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Riding shotgun with Hollywood's urban cowboy

Matthew McConaughey

# **Honoring Justly**

Since its founding, the Fraternity has always prided itself on giving credit where credit is due. Two issues ago, we ran an in-depth feature on Matthew

McCononaughey entitled "A Man, A Plan, A Van" most of

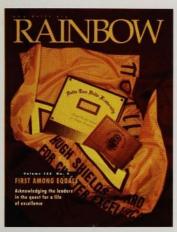
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# From the Editor:

Never in my two decades of involvement with the Fraternity's journalism have I seen the overwhelming response generated by the article in the last issue on Archie Butt's Titanic heroism. The retelling of his story unleashed a wellspring of emotions in our readers—pride, empathy, and in some cases, sufficient sadness as to evoke a tearful response. Why is it that, eighty years later, we still feel such a strong tie...a kinship if you will... to someone we've never met? Perhaps it is the understanding that, in words from our Ritual, "what honors you, honors us," encouraging each of us to relive those terrifying moments so long ago and to know that we share a common heritage with one so noble, thereby making us a little more noble ourselves. This heritage, shared with tens of thousands of heroes sung...and unsung...is the very essence of fraternity and what continues to unite and uplift us all. —Kerry Harding

From the Delt Webmaster: Please refer to the Delt Web page (www.delts.org) should you attempt to try a chapter link that is dead or need one that is not included with the chapter report section. The most current chapter links are always kept on the Delt Web page. There are also links for chapters that might not have submitted a chapter report for the past issue.

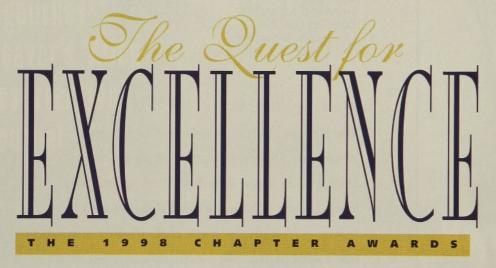
Excellence. Much sought after; seldom obtained. Several years ago, the Fraternity embarked on a radical new program that would shift the very essence of its recruiting and educational delivery system. Instead of specific tangible benefits of membership, an expanded focus would emphasize preparing young Delts for life. And not just preparing them but equipping them to live lives of excellence, based on internal values systems that would weather the storm of peer pressure, the workplace and the family home. It was a dangerous experiment in that it differed from what the rest of the Fraternity world was offerUnfortunately, as in any battle for change, there were casualties. Long-standing chapters, some with a century or more of Delt tradition, refused to adapt to the new model, and are now relegated to the cemetery of Tombstones. In some cases, West Virginia and Villanova for example, new blood with an exciting new spirit have replaced their predecessors of excess and slothfulness.

Last spring, undergraduate and alumni delegates from across the country gathered at the Division Conferences to acknowledge their achievements and to better learn the path to excellence. For some, it was a from the Eastern Division conferences, which represent similar efforts nationwide.

Chapters from West Virginia,

Pennsylvania, Maryland, and New Jersey gathered in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, for one of two of the Eastern Division's Regional Conferences. The weekend climaxed with the installation of Zeta Theta Chapter at Villanova University and Awards Banquet. 36 men stepped on that "first round of the ladder" and took their oaths as Delts. The remaining chapters, hailing from New York, New England, and Canada traveled to the Great White North, in Ottawa, Ontario, Canada. This marks the first time since the Toronto Karnea in 1988 that a major Delt gathering has occurred in Canada, proving that we are a "shrine of international brotherhood." The Ottawa conference was highlighted by a fundraising event sponsored by the brothers of Theta Theta Chapter, to raise money for the restoration of a park in downtown Ottawa which was devastated by an ice storm earlier this year. Much of Eastern Ontario and the Province of Quebec was paralyzed by that same storm. More than \$500 was raised, thanks to the efforts of all chapters who attended the conference. Representatives of the Mayor of the City of Ottawa were also in attendance, and the entire city of Ottawa has a completely new vision of what fraternities, and Delta Tau Delta in particular, are all about.

As has been the case across the country, the Eastern Division continues to champion the Mission and Values of Delta Tau Delta Fraternity in its educational programming during these conferences. By placing the core values of the Fraternity into hands-on workshops, we are developing outstanding leadership skills in both undergraduate members and alumni volunteers. Focusing on leadership training, we teach the "why" as



ing. Some alumni and undergraduates shook their heads in dismay, crying, "This will never fly on *our* campus." But do you know what? Not only did it fly...it soared!

We began to attract a new breed of men, those who wanted to become something better than they were when they started. Those who wanted to leave their college, and their community and their country better than it was when they found it. At a time when competitor fraternities rush numbers were down, Delta Tau Delta's were rising. As were grades. As were chapter accolades across the country.

new direction. For others, merely a continuation of a course established years ago. In honoring those whose last year was spent in service to Delta Tau Delta, this issue is dedicated. For those behind the scenes who received no formal awards but whose commitment, friendship and enthusiasm made each accomplishment possible, our heartfelt thanks. One year later, Delta Tau Delta is stronger, more relevant and truly a better place to be.

While space does not participate the chronicaling of the success and accomplishments of each division, we have included, as a sample, Division President Tom Mennie's highlights opposed to the "how to," giving the undergraduates the skills and confidence they need to work through problem situations and develop strategic planning in their chapters. Special thanks goes out to David McClendon, J.J. Nelson and Brett Dyess of the Central Office for bringing the vision of principle centered leadership training to life at this year's conferences.

Other highlights of the Awards Banquets included Theta Founding Chapter at Bethany College receiving her second straight Court of Honor and Hugh Shields Award for Chapter Excellence. Beta Lambda at Lehigh won her 13th straight Court of Honor, Congratulations to both chapters on their consistent efforts and continued commitment to excellence. Tau Chapter at Penn State and Theta Alpha Chapter at Western Ontario shared most improved chapter honors. Penn State has been #1, #3, & #1 on campus academically the last three semesters out of 56 chapters as well as raising more than \$40,000 in the recent dance marathon. Western Ontario was the inaugural winner of the "Canada Cup," presented to the outstanding Canadian chapter each year.

Lewis Watt was named Outstanding Chapter Advisor in the Eastern Division for his work with Tau Chapter. Dan Burkett was recognized for his continued dedication as Faculty Advisor and Chapter Advisor with Zeta Pi Chapter at the Indiana University of Pennsylvania. In a moving presentation, local alumni and undergraduate officers took center stage during the banquet in Harrisburg and thanked Tom Hughsted for his time and contributions to Omega Chapter at the University of Pennsylvania. Tom is leaving the area and has served as Chapter Advisor, Division Vice President, and Alumni Supervisory Committee Chairman for the chapter for the past seven years. Thomas

Ryan of Delta Sigma at Maryland was named Outstanding Chapter
President. Michael Mulheron, also of Delta Sigma at Maryland and Arpan Chakravarty of Beta Omicron at Cornell shared outstanding Chapter Treasurer honors. Jason Saltsberg, who is currently the Chapter Advisor for Beta Omicron at Cornell and Division Vice President for Gamma Omicron at Syracuse and Upsilon at Rensellear Polytechnical Institute, was given the Bill Fraering Award for Outstanding Service by a young alumnus.

Beta Nu at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology took top academic honors in the Division with a 3.49 GPA. Speaking of Academic Leaders, the East once again led all other Divisions in the Fraternity with a 2.87.

The format for door prizes was expanded this year. Throughout the conferences, Delt trivia questions, along with some hockey questions in Ottawa, were asked, with the first undergraduate to give the correct answer being entered into a prize drawing which was conducted at the

Awards Banquets. This years prizes included the Delt screensavers disks, Delt CDs and songbooks, first prize was a copy of Sing to the Royal Purple. Congratulations to grand prize winners Adam Flett from Zeta Theta at Villanova and Charles MacMillan of Theta Theta at Ottawa. Each of them won a free registration to the Karnea in Kansas City.

Aspiration. Achievement. Acknowledgement. Appreciation. The "A-List" of those intangible benefits of fraternity membership, so clearly demonstrated at the Division Conference level where chapter officers, advisors, house corporation officers and other dedicated alumni are lauded for their service and demonstrated commitment, in some cases, spanning more than seven decades. What will the reports from the Division Conferences of the new millennium include? Hopefully, the same astounding records of attainment, with an additional set of names and faces to go with it, with an ever clearer acknowledgement of their responsibility to those who follow.



# **Eastern Division**

Hugh Shields Theta, Bethany

Court of Honor Theta, Bethany Beta Lambda, Lehigh

Academic Ranking Among Divisions Eastern 2.87 average Western Plains 2.75 Southern 2.73 Western Pacific 2.72 Northern 2.67

First On Campus in Grades Theta, Bethany Beta Sigma, Boston Gamma Delta, West Virginia Zeta Theta, Villanova Beta Lambda, Lehigh

Above All Men's/All Fraternity Average Gamma, Washington & Jefferson Theta, Bethany Tau, Penn State Omega, Penn Beta Mu, Tufts Beta Lambda, Lehigh Beta Nu, MIT Beta Omicron, Cornell Beta Sigma, Boston Gamma Delta, West Virginia Gamma Omicron, Syracuse Gamma Sigma, Pitt Delta Sigma, Maryland Theta Tau, Moravian Zeta Theta Colony

Top Academically in the Division Beta Nu, MIT

Adopt-A-School Participants
Johnson and Wales Crescent Colony
Beta Lambda, Lehigh
Theta, Bethany
Gamma Sigma, Pittsburgh
Theta Theta, Ottawa
Theta Tau, Moravian
Gamma Omicron, Syracuse
Delta Sigma, Maryland

Meeting Rush Goals-Fall Rush Rho, Stevens Inst. Tech Beta Nu, MIT Gamma Delta, West Virginia Gamma Sigma, Pittsburgh Theta Alpha, Western Ontario Theta Theta, Ottawa

Meeting Rush Goals-Spring Rush Gamma, W&J Theta, Bethany Beta Lambda, Lehigh Beta Mu, Tufts Gamma Omicron, Syracuse Delta Sigma, Maryland Theta Tau, Moravian Delta Omicron, Westminster Delt 2000-Eastern Division

Rho, Stevens Institute of Technology Theta Theta, University of Ottawa Gamma Delta, West Virginia University Theta, Bethany College Tau, Pennsylvania State University Gamma Sigma, University of Pittsburgh Omega, University of Pennsylvania Beta Lambda, Lehigh University Beta Nu, M.I.T. Beta Omicron, Cornell University Delta Sigma, University of Maryland

# **Northern Division**

Hugh Shields Epsilon lota B, Kettering Theta Rho, Dayton Gamma Upsilon, Miami Epsilon Mu, Ball State

Court of Honor
Delta Xi, North Dakota
Epsilon lota B, Kettering
Zeta Omega, Bradley
Theta Rho, Dayton
Gamma Beta, IIT
Beta Eta, Minnesota
Epsilon lota A, Kettering
Gamma Upsilon, Miami
Epsilon Mu, Ball State

Academic Ranking Among Divisions Eastern, 2.87 Western Plains, 2.75 Southern, 2.73 Western Pacific, 2.72 Northern, 2.67

First On Campus in Academics Epsilon Iota-B, Kettering Zeta, Case Western Theta Xi, Eastern Michigan Western Michigan Colony Depaul University Colony

Above All Men's /All Fraternity Average Beta, Ohio Delta, Michigan Epsilon, Albion Zeta, Case Western Reserve Chi, Kenyon Beta Eta, Minnesota Beta Pi, Northwestern Beta Upsilon, Illinois Beta Psi, Wabash Gamma Beta, IIT Gamma Xi, Cincinnati DeltaXi, North Dakota Epsilon Iota A, Kettering Epsilon Iota B, Kettering Zeta Omega, Bradley Theta Xi, Eastern Michigan Theta Rho, Dayton Illinois State Colony Western Michigan Colony Depaul University Colony

John Venable Award Greatest Academic Improvement Beta Upsilon, Illinois. From a 2.8 to a 2.987!

Top Academically in the Division Epsilon Iota B, Kettering University

Adopt-A-School Participants Beta, Ohio University Beta Pi, Northwestern Mu. Ohio Wesleyan Beta Eta, Minnesota Gamma Upsilon, Miami Gamma Beta, IIT Kappa, Hillsdale Beta Upsilon, Illinois Zeta Eta, Mankato State Delta Omega, Kent State Beta Phi, Ohio State Epsilon Iota-B, Kettering Delta Tau, Bowling Green Epsilon Mu, Ball State Epsilon Iota-A, Kettering Delta Xi, North Dakota Zeta, Case Western Reserve Western Michigan Crescent Colony Zeta Omega, Bradley

Meeting Rush Goals-Fall Rush Omicron, Iowa Delta Omega, Kent State Epsilon Mu, Ball State Zeta Eta, Mankato Zeta Lambda, Western Illinois Epsilon Iota A, Kettering U Beta Gamma, Wisconsin Beta Upsilon, Illinois Gamma Beta, IIT Gamma Lambda, Purdue Theta Xi, Eastern Michigan

Meeting Rush Goals-SpringRush Chi, Kenyon Beta Pi, Northwestern Delta Nu, Lawrence Epsilon, Albion

Delt 2000 Chapters Delta Xi, University of North Dakota Zeta Omega, Bradley University Beta, Ohio University Theta Rho, University of Dayton Epsilon Mu, Ball State University Epsilon, Albion College Epsilon Upsilon, Marietta College Zeta Eta, Mankato State University Eta, University of Akron Delta Tau, Bowling Green State University Chi, Kenyon College Beta Alpha, Indiana University Beta Gamma, University of Wisconsin Beta Phi, Ohio State University Gamma Beta, Illinois institute of Technology Kappa, Hillsdale College

# Southern Division

Hugh Shields Zeta Chi, Southern Miss

Court of Honor Beta Epsilon, Emory Gamma Psi, Georgia Tech Zeta Chi, Southern Mississippi

First On Campus Academically Beta Theta, Sewanee Epsilon Omega, Georgia Southern Zeta Iota, W. Florida Zeta Chi, Southern Miss

Above All Men's /All Fraternity Average
Beta Theta, Sewanee
Beta lota, Virginia
Gamma Eta, George Washington
Gamma Psi, Georgia Tech
Delta Phi, Florida State
Epsilon Xi, Western KY
Epsilon Omega, Georgia Southern
Zeta Beta, Lagrange
Zeta lota, West Florida
Zeta Omicron, Central Florida
Zeta Tau, UNC Wilmington
Zeta Chi, Southern Miss
Theta Epsilon, American
Theta Mu, Clemson

Top Academically in the Division Beta Iota, Virginia

Academic Ranking Among Divisions Eastern, 2.87 Western Plains, 2.75 Southern, 2.73 Western Pacific, 2.72 Northern, 2.67

Adopt-A-School Participants
Delta Delta, Tennessee
Epsilon Xi, Western Kentucky
Epsilon Phi, Southeastern Louisiana
Beta Iota, Virginia
Delta Eta, Alabama
Zeta Chi, Southern Mississippi
Theta Mu, Clemson
Delta Phi, Florida State
Zeta Iota, West Florida
Epsilon Omega, Georgia Southern
Zeta Zeta, Morehead

Meeting Rush Goals
Delta Delta, U Tennessee
Delta Epsilon, Kentucky
Delta Eta, Alabama
Epsilon Kappa, LSU
Zeta Omicron, Central Florida
Theta Mu, Clemson
Theta Pi, Frostburg

Delt 2000 Chapters
Epsilon Kappa, Louisiana State University
Epsilon Xi, Western Kentucky University
Delta Phi, Florida State University
Gamma Psi, Georgia Institute of Technology
Delta Delta, University of Tennessee

Zeta Iota, University of West Florida Zeta Omicron, University of Central Florida Zeta Chi, University of Southern Mississippi Epsilon Alpha, Auburn University

# Western Plains Division

**Hugh Shields** Gamma Chi, Kansas State Delta Gamma, South Dakota

Court of Honor Gamma Chi, Kansas State Delta Gamma, South Dakota Epsilon Omicron, Colorado State Delta Alpha, Oklahoma Theta Omicron, Northern Colorado Theta Kappa, Nebraska - Kearney

John Venable Award Greatest Academic Improvement Delta Alpha, Oklahoma, From a 2.72 to a 2.907

First on Campus Delta Omicron, Westminster Epsilon Omicron, Colorado State

Above All Men's /All Fraternity Average
Beta Tau, Nebraska
Gamma Theta, Baker
Gamma lota, Texas
Gamma Tau, Kansas
Gamma Chi, Kansas State
Delta Alpha, Oklahoma
Delta Gamma, South Dakota
Delta Omicron, Westminster
Epsilon Beta, TCU
Epsilon Omicron, Colorado State
Theta Kappa, Neb-Kearney
Theta Delta, Baylor
Theta Omicron, Northern Colorado
Epsilon Zeta, Sam Houston
Epsilon Nu, Missouri-Rolla

Top Academically in the Division Beta Tau, University of Nebraska

Division Academic Ranking Eastern, 2.87 Western Plains, 2.75 Southern, 2.73 Western, 2.72 Northern, 2.67

Adopt-A-School
Epsilon Zeta, Sam Houston State
Gamma Pi, Iowa State
Theta Omicron, Northern Colorado
Univ of North Texas Colony
Theta Delta, Baylor
Gamma Iota, Texas
Epsilon Omicron, Colorado State
Delta Alpha, Oklahoma
Epsilon Delta, Texas Tech
Gamma Theta, Baker
Gamma Chi, Kansas State
Theta Kappa, Nebraska-Kearney
Theta Nu, Oklahoma State
Beta Tau, Nebraska

Meeting Rush Goals-Fall Rush
Epsilon Beta, TCU
Epsilon Delta, Texas Tech
Epsilon Zeta, Sam Houston
Epsilon Eta, Texas A&M Commerce
Epsilon Lambda, Texas A&M Kingsville
Beta Tau, Nebraska
Gamma Iota, U Texas
Delta Alpha, Oklahoma
Delta Gamma, South Dakota
Zeta Psi, Stephen F. Austin
Theta Nu, Southeastern Oklahoma State
Delta Omicron, Westminster

Meeting Rush Goals-Spring Rush Theta Delta, Baylor

Delt 2000 Chapters
Gamma Theta, Baker University
Gamma Iota, University of Texas
Gamma Pi, Iowa State University
Gamma Chi, Kansas State University
Delta Alpha, University of Oklahoma
Delta Omicron, Westminster College
Epsilon Omicron, Colorado State University
Delta Chi, Oklahoma State University
Theta Kappa, Nebraska-Kearney
Epsilon Zeta, Sam Houston State
Epsilon Eta, Texas A&M Commerce

# Western Pacific Division

Court of Honor Delta Mu, Idaho

First on Campus Academically University of Utah Colony

Above All Men's/All Fraternity Average Beta Omega, Cal Berkeley Gamma Mu, Washington Delta Mu, Idaho University of Utah Colony Epsilon Gamma, Washington State Theta Lambda, UC Riverside

Top Academically in the Division-Gamma Mu, University of Washington

Adopt-A-School
Theta Sigma, UC Davis
Utah Crescent Colony
Beta Rho, Stanford
Gamma Mu, Washington
Epsilon Gamma, Washington State
Delta Mu, Idaho
Gamma Rho, Oregon

Delt 2000
Epsilon Gamma, Washington State
Delta Lambda, Oregon State University
Gamma Mu, Washington
Delta Mu, University of Idaho
Theta Sigma, California - Davis

Meeting Rush Goal Beta Rho, Stanford Gamma Mu, Washington

hat parent doesn't wish that they could go around telling people that their son is an angel...and mean it? For Delt Rook Shank, Michigan State '59, and his wife, Kay, that wish came true July 10 with their announcement that their Delt legacy, Bruce, Ohio State '86, a Major in the U.S. Marine Corps, had been selected to be a part of the prestigious 1998 Blue Angels Flight Demonstration Squadron, flying the F/A-18 Hornet.

191), Satan's Kittens, in 1950. They were reorganized the next year and reported to NAS Corpus Christi, Texas, where they began flying the newer and faster version of the Panther, the F9F-5. The Blue Angels remained in Corpus Christi until the winter of 1954 when they relocated to their present home base at NAS Pensacola, Florida. It was here that they progressed to the swept-wing Grumman F9F-8 Cougar. The ensuing 20 years saw the Blue Angels transition to two more air-

> craft, the Grumman F11F-1 Tiger (1957) and the McDonnell Douglas F-4J Phantom II (1969). In December 1974, the Navy Flight Demonstration Team began flying the McDonnell Douglas A-4F SkyhawkII and was reorganized into the Navy Flight Demonstration Squadron. This reorganization permitted the establishment of a commanding officer, added support officers and further redefined the squadron's mission emphasizing the support of recruiting efforts.

On November 8, 1986, the Blue Angels completed their 40th anniversary year during ceremonies unveiling their present aircraft, the new sleek McDonnell Douglas F/A-18 Hornet, the first dual-role fighter/ attack aircraft now serving on the nation's front lines of defense.

In 1992 more than one million people viewed Blue Angels performances during a 30-day European deployment to Sweden, Finland, Russia, Romania, Bulgaria, Italy, the United Kingdom and Spain. This was the first European deployment in 19 years.

The air shows throughout the 1996 50th anniversary show season brought out more than 15 million spectators. Since 1946, the Blue Angels have flown for more than 291 million spectators.

Shank first saw the Blue Angels perform at the Naval Air Station in Pensacola in the early 1980s. He also had some positive role models along the way. In 1991,

his Executive Officer had served in the Blue Angels Number Two slot and a former Group Executive Officer was in the Number Eight position. The memories of those men of the experience with the Blue Angels, combined with their numerous shows he has seen since then instilled in him a sense of pride, honor and professionalism that represents, in his words, "all that the Navy and Marine Corps stand for today."

The admission process into the elite squadron takes years to complete, beginning with six to seven years just to accumulate the flight time. Every March 15, base management is sent the prerequisites as well as the number of slots that will be available for the term ahead. The application includes securing the endorsement of the Commanding Officer and additional letters of recommendation as well as answering essay questions on why you want to be a Blue Angel and how you feel you could benefit the team.

In his own application, Shank wrote, "I would be personally honored to be considered for the Navy Flight Demonstration Team. I have been thoroughly impressed with the positive impact that the team has had on young people throughout the world, and would very much like to be a part of that time honored tradition."

Interested applicants go to the air shows and get to know the existing team members, prior to the selection of finalists in mid-June. Finalists, usually three for each open slot, go to Pensacola for a week of scrutiny in various social settings, formal dinners, casual affairs, etc., much, says Swank, like fraternity rush.

Flying back to the base, there is a preestablished time for candidates to find out if they truly have "the right stuff," for the grueling two-year stint. In spite of the honor the appointment confers, the pace is indeed grueling with the squadron on the road 320 to 330 days a year.

While growing up, Bruce resided in several areas throughout the United States. He played both varsity football and track and field at De La Salle High School in New Orleans, Louisiana, graduating in 1981. The following year, he attended Ohio State, earning a bachelor of arts degree in aviation transportation logistics. During his junior year, Bruce attended Marine Corps Officer Candidate School in



The Blue Angels have a somewhat short but illustrious history. At the end of World War II, Adm. Chester W. Nimitz, then the Chief of Naval Operations, ordered the formation of a flight demonstration team to keep the public interested in naval aviation. The Blue Angels performed their first flight demonstration less than a year later in June 1946 at their home base, Naval Air Station (NAS) Jacksonville, Florida. Flying the Grumman F6F Hellcat, they were led by Lt. Cmdr. Rov "Butch" Voris. Only two months later, the Blue Angels transitioned to the Grumman F8F Bearcat and introduced the famous "diamond" formation.

By the end of the 1940s, the Blue Angels were flying their first jet aircraft, the Grumman F9F-2 Panther. In response to the demands placed on naval aviation in the Korean Conflict, the team reported to the aircraft carrier USS Princeton as the nucleus of Fighter Squadron 191 (VF-

Quantico, Virginia, through the Platoon Leaders Class Program. After graduating from Ohio State, he completed Officer Candidate School and was commissioned a Second Lieutenant in September, 1986.

Bruce attended The Basic School in Quantico, Virginia, in 1987 before being assigned to the Air Defense Control Officer's Course at Marine Corps Air Ground Combat Center at Twenty-Nine Palms, California. His first fleet assignment came while assigned to Marine Air Control Squadron 1 (MACS-1) "Tropical," Marine Corps Base Camp Pendleton, California, as an Air Defense Control Officer in 1988. He was assigned as a dedicated Ground Control Intercept Controller for Marine Fighter Attack Squadron 323 at the Marine Corps Air Station in El Toro, California.

In August 1989, Bruce was selected to Naval Flight Officer Training in Pensacola, Florida. He attended primary and advanced flight training with Training Squadrons 10 and 86 and earned his wings of Gold in June 1990. Bruce then underwent F/A-18 transition training in El Toro, with his first fleet F/A-18 assignment in May 1992. With orders to the "Bats" of Marine All Weather Fighter Attack Squadron 242 at El Toro, he would later serve oversee deployments to the Far East, Australia and Hawaii. Bruce earned the qualifications of Air Combat Tactics Instructor in December 1994 and was later selected to attend advanced training courses in Yuma, Arizona.

In April 1996, Bruce joined the "Sharpshooters" of Marine Fighter Attack Squadron 101, teaching newly winged pilots and Naval Flight Officers to fly the F/A-18 "Hornet." His collateral duties included Schedules Officer, Assistant Operations Officer and Director of Safety and Standardization.

Prior to his joining the Blue Angel squadron, he had accumulated 2,000 flight hours. His decorations included the Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal, Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal and various unit and campaign awards.

What is Swank looking most forward to during his upcoming term with the Squadron? "I think, when it's done, that the most rewarding thing is just all the lives you touch—especially the school kids—everyone you come in contact with



e's 6 feet 4, 225 pounds, and Mark Rypien, Super Bowl XXVI MVP, Washington '85, spends much of his day dressed as Tigger, full orange-and-black tiger head and suit with tail, looking every bit Winnie the Pooh's pal, and so what if the costume is a good goofy six inches too short?

A pair of pulled-up white socks have taken care of that, passing as Tigger's feet. They are good enough for 3year-old son Andrew to jump approvingly into the lovable critter's lap.

"Andrew's a mama's boy, but this lets me get real close with him," says Rypien, "and when I have the whole thing on he just melts into my arms."

Rypien, 35, accosted by linebackers and as macho tough as they come playing quarterback for the Washington Redskins and St. There is a father's pause for composure. If only this was really a fairy tale, then there would be a happy ending.

"We're praying for a miracle," he says. "In the past we've been praying for recovery, but now we're down to praying for a miracle."

The doctors, who fought the good fight, even delivering good news that there were no more tumors as recently as May, have predicted that a returning vicious and relentlessly growing brain tumor will not let Andrew live much longer than two months.

And that news came in June.

"The situation is very bleak at this time," says Rypien, who walked away from a \$1.8-million contract with the Falcons. "My wife and I have talked, and if God has His will and He needs Andrew more than we do, then while Andrew's here we're going to keep him happy and pain-free."

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all. We
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cousin, a won-

One more

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Jesuit, who has
told us that, while we will have
Andrew for only this short period of
time, he's our angel.

"As hard as it's going to be at times when he's no longer here, Andrew has touched the lives of millions of people. And as hard as it's going to be if and when that day comes, as good as he's going now, we're going to enjoy Andrew—every minute of him. If and when that time comes to do all the mourning. . . . I don't want people coming to our house now feeling sorry for us, or him or anyone else. Let's just enjoy Andrew."

But how much can one family endure? Rypien's wife, Annette, is recovering from recent major surgery for cervical cancer.

"She also had gall stones and was suffering from endometriosis, giving her the trifecta," says Rypien, who was keeping the extent of his wife's illness from the public so he could shield his two other youngsters from being further traumatized. But he is more open now that he has received positive medical reports.

"It was terrible, but terrible for Annette because she's been here every minute for Andrew, and the good mother she is, she didn't want to be away from him.

"Her prognosis is good now and they got it before it spread, but we were a little nervous there because the doctors said another month or two and her chances would have been slim, if any.

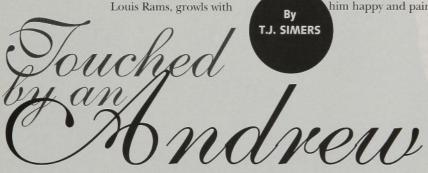
It is strange, because emotionally you're high for the good prognosis with Annette, but then drained by the bad prognosis for Andrew. You can't say they balance each other because that's ridiculous.

"I've been so blessed to have someone like Annette; she won't leave Andrew now to have a cup of coffee. That's the beauty of Annette, and we vowed from the very beginning that we would not let this split us up. We've been to the hospitals and we have seen what cancer in children has done to families, and not everyone makes it together."

A little more than a year ago, the Rypiens had a healthy handful in Andrew, who just turning 2 before suffering a terrorizing seizure that would only be a harbinger of the trying days ahead.

At first, after surgery and a plan for recovery, the Rypiens were able to tell their 7- and 9-year-old daughters with confidence that Andrew would be all right.

There were a series of chemothera-



It's Time for Training Camp, but a 3-Year-Old Son Is More Important to Mark Rypien Than Playing Quarterback for Atlanta

> charm for the youngster as a good Tigger should, singing to his son:

"The wonderful things about Tiggers is . . . they're bouncy, trouncy, flouncy, pouncy . . . full of fun . . . the most wonderful things about Tiggers is, I'm the only one!"

No matter how many times little Andrew hears that, he giggles, and so that is why Rypien runs around the house in costume, all bouncy and flouncy, instead of throwing passes in training camp for the Atlanta Falcons.

"It's all about making Andrew happy," he says.

py treatments in the hospital, and then home care, with blue tubes running into one side of Andrew's chest, red tubes on the other side, the tubes flushed nightly by mom or dad and then filled again with medicine. There was one more chemo treatment after Christmas, and that ravaged Andrew, along with an accompanying case of flu, almost ending his life.

There were more tests while Rypien played backup quarterback for the Rams. There was more surgery and then radiation seeds were planted in Andrew's head. The seeds ran their 87-day course, effectively cleaning up the tumor bed on the left front side of Andrew's brain.

The victory lifted everyone's spirits. "I was flying to Atlanta for three days at a time to work out and then going home three days to take the girls to softball practices and such," says Rypien. "Everything was looking good and then Andrew suffered a seizure."

Despite undergoing surgery only weeks earlier, and still unable to move with much conviction, Annette painfully sprang into action, holding her son while her husband drove frantically to the hospital. Andrew was then flown by helicopter to a nearby Spokane hospital.

"When we saw the nurse—it was July 2—she told us the doctor would talk to us and we knew right then," says Rypien. "He said the tumor had come back three times as bad as before, and we knew if that happened that was probably it. It was pressing on the cerebral artery, and to try and go in there would mean cutting from his eye to the back of his neck, risking permanent paralysis with no guarantee that they would get any or all of the tumor.

"There were no guarantees that he would even come through surgery, and I'll be damned, I wasn't going to lose my son on the operating table. We just could not put him through

any more excruciating experiences. Nobody should have to undergo major surgery, let alone as much as he has, before his fourth Christmas."

When the Rypiens walked out of the hospital last month, they did so knowing the pressure inside their son's head would increase, the fluids and growing tumor probably combining to cause devastation without further means of rescue.

They needed to tell him how much they loved him, so in their minds

assignment, taking their two daugh-

ters aside to talk about what was

going to happen to Andrew in the

coming weeks. "This is your brother

and every time you say good night to

your brother. . . . Well, they were pret-

ty broke up by it," says Rypien. "They

needed to kiss their brother good

night and not think, 'Uh, that's my

They have an influential friend in Washington, who has been talking to senators and health officials who might be privy to medicines not yet ready for the market that might help Andrew. But they said their primary objective now is to maintain Andrew's quality of life without

introducing

any more

pain.

"The longer we can keep Andrew going," Rypien says, and he stops, warning an energetic Andrew to watch his fingers, lest they get pinched. "Listen, every day we wait to get a phone call or hear something new they've discovered, but we know that's unrealistic."

The Falcons would still like Rypien to play football, and they allowed him to keep \$200,000 of his signing bonus, although he never got into uniform. But for now, Rypien says, "that's so far on the back burner, it's not even burning. It's so secondary. . . Andrew has taught us so much in his short time here. It's all about family now, and the family enjoying everything. The video camera has been going since that day in early July."

The Rypiens had one more difficult



there could be some closure down the road.

"My dad died of a heart attack when he was 52, and I remember golfing with him and he was playing terribly and we were in a rush and trying to play through the group in front of us. [I remember] thinking later, 'That was the last time I was with him and how could I have left it like that?' That's why I want the girls, even if their brother's swinging a bat and belting them, and as much as they would like to wring his neck, [to] kiss him and mean it."

Aunts and uncles visit, and like Daddy Tigger, they come wearing costumes of Andrew's favorite characters, which became emblazoned on his mind after a five-day trip to DisneyWorld. And while the family no longer can venture far from home, it cannot

keep Andrew from demanding visits almost every other day to the local Chuck E. Cheese, to be hugged by the big furry cartoon character. "You

"You look at Andrew and he's just fine," says Rypien. "I see him and I'm looking at an amazing little guy, who has already

done things they said he could not do. I'm the optimist, and I always say if and when instead of when. . . . I talk about high school, what he's going to do in a few years and playing golf together. . . . It's just hard to let go."

As rambunctious as any other 3-year-old, Andrew is much bigger than most, and his father had plans on him growing up to be a 50-goal scorer in hockey. But steroids he has taken to relieve the pressure in his brain have impacted his behavior, making him ornery at times, and now with a laugh Rypien says, "He might be better suited to being one of those 300-minutes-in-the-penalty-box players; he might make Dave Schultz look like a saint. But he's the best little kid, you know. I just love him."

Until early August, Andrew was holding up well, despite the growth of the tumor in his head. But then he shouted out an "owey," requiring medication for the mounting pressure in his head and a sure sign of stinging pain, because throughout this process he has shown a toughness and willingness to accept so much without complaint. His right cheek has been impacted by the tumor's pressure, and there's concern that it might affect his eyesight, but the Rypiens refuse to dwell on the "what ifs?" preferring the enjoyment of the minute at hand.

"I think Boomer Esiason said it once. We're probably the only people in this world who think we can take a 2-14 team and take it to the Super Bowl the next year," Rypien says. "It's just our nature as athletes, so I see Andrew on his good days and I start thinking, 'Maybe the tumor has stopped growing.' Annette is more a realist. Just give her the facts, what are the percentages? I hear that and I just want to leave the room."

From the outset, the Rypiens were told that youngsters stricken with such a brain tumor could expect to live no more than five years, but then there were stories of exceptions.

And that was all Rypien needed to hear. "It was an uphill battle, but if there was one who made it, then Andrew could too," he says.

"And I can't tell you how good it felt this past May when we felt we had it licked. Then it comes back—sending a chill down your spine."

There has been so little time for the Rypiens to gather their thoughts, as anyone who has ever tried to keep up with a 3-year-old would know. For the most part, he said, "We're always tired. When we do get the occasion to be alone, we do a little grieving.

"It's the nature of this tumor to grow quickly, but maybe it's stopped or stagnated. Here we are five weeks later and he's going strong. We can hope and we can pray."

And in the background Andrew is running and jumping, and carrying on like any other 3-year-old dynamo.

"We don't look at Andrew's situation as anything bad," says Rypien. "The gifts of faith and prayer keep us going, and in turn, Andrew going. We ask God, 'If this is Your will, so be it.

But if not, find a way to give our Andrew a chance like anyone else.'

"Recently, when Andrew began waking up in the middle of the night, he asked us if there was someone else in there with him. It's something we heard about from other kids stricken with cancer, and now it's happening to Andrew. One young girl asked her mother, 'don't you see her?'

"It's pretty neat, like there are angels in the room to take him away, or telling him they are not ready yet. With a lot of prayers, maybe they will wait a little longer."

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Berry, Tim. Bowling Green '84, is the Republican candidate for Treasurer of the State of Indiana. Currently serving his second term as Allen County Treasurer and as adjunction faculty in economics at Tri-State University, he and his family live in Fort Wayne.

Bidal, Bob, Arizona '83, joined the adjunct faculty of Northwood University in the Dallas suburb of Cedar Hill, TX. Still a vice president with NationsBank in Dallas, he teaches undergraduate classes in finance and international trade.

Biglow, F. William, Florida '62, received the Stephen H. Coltrin Communications Professor of the Year award from the International Radio and Television Society Foundation in July. A panel of industry experts judged the award based on the educator who best adapted the annual IRTS case study to be used as an actual classroom exercise.

Brotman, Eric D., Pennsylvania '93, was promoted to sales manager at Berkshire Associates, responsible for recruiting and training new salespeople. He and his wife Tammy married last July.

Carper, Tom, Ohio '68, Governor of Delaware, has been spearheading the National Fatherhood Initiative, a group dedicated to increasing the number of children growing up with involved, committed and responsible fathers. At the beginning of the summer, it was announced that he would co-chair the Governor's Task Force on Fatherhood Promotion.

Coghill, Brian J., UNC-Wilmington '96, has been promoted to Financial Consultant at the Merrill Lynch's Greensboro, NC office

Decker, William C., has been appointed Vice President,



Marketing, USA for New Jerseybased Wella Corporation, a global leader in

hair care products. Decker, with 27 years experience in the professional salon industry, he held key management positions in both marketing and sales for other manufacturers.

Doub, William O, Washington & Jefferson '53, received the 1998 U.S. Energy Award at the USEA annual meeting in June. The award is given to outstanding leaders in the energy field who have spent a lifetime contributing to international understanding of energy issues and have supported both the World Energy Council and the U.S. Energy Association. Currently with the Washington, DC law firm of Morgan Lewis and Bockius LLP, Doub began his career as a young attorney and was appointed as People's Counsel for the State of Maryland. He later received the governor's appointment

to serve as Chairman of the Maryland Public Service Commission. Doub later served as a Commissioner for the Atomic Energy Commission, responsible for signing many of the construction permits for a large number of the nuclear plants still in operation.

Ewas Leslie, Western Kentucky '87, was recently promoted to Director of Development at Fox 2000 Pictures, a division of 20th Century Fox Films, in Los Angeles, California. He is currently working with Drew Barrymore on her next film Never Been Kissed and previously worked on such films as Soul Food and the upcoming Ravenous and Best Laid Plans. Before joining Fox

2000, he worked in the agent training program at the William Morris Agency with such clients as Robert Duvall, Bill Bob Thornton and Brendan Fraser.

Previously, he received a law degree from Pepperdine University in Malibu, California.

He plans to continue both the stunt work and the acting "until one of them takes off," he said. His ultimate goal? "To be a big star and to make good movies."

Fording, Edmund H., Jr., Gamma Tau '58, has been named president of the Synthetic Organic Chemical Manufacturers Association in Washington, DC and relocated to Alexandria, VA from Charlotte, NC.

# **Delt Elevated to Presidential Cabinet**

President Clinton has tapped Bill Richardson, *Tufts '68*, the U.S. Ambassador to the United Nations, to replace Federico Pena as Energy Secretary. Pena said in April that he would leave June 30 for the private sector.

Richardson, a former seven-term New Mexico congressman, was on the Energy and Commerce Committee. "He certainly brings a good reputation and considerable legislative experience," says Jim Owen, an Edison Electric Institute spokesman. In announcing the nomination June 18, Clinton noted Richardson's background in issues such as oil and gas deregulation, alternative energy and having energy development meet environmental standards. He also observed that New Mexico is home to the Dept. of Energy's Sandia and Los Alamos laboratories. Scott Denman, executive director of the environmental group Safe Energy Communication Council, calls Richardson's House record on sustainable energy "progressive and positive."

Richardson would be in charge of running DOE's huge bureaucracy. The House Appropriations Committee recently slammed DOE management as "unfocused and inefficient." Also on the agenda: making progress in environmental cleanup and opening the Waste Isolation Pilot Project in his home state.

Gardner, Bryan S., Idaho '85, joined the Nevada Commercial Group of Grubb & Ellis, a national commercial and industrial real estate company as a senior industrial consultant specializing in the leasing and sales of industrial buildings, investments and land sales. Bryan and Holly Putnam recently announced their engagement.

Gratto, Steven E., Purdue '84, has been named a partner of Andersen Consulting, the global management and technology consulting organization with 49,000 employees in 47

countries. A member of Anderson's Technology Competency group aligned to the Chemicals practice, Gratto, who is based in Chicago, has extensive experience in both reengineering business processes and implementing large-scale applications systems.

Gray Jason A., IIT '90, left his position as project manager at J.R. Abbott Construction in Scattle, WA to become the Assistant to the Manager of Corporate Properties of Graybar Electric Company in St. Louis, MO, assisting in the management and construction of Graybar's 280 facilities nationwide. He and his wife live in O'Fallon, IL.

Hanks, Joseph B., Kentucky '87, is General Counsel for TruGreen-Chemlawn, the Tennessee-based landscape contracting giant, focusing on acquisitions. He, his wife and their three children live in Cordoya, TN.

Hetzler, Ronald K., *Illinois* '73, is an associate professor in the Department of Kinesiology and Leisure Science at the University of Hawaii at Manoa. He has been living

with his wife, Wendy on Oahu for the past eight years. He can be emailed at Hetzler@Hawaii.edu.

Heyman, Bill, Wisconsin '89, is an independent computer consultant who specializes in custom software development for Heyman Software, Inc. He recently co-authored the Visual Basic 5 SuperBible for the Waite Group Press. He and his family live in Eden Prairie, MN and can be reached at http://www.heymansoftware.com/~heyman/.

Johnson, Robert D., Florida

# **Ball State Honors Beneficent Delt**

Beneficence is a statue on Ball State's campus honoring the generosity of the five Ball Brothers, one of them Janice Fisher's father, Edmund Burke Ball. That tradition of giving and generosity was a lesson Janice and her husband, John *Tennessee '38*, learned well. E.B. Ball would surely be pleased with what the Fishers have done for the university, the community and beyond. In 1989, the Ball State Board of Trustees approved the creation of The President's Medal to recognize unselfish contributions to the advancement of the university. At the Evening of the Fellows Society and the President's Circle held last April, for their extreme generosity to the university and their commitment to enhancing life in the community and beyond, Ball State demonstrated a small measure of its gratitude by presenting the President's Medal to John and Janice Fisher.

Janice Fisher grew up in Muncie in the home which is now the E.B. and Bertha C. Ball Center for University and



John Fisher, center, flanked by prominent alumni from the Ball State chapter.

Community Programs and part of the Ball State campus. Like her parents, she and her husband decided to make their home in Muncie, rearing seven children there and making significant contributions to the community. They are now the proud grandparents of twenty and have three great-grandchildren.

Meanwhile, John Fisher was working his way through the ranks of what became Ball Corporation and numerous business ventures and associations. After graduating from the University of Tennessee, he became a field secretary for the Fraternity, and then earned an MBA from Harvard. His career at Ball Corporation began in 1941 when he joined as a trainee. In 1954 he became vice president of sales and then corporate vice president in 1963. In 1970 he was named president and CEO and elected chairman and CEO in 1978. In 1981 he retired as CEO and then as chairman of the board in 1986. He has been a director since 1943, overseeing the growth of Ball Brothers to a multifaceted, multinational, publicly traded corporation. In the business world, John Fisher became chairman of the National

Association of Manufacturers—the voice for American industry—as a life director, as well as numerous other directorships for companies in the the banking, telecommunications, energy and furniture industries. He also served two governors as a member of the Indiana Commission for Higher Education. He was a member of the Governor's Commission on Medical Education and presently serves on the East Central Indiana Committee on Medical Education. The Fishers have been long-time and generous supports of Ball State's Museum of Art as well as many other areas of the university. Part of their gift to Ball State's first major capital campaign, "Wings for the Future," was endowing the John and Janice Fisher Chair in Exercise Science, currently held by Dr. Davie Costill. In recognition of the Fishers' generosity to the campaign (the largest private gift), the Wellness Institute was renamed the John and Janice Fisher Institute for Wellness.

State '59, joined 500 relatives and friends in Chicago for the celebration of the 100th anniversary of Delt Herman Berghoff's famous restaurant by the same name. As the editor will attest, if you're ever in Chicago, a side trip to Berghoff's is well-worth the effort. The cheesecake is incredible.

Larson, Fred N., Ohio '63. retired from the Ohio Air National Guard as a Brigadier General after 35 vears of service. During his career he accumulated 7800 flying hours, piloting various fighter and transport aircraft. He commanded the 179th Airlift Wing in Mansfield, Ohio for 91/2 years. For the 2 1/2 years prior to his retirement he served as the Director of Operations at the Headquarters, Ohio Air National Guard in Columbus, OH. In retirement, he and his wife will reside in Lexington, OH, enjoying Lake Erie boating and fishing, as well as golf and gardening.

Leatherman, Don, Michigan State '50, retired from the Arlington [TX] Public Library as Education and Social Science Librarian. He is currently serving as Lt. Governor in the Texas-Oklahoma District of Kiwanis International.

Lockhart, Ross, Bethany '98, recently completed the West Virginia State Police Basic Academy and is currently a member of the Marshall County Sheriff's Department in Marshall County, WV.

Mathews, H. Timothy, Stephen F. Austin State '93, coached his Dallas-based high school wrestling team to another state champi-

onship, his third in a row.

Merle, Pierre F. V., California '59, opened a law office in St. Petersburg, Russia with a gala reception at the Stroganoff Palace. While continuing his practice of corporate and commercial law in New York city where he has practiced for the last 25 years, he has been spending more time in St. Petersburg working with a telecommunications equipment company as well as with the State Russian Museum and the State Hermitage Museum. The office also advises Russian firms wishing to enter the U.S. market and the New York office will offer advice to U.S. firms wishing to enter the Russian market.

Norton, Steven P., Georgia '85, living with his family in London while he is there on assignment with Coopers & Lybrand, announced the birth of a son recently at London's Portland Hospital.

Oliver, Tom, Iowa '81, has joined the Plastics Division of the Grafton, WI-based Rexnord Corporation. He will be responsible for Rexnord's conveyor chain and conveyor components account management coordination program within the soft drink industry.

Ortel, Bruce, Butler '78, retired from the U.S. Navy as

a Lt. Commander, Medical Service Corps. His last assignment while on active duty was a department head and division head at the Naval Aerospace Medical Research Laboratory. During his term there he was awarded the Navy Commendation Medal and the Navy & Marine Corps Achievement Medal for meritorious service in support of the organization's aeromedical research mission, as well as completing a Master's of Public Administration degree at the University of West Florida in Pensacola.

Reed, Jim D., Ball State '78, has been promoted to vice president and corporate controller for Giddings & Lewis, the world's largest machine tool manufacturer, based in Fond du Lac, WI.

Salisbury, Dallas L.,

Washington '71, president
and CEO of the Employee
Benefit Research Institute,
received a 1998 Keystone
Award from the American
Compensation Association.

Shank, W. H., Michigan State '59, writes that his son, Major Bruce A. Shank, Ohio State '86, has been selected for the 1999 Blue Angels U.S. Navy Flight Demonstration Squadron. Bruce has been flying the F/A-18D night attach Hornet at El Toro MCAS from July 1991 to August 1998 with 1800 hours in the F/A-18 and a total of 2000 hours. He assumed his new duties in September at Blue Angels Headquarters in Florida. (See feature this issue.)

Stockton, Matthew, Wabash '97, is serving a Peace Corps assignment in Gabon, formerly known as French Equatorial Africa. He is stationed in Bitamin in an agriculture program. He is shown here after he recently rode his dirty bike (his only means of transport) 80km to the Corps' farm in Oyem, wearing his Delt t-shirt.

Tate, David E., Whitman '85, was promoted to Director of Field Service, San Gabriel Valley Council, Boy Scouts of America. He and his wife Kathryn live in Riverside, CA.

Thomas, Parry M., Florida '70, writes that his teenage daughter Megan and her team, the American Rebels, won the Belgium Cup championship over the July 4th weekend. While scouting a Lorraine [France] cemetery, he also discovered the grave from his father's brother who had been declared Missing in Action after W.W. II.

Weiner, Mark, Syracuse '81, started a new business exporting electronic components to Europe. His new company, Digital Express Intl, in New York City.

Wheeler, Jason S., Colorado State '96, will enter Harvard's Graduate School of Business this fall after a two-year stint as a senior financial analyst at Hewlett-Packard's Silicon Valley headquarters. He, and Kappa Robyn Kelso, married in August.

Whitney, Mason C., Kansas State '70, was promoted to



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the rank of Major General, reporting to the commander of the Air Force Air Combat Command, the largest in the Air Force. The promotion also means a retirement of sorts because his workload will shrink to about 100 days a year, commuting from Colorado to Langley Air Force Base in Virginia. In 1990, Whitney was appointed commander of the 14th Wing, the host unit of Buckley which houses 24 military units, becoming brigadier general in 1992. He is a Vietnam veteran and recipient of the Distinguished Flying Cross and Legion of Merit medals along with many other ribbons.

Whittington, Bryan, Maryland '86, is the new director of local real estate giant W.C. & A.N. Miller's Custom Home Division in Washington, DC. If you are moving to or considering a custom home project in Washington, Bryan can be reached at (202) 895-2731.

Wies, Harold, *Iowa State '27*, was one of four area athletes to win medals this summer in the tenth annual Mississippi Senior Olympics. Wies, 95, won gold medals in three swimming events–50-meter freestyle, 100-meter freestyle and 50-meter backstroke–and one each in the

shotput, discus and singles shuffleboard. Wies qualified for the United States Senior Olympics scheduled for October 1999 in Orlando, Fla, in all six events. He also won gold medals in the following non-qualifying events-



-dominoes, checkers, washer toss and 200-meter walk. "I was very pleased," Wies said of his performance in the age 95-96 age division. "I qualified for everything I wanted to qualify in for nationals, so I'm happy."

Zarifis, Tony, South Dakota '60, has earned the coveted Chartered Financial Consultant designation from the American College in Bryn Mawr, PA. Candidates for the CHFC designation must complete a ten-course curriculum of study and 20 hours of supervised examinations and well as fulfilling stringent experience and ethics requirements.



# **Delt Named to UC-Irvine's Highest Post**

n July 1, Ralph J., Cicerone, MIT '65, assumed the position of chancellor of the University of California, Irvine on July 1. A nationally acclaimed atmospheric scientist was previously dean of the School of Physical Sciences, UC President Richard C. Atkinson said of the appointment, "Ralph Cicerone is a scientist of great distinction who has been active on issues of science policy at the national and international levels. He is a seasoned, effective manager and an accomplished fund-raiser. As a recognized leader on the Irvine campus, he is well positioned to lead the campus as it enters the next century."

As chancellor of UC Irvine, Cicerone will head one of the youngest of UC's nine campuses, which in the 34 years since its founding has ascended into the ranks of the nation's leading research universities. It is nationally recognized for the high quality of its undergraduate programs and six of eight UCI graduate programs are ranked in the top 25 nationally. The campus, whose operations include a medical center, has nearly 18,000 students, 1,200 faculty members and a staff of 6,000. In 1995, UC Irvine became the first public university with faculty receiving two Nobel Prizes in two different fields the same year, one in chemistry and one in physics.

Ciccerone's research interests center on atmospheric chemistry and climate change. Last fall, he was one of six American scientists to receive a prestigious United Nations award for research that seeks to protect the earth's fragile ozone layer. In the 1970s, he conducted research into ozone depletion by chlorine gas and found that rocket exhaust could damage the ozone layer by emitting hydrogen chloride into the stratosphere.

Before joining UCI, Cicerone was a senior scientist and director of the Atmospheric Chemistry Division at the National Center for Atmospheric Research in Boulder, CO. IN a succession of appointments at the University of Michigan from 1971 to 1978, he was a research scientist, a lecturer in the Department of Electrical Engineering and an assistant professor in the Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering. From 1978 to 1981, he was a research chemist at the Scripps Institute of Oceanography at UC San Diego.

Cicerone received his bachelor's degree in electrical engineering from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. He received both his master's degree and Ph.D from the University of Illinois.



# A Mission of Health and Hope

hen the Luong
Son clinic opened
in a rural village
outside of Hanoi earlier this
year, more than 200 people
waited outside. Some of
them had never before seen
a doctor.

Thanks largely to the efforts of Jim Larson, *Illinois* '65, and his wife Anh, those Vietnamese peasants and a couple thousand of their neighbors now have regular medical care available in their village. They are learning about nutrition beyond their basic diet of rice and corn and eventually their farms will produce the variety of foods needed to improve and sustain their health.

"We don't want to be a bunch of Americans who come in, spend some money and leave," said Jim Larson, a Vietnam Veteran who runs the Cal State Credit Union in Santa Rose. "We're in this for the long haul."

Larson serves on the board of directors of Santa Rosa-based Vietnam Veterans of California, a vets' group that since 1980 has operated a wide variety of social service programs in Sonoma and other Northern California counties. A few years ago, when the group decided to extend its efforts to Vietnam, they turned to Larson and his wife.

Born in Hanoi, Anh had moved with her family to South Vietnam when the country was divided in 1954. She was a student at the University of Saigon when in 1968 she was recruited as a language instructor by the U.S. government. She met Larson in her classroom at Fort Bliss, Texas.

"He was one of my worst students," she laughs.

"I was distracted!" Larson replies.

After his graduation from the University of Illinois, Larson spent much of 1970 in the Army infantry in Vietnam's western Tay Ninh Province, an area that became a political and military flashpoint when President Richard Nixon expanded the war across the border into Cambodia.

The couple married in 1971 and came to Santa Rose in 1977, when Larson was made chief executive officer of Cal State. Anh Larson is a loan officer for North American Mortgage

They first traveled to Vietnam together in 1993.

"We went to Saigon and were struck by the poverty," says Jim Larson. But later, when they traveled north to visit Anh's relatives in Hanoi, "we found it was even worse,"

Anh Larson's aunt, Le
Thi Ngoc Anh, is head of the
department of nutrition at
the Hanoi School of
Medicine. She told the
Larsons of the plight of rural
children-more than half of
kids under 6 in the Luong
Son area suffer from malnutrition-and the couple
returned home with an idea
about how Vietnam Veterans
of California could help the
people of Vietnam.

The couple has traveled to Vietnam a half dozen times in the last 4 1/2 years. With help from Anh's aunt and the chairman of the district's People's Committee, they bypassed government red tape and were able to organize a project with the village residents.

In March, they returned to see residents tap the vil-

lage's first well, fresh water made possible with money from American veterans. They bought two truckloads of medical equipment and supplies in Hanoi and brought them to a simple building in the village, and hung out their sign.

"We wondered if anyone would show up," Jim Larson says.

They needn't have worried. More than 200 people came the first day.

"We met people on the road who had walked all day form the mountains when they heard there was a doctor in town," he said.

The clinic since has been open three days a month, serving 400 to 600 people a month for everything from childbirth to malaria. The doctors come from Hanoi, and are paid \$1 a day.

"We're able to keep the clinic open for about \$400 a month," says Peter Cameron, executive director of Vietnam Veterans of California. "We're able to make a tremendous impact with just a little money."

But, he says, the group is not satisfied. "The next phase is to start up nutrition training for the people of the area," where the average dietary intake is 16 percent below the World Health Organization's minimum recommendation of 400 calories, he says. "Then we want to begin some agricultural economic development, making loans to small farmers for new crops and farm animals that can help them raise their standard of living.

"And ultimately, we want to replicate this project. There are many other villages with the same needs. We don't want this to be a flash in the pan, but the beginning of a long-term relationship between Vietnamese and Americans"

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# Delt Publisher Draws from the Past to Face the Future

dwin L. Heminger's newspaper once dhad an anemic circulation of 125, sold fullpage ads for a scant dollar apiece, and was reported, printed and hand-delivered by the publisher to slash overhead. Small wonder it turned a \$200 profit during a four-year period. However, Heminger was only 9 at the time, and the pastime paper was printed on a hand-me-down job press stashed in the basement of his family home. In 1952, he became the third generation of his family to work for The Courier, the considerably larger daily his grandfather, Isaac Newton Heminger, first joined in 1886 as a part-time reporter.

Heminger's childhood experience translates well into the job of publisher and chairman of the board of Findlay Publishing co., where, as in many smaller markets, family history, community responsibilities and modern-day publishing pressures still intersect.

A town of 35,000 in northwest Ohio, Findlay has managed to escape the Rust Belt stereotype plaguing much of the industrial Midwest. A

combination of automotive and light manufacturing, aggressive economic development, and a growing university place the community among the top 10 percent statewide in income and education. Moderate population growth, however makes circulation trends all the more glaring. Findlay's economic prosperity cuts both ways for the paper as fast-food joints compete with The Courier for carriers, still predominately early-rising youths meeting the paper's longstanding 6 a.m. delivery time. With more vacancies than ever, managers and district managers often shoulder carrier bags and walk the streets themselves.

Like many papers its size, The Courier faces scant direct competition, particularly with no local television station and several radio stations within the corporate stable. Cable television and a half-dozen shoppers still "nibble away," Heminger adds.

Having persuaded his father to retire a vegetable cart used to haul newspapers in favor of an automobile while in high school, Heminger kept technology in the forefront during his career at The Courier, which moved to cold type and offset printing without the ugly labor disputes that characterized the transition at other Midwestern papers. The paper and its union parted ways in the 1970s.

"We aren't necessarily the first one out of the box," Heminger concedes. But the paper's

size and open doors between departments eased the introduction of new tools. Guided by Heminger's son, Karl, whose engineering background provides valuable perspective in his role as associate publisher and production manager, The Courier prepares to complete a three-year transition to full pagination and has embraced newmedia technology with panache not seen by many smaller-market papers.

At one point, the Heminger family owned the local Republican and Democratic newspapers. A staunch Republican, Heminger's father felt compelled to write editorials for both publications. "Local Democratic leaders told him he wrote better editorials than when it was owned by true Democrats," Heminger says.

As the trend to sell family-owned newspapers to large media conglomerates, Heminger says, "The future is uncertain and getting more challenging all the time." Inheritance taxes, among other issues, cloud the situation. Yet four nextgeneration family members now working in the plant offer something many independent publishers lack-an unbroken chain. "Each newspaper hits a generation where that isn't the case." Heminger observes. "We've been fortunate that each succeeding generation has been able to sustain that thread."

# **Delt Finds Solution to Y2K Dilemma**

n January 1, 2000, the world's mainframe computers, most of which were programmed to read years as two-digit numbers, will suddenly be confounded by a figure, 00, that could mean 2000 or 1900. ATMs could stop giving money; air-traffic controllers might lose track of planes. Companies all over the world are spending billions trying to solve the problem. Delt Bob Bemer, an industry pioneer who helped devise ASCII, the code that made worldwide computer communication possible, believes he can help. Says the retired 78-year-old engineer: "People under 30 are sort of stunned that I've come up with the solution."

The need is clear. Chase Manhattan is expected to spend up to \$250 million to address the problem; the federal government will reportedly shell out \$3.8 billion. Bemer says he can fix it for a lot less—about \$300,000 per mainframe computer, including the cost of a program he has devised. He says his product, called Vertex 2000, adjusts a computer's object code—the computer's native language—so that years can be expressed as four-digit numbers. "We expanded it right here and put it back to where it used to be," says Bemer, who lives in Phoenix. "It's so simple."

Does it work? If it does, says Skip Patterson, executive director of Bell Atlantic's Year 2000 project, "it'll be faster and cheaper than other tools we've seen." But Ken Cappas, a spokesman for EDS information services, say his firm is not yet convinced Bemer's invention is "adaptable to the marketplace." The jury is still out, but Bemer is certain of one thing: He had an advantage over those whippersnapper twenty-something programmers. "I could [do it] because I'm old," he says. "I've seen the beginning." *–Reprinted from People magazine.* 

n my short tenure with Delta Tau Delta, I have spent a majority of my time working with our House Corporation volunteers. Having gained tremendous respect for these "silent warriors" of the Fraternity, it is my hope to say thank you to all who have contributed through this vital role in our fraternity through the heart and spirit of two dedicated volunteers who recently entered the Chapter Eternal.

# Dale Kimble,

Gamma Theta '67, Baker University

Brother Kimble to me was a model of "servant leadership". Selfless service, on behalf of our undergraduates, our alumni and our brotherhood, is how I will always remember Dale. I worked with Dale closely on all the typical House Corporation issues over my first two years on staff. During that time, I worked with Dale exclusively over the phone and developed great respect for him. Even though I had never met Dale in person there was something in his voice; something in our conversation that told me Dale was special. I then had the tremendous pleasure of meeting Dale in December 1997 at the Fraternity's "Karnea kick-off" banquet with local alumni in Kansas City. Dale and I talked in detail regarding his vision of a renovated shelter house at Gamma Theta. Baker Delts know this as Project 21, "Preparing the Shelter for the 21st Century."

To explain the impression Dale left on me, I will borrow words written by "Danny Delt", in a recent Gamma Theta alumni newsletter regarding a conversation

they had discussing "Project 21."

You could see the gleam in his eve as he shared his vision of how the shelter would look after the renovation. We developed a plan for a Sacred Triangle, where men could sit and reflect among the By Duane names of those who Wimer had entered the Chapter Eternal, it was a site to behold. I knew at that moment that we would raise the necessary funding to do the complete renovation and that Dale was going to put his heart and soul into the project to make it happen.'

Yes, the gleam in his eye; anyone who has seen that knows why Dale lives in all who met him.

On April 22, 1998, Dale suffered severe head trauma from a fall. Two days later, Dale entered the Chapter Eternal and left behind his dream of Project 21. Dale also left behind that "gleam in his eye." That gleam is what will cause others to carry the flag. Yes, Brotherhood sustains us. Thank you for your service Brother.

#### Craig Standish,

Omicron '84, University of Iowa

y relationship with Brother Craig Standish began in the same manner as my relationship with Dale Kimble. Numerous phone conversations working through the myriad of issues from insurance, food service, shelter maintenance and renovation, to "how do I help a young man make his grades." Craig worked tirelessly to renovate the Omicron Chapter house and provide the best possible

living space he could for Omicron undergraduate Delts. He was constantly sending me video tapes of the latest upgrade or improvement. I met Craig on several occasions at division conferences and Karnea educational

sessions. He never missed an opportunity to learn more about how he could maintain or improve the Omicron shelter.

The thing I remember most in regard to Craig was his passion. Similar to Dale, it was in his eyes. Whenever we discussed the Omicron shelter, he got wide-eyed and energetic.

On May 6, 1998, Craig Standish entered the Chapter Eternal after an early morning automobile accident. Craig had a passion for the Omicron Chapter of Delta Tau Delta that can only be described by that look in his eves when he spoke of the next planned improvement to the shelter. That passion in Craig's eyes is what will cause others to carry the flag. Yes, Brotherhood sustains us. Thank you for your service Brother.

Finally, as the eyes of these men and their love for Delta Tau Delta is so indicative of the commitment to our Fraternity demonstrated by our House Corporation volunteers, it is imperative that we say thank you to all who have served or are serving in this capacity. Therefore, through the heart, spirit and eves of Dale Kimble and Craig Standish and on behalf of the Fraternity I now say to our House Corporation volunteers: Yes, Brotherhood sustains us. Thank you for your service Brother.

For those brothers who wish to show respect for the lives of these individuals through memorial contributions, the family suggests:

Onbehalf of Dale Kimble, memorial contributions can be sent to:

Gamma Theta/
Delta Tau Delta Project 21
4701 College Blvd, Suite 102
Leawood, Kansas 66211
On behalf of Craig

On behalf of Craig Standish, memorial contributions can be sent to:

Barbara Standish Childrenis Education 2236 Abbey Lane Iowa City, Iowa 52246

# Fraternity Bids Farewell to Cornerstones



our recent article "The Y Challenge of Change" left me unfulfilled. The article attempted to chronicle the Fraternity's tortuous path from bigotry to a membership based on the principle of equality. Yet, the current policy, if I understand it, is one which provides "for a procedure whereby membership or prospective membership in the Fraternity any individual could be questioned by any member on the basis of the individual's acceptability to the Fraternity as a whole." What exactly does this mean? Moreover, exactly what are Fraternity standards for membership? You say in your article that the current wording is essentially the same as wording of a century earlier where the only question asked was "are you 15 years old?" I don't read it that way. Shouldn't we have a firm, unequivocal statement regarding membership so as to encourage pledging members on merit, regardless of color or creed?

-Ronald E. Narmi Iowa State '55 Alexandria, VA

The recent article in v. 122 n.3 Rainbow regarding the history of discrimination in the Fraternity was not just interesting and enlightening, but gutsy. While it is often easier to pretend these issues never occurred, it is always proper and beneficial to all to address them, and learn from our past history. I congratulate you for your honesty and forthrightness.

—Bud Banker UC-Santa Barbara '64

U.S. Army Major Archibald Willingham Butt is a deservedly famous Delt whose portrait graced the cover of the *Rainbow's*  last issue. As Teddy Roosevelt's military aide, and later as Taft's, he earned a reputation for reliability and integrity; and as the hero who took charge of the sinking Titanic to see to it women and children were saved, he is immortalized. It is an interesting postscript to the story that his portraitpainted from the photograph on the cover of the Rainbow by Harold L. Macdonald in 1923-now hangs in the U.S. Capitol office of another Delt...vours truly!

—U.S. Rep. Christopher Cox U.S.C. '73 Chairman, House Policy Committee Washington, DC

I was very impressed and excited with the article on Major Archibald Butt. I have read many articles regarding Mjr. Butt and the article contained in the Rainbow was by far the most thorough and interesting I have read. I have been to pay my respects at Mjr. Butt's memorial and have been very interested in this great Delt for many years.

—Harry Graham Beta Theta '34

The last issue was great.
The article on Major
Butt was very moving and
also the discussion on students who are in limbo
about getting their masters
was very helpful for myself.
—Scott Goehringer

—Scott Goehringer Moravian College '99

What a great issue!
Being a Delt's wife
from Augusta and an avid
historian, I was thrilled to
see your article on Major
Archibald Butt. I'm a member of several historical societies in August and I'd love
to give a copy of your article
to a few of them for their

archives, since we almost lost the Butt Memorial Bridge a few years ago to "progress" until public outcry raised the funds to "Save our Butt."
—Susie (Mrs. Trey) Allen

—Susie (Mrs. Trey) Allen Augusta, GA

Iread with great interest your feature about Archibald Butt and his role in the Titanic disaster. However, the last time I was there [June 1998] the Harland and Wolff shipyards were in Belfast, *not* Dublin. Keep up the good work.

—Robert E. VanVoorhis, Jr. Iowa State '71 Cedar Falls, IA

[And in Belfast they are..and indeed have always been. - The Editor]

Irecently received the Spring issue of the Rainbow. My wife, after reading the article on Archibald Butt, the Titanic hero, realized that he is her ancestor. Could you please send us the names of Archibald Butt's parents and grandparents? My email address is bsquidly@aol.com.

Eric W. Teather Maryland '88 Elkton, MD

[Any history or genealogy buffs out there who could help Brother Teather with this one? – The Editor]

The Autobiography of William Colfax Markham, founding father of Gamma Theta Chapter, reported that President Taft visited Baker University: and from the story. "The Markham home is but two blocks from the church, but the President rode in that seven-passenger car to the Markham door step. Carrie (Markham's wife) and I greeted the President at the door and he grasps my hand he graciously said: 'Mr. Postmaster, it is a great pleasure to be invited to a home'; and he grasped Carrie's hand he added: 'such a relief from public places and

hotel surroundings. I certainly thank you.' Right at his shoulder stood immaculately groomed, and with military dignity, his aide Major Archibald W. Butt. As Major Butt grasped my hand I gave him our fraternity grip and he exclaimed; 'By George, are you a Delt?' to which I pleaded guilty. The Major accompanied the President to his room, then came down the stairs two steps at a time and helped us greet the other guests." [Four Months Later:] "The scene shifts to the offices of the Associated Press in Kansas City. It is the night of April 20, 1912. A big husky Irishman was at the key taking down the news and recording items on vellow waxed sheets. I know a man who sat next to him. That man learned to be a printer in my office. In the midst of the routine tapping of the keys, the Irishman, suddenly pushed back his chair and rising cried out Look at that. The Titanic has sunk and that man Butt is the hero of the hour. D-me, I have cursed him and his gold braid for months, 'as the tears ran down his face, he choked as he added: 'But I couldn't die like that." [Washington DC April 20]

[Washington DC April 20]
"Among the hundreds of messages of condolence received at the White House today, one from Baldwin, Kansas, is quoted in the local papers here this evening as having especially affected the President. It was from W.C. Markham, who wired the President that the people of Baldwin were greatly moved by the tragedy. He added: 'The Baldwin church where Major Butt attended services with you last September, holds memorial services Sunday.'"

—John Blake Baker '83 Minneapolis, MN

#### BASEBALL

Stanford pitcher Chad Hutchinson posted a 10-5 record with 115 strikeouts in 99 innings for the 42-14-1 Cardinals. He gained All-Pacific-10 Southern Division honorable mention and was Southern Division Player of the Week after an 8 inning, 9 strikeout performance against Arizona State in early May. Chad was selected by the St. Louis Cardinals in the second round of the summer free agent draft. Cardinal head coach Mark Marquess, Stanford '69, was again named Southern Division Coach of the Year. Reliever Geoff Kornberg got into 10 contests for the 18-18-1 Cornell squad while outfielder Mike Coleman appeared in 13 games for Wright State. Leading the Stevens Tech staff in innings pitched (57) and strikeouts (38) was Matt Berlinger. Bethany's Bill Thomas hit .353 (19 of 54) as a third baseman and also won 2 games on the mound.

Gaining All-North Coast
Athletic Conference second
team selection was Case Western
Reserve's top hurler, **Matt Borto**, who had a 5-3 record,
3.79 earned run average and 54
strikeouts in 57 innings. He also
played in the infield, batting
.231 with 2 homers. Also seeing
action for CWRU were infielder



Eric Fradette (.286 in 13 games) and pitcher Ben Haskell (8 appearances).

Another Delt named to the All-NCAC second team was Kenyon co-captain/pitcher **John Hobson**, who led his staff in appearances (11), and was second in innings (58.1), strikeouts (47) and complete games (8). He had 14 strikeouts in a win over Earlham.

First baseman Richie Chatham was a regular again for the 26-19 Baker NAIA playoff team before breaking his arm against Kansas. Before the injury, he batted .326 (14 of 43). First sacker Ty Molitor (26 starts) and Rookie of the Year Chad Waller, who pitched and played second base, were regulars for the Lawrence squad. Seeing action for LaGrange were catcher Scott Bowman and pitchers Chad Beland and Brent Blankenship.

## **PRO BASEBALL**

As the major league season moved toward mid-season, there were some unusual developments. Baltimore Orioles ace Mike Mussina, Stanford '91, spent time on the disabled list recuperating from a broken nose after being felled by a line drive. He returned to the active roster in early June. Texas hurler Rick Helling, Stanford '94, picked up his AL-leading 9th win on June 14th and Toronto outfielder Shawn Green, Stanford '95, had hit 12 homers by mid-lune.

The Seattle Mariners promoted outfielder-first baseman David McCarty, Stanford '92, to their big league roster in late May but returned him to Tacoma on June 11th. After leading the Southern

League in RBI for
Mobile, outfielder
Dusty Allen,
Stanford '95, was
promoted to the
Padres' Las Vegas
PCL club in late May.
Former major leaguer Paul

Carey, Stanford '90, is manager of the Texas Rangers' Savannah Class A rookie league club.

# TRACK

Earning All-American honors at the NCAA Division I meet was **Justin Strand** of Stanford, who placed eighth in the hammer throw (218-9). Earlier, he

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placed fifth at the Pac-10 meet with a 224-0 throw. Pole vaulter **Justin Calame** of Missouri reached a career best 16-0 in winning the Missouri Invitational. He also won the SEMO All-Sports Relays (15-6) and placed sixth at the Florida Relays (15-9 1/4).

Trent Davis also did some pole vaulting for Indiana.

Florida State's Chris
Osborn placed second in the
high jump at the Atlantic Coast
Conference outdoor meet (69.75). Earlier, he won the
Florida Inviational title with a
leap of 6-11.75, tying a personal
best mark. Chris also had a
third place finish at the FSU
Relays.

Freshman Colin Smith won the third individual NCAA Division III championship in DePauw history after throwing the discus 164-6. Earlier, he won the ICAC title with a season best of 170-4. Colin also had the Tigers' best hammer throw (158-6) and shot put (42-11 1/2).

Also competing for DePauw were **Tim Sutton** (best of 51.73 for 400 meters); **Mike Griffin** (bests of 11.55 for 100 meters and 23.6 for 200 meters); **Tom Henshaw** (bests of 58.26 for the 400 meter hurdles and 6-2 in the high jump); and **Austin Johnson** (best of 138-10 in the jayelin)

Bowling Green State's Jim Weckesser placed fourth in the 300 meter steeplechase (9:04.50) during the Mid-American Conference outdoor meet. He also clocked best times of 15:06.24 over 5000 meters and 4:01.37 for 1500 meters. Shawn Bowden of Western Michigan had the team's top 110 meter hurdles time (14.57) and was sixth at the MAC meet. Miami's



Berliner



Varga



Kinsler



**John Walker** had season bests of 11.17 for 100 meters, 21-7 1/4 in the long jump and 44-9 in the triple jump.

Dave Wymer of Ohio Wesleyan won the outdoor NCAC title in the long jump (20-10 1/2) and placed third in the triple jump (43-7). His outdoor personal best triple jump this spring was 45-10. During the indoor NCAC meet, Dave was fifth in the triple jump. Serving as captain of the M.I.T. indoor squad was distance runner Mike Parkins.

Three Moravian Delts made good contributions. James Hilliary was Middle Atlantic Conference outdoor champ at 10,000 meters and placed second at 5000 meters. MAC All-Academic pick Chris Lowthert placed fifth in the indoor MAC 5000 meter event. He later placed sixth at 10,000 meters and eighth at 5000 meters during the MAC outdoor meet. Dave Connor competed in the javelin for Moravian.

# GOLF

Academic All-Big 12 selection Ryan Nietfeldt of Nebraska played in the NCAA championships and averaged 75.91 over 24 fall/spring rounds. He tied for eighth at the UTSA Invitational and had low rounds of 69 at the Legends of Indiana Invitational and 70 in the NCAA second round.

Darren Resler led George Washington with a 79.9 average over 30 fall/spring rounds. He placed 33rd (including a season best 74) at the William & Mary Kingsville meet and was 35th at the Bethpage-St. Johns Invitational. Also seeing action for GWU were Gregory Kroll and Ed Zalewski.

Co-captain Greg McCarthy was one of Kenyon's top performers and had a 15th place finish at the Kenyon Cup tournament. James Lisher and Paul Schneider were regulars for Wabash and played in the ICAC meet. George Lemmon was a key player again for Albion while Justin Mills and Rahul Kalsi were regulars for Lawrence.

# **TENNIS**

Derrick Nguyen of Northwestern posted a 13-12 doubles record and also played #3 singles. Teammate Brian Moss also saw action for the Wildcats. Kenyon's Mark Reverman posted a 13-7 singles record (primarily at #5-6). Regulars for Case Western Reserve were Matt Strickland (10-8 in singles), Matt Jameson (8-5 in doubles) and Colin Failey.

Delts dominated the Bethany squad, which had a 13-5 dual record and PAC second place finish. Shawn O'Kelley was 13-4 at #2 doubles and won the PAC crown. Mike Mezerski was 16-5 at #1 singles and 15-5 at #1 doubles, placing second in both flights at the PAC meet. Jamie Hall was 13-7 at #4 singles and 13-4 at #2 doubles, also placing second in both PAC flights. Josh Cooke was 14-6 at #6 singles with a second place PAC finish. He played doubles with Jamie Hall and had a second place PAC finish.

Four Delts were members of the Westminster squad. Blake Cogbill had a 7-5 singles record while Scott Crosby posted a 6-4 mark. Wes Sperry and Aaron Morris were also regulars for the Blue Jays. Gonzalo Garcia-

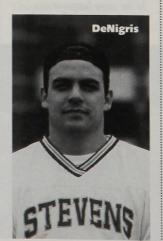
Pedroso posted a 5-5 mark at #5 singles for Moravian. Regulars on the LaGrange squad were Bryan Coates and Peter Giles.

#### **OTHER SPORTS**

Two Delt midfielders were key players for the 9-4 Kenyon lacrosse squad. Matt Glassman led the team with 90 ground balls and picked up 3 assists. Matt Crusey scored 11 points (7 goals, 4 assists) while grabbing 55 ground balls. Starting in goal for Stevens Tech was Tom Boscia, who posted 199 saves. Attackman Jared DeNigris was second in goals (20) and points (30). Contributing 15 goals to the Ducks' cause was midfielder Brian Towers.

Lawrence hockey star Toby Kinsler was named Co-Most Valuable Player of the Great Lakes Collegiate Hockey Association. He led the 12-8-1 Vikings in goals (33), assists (23) and points (56), finishing his career as the school's all-time top scorer and winning All-GLCHA first team honors for the second time.

On the All-GLCHA second team for Lawrence was defenseman **Chris Henderson** (15 goals, 11 assists). Gaining hon-



orable mention were goalie
Brian Harrison (358 saves),
defenseman Brad Manning (6
goals, 8 assists) and forward Ben
Sezer (12 goals, 23 assists).
Other fine players were forward
Jerry Vasicko (11 goals, 14
assists), Justin Mills (8 goals, 15
assists), defenseman Pat Bond
(5 goals, 6 assists), defenseman
Patrick Dench (8 assists), forward Brad Searl and forward
Rvan VanderWeilen.



Pete Varga was a leading player for the 19-8 Stevens Tech volleyball team and ranked 11th in NCAA Division III digs per game (3.25, total of 263). He was also third in kills with 203 and service aces with 18. Pete finished his career with a school record 746 digs.

Chosen in the NFL pro football draft were three Delts from Stanford. The 63rd player selected was fullback Jon Ritchie, who went to the Oakland Raiders in the third round. Defensive end Carl Hansen was selected by the Seattle Seahawks in the sixth round while linebacker Jon Haskins was a seventh round choice of the San Diego Chargers.

**DUANE ALLEN**, *Texas A&M-Commerce '66*, is now seen weekly on The Nashville Network's "The Oak Ridge Boys Live From Las Vegas".

DREW CAREY, Kent State '79, has added "recording artist" to his resume with the April release of Rhino Records' *Music From the Drew Carey Show.*Excerpts of musical bits from the show, the "Cleveland Rocks" theme and the major production numbers are included along with two versions of Drew's vocal on "Moon Over Parma".



GREG JENNINGS, Oklahoma State '76, reunited with three other original members of Restless Heart, one of the top country groups from 1985 to 1994. In May, RCA released their Greatest Hits CD, which includes 13 past hits and three newly recorded tracks "No End to This Road", "For Lack of Better Words" and "Somebody's Gonna Get That Girl". The group is on tour with Vince Gill through the summer.



**BEN LOGGINS**, *Texas Tech* '73, has had acting roles in such films as *Bottle Rocket* and was costunt coordinator on *Selena*.

JAMES MARSDEN, Oklahoma State '94, is starring in Disturbing Behavior, which was released in theaters during August..

PAT O'BRIEN, South Dakota '70, saw the release of his first book, Talkin' Sports: A B.S.-er's Guide, in April. Published by Villard, the book features his tips on how to shoot the bull like a sports expert and provides numerous fun facts and trivia on all major sports and the Olympics.



RED DIRT RANGERS, an up and coming country group, includes BOB WILES, Oklahoma State '81, and BRAD PICCOLO, Oklahoma State '83. The group's second CD, Oklahoma Territory, received good reviews and includes "Used To Be", co-written by Bob and later covered by "The Great Divide". The Red Dirt Rangers have appeared in concert with Asleep at the Wheel, Arlo Guthrie, Kevin Welch and limmy LaFave, among others, and toured Europe in the summer of 1997. A bluegrass version of Prince's 1999 will be released as a single in December and a new CD is in the works for next year.

#### DAVID SCHWIMMER,

Northwestern '88, starred in Six Days, Seven Nights with Harrison Ford during the summer after leaving TV viewers hanging over his wedding situation in the season finale of Friends.

## PHILIP RAYBURN SMITH.

Northwestern '88, made his movie acting debut in the film Since You've Been Gone (directed by David Schwimmer).

# **Delt's Film Career Soars Sky High**



ohn Sakas isn't really an Uzi-toting terrorist. The Colonie native just plays one in the Jean-Claude Van Damme movie Double Team which opened last year. In the movie, says Sakas, "There's a big gun battle and I manage to kill a few people before they kill me," when he makes his appearance in an amusement park scene. Double Team isn't the first movie for Sakas, who has built himself a film career as a stunt man and helicopter pilot since he left his more conventional—and financially lucrative—career as a marketer for a phar-

maceutical firm. For those with a sharp eye, Sakas can also be spotted in all three of the *Naked Gun* movies, *Scent of a Woman* and *Apollo 13*.

The son of Elsa and Jack Sakaes, 36-year-old John Sakas grew up on Ferris Road, graduating from Colonie High School. In college, he took a business path, graduating from Purdue with a degree in management. The closest he got to the film business back home was a job as an usher at the old Fox Theater on Wolf Road in his senior year in high school and fresman year in college. And he had no interest in flying while he was growing up. Now, flying helicopters is one of his greatest thrills. "You tilt at all different angles and get to see all sorts of things," he said. Sakas did a bit of acting at Purdue, but didn't immerse himself in the business until much later, when he became involved in a company that flies helicopters and small planes for movies, TV shows and commercials. He learned to pilot and launched his film career, one augmented by stunt work like the role in *Double Team*. He's taken a few risks, including hanging from the skid of a flying helicopter, but emerged with just a few bumps and bruises, he said. "The stunts are really so well planned out, that's its not really dangerous these days," he said.

For the past three years, Sakas has also been a regular member of the "At the Drop of a Hat" improvisational group creating one-hour shows based on suggestions from the audience. "That's fun. I don't look at it as being difficult," he said. He's done a number of television commercials, including the New York Lottery, Stanley Tools, Diet Dr. Pepper, Taco Bell, Nintendo and National Chevy and a movie for HBO. Other credits include <code>BASEketball</code>, <code>My Fellow Americans</code>, and <code>Starship Troopers</code>.

# Elway

By John Elway

John Elway, Stanford '83, is one of the NFL's top five all-time passing leaders in yardage, attempts, completions and touchdowns. He has rewritten the Broncos' record book, and on January 25, 1998, brought the Denver Broncos their first Super Bowl championship.

He is the NFL leader in comeback victories and his numerous honors include being named NFL's MVP in 1987 and the AFC Player of the Year in 1993. John has been elected to six Pro Bowls and played in four Super Bowls.

In *Elway*, he shares his life in pictures and in words. He invited award-winning photographer Marc Serota to follow him through his great seasons. The result is this collection of incredible photographs, capturing

moments
of jubilation, as
well as private
moments
with his
family,
friends
and teammates.

John was the number one draft pick of the famous quarter-

back draft of 1983. He is the first of his class to capture the elusive ring and he will play in his 15th NFL season in 1998.

The Real Ideal By Mark Sincevich



Many people are stuck in jobs they don't like, but Mark Sincevich, Maryland '87, of Chevy Chase, has written a book about how to deal with that situation.

The Real Ideal, self-published by Staash Press of Bethesda, is a product of 10 years of keeping a journal, Sincevich said.

Each chapter has "short stories, motivational poetry and insightful questions" relating to life and how a person can change what he or she doesn't like about his or her life, he said.

Sincevich, 33, said that he was applying for graduate school in 1989 and wrote notes on each school in a journal. He kept it with him constantly and added poems and notes about his life for eight years.

But after unsuccessfully offering his manuscript for *The Real Ideal* to 86 publishing houses in 1996-1997, he put the idea aside. Nine months later, when he was having trouble with a girlfriend, he said he picked up the notes and realized the ideas were timeless.

"It applied to people's lives in general," Sincevich said.

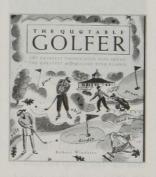
He said he decided his ideas needed to be published to help people cope during tough times in their lives. The book also served as a springboard for Sincevich to express his ideas in person through speaking engagements.

"I wanted legitimacy so I had to put the book out to get to the next level" he said.

Now Sincevich said he helps people through seminars and appearances throughout book stores. In the future, Sincevich said he plans to write an adventure novel for a second book, keeping the same theme as *The Real Ideal*.

"It's about a person leaving his job, about a person following his heart, but also paying the bills," he said.

Sincevich is the president of Resonance Production Group, his own computer and marketing consulting firm. The book is available at Barnes & Noble and Border's Books.



# The Quotable Golfer By Robert Windeler

Published to coincide with The Masters Tournament, The Quotable Golfer: The Greatest Things Ever Said About The Greatest @\*!!?#! Game Ever Played by Robert Windeler, Duke '62, contains more than 800 anecdotes, witticisms, and quotes by professional and amateur golfers, celebrities, public figures as well as many others. The book is organized into two sections,

The Front Nine covering Golf Through the Ages; Rules, Etiquette and Other Lost Arts; Links, Courses and Country Clubs. The second section features quotes and anecdotes about the people who make golf great: the champions, the caddies and the power game: kings, premiers and presidents.



WHAT EVERY EMPLOYER MUST KNOW

R.W. DECKERT

# Stopping Employee Theft

By Rick Deckert

Employee theft is a problem for every type of employer, from the large corporation to the small mom and pop run store. Depending on what source is quoted, the yearly loss to employers from employee theft is between 10 to 40 billion dollars a year. Most experts predict that one out of three employees will steal from their employer if given the opportunity.

For over 20 years in his insurance career, Rick Deckert, Maryland '69, has investigated employee theft losses in professional practices, businesses and industry. In the past few years he has focused on employee dishonesty investigations and lecturing insurance professionals on employee theft and risk management.

The 1998 Delta Tau Delta Leadership Academy:

# A Matter of Perspective

s we bounced along in our van from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania through the wooded hills towards Bethany, West Virginia, an excited banter filled the air. The half-dozen of us passed the travel time with talks of summer vacations, the inevitable demise of the Utah Jazz and the questionable driving aptitude of our escort until our arrival. Lurching to a halt at our destination, we exited our overheated, smoking vehicle. The haze above the van's engine did not go unnoticed as a reminder of the effort required to go back to Pittsburgh on that 'Ride of Midnight' so many years ago. This seemingly small token of our Fraternity and her members' dedication proved to foreshadow the events that were about to transpire. We moved our belongings into the Zeta Tau Alpha sorority house that was vacated for the summer. Despite our living arrangements, it was abundantly clear upon meeting the other nineteen fellow attendants of the Academy that this was mistakably a Delta Shelter. We spoke briefly until dinner amidst our group now in its entirety among the cornucopia of sweet delights undoubtedly provided to assist us in our late night academic efforts.

The Academy officially kicked off after dinner with the invocation of the Charge of the Academy delivered by David Hughes. The next morning and every morning thereafter we arose from a

fleeting slumber after a long night of work and socializing to eat breakfast together. After breakfast, classes began. Each one of us had read Stephen Covey's The Seven Habits of Highly Effective People in preparation for this retreat. Daily, a group of us would make a presentation on selected concepts from the book. Each group was given a wide degree of freedom and results were always astounding. Mock towns were built. Heated debates were held. Case studies were discussed. All of these being the independent creation of the group members. Supplementing these demonstrations were mission statement development exercises, videos, and speakers. The orators varied in both the areas of expertise and perspectives on leadership thus adding to our broad experience. The involvement and knowledge of the Academy facilitators also proved to be invaluable to us in our discovery of the fundamentals of leadership. After a long day of class work, we all retired to our temporary Delta Shelter. The NBA Finals were always a favorite pastime. Those of us that had presentations to deliver on the following day worked tirelessly into the night with the assistance of excessive amounts of Ho-Ho's, chips, and ice cream bars. Until no amount of Snickers Bars could keep our heavy eyes open, talks of world politics, the NBA Finals and the practical applications of Covey's principles to the Fraternity expe-

rience filled the night.

The culmination of our Academy experience resulted in a wonderful graduation dinner. Great food coupled with encouraging remarks from our facilitators made for a memorable evening. Each of us were also kindly presented with a gift of a framed picture of all of us participants in front of the Founder's House.

Unlike the old adage, it is becoming more evident with each passing day that true leaders are not born; they are created. They are created not only through the selfnurturing of raw talent or the association with personal growth experiences, but with the assistance of a firm academic background in the art of leadership. The Academy excelled in each one of these goals by selecting budding leaders as participants, providing a forum for the sharing of our Fraternity leadership achievements and hardships and not the least of which is the theoretical background gained during the daytime classes. I feel honored to have been selected to be among the likes of the other undergraduate Fraternity leaders present at the Academy. The special bond we created over those few days will last a lifetime. The International Fraternity has initiated a program that will have far reaching benefits in the years to come. Perhaps not all have or will be undergraduate and alumni leaders, but each will have the tools necessary to more effectively spread the ideals of Delta Tau Delta to a growing community. I would personally like to thank the Fraternity for this experience and invite any aspiring undergraduate leader to seriously consider the benefits of the Academy. You will be glad vou did! -David R. Nardiello, Gamma Lambda, Purdue University '2000

here will all of you be next summer? After reading this, A 1998 Leadership Academy class poses in front of the Delt Founders House in Bethany, WV



I hope you are in Bethany, West Virginia at the Delt Leadership Academy. If you haven't heard already, Delta Tau Delta Fraternity is a leader in the Greek world and the Leadership Academy is proof of this. Some of you might think what will this cost? NOTHING! If you can fill out an application and write three short essays on why you should be selected to attend, you too will be one of the lucky twenty-five to attend the birthplace of our beloved Fraternity.

The Leadership Academy's main focus is you the student. All of the travel arrangements are made through the Fraternity and you are sent packets of information about the Academy. The Leadership Academy is based on Stephen Covey's book, The Seven Habits of Highly Effective People. This is a book about powerful lessons in personal change. I am sure that some of you have already read this book and feel that the Academy is not necessary. I would encourage you to discard those feelings. The Academy will allow you to apply Covey's teachings by dissecting the book through group exercises and open discussions with the other members present. The week consists of four days of intense education, recreation, and brotherhood. Each day is broken down into a concise time schedule. All of the Delts in attendance are broken up into groups and asked to present one main section of Covey's book. This is one of the unique characteristics of the Academy. Along with the presentations, you will receive help in developing a personal mission statement

and have the opportunity to complete two personal profile systems. Also while at the Academy the group is visited by many distinguished Delt Alumni. These gentlemen are there to share with you their personal views on what it takes to be successful in both business and in life. Personally, the best aspect of the Academy is that it takes place on the campus of historical Bethany College. Just think, you can be walking the same ground that our Founders did 140 years ago. Imagine yourself in 1858 and think about what was going on at this time when eight men wanted to fix the unjust behavior of a literary society. While you are at the Academy you will receive a complete tour of the campus which includes an emotional visit to the Founder's House. I encourage you take many pictures and visit Lowe's upstairs room and let Alexander C. Earle stare at you from above the fireplace. I promise his eves will follow you as you walk around the tiny room. It is an incredible feeling.

I can not put into words all of the emotion you will feel while participating in the Academy experience. I know that you will have the opportunity to learn more about yourself in four days than you can in a lifetime. You will also meet some of the most outstanding Delts in the country. It sounds funny, but in four short days all in attendance will become a cohesive chapter. I have met brothers that I will be in touch with for the rest of my life. I believe that is the most important thing about the Leadership Academy. BROTHERHOOD SUSTAINS US. I encourage all of you to

apply to the Leadership Academy. Take the time to call the Central Office and ask Brandon Miller, Director of Leadership Development, many questions about this chance of a lifetime. Talk to those graduates who have attended in the past and encourage other brothers from your chapter to apply with you. It is truly a life changing experience.

—Matthew D. Cook, Theta Omicron, University of Northern Colorado '99

# 1998 LEADERSHIP ACADEMY PARTICIPANTS Bethany, West Virginia

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1998-99

Chapter

Staff

Consultant

Announced

## J. Chris Wisbrock

University of Missouri '97

Chris is a second year consultant hailing from St. Louis, Missouri. He graduated



from the University of Missouri in 1997 with a Bachelor of Science

degree in television and radio communication. While at Gamma Kappa, Chris served as president, vice president and Honor Board chairman. Last year he was honored with a testimonial from the Western Pacific Division for service to the Division. After his time with the Fraternity, Chris plans to pursue a career in consulting.

# Jeremy J. Nelson

University of Nebraska-Kearney '97

After traveling the Eastern Division last year, JJ returns to staff for his second year as a consultant. While attending the University of Nebraska at Kearney, he earned a Bachelor of Science degree in business

administration with an emphasis in management



administration. During his undergraduate years, he was a Founding Father of Theta Kappa Chapter, IFC president, chapter president, vice president, social and alumni chairman. J.J., a native of Bancroft, Nebraska, enjoys sports of all kinds and plans on pursing a career in professional business consulting.

# Kirk R. Kluver

University of Nebraska '97

Kirk returns to the consultant staff for the second year after traveling to seventeen chapters in Ohio and Indiana. A graduate of the University of Nebraska, Kirk earned a Bachelor of Science degree in business administration-

marketing. As an undergraduate at Beta Tau Chapter, Kirk



served as president and rush chairman. He was also a member of the Undergraduate Council and went on to serve as the Karnea intern for the 1996 Karnea in Washington, D.C. Kirk's interests include mountain biking, golf, traveling, and music. After consulting, Kirk plans to pursue a career in marketing/sales.

# Chris W. Lorenz

University of Nebraska '98

A native of Beatrice, Nebraska, Chris earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in psychology from the University of Nebraska-Lincoln with minors in english and education. While at

Tau, Chris served the chapter as social chairman,



environmental/social awareness chairman, and rush chairman. He also participated in several organizations on campus such as the student alumni association, Nebraska Human Resource Institute, and the Interfraternity Council. Chris enjoys spending his free time listening to music, working out, traveling, and talking to friends.

#### Sean M. Houston

Kent State '98 Sean is from North Canton, Ohio and graduated from Kent State University in Kent, Ohio with a Bachelor of General Studies and Minors in Information Systems, Sociology, and Psychology. His undergraduate experiences included serving as the Chapter President, House Manager, Pledge Educator. Philanthropy, Alumni Relations, and Social Chairman. He was also involved with campus activities

such as serving on the Inter-Greek Programming Board and

New Student Orientation.
Sean received special recognition from the Northern
Division for Chapter
Leadership in the spring of
1998. Sean's personal interests include hockey, golf,
softball, and snow skiing.

# Kevin C. Snyder North Carolina-Wilmington '98

Kevin is a graduate from the University of North Carolina at Wilmington where he



earned a Bachelor of Science degree in marine biology. He

He served
Zeta Tau Chapter as president, pledge educator, community service chairman, and is a graduate of the 1997
Leadership Academy. On campus, Kevin was *Greek Man of the Year* in 1997 and UNCW's 1998 Homecoming King. His hobbies and interests include all types of music, sports,

# Daniel M. Henderson

fishing, and of course, meet-

Washington State '97

ing new people.

Dan returns for his second year serving the Fraternity as the associate director of expansion after traveling the Northern Division during the '97-'98 school year. In addition to coordinating the on-site efforts of expansion.

efforts of expansion during colonizations, he will be consulting a number of colonies throughout the year. From Hermiston, Oregon, Dan graduated from Washington State University with a Bachelor of Science degree in biology. While an undergraduate, Dan served Epsilon Gamma as chapter president. social chairman, and director of risk management. He also served Wazzu as interfraternity council president. In his free time, Dan goes fly-fishing. When this is unavailable. he enjoys camping and hiking as well as listening to jazz and swing music.



# Fraternity's Web Site, www.delts.org, Receives Global Honors

he Prestigious GII
Awards Recognizes
Innovative, Collaborative and Results-Oriented
Uses of the Internet and
Network Technology
Carmel, Indiana – The
Global Information
Infrastructure (GII) Awards
Program announced Delta
Tau Delta International
Fraternity today as a semifinalist in the GII Promise
Award.

The GII Awards, a nonpartisan and independent initiative, recognizes champions from all industries and sectors of society who use the Internet and network technology to produce amazing results. Vice president Al Gore has cited the Awards program itself as "An innovation that is vital to our country's future." In eleven categories, GII Awards will go to individuals, businesses and organizations who are using the information superhighway in collaborative, innovative and results-oriented ways.

"Delta Tau Delta International Fraternity's achievements demonstrate that the Internet can lead to a society that is healthier, better educated and more prosperous," said James D. Hake, GII Awards chairman and founder. "As a GII Semifinalist, Delta Tau Delta International Fraternity has been distinguished for innovation, producing real and valuable results and for powerfully demonstrating the potential of the Internet that we hear so much about. They deserve our recognition and our thanks."

"Our application process is quite rigorous, which tends to 'weed out' all but the most outstanding projects," said Jeannine Parker, GII Awards judging director. "We're thrilled that our program has attracted so many of what are clearly the leading architects of the networked world."

GII semi-finalists were narrowed down from an initial pool of over 800 entries from 41 states. An average of 31semi-finalists advanced in each of 11 categories: Arts & Entertainment, Children, Commerce, Community, Education, Government, Health, Netpreneur, Next Generation, Promise, and Public Access. A complete list of the semifinalists can be found on the Awards Web site at www.gü.com/97semifinalists.html.

# Central Office Adds Two to the Ranks of Executive Staff

Brandon B. A. Miller, Baylor '94, a native of Port Natches, Texas, has been named Director of Leadership Development. With a B.A. in psychology. His undergraduate chapter involvement included serving as historian, internal vice president and graduating from the 1993



Leadership Academy. Brandon earned a masters degree in higher education administration (M.Ed) specializing in student affairs from Texas Tech where he also worked in the Dean of Students office as a graduate advisor for Greek life. He began his professional career at the University of Texas at Arlington where he worked as the coordinator for leadership development, interfraternity council advisor, and the administrator of judicial affairs. As a result of his broad education and diverse professional experiences, Brandon is well-versed in many areas of student development, including leadership curriculum development and implementation, legal issues, Greek affairs, and student life research. He is also a former faculty advisor and has served the Fraternity as a Western Plains Division Vice President. Brandon hopes to begin work on a Doctoral degree in Higher Education Administration with a focus on organizational psychology in leadership in the near future. In his spare time he enjoys outdoor activities, watching college football and traveling.

Brett C. Dyess, Georgia Southern '93, has been promoted to become Director of Membership and Chapter Services. Hailing from the south Georgia town of Thomasville, Brett graduated from Georgia Southern University with a bachelor of arts degree in history and a minor in international studies. As an undergraduate, Brett served Epsilon Omega chapter as president and rush chairman and was a member of the Fraternity's



Undergraduate Council.

Having made more than 80 chapter visits in his tenure as a chapter consultant, Brett had the opportunity to provide service in the form of recruitment, member education, risk management, alumni relations, finances and many areas of Fraternity operations. Coming off the road in December 1996. Brett became the third Director of Membership, responsible for all rush and recruitment activities within the Fraternity.

In May 1998, Brett assumed the role of Director of Chapter Services while retaining the role of membership. As the Director of Membership and Chapter Services, Brett will have free reign of our undergraduate chapters, under which his responsibilities include the chapter consultant and accreditation programs, member responsibility and division presidents and vice presidents. This fall he will begin his pursuit of a masters degree in business management. In his spare time, Brett enjoys CNN and ESPN Sports Center, traveling, and visiting Lowe's Hardware Stores

Brett and his wife, Jennifer, currently reside in Noblesville, Indiana.

#### American

Theta Epsilon

Cpring '98 proved to be a Omemorable and busy semester for Theta Epsilon. Reinvigorated by the holiday break, the newly elected chapter officers and the chapter made every effort count. This included the new eleven man Alpha Omega pledge class, with members Nico Antencio, Mike Bergmaier, Sean Farrell, Michael Kaugman, Joel Kopperud, Michael Masarof, Michael Pivor, Anthony Ring, Aaron Shamshoian, Pete Sheridan, and Dave Stauss, all bringing in their own individual strengths and their strong camaraderie. The new semester also saw the return of brothers Tom Palermo and Zenon Zawada from study abroad programs. Theta Epsilon was encouraged at meeting its spring rush goal and for the return of the two seniors, but also saw brothers Steve Hickok and Michael Hoak depart for a semester in London.

The new crop of guys helped Theta Epsilon remain competitive in intramurals, successfully managed by Brother Scott Rezendes. Our second place standing in the overall IMI rankings boded well as our traditionally strong softball and volleyball teams entered the final push for first place.

Complementing athletics were great socials put together by Brother Bryan Benenati. Events were held at local hangouts as Theta Epsilon held mixers with sororities, attended My Tie at a karaoke bar, and clubbed at sorority-sponsored socials

Kudos go out to Brother Jeff Ryder for coordinating the third annual Hughes Holt Alumni Dinner. Other brotherhood activities such as hockey games, road trips, and football games weren't possible without the initiative of Brothers Christophe McArthur, Jason Fetter, and Jason Pascoe. Community service also was an important part. Kicking off the semester, Dave Staus helped organize the campus-wide Free Burma Banquet. Brother Yiaway Yeh restarted Theta Epsilon's Adopt-a-School program. Time by the brotherhood was also spent at a local children's center. Much gratitude to Brother Joe Laska for his time in assembling a strong academic program including academic teams and scholarship information.

This semester was also marked by many individual achievements, with brothers winning regional business competitions, campus elections and appointments, a highlight of which was Brother Rosario Palmieri winning the IFC presidency. —Yiaway Yeh

# Albion Epsilon

www.albion.edu/fac/actv/dtd/delt.htm

The brothers of Epsilon
Chapter are pleased to
announce that the 1997-98
spring semester was a successful
one here at Albion. The Epsilon
Chapter has continued its efforts
to maintain a leadership role in
both campus life and the Albion
community.

Four members attended the Northern Division Conference in Dayton, Ohio. The chapter was very successful at this convention and took home five awards for community involvement, meeting rush goals, Delt 2000, exceeding the AMA/AFA and campus involvement.

This semester our annual formal was held in Toronto, Canada. We had a great turnout and the entire chapter had a wonderful time. While we were in Canada our pledge class of ten men stayed behind and took care of the shelter.

The Epsilon Chapter continued to sustain a large role in many philanthropic programs, both in Albion and in its surrounding communities. This past summer we kicked off our Adopt-a-Highway program which has continued. We also participated in our annual Rock-a-Thon to benefit Habitat for Humanity and helped the Red Cross set up a blood drive here in Albion. We also participated in this year's Greek Week philanthropy event, the Cystic Fibrosis Walk, which benefitted people with this disease.

This year, at Greek Week, the Epsilon Delts were very successful, taking second place overall. Although we usually win Greek Week, we took pride in our finish after a tough week of competition. Our intramural softball team has just started a tough schedule and looks forward to taking home a championship title.

The brothers of Epsilon Chapter would like to take this opportunity to show our appreciation to this year's seniors. They have been very successful throughout their four years here at Albion. During this year's Greek Week banquet, Natina March was honored with the Greek Man of the Year Award. Many of our seniors have accepted great job offers from companies such as Andersen Consulting, Goldman Sachs and Price Waterhouse. The chapter would like to believe that our seniors' success has something to do with the ongoing tradition of excellence present here at our shelter. From the brothers of the Epsilon Chapter, we would like to wish all chapters a great summer.

—Jake Livermore

# Ball State Epsilon Mu

The men of Epsilon Mu would like to inform you of the great start we have had to the spring semester, once again excelling in all areas of fraternity and campus life thanks to strong internal leadership.

Five of our members attended the Northern Division

Conference with lofty expectations and goals. These expecta-

# American Delts Sweep Campus Awards Competition

At the annual Greek awards ceremonies held last spring, American University's Theta Epsilon Chapter made a clean sweep, taking home more honors than any other Greek organization.

> AU Fraternity Chapter of the Year Greek Man of the Year - Kyle Cruley Alumni Relations Program Award Public Relations Program Award Academic Excellence Award Chapter President of the Year

tions were most definitely fulfilled. To start with, Brian Hobbs was named Northern Division President of the Year. Our chapter also won awards for rush, risk management and was named to the Court of Honor. The chapter's most cherished accomplishment was bringing the Hugh Shields award for chapter excellence back to Epsilon Mu.

The brotherhood has also reached many of our goals that we set for ourselves on campus. We successfully defended the all sports trophy after the first round of spring sports. We also had a terrific rush by taking twelve quality men. Another goal that we are looking forward to accomplishing is implementing an annual basketball and volleyball tournament in late spring to raise money for local charities.

Leadership on campus was also a strong point for us last spring. Jamey Davidson was elected Student Government Association vice president. Jeremy Gray, the outgoing SGA president, was also just named as president of the University Programming Board. Sheldon Bratton is representing the chapter as IFC president. Finally, seven brothers were elected to student senate, far and away the largest number of members from any organization on campus. -Jamey Davidson

# Baylor University Theta Delta

As the spring semester began, spirits among the members of the Theta Delta chapter were high. With the success of our first annual Delt Dive sand volleyball tournament and a very fruitful fall rush behind us, we were ready to tackle the

rigorous demands of the spring semester.

Practice for All University Sing began quickly after our return from the Christmas break. Following six weeks of constant practice, we were ready to take the stage with our rendition of the popular film, The Blues Brothers. Spirited singing from Brandon Blagg, '00 and Michael Collier, '00 and the creative choreography of Chad Hoopingarner, '99, Brian Garrie, '00, Justin Varnon, and Justin Anderson kept the crowd cheering with excitement. Our tireless effort paid off and we were selected to perform in Pigskin Revue '98.

Spring Rush yielded yet again one of the best pledge classes on the Baylor campus. We pledged 17 men who truly embody the commitment to lives of excellence. This constituted the third largest pledge class on campus and, according to the sororities, the best looking pledge class on campus.

Our division conference was held in Lincoln, Nebraska this year and our chapter was given several awards. We were awarded the Above AFA/AMA Scholastic Award, Adopt-A-School Award, and Outstanding Pledge Program.

As the fever of the Final Four grew, the members were active seeking out sponsors for our 12th annual Delt Dunk basketball tournament. We held the tournament on campus in Mars McLean Gym this year that helped to make it the best turnout yet. We were very excited to see so many students come out to help support the Waco Boys Clubs and watch some exciting basketball.

The semester was not complete without antics from Michael Quirin, '98, and Kendrick Skipper, '99, who helped assist the chapter in sponsoring Vanilla Ice's concert that was held in February at the Waco Convention Center. Mike was quoted as saying, "Delt, Delt baby."

If you are interested in receiving the Theta Delta alumni newsletter, please contact the chapter via email: Timothy\_Ryan@baylor.edu or in writing at: P.O. Box 85596 Waco, TX 76798.

-Timothy J. Ryan

# Bethany College Theta-Founding

The recent fall and winter seasons have been very successful for Theta Chapter. In the fall semester, we won the Woolery Cup for having the highest grade point average by a male organization for the fifth consecutive semester. In addition, we initiated two open-bid members, Mark Heverly, '00, and Bill Thomas, '00. Also, restoration was completed on our deck, thanks largely to the financial contribution of our House Corporation and much labor provided by Prof. Herb Weaver and many of the brothers. On the winter sports scene, the Bison basketball squad was comprised largely of Delts, including, Jason Rasor, '98, Stan Fulk, '00, Seth Combs '00, James Sperlazza, '99, and Mark Kaniecki, 99. At the recent Eastern Division Conference in Harrisburg, Theta gathered seven awards, including the coveted Court of Honor and Hugh Shields, both for the second consecutive year. In addition, a recent honor was bestowed upon Chapter President Nicholas Perlick, '00. He received acceptance and a

full-scholarship to attend the Engalitcheff Institute on Comparative Political and Economic Systems, to be held this summer at Georgetown University, Washington, DC. One of 100 acceptees from across the nation, Perlick will intern on Capitol Hill and take two evening classes at the University, as well as attending lectures and other sessions put on by government officials. Currently, 15 pledges are learning from their Life of Excellence manual, preparing for anticipated initiation later this spring.

-Nicholas Perlick

# **Boston University**

Beta Sigma rlincow@bu.edu

Te are proud to say that for the second year in a row, the Delts of Beta Sigma have had the highest GPA on Campus. With our Accumulative GPA of 3.1 we placed 11 brothers on Deans List. Our academic efforts were recognized at division conference by having the Fraternity award us with two Outstanding Academics plaques. Along with our academics, we have played a major role in the overall function of the BU Greek system. For two years running. we have had brothers on the IFC E-board; Chanda Mofu just finished his term as president, and Ron Lincow begins his term as treasurer. We have been extremely active in community service this past semester. Our first event was the  $\Delta T \Delta$  Blood Drive sponsored by the New England Medical Center. Because of our rigorous efforts obtain as many donors as possible, the NE Medical Center donated \$400 to the Leukemia



# **Cal Delts Celebrate Centennial**

BY SCOTT BLACK, CALIFORNIA '86

al Delts celebrated the 100th Anniversary of Beta Omega Chapter of Delta Tau Delta at the University of California, Berkeley, with a Centennial Banquet on April 4, 1998. Nearly a hundred Delt alumni, actives, and guests gathered in the Great Hall of the Mens' Faculty Club on the Cal campus for a memorable night of feasting, toasting, reminiscing, and brotherhood.

The Cal Delts in attendance included members of classes ranging from 1948 (Ludy Langer) to 2001 (Sam Lipson), with particuarly strong showings from classes of the late '40s and early '50s, early-to-mid-'60s, and early-to mid-'80s. Delts of all ages cherished their reunions with their old brothers and enjoyed meeting new ones. Stories

were told, especially those of the good old days in the legendary Hillside house.

Bob Roush, the
International Secretary of
Delta Tau Delta and a
longtime friend of Beta
Omega, gave a stirring
keynote address, invoking
memories of the celebration
when Beta Omega first
received its charter on
February 5, 1898. Western
Pacific Division President
John Bickerstaff also attended.

Several special awards of recognition were awarded. Graduating seniors Gus Jordt, '98, and Robert Pipkin, '98, were recognized for their efforts in saving Beta Omega from extinction when membership dwindled to three in the fall of 1996. Delt Properties partners Jim Thompson, '64, and Greg Palamountain, '65, received kudos for their instrumental

roles in creating a partnership to purchase the Chapter's current Shelter on Durant Avenue in Berkeley. And finally, Nick Farrah, '83, "Mr. Beta Omega", was lauded for his past contributions, including as Chapter Advisor, House Corporation President, and Division Vice-President.

Those attending enjoyed delicious meals of prime rib, salmon, and artichoke capellini, and Robert Mondavi wines kindly donated by Lou Vasconi, '86. House Corporation President Scott Black acted as master of ceremonies. Four current undergraduates entertained with a medley of Delt and Cal songs, and, of course, the evening concluded with a heartfelt rendition of "Delta Shelter" and the evening's highlight, a "Choctaw Walk-Around" spanning 53 years.

Special thanks go to Banquet Committee members Mark Cheney, '70, Nick Farrah, '83, Scott Black, '86, Lou Vasconi, '86, Dan Walner, '89, Gus Jordt,'98, Erik Beans '00, and especially Alumni Relations Chairman Eugene Lee, '00, for all their hard work in planning such a great event.

Beta Omega alumni and actives are extremely excited about the future of Beta Omega at Cal. The Chapter returns twelve active this fall. none of whom are seniors. As the alumni who attended the banquet learned, the current actives share the intangible bonds of brotherhood which have characterized Delts at Cal for the past century. The tremendous celebration of Beta Omega's Centennial is sure to provide a springboard for future growth and greatness at Cal. The Centennial celebration will continue during this fall's football season so be sure to come by the Shelter at 2710 Durant Avenue before and after the games. Rah! Rah! Delta! and Go Bears!

Society of Boston on our behalf. We are also presently working with Jackson-Mann Elementary School to help them in any way possible. This school is the focus of our Adopt-A-School program which we plan to implement next year.

This year more than any other, we are extremely close with our Delt neighbors. The Ottawa Delts spent a weekend at our shelter as well as having many events with the MIT Delts, including our Spring Formal. All of our efforts at the moment are being geared towards fall rush. We are going to heed the advice of our MIT brothers and send out Welcome Rush pamphlets to all of the prospective freshman. Although this is not uncommon, we will be the first fraternity to initiate this idea on BU campus.

With hard work and determination we are hoping for a large fall pledge class which will ensure a strong future for our chapter. I would like to take this time to wish all of the chapters good luck next year and the years to come. -Ronald Lincow

# California-Berkeley

Beta Omega www.ocf.berkeley.edu/~caldelts

When our chapter returned from winter break, we realized that there was an extraordinary amount of work ahead of us for the semester. We started our semester with our planning retreat at South Lake Tahoe at which we set our goals and expectations for the remainder of the year. In every way, this semester started like any other, however, this semester would prove to be one of the most exciting of Beta Omega's

history. This year marks Beta Omega's 100th year on the Berkeley campus.

In coordination with our alumni, planning for a massive centennial celebration began at the beginning of the semester and continued up until the April 4th event. The dinner and ceremonies allowed Beta Omega Delts of all ages to exchange stories and anecdotes about the chapter during their college years. This allowed Delts that

spanned three generations to be united. The Centennial Banquet was not only an affair that celebrated the chapter's one hundred years of history but also its triumph over the multitudes of challenges and adversities along the way.

The Centennial Banquet was not the only event that we had planned last semester. Our social activities included barbecues, ultimate Frisbee games, keraoke night and a dance party. However, these activities only built up to our main event for the semester, Outdoor Cinema. Outdoor Cinema consisted of a projected movie on the side of our house for all interested Berkeley students. The students watched from a parking lot that was reserved next to our house. This was an event that was completely unique to our campus and allowed us to increase campus awareness of Delta Tau Delta.

Academically, we remain one



In late January, a letter went out from two Delt alumni at Colorado State that the university was campaigning to raise money to fund an addition to the Morgan Library through the sale of carved message stones. The letter stated "I know that we all have fond memories of the Morgan Library. Fonder memories yet are reserved for our beloved housemother, Erma Herzog, who turned 90 years old last fall. Mom so loved 'her boys' and had such an impact on our lives while at CSU, this seems like the right thing to do."

When the dust had settled, 12 stones had been purchased, carved with the message: "Mom Herzog. In Honor of our Terrific Housemother. With Love and Admiration, The Men of Delta Tau Delta. 1966-1970. April 4, 1998, the date set to bring Mom Herzog to the library for the unveiling of the stones in her honor, was a great deal for the Delts of Colorado State. 21 Delts showed up at the Morgan Library to greet each other, hug Mom Herzog, tour the newly remodeled library, and view the message stones honoring Mom. After the handshakes, hugs and kisses, the undergraduate and alumni Delts and their guests were given a tour of the newly remodely Morgan Library by the university's director of development for the university libraries. In addition to expressing her appreciation for the donation, she complimented the group of men who would honor their housemother with a permanent display of affection thirty years after their college days.

Mom Herzog was especially pleased by the day-in fact, she was overwhelmed by all the attention. She had a great time, and especially enjoyed her time with each Delt. According to Terry Remigio, Colorado State '72, "It was wonderful to hear her laugh, and see her with 'her boys.' It was great to see the new Delts introduce themselves to her and chat for awhile. They are richer for the opportunity to meet the only lady that could get all of us together so many years after our college experience. We all knew that she was a very special lady then, and thirty plus years later, we still feel that way. We are all blessed to have her in our lives."

of the most prominent fraternities on campus. We continue to have our semi-annual academic dinner at which each member invites one of his professors. This allows our members to become more familiar with their professors, which is quite rare at Berkeley where class size often exceeds two hundred students.

In addition to our academic dinner, we are currently active in an Adopt-a-School program in Oakland. —Todd M. Stinchfield

# Case Western Reserve

The Delts of Zeta are finishing off another excellent and exciting school year at Case Western Reserve University. With great leadership and a strong work ethic, we have been reaching for excellence in every facet of fraternity life. A fruitful rush brought in four new pledges that we will soon welcome as Zeta brothers. Pledge Educator Keith Hovey and Assistant Pledge Educator Doug Oesterlin have forged these men into strong candidates for the badge of Delta Tau Delta. We would like to extend congratulations to the spring pledge class: Mike Lyden, Kevin Redmon, Jason Bradshaw and Matt Jameson.

We would like to thank the house corporation for their continuing hard work and dedication to the shelter. Our new living room and basement add much life to the beautiful Zeta shelter and a sense of pride has become quite evident. In campus involvement, Zeta Delts continue to be leaders. In philanthropy, a number of brothers participated in the Rotsky Foundation Day in the Life of a CWRU Student program. In this

program, a young child shadowed a student around for a day. This proved to be rewarding for the brothers that took part in this activity as well a s their young proteges.

In IFC matters, Damon Rossetti was chosen as IFC member-at-large and Kurt Owen was elected vice president of membership. A big congratulations goes to Keith Hovey who was recently elected Mr. CWRU for his many talents and great personality. Many members of Zeta Chapter were involved in athletics this spring semester. We would like to wish luck to the Zeta Delts on the tennis courts: Matt Strickland, Colin Failey, and Matt Jameson. Cheers also go out to the brothers on the baseball diamond which include: Matt Borto, Ben Haskell and Eric Fradette.

Academically, the Zeta Delts maintained their traditional commitment to excellence, as our 3.205 GPA will testify. This ranks us the second highest of all fraternities on campus.

A major highlight this spring was a visit from Past International President Jeff Heatherington. During his visit we gained much knowledge and had a great time listening to his stories. We questioned him on issues that we found were in need of being addressed and applied his wisdom to these real situations. The brothers of Zeta Chapter would like to thank him for his open and honest answers.

As always, we encourage Cleveland area alumni to visit the shelter and aid the chapter, the house corporation and the chapter advisor. Please feel free to contact President Matthew Strickland at (216) 754-2550 for information regarding chapter activities. For chapter involvement, please contact Chapter Advisor Mark Rodio at (440) 835-8417. —Przemyslaw Jedryczek

#### Central Florida

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he members of Zeta Omicron L Chapter are proud to report another exciting start. The Spring IFC Rush vielded the pledging of six enthusiastic new members. With their help we have begun to analyze our recruitment tactics and rework how we as a chapter go about bringing in new initiates. We are currently taking a more proactive action towards recruitment. Along with recruitment our chapter is committed to increase our overall academic ranking on campus. Several alumni are currently getting started on an alumni chapter for the central Florida area. Please contact Zeta Omicron for more information.

The chapter has been helping the local public broadcasting radio (90.6) and television (24) stations with their respective membership drives. We are currently planning a 3-on-3 basketball tournament for the fall with all proceeds going to philanthropy.

For the rest of this semester and most of summer we will be focusing on our goals for fall. We will be completing the work on our Fall '98-Spring '99 calendar which we will be selling on campus. The plans for IFC rush, which should be even larger than last year, will also be completed. Starting the second week of school we will be taking in what will most likely be the largest new member class that this chapter has ever seen.

With the increased number of

people using the Internet we here at the Zeta Omicron Chapter have felt that having an outstanding web page is important. A page that gives a lot of information about our chapter and what it is happening. The page currently offers a calendar of events, a list of current members, links to central office and other chapters web sites, and a place to submit a form for Rush information. It will soon also have a place for alumni to update the whereabouts and other information. Our web address is http://pegasus.cc.ucf.edu/~dtd.

Our chapter is full of young leaders who will soon take on the leadership of the chapter as President Rajiv Patel, and Vice President Andrew Shaffer will be graduating after the fall semester. These young leaders will be made to step up and take control of the future of this chapter and lead it not only into the new millennium but also a new era of growth and prosperity. -Sean K. Michelsen

# Cincinnati Gamma Xi

Here in Cincinnati we found ourselves anxiously awaiting the start of spring quarter and the end to another successful winter term.

This past winter quarter was our first under our new executive board. Under this new leadership we experienced one of our better winter rushes pledging in five new members who exhibit excellent potential for becoming good Delts. Plus brother Steve Tomasetti advanced to the National wrestling Tournament for the UC wrestling club which is hoping to soon recognized as a varsity sport.

We have also seen our entire house pull together to raise money for our annual philanthropic event this spring, Jefferson Jam. Jefferson Jam is a concert that are putting on at our house in order to raise money for the Multiple Sclerosis society. It will feature Ekoostik Hookah, The Rivermen, Mr. Scarlet's Plume, and Kaustic Purple. Please come and join us for this all day event on May 2. If you have any questions or need tickets call brother Darren Phan at [513] 751-2166.

This is just one of the many reasons we are looking to spring quarter. We are also expecting another outstanding rush turnout and have some great events planned. In addition to this we will be hosting a rush clinic at our house, which will provide us with a great opportunity to become better acquainted with other nearby Delt chapters. *Erik T. Bruvold* 

# Colorado State

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Upon returning from the Western Plains Division Conference with our second Court of Honor in three years, the brothers here at Epsilon Omicron have kicked it into high gear.

We have continued to have over 70% participation in Adopt-A-School and have also begun to participate in another weekly philanthropy helping out at a local soup kitchen. We are in the planning stages of a "Delt Dunk" 3-on-3 basketball tournament for next fall as well.

At a recent house corporation meeting, Division V.P. and EO alumnus James Wallen recruited several local alumni to help out in every area. Brothers Jeff Sauer, John Freshwater, Mike Levchik, Joel Charnick, Justin Heekin, and John Avram have all decided to dedicate their time and talents for our betterment. We are all very excited about this.

Along with alumni recruitment and philanthropy, we are trying a few new programs this semester. Our alumni event this semester will be a golf outing pairing an alumni with an active in an 18 hole match. We hope this can become an annual event. We also will be hosting an awards banquet near the end of the semester. Here, Delts will show their appreciation to professors and local alumni and also receive awards for outstanding involvement and achievements.

We are also proud to say that we will be hosting our first DTAA in recent years. Everything is on track for us to bring home our first Hugh Shields from next year's Conference. Jeffrey Desserich

# **Dayton** Theta Rho

Theta Rho strives to be the ▲ best in all aspects of campus life: academics, community service, intramurals and, of course, Greek life. Last fall our cumulative GPA was 3.1. We hope to improve on that at the end of this spring semester. We still rank number one in community service hours as we have for the last three years. Some of the community service projects that we have done this semester are Delt Adopt-a-School program as well as Habitat for Humanity, March of Dimes and Hope Walk. This month, Theta Rho is hosting its first annual golf outing. The event includes such things as breakfast, lunch, dinner and a around of golf with a cart. This

event is structured so that Theta Rho brothers can get an opportunity to meet other Delt alumni in the area. Proceeds from this event will go to the house corporation so that enough money can be raised to construct a new shelter. On top of it all, the golf outing is an event to have fun.

We initiated the Epsilon pledge class into our chapter. The eleven new members are Doug Bartels, Jon Braun, Sean Hannon, John Heinhold, Alexa Heltzel, John Johnson, Shane Ledsome, Matt Matzek, Chris Meyer, Mike Schaeffer, and David Schmidt. We would like to congratulate them on their journey into Delt brotherhood.

On the weekend of February 6. Theta Rho hosted the Northern Division's Regional Conference for all Ohio and Michigan chapters. The weekend was an action packed weekend for the brothers of Theta Rho for many reasons. Our brothers performed the Rite of Iris and initiation ceremonies for the installation of the Theta Upsilon Chapter at Western Michigan University. It was very exciting to install another chapter because we just went through that not so many years ago.

# Jeopardizing His Future

Junior Alex Weathers, a Beta Nu Delt at Massachusetts Institute of Technology, participated in the televised Jeopardy College Tournament. Finishing in second place, Weathers walked away with \$16,199. Not bad for a summer job! Theta Rho was honored by the division with many awards and recognitions: Exceeding the Allmen's Average/All Fraternity Average on Campus, Involvement in Delt 2000, Campus Involvement, Adopt-a-School and Consultant Hospitality.

In addition to these awards we were awarded Court of Honor designation and also ended up walking away with the coveted Hugh Shields Award for Chapter Excellence. This is special to us because were are the youngest chapter ever to win this particular honor. This was a great weekend for all of Theta Rho.

Lastly, to our brothers who graduated this semester, we wish all of you the best of luck wherever life may take you.

Congratulations on achieving alumni status. Good luck and God bless all of you.

# Eastern Michigan

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heta Xi Chapter had a busy and successful semester. Our recent elections yielded some exciting results for the chapter's future. Our new president is Ben Henry and our new vice president is Kyle Green. Alumni Matt Frazier and Tom Range have gotten the house corporation off the ground to secure a new Delt shelter for the future and to help us improve it to the standards of Delta Tau Delta. Brother Rang has helped us put together a Web page which will be coming out in the near future. Also, we initiated five fine men on April 17 to become active members of the Theta Xi Chapter.

Once again, the Theta Xi brothers are among the leaders



Theta Rho Chapter at the University of Dayton, displays the Hugh Shields Award for Chapter Excellence, awarded to outstanding chapters. On hand to receive the award were Bryon Crump, Theta Rho's first president, Josh Carroll, third president, Carl Wick, chapter advisor, Graig Bellomo, second president and Jeff Forthover, current chapter president.

on campus. Jason Wolfe is the newly elected vice president of the student body and has kept the string alive at five years in a row of brothers who have served as either president or vice president of the student body. Paul Wood and Corey Cramb are newly elected senators for the student government and Jeff Suplee is the newly elected IFC communications coordinator. Alumnus Anson Abraham, who is attending graduate school at the university, was awarded the Golden Medallion Award which recognized him as Student Leader of the Year by Eastern Michigan University.

Our annual formal was held February 7 in Chicago. Three alumni came to this year's event and, with only two found fathers left at the end of this semester, we hope to see many more next year. We also held our annual awards banquet March 28 at Weber's Inn in Ann Arbor. Nick Schumann was awarded the coveted "Brother of the Year." Keeping the awards in the fraternal family, Nick's little brother, Bryan Starr, was named New

Member of the Year. Both awards were decided by voting among the members of the chapter.

This semester we continued to field competitive intramural sports teams. This is apparent by our basketball team making it into the playoffs and our hockey team reaching the semifinals of the intramural tournament.

On March 7, a representative from the Delts Talking About Alcohol program visited, teaching us about he choices we make and how they affect us, as well as the Fraternity's stance on alcohol in the near future.

The Theta Xi brothers would like to wish our alumni and Delts all over the world the best of luck in whatever they do. —Kevin Hess

#### **Emory University**

Beta Epsilon

The Brothers of Beta Epsilon have had a very promising semester and are proud of the accomplishments we have made. This past spring we had a very successful rush program which brought us a substantial number of new members all of whom have demonstrated

a high commitment to academics and to our chapter. Beta Epsilon sports have been reinvented as an important part of building a close brotherhood and as an opportunity to compete in the Greek system.

Among the highlight events of the semester were our annual staff and faculty appreciation dinner where we hosted thirty of Emory's most distinguished professors and administrators. We are also pleased to announce that Beta Epsilon has established a very strong presence on the Interfraternity Council with Geoffrey Jolley as the executive vice president, Andrew Ewalt as the IFC rush chairman, and Justin Martorana as the director of public relations.

Apart from our official successes, our chapter has also become a more unified brotherhood and has strengthened its commitment to being the model fraternity at Emory University.

Our social program has met with rave reviews from both our brothers and the campus community and ours is second to none.

In closing we would like to recognize out graduating seniors and the legacy of growth that they have given us and we wish them every success in their future endeavors. -David Bourne

# Florida

Delta Zeta http://grove.ufl.edu/~dtd

This spring has been amazing for Delta Zeta. Spring Rush resulted in 35 fine young men pledging, the largest at the University of Florida, and the fourth largest of all Delt chapters. This pledge class is also the largest Delta Zeta has seen since it's re-chartering. A big congrat-

ulations goes out to Rush Chairman Alex Tucci, Asst. Rush Chairman Ed Woodward, and the rest of the chapter for all their hard work during rush.

This past month has been all about DZ giving back to the community. Tom Robb, our service chairman, has set up an Adopt-a-School program with one of the local schools. We also teamed up with Phi Mu for the "Romp in the Swamp" philanthropy, raising over \$1,400 for the Children's Miracle Network. The big news around here though is Dance Marathon, the Southeastern's largest studentrun philanthropy. Once again DZ has teamed up with Chi Omega sorority to win for the second time in a row as well as raise over \$12,400 for the Children's Miracle Network. Congratulations go out to all our dancers for staying on their feet for 32 hours, as well as to the brothers who helped run and staff Dance Marathon.

Our involvement on campus has been steadily increasing over the past few months. Travis Chapin was just recently elected membership vice president of Order of Omega as well as vice president for the Southeastern IFC Division. Congratulations also go out to Tor Jensen-Friedman who recently got tapped into Order of Omega. New members Ken Conley and Cary High also worked with U.F.'s Project Seaworld.

At this year's Southern
Regional Conference DZ took
home awards for Most Improved
Chapter, Best Pledge Manual and
Jason Watters won the
Outstanding Leader award. On
campus, DZ won three out of the
nine IFC awards; GAMMA for
Brothers Caring for Brothers, Best

Greek Relations, and Most Improved Fraternity.

As usual, Delts are tearing it up on the field, having just repeated as soccer champions as well as being deep into the playoffs on our way to repeating as softball champions. By reaching the playoffs in basketball and with only swimming remaining we led the competition for the Blue League President's Cup.

The chapter's academic status is as strong as ever. Due to the hard work of our past and current academic chairs, Scott Turner and Kyle Stopa, our G.P.A. is well over the All-Men's Average and we are 4th out of 26 fraternities overall. This raise is due in part to the conversion of an old room into a much needed library.

The biggest step we have taken though is our alumni relations. Being back for a relatively short time, getting in contact and re-establishing our relations has been hard. With the hard work of Giancarlo Cires and Iason Watters we have now put out our first "official" newsletter. We also just had an Alumni BBQ and will have our alumni weekend coming up in the fall. The entire chapter would like to thank Brother Paul Huff, '38, for his very generous donation and being the first member of our Founder's Club. With his donation we are hoping to get started on many of our much needed house improvements. Speaking of alumni, congratulations go out to Brother Randy Mauldin, '97, on his recent engagement to Alicia Chapman. For more information on how we are doing please check out our website. It is full of information, along with the brothers' pictures and their bios; make sure you take a virtual tour of our house.

Jason Watters has done an amazing job creating and constantly updating it with new pictures and information. DZ wishes all the Delt chapters a successful and prosperous fall rush.

-Tor Jensen-Friedman

#### Georgia Southern

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During the spring, Epsilon Omega was presented with several prestigious awards. Epsilon Omega was voted *Chapter of the Year* among the 13 fraternities on campus. We were also recognized as the top academic chapter among fraternities.

At the regional conference, Shawn Snow, 99', received the *Outstanding Leadership Award*. Epsilon Omega is very proud of this award for its past president. Also at the conference, Epsilon Omega was recognized as the leading academic fraternity at Georgia Southern University.

Many brothers of Epsilon Omega are very active on campus. Shawn Snow, '99, is the V.P.-Programming for IFC. Jonathan Fazio, '00, is the V.P.-Finance for IFC. We have five brothers that work for the Georgia Southern newspaper, the Georgia-Anne. Ionathan Brooks, '01, received a \$250 Southern Greek Housing Scholarship, Epsilon Omega recently hosted the Southern Division Rush Clinic where a lot of good rush ideas and tips were generated. Many ideas we received from this clinic will be soon implemented. -William Thigpen

> **Idaho** Delta Mu

When last spring approached Moscow the men of Delta Mu finished yet another great year. With immense excitement,

the brothers brought home our 14th Hugh Shields flag from the Division Conference. Others awards received at conference include *Delt 2000, Adopt-a-School,* and *Web Site of the Year.* 

As Delts, we take pride in our academic success year after year. Last semester, we received the second highest GPA on campus. While not studying, the brothers have been busy playing hard and we received third place in intramural sports on campus.

Our national philanthropy, Adopt-a-School, has been a great success this year. Along with the one-on-one time spent with school kids in their classrooms, we helped out with the local grade school's annual carnival running booths and playing with kids.

The house is looking as good as ever with the addition of a new sign at the bottom of the hill. Our freshmen worked very hard to make the sign a valued addition to our shelter.

Summer rush is here and Rush Chairmen Tyler Bevis and Keith Nyquist are looking to find a great group of potential Delts to be part of our brotherhood.

If any alumni or friends are going to be in Moscow please call (208) 885-6676 or write 720 Idaho Avenue, Moscow, ID 83483. It would be our honor to have you visit with us or drop us a letter letting us know how you are doing. Best wishes go out from all the brothers at Delta Mu.

# Illinois

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The fall semester at Beta Upsilon has been highlighted by many terrific accomplishments and milestones by the chapter here at the Uof I. Early

in the semester, we celebrated our 125th anniversary of Beta Upsilon on campus at one of the oldest and largest Greek systems in the nation. Our 125th anniversary was outlined by a fantastic turnout of alumni from virtually every pledge class dating all the way back to the '30s. It was rewarding to see how many brothers still have so much interest in the Fraternity. To complement our anniversary, this semester marks our continued increase in the chapter's GPA. We leaped from 34th on campus to 7th out of 51 fraternities in one year of hard work and increased academic success. As a whole, our chapter has a GPA of 3.04/4.0 which is above All Men's Average (AMA) and All Fraternity Average (AFA. At the Northern Division Conference in Peoria, IL, Beta Upsilon was awarded the John H. Venable Award for academic improvement and special recognition awards for meeting rush goals, Adopt-A-School, and exceeding the AMA/AFA.

During the fall semester we pledged 25 excellent young men and successfully initiated nearly all of them. As far as spring semester is going, we had 11 new pledges and are all perfect candidates for quality Delts. Most recently, Beta Upsilon won the Delta Gamma philanthropy "Anchor Splash" which marks our fifth year in a row for victory. Beta Upsilon had another great fall semester and we look forward to another great coming semester. *-Jason Keppler* 

Illinois State Theta Phi

The spring has been a productive semester for Theta

Phi. After receiving our charter in February we made several advancements to ensure the future of Theta Phi at Illinois State. We secured a shelter, two of our members were elected to campus organizations and we had our first chapter retreat.

Housing Chairman Eric
Marsaglia has been working all
year and has secured our first
shelter for the fall of 1998. We
have rented an entire apartment
building on the corner of our
campus's largest Greek housing
section. The shelter will help us
to develop brotherhood and
friendships that will last forever.

Theta Phi also had two of our members elected for positions in two of Illinois State's most prominent student organizations. Our new President, James Harvey, was elected Vice President of Council Management for the 1998 IFC Executive Board. Brad Hammond was also elected to serve on the Student Government Association's Academic Senate. We would like to congratulate both brothers on

Arnold Berg, Indiana '32, receives an award for 15 years of straight attendance at the annual Naples Rally for Florida alumni.

their accomplishments.

Lastly, we had our first chapter retreat on March 21. Our members met with Northern Division Vice President Dave Julian, Steve Becker, Jim engelhorn and Jason Feiner. These men helped us a great deal to prepare for the upcoming academic year and the future of Theta Phi at Illinois State. —Kirk Poldek

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The Gamma Beta Delts charged into the spring '98 term by initiating 18 new Brothers. Ten of these new brothers were Honor Initiates (GPA > 3,50)

One of the chapter's most successful social events was a Delt Coffee House. This was a new event for both IIT and the chapter, which drew a lot of enthusiasm. Consisting of skits, comedy acts, original poetry and, among other things, great coffee, it was our first experience with a successful, alcohol-free

program.

The chapter's Public Relations Committee held a well attended dinner for members of the Residence Life staff. Planned with the goal of helping integrate the Greek and residence hall campus communities, in the words of Brother Joel McMillan, PC 1998, "it also served as a philanthropic event, giving our RAs a much needed break

from dorm fare."

Gamma Beta also had a very successful semester in sports. Two of our brothers attended the NAIA national swimming championships in Seattle, WA, and we continue to have brothers represent us on every varsity athletic team.

IIT Delts continue to excel both in the classroom, on the playing field, and in all aspects of campus life. Brother Andrew Bilhorn PC 2000 received IIT's highest recognition for student leadership on campus. Two other brothers also received recognition for their leadership abilities, more than any other house on campus.

Gamma Beta has witnessed an exciting increase in philanthropy events this semester. Our Adopt-A-School program is finally back up and running smoothly. Six Gamma Beta Delts spent their spring break in Belize on a community service trip. These brothers donated their talents to various Belize City charities such as a daycare, an elementary school and a nursing home. We also look forward to the three upcoming philanthropy events in the next month including a soup kitchen, a campus beautification project, and a clothing drive.

In February the brothers of Gamma Beta attended the Northern Division Regional conference in Peoria, Illinois, where they took home nine awards. Brother Jason Kirk, PC 1998, was recognized for excellence in chapter leadership.

One of the chapters most exciting new programs is the "Big, Big Bro" alumni mentoring program. A kickoff dinner was held April 16, during which alumni mentors were paired up with an undergraduate in their field. This pro-

gram benefited both the individuals and the chapter, and will be the focal point of Gamma Beta's continuing Delt 2000 efforts.

-Duxton T. Daniels

Indiana Beta Alpha

eta Alpha's successful spring Drush signed 16 quality men. Rush Chairmen Nathen Kaiser, Zak Dorse, and Orson Zetzer worked hard to exceed their goals. Excitement is building about this years Little 500 bike team which returns veterans Matt Wehby, and Steve McLleland. Newcomers Mike "The horse" Stack and Sean Gill are proving to be a solid addition to the team. A top ten finish is expected. Intramurals are currently third among fraternities and continues to strive to be the leader on campus. Recent shelter improvements have been greatly appreciated. A tailgate party and banquet honoring past alumni will be held Saturday, Oct. 3, when Indiana plays Wisconsin. All Beta Alpha alumni are encouraged to attend.

-Rick Springer

Iowa State University Gamma Pi

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Gamma Pi Chapter of Delta Tau Delta has had an exciting second semester. The Delts started the semester by adding eight more men to pledgeship, and since has added two more.

The men of Gamma Pi chapter finished a successful *Varieties* run last month. The Delts, paired with the women of  $\Delta\Delta\Delta$ , made second cuts. We also had two Delts, David Strauss and Neil Arends, in sweepstakes as

emcees. During the Veishea parade, the men of Gamma Pi, paired with the women of Alpha Gamma Delta, received 2nd place in the large division and won the *People's Choice Award* for their float.

Internally, Gamma Pi has made great strides of improvement in the past five months. We have made improvements to our Bylaws, Rules, and placed a bigger emphasis on Honor Board. Our new Alumni Relations Chairman, Justin Hoffman, has our Alumni newsletter. The Punch, looking the best it has in years and our alumni have responded well to it. Recentl;y, we were informed that we will have numerous improvements made on the shelter this summer. Some improvements will include new dining room tables, roof repairs, more phone lines, and other general renovations.

As far as Gamma Pi's campus activities, we continue to be the standard by which all others are judged. The Delts hold campus positions ranging from Senator with the Government of the Student Body to three Delts on the Varieties Central Committee. We also have members involved with the Tau Beta Pi engineering honors society and a member on the Iowa State baseball team. With continuing active participation in all activities, we hope to not only continue our success, but to outdo our past accomplishments in the coming year.

-Christopher Michael Fitzharris

#### Johnson & Wales Crescent Colony

Straight from Providence, RI, we are one of the latest colonies of Delta Tau Delta, having been here about a year. Our university is primarily known for its culinary arts program. As a group, we have been very busy and working hard to reach our goal of becoming chartered. We represent fulfillment of our obligations and living our lives to the fullest.

Some accomplishments that we have obtained are throughout our community service involvement such as Habitat for Humanity where we help build homes for the unfortunate. Adopt-a-School at Roger Williams Day Care Center, AIDS, MS, and Pilgram Harvard 5k Walks have all been a success. Also, working in a soup kitchen for the less fortunate who can't afford a meal, sorting products of food at the local food bank, as well as preparing for and setting up the Homecoming Weekend for everyone and their family here at Johnson and Wales.

Another highlight of our colony is our involvement with the University. Besides the homecoming weekend, setting up functions for the school and community, tutoring students who need some academic development in courses they are weak. Alsok devoting our time and talents to the Greek system, we have been very sociable with many organizations.

As you can tell we have been very busy throughout the whole year and there is more to come. We all eagerly await our Chartering Day. Hopefully, sometime toward the end of 1998, it will come. We hope to see you there...all are welcome.

#### Kent State University

Delta Omega www.kent.edu/stuorg/delts

Last semester for Delta Omega turned out to be a successful one. We had a total of 23 pledges sign which were led by an experienced group of actives. The combined efforts paid off as our chapter was awarded the Pledge Education Manual Award, the Adopt-A-School Award, the Meeting Rush Goal Award, and our president, Sean Houston, '98 received the Chapter Leadership Award, which were all awarded the division conference.

The Spring '98 semester promised new changes and another enthusiastic pledge class. A total of nine pledges signed, and worked together to help the chapter become better. The changes for the spring semester involve the improvement of our shelter, which is being supported by our House Corporation. Our alumni are heading up this charge, and many generous donations have been contributed. The head of the house corporation is David Bransky. He can be e-mailed at dbransky@mail.multiverse.com if

any alumni have questions concerning Delta Omega or the renovation of our shelter. We now have our own web page at www.kent.edu/stuorg/delts and you are invited to see what were about at Delta Omega.

-Ryan Tailford

#### Kansas

Gamma Tau

The spring term has proved L to be a very busy on for the men of Gamma Tau. We established a Ritual team that oversees and ensures the success of all Ritual ceremonies. Their hard work was evident and well received at this semester's initiation of nine members. We welcomed five new spring pledges as well. Chapter members also took part in a highway cleanup and participated in Delts Talking About Alcohol to promote responsible drinking. Our alumni committee has been working hard to ensure the continued success of one of the largest annual alumni golf tournaments.



Delt letters have shown up in some bizarre places through the years but never as a pattern in a crop field before. Could they be made by those mysterious outer space visitors responsible for the Crop Circles in England...or just a bunch of creative midwestern Delts?

Gamma Tau also fared well at the University of Kansas Greek Recognition Night. Congratulations are in order to Sam MacRoberts, who was named Outstanding New Member of the Greek Community, and Gamma Tau alumnus and House Corporation President John Weltmer, for Best House Corporation. As the semester comes to a close, the chapter seeks to achieve the goals we have set for next year and look forward to a successful fall semester. -Mark G. Maziarz

#### Kansas State

Gamma Chi www.ksu.edu/delatau/FRAMES.html

he last semester proved to L be one of our best ever at Gamma Chi for several reasons. We received the Hugh Shields Award for Chapter Excellence, which is awarded to the top ten chapters in the Fraternity. This is the third time we have been bestowed the honor. Our other chapter awards include excellence in Adopt-A-School, international organization, Delt 2000 and exceeding the AMA/AFA. We would especially like to congratulate Aric Harris for receiving recognition as the best President in the Western Plains Division. Furthermore, we would like to express our congratulations to Brother John Becker for winning his weight class in wrestling for campus intramurals.

Gamma Chi continues to excel at academics, campus leadership and intramurals. We are looking forward to the arrival of softball season to defend our first place title.

Rush is going strong and we are taking the steps to have a successful rush for Gamma Chi. Our hopes are that each of our alumni can refer a potential prospect to Gamma Chi. We are looking for outstanding men that will contribute to the house. If you have anyone in mind please give Rush Chairmen Ryan Dugan or Jay Hohl a call at our toll free number, 1-888-9-Delta1, or write a letter to the Fraternity.

This spring we welcomed a new pledge class and initiated thirteen new members. The new members' presence in the house has already started. All but three hold leadership positions, ranging from house manager to alumni chairman.

The Gamma Chi Chapter looks forward to alumni stopping by the house. It is always good to see and hear from an alumnus of Gamma Chi. The chapter is also looking forward to the alumni golf tournament coming up in the fall. We plan to make this an annual event held at the same time every year.

Our house corporation is planning on making a a \$1 million renovation to the house in the summer of 2000. We want to thank all alumni who have contributed so far to the enovation funds. If you wish to make a contribution, please contact our Chapter Advisor Brian Zimmerman at (913) 599-0712 or Jeff Doherty at (913) 843-1661. These men look forward to your call. —Joshua Jones

#### Kenyon

Chi

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The past twelve months, we have seen continued growth and improvement of Chi Chapter here at Kenyon College. We returned last fall to witness a newly-painted and refurbished lodge, as well as to find hopes high for another great year. The

chapter continued to excel academically, socially, and athletically as old members were ushered into life after Kenyon, and the road was paved for the future of Chi.

We are pleased to announce that Chi Chapter has the highest overall GPA for Greek organizations on campus, and numerous members were recognized nationally for superior academic achievement. Socially speaking, Chi Chapter has continued its committed participation in Habitat for Humanity, Big Brothers/Big Sisters, and numerous individual charities. Last March, Chi sponsored a bowl-athon benefitting Big Brothers/ Big Sisters, and we held our annual Easter egg hunt for the children of the area soon.

The financial concerns of the chapter continue to be ameliorated as Chi has erased thousands of dollars of debt in the last several years. We are also pleased to announce the success of our Adopt-a-Delt program, which has accrued several hundred dollars for those in financial need in this, its first year.

Chi Chapter would like to honor the men's swimming team, composed largely of Delts, for winning its 19th consecutive national championship this spring-extending the longest winning streak in NCAA history by another year. On a less-elated note, several Chi Delts were members of the Men's Soccer Team who suffered a disappointing first-round loss in the Division-III National Championships after finishing second in '96, and being ranked 2nd all year. Chi also has members of the Kenyon Golf. Lacrosse, Tennis, and Baseball (currently off to their best start in years) squads. We wish them

all the best of luck this season.

The summer of '98 will again see several members of Chi remain on campus for further work on the facade of our lodge, that has been slightly damaged by the droconic winter months of Ohio. *Eric Hakeman* 

#### Kettering University

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The Delts of Chapter Epsilon Iota-A at Kettering University have had yet another outstanding semester. Probably the greatest accomplishment, as it is every year at this time. is our induction of 18 distinguished men into our brotherhood. These neophytes have made considerable contributions to our house with their eminence in academics, sports, and leadership. This year the Pledge class rebuilt our food storage closet and remodeled a full bathroom.

Our brotherhood as a whole has also been very busy. In philanthropy over 95% of our house voluntarily participates in the Adopt-A-School program. Socially, the Delt house has also been making some noise. We are currently the largest and most diverse house on campus complemented by a strong brotherhood. This year's pledge party definitely had a great turnout with an even male to female ratio which is highly atypical for a Kettering party (10% female school). Also,on the social front we have thrown a few socials and mixers

with our new friends Alpha Theta Chi Sorority from U of M-Flint. As far as honors go, our chapter made it into the prestigious Court of Honor. We also received personally an award for Community Service from the Mayor of Flint. Our advisor, Jack Cunningham, was awarded *Advisor of the Year* from Kettering University.

This summer we are looking forward to fielding highly competitive sports teams, a very solid summer rush, a great academic year, and some good times. We invite alumni, family, and friends to come visit us and see that we indeed do live Lives of Excellence. *-Thuong Huynh* 

## **Kettering University**

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The past six months have been an extraordinary time for the B-section Delts at Kettering. Months of planning, organizing and hard work paid off greater than we ever expected.

The fruits of our labor showed when EI-B reaped a total of 12 awards at the Northern Division Conference in Dayton, OH last January. Some of these awards included the Arch Chapter Scholarship Achievement Award, First on Campus and Exceeding the AMA/AFA in academics. We are also proud to have received awards for Chapter Newsletter Publication, Rush Publication, Shelter Care and Maintenance, Pledge Education Materials, Adopt-a-School, Philanthropic Programming and Court of Honor designation. The conference concluded on an extremely high note when Jim Russell announced that EI-B would take home the coveted Hugh Shields Award for the fourth consecutive vear. President Russell stated "I like to think EI-B stands for 'Excellence in Brotherhood'

when describing this accomplishment."

However, the task still remains the same. We must put aside the accomplishments of the previous year and begin on our plans for the next. Many preparations are already in the works to improve our weaknesses and extend our strengths. Currently, our membership recruitment program is being overhauled to improve rush effectiveness and increase pledge class sizes. Our membership education and risk management programs will also be using the Delta Talking About Alcohol program to expand the awareness of our membership regarding this increasingly controversial issue.

Last spring, EI-B participated in several brotherhood events to develop closer bonds among members. The Cedar Point amusement park trip, canoe trip, camping retreat, as well as Spring Semiformal, and the Member vs. Pledges softball game have greatly enhanced the feeling of brotherhood that EI-B will be relying on in the months to come.

We have also remained involved in our campus organizations. With a Delt holding offices or chairmanships in IFC, Order of Omega, and several clubs and honor societies, we have maintained a strong presence on campus.

Our philanthropy program has been outstanding. With con-

tinued involvement in Adopt-a-School and numerous other activities, we completed more than 20 hours of service per man in last fall.

The past year leaves EI-B with a considerable amount of people to thank for their hard work and dedication to our chapter. Much of what we have received would not have happened if these Delts were not here. —Gregory Scott Hawkins

LaGrange Zeta Beta

The brothers of Zeta Beta
Chapter have kept busy this
quarter. Headed by our house
and grounds chairman, we have
done extensive work on our shel-

# South Dakota Delt Wins \$15,000 Goldwater Scholarship

Iniversity of South Dakota student Scott Koepsell of Mission Hill has won a national award that recognizes excellence in the mathematics and the sciences. Koepsell, the son of Greg and Lugene Koepsell, was among the 316 students named Goldwater Scholars and recipients of the two-year, \$15,000 scholarships. He was chosen from 1,186 mathematics, science and engineering students nominated by the faculties of colleges and universities across the country. The Goldwater Scholarship is the premier undergraduate award of its type in these fields.

"It is an honor to receive this award. This (honor) is prestigious and it is nice to know I made the right choice of coming to USD. This shows USD competes with the best research institutions in the nation in various ways," said Koepsell.

According to Koepsell, the USD chemistry department has been a great help over his two years at USD. "The University has dedicated faculty who encourage students to participate in research programs which has led to things such as publication in prestigious scientific journals and securing funding for research projects," said Koepsell, a member of the Delta Tau Delta fraternity at USD as well as the USD Chemistry Club.

Koepsell, who said he "likes research," plans to attend graduate school. He is currently involved in undergraduate research and will present "Self-Assembling Isocyanide Monolayers on Gold Surfaces" with USD Professor Andrew Sykes at IdeaFest that is being held this week on the USD campus.

Provided by the Barry M. Goldwater Scholarship and Excellence in Education Foundation of Springfield, Va., the one and two-year scholarships will cover the cost of tuition, fees, books, and room and board up to a maximum of \$7,500 per year.

The Goldwater Foundation is a federally endowed agency established by the U.S. Congress in November 1986. The scholarship program honors Senator Barry M. Goldwater, and was designed to foster and encourage outstanding studies to pursue careers in the fields of mathematics, the natural sciences, and engineering.

Koepsell is the third USD student in six years to receive a Goldwater Scholarship. The Foundation, now in its 10th year, has awarded 2,407 scholarships worth approximately \$25 million.

ter. We feel that it is necessary to maintain a good looking house because the community values the appearance of the fraternity houses a lot. We are also putting on a dinner theater for the community and faculty sometime this quarter. We currently have brothers going to Adopt-a-School each week. We also raised \$270 for the Boys and Girls Clubs here in LaGrange. We have many more philanthropies that we are putting together for this upcoming quarter. -Allen Lowe

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elta Nu eagerly anticipated an exciting and busy third term. Our library is in the process of renovation. This project includes new carpet, a file cabinet and new tables and chairs. For community service, the chapter will be participating again in Adoopt-a-School which is a continuation from the first two terms. Every week, two brothers go to an area public middle school and tutor students. The last weekend in April, we held a "Jail and Bail" event. They had a set bail that they had to raise before they were released. All of the money was donated to the area Red Cross.

We set high standards on our academics and our relationships with the professors. There were two scheduled academic dinners with approximately 10-15 professors coming to each. We held initiation the first weekend in May and our main brotherhood event was a retreat May 23 where we went river rafting on an Indian reservation.

A few individuals need recognition. Senior Eric Hecox was awarded a national fellowship which will allow him to travel to Africa. Sophomore Robb Reff is the newly elected LUCC president, the student government organization at Lawrence. Sophomore Richard Fichter was elected IFC president at Lawrence. —Chad Waller

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The brothers of Beta Lambda have continued to have an excellent semester at Lehigh. The new executive board, led by President Jerry Telgheder, '99, is fully in place and has shown a number of new and fresh initiatives. Our chapter came in with the highest Fraternity GPA for the sixth semester in a row, and we are involved in a number of campus and community events and leadership activities. Chip McAteer, '00, and Kevin Post, '00 are key members of the Lehigh Varsity baseball team, and a total of five brothers are class officers. Rvan Faulkingham, '99, has been elected president of the Lehigh Interfraternity Council, and Pat Russo, '00, and Ron Allen, '00, are new members of the IFC administrative board. Our newest pledge class of twelve men adds to the brotherhood and meets all of our rush goals. Finally, Tom Arbogast, '00, is a member of the new Lehigh Leaders program, and Jeffrey Wantman, '00, and Eric Swanson, '99, are involved in the Student Advisory Council to the Dean of the Business College.

The Beta Lambda Chapter welcomes correspondence from our alumni, and we encourage you to stop by the shelter any time. Jeffrey Wantman

#### Mankato State

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lot is new with the Zeta Eta AChapter here at Mankato State. We are placing a great emphasis on rush at the moment. We are currently having a formal rush with events held every day. We also have plans with the help of our alumni to build a house on the new Greek row which is starting fall of '98. We started bi-weekly brotherhood events on April 9, with a Rock-a-thon, watching all five Rocky's in their entirety. We also started a program with a local nursing home, where three brothers help them with their Bingo night every week. We celebrated Founders' Day on May 2 and held our formal May 30. There is a lot of enthusiasm within the chapter and are looking ahead to great things in the future. We would like to welcome our new faculty advisor. Rob Flint, who was a member at Allegheny. -Chris Stith

#### Marietta

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Spring semester went well for the brothers of Epsilon Upsilon. We enjoyed early summerlike conditions which raised morale to new heights.

Socially, our chapter enjoyed a beautiful formal on the stern-wheel boat Valley Gem. Several spontaneous parties also occurred during the summerlike nights of late March. We also held the first brown bag series luncheon, this event opened the channels between Epsilon Upsilon and the community. The response was excellent and more luncheons

will follow next year.

Fall rush culminated in February with five men initiating, they were: Trent Elliott, Matthew Dole, Keith Pryor, Trevor Brown, and Brian Wolfe. Immediately several became involved as officers and committee Chairs; and all are very active. Spring rush has seen one new pledge welcomed as Richard "Dek" Ingraham accepted in March, congrats to Dek!

New officer installation found Eric Langenfeld as president; Mike Roseman, vice president; Eric Knapp, treasurer; Keith Pryor, recording secretary; Matthew Dole, corresponding secretary; and W. Trent Elliott as an assistant treasurer. These officers have worked closely to ensure our commitments are met.

For the alumni, we have begun planning on a 30th anniversary bash next October. Hopefully, we will have every single alumnus return! In March, Dave Frick and Jon Hartshorn returned to 219 Fourth Street with a retreat where many good ideas were formulated, thanks to these very dedicated alumni. In April, our annual golf outing went off without injury...though everyone involved was hoarse from yelling FORE! Seriously, the weekend of the golf outing also was the stage for a house corps meeting and many other vital chapter activities.

In sports, Epsilon Upsilon had a strong showing in intramural basketball. Also, this year the rugby club is anchored by three Delts. Jeremy Dornon is Vice President and a wing; Buel Hall is match secretary and a wing; and Greg Evans is treasurer and a lock. Congratulations to them for their great performances.

Looking ahead, with Karnea

in August, we elected Jon
Hartshorn as alumnus delegate;
also Mike Roseman was elected
as first undergraduate delegate
and Matt Dole as second undergraduate delegate. We must also
congratulate our lone senior,
Shawn Spence. Good luck with
any future endeavors!
Finally, next semester, Matt Joy,
our rush chairman, and Tim
Cox, our pledge educator, look
to repeat a good rush and bless
the house with many more active
Delts! -Matthew S. Dole

#### Miami

Gamma Upsilon

Thus far, 1998 has been an amazing year for the Miami Delts. The men of Gamma Upsilon are proud to announce that we are the recipients of the prestigious Hugh Shields Award for Chapter Excellence, given to the top ten Delt chapters in the nation. This marks the fifth time the chapter has been awarded this recognition and the first time since 1980. Thanks to the strong leadership of Former President Travis Hanser and newly-elected President Alain Stephan, Gamma Upsilon continues to strive to become the best Delt chapter possible.

A new batch of solid leaders has been elected as executive officers to help support President Alain Stephen's efforts. Junior Dave Heiny has taken over as the internal vice president and sophomore Sam Krouse is the new external vice president. Junior Brent Lane is doing an outstanding job as treasurer with sophomore Brain Lee serving as his assistant.

Gamm Upsilon continues its works in the Adopt-a-School program in which Delts visit local elementary schools in an effort to reach out to Oxford's community. This program has proven to be beneficial to both local children and Delts alike. Gamma Upsilon also had brothers participate in a Big Brother/Big Sister program called Basketball Buddies. Members were paired up with underprivileged children from the area, paid for their ticket to see a Miami Red Hawk basketball game, and were their companions for the afternoon. It turned out to be a very rewarding experience. In addition, Delts are active with the planning committee for a Habitat for Humanity project in the Oxford area. The house is to be funded and built by the entire Greek community at Miami, and Delta Tau Delta is showing its leadership in this endeavor. Also, thanks to the efforts of our philanthropy chairman, Fred Doloresco, Gamma Upsilon will be sponsoring a Little League baseball team in Oxford. The brothers are very excited to help out and act as coaches and role models for the kids.

The Miami Delts recently cosponsored the second annual Delta Tau Delta/Phi Kappa Psi Regional Leadership Conference. The event was a tremendous success, with nearly 200 members from both organizations in attendance, Gamma Upsilon would like to thank Brother Ken File for his outstanding keynote speech, his participation in the panel discussion and the extra effort he showed in helping the Miami Delts establish a fundraising plan.

Gamma Upsilon has been active in Miami's Greek community in other ways as well.

Recently, the chapter cospon-

sored a presentation by Mr. Jeff Cufaude of Like Minded People, aimed at addressing the issue of apathy among members. The program was offered to all fraternities and sororities, and many organizations took advantage of the outstanding opportunity as shown by the event's attendance. In addition, the Miami Delts are proud to announce that sophomore Todd Walter was appointed to the IFC Judicial Board. We know that Todd will represent the chapter and the Greek community well in his new position.

Thanks to the fund raising efforts of Whitt Butler and the other members of the capital improvements committee, we have ben able to make several improvement to the shelter. The living room was completely refurbished over winter vacation, complete with a new fireplace, furniture, carpeting and doors. The living room now doubles as a study lounge as well. It is a great quiet study area thanks to the fact that it is now closed off from the rest of the house. In another effort to improve the scholastic atmosphere in the shelter, the chapter has purchased two new computers for

the brothers. With the help of our outstanding alumni, we hope to complete the renovations to the computer room by adding two or three more computers, cubicles for the equipment and more adequate lighting. Thanks to the guidance of Brother File, Gamma Upsilon is well on its way toward accomplishing many of its goals.

Gamma Upsilon is proud to announce that it has welcomed 23 new members to the chapter this spring. We are excited about the talent and promise of this pledge class. Their enthusiasm and leadership qualities are overwhelmingly evident. Gamma Upsilon looks to the future and all of the possibilities it holds. With the high energy of the brothers, increasing alumni support and a Hugh Shields award under our belts, we are preparing for an even more impressive second half of the year. -Jeff Miyamoto

#### Michigan Delta

www.umich.edu/~delt

This semester has been a busy one for Delta Chapter.
The Delt shelter here caught fire

# Minnesota Delts Honored at University Program

n April 27th Greek Awards were held on our campus for all the fraternities and sororities at the University of Minnesota. Every chapter had the option to apply for a range of awards and honors. Beta Eta submitted an application for several of the awards offered. Out of 22 fraternities here at the University of Minnesota the chapter won the Outstanding Philanthropy and Community Service Award. Chapter Advisor John Blake also won the Outstanding Chapter Advisor Award. John has been an asset to this chapter all year.

He has always been there when they needed help or advice. He has also been a great role model for every member of the chapter. His involvement in several clubs and organizations outside of work and the Fraternity has given all of us a positive example to look up to and strive for.

over Christmas break and it threw quite a wrench in the running of our chapter. Our house corporation, led by Michigan alumni B. J. Kroppe and Alan Lutes, managed to find a vacant fraternity house for us to use for the duration of the semester while the Delt shelter was being rebuilt and renovated. In addition to repairing the damage done by the fire, the house corporation is remodeling and renovating much of the shelter, which was built in 1928. This unexpected stroke of bad luck has ironically helped to strengthen the brotherhood in the house, as we have all pulled together this semester and found solace in each other's strength.

Chapter activities and events have continued as usual this semester despite our temporary relocation. Winter rush went very well and now we have a twelve-person pledge class, comprised of a diverse and enthusiastic group of young men. We have been participating in the fraternity intramural sports league, which includes sports such as flag football, track and field, indoor and outdoor soccer, softball, volleyball and many others. We are currently in second place in the league overall.

The Delta Chapter is strongly involved with philanthropy and we have several philanthropic events such as the Delt blood drive, bell ringing for the Salvation Army and Greek Week. Greek Week is a week where fraternities and sororities are paired up and compete in many different types of contests and engage in many philanthropic events. We are paired up with Delta Phi Epsilon sorority, and we have been contributing time and money to Safehouse, which

is our charity of choice.

Brotherhood events have played a strong role in keeping the morale up at the house after the fire. We have had events such as our biannual walkout to Purdue and a trip to the opening day game at Tiger Stadium. All in all, the Michigan Delts have managed to turn lemon into lemonade and achieve another successful semester despite the circumstances surrounding the shelter. —Doug Kohen

#### North Texas

Crescent Colony www.unt.edu/orgs/delts

The brothers of UNT Crescent Colony have been busy since our founding in 1996, and this spring was no exception. We began with the addition of four new founding fathers; Jason Daly, Josh Hissem, Cody McLees, and Barry Stiglets. Strengthening our community has been a top priority. We've been busy "Keeping Denton Beautiful" with the girls of Alpha Delta Pi and the Adopt-a-Spot program. The Adopt-a-School program is going strong with our adoption of the fourth graders at McNair Elementary.

We're not all hard work at UNT, however. A new tradition began with our second camping trip to Lake Murray, OK. The trip was a huge success with a colony participation of 100%. We have also been hard at play making the playoffs in both softball and basketball intramurals.

We are continually striving for academic excellence and maintain our 365-rush program. If all goes well, the next time you hear form the UNT Delts, we will have our charter and be maintaining Delta Tau Delta's efforts for continual, uninterrupted growth.

Thanks to recent graduate

Chris Olzak, you can keep up with our progress on the Internet at the above address.

## Southeastern Louisiana Epsilon Phi

The brothers of Epsilon Phi L Chapter picked up four pledges for the spring semester. Their names are Brandon Readlinger, Nick Triche, Scot Street and John Lempieinen. These four pledges have shown us a strong desire to become members and showed us that they have a promising future ahead of them that could benefit us in the future. We have done a few philanthropies this semester. Adopt-a-School and our annual Easter Egg Hunt with Alpha Omicron Pi. Rob Mistretta has done a great job to get all of our brothers over to Adopt-a-School. Last semester we placed third in grades with a 2.5 overall GPA. Our goal this semester is to get a 2.75 overall GPA. Our participation has helped us as well have an outstanding lead in the race for the IFC intramural cup. We have done exceptional well in all of our sporting events. We were the only fraternity on campus to make it to the quarterfinals in basketball. We placed third in the all Greek softball tournament. We were also up for the All-Campus Championship cup last semester and only trailed by ten points as we headed into the final stretch of athletics on campus. We went to the finals in volleyball and have always gone to the semi-finals or finals of floor hockey with our veteran players. We have done some remodeling to our house over the last semester and Christmas break. We plan on doing more remodeling once we get the money. One

way we plan on raising funds is by participating in the Italian Festival, selling food and drinks for three days.

We had our annual crawfish boil mixer with Phi Mu that went extremely well. We plan on having more mixers next semester because we were too busy concentrating on our formal in May. We finished off this semester with a bang and hope every one of the other chapters did also.

—Wilmont T. Miller III

# Southwest Texas State Zeta Delta

Zeta Delta Chapter has taken new steps this semester to become a stronger chapter here on campus at Southwest Texas State. Our chapter is growing and has become involved in many leadership roles in San Marcos.

Zeta Delta is currently involved in Adopt-a-School at Travis Elementary Middle School. Our brothers go and spend time with the boys at the school and are good role models for them. We also have a two mile stretch of highway where we pick up trash in the Adopt-a-Highway program with the city of San Marcos. We have also donated a number of clothing items and canned goods to the San Marcos Food Bank.

The highlight of the semester is the remodeling of the Chapter Room at the shelter. It is going to be completed by the end of the semester and will be the new meeting room for the chapter. We will be investing in a new pool table, air hockey table and ping pong table as well as a new stereo system. We already have a big screen television as well as a few couches and chairs so it is coming along great.

Socially, Delts are having a number of TGIF parties at the house. We also are having Delt Draf with Chi Omega sorority this semester. Later in the semester we had Poco Loco, which was a weekend excursion planned for Mexico and will become an annual event. We also had Spring Casual at the end of the semester.

Currently, the Zeta Delta
Chapter is planning for a huge
rush next semester. We started a
new rush system in which each
brother goes and meets with
their previous high school counselor to see which young men are
outstanding in their community
and are coming to Southwest
Texas. This allows us to get a
head start on other fraternities
and select better men to become
new members of Delta Tau Delta.

As far as campus involvement, we have Delts on IFC, Judicial Board, Student Volunteer Connections, Ducks Unlimited, and the Pre-Physical Therapy Association. Each member is encouraged to be in one other organization to better the chapter as far as networking is concerned. We have done that and are continuing to grow. One major goal is to have more alumni involvement in the chapter. This will bring the chapter closer to the past, better for the present, and stronger for the future. -Jon Stefka

#### Tennessee Delta Delta

The school year has brought many positive changes to the Delta Delta Chapter.
Starting in the fall of '97, we had only five actives. By the end of the fall term, we had a total of 16 actives. This semester, we have a five man pledge class. Although

it may not seem like much, it is a large number because spring rush at the university was very slow overall. Many chapters at UT with large numbers of actives did not attain pledge classes as large as ours, so we feel our chapter has a great outlook for the coming semesters. With 20+ actives remaining next semester, we plan to continue our successful rushing and grow steadily through the upcoming semesters.

In the past few semesters, our alumni relations having been improving steadily. We feel we owe our alumni tremendously since they have give us great support. Many substantial donations have been made to our chapter throughout the past few years and we know we couldn't have made it where we are today without their assistance. During our Founders' Day weekend, we have many events planned. The main activity would be our Founders' Day Golf Tournament, which brought many alumni together last year and will be just as successful, if not more so this year,

Another event that brings many of our alumni back to the university is homecoming. This year, we have paired up with Sigma Kappa sorority. Both chapters are looking forward to homecoming this fall and we plan to do well in all events during that week. Last fall, we had a barbecue after the football game for actives alumni, and family. This event was very successful with more than 100 alumni and family attending.

Our philanthropy endeavors have also been successful this year, continuing to participate in Adopt-a-School, with most of our chapter involved.

## Minnesota Beta Eta

After a lengthy fall quarter, things appear to be on the upswing for the Beta Eta Chapter. Major renovation was completed on the house in preparation for Karnea 2000, which will be held in Minneapolis.

Winter quarter brought seven new initiates into the chapter along with a pledge class of seven. Recruitment continues to prosper on campus and we are looking forward to a large spring pledge class.

Last year, Beta Eta was very active around campus in

Homecoming festivities, including an award for the decoration of our house front. The chapter looked forward to a strong showing at Spring Jam 1998; a competition among fraternities featuring philanthropy, bands, and sports to name a few.

The pride of our philanthropy efforts has been maintained throughout the year in conjunction with The Boy Scouts of America. Last fall, members of our chapter helped to successfully run the local Punt, Pass, and Kick competition for area Cub Scouts. Furthermore, four members of the chapter, through the Adopt a School pro-



A couple of years ago the Rainbow ran an article about a lady who makes quilts out of old college T-shirts. Seeing the article, Susy Allen, the wife of Delt Trey Allen, Georgia '93, hunted her down to make one for her husband as a surprise. The reason that all four corners of the shirt are the same is that that year, the Delts were teamed with the Sigma Kappas for homecoming and that's when Susy and Trey met. Susy got on the bus wearing her letters and Trey decided, then and there, he would take her to homecoming, starting an elaborate plan to get her to go out with him...which she wanted no part of. The story gets longer, but needless to say, they got married four years later and, as they say, the rest is history.

gram, volunteer weekly at area elementary schools to help the Cub Scouts with activities and sporting programs.

Earlier this year the Beta Eta Chapter sent a strong delegation to this year's Northern Division Conference, Numerous awards were received including awards for our Adopt-a- School program, our chapter grade point average, and our efforts in the Delt 2000 program. On a higher level, current President Nathan E. Rantala received an award for his Excellence in Leadership. An even greater award was bestowed upon us with the reception of the Court-of-Honor. Our chapter goal is to replace the Court-of-Honor with the Hugh Shields flag next year.

The brothers of Beta Eta continue to excel in all facets of life including academics, social, and community involvement.

We hope to see you all at Karnea 2000. -Buston Friedman/Brian Holly

#### Missouri Gamma Kappa

nce again the men of Gamma Kappa continue to strive for excellence. The tradition of hard work and dedication helps to main the best house on MU's campus. Our rush continues to dominate, signing 11 quality men for spring semester. All eleven are actively involved in intramurals and execute the academic standards set by Gamma Kappa. With the help of the house corporation, our academics are constantly on the rise. We recently received new lap-top computers for member use. Currently, we hold a place in the top five of intramurals.

The future holds nothing but positive achievements for Gamma Kappa. We acquired the Lambda Chi annex to preserve member retention and raise numbers. Our numbers are continually going up and, with a rush goal of 30-35 guys for next fall, the house is looking to be not only the best, but also the largest at MU.

The Greek awards were in late April and the chapter looked forward to winning *The President's Cup*, given for outstanding leadership on campus; *The Director's Cup*, given to the chapter with the best innovative program and, finally, *The Excellence Cup*, given to the fraternity with the best all-around brotherhood, involvement on campus and achievement.

We have all worked very hard to maintain the shelter and tradition of Gamma Kappa Delts. We encourage all alumni to visit the shelter and see how we are still the best on campus. We are committed to lives of excellence and preserving the tradition of excellence at Gamma Kappa.

—Derek Espeer

#### Missouri-Rolla

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This semester was yet another academic and philanthropic success for the Epsilon Nu Chapter. Our chapter GPA was once again well above most other Greeks and the students on campus. We acquired two new pledges this semester, making this the first spring pledge class in quite some time. Starting on rush early this semester has rewarded us greatly and we currently have several people ready to join in the fall.

With a successful academic and rush our chapter has made great leaps in becoming the campus leader here at the University of Missouri-Rolla. We plan to capture this honor through what we think will be the largest philanthropic event to take place in Rolla. Dubbed Mudfest, participants in Coed, Men's, and Women's Divisions will take to Mud Volleyball, Mud Tug-o-War, and Mud Wrestling. For those planning on just being spectators several "Random Carnage MudPits" will be available for just ordinary fun in the mud. While the winners of the events will take home trophies the true winner of this event will be the recipient, Make A Wish Foundation.

Even with all the academic stresses and philanthropic events, the Delts at UMR still find time for social activities. During the Annual St. Patrick's Day Celebration we worked together with the women of Kappa Delta to construct a float for the parade. When poor weather hindered our efforts to finish our float, we decided to make an event of the destruction of our float by burning it together. Though the life of a Delt at UMR is full, it is a very rewarding one. -Daniel Woodcock

#### Muhlenberg College

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This past year has been one of great advances for the Muhlenberg Crescent Colony. We have all been working hard on our chartering petition, and have finally finished and submitted our final draft.

We are extremely proud of our efforts and are looking forward to seeing the results. We were well represented at the Eastern Division Conference and got some positive feedback on our work thus far. Last fall, we welcomed our Alpha pledge class of eight members. Again this spring, we welcomed another five in the Beta pledge class. We are rushing very successfully and look forward to even greater numbers in the future.

Our colony participated in Greek Week for the first time here at Muhlenberg. All of our men were very excited for the opportunity, and were ready to make a great showing. Events include Ultimate Frisbee, Tug, Racquetball, Obstacle Course, Bowling, Billiards, Ping-Pong, Tennis and several more.

We have also begun to sponsor several events in the college community. We are presently hosting a Greek Goddess competition, and in the past have had T-shirt sales and Rent-A-Delt programs as well as strong participation in on-campus events.

Our Adopt-A-School program is going very strong as usual. Working at a local elementary school, we have overpowered even our local service fraternity with 100% participation and commitment. We have received several letters of commendation from the community for our time and efforts.

Finally, as this year draws to a close, we would like to thank our seniors for all they have done to get us where we are now. We are all looking forward to approval and the completion of the colonization process, but those who truly deserve the honor are those who have been here from the beginning. -Tony James Powell

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The men of Beta Tau Chapter continue to lead the

University of Nebraska through our excellence in all areas of endeavor. Our 105 members have been working hard to lead the Greek system and to accomplish our many goals as a chapter. Most recently, Beta Tau had the honor of hosting the Western Plains Division Conference. This extremely successful event gave many members the chance to attend many conferences and lectures on how to improve our chapter. Additionally, our Ritual team, in an outstanding performance, had the honor to conduct a very special initiation.

On the academic front, our chapter has continued its excellence with our GPA remaining well above the All Men's and Greek average. Recently, we have had members accepted to Mortar Board and Innocents Society. In addition, several members of Beta Tau have been accepted to medical, dental, and graduate schools.

In the area of community service we are striving further than ever, and have firmly made Delta Tau Delta known as a very charitable organization. Through our annual Mud Tug philanthropy, we were able to raise over \$1,100 for Clinton Elementary School (our Adopt a School partner). Also, we have several members involved in the Big Brother/ Big Sister program, YMCA Take a Break program, and the Gathering Place soup kitchen. In addition, we have volunteers for area hospitals, many activities at Clinton Elementary and our annual highway cleanup. With all this it is no wonder we have been nominated for the Ventures in Partnership award of excellence, a city wide award for philanthropy.

The men of Beta Tau have enjoyed continued success on the athletic field as well. We are once again rated very highly in our intramural standings, and have many athletes in varsity sports. Our top division basketball team has now won back to back fraternity championships, and in many other events, our athletic prowess has been clearly shown. On the varsity level, be boast two Husker quarterbacks on our nation championship team, two varsity wrestlers, as well as varsity members in golf and track.

Our shelter has received some major improvements in recent times as well. With new windows in our basement, new carpeting throughout the house, new dining room chairs, and several new computers, our chapter is continuing to improve our shelter for the future. It has been a challenging, but successful spring for us, and we look forward to the challenges that lie ahead. We give our best wishes to all our brothers across the nation, and wish you all the best of times. -Brock LaSure

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Theta Kappa

Hello to all fellow Delts! As the school year came to an end, the brothers of Theta Kappa reflected over the past year with excitement and pride. This year's rush began with a relatively small pledge class. These pledges, however, proved to be very dedicated and desirous new members.

The first major accomplishment of the school year started out with homecoming. It was a busy and funfilled week where we enjoyed many festivities and also got a chance to visit with a few

alumni who made it back. We managed to score first place overall in the homecoming competition.

The Western Plains Division Conference was held by our brothers in Lincoln where a large number of us were able to attend. This was a fantastic event where we all gathered many ideas and met a lot of fine brothers throughout the Western Plains Division. During this conference, we were happy to achieve our chapter's third straight Court of Honor award, along with awards recognizing excellence in Delt 2000, Adopt-a-School and achieving a GPA higher than the All Men's Average on campus. We would like to extend our congratulations to Kurt Beran on receiving the Kevin Johns-Ned Gustafson scholarship. This is a very honorable achievement and only two Delts receive this scholarship annually.

The Fun Run is our major fundraiser of the year when we run across the great state of Nebraska to raise money not only for our chapter, but for the local D.A.R.E. program as well.

Overall, the brothers of Theta Kappa had a very productive and successful year. Hopefully, we will remain focused and continue the growth of our young chapter. We would all like to wish our Delt brothers the best of luck to keep Delta Tau Delta the best fraternity of all and remember that we are all committed to lives of excellence. —Casey Schmeeckle

#### North Carolina @ Wilmington Zeta Tau

www2.coastalnet.com/~p5p2i4wm/DTD.htm

The brothers of Zeta Tau have been busy this semester and the results definitely show it! We are very proud of our accomplishments and feel that all the hard work has paid off.

Our chapter's participation in Greek Week went well and we won many awards. We won the Greek Community Service Award for the most participation in the Greek Community Service event, and we also have the most community service hours of any Greek organization on campus. We came in first place for all fraternities in the Greek Games. Also, we came in third place in Sidewalk Chalk. At the awards ceremony, our chapter was chosen as the Most Motivated Fraternity. Many brothers were awarded to the Pi Society for academic excellence. A new award for Greeks at UNCW is the Michael Bradley Cup which is given to the best all-around fraternity on campus and the UNCW Delts are the first to hold the cup. Along with all of the individual awards for Greek Week, our chapter also won the Greek Week Cup which recognizes the overall winner.

At a recent Campus
Organizational Awards Banquet
the brothers of Zeta Tau were
awarded with the Outstanding
Community Service Award for all
campus organizations. We were
also commended for first place
in academics, and received
Brotherhood of the Year by all of
the other Greek organizations.

The chapter did very well in sports, both in campus intermural and in the IFC intermural. We won first place for volleyball in campus intramural, and first place in basketball in IFC and campus intramural.

Kevin Snyder, a graduating senior, was crowned Homecoming King and received one of the the Fraternity's Chapter Consultant positions for the next two years.

Our Alumni Weekend was incredible with a great turnout. We went to Charleston, SC for our Nite of Iris formal and the weekend was perfect. We enjoyed meeting the USC Delts.

-Denny Deaton

#### Northern Colorado Theta Omicron

his semester has been a very eventful one for Theta Omicron. Since the end of rush we have had many events that have kept us busy. It started off by receiving the Hugh Shields award for the second consecutive year in a row! Since then we have not slowed down. We have placed third in IFC Basketball, and first in IFC soccer this semester. In doing this we have positioned ourselves with one sport left to win the Greek cup on our campus for the first time in our history. To go along with this we are once again ranked first on campus for grades with a GPA of 3.08 which exceeds the all men's average.

Our first annual Singled Out contest, organized by or Delta pledge class, is under way and already has more than 330 people committed. It is looking to raise a very large amount of money for the Greeley Women's Shelter.

This semester, as in the past, we have great participation in Adopt-A-School. We lead up the program for the entire school.

We currently have one member on IFC, Brian Allshouse, who has the brave task of being the IFC sports chairman.

Finally we would like to thank all of our alumni and all the other chapters that have given us their support. We would especially like to thank Larry Swanson, our chapter advisor, who has given us his encouraging support and guidance throughout this semester. *-Jerod Carroll* 

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It is an exciting time of the year for us at Delta Xi. We

have seven great new members. For the first time ever, we are using an eight-week new member education program, as opposed to one lasting the entire semester. Everyone worked hard during formal rush week at the beginning of the semester. Rush is one of our primary Chapter goals, now and in the near future, because more than half of our members are either a junior or senior and will be graduating soon.

Our Spring 1998 Formal was on March 28. Earlier that day Delta Xi had a dedication ceremony at the shelter. We dedicated and named the shelter library in honor of Brother Norman Skalicky, '55, in recognition of his professional accomplishments and his loyalty to Delta Tau Delta. Congratulations to Brother Skalicky for the tremendous honor and well deserved recognition. His family, friends, and many alumni were in attendance for the dedication.

For the third year in a row we won the *President's Award for Greek Excellence* (P.A.G.E.), which is awarded based on chapter performance in areas such as academics, recruitment, community service, etc. We also won awards for community service/philanthropy and campus involvement.

The semester is coming to a close and everyone is working hard to have a strong finish. Everyone is keeping busy with both academics and fraternity life, in order to have another successful and productive semester. *-Elliott De Sousa* 

#### Ohio Beta

Beta Chapter has been very active over the past few months. The chapter was been preparing for Founders' Day in

which Lieutenant Governor Nancy P. Hollister was the keynote speaker and helped us celebrate 136 years of existence here at Ohio University.

Along with preparing for Founders' Day, Beta Chapter has been busy making improvements to the shelter. These improvements include painting, new heaters in the formal room and a new basketball hoop. Along with these improvements we have added a pinball machine and foosball table to our recreation room.

Beta Chapter is also proud of chapter GPA of 2.97, which is well above the All-Campus and All-Mens' GPA. The men of Beta Chapter have also kept up the strong tradition of sports and is in strong contention for another IFC All-Sports Trophy.

Winter Quarter brought the initiation of 15 new members from the fall and pledged ten in the winter. Beta Chapter hopes to continue the success of rush during the next quarter.

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For the brothers of Mu
Chapter, this semester has
been one of challenge and
excitement. With the election of
our new officers, we have experienced a renewed sense of vigor
that has carried over into every
area of our chapter.

For example, community service participation is better than ever. We are currently involved with the Adopt-A-School program, for which we have received an award of recognition at the Northern Division Conference.

On campus, we recently received first place in a campuswide recycling contest. This resulted in a charitable donation made in the chapters name.

Just like community service, academics remain a top priority. In total, we have had a strong semester and anticipate a strong finish.

There has been no slacking on the social scene either. Our chapter formal was a success, as was our annual mock wedding with our sister sorority. We were also pleased to get the chance to visit with many of our alumni over Monnett weekend. A good time was had by all who attended the cocktail party and the softball game.

In addition to our social successes, we were proud to initiate three new members this spring and look forward to initiating three more in the fall. These new members are a positive addition to the house. They have already made many contributions to the chapter.

Intramurals have also garnered a strong involvement from the brothers. We have made an excellent showing in softball and are making waves in the newly created bowling league.

The brothers have faced many challenges this semester and have met each of them with success. Not only did we gain a quality pledge class, but we also made many advancements both on and off campus. With the ground we have built this spring, we know that the next semester will be positive. -Matthew Delaini

#### Oklahoma State

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As always, the spring semester has been a busy one for the Delta Chi Chapter. After signing four new spring pledges, in

February we proudly initiated 16 new members from a pledge class totaling 23. These new brothers show much promise in keeping up our tradition of excellence.

One area of activity was our annual Delt Dunk Basketball Tournament. Forty teams participated, raising \$1,000 for the Stillwater YMCA, and obtaining four new basketball goals for two local elementary schools.

Rhett Minson, senior, was chosen to represent OSU as Pistol Pete, the school mascot. He is the fifth Delt to serve in this position, the last being Lance Millis in the late 1980s. With his enthusiasm, we know he will make our house and school proud.

Recently, we were pleased to entertain current OSU President James Halligan and his wife Ann for dinner. President Halligan took the time to meet the brothers and speak a few words after dinner.

OSU's annual Mom's Day was just held, and we were happy to welcome a large turnout of moms to the shelter. After lunch we held our annual auction, where we raised \$2,100, twice as much as the previous year.

This spring we are swamped planning for many upcoming events. Tow of our brothers, Nick DeMaio and Jason Webb, will be travelling on a mission trip to Estonia this summer, delivering the word of God to a country recently freed from communist rule. The two must raise \$3,100 each to finance the trip. If you would like to help by contributing to this worthy cause, please contact us.

We are currently working o get our chapter web site online, and our alumni relations chairmen are rushing to get our alumni-member newsletter back in production. We hope both of these projects will raise communication between our house and alumni.

Another event which is rapidly approaching is our 50th Anniversary Celebration. While no definite plans have been set, we have several ideas tentatively scheduled for next year. If you have any suggestions, feel free to contact us.

Of course, with summer coming up, we are occupied organizing our summer rush activities. Rush Chairmen Blu Hulsey and Matt Lesher have been busy contacting rushees and planning events to bring our members and rushees together. If you know any young men you consider worthy of membership, or would like to help with rush in any way, please don't hesitate to contact us. We hope you all have a safe and enjoyable summer, and invite you to stop by our house if ever you are in the Stillwater area, -Wes Womack

#### Oregon

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We have completed winter term, and have done excellent in grades, and expect to be first on campus. We have been doing house duties more often, and pride ourselves on having the cleanest and nicest looking house at the University of Oregon.

Our philanthropy is also going superb. We now have every pledge and member participating in Adopt-A-School. We are also performing Adopt-A-Highway consistently three times a year.

We have our annual alumni reunion this spring, and look forward to seeing some members that we haven't seen in a while.

There is now house corporation and an alumni support group for our house. Our house corporation includes President Troy Jelinek '92, Mike O'Brien '91, Rob Gartner '86, Doug McKay '59, and Dane Roberts. The alumni support group has President John Hinds '93, Lee Pinson '94, and Phil Wilson. We would like to thank all these members for their help.

During winter term we participated in basketball, and stadium football. We will continue with intramurals this spring doing softball and track.

We have just had three members graduate this last term. They are Trent Kauffman, David Phipher, and John Kuo. We wish them the best of luck. -Andrew Boyarsky

## Ottawa

Theta Theta

heta Theta Chapter got 1998 off to a great start in January with a couple of very successful events. Our annual Delt Challenge went off without a hitch as Greeks from both universities in Ottawa came to the campus and participated in our Olympic-style events. A great time was had by all as people took part in games like twister, pool, and air-bands. Special mention must be made of brothers Dan and Jim who did an inspirational and touching interpretation of Guns and Roses' You Could be Mine to take first place in the air band competition. Congratulations to Brother Damian and all those who helped him with this great event.

Only days earlier, Brotherhood Chair Eric Lapierre organized another annual Delt event: the Super Bowl Party. The traditional chili and snacks were served as many Greeks from the campus, friends and other students crammed in to see the game, and what a game it was! Needless to say the Delt brothers were ecstatic with the Bronco victory.

In keeping with last fall's semester, Theta Theta continued to prove itself a leader on campus for philanthropic activity. In May of the brothers are helping with our adopted school, Queen Mary Street School, and we hope to expand on our commitment in the coming year. Another of our philanthropy efforts has touched many of the brothers right at home. Several brothers have lost parents to cancer while others have parents who are currently fighting it. Through various fund raisers the chapter has been able to raise close to \$800 for cancer research this semester. A great portion of this came from the Kappa Class philanthropy event. Lastly, the city of Ottawa was devastated by an ice storm in January. Trees and power lines were knocked down as the city was crippled for weeks. Theta Theta hosted a fund raiser, as part of the first night of the Eastern Division Conference, in which we were able to raise to over \$530 for relief efforts in the community.

We'd like to say hello to all the brothers who were able to come to Ottawa for the division conference meetings in early March. We hope you all had a great time and that you were able to take advantage of the Canuck hospitality. The combination of informative meetings with the opportunity to meet and talk with brothers from other chapters proved to be a great experience for us at Theta Theta.

Near the end of March were able to initiate the six members of Kappa Class. The weekend was full of ceremonies and other events that will be remembered for a long time. The highlight of the weekend was our Formal, which celebrated the fifth anniversary of our chartering. Many alumni and founding fathers were able to make it to the event and, coupled with the active brothers in attendance, helped make it a truly special evening with many stories and memories shared.

The brothers of Theta Theta would like to wish you all a safe and relaxing summer. We continue to strive to ensure Delta Tau Delta's position as a leader in all aspects of campus life at the U of O. Through our efforts this summer and continued involvement with Orientation Week, the fall promises to have great things in store for Theta Theta.

#### Pennsylvania

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This has been a terrific centennial year for the Omega

chapter. We have a new house, two great new pledge classes, and a new spirit that will lead Omega into its next hundred years.

Our spring recruitment was especially successful. We got nine great guys who have added tremendous enthusiasm to the chapter. With their recent initiation, we proudly welcome them into our chapter and thank them for their dedication during pledging.

Since our last column,
Omega has participated in a
great number of activities. We
traveled to Harrisburg,
Pennsylvania in February for the
Eastern Divisional Conference.
There we received awards for
outstanding academics, alumni
relations, and communications
(http://dolphin.upenn.edu/~de
lts).

Later that month we held our annual ski trip in the Poconos. Despite a lack of snow, we enjoyed the chance to bond with alumni and get away from the city. Special thanks to Norm Hetrick, Sr. for hosting us. In March, eight Omega Delts traveled to Cancun for spring vacation. They not only had a great time, but also met many Delts from around the country. We look forward to another house-wide trip next spring.

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And most recently, we participated in a campus wide Greek community service project that helped rebuild run-down homes in West Philadelphia.

We are particularly excited that we can now enjoy all the amenities of our new house. The pool table is here, cable TV and high speed Internet connections are installed, and the kitchen is complete. We are truly proud of our home and can confidently say that it is the best facility on Penn's campus. Once again, we would like to invite all Delts to come over and enjoy our new shelter. -Aaron Glick

# Pittsburgh

Gamma Sigma

Spring semester has been a prosperous one at Gamma Sigma. Our members have excelled as leaders internally as well as in the Pitt community. We realize that, in order to continue our proud tradition as Delts, we must reaffirm our commitment to lead lives of excellence.

Our semester began with the Eastern Division Conference which was held in Harrisburg. We received many accolades as well as advice on rush and leadership programs that will ensure a successful year ahead.

We also held another successful Parent's Night. It is a rare opportunity for our Delt family to meet our families from home. The night began with a dinner at the Pittsburgh Athletic Association, followed by awards

presented to distinguished brothers for their service to the chapter. Pitt Athletic Director, Steve Pederson, spoke on the importance of involvement in the Fraternity and other campus organizations. Pederson is a fellow Delt from the University of Nebraska. After the program, families then returned to the shelter for a reception.

Another successful event was our formal business session. The evening consisted of a house corporation meeting, dinner and formal chapter meeting. It was a positive experience as it brought house corporation members and undergraduates together and helped us to focus on our future goals.

Greek Odyssey is our year long philanthropic competition with other Pitt Greeks. Greek Odyssey's main goal is to raise money for the Free Care Fund for Children's Hospital of Pittsburgh. This charity provides treatment for uninsured children of Western Pennsylvania. As Delts we are proud to support such a noble cause. Due to Gamma Sigma's strong performance in Blood Drives, Food Drives, Charity, Greek Sing and Greek God competitions, we confidentially waited for the results.

As the semester wound down we started looking forward to next year. Since recruitment is a priority, we have set a rush schedule and are making all possible arrangements ahead of time. We eagerly look forward to next year's alumni homecoming which is the largest alumni gathering on campus, and will be highlighted by a Pitt football win over Penn State. It is already being heralded as the biggest homecoming ever.



Gamma lota officers attend annual leadership retreat at Camp Stewart, Texas. Chapter Advisor Scott Gardner, Texas '89, Host Si Ragsdale, Texas '48, is in third row, second from left.

#### Purdue

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In this vast universe, it seems that there are only two constraints that man cannot control: time and change.

Although the Delts here at Purdue cannot control these two entities, we have proven ourselves quite successful in dealing with them.

Our first major change attacked us when we lost a lot of brothers to graduation—it nearly cut our numbers in half—but we gained control of the situation by initiating eighteen men last semester and are working on initiating fifteen more this semester.

These men are extremely special in another important aspect—they represent the first pledge classes to withstand our newly revamped eight week pledgeship program in which we have had amazing success, even with our difficulties implementing such a drastic change.

More importantly, however, we have resisted changed in other areas: our grades are still outstanding as we finished last semester eighth out of forty-five fraternities at Purdue, our brotherhood is still striving, and our social scene is overwhelming.

Athletically, we excel both in interfraternity and university sports. We have men playing football, hockey, lacrosse, and rowing on crew for Purdue.

The secret to keeping our house fresh and innovative to deal with our constant flow of changes is our diversity. We have men from very different backgrounds, from many different states, who have different ideals and preferences, who all think differently, and who achieve their

goals with different methods; and yet our common bond as Delts committed to lives of excellence holds us together like super glue on a sweltering day.

We give thanks to Delta Tau Delt for giving us the opportunities to tackle the changes we face. -Bob Mihocik

## South Dakota Delta Gamma

Greetings from South Dakota, fellow Delts! I hope that you are all having as excellent a summer as I'm having.

Sometimes at Delta Gamma, we think the things we do go unnoticed. This year we were noticed by becoming one of the top ten Delt chapters to receive the Hugh Shields Award. This is Delta Gamma's fifth and our first in 25 years. We would like to thank all the Delts who helped us achieve this goal. The \$400,000 new renovation has definitely paid off.

This past spring Delta
Gamma continued to receive
awards. We placed second at the
75th Annual Strollers Show, winning Best Band and Best
Costume for the second straight
year. Delta Gamma also brought
home First Place and Best
Director awards for the Annual
Swing Out competition for the
second straight year. Delta
Gamma also actively competed in
Greek Week's activities.

At the beginning of the 1998 spring semester, Delta Gamma was quite busy. Officer and chapter retreats were held with goals being made for the current and coming semester. Bob Gray, Dr. Mike Card, Kyle Richards, Kevin Fahy, Kurt Fahy, and Rob Lengeling were instrumental in helping Delta Gamma get off to a great start.

Founders' Day went over well.

It is great to see many of the alumni come back to the shelter and take a look around and have a good mean. The annual Founders' Day, held on the third weekend of April every year, will celebrate 75 years of Delta Gamma in 1999. We are in the process of forming a committee to put together all of the details for the weekend's celebration.

Right now, the first weekend in November of 1999 is looking like the best time. There is a State vs. U game that weekend and we could have some sort of banquet in Sioux Falls. Keep that weekend open and if you have any suggestions, please contact the chapter.

The annual community service projects were also a bigger success than previous years. The fifth Annual Teddy Bear Charity Run for the Children's Care Hospital and School in Sioux Falls went very well. The third Annual Easter Egg Hunt for the St. Agnes School children continues to grow. Delta Gamma is looking into an additional volley-ball tournament charity event.

I would like to wish everyone good luck in their future endeavors. Don't forget to mark your calendars for Founders' Day and the 75th Anniversary Celebration in the fall of 1999. —*Tim Eckart* 

#### Southeastern Louisiana

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The members of the New Orleans area alumni association wanted to let everyone know that our organization is alive and well. As many of you know, the New Orleans Area Alumni Association was once a very active chapter. It is our goal to once again rally the troops

around the Delt banner. Some of the functions that we are wanting to implement for the future are: a once a quarter meeting, possible sport outings, barbecues, award banquets, and of course our annual Christmas party. All these things will not be possible without support from you, the Delt alumni.

The entire reason most of us joined a fraternity was for the brotherhood. That "brotherhood" is for life, not just the 4-8 years we spent in college. Rekindling the old Delt spirit could do you good.

Please contact me if you are interested in becoming an active member in our Alumni association. All comments, feedback, and questions will be greatly appreciated. For more information you may contact me by email: slu\_delt@msn.com, or by phone at 504-328-3827. -Brian Miles

#### Southern Mississippi Zeta Chi

www.set.usm.edu/~jmccarty/delts.html/

During the spring semester the men of Zeta Chi continued to strive for excellence.

They have maintained success in every aspect such as community service, campus relations and academic superiority.

Zeta Chi's annual Cystic Fibrosis Corporate Sports Challenge was, once again, a complete success. Teamed with Phi Mu sorority, we raised a total of \$6,200 that contributed to the fight against Cystic Fibrosis.

At this year's Southern Division Regional Conference, the Zeta Chi Chapter received awards for their excellence in such categories as Adopt-a-School, philanthropy, academic excellence and web site design as well as being named to the Court of Honor and the *Hugh* Shields Award for Chapter Excellence.

The men of Zeta Chi look forward to a successful summer rush this year. Their expanding ideas will be used to recruit new members into their chapter in order to maintain the level of excellence that they have worked so hard to achieve.—Jason M. Hurd

#### Stanford

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The Beta Rho Chapter has been making great strides in the past months. Recently the chapter embarked on an ambitious service project at the Belle Haven School. The project began in December with the delivery of 131 winter coats to students in need. Plans are already under way for a new after-school athletic program that will be greatly enhanced by fraternity involvement as coaches and role models. The chapter has also recently piloted a mentoring program, which matches actives with alumni according to

their prospective professional fields.

In athletics, pitcher Chad Hutchinson, '99, is the staff ace on the number one ranked Stanford baseball team, sporting a 5-2 record. The pre-season All-American has not disappointed on the mound and is primed to return Stanford to the College World Series. Zach Zimmerer, '99, recently capped a stellar season by competing in the NCAA wrestling championships. After a 2nd place finish at the Pac-10's, Zach finished with a 1-2 record at the NCAAs, losing to highly ranked opponents in close matches.

The chapter is now gearing up for the spring rush. For the first time in several years, the chapter is participating in formal rush, so expectations are high for bringing in a large and diverse pledge class. With membership currently at 35 men, a strong rush will help the chapter's situation in attempting to return to campus housing.

The Beta Rho Chapter has quietly been working very hard to make something of itself these past two years. Things are beginning to come together and the future looks bright for Beta Rho.

-Cory Councilman

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Te've had a busy year here at SFA. We placed highly in the Annual Greek Week competition, with brothers Bill Carlson and Brian Hotman placing first in golf. This Spring started with us tying for the most number of men pledged this rush. We pledged 10 men and look forward to their initiation. Our chapter was recognized for having the second highest active grade point average of the fraternities on campus. There has been a lot of Alumni and National correspondence, helping us direct ourselves to a bright future. We are having exchange parties with the local chapters of Chi Omega and Zeta Tau Alpha sororities this Spring semester. Our annual Bog-N-Grog crawfish boil is in high gear, it will occur April 18, 1998. The entire community is looking forward to the event's entertainment by Jerry Jeff Walker. Thank you to all the alumni that have shown an interest in the well being of our chapter.

-Danny Krukewitt

#### Stevens Tech

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It is truly an exciting time to be a brother at Rho Chapter in 1998. The new year has not only thus far witnessed Rho Chapter continue its tradition of excellence in various arenas, but also become a benchmark for a new

series of administrative programs that will undoubtedly serve to catapult it into the next millennium. Rooted within the five fundamental responsibilities of Deltism, these new policies strive to rally the Brotherhood into a single cohesive unit that shares the same values, ideals, and goals for the future.

One of our biggest accomplishments thus far is our growing sense of financial security. In the first quarter of 1998, the Chapter has paid back a significant portion of our debt to National that was amassed through major past renovations of the Shelter and a history of unpaid bills by Chapter alumni. However, the recent signing of a new lease agreement between Rho Chapter and Stevens, as well as a revamping of our collection procedures spearheaded by former Treasurer and current President Jason Tavares, have enabled us to no longer worry about the day to day collection of brothers' dues so that we can concentrate on further repayment of our debt.

The Chapter has also placed a stronger emphasis on academic integrity and Chapter Involvement in the recent months. Our newly elected Academic Chairman Kevin Frei has implemented a new Academic Incentive program that rewards high achievement and offers extra help for those that demonstrate a need. Our community affairs agenda, under the leadership of younger brother Ryan Stecher, has also been kept well ahead of schedule. Service projects already completed include our Semi-Annual Blood Drive, our participation in the NJ Adopt-a-Highway program, and fundraising for the American Cancer



At Gamma Iota's annual leadership retreat at Camp Stewart, Texas (L to R) Scott Gardner, Chapter Advisor; Bob German, DVP: Si Ragsdale, host and former DVP; Adam Krug, Chapter President

Society. Projects in the works include participation in a local Habitat for Humanity construction project and Adopt-a-School. These committees and others are all under the supervision of our Internal Vice President Ali Laypan, who has implemented a 'Delt Calendar.' This was distributed at the beginning of the semester, and lists all scheduled House functions to ensure that Brothers can plan their schedules accordingly to maximize participation in all events.

Another brand new program is the Delt Parents Association, which had its inaugural meeting this past March. Slated to meet twice per semester, the goal of this program is to keep a running dialogue between the Brothers and their parents on important House matters such as the upkeep of the Shelter and financial responsibility. The parents are kept informed of our accomplishments and are receptive to our concerns. This newfound partnership is also viewed as a vital link to the administration on campus.

Plans are also well under way for our June 1999 celebration of Rho Chapter's 125th Anniversary, aptly entitled 'Rho 125.' Alumni can expect to hear more news about this exciting event throughout the next few months.

In addition to the above, Rho Chapter has also maintained a position of leadership in campus organizations and athletics. Many brothers hold executive positions in a variety of campus organizations, and over 30 brothers have participated in varsity athletics this past year. We are also proud to say that we have once again earned the All-Sports Inter-Fraternity Conference first

place trophy. With credentials such as these, clearly everyone can see that Rho Chapter is the Delt Chapter of the future.

-Leonardo Palazzo

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Lots of good things to report from SU. We made our presence felt across campus all year long. We had two very successful rushes. Informal rush in the fall resulted in 8 men becoming brothers and formal rush in the spring yielded 15 quality men.

We have continued the long process of making our shelter a better living experience for the brothers who live in. An addition to our basement was built, along with a new library, new trash cans, new soap dispensers and this summer more rooms in the Shelter will renovated with new walls and floors.

We have also taken it upon ourselves to remain the best house on campus when it comes to inter-fraternity competitions. Not only did we win the All-Greek football championship this fall, when went on to win the All-University football championship.

In addition to football, we won SU's Homecoming Week, and sorority events such as Frisbee Fling and Dolphin Daze.

This February, the Gamma Omicron tradition of Cupid Week was kept alive with Eric Kuziak, '00, as Cupid. We raised over \$1,000 for the American Heart Association.

Life is good for Delt upon the SU Hill. We look forward to hearing from all our alumni as Homecoming week approaches. Go Delt! -Brian Luce

#### Texas Gamma Iota

The exciting occurrences that have taken place and continue to transpire here at the Gamma Iota Chapter will be looked back on as a milestone in our chapter's history. Delt Pride has motivated our chapter to make great strides in the academic, leadership, philanthropic, and house improvement areas. Our membership recently benefited greatly from the initiation of thirty five upstanding young men and the addition of a fine spring pledge class of eighteen. We owe Rush Captains Trent Erickson, Jonathan Rogers and Justin Davidson a great deal of thanks for the outstanding job they did. As new Delts, these initiates are sure to continue the great tradition we have worked so hard to create here at Gamma Iota.

One tremendous improvement our chapter is extremely proud of is in the field of academics. The unmatched determination by our prior Scholastic Chairman, Brandon Long, and the continued hard work of our new chairman Peter Duggan has placed Delta Tau Delta among the top fraternities at the University of Texas. With a fifth ranked pledge class GPA and a sixth ranked active member GPA, we have earned excellent scholastic recognition. This achievement earned us the division conference plaque of excellence. Five other plaques were awarded to Gamma Iota at the division conference. Among these were best newsletter, leading Adopt-a-School program, and a special award for having four out of the nine IFC vice presidents being members of our chapter. IFC also awarded Gamma Iota the chapter excellence award and the new member of the year award to Daniel Burke, our acting vice president.

The installation of new officers this past spring brought momentous leadership advancement to our chapter. After strenuous research and a majority chapter approval, Gamma Iota ratified the only known set of bylaws to exist in the last fifty years. After three amendments were approved, the Texas Delts enacted a code by which to set an example of excellence. Prior to this enactment, Gamma Iota Chapter restructured its administrative body by establishing a committee system. This new system will attempt to distribute the decision-making ability throughout the chapter to encourage member involvement and ensure satisfaction.

The continued philanthropic efforts by Gamma Iota have shown us to be fine young men who show concern for our surrounding community. Our nationally recognized Adopt-a-School program has continued with great success. By interacting with Barrington Elementary, Texas Delta have been able to create strong bonds with children who need extra attention and teaching. Many of us have learned first-hand the value of having a positive relationship with a child and appreciate the opportunity to help improve his or her academics so that he or she might have a better chance for a successful future. In addition, our continued participation in Austin Feed the Homeless Drive has allowed us to help some of the less fortunate members of our city.

The exciting fundraising campaign for our house renovation has continued successfully throughout the year. With construction around the corner, new steps have been taken to improve the original design. A committee of active members has participated in cooperation with Bob German and the house corporation to provide personal inputs and ideas about the new house. Everyone involved with the campaigning and planning has done a terrific job and anxiously awaits its commencement.

The Texas Delts are proud to report that our chapter has achieved great successes and will continue to make this part of our tradition. The spirit and excitement experienced here at Gamma Iota illustrates an excellent model of brotherhood. We would like to wish our fellow chapters around the country the best of luck. *-Jason fox* 

## Texas Christian Epsilon Beta

Cpring semester proved to be Oa most prosperous semester at Epsilon Beta. We offer a formal congratulations to the fifteen new members that were initiated at the beginning of the semester. Our new members will help enhance our brotherhood as well as improve our intramural programs scholastic achievement and rush activities. Our members held the Delts Talking About Alcohol program in March. We also hosted a very successful campus-wide DTAA program in which we invited chapter presidents, Greek leaders and campus administrators. Epsilon Beta had an unprecedented four members on the Interfraternity Council; two executive members and two board members.

Philanthropy became a large part of our mission during this

semester. Our national philanthropy, Adopt-a-School, is so popular that not all of the members who wish to participate are able to be active in the program. During April, many of our members helped staff the Kid's Korner during the AIDS Walk for Life of Tarrant County. This spring we also helped feed the homeless at a local night shelter and landscaped homes for the elderly and disabled. Following an unfortunate series of rapes near campus, Epsilon Beta donated one hundred dollars to bring a date rape speaker to campus to informa and educate the entire student body.

Although Epsilon Beta has strived to aid the university and the community around us, we also focused on increasing brotherhood within our chapter. The representatives that were sent to the regional conference brought back a feeling of pride and renewed energy to add to our chapter. Our annual Margaritaville Party went well and became one of the best parties of the spring. We had a chapter retreat this spring that resulted in the development of many goals which should continue to chapter's growth.

Epsilon Beta finished fourth in grades for the first semester with an average of 2.77. We look forward to improving that number. We took an unusually large spring pledge class of seven that has all of us very excited. They will be a valuable contribution to a chapter that is already one of the best at TCU.

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just recently participated in the annual Lion's Club Pancake Flip fundraiser which is the largest in the nation. Our next project is the all Greek Lubbock Community Day in which we help clean up the city. With fall rush around the corner Rush Chairman John Weaver has already started the process with two summer rush events and fall events being held at alumni houses. We are very thankful for the support and participation from our alumni. And again we expect to have the largest Delt pledge class. Another Epsilon Delta goal is to have a new house to help kick off the fall semester. Epsilon Delta is truly committed to Lives of Excellence. -Scott McGee

> Villanova Zeta Theta

As our first year on campus comes to a close, the Founding Fathers can look back on the past two semesters with a great feeling of pride and accomplishment. We have achieved what we said we would and critics said we would not. In

doing so Zeta Theta established an expectation of excellence in all that we strive for collectively as well as individually.

On February 21, 1998, we received our charter at the Northeast Conference in Harrisburg. It was a tremendous experiences for all of us, one that we will cherish for years to come. At the ceremony we received the award for having the highest all men's average on campus.

Perhaps our greatest accomplishment is the fact that we have grown, not only in size but in spirit. Through the tireless work ethic of Recruitment Chair Gree Flett and the Rush Committee we recruited eighteen new pledges for the spring semester. By following the belief that we are a seamless organization their pledging process, overseen by Jeff Smith, has provided them with a first class education process.

David Schnitz, our ambitious philanthropy chair, has taken several steps to make us the most philanthropic fraternity at Villanova. Next year we will cohost the Phiesta Bowl with the



Some Delts from an unknown chapter proudly pose in front of their new shelter.

Alpha Phi sorority. This is the largest philanthropic event on campus.

Our brothers also achieved various individual accomplishments which should be applauded. Geoff Walsh was elected as IFC secretary and also northeast IFC president which gives him jurisdiction over 150 schools form Maine to Washington. Steven DiRado was selected to the New Student Orientation Steering Committee. Villanova's student-run orientation program is widely recognized as one of the best in the nation.

Brian Murphy is currently interning with First Lady Hillary Clinton. Hopefully, no more scandals will occur.

Jimmy Hamilton was selected to the Balloon Day committee and is responsible for planning the entertainment for the day-long carnival that hosts and raises money for underprivileged children.

As the year wound down, we reflected on the lessons learned from our mistakes and the enthusiasm created from our success. We anticipate a memorable time next year as we continue to expose the campus and community to the excellence which is Delta Tau Delta.

## Virginia Beta Iota

This semester marks another successful one for the brotherhood of Beta Iota. The festivities commenced with rush, bidding three pledges. Jeff Hall, Joe Hammend, and Jonah Umbro bring a variety of extracurricular activities and experience to the chapter.

Much effort has been put toward securing a loan for the shelter, which is badly in need of improvements. In addition, the brotherhood would like to thank those alumni and friends who have contributed to the porch fund.

This semester has also provided many honors for Beta Iota brothers. Second Year Rush Chairman Brian Hudak was elected to the University Judiciary Committee, and Adam Greene was elected Honor Representative. Greene was also initiated into the Order of Omega Greek Honor Society. Four other brothers, President Jim Sharpe, Vice President Todd Johnson, Treasurer Jason Magill and Corresponding Secretary Hunter Ferguson were also initiated, marketing the largest appearance of any Greek organization at the event. More recently, Ferguson was elected to the IFC Governing Board.

Academically, we once again achieved excellence, achieving a GPA higher than any other fraternity on campus. In intramurals, we finished in the top two among Greek organizations in both basketball and football.

Beta Iota was also active in the community. We spent many Saturday afternoons building homes for the needy through the Habitat for Humanity program. In addition, we assisted the community in constructing a playground for area children, as well as participating in Make-a-Wish Foundation fundraisers.

#### Wabash College

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Once again, the Delts of Beta Psi had another successful year. This past semester we initiated fifteen new brothers into the house and they are picking up right where last years class left off. We just elected a new Executive Board with junior Brad Timmons taking over as President.

Beta Psi is proud of its academic excellence this past year.
Our GPA is consistently in the top three on campus and eighth among all Delt chapters. We have also continued our involvement in the community. Our involvement stems from tutoring at the Malcolm X Institute, to participating in Adopt-a-Highway. We also helped to raise money for Riley Children's Hospital and the March of Dimes.

Beta Psi also had success with athletics this year. We returned seven lettermen to the soccer team, which had another fine season at 11-7. The Beta Psi brothers returned lettermen in football, swimming, tennis and basketball, with each team having winning seasons. The brothers of Beta Psi are involved in several campus activities as well. This involvement includes pep band, glee club, theater, rugby and the campus newspaper.

We are looking forward to another great year at Beta Psi, and encourage any Delt alumni or actives to stop by when passing through Indiana. -Mike Babcock

# Washington Gamma Mu

The brothers of Gamma Mu Chapter returned to our shelter with a new executive committee, new administration leaders, and new attitudes. We have realized and acknowledged the work that needs to be done to win Hugh Shields next year.

We became even more motivated to win Hugh Shields when we returned from our spring conference with seven awards including: Exceeding the All Men's Average/All Fraternity Average, Meeting Rush Goals, Excellent House Corporation Operation, Shelter Maintenance, Adopt-a-School, Delt 2000, and, for the second year in a row, the Arch Chapter Scholarship Achievement Award. We continue to excel in all of these areas and am working on a few more items so we can bring home a Hugh Shield's flag with us next year.

Our chapter philanthropy event, The Miss Greek Pageant, took place March 8, 1998. This pageant consists of a representative from each sorority who fundraisers, sells t-shirts and then competes in a pageant. The girls are judges on talent, fashion and a philanthropic address. Five finalists are then selected and an impromptu question is then given, scored and the contestant with the most points gets crowned Miss Greek. The brothers of Gamm Mu



Western Michigan Delts pose for a formal shot in the campus library.

would like to recognize and congratulation the two co-chairmen of this event, Eric Foltz and Erick Newby, for doing an excellent job which helped to raise an all-time high of \$68,000 for Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center in Seattle.

Other events of the spring term included Adopt-a-School with area elementary schools, softball season, Delta Gamma Anchor Splash, Gamma Phi Beta Run for Cancer and Pi Beta Phi Arrow Games. A special congratulations goes out to Brother Sam Long who made it to the final round of Alpha Gamma Delta's Mr. Greek Contest.

From the brothers of Gamma Mu to you brothers dispersed throughout the world, best wishes for a successful and very eventful spring quarter. —R.J. Apana

# Washington & Jefferson Gamma

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Gamma Chapter has been working hard to prove why we are the longest standing Delt Chapter in continuous existence. By adding two fall and eleven spring pledges, the W&J Delt house will boast 39 brothers next year, making us the largest House on campus.

The phenomenal rush efforts of the past two years, which have netted 31 new members, can be attributed to Rush Chairmen Jeremy Roberts and Jon Soltz, who did excellent jobs of mobilizing the brothers in order to make Rush a brotherhood activity. In fact, at the Eastern Division Conference in Harrisburg, Gamma Chapter was presented with an award for its outstanding Rush program. With those new members comes a revitalized

brotherhood, which is active in nearly every aspect of campus life. Brother Jon Soltz was recently elected Student Government Vice-President, along with Brother Brian O'Korn, who was elected Secretary. Brothers Jesse White, Brad Sobolewski, and Joshua Rager serve on the Board of Directors for WXJX, the campus radio station. Brother Joe Bachman serves as Vice-President of the Pre-Law Society, Brothers Joe Kimmell and Jarrod Kucharski are officers of Pre-Health, and Brothers Scott Novak and Chad Sethman are officers of SAFE, just to name a few.

We also have brothers and new members involved in nearly every athletic department on campus, including baseball, basketball, soccer, hockey, and wrestling, with Brother Mike Mason winning the 167 pound class President's Athletic Conference Championship this past year. On the lighter side of sports, Gamma Chapter Delts earned their first Intramural Football Playoff Berth in years, under the direction of Coach Joe Kimmell, and our intramural basketball team remains competitive.

Gamma Chapter has also been involved in several philanthropies, including Bowl For Kids, Adopt-A-Highway, and the Pittsburgh Marathon. Our new members have been volunteering at the local YMCA, helping with Special Olympics, and Brother Joel McClosky is planning a campuswide Bachelor Auction to raise money for a local boy in need of a multiple-organ transplant. Academics have not been forgotten, either. Gamma Delts currently rank third among fraternities on campus, with twenty of thirty-three brothers boasting a cumulative

GPA of 3.0 or higher.

With an upcoming capital fundraising drive to raise money for a new house, Finally, Gamma Chapter is launching an effort to get in touch with alumni who may have strayed away from the Shelter over the years. We invite all alumni who have been out of contact with the chapter to please stop by the Shelter, call us at (724)229-6361, or visit us on the Internet at www.mlynk.comgammadelts.html. We look forward to working with our alumni in an effort to continue the standards of excellence that has made Gamma Chapter the longest-running Delt Chapter in continuing existence. -Jesse J. White

## Washington State Epsilon Gamma

During the past semester we, the men of Epsilon Gamma Chapter, have been keeping quite busy. We have been studying hard and are pleased to be above the All Men's Average once again this year. Although academics is our main focus many of us have found time to participate in clubs and intramural sports. This semester alone we won three basketball championships and had several members participating in club sports.

We have also been participating in various activities on campus and within the community. We have an intensive Adopt-a-School program in which we tutor junior high students four days a week. We have also recently started an Adopt-a-Highway program near out shelter, for which we are responsible for keeping clean.

On the weekend of April 3 and 4th, we rode bikes form Pullman to Seattle in an attempt to raise money for the Ronald McDonald House. We raised upwards of \$3,000 and enjoyed the ride.

We had a great informal rush this year and are confident in ourselves as a whole and in our ability to succeed. We have enjoyed the past semester and look forward to the future and the challenges it will bring.

-Jay Garrett

## West Virginia Gamma Delta

The brothers of Gamma
Delta had an exciting spring
semester. We finished Delt Bowl
'98, our philanthropic power-puff
football tournament held every
spring for campus sororities.
This year we raised more than
\$2000 for Scott's Run Settlement
Home in Morgantown.

We had a terrific rush spring semester with 18 new pledges, one of the largest on campus. They are a great group of young men who will definitely help out the chapter in the future.

We sent four undergraduates to the Eastern Division
Conference in Harrisburg, PA.
There we received awards for
Excellence in House Corporation
Management, First on Campus
GPA, Campus Leadership, Delt
2000, Meeting Rush Goals and
Exceeding the All Male
Average/All Fraternity Average on
our campus.

This is also the first semester in our newly remodeled state-of-the art house. Things are working wonderfully. As some of you might already know, our new shelter was voted substance-free by the chapter. It is a beautiful house and we intend to keep it that way.

We participated in Greek Week with Alpha Xi Delt. We took third place in the scavenger hunt, and completed all of our community service hours which gave us an excellent chance of winning.

We are also planning a house rededication ceremony for early next semester. All in all, it has been a great semester.

-Eric M. Virostek

#### Western Kentucky Epsilon Xi

nce again the brothers of Epsilon Xi have had a successful spring semester in rush, intramurals, and philanthropic involvement. It all could not have been done without the help of our new president, Jeff Dant. Because of his work and the work of Rush Chairman Benji Ogden, we have had, in our eyes, a very successful spring rush, and had the privilege of initiating six new members. Also, with the help of House Father Jeff Bezold, we have been able to make many improvements to our shelter both inside and out, because we want our house to be the best on campus.

During this semester, our chapter has strived above and beyond many expectations, to win various campus and national awards. A couple of the awards we received this semester were Exceeding the AMA/AFA and Delt 2000. Also, with the leadership of Brian Whitfield, our Adopt-a-School program at Warren County Elementary was once again successful in helping many young children with after school tutoring. As a result of our community service this past year, our chapter has recently been nominated for volunteers of the year in the the city of Bowling Green.

The spring semester once again allowed our intramural teams to shine on campus. Our football teams both won their regular season and post season tournaments and our soccer team and handball teams competed in the annual campus tournaments. As you can tell, our brothers tried to participate in every activity possible.

All in all, we have definitely had a very exciting and prosperous time.

# Western Michigan Theta Upsilon

It is an exciting time for Delts at Western Michigan. We were installed February 1 as the Theta Upsilon Chapter. We have shown our dedication to academics by retaining our claim to the highest GPA of all fraternities on campus. The Adopt-a-School program is held at Chime, a local elementary school in Kalamazoo. We have strong participation in this program. Other philanthropic activities include Walk-for-Warmth, Into the Streets and many other Greek fundraisers. Recently, we participated in Delta Gamma's Anchorsplash,

finishing first. Delts also finished first in Sigma Kappa's Volleyfest volleyball tournament. Our recruitment week has drastically improved and we held successful events including Casino Night and Games Night with Damon's rib wagon. We are involved in almost all intramural sports. Our teams in

floor hockey and volleyball won the championships for the Greek league in those events. Our chapter also has members involved in varsity track, club lacrosse, hockey and swimming. We also have have members in Mortar Board, Order of Omega, Keystone Leadership Program and many other campus organizations. —Dean Seales

## Wisconsin Beta Gamma

Greetings from all the brothers at Beta Gamma. We are currently experiencing spring fever here in Madison. The ice is off Lake Mondota, and the warm weather is succeeding in bringing all of us together. We can finally venture outside of the house and have some fun.

The fall semester was a success, and the spring gave us even more promise. Our rush events were original and proved fruitful. The brothers are all extremely pleased with the spring pledge class. They show great promise and we anxiously

await their initiation. We are currently making improvements to our shelter such as a computer room and improving our chapter room. Next year we will be hiring a full time cook and will initiate a meal plan for the first time in quite a while. The opportunity for all of us to live in our house wouldn't be possible without the help of our alumni and their Capital Campaign program. We would like to thank all who gave their assistance. Our morale is thus improving and we anxiously await next year.

This year we all have been busy in participating in a variety of philanthropies. On the university level our chapter placed first academically. Our intramural basketball teams are competing without defeat and entered a tournament for charity.

Thus, we ended this year, and look to the next with renewed anticipation. We would like to send our best to all Delts around the globe and wish the happiness this year and next.

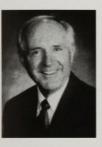


Some undergraduate Delts pose with the chapter jet. Must be one of those Texas chapters!

# A Tangible Legacy to a Life of Loyalty

he North Dakota Delt Chapter named its newlyrenovated chapter library the Skalicky Library in honor of Norm Skalicky, a 1955 graduate and long-time supporter of the fraternal education at UND.

Skalicky is president and CEO of Stearns Bank, a Minnesota-based chain ranked 45th top performing bank in the nation over a five-year period. Skalicky is also President and Chairman of the Board of



Stearns
Financial—a
nationwide leasing company,
Stearns Agency,
National
Dispatch
Insurance,
S&D, Inc. and
Skal-Kin, Inc.

all in the St. Cloud region.

Skalicky, a native of Brocket, North Dakota, graduated form UND in 1955 with a degree in accounting, then served in the U.S. Army. Early on, Skalicky was an insurance agent, and started purchasing interests in the Stearns County State Bank in 1965 at age 30. Other independent banks were acquired in the following years. Skalicky received UND's Sioux Award in 1995 and currently serves on the board of the UND Foundation and Alumni Association.

Skalicky's contributions to the Delt House have been numerous. He has served on the board of directors of the chapter's educational foundation since the early 1980s, and, in 1994, established the Skalicky New Member Scholarships. Under the Scholarship program, new members with a GPA of 3.00 or higher who have held some leadership positions are eligible for a \$150 scholarship their pledge semester. Since the scholarship was established, Delta Tau Delta has been the top-ranked fraternity academically at UND. Last fall, Skalicky also made a significant donation that enabled the full renovation of the flood-damaged chapter house, housing 30 students.

"Norm Skalicky is a financial services entrepreneur who has reached terrific professional success, but remembers his great journey started with a childhood on the farm, a great education at UND, and the lessons of leadership and teamwork learned at his college fraternity," says Bruce Gjovig, president of the chapter's educational foundation. "He cares a great deal about providing for the next generation of leaders and their education, and

is very appreciative of the opportunities presented him by his fraternal education. We are pleased to recognize Skalicky's professional accomplishments and his loyalty and generosity to Delta Tau Delta by naming the library in his honor."

Dedication ceremonies were held March 28, followed by a reception at the chapter house.

# **Alumni Chapters**

Indianapolis

The Indianapolis Alumni Chapter held a Picnic Under the Tent at Victory Field on Tuesday, July 21, 1998. The picnic, was followed by an Indianapolis Indians baseball game at 7:00 pm. The picnic included hamburgers, hot dogs, potato salad, baked beans, tossed salad, soft drinks, condiments and utensils. The Alumni Chapter held 100 seats. And a reminder that the Indianapolis alumni meets twice a month. 1. The 1st Thursday of every month at Laughners Cafeteria in Nora on the Northside of Indy at 12:00 noon. 2. The 2nd Wednesday of every month at the Ten West Market Cafe at 12:00 noon. The cafe is located on the third floor.

Twin Cities Alumni Chapter

The Twin Cities Alumni Chapter has enjoyed a great resurgence of late. Anticipation for the Karnea in Kansas City has the chapter planning for the much anticipated Karnea 2000 to be held in Minneapolis. The steering committee for the Karnea-2000 has met several times and will be contacting

area alumni to secure their involvement in this grand event. Currentlty, the steering committee is made up of David Johnson, BH '90, Mark Roberts, BH '90, Merlin Dewing, *Delta Xi '56*, John Blake, *Gamma Theta '83*, Randy Korn, *Beta Eta '82*, Ned Gustafson, *Beta Gamma '93*, Tim Mantel, *Beta Gamma '93*, Joe Muslof, *Beta Eta '91*, Ron Erhardt, *Beta Eta '59*.

The chapter also welcomed all alumni to the following events scheduled for the fall. October 17th - Homecoming '98 (at Beta Eta) Our congratulations to all the chapters in the area, Beta Eta for receiving the Court of Honor and eight other awards at the Regional Confernce, and Delta Gamma for achieving Hugh Shields recognition.

For more information regarding the Karnea Committee or the Alumni chapter contact Mark Roberts, 445-3030, David Johnson, 880-0746 or John Blake 425-9770.

The Minneapolis Alumni Chapter began whipping up excitement for the Millennial Karnea at Kansas City this past summer.



hen I was about 9 years old, I had a Cub Scoutmaster, Fred Brandner, who lived just west of the Delta Tau Delta fraternity house on Lincolnway in Ames. Iowa. His wife was aware that our family was in need of some help during those Depression years. She noticed that the cooks go each night and sit on the back steps of the fraternity house. After the boys in the house had all been fed, the cooks would put any leftover food into the cans for me. I was to put these cans in my wagon and cover the cans with a clean dish towel. Each night I got out my

wagon to carry the cans from the

previous day. Then I arranged to arrive at the back door of the fraternity house by 6 p.m. As I sat waiting I tried to tell what was being served that night by the smells that came from the kitchen. The cook opened the door and helped me move the cans to the back door. One might contain a bit of mashed potatoes; another might be corn, and another might be some meat dish. Usually there was a can with gravy also.

I would carry the cans, one at a time, and put them in the wagon. Then I covered the cans and headed home. Many nights I would stop when I was about a block away from the fraternity house to inspect what was in the cans to see if I would like it. That was silly, because I liked nearly everything. But it was kind of fun to learn what we might be

eggs, French toast, boiled eggs

meant that these foods had to be

and so on for breakfast that

Sometimes my mother would tell me to hurry home, "because what you bring home tonight is what we are going to eat for supper." We seldom were disappointed. Enough food came from the fraternity house so that we could eat at least one good meal a day. During those tough times my family really depended

worked into the next day's meals. She was always glad to get the food which extended what we would be able to eat. Nothing ever went to waste. If there was gravy and no potatoes one day, we would have gravy served on broken up pieces of bread.

Dad worked as a janitor at Iowa State College from 3 p.m. until midnight, having 6:00-7:00 off for supper. By that time I would be returning from my trip to gather the leftovers. As time went on we became more and more dependent upon the food that we got from the fraternity, so Mother would sometimes wait to "see what Edwin brought home" before she prepared the

After a couple of months I noticed something interesting. The amount of food seemed to be slowly increasing in volume. There were six of us at home, and it was not unusual to have five or six pieces of meat appear in the can. Soon there were enough mashed potatoes so there was enough for all of us to have some. Many times we would have two choices of vegetables possible saved from dinner and one from supper. Eventually it dawned on me that the cooks were being generous to ensure that all of my family would have something to eat each day.

As time went along, the cooks invited me into the kitchen to wait. The boys that served as waiters got acquainted with me and many times would sneak me some snack like a bowl of pudding. They would say something like. "Here is an extra pudding. How about finishing it up for me?"

neighborhood more than sixty years later, I notice that the old Delta Tau Delta house at the corner of Highland and Lincolnway has seen better days. It looks like it was abandoned by the fraternity when they built a new brick house in the south part of campus. As I look at it, I am reminded of the days so long ago when I made my nightly run with my wagon to pick up food for my family. Thank you, Delta Tau Delta. ■

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thank them and tell them how

my knowledge we used everything. Nothing was every thrown

inviting me to come back to

watch some special occasions that

ber many of them vividly. I don't

know how long the food arrange-

ment lasted between my mother

and the boys in Delta Tau Delta

but my brother, who is seven

years younger than I, told me

that he also made the daily run

to the house for leftovers. He

enough food to feed the family.

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minute steaks, there would be

enough to serve all after cutting

a steak in half for my little brother and sister. My guess is that

this practice continued for about

The boys at the Delta Tau

Delta house never knew that they

helped a family survive during

Their leftovers always made at

least one good meal a day for my

Today, as I walk the old

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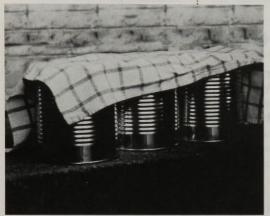
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# Six decades later, a septegenarian reflects

back on the kindness of strangers

By Martin E. Nass

at the fraternity house threw out leftover food after each meal. She visited with the cook and asked her if she would be willing to save the food each day and let a family come each evening to pick it up. After the cook agreed, Mrs. Brandner called my mother and explained the situation.

My mother, used to feeding four kids on Dad's \$100.00 a month salary, was very willing to follow up on the arrangement. She went to the fraternity house and asked what she should provide and when the food could be picked up. The cooks said that they would save several number 10 cans; we could use those to carry the food home. They asked that we wash and return the cans on the next day so they could be used again.

Mother told me that I was to

eating later. In the beginning the amount of the food in the cans was small. Sometimes there would be about a cup of peas, enough potatoes for two people, maybe meat for two. Mother worked very hard to use all of the leftovers into her menu the next day. If the boys had scrambled

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# BUILDING ON EXCELLENCE



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Brothers,

We have been the most successful of all fraternities in our annual fund raising because we don't just ask for money – we develop proactive programs for our undergraduates that are relevant to the challenges they face and ask your support to fund them. Now, we are announcing a \$7.5 million capital campaign.

The possibilities soar if we endow the most needed and effective of our programs and use annual funds to support targeted services for our chapters. Annual giving would maintain our chapter consultants, those traveling professors of leadership, provide for help to faltering chapters and ensure that our mission, "Committed to Lives of Excellence," reaches every young Delt through its message of ethical behavior, dedication to academic achievement, and respect for all men and women.

This new campaign would further endow our Leadership Development and Training, take our Alcohol Abuse Prevention program to <u>every</u> chapter every year, extend our Values-Based Education and add significantly to Chapter Endowment Funds. For the next three years, our Annual DeltFund will be included in the "Building On Excellence" campaign.

We have committed financially to this new campaign because we are convinced it is exactly what Delta Tau Delta needs right now. Would you please join us and fulfill your oath to remember that "as you advance, others follow." Thank you.

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# A Commitment for the 21st Century

# A HISTORY OF PERSEVERANCE

As we approach the 21st Century with close to 150 years rich in history and change, the mission of Delta Tau Delta remains steadfast. *Committed to Lives of Excellence* serves as a testimonial to what is possible when well-conceived ideas are fueled by the aspirations of young college men who believe that anything is possible.

Delta Tau Delta's strength continues to be in its ability to recognize opportunities and to implement meaningful programs that address tough problems and move members forward. Our tangible ability to build leaders is not an ambitious outline for the distant future, but an existing series of programs that are operating and producing right now. These programs prepare Delts to become successful business leaders, ambassadors, senators, congressmen, artists, ministers, educators, doctors, attorneys, and leaders in virtually every industry and profession.

Delta Tau Delta truly reflects societal patterns and closely reflects the trends on college campuses. Today there is a very real concern on campuses regarding alcohol and substance abuse, lack of leadership development, and too few mentors to guide young people through their transition from youth to young adulthood.

# THE CHALLENGES OF OUR MISSION

As one of the Greek world's leading fraternities, we accepted an obligation and established the Mission: Committed to Lives of Excellence. Easy words to say; however, sustained excellence in the Greek world and in higher education is a challenge which requires the talent and resources of every Delt.

Our vision is one of greatness. We view the challenges of leadership development, substance abuse, values-based education, community development and educational housing as opportunities for high accomplishment.

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# VISION FULFILLMENT, FISCAL COMMITMENT

Fulfillment of our vision requires the support of a fiscal commitment above and beyond what we can reasonably expect our undergraduate members to provide. It is incumbent upon our alumni and friends to become philanthropic partners with the Delta Tau Delta Educational Foundation in developing new funding for the Fraternity's growing margin of excellence. It is this margin of excellence that will enable us to lead the Greek movement into the next Century.

Philanthropy will sustain this margin of excellence. Continuing increases to member dues will quickly make Delta Tau Delta unaffordable to the young people whom the Fraternity was created to serve. Nothing could be more counter-productive to our purpose. The programs that we hope you will help to fund are far more than just benefits for membership. They are essential for our young men if they are to remain competitive in the global workplace of tomorrow. We now need to endow these proven programs.

In response to these realities, the Board of Directors has authorized the Delt Foundation to conduct a fund-raising campaign to generate a minimum of \$7.5 million for educational investment in Educational programming. This sum will enable us to finish funding the endowments for tested initiatives that are so important to the future of Delta Tau Delta.

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# Campaign Goal

I. Leadership Development & Training	.\$2,800,000
II. Alcohol Abuse Prevention	\$900,000
III. Values Based Education	\$800,000
IV. Chapter Endowment Funds	.\$1,500,000
V. Annual DeltFund (3 years at \$500,000)	.\$1,500,000
	\$7,500,000

# **Building On Excellence:** Answering The Leadership Crisis

Effective, ethical leaders are in short supply worldwide. In government, business, politics, education, religion, our global society seeks leadership. Your Fraternity works to build more effective and dynamic leaders one Delt at a time.

Delta Tau Delta meets the leadership challenge with a two-pronged approach: the Leadership Academy and the Chapter Leadership Laboratory.

# DELT LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT & TRAINING

# THE LEADERSHIP ACADEMY:

The Delt Leadership Academy is a four-day intensive training experience for undergraduates based on Stephen H. Covey's book, *The Seven Habits of Highly Effective People.* A faculty of Delt instructors who are proven leaders in business, education and industry conducts the program.

The Delt Leadership Academy provides an academic approach to the development of leadership skills for a lifetime as well as skills useful in a chapter setting. The philosophy? Leadership is not an inherent set of traits; it is comprised of competencies of leadership that can be taught. The Academy emphasizes theory, experience and practical application. The importance of capturing the entrepreneurial spirit that has made our society great cannot be underestimated. Delta Tau Delta nurtures this spirit at the Leadership Academy.

# THE RESULT:

After completing the experience, participants and local chapters notice changes in themselves and in their interactions with others. It's little wonder – the Delt Academy does something that no other experience can match. It prepares Delts to change their worlds by providing the tools needed to lead, improve relationships, build more effective teams and ultimately enhance society.

The Delt Leadership Academy measures success by the accomplishments of its graduates. Of the men who have graduated since the Academy began in 1992:

- 46% have become chapter presidents
- 14% have become chapter vice presidents
- 27% have become other executive officers
- 4% have become IFC presidents

"The most tremendous character-building experience I have encountered.

The resources I have gained from the alumni and the tools taught in the

Leadership Academy are of inestimable worth to me now, as well

as in my future endeavors."

Mark A. Bennett, Kettering University '97

# THE CHAPTER LEADERSHIP LABORATORY:

A portion of every dollar donated to the Leadership Academy will be used to implement a chapter-based principle-centered leadership program. The same leadership techniques taught at the Leadership Academy will be integrated into the daily lives of every chapter member. It will begin when a man pledges and continue throughout his college years. Based on the combined success of Franklin Quest and the Covey Leadership Center, this chapter level program will enhance the Delt experience on a daily basis, in your chapter and every other.

"My Leadership Academy experience was a significant emotional event and one I will never forget. I learned so much about who I am and where I need to go. I can't wait to start applying the things I learned to my life." William Justin Suiter, Oklahoma '99

# YOUR SUPPORT:

Alumni can support and help expand the Leadership Academy in many ways:

- Support one chair at the Academy annually
- Endow a chair permanently
- Provide a significant leadership gift to help endow an entire annual Academy

When you endow a chair at the Leadership Academy, you also provide essential funds at the chapter level to implement the Fraternity's new member leadership program. You help not only one Delt personally, but also thousands of Delts simultaneously.

# THE BUDGET:

The estimated annual budget for Leadership Development and Training is \$160,000. An endowment to support these operating costs is approximately \$3.2 million. This will allow 100 undergraduates to participate annually through funding by the Delta Tau Delta Educational Foundation and help create a legacy for the future. And it will help launch a comprehensive leadership development program at the chapter level that will impact the lives of every undergraduate.

# LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT & TRAINING GOAL: \$2,800,000

The total endowment needed for Leadership Development and Training is \$3.2 million. Our existing endowment for this program stands at \$400,000, making our goal \$2.8 million.

HELP SECURE THE DELT LEADERSHIP ACADEMY		
	Annual Gift	To Endow
1 Chair	\$ 1,500	\$ 25,000
1 Chair with College Credit	\$ 1,600	\$ 28,000
1 Academy (20 participants)	\$ 30,000	\$ 600,000
1 Academy with College Credit	\$ 35,000	\$ 700,000
5 Academies-2 w/College Credit	\$ 160,000	\$3,200,000

# **Building On Excellence:**Delts Attack Alcohol Abuse

Delta Tau Delta is taking a leadership position within the Greek world regarding alcohol abuse prevention, the single largest problem facing higher education. This is the first time a program as intensive as this has been taught to fraternity chapters at the grass roots level. No one can promise to eliminate alcohol-related problems in every setting, but Delts Talking About Alcohol (DTAA) offers an excellent approach to reducing alcohol-related problems and other risk management issues in Delt Chapters through peer-led education.

# I ALCOHOL ABUSE PREVENTION

# THE PROGRAM:

Delts Talking About Alcohol is a campus-level adaptation of a highly regarded educational program developed by the Prevention Research Institute and is being implemented in chapters throughout the Fraternity. Alcohol abuse prevention is essential and other forms of risk management within undergraduate chapters are vital to help our young people navigate the stormy waters that exist on college campuses.

Under the leadership of Hoyt D. Gardner, MD, former President of the American Medical Association and Delta Tau Delta, the Fraternity developed DTAA so that Delt undergraduates and alumni could work to address the mounting concerns surrounding alcohol problems. Our approach respects an individual's right of choice about drinking, while providing accurate, objective information about how to limit risk for having alcohol-related problems both while in college and later in life.

Delts Talking About Alcohol is a 6-hour research-based prevention program designed to be taught by a trained undergraduate intern. Currently we are only able to provide this program once every three years to every undergraduate chapter.

"I only wish that this program was offered to more than just Delta Tau Delta Fraternity because it is something that I am very proud of and it needs to be known throughout the fraternal world."

Chuck Schneider, Missouri '99

# YOUR SUPPORT:

We would like to establish an endowment within the Delta Tau Delta Educational Foundation to provide for alcohol abuse prevention education for every chapter, every year. Until we are able to provide this information on an annual basis, we will not be fulfilling our mission of *Committed to Lives of Excellence*.

Our implementation strategy is bound to change to keep pace with teaching, technology, and substance-free chapters. The current internships may give way to better forms of communicating the message. However, this endowment will always be dedicated to addressing alcohol abuse and other risk management issues at the chapter level.

# THE BUDGET:

Our goal is to fund five Delts Talking About Alcohol internships each year. The estimated annual budget needed is approximately \$75,000. An endowment to support these operating costs would be approximately \$1.5 million.

# ALCOHOL ABUSE PREVENTION GOAL: \$900,000

The total endowment needed is \$1.5 million. Our current endowment to support this program is \$600,000, making our campaign goal for this program \$900,000.

The Camp	paign to Endow Delts Talking About	Alcohol
	Annual Gift	To Endow
1 Internship	\$15,000	\$300,000
3 Internships	\$45,000	\$900,000
5 Internships	\$75,000	\$1,500,000

# **Building On Excellence:**Restoring Delt Values

Delta Tau Delta has been successful for nearly 150 years because of a commitment to good citizenship and a set of values that is timeless.

By expressing specific values in the context of a commitment to lives of excellence, individual Delta Tau Delta members will be able to enhance the quality of life on the college or university campus and eventually the community where they live. In Delta Tau Delta we believe that:

- Integrity is essential
- Accountability is fundamental to all commitments
- Lifelong learning and growth are vital
- Strengthening community is essential to our vitality

"By providing and investing in alumni training the Fraternity proved by example that it is serious about substantive support to the alumni and truly make this a seamless organization."

Roy Gromme, Wisconsin '57



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# WALUES-BASED EDUCATION

# THE PROGRAM:

Trained, well-informed alumni working with our young undergraduates accomplish the values education program. These adult mentors are excellent role models who assist chapters in making value based decisions.

# THE BUDGET:

In order to continue this focus on alumni education and put a cadre of trained advisors and mentors behind every chapter, the Fraternity has asked us to secure an endowment to provide \$60,000 annually toward a focus on events, activities and programs that reinforce our values. An endowment fund to support these operating costs would be approximately \$1.3 million.

# VALUES-BASED DECISION MAKING GOAL: \$800,000

The total endowment needed is \$1.3 million. The current endowment fund for this program is \$500,000 which makes our goal for this campaign \$800,000.

# **Building On Excellence:**A Local Solution

For the first time alumni have the opportunity to directly contribute in a significant way to their own chapter. A solution now exists for the dilemma faced by potential donors who want to make significant gifts to the educational programs of their chapter but have been reluctant to do so because the gift was not deductible for Federal income tax purposes.

# V.CHAPTER ENDOWMENT FUNDS

Your chapter can now establish its own Chapter Endowment Fund within the Delta Tau Delta Educational Foundation. All gifts to the Chapter Endowment Fund will be held by the Foundation as restricted gifts for the benefit of your individual chapter for the following educational purposes:

- Scholarship grants to members of your chapter
- Educational grants to cover portions of the travel and accommodation expenses of chapter members attending division leadership conferences, Karnea, our international convention, and the Delt Leadership Academy
- Grants for education resources in your Shelter such as desks, bookcases, books, computers and software. In certain situations the construction, renovation and equipment of educational areas of your chapter home
- Loans to your chapter for housing which will bear interest at the prevailing rates at the time the loans are made

# THE BUDGET:

To maintain a Chapter Endowment fund within the International Foundation, an individual account must reach \$25,000 in principal balance within three years from the start of the program. Assets held by your

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chapter Endowment Fund will be managed and invested by Delt financial professionals along with the other assets managed by the Foundation. Gifts designated for a specific chapter will be used exclusively for leadership and educational purposes that benefit the members of that chapter.

# CHAPTER ENDOWMENT FUNDS GOAL: \$1,500,000

We believe that this program has tremendous opportunities and are committed to raising \$1.5 million over the course of this campaign for the benefit of individual chapters.

# **Building On Excellence:**A Way We All Can Help

The Annual DeltFund remains basic to the success of the Foundation. It is imperative that the Foundation continues to increase both total funds and the number of donors each year. As we move further into major and planned gifts, we must have a broad base of annual support that is not reduced by capital giving.

# V.THE ANNUAL DELTFUND

# THE PROGRAM:

The Annual DeltFund underwrites a portion of the cost of maintaining the Fraternity's Chapter consultant staff that provides eye-to-eye contact with undergraduates in all chapters. It also makes possible the establishment of new educational and training programs and publications developed regularly to assist undergraduate chapters meet the challenges of changing times. This program is the great equalizer within the Foundation and allows Delts of all ages and all financial means to stand up and be counted. It raises the largest average gift of any fraternity. It is usually the most successful annual campaign each year in the Greek world.

# YOUR SUPPORT:

Donors to the Annual DeltFund continue to be the backbone of support for the Delt Foundation. Whether you are a recent graduate or senior alumnus, we all need to support the Annual DeltFund.

# THE ANNUAL DELTFUND GOAL: \$1.5 MILLION

The Annual DeltFund gives every alumnus an opportunity to participate in this campaign and be recognized for his efforts. Our Annual Fund goal for this campaign is to raise \$1.5 million over a three-year period. The Foundation's lifetime giving clubs are as follows:

The Al Sheriff Associate \$50,000	The Hugh Shields Associate 25,000
The Chairman's Council 15,000	Royal Purple Associate
The 1858 Society5,000	Founders Circle
The Presidents Panel	The Four Star Council500
The Rainbow Club250	The Crescent Club100

# Only Delts Will Support Delta Tau Delta

Sustain and enhance Delta Tau Delta's commitment to lives of excellence with your enthusiastic and generous support. Delta Tau Delta responds to ever changing campus and societal environments with thoughtful, strategic planning.

Delta Tau Delta plays a pivotal role in the Greek movement and within higher education. Through the efforts of our first Director of Academic Affairs and increased emphasis on studying, Delta Tau Delta is now the fraternity with the highest GPA! We are poised to chart the course of learning for fraternities into the next century. These types of aspirations are not new for Delta Tau Delta. Our mission of Committed to Lives of Excellence demands it and offers each of us a renewed invitation to explore the possibilities that our founders identified so long ago.

Our Delt Oath and today's undergraduates are constant reminders that we all have promises to keep. Even though we have programs that are practical and proven, we will always be steered by the stars and the light of a crescent moon.

# **Building On Excellence:**Opportunities For Giving

Traditionally Delts support the Fraternity and the Educational Foundation because of the value each places on his own fraternity experience and the importance of providing positive influence for young men.

At the same time, maximizing tax benefit is a legitimate and vital aspect of every brother's financial planning. The following ways of contributing to the "Building On Excellence Campaign" are presented to encourage your creative, timely and thoughtful support. The information presented here is general in nature. You should contact your own professional tax adviser to determine how it relates to your individual circumstances.

Clearly, a wide range of giving options permit you to make a capital gift larger than you may have thought possible while at the same time maximizing tax and economic benefits for you and your family.

The Mission and Values of

# DELTA TAU DELTA

Committed to Lives of Excellence

Truth, Courage, Faith and Power are our Foundation

\*Integrity is essential.\*\*

Accountability is fundamental to all commitments.

Lifelong learning and growth are vital.

Strengthening community is essential to our vitality.

Brotherhood sustains us.

# Gifts of Cash

Cash gifts and pledges are the most convenient way to support the campaign.

# STOCKS & BONDS

Securities may be the best gift for you to give. Given the current market, a securities gift often costs the donor far less than the value of the gift to the Educational Foundation. Contribute appreciated securities at the present market value, claim that value as a tax deduction, and in most cases you do not have to recognize the capital gain for tax purposes. In most circumstances, it does not benefit the donor to sell the appreciated securities and then give the proceeds to the Campaign because of the tax on appreciated securities. Check with your tax advisor to find out if you should join the many donors who have utilized securities to maximize their charitable giving.

# REAL ESTATE

Donating a primary residence, vacation home, or farm to the Educational Foundation, while reserving the right to use the property or farm the land as long as you and/or your spouse live, can be a way to gain immediate tax benefits and thereby actually increase your income. Funds from the sale or income from the property can be designated to the Delta Tau Delta Educational Foundation.

Gifts of non-income producing property can be arranged so that through their sale by the Foundation, you will receive income during your lifetime from the investment of the proceeds from the sale, as well as a tax deduction. Or you may wish to make an outright gift of non-income producing property.

# RIGHTS, ROYALTIES, & PERSONAL PROPERTY

Contributions of your rights to mineral, oil, gas, and other deposits are effective means of giving. Royalties on patents, published books, and other licensed activities are also welcome. Works of art, coin or stamp collections and antiques with a reasonable market for resale can be given to the Foundation, and in most cases an income tax deduction is available for the fair market value of the asset.

# MATCHING GIFTS

Many companies have established matching gift programs. A charitable donation by an employee may be matched dollar for dollar by the company or by a company foundation. Some companies may match two or three times the amount of the original contribution. The matched dollars do not provide an additional tax benefit to your initial contribution, but your gift generates significant extra dollars for the Campaign. You will be recognized for the total amount of your gift plus the matching gift from your company.

# **Deferred Giving**

The "Building on Excellence" Campaign is designed to add \$7,500,000 to the Educational Foundation. The continued strength and vitality of our Fraternity requires continued growth of the Educational Foundation's resources after the Campaign is successfully concluded. Deferred giving allows Delt alumni who wish to support the Educational Foundation but cannot commit to a significant gift at this time. Contributors can maximize their commitment over an extended period of time.

# BEQUESTS

Bequests are opportunities for some alumni who need the income from property during their lifetime but wish to remember the Foundation in their wills. A bequest is particularly useful to those who may have

estate tax problems or those whose children are otherwise well provided for. A gift by will can either be by bequest of a specific amount, a percentage of the estate, or a residual bequest. Bequests are completely deductible.

The long-term growth of the Delta Tau Delta Educational Foundation can be greatly influenced through gifts from the wills of Delt alumni. Cash, securities, and property provide favorable tax benefits to the donor's estate. You may specify where and how your gift is to be used or leave your gift to the best judgment of the Delta Tau Delta Educational Foundation.

# LIFE INCOME TRUSTS: UNITRUST AND ANNUITY TRUST

Delts can support the future of the Fraternity through mutually beneficial plans that provide lifetime income, a higher rate of return on investments, and extremely attractive income tax and estate tax deductions. Each plan allows you to transfer an asset to the Delta Tau Delta Educational Foundation, or a trustee of your choice, in exchange for an agreement that will guarantee lifetime income for you and/or a loved one.

The Unitrust provides you an annual income based on a percentage of the fair market value of the assets transferred to the Delta Tau Delta Educational Foundation. Assessed annually, the amount you receive varies with the changing value of the property. You may add to the Unitrust without creating a new trust.

The Annuity Trust provides annual income based on the initial fair market value of the assets, as fixed at the Trust's inception. Subsequent increases or decreases in the Trust's value have no effect on the annual income.

# CHARITABLE LEAD TRUST

Some brothers are not able to make substantial capital gifts to the "Building on Excellence" Campaign for Delta Tau Delta but wish to leave property to heirs at a significantly reduced gift or estate cost. In a Charitable Lead Trust, the income generated from a brother's assets placed in trust is paid to the Delta Tau Delta Educational Foundation for a period of years. After that time, the property either returns to the brother or is transferred to his named beneficiaries (typically his heirs). By establishing such a Trust, he lends his assets for the term of the Trust. There is no immediate income tax deduction, but the property you leave to heirs will incur significantly reduced gift or estate tax costs. When the assets reach your heirs at the termination of the Trust, the value of the Educational Foundation's charitable interest may have eliminated all gift tax liability.

# LIFE INSURANCE

If your life insurance needs have diminished or your policy has outlived its original purpose, you may wish to consider two ways of putting that money to work for the Delta Tau Delta Educational Foundation.

First, you can assign the existing policy to the Educational Foundation. You can take a tax deduction for the cost basis of the policy or its fair market value. If the policy is not fully paid up, you can deduct any future premiums as you pay them.

Second, you can designate the Educational Foundation as the beneficiary, deciding whether or not you will continue to pay the premiums. This arrangement offers substantial tax benefits to your estate when the policy matures and your estate becomes entitled to a charitable deduction.

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