampant at the Delt shelter.

We were pleased to send eight representatives to Karnea in August. The members that attended came back to Hattiesburg motivated to make the chapter better than ever. It was a wonderful vacation as well as a learning experience.

Thanks to the generous donation of ZX alumnus, Del Crum, we were able to make improvements to the shelter. With new carpet and freshly painted walls, the atmosphere of the shelter has improved greatly.

Chapter President Aaron Hill was accepted into the 1996 Leadership Academy. Aaron traveled to Bethany College in June and shared a wonderful Delt learning experience with 20 Delts from all across the world.

Events in the fall semester included Adopt-a-School, Adopt-a-Plot on USM's campus, United Way garage sale, Chi Omega Songfest, Halloween Zoo Boo, and UIFI Impact Weekend.

—Eric Collum

Stanford

Beta Rho

Beta Rho is on the verge of regaining university recognition after working hard to reconstruct fraternal organiza-

tion and collect past debts owed. With a new structure of organization and an enthusiastic officer core, Beta Rho is looking to regain high status in the eyes of Stanford and the Fraternity. With most of our members in football season, events have been limited, but we are currently working on an Adopt-a-School program in which our members will spend time with, and correspond with, the elementary school students in East Palo Alto. After a successful spring rush which produced 18 new pledges, the new officers are spending time in pledge education and organizing the *Ritual* which will occur during Winter Quarter. The outlook for the future is positive as we are working to earn ourselves university housing again within the next few years. —Jason Okazaki

Stevens Institute of Technology

Rho

Despite attending an academically tough school, the Delts at Rho Chapter are striving to maintain the success we have attained here on campus. Through these efforts, we remain one of the largest and most respected fraternities on campus.

Fall rush was successful in

that we attained 16 quality pledges. They were anxious to learn about the Fraternity, the proud traditions of our house and displayed eagerness in becoming brothers. In addition, three new brothers were initiated at the beginning of this semester. Rho Chapter congratulates them on their efforts through pledging and looks forward to the contributions they will make as brothers.

In inter-fraternity sports, we brought home another IFC All Sports Trophy for the 1995-1996 year. This was an extra special achievement since it is our second year in a row to win the title. By winning basketball, softball and racquetball, it helped us clinch the title along with making runner-up appearances in football and soccer. We suffered a heartbreaking overtime loss in the soccer championship and came up just short in football. We hope to defend the titles we won and regain the ones we lost last year.

There are many Rho Delts competing in varsity intercollegiate sports. This year, we have members on the soccer, basketball, volleyball, ice hockey, tennis, baseball, and the lacrosse teams. Our support for our varsity athletes brings out the best in them and we wish them the best of luck in their seasons.

The members in our house also devoted a good portion of their time involved in campus activities. We have representatives on the Student Council Government and the Honor Board Committee; both of which are highly regarded organizations on campus. In addition we are every active in the Ambassador's Club, which is an essential means of recruitment for interested high school students planning to enroll in Stevens for the freshman year.

Serving the community is another important aspect of our brotherhood. Recently raising

56 pints of blood in our bi-annual blood drive, we hope that this will help people in need of blood. Along with the recent blood drive, our service to the American Cancer Society and the Adopt-a-Highway program are up-coming service events.

It is evident that the Rho Delts are always trying to maintain lives of excellence, as described by the Fraternity mission. As always, we welcome other Delts that are in the New York City area to visit our shelter and to spend some time with us.

—Michael Laudenberger

Syracuse

Gamma Omicron

After a tremendous 1995-1996 campaign which included victories in the Greek Olympics, Tri-Delt's Dolphin Daze, DG's Mr Anchor Splash and Intramural floor hockey, and winning the Greek Quality Public Relations award, all while raising over \$3,000 for the American Heart Association and participating in the Adopt-a-School program, the Gamma Omicron Chapter of Delta Tau Delta at Syracuse University is back in full effect this fall, enjoying one of its most prosperous semesters ever.

Rush was a huge success as nine fine young men accepted Delt pins. Chapter President Mark Rooney was pleased with the overall effort of the house. "We worked hard for this rush and the rewards have been more than fulfilling", Rooney said. "From the minute rush ended last spring we were on the case, creating a more effective rush plan. The entire House is more than satisfied with not only our new strategies, but this fall's results." The fall '96 rush class will have raised over \$1,000 through philanthropic activity by semester's end.

As is becoming a customary



Pittsburgh Delt Soccer players get a little home court advantage in the cheering section.

tradition here at Syracuse, the chapter continues to turn out campus leaders. Jason Davis is current president of Greek Council. "Davis has been an asset to this House, as well as the whole Greek system", Rooney said. "It's his job to look out for the best interest of all Houses on campus and he does a great job of it."

Speaking on behalf of the Greek system as a whole, Rooney believes that he has seen a great deal of change over the last few years. "The success of any fraternity now depends on how well it can adapt to that change, and we've been doing it well", Rooney said. "A number of houses have failed to abandon the old 'frat guy' attitude and those houses, as a result, are no longer on campus."

Issues of liability are becoming

more of a factor in the Greek system nationwide as well as on our campus, and that has resulted in more regulation. "Delt has remained strong because we are committed to our core values, which set a higher standard for our chapter's operations than any Greek-wide regulation", Rooney said.

Besides excelling in all aspects of academia and athletics at Syracuse University, Deltas also work to be the best they can

be beyond the SU campus. This past summer, Deltas made their mark all over the country, as brothers could be found working diligently for the White House, NBA, Ketchum PR, New York Yankees and Lee Hunt Soho Productions.

As all college students know, it's not all work and no play. In accordance to this, Delt has enjoyed a stellar social schedule this semester as parties with AZD, Theta, Alpha Chi and Tri-Delt were huge successes. Speaking of success, this is what the Delt softball, football and soccer teams enjoyed this semester. "I think this was the most solid all-around squad we ever had," said softball Head Coach Jason Smith. The team was sparked by the scorching bats of Davis and Eric Barchie, the smooth fielding of Mike

offensive scheme. The defense, which many considered to be one of the stingiest in the tournament, was led by middle-linebacker Ross Sacco and defensive lineman Jeff Wiczorek. The football team also finished 5-1, with its only loss coming in the Championship Game.

The Delt soccer squad was, needless to say, a pleasant surprise. With a lack of experience and depth, the Deltas surprised everyone by advancing to the Final Four of the Intramural Soccer Tournament. The team was spearheaded by striker Evan Brosniak and Brian Martoken.

As the semester came to a close, the chapter, the Greek Community and the student body as a whole looked forward to Cupid Week '97, which came to fruition the week of Valentines Day. "Cupid Week is always a great time for the Fraternity", Rooney said. "We can take pride in the philanthropic work we do and have a blast doing it." This year's Cupid Week promises to be bigger and better than ever. As for the next semester, if the past is any indication of what is to come, the future of Delta Tau Delta at Syracuse is solid.

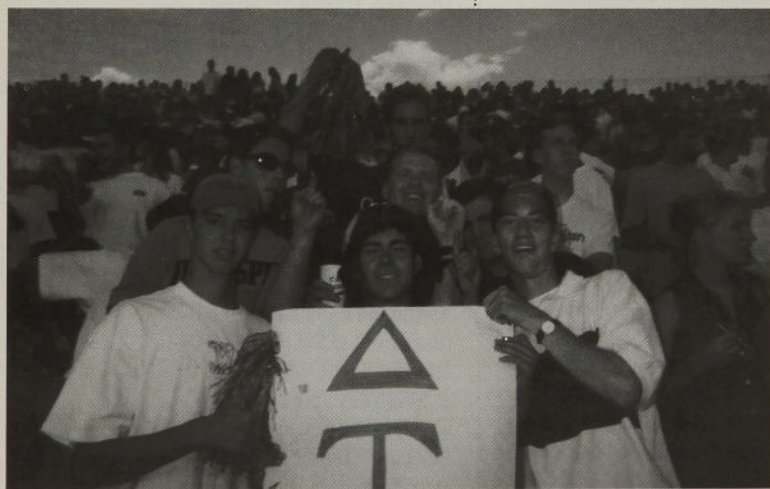
—Craig Sender

Texas Gamma Iota

The tradition of excellence for Gamma Iota at the University of Texas at Austin is something that every member past or present is extremely proud of. This past semester was no exception, as we continue our rich tradition by excelling in every aspect of the Fraternity. Our spring pledge class delightedly surprised our chapter with the third highest GPA among all spring pledge classes on campus. Also, Gamma Iota continues helping out those less fortunate throughout our Adopt-a-School

program. This program entails UT Deltas visiting a local elementary school and tutoring children that have troubles in the academic field. Not only is this program beneficial to the children, but chapter members find that they feel much better about themselves after such an experience. The spring edition of our alumni weekend was a great success. This year we reunited Deltas from the '70s. Not only was it fun for the classes of the '70s, but current Gamma Iota Deltas found it very beneficial to meet and speak with the people who helped mold the tradition of excellence that continues today. As usual, our annual Crawfish Boil surpassed the previous year's. Mother Nature provided a beautiful day that allowed all those who attended to have a wonderful time and eat plenty of crawfish. Also, our third annual World Carnival had a great turnout of elementary school children. The children seemed to be interested in what we had to say, and were truly impressed with the visual aids that accompanied the presentations.

The beginning of the fall semester for 1996 has been a very successful one for Gamma Iota. Thanks to four excellent rush captains our chapter has seen the addition of 34 young men in our fall pledge class. Parents Weekend was held November 1-2 for the Texas vs. Baylor football game. As usual, the weekend was a huge success. The activities included wine and cheese for the parents, and a BBQ Saturday afternoon before the football game. The chapter truly thanks Vice President Brian Landrum for coordinating the weekend. Also, the chapter is eagerly awaiting the new house which will be ready in approximately three years. The chapter was recently visited by Bob German and Bob Marwill who helped inform the chapter



Epsilon Iota Deltas gather for a philanthropic event

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Fairweather and Craig Sender, and the consistent hurling of Smith. The Deltas compiled a 5-1 record, highlighted by a 16-6 trouncing of ATO in the semifinals before falling to Sammy in the Finals.

Delt football continued its tradition of strong and fair play. Drew Schnabel took over the reigns at quarterback for the recently graduated Rich James. Schnabel did a more-than-adequate job handling a complex

on how plans for the new house are coming along. In addition, each member of Gamma Iota pledged money for payment of the new house, payable after graduation. —Brian Hess

Texas Tech Epsilon Delta

Epsilon Delta started off the year with an excellent rush, pledging 38 quality men. Soon after rush, our new executive committee took charge. Each of the officers has been working extremely hard to keep Delta Tau Delta on top at Texas Tech.

Once again this year, our Homecoming Weekend was very productive. We had one of the top floats in the parade. After the parade, we had an alumni golf tournament. The alumni had a great time and so did we.

Currently, we are organizing a fund raising effort for a new shelter. Alumni recently met here in Lubbock to see the condition of the shelter.

The one thing we need to take this chapter to a higher level of achievement is more alumni interaction and support. If you know of a way you can help, or if you would just like to get involved, please contact us.

—Ben Varner

Tufts Beta Mu

Beta Mu is having another exciting year. The brotherhood is extremely active with mixers, alumni events, and brotherhood activities. Beta Mu has found a new chapter advisor, Ken Yang, Beta Mu '91, who is in his fourth year residency with Tufts University Medical School. Beta Mu hosted its first annual senior auction, raising \$750 for the American Cancer Society, and also raised \$1,400 for the International Scholarship Committee with a Halloween costume party.

Homecoming was great as

the brothers and alumni began the day at the shelter with a brunch, accompanied by the women of Tufts' Chi Omega sorority. After the morning festivities all headed to the Homecoming game to watch a nail biting last second defeat at the hands of Williams College. Before dinner, cocktail reception was held where actives and alumni were able to meet in an informal and relaxed setting. Following the reception the brotherhood began preparing for the evening's events featuring another mixer and a Reggae band party with Jah Spirit. Homecoming was truly enjoyable as Deltas of all ages were able to come together in the spirit of brotherhood.

Beta Mu is looking towards a strong spring rush. Realizing that rush is year round, the brotherhood conducts Wednesday night dinners, where we invite interested students to the house for dinner. Another informal rush event will be the Tyson-Hollyfield fight followed by an evening social event. Additionally, the brotherhood plans to invite all interested students to our annual Paintball Day.

If any other Delt chapters would like to join us in an evening out or mixers with sororities, please feel free to contact us. Additionally, any Beta Mu alumni should feel free to call or contact me, email: jholland@emerald.tufts.edu, (617) 776-0949. Finally, Beta Mu is on the 'Web, "http://www.tufts.edu-jnelson/delt/deltpage.html".

—Jonathan Hollander

Virginia Beta Iota

As Beta Iota's 25th anniversary year, 1996 was appropriately celebrated with a huge reunion banquet on Homecoming weekend. Beta

Iota honored House Corporation Treasurer Wayne Coates, Former House Corporation President Matt Paxton and Chapter Advisor Bill Patterson for their outstanding efforts and contributions to the chapter over the years. Thanks to so many of the Deltas from '72, '74, '78, '86 and some recent graduates, our 25th Anniversary was an enormous success.

Despite this successful alumni reunion, Beta Iota needs your help! the brotherhood has recently launched a major campaign to rebuild our front porch. A new porch would not only improve the shelter's appearance, but also would be a major asset for rush. Donations and correspondence can be mailed to Delta Tau Delta Porch Fund, c/o Rob Paull, 129 Chancellor Street, Charlottesville, VA 22903.

In continuing tradition, Beta Iota has remained an academic and social leader in Virginia's Greek system. At a recent Inter-Fraternity Council awards ceremony, Beta Iota was recognized as Most Outstanding Chapter at Virginia. Furthermore, the brotherhood won three of the other five awards, namely Most Outstanding Pledge Class (fourth year), Most Outstanding Alumni Relations and Greek Man of the Year (Barton Dick).

Hoping to continue this tradition of excellence is the 1996 fall pledge class. Thanks to the hard work and perseverance of Rush Chairman Matt Stevenson, Beta Iota garnered twelve new pledges.

Beta Iota still thrives in athletics at UVA, led by third year varsity track and cross country powerhouse, W. W. Spencer III. Webster epitomizes the essence of determination, a strength brought to workings of the shelter as well as to his teammates.

Again, Beta Iota thanks

those alumni who attended our 25th Anniversary celebration and who contributed to our fundraising efforts. We hope to see many of the same familiar faces next spring at our annual formal.

—Rob Paull

Wabash Beta Psi

This year started well due to the success of fall rush. Rush Chairman Dan Fair helped bring 21 new men into the chapter. The diverse freshmen class brings together the talents of men from as far away as Canada and Hawaii. The rest of the house is keeping up fine traditions of campus leadership, athletic involvements, and philanthropy. Eric Borger is again president of the student body while both Kevin Gearhart and Curt Smiley hold positions in that government. Senior Chad Pedley is currently the president of Alpha Phi Omega in which six other Deltas are members. Sophomore Chris Cotterill has followed in the footsteps of previous Deltas by becoming editor in chief of the school newspaper, The Bachelor. Along with Chris, roughly a dozen other gentlemen regularly contribute to the paper. Sophomores Frank Serge and Joey Becker are both making large impacts on the Little Giant football team. The Wabash soccer team, led by nine Deltas, is now atop the ICAC and is having the best season in school history. Juniors Kevin Gearhart and Travel Merrill, along with pledge Mike Babcock, are making their marks on this year's basketball squad.

Within the house, intramurals are again off to a good start behind the play of the football and golf teams. We hope to follow up last year's unbeaten basketball season and second place overall finish. House activities have included house paintball, movie nights, and the establish-



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ment of a new sister sorority. Upcoming events for the house include an alumni reunion for the Monon Bell game, spring rush, house formal, MUFFY charity drive and other various philanthropic events.

—Nicholas Prihoda

Washington & Jefferson Gamma

Gamma Chapter kicked off the year by sending six brothers to Karnea in August. This is the 136th year of continuous existence for Gamma Chapter, making it the longest running chapter in Delt history. The brothers are active in sports and intramurals. Many brothers are wrestlers, but almost all are involved in sports such as football, baseball, hockey, soccer, lacrosse, track, and tennis. Brother Tim Purcell won first place in the Fourth International Tang Soo Do Karate Championship in Pittsburgh in early October. The brothers also combined academics with their extra curricular activities to earn the highest grade point average among fraternities on campus.

Homecoming was a success because of all the alumni that came back. This year was

important because it was the 25th anniversary of the class of 1971. Currently we are engaged in many social and philanthropic events such as Adopt a School, child fingerprinting services and other brotherhood events.

—Dan Wolf

Washington State Epsilon Gamma

Epsilon Gamma started out the year on a great note, pledging 22 outstanding young men. This pledge class brings to the Fraternity a diverse and dynamic group of individuals who will surely contribute greatly to the future of Epsilon Gamma.

Homecoming was also a success for our chapter. Deltas teamed up with the lovely women of Delta Gamma sorority for the Homecoming events. This year marked the fifth consecutive year that we finished within the top five teams in the events. We look forward to next year, in which we were chosen by Kappa Alpha Theta sorority to be their Homecoming partners.

Epsilon Gamma continued its dominance over the rest of the intramural field. Already this year we have made our presence felt on the soccer and softball fields, placing first in both

sports. Next semester we will be fielding teams in both football and basketball, sports in which we are always competitive.

Epsilon Gamma is also an active partner in the community. Each semester we organize a philanthropy to raise money for various charities. In the winter, we team up with the women of Phi Beta Phi sorority and buy Christmas presents for less fortunate kids in the Pullman area. In the spring, we will hold our second annual run from Pullman to Seattle. During this event brothers run in five mile increments until Seattle is reached which is 300 miles away. This philanthropy is something that we are very excited to be participating in, and will become an annual tradition in our chapter. The proceeds from this event will be donated to Cities in Schools. Epsilon Gamma is proud to be a contributing member in our community and will continue to be one for years to come.

—Justin Jumani

West Florida Zeta Iota

Zeta Iota Chapter is proud that we have started this year off with the greatest fall semester the chapter has ever seen. After a lot of hard work and persistence, we had a successful rush. Our goal this year was set to seek the quality men on this campus. With the conclusion of rush, Zeta Iota doubled its members, and yet this is just half of it. However rush being as successful as it was, I am proud to state that I am writing this from our new shelter! After spending the last five years without a house, we finally have a place to call our own. This has only tripled the driving force of our members to succeed in our set goals. In conclusion, Zeta Iota Chapter would like to announce the chartering of our chapter

almost 25 years ago. All members will be attending the 25th year anniversary banquet the weekend of February 21-23. We look forward to our alumni returning home and hope to rekindle many old brotherly bonds.

—Jason Brigman

Western Illinois Zeta Lambda

Zeta Lambda saw several events during last fall: 20th Annual Big Wheels produced \$1500 for the Senior Citizens of Macomb. The House Corporation met that weekend as well. The chapter is currently in fourth place in academic achievement, with sights set on a higher ranking. We trust the ten men of the fall pledge class will earn the right to full membership through academic excellence and be initiated early in the spring. Intramurals were very strong last fall. The weekend of April 11-13 is set for our 25th Anniversary Luau, and all ZL alumni should plan now to attend. It promises to be the best ever alumni gathering at Zeta Lambda. Visit our web site at <http://WWW.WiU.edu/users/middtd/>

—Mark Dorn

Western Kentucky Epsilon Xi

Epsilon Xi Chapter had an exciting fall semester, celebrating their 30 year anniversary at Western Kentucky. With the combination of strong brotherhood, productive community service, and active membership, we have made this possible.

The semester began with a successful rush of 23 pledges, with 20 of these fine young men to carry on the tradition of strong brotherhood and our love for Delta Tau Delta. There was a tremendous attendance at this year's Homecoming. The day started with an active/alum-

ni breakfast at the shelter, tailgate party, dinner and a dance at the end of the night. Several of our supporting alumni came back to celebrate our 30 years on this campus and to reminisce on their years as active members.

With hard work and persistence, the Deltas have shown outstanding sportsmanship on Western's campus once again. Last year, Epsilon Xi was flag football campus champions. This year, once again, we are in the running to hold on to our title for the third straight year.

Community service is a major component in the chapter. We started another productive year with the Adopt-a-School program. As the end of the semester drew near, we began to prepare our goals and objectives for the spring. We anticipate another outstanding semester and a successful spring rush.

—Barry Yeiser

Westminster Delta Omicron

For more than 130 years, Westminster has prided itself on the development of exceptional and talented men whom, upon graduation, have emerged proudly and successfully as fore-runners in both the graduate and

professional world. For over 60 years the men of Delta Omicron have abetted Westminster in producing these leaders.

Delta Omicron achieves this end by fostering a positive atmosphere in which a man may excel during the tenure of his college career. Academic strength is the foundation of this prominence. For the past seven semesters Delta Omicron actives and affiliates have taken top grades. Delta Omicron has had three of the last four Churchill Scholars and three of the last four Column Speakers. Delta Omicron was also proud to have four members listed in *Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities*.

After the second year of the new affiliate system here at Westminster, Delta Omicron has done exceptionally well during rush. We fulfilled our quota by taking our top nineteen choices.

Leadership is also stressed as the men of Delta Omicron are notably present in the leadership positions among campus and student life organizations. The ROTC Battalion Executive Officer, Jeff Pirozzi, is from Delta Omicron. We have six men who are members of Student Foundation, the president of World Affairs Council, the president of Beta Beta Beta

Biological Honor Society, the president of Student/Alumni Foundation, and the president of Chapel Leadership Council are Delta Omicron Deltas. For the past five years the chapter has had members in the Senior Honor Society Skulls of Seven. For the past seven years Delta Omicron has had men serving as RAs. Delta Omicron has also had the top All-Male Greek for the past three years.

Delta Omicron has also boasted an extensive social calendar as well. The social aspects are as intense as they have ever been. We have had many notable parties such as our annual Croquet Party and Frisbee Golf Party, just to name a few. With the return of football to Westminster after a 65 year absence, we hope to make our Fall Football Kickoff Classic an annual event. The return of the hockey season saw Puck Party '96. The Christmas Party was another success and we look forward to the two cornerstone parties of spring semester—Delta Queen and Yucca Flats. Delta Omicron has done well in athletics. Two of our cross country runners were given honors. Jeff

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Pirozzi received Academic

All-Conference and Andrew Powelson received Runner of the Year Award. The return of football led to an increased number of Deltas participating and excelling in athletics. The men of Delta Omicron are proud to have Greg Klingsmith, Ian McClarney, Kevin Slattery and Bruce Trepri representing the chapter on the field.

Over the summer we made some significant improvements to the shelter. We added a new section to our patio and installed a barbecue pit. We are currently remodeling a room to use as a chapter office. We enjoyed a successful Family Weekend in which we raised money to buy new mattresses and kitchen items.

Delta Omicron has been very successful in their philanthropic efforts. Chris Thomas has spearheaded many special events including nationally recognized blood drives and continued support of the American Cancer Society, as well as local highway clean-ups. The men of Delta Omicron also helped to remodel the Carver Memorial School, paint and touch up the Fulton Day Care Center, as well as sponsoring a Halloween party and Haunted House for the local Big Brother/Big Sister Program and the children of Fulton. The men of Delta Omicron also placed first in the Canned Food Drive Program this year. We are also proud to have won the "Triple Crown," the first fraternity at Westminster to win the three major philanthropy events sponsored by Delta Gamma, Alpha Chi Omega and Chi Omega.

Building upon these solid academic and philanthropic traditions, the men of Delta Omicron look forward to maintaining their tradition of excellence through a resolute and binding brotherhood in the years to come.

—Read Parham
Wisconsin



Beta Gamma

Things are definitely looking positive for the Deltas of Beta Gamma. After about a year of remodeling and renovations, we have a shelter that not only actives and alumni can be proud of, but a shelter that will be attractive to prospective members. The fall semester showed the potential—through the hard work and determination of Rush Chairman Noah Turner, the addition of eight solid pledges insures the future of Beta Gamma will continue to shine.

Our chapter continued to be actively involved in campus activities. One key thing on everyone's mind is football and this year was no different. We fought our way to the finals, thanks to the dedication and spirit that each individual gave to the team—especially that of Captain Joseph Greenwood. Though we fell short of a victory

due to injuries before and during the game, everyone played all out without any thoughts of a loss. Nonetheless, morale remains high as the IFC tournament, for which we are the defending champions, lingers around the corner.

Participating in Greek events brought the brothers as close as ever. Among the events is Humorology. Paired with Chi Omega, the Deltas made quite a splash in the Greek community with a fine blend of young and old, experienced and novice. With this talent, the team is well prepared for a run at first place, and a chance at being the best Humorology cast in Beta Gamma's history.

Homecoming as always was a great success for the Wisconsin Deltas. Many of us were involved in homecoming activities such as Dizzy Izzy and Yell Like Hell which have become a tradition at Wisconsin homecomings. Many alumni made an appearance and

were quite impressed with the progress of the Fraternity. It was great to see all of them.

Beta Gamma will strive to attract more quality members this semester. With the growing strength of the chapter, there should be no problems acquiring five men to carry Beta Gamma's long tradition to a higher level.

Wyoming Zeta Upsilon

This fall brought a pledge class of six members to the Zeta Upsilon Chapter along with continued improvements to the shelter. A new coat of paint to certain areas of the house along with replaced outdoor lighting has given parts of our shelter a refreshing new look.

During mid-semester, a controlled drinking project was held on our premises by the local police department and the nurs-

ing college. The experiment was used by the supervisors and students to observe how alcohol effects the reaction skills and judgement of those involved. The event went well and helped increase the public's awareness of Delta Tau Delta's presence.

As the year moves on the newly elected executive board's main goal is to increase membership in our chapter. Zeta Upsilon is looking forward to being around for a long time to come.

—David Repshire

Northwestern Beta Pi

Fall marked an exciting beginning to the 1996-97 academic year for the brothers at Beta Pi. Once again, Northwestern's football success made Saturday afternoons the focal point of social life for both actives and alumni. Over 100 alumni returned for Homecoming in October, spanning 60 years of tradition. Beta Pi's 67th Annual Pajama Races also made it an exciting month. The P.J. races, chaired by Dan Johnson, raised over \$3,000 for Camp Heartland, a summer camp for children suffering from AIDS. Beta Pi also continued its tradition of athletic success as five brothers were elected president of their club sports: basketball, water polo, sailing, hockey and volleyball. In addition, Brothers Kyle Henneberry and John Vanna successfully walked on to the men's varsity basketball team. Campus wide participation continued as Jon Hjelm chaired Northwestern's Homecoming and Tim Spilker was elected a member of the court. While the end of fall marked the end of football season and departure of tolerable Chicago weather, it ushered in a strong pledge class and a newly-elected executive board.

—Due to a mistake on our part this report was received too late to be included in its correct location. We apologize to both the undergraduates and alumni of Beta Pi.

Slippery Characters

The key to being two-time winners in the Delta Zeta sorority's annual Jell-O tug of war? "Beef," Jason Ayers and Brian Buchanan said, simultaneously slapping their midsections.

The two Ohio Wesleyan seniors figure their bulk worked real well against the balance of other tuggers, most of whom wore a glistening, lime-green coat of edible slime. Ayers and Buchanan pulled for Delta Tau Delta, which teamed up with women from the Kappa Kappa Gamma sorority to defeat the Wesleyan Council of Student Affairs. Proceeds, which this year were expected to top \$1,000, benefitted programs for the speech and hearing impaired. To prepare the tug-of-war pit, organizer Amy Odom and other sorority members used trash cans to mix 96 gallons of lime Jell-O, which chilled in walk-in coolers and refrigerators across campus. When first dumped, the stuff was cool, fluffy and ankle-deep. Midway through the event, folks were

falling into a melting, grass-streaked pool that looked more like swamp sludge than dessert. The rush for a garden-hose rinse seemed to increase in exact proportion to the number of bees, which apparently can be driven to frenzy in the presence of 175 sweet, sticky college students. "I've been stung three times," said junior Polly Popovich. Despite those minor inconveniences, Odom said the tug, now in its fourth year, likely will return next fall. "But I don't think I'll eat Jell-O for at least 10 years," she said. Ayers and Buchanan said they rarely do. One doesn't gain membership to the "250 Club" eating such low-fat fare. They were, however enthused about the free pizza. "Which," Ayers said, "makes us even bigger for next year." "We'll have to start an alumni tug," Buchanan said.



“As with any publication, it is important to remember that the content reflects not only upon the individual, but the College as well. With this in mind, students are encouraged to create and express within the good taste set forth by the Gentleman’s Rule.”

Those words are from the *Guidelines for Student Authoring of World Wide Web Pages* being handed out to Wabash College students this fall. The document was penned not by the director of computer services or a college dean, but by Chad Routh, Wabash '97, psychology major and, as the driving force behind the re-design and integration of the College’s World Wide Web site, the honorary “Webmaster” of Wabash College.

“Call Chad” became the mantra for the many staff and faculty departments scurrying to get their Web pages on the Internet last summer. With the support and direction of Computer Services staff and input from faculty, Routh redesigned the Wabash Web site, created a home page for the Wabash Center of Teaching and Learning in Technology and Religion, and design or coordinated the design of home pages for a number of other staff and faculty departments. He is also teaching many Wabash faculty and staff the basics of HTML language so that they can design and update their own home pages.

All that accomplished last summer by a student who has never taken a computer science course

and only began learning HTML less than a year ago.

“The whole thing started when I was talking to Dr. Blauch about getting some psychology undergraduate research published on the Web,” Routh recalls. “At the time, there weren’t any undergraduate research journals for social sciences on the Web.”

Routh spent several weeks learning basic HTML language before leaving campus to spend the first semester of his junior year in France.

When he returned, he had to start all over again.

Routh was learning at a fast pace when his mentor, leaving the task of developing the Wabash Web site to Routh, the only other person then working on developing the Web site.

Scouring the Internet to familiarize himself with the current standards and to communicate

with webmasters at other schools to get advice, Routh threw himself into the work.

His first goal was to restructure the site, giving it a clean design, ensuring pages contained accurate, up-to-date information that was easy to find. His second goal was to give the site and its links a subtle, identifiable style to unify the various pages. Rather than dictate that style, Routh chose to “lead by example.”

Now that the initial redesign of the Wabash Web site is near completion, Routh acknowledges the need for more manpower to keep the existing information current and push development of the site. That’s why he was on campus during the week of freshman orientation, looking for “cyber jocks” to be a part of the Wabash Web Development Group. Composed of Wabash students, the volunteer organization will help teach fa-

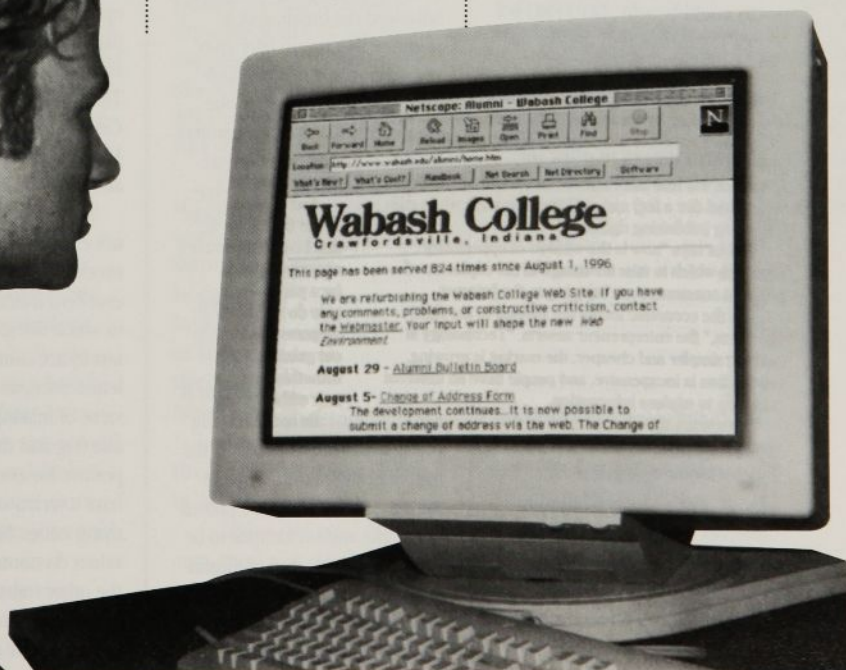
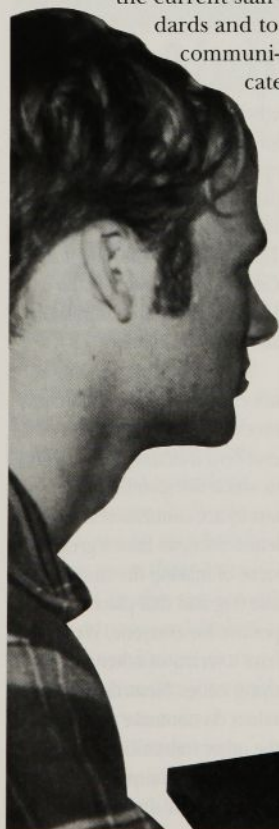
culty, staff, and other students Web development skills.

After graduating this year, Routh hopes to move to France and work on the Internet in that country. For the staff and faculty the senior assisted so frequently last summer, it’s not hard to image a small college outside Paris and cries of, “Chad, aidez-moi, si’il vous plait!” on the lips of all needing help with their Web Pages.

—Excerpted from the Wabash alumni magazine.

Wabash Webmaster

This Delt’s getting tradition and technology on the same page





Westminster Delts at the Fulton Family Resource Center in Fulton, Missouri.

many shining examples of how they champion our Fraternity everyday by strengthening the community around them.

The work of the men at Delta Omicron serves as an example of the true meaning of the phrase "social" fraternity. To us, the words are restricted to their higher meaning. The reason the Founding Fathers deemed us a social fraternity is because we exist in the society of man. Since our purpose as a Fraternity is to mold our members into ideal men, our members must therefore become upstanding citizens in their community.

Furthermore, as men of better than average character, we have a larger than average responsibility to give back to the society in which we live. Our founders and fore fathers realized that if they wanted to live in a positive community where they could best raise their families, they had to participate in building that community. Waiting for others to create this environment for them was simply not an option. This philosophy has been passed down to us today by the values taught through our *Ritual*. That is why the line *Strengthening Community is Essential to Our Vitality* appears on our mission and values statement.

Yet simply stating a value is not enough to make a fraternity excellent. The true marker of an excellent fraternity is the degree to which the members of the fraternity are committed to excellence. Sure, we have a great value of making the community a strong and vital place that's positive for everyone. We even have a variety of other accompanying values. Nevertheless, these values do not make us strong. All the other fraternities on the Westminster campus share similar values. For that matter many

other fraternities are also social fraternities—in both senses of the word. The reason for which Delta Omicron stands apart from the other chapters on campus, and for that matter from many other chapters in Delta Tau Delta, is their members. That sounds simple doesn't it? Delta Omicron realizes the means through which our Fraternity makes itself strong. We have and seek members that have been brought up well. We teach their members the Fraternity's values, help them to understand their personal values, and direct them in leadership through value-based decisions. Still more importantly, we have members that make a commitment to live our values. Our mission and our guiding principles are nothing unless they are being lived. You, the members of this great Fraternity, like Delta Omicron, must continue to make and keep this the greatest Fraternity in existence by breathing life into our values through your everyday actions. Each decision you make from now until the day you die is an opportunity to bring power to our Fraternity through superior moral conduct.

Could the center have been completed without the Delts? Yes, it could. Would the center be the same had the Delts not been involved? Maybe, maybe not. Is there any plaque or banner denoting the chapter members' involvement? They received neither a plaque nor a banner to note their contributions. So then why did the Delta Omicron Delts get involved? The answer is simple; they are a group of brothers who understand the Fraternity's value system and from that understanding they create opportunities for their members to learn and live lives of excellence. They make our Fraternity strong. ■

When it Comes to Making an Impact, Delta Omicron Packs a Punch

By Scott W. R. Bates
Ottawa '95

In March of 1996 the Fulton Family Resource Center was about to enter into the serious undertaking of building a resource from which the entire city could benefit. The FFRC is a new organization in the city of Fulton, Missouri that pools together the resources and programs provided by other organizations in the city in order to provide a unique environment to members of the community. At the center, youth have free access to YMCA paid tutors and other educational resources. Parents living in Fulton benefit from the FFRC through the Child Care Information Center. The center also offers a drop-in-and-play program. Here parents are welcome to explore "the play room" that's always filled with toys, books, and games for preschool children. Trained educators are also on staff to assist parents and answer any questions they may have.

To be a success, the FFRC put forth a call-to-arms to all the fraternities and sororities at Westminster College. Each group on campus sent a few volunteers to represent their fraternity or sorority for the sake of claiming community involvement. The Delts however sent 28 members! These members showed up week after week, with smiles on their faces and a large amount of enthusiasm to give to the center. Their presence greatly helped forward the renovation of the building in which the FFRC would reside and rapidly advanced the building of a resource that would later gain recognition as a historic landmark and as the number one community development project in the entire state of Missouri.

Delta Omicron truly understands the meaning of strengthening community. In fact university officials there hold this group up as "...the recognized standard of creative leadership and excellence..." in philanthropy on their campus. Here is a group of dynamic and caring young men who understand the true reasoning behind philanthropic activity. They are known in the city and on campus to be the most reliable and enthusiastic group of volunteers you could ever find. Their involvement at the FFRC is only one of the

More than nine years ago a plaque was placed in the shelter commemorating the fact that Beta Alpha Chapter of Delta Tau Delta had lived on the Indiana campus for 100 years.

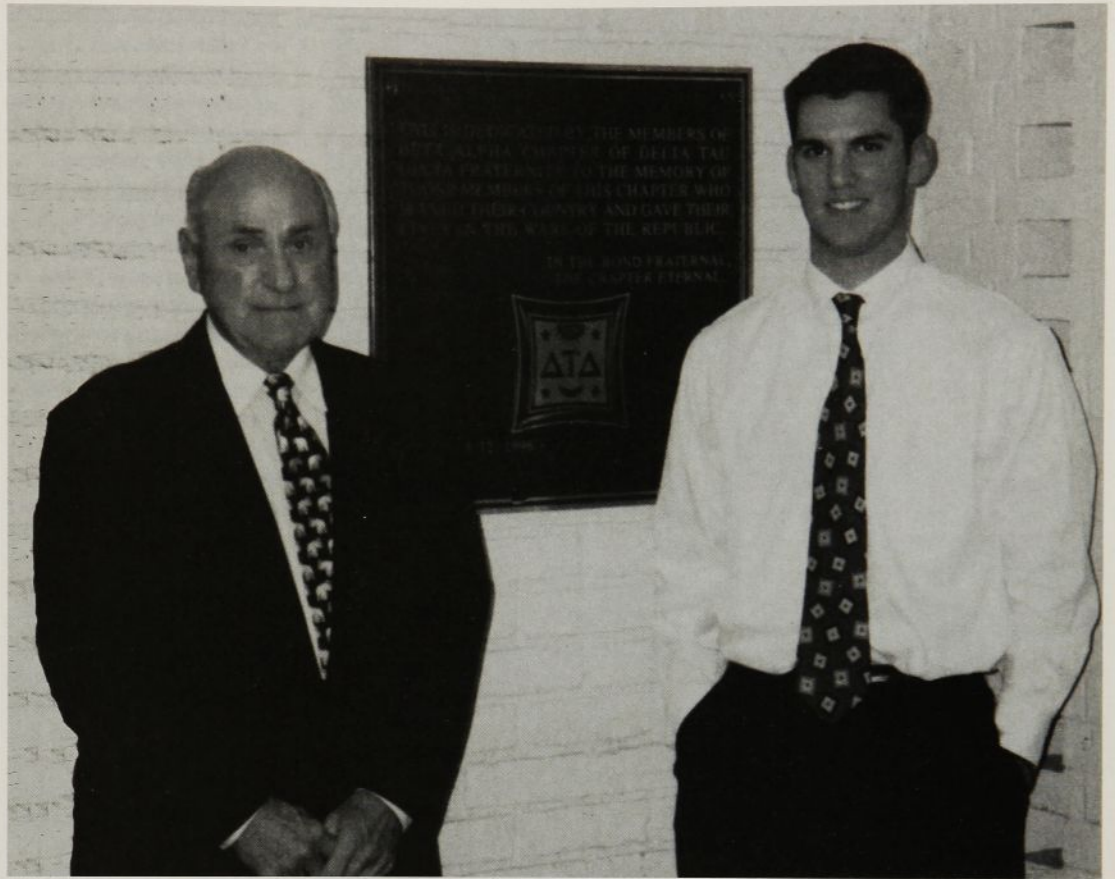
If we could look back into the minds of the young Delts who made up the chapter at the end of the 19th Century, I think their concerns would have been what's going to happen in the next century—who will I take to the formal—will I make law school—med school—how can I improve Beta Alpha?

And were we to ask the young Delts in the house today their concerns, I believe we would hear what's going to be in the next century—who will I take to the formal—will I make law school—med school—how can I improve Beta Alpha?

Abraham Lincoln said in speaking of the Republican Part, "You serve your party best by serving your country first." We might paraphrase Mr. Lincoln by saying "You serve your fraternity best by serving your country first."

Surely Beta Alpha Delts have met this challenge or test; Beta Alpha Delta have answered their country's call in the various conflicts and wars during the last 100 years.

When you speak of war, you hear statistics—15 million men and women served in World War II; 58,000 died in Vietnam—their names inscribed on a black granite wall in Washington



Beta Alpha Honors Veterans' Memory

DC. But statistics are barren.

We met to dedicate a plaque to our fellow Delts who served and fought in the conflicts. They were our brothers; we knew them—went to class with them—ate with them—went to Nick's English Hut together and, yes, even served in the same war time unit together.

Today we dedicate this plaque to our brothers who gave their lives and died in the service of their country and fraternity. These hearts were woven of human joys and cares; the years had given them kindness; dawn was theirs and sunsets and the colors of the

earth—they loved—gone proudly friended—felt the quick stir of wind—sat alone—touched flowers and furs and cheeks. All this ended—ended too soon!

We ask that the chapter receive this plaque with the responsibility it imposes. Accept it and honor it so that each day builds a deeper devotion to these men who gave their last full measure of devotion.

Bow your heads in their remembrance and in taps we say:

"Blow out your bugles over these rich dead, there's none of them so lonely and poor of old; but by dying has given us rarer gifts than

gold. They laid the world away poured out the red sweet wine of youth gave up the years to be of work and joy and that un hoped serenity that men call age. To those that might have been their sons perhaps Delts, they gave immortality."

Pray for them and pray too that the drums of war will not sound in the 21st Century and there will be no need for the bugle to sound taps. ■

—Excerpted from the dedicatory speech given October 11, 1996, by John G. Maycox.

John G. Maycox, Jr., Beta Alpha '47, and his grandson, **Brian J. Pope**, Beta Alpha '98, current president of Beta Alpha Chapter



Heart and Sole

Exploring the Roots of Chapter Tradition

For over a decade, the shoes hanging on the tree outside the Delt house at George Washington University in downtown Washington have sprouted like kudzu, fertilized by, as the campus's anti-Greek newspaper says, "those venerable Greeks standbys: tradition and booze." While University legend holds that each pair of shoes symbolizes "a sort of conquest—two frat brothers 'shtupping' the same woman," nothing could be further from the truth.

In 1982, Steve Zarpas, *George Washington '84*, then an undergraduate at G.W.U., took a trip to Brooklyn where he saw a few kids immortalize their worn out, prized possessions by flinging them over a

telephone wire. Zarpas returned to the G.W. Delt house, telling roommate David Gold about how funny he thought it was. In a moment of rare abandonment, Zarpas tied together a pair of his own worn sneakers and, since Washington didn't have any above-ground wires, flung them over a high branch of the tree outside his window. In an instant, "The Shoe Tree" was born.

Reflecting back, Zarpas said, "Sneakers had begun to be major status symbols. Even after the sneakers had been replaced by a new pair, it was hard to simply throw the old ones away. They were the sneakers we had lusted after and saved up to purchase—a pair of sneakers that often made the difference between a guy being teased or admired at school."

In the years that followed, flinging their worn-out shoes into the tree became a chapter tradition—one that came to an unfortunate end this year—another victim of political correctness.

Last November, 50 members of GWU's Womyn's [sic] Issues Now (WIN) held a "Take Back the Night" candlelight vigil on fraternity row. Besides vowing to stand guard outside fraternity parties to rescue screaming women, WIN issued 10 demands for misogyny from the school's 18 fraternities. Among them was a demand for the removal of the shoes, which are "disrespectful and degrading" according to one rally participant. She also asked that the tree be undressed since it was sporting more lingerie than a Victoria's Secret catalog.

The members removed the offending undergarments but the brothers stood their ground on the shoes.

"I don't know *anyone*

who's ever thrown shoes after sex," said Gamma Eta President Tyler Green, who sent his pair of Nike boots skyward two years ago because they were "old and gross."

The Interfraternity Council called WIN's demands a blatant attack, complaining that WIN was "using stereotypes about fraternities to fight stereotypes."

Soon after the rally, WIN received two reports of people whacked, a la Isaac Newton, with falling footwear. A WIN member said that's when the gravity of the situation hit her, and she contacted GW's grounds crew. GW told her the problem belonged to the city because the tree is on city property.

The WIN member hit the ordinance books and found that hanging anything from trees is against District law, so she started calling the sanitation department until she got their attention—about 10 times a week, as it turns out.

The District Sanitation Inspector told her he'd slap the fraternity with a \$50 fine if the brothers didn't pluck off the shoes within three weeks, a grace period that ended in early February. "Not even posters are allowed on trees," he said. "It looks bad."

Trouble is, the inspector neglected to notify the fraternity of his decision, says Green. He says the chapter first got wind of the order from a GW newspaper reporter.

After mulling it over, the brothers decided to remove the footwear flora—as a "gesture of good faith," not, Green stresses, "because the rumor is true."

There was another more practical reason. "We didn't want to pay all that money," he explains. The chapter estimated cleanup costs at \$400—

\$300 for a city run cherry picker and \$100 in fines.

The 35 members tried to shake the tree but captured only the low hanging fruit. "We probably could get half down," says Green, "but there's still the other half, so why bother?"

Chapter members chipped in to raise the \$400, although alumni members, irate over how the tree's historical roots had been distorted and maligned, sent unsolicited contributions to help defray the cost.

The District, meanwhile, is still trying to shove the job off on the university's maintenance crews. "I've got so many prior commitments with dead and dangerous trees," complains Bob Beck the city's tree guy. "When the leaves are on this tree, you don't even notice it."

For now, the chapter is just trying to put its best foot forward. Green, the chapter's president, trumpets their Halloween fundraiser at a local establishment where it pulled in \$5,000 for House of Ruth—a shelter for abused women.

Green says, "Enough with the shoes—we just want to move on." When informed of the recent sequence of events, Zarpas was dismayed at how the meaning of what began as a spontaneous simple act had been so incorrectly distorted by those with their own political agendas. For those alumni, including the *Rainbow's* current Editor, who shared in the simple, innocent joy of The Shoe Tree, there remains a lingering sadness at the demise of yet another meaningful tie to their happy, care-free undergraduate days. ■

Sometimes the circumstances of life result in unique coincidences. Such is this case with twin brothers Deric and Scott Schuster, who, this year, were elected presidents of Gamma Xi and Beta Phi chapters respectively. While they arrived at this point by very different paths, they've come to share the same mindset—because of Delta Tau Delta their lives will never be the same.

Deric says, "I wasn't the first one in my family to pledge Delt. I have an older brother, Dave, who pledged Gamma Xi Chapter in fall 1985. Dave is a big influence on my life and currently lives in the Columbus area. I remember how much he talked about the Fraternity when he was in school and he was very excited when I told him I was a pledge of Delta Tau Delta."

Scott says, however, that "Entering into college four years ago, I had many visions of what the years ahead would hold. Delta Tau Delta, or any fraternity for that matter, was not even in the picture."

Scott's first quarter of college he kept up with his studies and applied to a Marine Corps commissioning program. He had heard of fraternities from guys on his dorm floor, his older brother, *Gamma Xi '89*, his older sister who is a former chapter president of Alpha Chi Omega at Cincinnati, his sister-in-law Michele who as a Theta Kappa Phi and her brother Bill Martin, *Gamma Xi '92*. He was surrounded by Greeks in his family and dorm, yet was still not pushed toward Greek life. When Deric pledged,

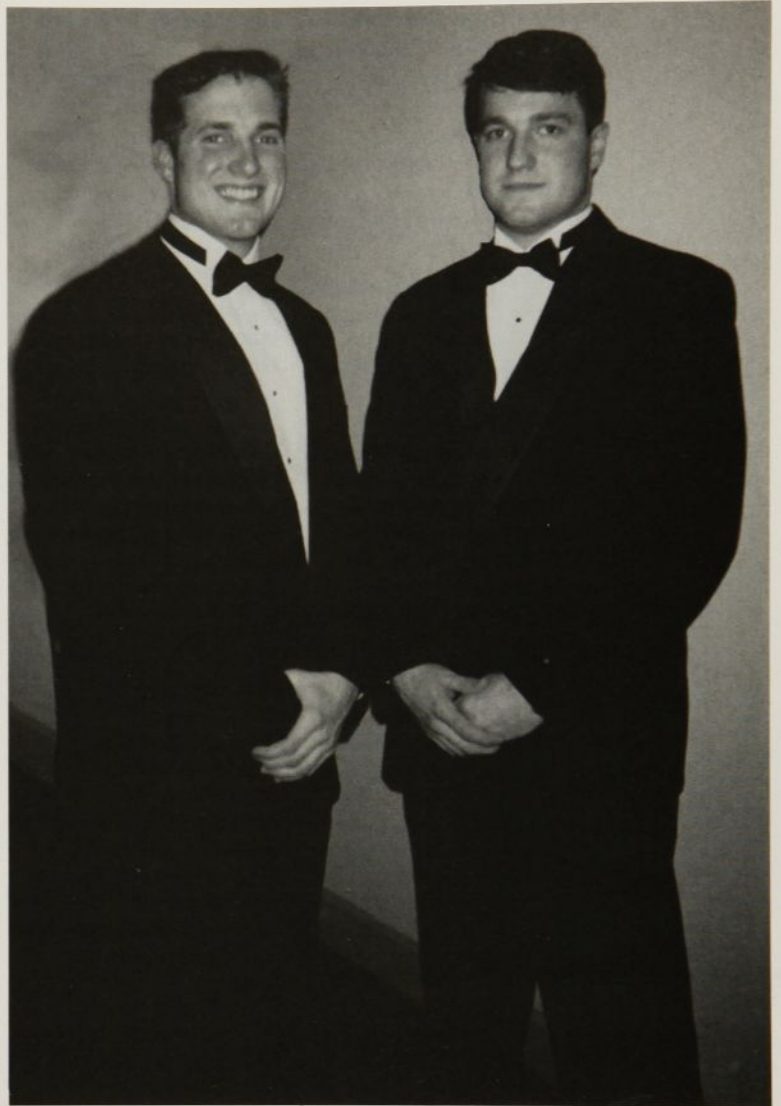
Scott was still so wrapped up with school work and his military program that he still overlooked the idea of Greek life.

When Deric was a pledge his first quarter of college, he met so many influential people that he otherwise wouldn't, had it not been for the Fraternity. He used older Delt brothers as guides to help him become a positive contributing brother of the chapter. Scott came and visited that fall when he was a pledge and was amazed by the amount of friends and people that Deric had met over such a short time. Scott, a very social person who enjoyed meeting people, told Deric once when he was visiting, "I want what you have Deric. I want to know what it is like to know this many people and do the things you do with your brothers."

Through conversations on the phone with a good friend from home, Mike Sikora, *Beta Phi '95*, Scott discovered that he was now president of the Ohio State Delt house. When Scott told him he was looking into fraternity life, he was invited up. After meeting with Mike and some other members of the chapter, he was extended a bid.

In spring 1994, he told Deric that he had pledged Beta Phi Chapter. Looking back, Deric says, "I would have been happy for him if he just joined any fraternity but it was even greater that it was Delta Tau Delta. I have to thank Mike Sikora for getting Scott to the house."

Deric was told once by an older brother of the house when he was young in the Fraternity that the Fraternity had so much to offer but he would have to want it and work for it. As



Fraternal Twins

the years went by he tried to get involved with as much as he could in the chapter and held various positions. Last year he was Vice President of Internal affairs and enjoyed the responsibility. Deric says, "I grew so much that year as a brother and a person. I learned the importance of responsibility, respect and hard work."

After his term ended he felt as if there was something

Fraternity "brothers" rise through the ranks to simultaneously become chapter presidents at different schools.

missing—a space that needed to be filled before he graduated the following year. He says, “I wanted to leave the house better than when I found it, but not only for me but for my little brother Phillip who was now a pledge and freshman at the University of Cincinnati College of Engineering. Phillip is the youngest in my family and is a very promising brother in the Delt house. He was elected president of his pledge class of 18 and shows great initiative. I am excited to seem him initiated this quarter and also very proud.

Deric says that, from being in the Fraternity he has developed many skills that are essential for his career. He has learned to interact well with people which comes from realizing the importance of communication in the chapter. He believes that his experience in organizing groups and activities will always help him

after graduation. He says, “When I graduate I will be in a field that will expect me to use these skills to the fullest. I have learned that success can only be obtained from hard work and dedication which I believe will guide me on the road to success.”

As the years have gone by, Scott has held many offices such as guide, assistant treasurer, treasurer and now president. He says that becoming president is, by far, one of the greatest honors he has had the opportunity to experience.

He reflects, “When I decided to run for president, I knew that there were going to be some obstacles that I would encounter. As treasurer I had to deal with some of these, the largest being the ‘fraternity label’. The media likes to thrive on the bad and not the good, and we as fraternity members are constantly struggling to prove our existence is beneficial.”

Deric believes that one of the challenges that faces us as a Fraternity in this day and age is the lack of positive, useful information to parents and high school students. He would like to share the presence of Delta Tau Delta to students before they go to college which could give Delta Tau Delta the upper hand when they arrive at college. He feels that this should be done not only to benefit Delta Tau Delta but the Greek system as a whole.

Another challenge, he feels, is keeping the Fraternity a leader in everything it does. He says, “With so many eyes on us we cannot afford to drop below expectations of others. We have always been considered to be active in all campus activities so we have to work

Future Features

The Rainbow is currently soliciting reader input for features in upcoming issues. If you are interested in contributing to any of the following features please contact the Editor at the address in the front of the magazine at your earliest convenience.

Inventors

Museum Curators

Non-pastoral religion-related professions

Overcoming physical disabilities

Event Management professions

Anyone planning to attend Promise Keepers' "Stand in the Gap" Rally in Washington, D.C. this summer

100 Year old + Delts

Restaurateurs II

“The opportunities we have, as a result of being Delts, let alone Greek, are unlimited and far and above what any other type of organization can offer.”

extra hard to help get new members involved on campus and in the chapter.”

The futures of this dynamic duo look promising. Scott is a fourth year aviation engineering student, graduating in March of 1998. If all goes well this summer at his last training evolution, he will receive a commission in the United States Marine Corps as a Second Lieutenant. Through prior testing he has already secured a flight slot, and plans to be in Pensacola, Florida for flight school within a year after graduation.

In Deric's case, while he was in high school he heard of Cincinnati as being one of the leaders for Co-op opportunities. He knew that in today's business world it would be important for him to gain the most experience in his field, prior to graduation, to increase his chances of getting a job when he graduated from school.

While Cincinnati has ful-

filled everything he had hoped for as far as preparing him for a career in information systems, he acknowledges that it was hard for him to leave his brother. He says, “We regularly make trips to see each other and often share ideas and our problems.”

Though his decision to join Delta Tau Delta was preceded by a great deal more thought, he is quick to acknowledge that his Delt experience has been great. Like Deric, Scott says, “Through involvement in the Fraternity I have learned leadership, organizational and communication skills that continue to help me in my everyday life. The Fraternity has made me what I am and, looking back, I don't know where I would be or what kind of person I would be without it. The opportunities we have, as a result of being Delts, let alone Greek, are unlimited and far and above what any other type of organization can offer.” ■

As of September 18, 1996 through February 18, 1997

ALPHA-Allegheny College
Charles B. Snee, 1958

BETA-Ohio University
Charles L. Bast, 1939

DELTA-University of Michigan
Michael R. Kidney, 1972
Karl F. Lutomski DDS, 1959

EPSILON-Albion College
John W. Gardner, 1949
James E. Henderson, 1940
Wayne E. Lindow, 1950
Richard B. Smith, 1960
Gilbert A. Stevens, 1939

ZETA-Case Western Reserve
Louis E. Appell, 1954
Robert L. Griswold, 1946
Windsor E. Kellogg, 1922
James D. McKim, 1948

THETA-Bethany College
Carl L. Schweinfurth, 1952

IOTA-Michigan State University
Dr Harry P. Dunne Jr, 1965

KAPPA-Hillsdale College
Charles F. Kasischke, 1939
Donald H. Warner, 1937
Owen H. Wyandt, 1928

MU-Ohio Wesleyan University
Jason M. Austin, 1908
J. McVay Austin Jr, 1937
A. Reed Hoffmaster, 1962
Laurence M. Kimble, 1928
John J. Knapp, 1945
Howard G. Musekamp, 1937
Robert D. Poling, 1966

OMICRON-University of Iowa
Robert B. Bunz, 1944
Gordon B. Carey, 1939
Charles E. O'Neal, 1927
Raymond W. Sibbert, 1927

RHO-Stevens Tech.
Donald P. Ferriss, 1951

UPSILON-RPI
C. Stanton Baltzel, 1954
Richard J. Forgham, 1941

OMEGA-Pennsylvania
Richard K. Foster, 1954

BETA ALPHA-Indiana
Thomas D. Dreihobl, 1961
Howard W. Hammer, 1930
Elam A. Huddleston, 1957
Guy E. Morrison Jr, 1963
Oscar H. Shirley, 1894

BETA BETA-DePauw University
Howard Fettes, 1931
Robert F. Glass, 1943
Frederick P. Mustard, 1926
Jack B. Nichol, 1932

BETA ZETA-Butler University
Owen M. Calvert, 1931
James M. Hesser, 1931
Jack R. Lewis, 1941
John C. Prosch, 1937

BETA ETA-Minnesota
Orville E. Fisher Jr, 1966

BETA THETA-Univ. of the South
Robert N. Dumble Jr, 1931
Richard C. Lindop, 1957

BETA KAPPA-Colorado
Jack R. Hufford, 1939

BETA LAMBDA-Lehigh
George W. Harris, 1947

BETA MU-Tufts University
Gustave A. Bleyle Jr, 1936

BETA XI -Tulane University
Robert L. Hardie, 1931
W. F. Williamson Jr, 1945

BETA OMICRON-Cornell
Thomas R. Copeland, 1969
A. D. MacCallum Jr, 1945

BETA RHO-Stanford University
A. Otis Williams, 1930
Fred L. Williams, 1937

BETA UPSILON-Illinois
Kenneth W. Brooks, 1940
Martin S. Morgan, 1938
Benjamin M. Sherman, 1930

BETA PHI-Ohio State University
Dennis H. Bertka, 1963
Charles M. Kimball, 1931
John M. McIntire, 1920
Warren A. Post, 1931
Ronald W. Prior, 1932

BETA PSI-Wabash College
John W. Schiltges, 1941

John A. Snedcor, 1934

BETA OMEGA-California
James K. Getze, 1944
Wilbur N. Lenz, 1949
John A. Linderman, 1932

GAMMA BETA-I.I.T.
Louis J. Jacobs, 1938
Thomas D. Luckett II, 1933

GAMMA DELTA-West Virginia
Donald H. Beavers, 1936
W. Roger Chancey, 1958
Frank P. Corbin Jr, 1928
Howard B. Kinter Jr, 1938
Robert S. Reid, 1949
Millard W. Robbins Jr, 1949

GAMMA ZETA-Wesleyan
William N. Campbell, 1942
Robert P. Neuffer, 1940
Harold C. Oakman, 1929

GAMMA ETA-G.W.U.
Arthur T. Worley, 1948

GAMMA THETA-Baker
John M. McKenzie, 1928
Mr Randall B. Stotts, 1986
Fred N. Wightman, 1935

GAMMA IOTA-Texas
Blake A. Korman, 1983
W. Woodrow Sledge, 1935

GAMMA KAPPA-Missouri
Don R. Eberle, 1956

GAMMA LAMBDA-Purdue
Donald E. Eastes, 1943
Jeffrey L. Patterson, 1984

GAMMA MU-Washington
John T. Youngblood, 1946

GAMMA NU-Maine
Wendell D. Joy, 1951

GAMMA XI-Cincinnati
Edward S. Clark, 1945
Caldwell P. Robertson, 1931
Ray E. Schubert, 1951

GAMMA PI-Iowa State
James E. Ackerman, 1963
Harry M. Matthews, 1944
Donald F. Moline, 1967
Robert W. Ross, 1960

GAMMA RHO-Oregon
Paul A. C. Eckelman, 1943
Albert E. Roberts, 1947

GAMMA SIGMA-Pittsburgh
Alfred D. Bartlett, 1957
George F. Pott, 1937
Glenn E. Stuart, 1948
Edward L. Sutton Jr MD, 1938

GAMMA TAU-Kansas
Donald N. Dodd, 1945

RESURRECTIONS

The death of the following brothers was incorrectly reported in the last issue. We regret any distress or embarrassment this may have caused.

William C. Rucker
Tennessee '48

John B. Morgan
Alabama '57

GAMMA UPSILON-Miami

Edward J. Suchy, 1953
John M. Voss, 1945
George W. Vossler, 1930

GAMMA CHI-Kansas State

Harold A. Gardner, 1939
Richard H. Morse, 1950

GAMMA PSI-Georgia Tech

Irve C. LeMoyné, 1961
Mason H. McKnight Jr., 1951
E. Darnell Rucker, 1944
William H. Sims, 1950

DELTA ALPHA-Oklahoma

Hirst B. Suffield, 1934
Donald G. Wilson, 1926

DELTA BETA-Carnegie-Mellon

Thomas C. Pratt Jr., 1940
George J. Stuart Jr., 1940

DELTA GAMMA-South Dakota

Tom R. Brisbane Jr., 1961
Eugene W. Christol, 1935
William A. Williges, 1943

DELTA DELTA-Tennessee

Steven L. Coffey, 1978
Harold K. Hampton, 1951
Theodore A. Sanders, 1936

DELTA EPSILON-Kentucky

Jack M. Crain, 1935
L. Roy Kavanaugh Sr., 1929
William M. Rhoads, 1949
William C. Watson, 1936

DELTA ZETA-Florida

Terence J. Drake, 1941
Robert L. Kibler Jr., 1971
Lefferts L. Mabie Jr., 1948

DELTA ETA-Alabama

Floyd Heath, 1950

DELTA THETA CC-Toronto

Frank H. Endean, 1951

DELTA IOTA-UCLA

Brewster B. Broadwell, 1939
O. John Hessel Jr., 1940

DELTA LAMBDA-Oregon State

Frank R. Henry, 1938

Richard E. MacDonald, 1946

DELTA MU-University of Idaho

M. Keith Daniels, 1944
Robert C. Ingraham, 1942
Marcus J. Ware, 1927
Daniel E. Wicher, 1950

DELTA NU-Lawrence University

Gervase C. Blick, 1945
Leslie G. Brand Jr., 1949
Robert A. Mueller, 1937

DELTA OMICRON-Westminster

John J. Freiburg, 1950
Allan A. Gundersen, 1955

DELTA PI CC-U.S.C.

Edward K. Baumer, 1965
Harry D. Steward, 1950

DELTA UPSILON-Delaware

Richard E. Burton, 1951

DELTA PHI-Florida State

Roy B. Kordey, 1984

DELTA OMEGA-Kent State

Allan S. Larson, 1950

EPSILON KAPPA-LSU

Stephen L. Richey, 1972

EPSILON MU-Ball State

Tim E. McGuire, 1969

EPSILON OMEGA - Georgia Southern

W. Drury Clark, 1940

ZETA PI-Indiana University-PA

Christopher J. Gill, 1998

PI-University of Mississippi

Darl Blair, 1934

TAU-Penn State

R. Paul Schlarp, 1956

Oldest Kentucky Delt Dies in California

Lon Roy Kavanaugh, Sr., 89, born in Henshaw, Kentucky, died July 16 in Laguna Niguel, California. He graduated from high school in Sturgis, Kentucky and received an Arts and Science degree with a major in law from the University of Kentucky in 1929. At U.K. he earned his K letter in both football and track, being captain of the track team in 1929. He set high school and SEC records in the shot put. He joined Delta Tau Delta in 1925 and was extremely involved as both an active and alumnus.

During World War II, Kavanaugh served in the Army Air Corp, reaching the rank of Lt. Colonel, which he continued to hold in the Air Force Reserves until his retirement. He was a partner and president of Kimbrough-Kavanaugh & Associates, a Nashville-based company specializing in mortgage loans, management, real estate development and valuations.

Kavanaugh received the American Institute of Appraisal designation in 1951 and was a charter member and the first president of the Appraisal Institute's Tennessee state chapter. He served the Institute as national president in 1969, and sat on their governing council. Additionally, he was a member of the governing council of the Pan Pacific Conference, the Appraisal Institute's southeast Asia affiliate. He was a former member of the Mortgage Bankers Association, American Right of Way Association, Urban Land Institute and International Association of Assessing Officers. He was a charter member and past president of the Nashville Sertoma club, and past director as well as a lifetime member of Sertoma International. After retirement in 1972, Kavanaugh moved to Honolulu and was active in the American Institute's Hawaii chapter, holding the office of president and consultant.

Kavanaugh was married to the late Margaret Good Kavanaugh, originally from Louisville, KY and is survived by sons, L. Roy Kavanaugh, Jr., and James E. Kavanaugh, 11 grandchildren and 16 great grandchildren.

Things changed when Mariam Morrison came to the Delt house in the fall of 1981. At 79, she came out of retirement to take the place of Epsilon Mu's housemother who had passed away a few months before.

A devout Theta, at the time we wondered if there would ever be room in her heart for us Deltas. Time would prove it more than big enough for the both of us.

The daughter of a successful pharmacist, she became one of the first women to study pharmacy at Purdue. The summer before graduation, she met Ray Morrison, a Sigma Nu. Head over heels in love, she decided not to return to West Lafayette, electing instead to stay home and plan a wedding.

She worshiped Ray and they busied themselves in the activities of Muncie Society, then still a fast-growing Midwest industrial town. Nearly 20 years into their marriage, after almost giving up hope, Raymond, Jr. was born, though he would be known as Sonny the rest of his life.

When Ray died, Mom Morrison sold her rambling home in Muncie's affluent Westwood neighborhood and moved to a small apartment near fraternity row.

I met her through a Theta I was dating at the time who took me to meet her just for the experience.

Always enthusiastic, she regaled us with stories of Muncie's rich and famous and rattled the skeletons in the closets of many of the city's most prominent families. She was a personal friend of the leaders of the community, the University and the Ball family—all of which, in Muncie, Indiana, were inextricably intertwined.

When I presented my offer for her to become Epsilon Mu's third housemother, she threw up her hands in surprise. "Why I'm

too old," she began, "Why would you ever want an old thing like me?"

I assured her that we could greatly benefit from her wisdom, her strong community ties and her motherly influence and added that eighty men available at a moment's notice might not be such a bad thing. She accepted, but not without adding, "My friends will think I've lost my mind!"

On the contrary, her friends thought it was absolutely wonderful. John Fisher, a long-time supporter of the chapter, and Bob Bell, then Ball State's president, each offered their support—with a warning to the brothers that we had better treat her right—which we did.

Never was any woman more loved than Mom Morrison. We sang to her every chance we got, took her flowers, shoveled her walks, covered up her porch furniture as winter approached and, sensing she was lonely, would drop by to listen to her stories—many of which we'd already heard several times. Somehow though, it never seemed to matter.

As every president in Washington turned to Alice Roosevelt Longworth when they needed advice, successive Epsilon Mu presidents turned to Mom for guidance and counsel on the affairs of the "Delt ship of state." Through her close association with the House Corporation and the executive council, she learned how the chapter functioned on a daily basis, how to handle the crises which came along and who in the chapter could be counted on to get a job done—and who could not. It was because of this that she served as a vital link in the transfer of power and made the transition complete from one administration to the next.

She always listened carefully,

asked a few questions and then, beginning with "Well, it seems to me..." offered a solution that made so much sense you wondered why you hadn't thought of it yourself in the first place.

Mom always made sure we did...and had the things that helped set the Ball State Deltas apart from their peers—clean hand towels in the ladies restroom; white tablecloths on the food tables during parties; her famous spinach dip, served in a hollowed out loaf of dill

bread; appropriate invitations to and thanks-for-coming notes for every sorority and campus function we held—and we held a lot.

Mom was always in "seventh Heaven" as she put it, when the Deltas were paired with the Thetas—whether it was Homecoming, Spring Sing, Bike-a-thon, or just a mixer at the Shelter. She always arrived early to be there to greet her "girls" and, at 80, often danced past midnight. Had they still been in vogue, her dance card would have quickly filled at the party's beginning.

As time went by, age took its toll and Mom's physical and mental stamina diminished. She could no longer remember people's names or dates and times when she was supposed to be somewhere. A new breed of brother entered the chapter—one which resented the intrusion of this "senile old lady," until it was ultimately decided by the House Corporation that

she be allowed to retire.

Gradually, her health declined and, late last fall, she passed away in a Muncie retirement home.

What made Mom Mom? She didn't look at the position as a job—she considered it an honor. On an hourly scale, her salary was far below the minimum wage. She was a woman who gave...of her time, her knowledge, her talents and her love. Returning alumni clustered around her. And house improvements, of which the undergraduates were so proud, became secondary when she smiled and said, "Welcome back!"

She was a woman whose life was made richer, fuller and more meaningful by her association with the Fraternity and its members. It was this same life, a visible expression of the Delt Creed, which enriched and fulfilled us all. ■

This column is based on the editor's experiences at the Ball State Delt house at 1001 Riverside Avenue.

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Below, from left, Mom Morrison, Kerry Harding and Cliff Knight during their undergraduate days at an Epsilon Mu Chapter formal rush event.





Frame by Frame

This Hollywood Filmmaker hopes persistence will pay off

Sitting on the steps of his small apartment, Clay Valenti, *Maryland '86*, takes in a deep breath. "You smell that—the ocean, smiling." Leave it a that, you'd say typical for a Hollywood player.

Not so for Valenti. Just outside his six foot fortress wall lies the world of Oakwood, a small square mile community of Venice. A community that has had its children (17 of them) perish in the last two years to the expense of gang warfare.

So why does this Hollywood hopeful, a young talent trying to find that elusive Hollywood executive willing to give him his break, live in this part of town? Beside it being the only place affordable, "It's not far from my script" he says. Just three blocks south you'll find the crack and heroin dealers. Wear the wrong colors, catch a bullet. The police will warn you. The elderly that live here don't seem to worry. They're not the ones being hunted. Except for the occasional robbery. This is just the west coast version of what Valenti has written about and wants to film.

"This isn't just another *New Jack City*" says Valenti. It is a story about love and friendships. And

how they are broken. How it tears at the heart and soul of a person. That person being the main character, Darrell. It is he that loses the girl he loved and his best friend. The content and look of the story only leads to Valenti's style of shooting. The short film that the project is based on supports that. A gritty black and white portrait, telling it like it is. It's no hand-holding fairy tale story, rather hands-on, in your face. But its message is strong and compelling.

After graduating from the University of Maryland in College Park, Valenti worked in advertising. "In my mid-twenties, I experienced my mid-life crisis" he calmly requites. He knew he didn't want to stay in advertising. His personal life was eroding away, social life dependent upon alcohol; no other course than to leave it all behind.

He sold his new sports sedan, bought an aging domestic wagon, packed up and headed west, leaving all the bad habits, irresponsibilities, guilt and sin behind. "It's been the biggest struggle I've ever encountered, but I feel clean and refreshed" he says.

He was always the artistic type growing up in a little boy athletic world. Usually splitting time between the two, he never became solely devoted to either. "I've always had this knack of being able to fantasize and tell a story, but I'm a very inner person," he reflects. He still is a "self" kind of guy. This glaze of his eyes will

tell you what he's thinking, but his stare is so deep, you wonder of what. The "what" is story telling; creating life through film. He communicates via writing screenplays he intends to film one day. And so, we find him sitting on some steps in the Oakwood section of Venice, California.

"I always wanted to give back to my fraternity, but I've never had the financial or social liberties to do that. I even had trouble paying back my Delt loan. The only way I see me giving back to [the Fraternity] is to make films—films that enrich the lives of people—films that make people stop and think of their lives, their existence on earth and make them feel that they have a purpose for being here. "If I can rise to a level of a film maker, I'll be in the position to give back to the Fraternity tenfold. Maybe there is one or two Delts out there that are hibernating artists—afraid to commit to the process. I could provide a sounding board or stepping stone for them."

He has paid dearly. "I've spent three years of my life trying to get financing for *Little Red*. It's very hard for a new-comer to do that," Valenti says. "The town is comparable to an old English settlement—a fort in the middle, peasants on the outside. In the middle, the industry's "haves" take no love in giving the "have nots" what the "haves" have. He's met plenty of industry people pitching his scripts and award win-

ning short. The short is such a strong moving image and it gets him in the door. Everyone in Hollywood wants to meet the next possible star, but working with that person is another story. It's much too much work—the hours, weeks, months, trying to convince the other "haves". It is much easier to sell the work of someone already known, easier to get 15% off the million dollar deal than 15% off someone new in the game. So, the laws of making film are against Valenti. Yeah, they like his style, his writing, his projects, but no thank you—too much work involved. Nobody gets fired in this town for saying no.

By trade, to pay the rent, Valenti is a camera assistant. It enables him to work closely with directors and DP's (directors of photography) on features and commercials. The situation helps him hone his craft.

He's given up much in lieu of his quest. Far from family, he's lost communication with friends and Delt brothers that could not conceive as to why he would pack up and move three thousand miles away. Always having to explain to his friends why. He says this is "a mentally fierce business. You need as much support as you can muster up, because the "haves" love to beat you up." He misses his long lost brothers. "If I can get my movie made," he says, "then my victory is their victory. Because my creative vision grew while I was involved

with Delt. It's all part of extensionalism—we are a small part of everything."

If Hollywood will not let me in through their pearly white front gate, I'll just come through the back door," he says. And that's what Hollywood drives you to do. They sit back and see if you have the means to survive on your own—resolve to do it yourself. It's a Greek tragedy play. And if you didn't know, Hollywood is a direct descendent of those jolly old Greek ideologists. So the new filmmaker on the block is thrown into the coliseum as the "haves" look down from their pedestals, waiting for the lions to come out and feast on the "have nots". "Been there. Done that," Valenti replies. "Maybe it's time for the Roman era to take precedent."

What is Valenti to do? Do what many other young film makers are doing. Independent films financed by limited partnerships. Going outside of Hollywood; back home to family, friends and college ties to find the financial means to get a film made.

He has budgeted his project, *Little Red*, to be made for about \$250,000; set up a Limited Partnership, filed with the SEC, and begun looking for investors. He has a crew lined up and has cleared most of the locations to shoot the project in Baltimore, Maryland. Having started his career there, he is known by the local film community. And most are willing to help him get his project

done. But if money was short, he knows he could get the crew and equipment for nearly nothing and shoot it on weekends. "Sometimes you have to make great sacrifices. If I only had \$60,000 I would do this. Of course that would involve all that worked on it to donate their time and the same for equipment. But if you go to someone and explain your situation, if you're honest and sincere, usually they'll understand and comply."

"Valenti says, "I know in my heart that if I can get 90 minutes of film comparable to the five I have in my short, then we have something very special and worthwhile." And if that were to happen, Valenti believes he can take the film to festivals and win. Winning a festival leads to being signed by a studio, willing to let him do more projects under their wing. He feels that strongly about it. "If I land the studio deal, then I can give back to the Fraternity and brothers of Delt with pride and grand fashion."

To contact Valenti about his project call him at (800) 710-8763. He would be excited to tell you about his dreams and visions. ■

President Hughes Honored in Indianapolis

Loyal Delts in the Indianapolis area had reason to be proud in August when local attorney, David B. Hughes, *Ohio Wesleyan '61*, was elected President of Delta Tau Delta at the 83rd Karnea held in Washington, DC. Almost 20 years had passed since an International President had come from our headquarters city. To commemorate the event, the Indianapolis Alumni Chapter hosted a welcoming reception for Brother Hughes.

A cool, crisp October evening saw faithful Delt alumni, undergraduates, spouses, and guests converge on Crooked Stick Golf Club to honor our

newly elected President. A time of meeting new friends and renewing fraternal bonds was enjoyed during the social time of the reception.

The informal program began with Alumni Chapter President Bill Sebald, *Wisconsin '44*, serving as the evening's host. He introduced Executive Vice President of the Educational Foundation, Ken File, *Kansas State '81* and Northern Division President, Jim Russell, *Purdue '75*.

Brother Russell gave a brief report concerning the Division and most importantly, the progress being made by the Indiana undergraduate chapters. Rush goals were met or exceeded this fall at each school and a more solid foundation is back in place among these six

groups. Brothers Russell and Sebald then introduced President Hughes and his wife, Sherry, to an appreciative gathering of the Brotherhood and guests.

Brother Hughes began his comments by reciting a "Who's Hughes in Delta Tau Delta." He detailed a long, stellar record of service to the Fraternity by many family members throughout our history. The most noteworthy achievement is that both his grandfather, Bishop Edwin Holt Hughes, *Ohio Wesleyan 1889*, and his recently departed father, Francis M. Hughes, *Ohio Wesleyan '31*, have served the Fraternity as President. The very recounting by Brother Hughes of the members of the Hughes family who have worn the Delt badge was in itself remarkable.

Our President continued by outlining the solid condition of the Fraternity and the fact that we are so well represented in the State of Indiana with six viable undergraduate chapters and a strong Indianapolis Alumni Chapter. Brother Hughes gave his goals for the upcoming administration; a continuation of the responsible financial management of the Fraternity, an ongoing policy of expansion into worthy institutions, and an instilling of the desire for "Lives of Excellence" among our members. He concluded with a heartfelt statement of the importance of what Delta Tau Delta can mean to today's undergraduate in teaching core values of leadership, citizenship and moral responsibility.

The Alumni Chapter presented Brother Hughes with a plaque commemorating his service to Delta Tau Delta and our appreciation of his loyalty. As the evening concluded, it was evident that our pride was well founded and that we had adhered to our mission in the election of David Hughes to the Presidency. ■

DTAA Intern hired to assist program

The Central Office has hired an intern who will assist in expanding the reach of the Fraternity's acclaimed Delts Talking About Alcohol program.

Lee Underberg, is from Sioux Falls, South Dakota and attends the University of South Dakota. A junior, currently studying management with an emphasis in human resources, at Delta Gamma Chapter, Lee served as rush chairman and historian.

He became interested in the DTAA program when he first saw it two years ago. He feels that every student should have the knowledge that DTAA has to offer so that they can make proper choices for themselves. After finishing with the DTAA program Lee will return to USD to finish his degree. Lee hopes to return to the main office and serve as a consultant. His interests include photography, bicycling, guitar and numismatics. ■



From Left:
Sherry Hughes,
David Hughes,
Bill Sebald,
Jim Russell



The year was 1849 and the University of Mississippi—known to all its students and most of those less fortunate as Ole Miss—had opened its doors only a year earlier. Seven young men who had been students at La Grange College in Tennessee had transferred to Ole Miss and they formed a society called The Mystic Sons of Iris. So? So otherwise the magazine you're now reading would probably still be called *The Crescent* and the Rite of Iris would not be part of the Delta Tau Delta Ritual. The society later became known as the Rainbow or W.W.W. and in 1886 merged with Delta Tau Delta. It was in recognition of this event that the name of the fraternity magazine was changed.

Of the thirteen Rainbow chapters established between 1849 and 1884, only two—the mother chapter at Ole Miss and the chapter at Vanderbilt—actually merged with Delta Tau Delta, the others having foundered or allied with other fraternities. Neither of those survive today, although there are plans to reestablish both Pi and Lambda Chapters. Between the founding of Rainbow and the merger with Delta Tau Delta a bloody Civil War was fought. At Ole Miss students formed a military organization called “The University Greys” in December 1860. After Mississippi’s secession in 1861 they were ordered to the rail junction at Corinth and on to the battlefronts in Virginia. They fought in many of the major battles, including Gettysburg, and few survived the war; none ever returned to campus. Their departure left only five students, all of whom were preparing to leave.

The “Yankee” chancellor, Frederick Augustus Porter Barnard, soon headed north and on to Columbia University in New York and Ole Miss closed its doors until September 1865. It was said the University was spared General Sherman’s torch because of his friendship with Chancellor Barnard.

Cessation of hostilities and merger with Delta Tau Delta did not end the problems of the mother chapter of Rainbow-Pi Chapter of Delta Tau Delta. As a non-fraternity student on the campus, Lee M. Russell had led the fight to have fraternities banned, and after graduation, became heavily involved in politics, continuing the fight. It was charged that fraternities discouraged dissipation, discouraged study and scholarship, interfered with the work of the literary societies, and destroyed college spirit by fostering cliques. Finally, it was charged that they had been the cause of social ostracism of non-fraternity students by the citizens of Oxford. In 1912 the state legislature passed a law prohibiting fraternities on the campus of state institutions, a law that remained on the books for fourteen years.

Many of the fraternities on the Ole Miss campus, including Delta Tau Delta, continued to operate *sub rosa*. It was understood in Pi at the time I was active that our chapter had been especially fortunate when the repressive law was passed in that it was offered and accepted at its meeting place in the home of the Chancellor of the University! Andrew

Armstrong Kincannon had been a student at Ole Miss during the period 1877-1882 and later did graduate work there in 1893. It was the understanding in our chapter that he had been a member of Rainbow and later of Delta Tau Delta. He was appointed

Chancellor in 1907 and served until 1914. I have no information as to whether Pi retained its favored meeting place after his resignation.

In 1920 the same Lee M. Russell who as a student had campaigned against fraternities was elected Governor, and on

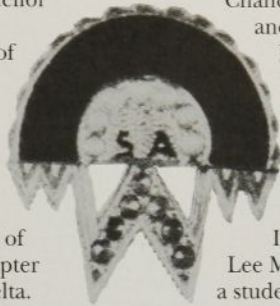
October 27th of that year was hanged in effigy on the Ole Miss campus. The Board of Trustees concluded that the *sub rosa* fraternities were at fault and ordered the dismissal of all those violating the anti-fraternity law. Public opinion was very bitter against the board, which reversed its decision and permitted all those expelled to return. The law was repealed effective March 16, 1926.

As a student in my late teens and early twenties, all this seemed like ancient history to me. Now from the vantage point of my mid-eighties, I realize that not only was it not ancient history but that I was affected to a degree. Although the law banning fraternities was repealed, they were still not permitted to have houses or club rooms on the campus and in almost all cases rented commercial space in

downtown Oxford to use as club rooms. Since students were not permitted to have automobiles on the campus use of these rooms was necessarily limited. Belonging to an organization under those circumstances may engender true friendships, even enduring ones, but the heart of the fraternity system, real brotherhood, was denied. In my four undergraduate and one graduate years I roomed with a fellow Delt only during my senior year and most of my closest friends and associates were outside our chapter—by no means an unusual situation on the campus. We didn’t give it a lot of thought at the time, but I realize now that we were denied fraternity in the broadest sense of the word. ■

Left: The original Rainbow badge;
Below: The first Rainbow magazine after the merger.

The Rainbow Connection Revisted



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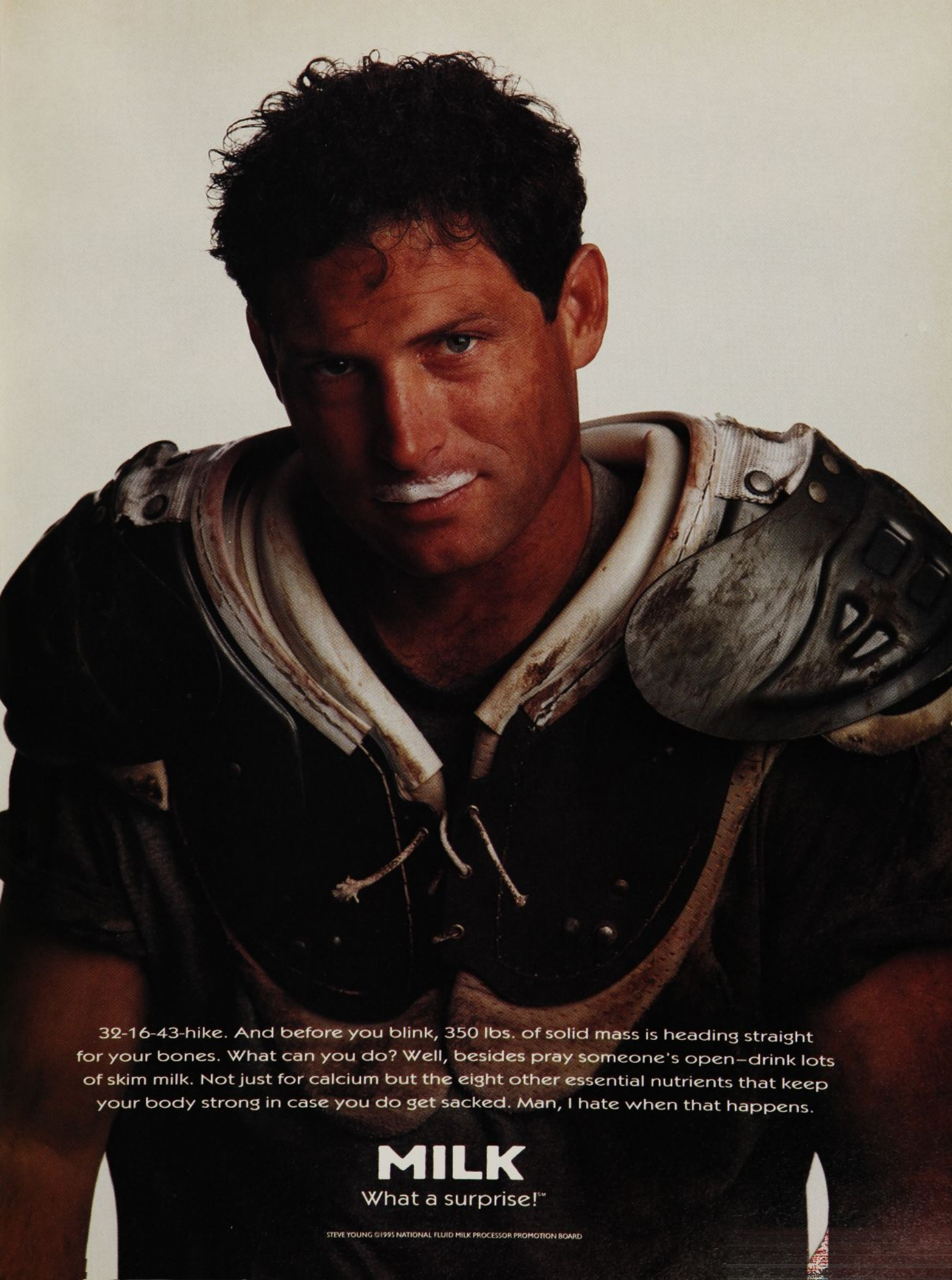
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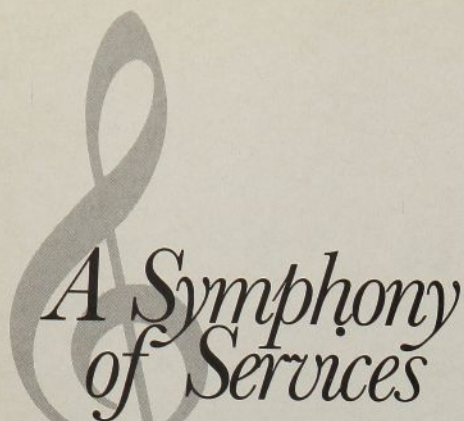
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