



# It's the MISSION, Stupid!

EVERYONE HAS A MISSION. Having one that is timeless and speaks across generations makes a good Fraternity great!

Forty-seven years ago, this four-man Delt team from the then-thriving Delta Upsilon Chapter (1948-1994) at the University of Delaware set out in this classic 1950s-style Pontiac. Their destination: the Karnea in Pasadena, California. All four Delts are thriving today. From left to right: Warren Beh, owner of a successful insurance brokerage in Wilmington, Delaware; William Moore, retired school principal in Delaware and later in New Jersey; Jack Mealey (at car door) retired colonel in the U.S. Army Medical Service Corps; and Dr. Karl Buretz, semi-retired family practice physician in California and Saudi Arabia. 3000 miles later, they arrived safely at the Huntington Hotel, site of the Karnea. Lessons they learned there carried them to great success in the good old Delta Tau Delta tradition.



Since the election last November, there has been a lot of talk about tax cuts; the elimination of the death tax, repealing the marriage penalty, slashing capital gains tax and on and on. Several folks have commented to me that with all these tax breaks, won't it put charities out of business?

I have thought hard about that these past few months and, even in the face of a declining stock market, it's hard to ascertain how all of this may ultimately impact the Delt Foundation.

It has been a time of quiet reflection, if not several sleepless nights, but as I have analyzed who our alumni are, some startling things came to mind.

- Many of our country's largest foundations were established prior to the creation of the death tax. Without the motivation of tax avoidance, what prompted their creation?
- A tax deduction is a commodity in today's market. The Delt Foundation's tax deduction is the same as any other public charity, yielding the exact same tax benefits.
- An analysis of our last 15 bequests, and the individuals who made them, has shown that 90% of these Delts had estates under the threshold of the unified tax credit meaning

their estates would not have triggered any estate or gift tax.

In the face of these issues, why would Delts give if there were no tax incentive to do so? What could possibly go through their minds and get them to make such a personal testimonial to their Fraternity?

The answer can be found in the first six words of the Delt Creed, "I believe in Delta Tau Delta."

Though the experience may change from one generation to the next, the lessons of leader-ship, emphasis on values and the challenge to face adversity are still attracting men to our doorway of opportunity; boys from high school who want to be men.

These lessons are timeless and are just as important today as they have been for every past generation of Delta Tau Delta. You know this to be true or you would not be reading these words.

Come join us by giving back a piece of what you have received through a bequest in your will or another special type of planned gift. The Foundation Staff looks forward to talking with you about any gift, large or small, as a testimony of what Delta Tau Delta has meant to you.

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# **Features**



"It is difficult not to be proud to be a Delt during conference season," Executive Vice President Duane Wimer said. The cover images highlight only a small part of the programming, leadership, sharing of excellence in awards, and Brotherhood that the five division conferences provide. Division conferences took place in Ames, Iowa; Cincinnati; Pittsburgh; San Diego; and Charlotte. Readers get to meet each Hugh Shields chapter in this issue.

ON THE COVER



The Fraternity is looking for alumni to give time and talent to undergraduates.



The Epsilon Delta Crescent Colony formed in February 2001. This group of men is already running the Texas Tech campus.

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The Allegheny Alpha Chapter was originally chartered on January 5, 1863. Thirty-seven Founding Fathers, who are responsible for raising Greek Standards at the college signed the Alpha Charter on March 31.

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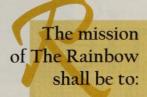
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**Inform** members of the events, activities and concerns of interest to members of the Fraternity.

**Attract** and involve members of the Fraternity via appropriate coverage, information and opinion stories.

**Educate** present and potential members on pertinent issues, persons, events and ideas so that members may be aware of and appreciate their heritage as Delts.

**Serve** as an instrument of public relations for the Fraternity by presenting an image of the Fraternity commensurate with its quality and stature.

**Entertain** readers with its information and quality writing and editing, so that it is a pleasure to read and share with others.

# COMMENTARY

Three of the graders comment on things that impressed them during their evaluation of the Annual Achievement Agreements

I am very impressed to see that some nice strides are being made in areas that I noticed were particularly deficient when I graded the 1999 AAA's. Our chapters are making strong moves to increase their ritual education, new member local education manuals, as well as strong representation of Delts on IFC. Something that I noticed that I was particularly proud of our chapters was the continued strong community service and philanthropy that is taking place where Delta Tau Delta is present. An amazing effort in terms of Adopt a School, and all of the time, energy and money that is being raised.

— ORLIN CAMERLO University of Northern Colorado, 1997

Most of the chapter's who submit a decent AAA do an overall good job with basic chapter programming and operations. However, it's those chapter's that demonstrate their competitive advantage through unique programming that make them stand out and achieve those top-honor awards. Hugh Shields chapters must go above and beyond the ordinary and make a conscious effort to exhibit their commitment to excellence...you can't do this by being simply normal on paper.

— KEVIN SNYDER University of North Carolina at Wilmington, 1998

What impressed me considerably was the technology that the chapters used -from CDs to the packaging of the material. Being able to see their goals and their actual results for the past year, really helped to set the tone of the chapter, and I think it helps the chapter identify their strengths and weaknesses. Even though the document does not specifically ask for supporting documentation in some areas, our chapters really excel in philanthropy, academic planning, and recruitment and having the documentation aids the process. Finally, it surprised me that some chapters with excellent programs and gains in the planning document failed to substantiate them so they could be recognized.

- ANDREW MCDEVITT Emory University, 1992 Back in 1963, members of the Arch Chapter began to plan an award to recognize all-around excellence in undergraduate chapters. After long and careful study, criteria was adopted and the plan was ready to implement. In July of 1965, the Hugh Shields Award for Chapter Excllence was officially established named for Hugh Shields (Indiana University, 1926), the late executive vice president of the Fraternity.

**FIRST** 

"Spike," as Shields was called by his undergraduate Brothers, served as treasurer and president and then moved to become the first secretary of the Loyalty Fund. He was editor of the Rainbow from 1935-1937 and again

STTE Trom 1944-1946. From 1930 to 1965, he headed the Fraternity's Central Office.

**AMONG** 

thro EQUALS

The award's criteria was designed to recognize overall balance rather than placing undue emphasis on any signal area of excellence. The award is based on the chapter's submission of the Annual Achievement Agreement, which replaced the traditional Hugh Shields

Award application in 1996, and recognizes excellence in internal operations, chapter finance, recruitment, alumni relations, community service/relations, membership

XCP education, and academics.

Since 1965 over 350 chapters have been honored as a Hugh Shields chapter. Twelve chapters received that honor at this year's division conferences. Gamma Iota from the University of Texas received its first Hugh Shields award. Two chapters will keep the flag presented to them at the Division Conference because this year marks their fifth Hugh Shields recognition. Those chapters are Zeta Omega from Bradley University and Delta Zeta from the University of Florida.

# Hugh Shields CHAPTERS TOTTUOI

# Delta Gamma University of South Dakota



Installed: May 17, 1924
Location: Vermillion, South Dakota
Division: Western Plains
Members Initiated: 1,336
Current Membership: 36
Court of Honors: 5
Hugh Shields: 7

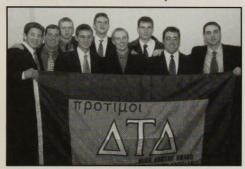
Delta Gamma prides itself in a commitment to academics and community service. Through dedication and selflessness, each member of this chapter takes pride participating in numerous community service projects including a charity run for a children's hospital and an Easter egg hunt. A commitment to excellence in the classroom also marks this chapter with great success. Being able to keep in mind the primary reason for attending a University, the Brothers of Delta Gamma balance their duties in the classroom with their commitments to their Brothers.

Recruitment is something that we

were able to really hold our heads high about. Recruiting the largest pledge class of any fraternity on campus this last fall was something each member is very proud of. The hours of organization and dedication by each member really paid off for us. We not only attracted a large pledge class, but a pledge class of quality guys who will ensure the future of this chapter.

As a smaller chapter, the Brothers of Delta Gamma are able to grow close to each member. Like all chapters, Delta Gamma is one of diversity. We have all come from different backgrounds but have built a strong foundation on our common ground.

# Beta Tau University of Nebraska



Installed: June 14, 1893 Location: Lincoln, Nebraska Division: Western Plains Members Initiated: 1,882 Current Membership: 94 Court of Honors: 15 Hugh Shields: 17 The first pledge of Beta Tau was Robert Manley. An award is given annually in his name to the pledge who best lives up to the ideals which were established in 1894.

All of the members play an important role in Beta Tau's commitment to excellence. It is that commitment that helped Beta Tau win its 17th Hugh Shields Award. We believe that each position and chapter operation needs to be taken to a higher level. It is this desire that allows us to succeed here at Beta Tau.

Some highlights of the past year include: a successful alumni banquet during the weekend of the Nebraska-

Missouri football game. Over 200 Beta Tau Alumni from the 40s through the 90s reunited and shared their Beta Tau experiences. Summer Rush was another success with Beta Tau rush chairs signing 34 pledges.

If you asked any Beta Tau member, he would say Philanthropy is the greatest area of excellence at Beta Tau. Last year's Delts donated countless hours and over \$3,000 to the students and staff of Clinton Elementary. The work has not gone unrecognized on the UNL campus as Beta Tau has won three straight C.B. Schulz Awards for outstanding philanthropic service among UNL fraternities.

# Gamma Iota University of Texas



Installed: April 4, 1904 Location: Austin, Texas Division: Western Plains Members Initiated: 2,592 Current Membership: 73 Court of Honors: 4 Hugh Shields: 1 Our chapter is successful because each member is dedicated to improving the chapter. We no longer view ourselves as a mere social organization, but as a true fraternity centered upon Brotherhood. We believe you are only as strong as the people you surround yourself with, and this is why rush is our key to success. We believe rush occurs 365 days a year, that our members are always representing Delta Tau Delta, and that they should always be looking for new, upstanding individuals to join our Fraternity.

Academics is the true reason why we are attending the University of

Texas, and we now emphasize school before any other activity. We currently have scholarships for members who are excelling in the classroom in order to help keep our men on track.

The largest obstacle facing Gamma Iota was not having a Shelter for the first time in 30 years. No central meeting place can really have a negative effect on a chapter, but we have only found that our Brotherhood has become stronger. We have had meetings in various Austin hot spots and dedicated more time to Brotherhood than social activities. The first semester without a Shelter was a blessing in disguise.

# ADVICE

What advice would you give a chapter seeking a Court of Honor and Hugh Shields Award?

Just keep in mind that no matter what your chapter does well, it can always do better. Every part of a chapter has room for improvement, be it house improvements, or more alumni relations. Also, do your AAA as you go along, that way young won't have to rush to get it done at the last minute. Keep good records and live a life of excellence.

- DELTA GAMMA **University of South Dakota** 

Concentrate on rush. These are potential new members and you must take the time to get to know these young men. Never settle for someone simply because of numbers, they will cause problems later. If chapters can get quality young men through rush that fit the chapter's needs, then in the matter of four years a chapter can have a solid foundation to grow from. Also, use rush 365 days a year. No matter where you go, potential new recruits can be found anywhere. Dedicate your chapter to a strong rush, and soon you will have a stronger chapter.

- GAMMA IOTA **University of Texas** 

Strive for academic achievement. It is the single reason why all of your members are there in the first place. But the most important thing to remember is to have a good time. The experiences in an undergraduate chapter will be over in a few short years. If you have a good time, everything else will fall into place and the accolades will be all over the chapter walls.

- THETA OMICRON **Northern Colorado University** 

Strive to look for guys who will be leaders, and you will find the quality guys you need to build a strong chapter.

- DELTA GAMMA **University of South Dakota** 

# Zeta Chi University of Southern Mississippi



Installed: April 13, 1986 Location: Hattiesburg, Mississippi Division: South Members Initiated: 212 Current Membership: 32 Court of Honors: 13 Hugh Shields: 8

Our chapter is successful because of the commitment to excellence in our programming and the follow through of our Brothers. That has kept Zeta Chi as strong as it has been.

Brotherhood is the building block that keeps the chapter moving in the direction of excellence. Our Brotherhood and academics keep us a vital and award-winning chapter.

The biggest obstacle we, as a chapter, had to overcome was the lack of quality men going through formal rush. Recruitment at Southern Mississippi is difficult because of the overall ideas of fraternities in the south. The strength of our Brotherhood is what brings men to our chapter and helps us to get the quality guys we

We are most proud of our commitment to community service and relations. Our Cystic Fibrosis Corporate Sports Challenge averages over \$10,000 per year and we have raised a grand total of \$110,000 in the 10 years of its existence.

Our chapter is unique because of the different backgrounds of our Brothers that bind together to form a unique Brotherhood.

# Gamma Pi Iowa State University



Installed: November 4, 1911 (orginally installed as the Omega Chapter in 1875) Location: Ames, Iowa Division: Western Plains Members Initiated: 1,493 Current Membership: 57

Court of Honors: 13 Hugh Shields: 14

One of the areas that we have taken action on this year was our recruitment and pledge education. Our recruitment was slipping in the past few years, with the retention and the initiation rate low. We also did not have structure in our pledge education program. Before the summer break of 2000, we planned to have a strong rush over the summer. We felt that the only way to do that was to work extremely hard and keep it 100 percent alcohol free. That way the new members we would get would sign for the guys and the house instead of the parties. The outcome was a class that had an average GPA of 2.87 and a retention rate that was almost double last year. We constantly evaluate where we are and what we can do to improve.

We have the privilege of being one of the oldest chapters internationally. We are blessed with a strong alumni base and a history that contains much wisdom and knowledge. Last fall, we had the privilege of hosting the 125th anniversary of our chapter and connecting on a level with alumni that was only possible because we all believe in the same thing. The stories were great and it was a proud day for Gamma Pi.

# Rho Stevens Institute of Technology



Installed: May 9, 1874 Location: Hoboken, New Jersey Division: East Members Initiated: 1,350 Current Membership: 47 Court of Honors: 3 Hugh Shields: 3

Our chapter has been quite successful over the years due to many factors. Our Brotherhood is extremely strong and has enabled the Fraternity to excel in all areas allowing us to accomplish our goals successfully. The uniqueness of this bond has enabled Delta Tau Delta to develop a strong presence in campus life as well as campus organizations.

To accomplish our strong Brotherhood, our alumni are continuously involved. Rho Chapter holds many alumni events throughout the year such as Casino Night, alumni football and softball weekends, and Career Connections. Career

Connections is a useful program in which alumni talk about their professions and how Delta Tau Delta has helped them succeed. The Brothers use this as a key tool in networking to get internships and permanent jobs.

Rho Chapter is most proud of its recruitment and membership. The standard Delta Tau Delta holds for recruitment of its members is of pure excellence and commitment. Our standards of recruitment include building a strong foundation of young members who are willing to work hard and to achieve together.

# Gamma Delta West Virginia University



Installed: May 24, 1900 Reorganized: September 14, 1996 Location: Morgantown, West Virginia

Division: East Members Initiated: 1.684 Current Membership: 54 Court of Honors: 3 Hugh Shields: 3

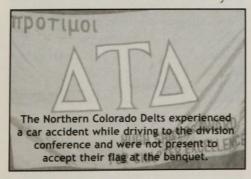
Financial responsibility within the chapter has been a major obstacle in the past. Overcoming this was a big key to our success this year. Chapter finance is the element that Gamma Delta can be most proud of, and we can also attribute the Hugh Shields award to this.

Gamma Delta owes it recent success to several things. First, the leadership of the new executive board, which has promoted a new sense of responsibility throughout the chapter. Next, the chapter initiated an exceptional group of pledges in the fall semester that show promising qualities to lead the chapter in the

future. Lastly, is the amazing alumni support that Gamma Delta has received withing the last few semesters. It is this alumni support that has made it possible for a major portion of the Shelter's basement to be completed. It seems as though there is a new found interest in the chapter by many former members, which has made all the difference.

As a chapter, we tried to observe the progress of the alumni and pledge education committees periodically. Making a conscious effort to review these areas was also a big part of succeeding as a chapter.

# Theta Omicron University of Northern Colorado



Installed: February 17, 1996 Location: Greeley, Colorado Division: Western Plains Members Initiated: 91 Current Membership: 30 Court of Honors: 5 Hugh Shields: 2

The key factor that our chapter continuously evaluated from previous vears is recruitment. We all know that Delta Tau Delta stands for something different. We, as Brothers, actively recruit members, we do not wait for them to come to us.

The University of Northern Colorado is a small campus with about 12,000 undergraduates. There are nine other fraternities to compete with. Less than eight percent of the student population is Greek, which can be difficult when looking for members. This is why our chapter devotes its time to actively seeking members.

Our chapter is most proud of its

academics. We came to college to gain an academic education, therefore we stress the importance of attaining high grades. Once again Theta Omicron is first on campus in grades. We believe that grades come first, and that if the chapter can attain a good standing. everything else will follow. Academics are a great rush tool because of the ability to be able to tell someone that our members excel in academics above all other Greeks on campus.

We share everything together. Good times and bad, happiness and tears. It is a one of a kind experience. Members are a positive influence on each other and the chapter.

# **ADVICE**

What advice would you give a chapter seeking a Court of Honor and Hugh Shields Award?

A Chapter seeking a Court of Honor award or a Hugh Shields award must focus on including the entire chapter in the planning suggested by the AAA, especially the committee chairmen. Remember to stay focused on goals and to use the AAA for its original intent, as a planning document. Do not violate the MRG and always remember that whether you are the president or the t-shirt chair, everyone comes from amongst the chapter and ultimately returns to the chapter.

— BETA DELTA
University of Georgia

The key to becoming a Hugh Shields chapter is focusing on Brotherhood. The other aspects of the Fraternity will fall into place once the solid foundation of Brotherhood is present.

— ZETA OMEGA Bradley University

Evaluate your chapter using the resources that are available. Talk to your executive members, chapter members, chapter advisors and alumni. Then improve the things that will help out your chapter the most. Don't be afraid of resistance because it will always be there, but show each other the path that must be followed and the benefits of following that path. Use Brotherhood as an implementation tool, it is the strongest one that you have.

— GAMMA PI Iowa State University

The best advice to becoming one of the elite chapters of Delta Tau Delta is making sure that each Brother is, to the best of his ability, committed to a life of excellence. This attained; your chapter will surely be one of these mentioned in years to come.

— GAMMA DELTA University of West Virginia

# Zeta Omega Bradley University



Installed: March 29, 1987 Location: Peoria, Illinois Division: North Members Initiated: 242 Current Membership: 59 Court of Honors: 8 Hugh Shields: 5 Zeta Omega is successful because we have all 70 guys working toward the same goals. In doing this, we not only get the work done efficiently, we also have a good time doing it.

Over the last year, the chapter continuously evaluated the Brotherhood. Going into last year, the morale of the chapter was not as high as it should have been. Since then, the chapter has been growing closer and closer to one unit. This has improved every aspect of the chapter.

In past years, the idea of having every member being financially accountable fell through the cracks. Over the past year, we have turned this around. Thus far, we have made great strides to improve our financial standing.

Our chapter is most proud of our success in academics. After being seventh in grades on campus, being first for two semesters in a row was a huge accomplishment.

We pride ourselves on being the all-around guys. Unlike many fraternities which focus on one aspect of fraternity life, we believe that Delts should excel on all facets of the Fraternity. This means not just getting first in grades, but having nine varsity athletes.

# Beta Delta University of Georgia



Installed: June 11, 1882 Reorganized: November 13, 1998 Location: Athens, Georgia

> Division: South Members Initiated: 1,251 Current Membership: 67 Court of Honors: 2

Hugh Shields: 2

The success of our Chapter lies in the solid committee structure, clear chapter goals generated by the entire chapter, high Brotherhood morale, and strong leadership.

A key factor that the chapter continually evaluates is the original battle cry of "Campus Domination." This motto focuses on the constant effort to excel in every aspect of the Fraternity, university, and community.

The biggest obstacle to overcome was the transition from a colony to a chapter. This transition forced a reform of the pledge program, a restructuring of the chapter finances and a focus on strengthening committee structures.

Our chapter is most proud of our internal relations. We have high Brotherhood morale, strong committee chairmen and a strong committee structure, well functioning administration committee, finance committee, and executive committee. We also have a good Ritual education program that is accompanied by top-notch Ritual performance.

In less than one year of receiving our charter, we were honored with the Hugh Shields award.

# Beta Eta University of Minnesota



Installed: March 23,1883
Location: Minneapolis, Minnesota
Division: North
Members Initiated: 1,466
Current Membership: 49
Court of Honors: 2
Hugh Shields: 2

It was ironic that the first meeting back from the division conference just happened to be officer transition held in the formal Ritual setting. For the occasion, several recent alumni were invited back. Nobody except the men who went to Cincinnati knew about the success we had there. Outgoing President Burton Frideman gave a few parting thoughts and withdrew the flag to the collective shock of the entire chapter body, followed by an amazing round of applause. Perhaps the rouse was a bit melodramatic, but well worth it for the reaction by the chapter.

Our success, however, could not have been possible without the combined effort of many people.

We feel that for a chapter to reach the next level, the members need to find a common goal and unite behind it. For us, this goal was our academics. We believe that for any chapter that desires to be in the Court of Honor, the importance of academics needs to be realized. When members focus on the importance of grades, they tend to take any other responsibilities more seriously. When we focused on grades, the morale, Brotherhood and pride in the house also increased with

our GPA. This sense of pride with the Fraternity and with ourselves has bettered the overall college experience for each man in the house.

Another one of our strengths comes from the diversity that is found within the chapter's walls. There are countless different personality types, family backgrounds, interests, hobbies and majors ranging from wood and paper to sciences to journalism and physics. We have spoken to other chapters that share common interests or majors and enjoy the commonality that it brings. We at Beta Eta feel, however, that our diversity has helped to strengthen the chapter, allowing us the opportunity to form bonds with others that we may have not have normally associated with.

The greatest part of our success is that we understand that we still have some growing to do. There are programs that need to be revised, and we are always searching for new and creative solutions to old problems. This desire to change is one of the qualities that makes our chapter special. It always gives us a sense of pride to see what we have accomplished embodied in Mr. Shield's flag that is adorning our wall.

# Delta Zeta University of Florida



Installed: March 28, 1925
Reorganized: October 5, 1996
Location: Gainsville, Florida
Division: South
Members Initiated: 1,986
Current Membership: 89
Court of Honors: 2
Hugh Shields: 5

Delta Zeta Chapter of Delta Tau Delta holds it's members to high academic standards. This is accomplished through the implementation of our comprehensive Academic Program.

We require a minimum of eight weekly monitored study hours for our pledges and a minimum of ten for any brother on academic suspension.

There is also a house mentor program where the older Brothers guide younger members (including pledges) and give practical advice on classes.

The Shelter also has facilities conducive to academic achievement. While there are numerous study areas, most work is done in our chapter room. It houses a quiet atmosphere with a large conference table and a

small reference library for classes. In addition the house maintains dozens of textbooks for classes and a large test bank. There is also a book of course and instructor evaluations and an inhouse book exchange program to cut costs on the purchase of new textbooks.

Many incentives are also in place for academic achievement. Our chapter advisor pays \$100 to any pledge or Brother who receives a 4.0 for a semester. In addition the pledge initiated with the highest semester GPA has his initiation fees waived as they are covered by the chapter. If all else fails to keep academics up to standard, any Brother who earns a GPA of less than 2.25 for a semester is placed on academic suspension.

## CHAPTER **ADVISORS**

CHAPTER ADVISOR wanted at DePauw University in Greencastle

CHAPTER ADVISOR wanted at Lehigh University in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania

CHAPTER ADVISOR wanted at University of California in Berkley,

CHAPTER ADVISOR wanted at Western Kentucky University in Bowling Green, Kentucky

Delta Tau Delta Chapters across the CHAPTER ADVISORS

Organizes the education of the board members, organizes meetings of the Alumni Advising Team, monitors chapter's progress on university sponsored events, meets with the chapter president, and periodically

CHAPTER ADVISOR wanted at Western Michigan University in Kalamazoo, Michigan CHAPTER ADVISOR wanted for the Belmont Abbey Crescent Colony in Belmont, North Carolina

### DIVISION **VICE PRESIDENTS**

DIVISION VICE PRESIDENT wanted at Albertson College of Idaho in

DIVISION VICE PRESIDENT wanted at Albion College in Albion, Michigan DIVISION VICE PRESIDENT wanted at Ball State University in Muncie,

The Division Vice President serves as an advisor and advocate of the local alumni and chapters to which he is assigned. Among those specific duties and responsibilities, Division Vice Presidents are responsible to ENSURE A COMMITTED. FUNCTIONING CHAPTER ADVISOR AND ALUMNI ADVISORY TEAM FOR EACH CHAPTER. Recruit and recommend candidates to the Division President. Train and support the Chapter Advisor and Alumni Advisory Team. Maintain regular communication with the

Chapter Advisor.

ENSURE FULLY FUNCTIONING
HOUSE CORPORATIONS. Meet once a
year with House Corporation officers. Help revitalize House Corporations when

■ MAINTAIN GOOD COMMUNICATION BETWEEN THE FRATERNITY AND THE CHAPTERS. Visit each Chapter at least twice per academic year. Phone or write the Chapter Advisor and officers regularly. Meet with the Chapter Consultants while they are visiting their Chapters. Attend Division Conferences and the Kamea. As an ambassador for the Fratemity, make courtesy visits to Delt Chapters wherever you may travel ■ BUILD ALUMNI SUPPORT OF THE

chapters at least once a year. Help establish new alumni chapters.

ASSIST THE CHAPTER IN ANNUAL

PLANNING. Coordinate an annual presentation of the Fisher Planning Retreat for each Chapter to which you are assigned. Coordinate an annual presentation of the Mission and Values of Planning Retreat

ACTIVELY AND CONSISTENTLY
ENFORCE THE MEMBERSHIP

RESPONSIBILITY GUIDELINES OF THE

CARRY OUT SPECIFIC DUTIES AS ASSIGNED BY THE DIVISION PRESIDENT.

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at Tufts University in Medford, Massachusetts

DIVISION VICE PRESIDENT wanted at Virginia Polytechnic Institute & State University in Blacksburg,

at Wabash College in Crawfordsville,

DIVISION VICE PRESIDENT wanted for the Belmont Abbey Crescent Colony in Belmont, North Carolina

## **ALUMNI ADVISING TEAM POSITIONS**

Delta Tau Delta Chapters across North America need ACADEMIC ADVISORS Responsibilities include Meeting with the academic chair, helping develop and implement scholarship programming, assisting with the development of external and internal tutorial assistance for members, assisting with the development and maintenance of scholarship and reviewing and monitoring the GPAs of chapter members.

Do you like to know what is going on in your chapter?

Become an **ALUMNI RELATIONS ADVISOR** and help an undergraduate coordinate alumni relations

Assist the chapter's alumni chair with the alumni newsletter, help the chapter to keep track of alumni interests, alumni addresses, and any other programs relating to alumni involvement, and assist the alumni chair with any alumni event.

ASSISTANT CHAPTER ADVISORS NEEDED AT 66 DELT CHAPTERS Meets with the vice president(s) of the chapter, advises the administrative committee, periodically attends the administrative committee meetings, and helps administer new programs and policies

FINANCIAL ADVISOR Assists the chapter treasurer with budget planning and completing reports and assists the chapter treasurer and/or the alumni corporation board with financial

LEADERSHIP ADVISOR

Supervises day-to-day advising of the chapter officers and members, assists with the facilitation of officer transitions and chapter retreats, and assists with the development and maintenance of leadership education for the chapter.

LIFE SKILLS ADVISOR

Assists the chapter members with life skills, such as resume writing interviewing skills, etiquette and manners, graduate school applications, financial planning, insurance matters, community involvement beyond graduation, and fraternity involvement as an alumnus.

#### **NEW MEMBER EDUCATION** ADVISOR

Helps replace all facets of hazing with productive and positive new member educational programming, meets with the chapters new member education chair, and helps facilitate brotherhood building activities and other leadership

RECRUITMENT ADVISOR Assists with the facilitation of recruitment workshops for chapter members at the beginning of each semester, meets with the recruitment chair, knows and understands the IFC recruitment dates and rules, and assists with the education and implementation of the 365-day-a-year recruitment philosophy and program

which is listed in the Competitive

Advantage Guide (CAG).

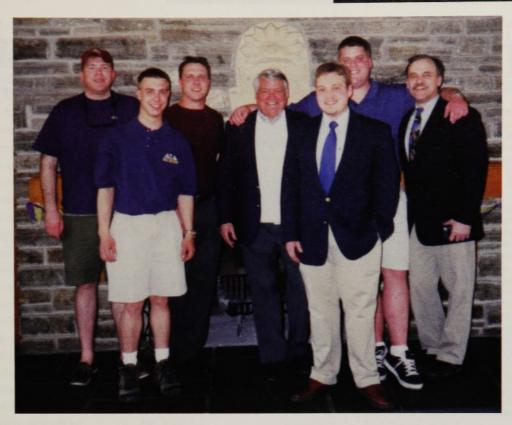
**RISK MANAGEMENT ADVISOR** Reviews and advises the chapter's risk management policy each semester, meets with the chapter risk management chair, reviews all social events for risk concerns and encourages non-alcoholic

programming.

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- Chapter Advisor Manual
- House Corporation Manual
- House Corporation Loan Application Package
- The Good Delt Alumnus
- Twenty Tasks Calendar and Handout
- Alumni Event Planning Kit
- Formation of Alumni Chapter information
- Alumni Advising Team Information and Application
- Notable Delt Alumni
- Alumni Recognition and Honor applications and nomination forms for Distinguished Service Chapter and W.J. Fraering Awards.

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THE FRATERNITY KNOWS the best chapters have strong alumni leadership. Each alumnus is asked to change the lives of undergraduates by utilizing the skills he possesses. Mu Chapter (Ohio Wesleyan University) officers and alumni volunteers include **Drew McFarland, Division Vice** President, R.J. McKay, Assistant Chapter Advisor, Mike Brenner, House Corporation Treasurer, Jim Mossbarger, Chapter Advisor, Scot Donaldson, Chapter President, Trevor Reters. House Corporation President, and Alumnus John Ford.

**CHAPTER ADVISOR AT OHIO WESLEYAN** & ALUMNI IFC VICE PRESIDENT

I was initiated at Wabash College in 1955 but transferred to Ohio State in 1955 and graduated in 1959. I had only casual involvement in the Fraternity over the years until Don Kindler got me involved in the colonization of a chapter at Wittenberg. After attending the Fisher Conference in 1999, I was

appointed Chapter Advisor at the Mu Chapter at Ohio Wesleyan in the fall.

Upon becoming the Chapter Advisor at the Mu Chapter, I knew that we had a major problem with membership. We had seven members and a house designed for 32 men. What I did not know was that we needed organization. The house is in dire need of refurbishing after 40 years. The university owned the house and had not reserved any monies for its rehab. We were under probation

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The recolonization efforts for the Tech Delts concluded on Friday night, February 23 when 59 new pledges joined the chapter. The new Delt Pledges were named at a Pinning Ceremony at the Texas Tech Hall of Nations. A record number of alumni attended the ceremony.

Chapter Consultant Jerry Cooper,
Director of Expansion Nick Prihoda, and
the expansion team from Central Office
compiled lists from alumni and college
officials, advertised in the paper and on
the Internet, conducted informational
sessions with prospective pledges,
received names from sororities, met with
the Athletic Department, held basketball
games and went bowling, and implemented an all-out blitz. The Delt Team began
working at Tech and interviewing
prospective pledges in early January.

On February 15, a reception was held for Honors Students at the home of Jim and Kathy Gilbreath in Lubbock. On February 20, 2001, a reception was held at the home of Nevill and Ann Manning in Lubbock.

The goal was 40 men, and 59 is simply outstanding. Pictures and bios of each of the pledges are now available on-line at techdelt.com. Additional information and photos are also available on the Web site.

An Alumni Retreat was held on Saturday February 24. The Delt National Team coached the Chapter Advisors and other alums on how to help the new chapter be as successful as possible. A Pledge Retreat was held on Sunday.

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Members in the Spring 2001 pledge class—the largest pledge class in Tech Delt history. There are 24 freshmen, 21 sophomores, 12 juniors, and two seniors.

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Average GPA of the Spring 2001 pledge class. Matt Hagen and Kevin Stark both have perfect 4.0 GPAs. Four pledges have 3.9 or better. Ten pledges have a 3.5 or better. This spring class gives the Delts the highest GPA of the 22 fraternities at the university. Tech Delts have a 3.1 GPA while the next highest is a 2.8.

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There are four brothers in this pledge class:

Brent and Brian Longworth and Jason and Jesse Robinson.

... continued from page 10 in our occupancy. If we did not reach 85 percent, we could have the house taken away from us. The potential rush was less than 100 students with 11 fraternities vying for members and the average GPA of the freshman class was going down to 2.1 in the fall of 2000. Not only trying to work on the problems of the chapter, it was obvious that the Alumni IFC could be the avenue to try to restructure the Greek system so we had a leading direction in helping with the rush and the occupancy problem (9 out of 11 fraternities are under the 85 percent level ). So the key was to define what the problem was between joining a fraternity versus not. Upon being elected VP, I was able to get a resolution to have this worked on by a consultant so we could help the undergraduates attack the problem.

As you can see I have been able to use my 45 years in business to work on solving these many problems. But in every case the joy and benefit of doing this is the appreciation I have received from the undergraduates as well as the university.

# MILLER

DIVISION VICE PRESIDENT FORMER ALUMNI ADVISING TEAM MEMBER

Delta Tau Delta has meant more to me in terms of personal growth and development in my lifetime than any other one single outlet. When I became involved as a Founding Father at UC Riverside, I was skeptical to say the least and ended up diving into the challenge headfirst. I could not be happier with your choice and my preference. Staying involved with Theta Lambda Chapter shortly after graduation, I had seen a chapter go from 40 men to less than 10 in less than a couple of years. I got involved because I had put in too much time and effort as an undergrad to watch the chapter be shut down for a lack of support. I became a Co-Advisor with Darren Held and we first worked on making sure our commitments to the chapter were met. Our efforts to tag-team the job of advisor worked for the first two years, until we finally had

# PATRICK GIRRONS

**BUTLER UNIVERSITY CHAPTER ADVISOR** 



**GIBBONS** 

"Daddy, where are you going?"
"The Fraternity? Again? Why?"

It is not an uncommon scene at my house as I tuck in the kids and prepare to go to the Delt Shelter for a meeting. So, when I was asked to share a few comments for the Rainbow, it wasn't the first time someone had asked, "Why do you volunteer your time for Delta Tau Delta?" Truth be told, answering to my kids is a little more difficult.

The stock answer is this: I'm giving back to an organization that helped me. The Ritual says I should ("...as you have received, also give..."). But you know what? There are lots of organizations that I have an obligation to ~ my church, United Way, my university, programs that my kids are involved in. Today, there is no shortage of things to gobble up my time.

The real reasons are actually rather selfish.

I enjoy it. College students are interesting and energetic. They are fun to work with. And, they are challenging. Believe it or not, I believe my work with the Butler Delts makes me a better husband, a better father, and a better businessman. The values we teach to undergraduates have just as much application for a 40 year-old father of three as they do for a student about to enter the workforce. Out of the hundreds of things in which I could invest my time, I choose to be a chapter advisor because it helps these students and it helps me live a life of excellence.

Now, if I can just explain it to my kids!

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gotten the chapter in what we felt was good enough shape that we were comfortable inviting other alumni to strongly get involved. (We were also tired of doing it all ourselves). We recruited eight alumni members of our young chapter to get involved in some area of the chapter whether it be rush/recruitment, risk management, pledge ed, finance, etc. All that we asked was that they not over commit themselves and leave the chapter with empty promises. The goal was to have each of the major non-social committees each have a mentor that could act as a specialist advisor for that specific area of the chapter. This worked moderately well for the first year, but with officer transitions and some of the advisors stepping aside, it did leave holes. The bottom line though was that this helped start enough of a leadership involvement from the alumni that the chapter began to get their act together. Currently, there are less alumni helping in terms of numbers, but the overall support is still being met. When I stepped down as their advisor last year it was to move up to being a DVP. I have tried to establish an Alumni Advisory Team for our two Southern CA Colonies, but finding brothers to meet the need has been a struggle to say the least. They've each started small (two advisors/assistant. advisors) but the goal is to increase this number as I continue to find alumni willing to assist. The task of being a Chapter Advisor is too much for one man, unless this is his whole life, so creating a team whereby each alumnus has certain areas of expertise has worked well for both undergrads and alumni. The most difficult area for alumni has been when officers transition and having to rebuild that link between the position and the mentor/advisor. On the whole, it's a good system though.

My primary reason for staying so involved since graduation is that I did not accept the offer of becomg a Chapter Consultant, and I promised myself that I would stay very involved in whatever capacity was needed for as long as there was a need. I truly feel that life-long involvement is a crucial portion of my Delt experience. My other reason for involvement is that I want to be able to hopefully leave the same impressions on undergrads that was left on me by brothers such as John Bickerstaff, Steve Chandler and Iim Bowersox. I feel they taught me a great example to follow and I want to continue that

journey. When chapters attain success and I feel that I had just the slightest bit of help in guiding them to make the right decisions, then this is all that I could ask or hope for.

# WESTERN PACIFIC DIVISION PRESIDENT

One of the greatest opportunities I have had is to serve as the President of the Western Pacific Division. In the past, I have held important business positions but none



gained through working with such fine undergraduates and dedicated volunteers. I have always enjoyed being

around good

provided the

rewards I have

**BOWERSOX** 

people and these Delts are true winners.

The job takes a good amount of time but I charge that to an account titled "Giving Back." From the first day that I pledged Delta Tau Delta at the University of Southern California, I began a life time of benefits, a lifetime of friends, a lifetime of people who cared about my well-being, a lifetime of friends with whom I could do business.

If our excellent volunteers and I can be of benefit to the maturation of our growing family of undergraduates, we will be amply rewarded. I think our feelings are well stated in an old quote that reads:

"I shall pass through this world but once. Any good, therefore, that I can do Or any kindness that I can show Let me do it now. Let me Not defer it or neglect it for I shall not pass this way again." Thanks to the men of the Western Pacific Division for giving me this opportunity.

# **DIVISION VICE PRESIDENT**

My Delt experience at Gamma Sigma chapter had a significant effect on my life. As a result, I decided that upon graduation I wanted to give something back to the Fraternity.

"We cannot thank our volunteers enough for their dedication of time and sharing of their talent and expertise to undergraduates. Advising our members is more than explaining how it was in your chapter during your undergraduate years—it is sharing your life experiences as a mentor. Local alumni support is what enables our chapters to survive from generation to generation throughout North America."

> — DUANE WIMER **Executive Vice** President



# MORE TEXAS TECH SPRING 2001 PLEDGE CLASS FACTS

- Four of the 59 pledges came from outside Texas. 22 of the 59 come from the Dallas-Fort Worth area.
- 55 percent of the Delt Pledge Class are the first in their family to be in a fraternity or sorority.
- Five of the 59 men have Delt relatives (Jimmy Chaffee, Aaron Jennejahn, Jason and Jesse Robinson, and Matt Stevenson).
- Jimmy Chaffee was a Tech Delt pledge previously in 1996 before going into the military.
- Brandon Webb is the only married Delt Pledge. Brandon's wife is Heather. Brandon and Heather have a daughter, Arianna, and another child on the way.
- More than half of the pledge class is over six-feet in height. Many of the pledges played on high school athletic teams, especially basketball and baseball.
- Diverse Majors
  - 10 business majors
  - 6 MIS majors
  - 5 engineering majors
  - 5 architecture majors
  - 4 accounting majors
  - 4 marketing majors
  - 3 pre-med majors
  - 3 finance majors
  - 2 wildlife management majors
  - 2 public relations majors
  - 1 psychology majors
  - 1 political science major
  - 1 telecommunications major
  - 1 history major
  - 1 theatre major
  - 1 biochemistry major
  - 1 advertising major
  - 1 social science major
  - 1 music major
  - 1 RHIM major
- The pledge class includes a DJ, a composer, a poet, several guitarists, an actor, several hockey players, a Resident Advisor, and several Internet entrepreneurs.
- Six pledges have siblings (Brothers) for the first time as they are only children.

# **FEATURE**

As an undergraduate, I had often witnessed the active participation of alumni. These men showed an interest in our chapter and its members through guidance, support and feedback. This alumni involvement had a lasting impression on me.

An opportunity for involvement with the start of a new chapter was presented, and I volunteered to be the colony's advisor. Since that time, I have assisted with other colonizations, chapters and conference facilitation. Each of these experiences has been memorable and rewarding. I have had the opportunity to meet, work and make friends with numerous undergraduates and alumni from chapters across the U.S. and Canada.

Currently, I continue to serve the Fraternity as one of the Vice Presidents in the Eastern Division. I find the undergraduate men of our Fraternity to be intelligent, hard-working, and dedicated. Helping them to reach and achieve chapter objectives as well as personal goals has been very fulfilling and far outweighs the time commitment of my involvement.

I would encourage any alumni interested in working with undergraduates to volunteer. Chapters continuously seek alumni involvement and are appreciative of the guidance and assistance that they receive. The experience will be very satisfying and rewarding.

# CARROLL ASSISTANT CHAPTER ADVISOR

As a recent graduate of the University of



CARROLL

North Dakota, I never thought that I'd stick around long enough, in Grand Forks, to be given the opportunity of becoming an active alumnus with Delta Xi. As an Assistant

Chapter Advisor, I get a chance to see the chapter and the Fraternity in a new

perspective. I've finally become one of those "older" Delts that the undergraduates look up to for advice and direction. There is nothing more rewarding to me than to give back to my chapter through volunteering my time and talents. Whether I'm attending an executive committee meeting or stopping by the chapter to talk with any one of the members, it feels good to know that I'm contributing to their fraternity experience as they strive to live the

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**CARL BRANTLEY (GEORGIA** SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY 1975) is the current second vice president of the International Fraternity. Brantley (second from left) is pictured with Kevin Snyder, Randy Mickle and Randall Langley. "I have had the great honor to be a Chapter Advisor for Zeta Tau at **University of North Carolina** at Wilmington, a Division Vice **President for the Southern Division and Southern Division** president," Carl Brantley said. "These experiences have taught me that undergraduates and alumni can worked together to make our Fraternity better."



Being Second Vice-President of the International Fraternity is a great honor for me and affords me the opportunity to serve on the Arch Chapter.

The main reason I elected to run for an office on the Arch Chapter was I wanted to give more back to our Fraternity. The Fraternity has given so much to me in the way of Brotherhood, friendships, support and opportunities to work with undergraduates and alumni. I can never repay to Delta Tau Delta what it has given to me. It started with my undergraduate years at Epsilon Omega where I forged many of the friendships that I have today. If it had not been for Delta Tau Delta, I would not have had the opportunity to become Brothers with so many good men from all over the United States and Canada.

Being on the Arch Chapter gives me the opportunity to interact with our chapters from all over the country and Canada. It is so gratifying to see my undergraduate Brothers

mission and values of Delta Tau Delta. I've always been a firm believer that you get twice as much back as what you put into the Fraternity. I honestly could not ask for a better opportunity to get involved with Delta Tau Delta, as a young alumnus, than to support the undergraduates in their quest to live a life of excellence. My Delt experience has been taken to another level in which I hope to contribute to for a lifetime.



carrying the traditions and ideals of our great Fraternity forward into a new century. These young men motivate me to want to help offer more opportunities for them to expand their horizons. The main objectives of the Arch Chapter are to insure that our chapters are getting the services they need and that we are mapping a course for our Fraternity to grow in the coming years.

Giving back to the Fraternity is vital to that growth. Listening to the needs and concerns of both undergraduates and alumni is vital. We all want our Fraternity to expand so that we can offer the Delt experience to more men. I challenge more of our alumni to become involved with either their own chapter or any Delt chapter close to where they live. Their life experiences and wisdom can make a difference within our chapters. It also affords any Delt the opportunity to give back to our Fraternity and enjoy the life-long experience that is Delta Tau Delta

# Alumni Volunteer Form

This form can also be completed on-line at the following address www.delts.org/alumni/alum vol form.shtml

Name	
Mailing Address	
City	State Zip
Home Phone	Work Phone
Fax E-mail Address	
School	Graduation Year
Profession	
Yes, I am willing to spend 4-6 hours a month to help coordinate the Alumni Advisory Team.	
Yes, I would like to be involved 3-5 hours a month with the Alumni Advisory Team.	
What area(s) would you like to help with?	
Chapter Advisor Finance Academic New Member Education Alumni Relations House Corporation  Which chapter, if specific, would yo	Life Skills Campus Relations
Please use the space below or additional sheets to tell us what skills you can contribute to the Alumni Advising Team.	

RETURN COMPLETED FORMS TO:

Delta Tau Delta Fraternity 11711 N. Meridian Street, Suite 100 Carmel, Indiana 46032

# **Attorney Frank Branson receives** 'War Horse' award

Frank Branson (Texas A&M at Commerce, 1967), founder of The Law Offices of Frank L. Branson, P.C., was awarded the War Horse Award of the Southern Trial Lawyers Association at its annual conference. The War Horse award honors a trial lawyer who has excelled in trial advocacy for at least 30 years, who is esteemed by his colleagues in the legal community, and who is a leader and teacher of trial advocacy with the highest reputation for ethics and honesty. Presented annually by the Southern Trial Lawyers Association, the award is in its 13th year.

Branson, who has practiced law for over 30 years, has been



**BRANSON** 

recognized by his peers for inclusion in America's Best Lawyers since 1987. He was previously named by Forbes Magazine as one of the

attorneys in the country. His legal successes have been highlighted by publications including The Wall Street Journal and programs such as 20/20, the NBC Nightly News and Dateline.

A graduate of Southern Methodist University's School of Law, Branson has served as President of the Southern Trial Lawyers Association, the Dallas Trial Lawyers Association and the Dallas Chapter of the American Board of Trial Advocates. By invitation, he is a Fellow in the International Academy of Trial Lawyers, a member of the International Society of Barristers. and a Master of the Inns of Court.

# **ALUMNI IN THE NEWS**

Adam Birnbaum (American University, 1995) was promoted to manager of communications at AMERIGROUP Corporation, a health care company dedicated to providing health care coverage to lower-income and uninsured families. He is responsible for public relations, online initiatives, community events and internal/external communications strategies.

Jeffrey K. Brandt (University of Pittsburgh, 1985) would like to send many thanks to those who called concerning his son Nathan's near death experience with bacterial spinal meningitis. Brandt is happy to report that with God's help and in the Delt tradition, he recovered 110 percent. After his recovery, the family decided to move back east to be closer to family. Brandt accepted the position of Chief Information Officer (CIO) at the law firm of Cozen & O'Connor based out of Philadelphia and moved his family to New Jersey.

Rick Deats (University of Kentucky, 1964) recently appeared in a series of five Sprite commercials and a voiceover for Suzuki motorcycles. Deats will be featured in the upcoming films "Never Look Back" and "Guess Again" and is a lead in "Mechcommander, II" a video game by Microsoft to be released later this year as well as an episode of "The X-Files."

Carl N. Grant, III (Ohio University, 1988) was recently appointed Vice President of Business Development for Cyber CFO, an outsourced financial services company serving emerging growth companies. Grant will oversee the company's expansion in the Washington, D.C. metro region, Boston, Atlanta and Philadelphia.

Lawrence Hepner (Case Western Reserve University, 1969) was promoted to Vice President and General Manager of ITE USA. He is responsible for sales and trade show development in the West, and sales to existing ITE worldwide exhibitions.

Andrew Hove (University of Nebraska, 1956) retired in January as the Vice Chairman of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation in Washington, D.C. and has moved to Lincoln, Nebraska,

Frank Hull (University of Southwestern Louisiana, 1971) has recently joined Erwin Distributing as the Director of Marketing and Merchandising. Erwin Distributing operates a chain of party good stores across the state of Texas.

Reverend Daniel M. Linnenberg (Bowling Green State University, 1976) has accepted the call to be the Rector of the Episcopal Church of the Ascension in Rochester, New York. He continues his doctoral studies in counseling at the University of Rochester.

Pat di Natale (University of Nebraska, 1971) serves as Chief Steward for the Sports Car Club of America Speedvision World Challenge auto racing series. The SCCA World Challenge is one of North America's top sports car racing series and puts drivers and cars from around the world on race courses throughout the United States and Canada. Races are broadcast on Speedvision, the all-motorsports channel. di Natale is a retired advertising creative director and divisional champion sports car racer. He resides in Lenexa, Kansas, a suburb of Kansas City.

Dave Leval (University of West Florida, 1989) is new weekend anchor at WLFL-TV, Raleigh, N.C., after serving as main anchor at WTWC-TV, Tallahassee, Fla.

David Luptak (Case Western Reserve University, 1979) was promoted to Director of Manufacturing for Tosoh Quartz, a semiconductor materials glassblowing supplier in Feb 2001. This includes the USA and European operations. His wife Chris received her A+ certification last summer and is now employed in the IT department at Tosoh. Their son Dan graduated from the Naval Academy and is now stationed in the Middle East.

Lee Murphy (University of Michigan, 1954) retired from the full-time practice of law with the Grand Rapids firm of Miller, Johnson, Snell and Cummiskey on January 1. Taking the status of senior member, Murphy and his wife, Sue, will continue to reside in Grand Rapids but travel extensively. They have four sons, three of whom are Michigan graduates.

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# Missouri's youngest senator is proud **Westminster Delt**

In January 2001, Senator John Loudon (Westminster College, 1989) was sworn in as Missouri's 91st General Assembly's youngest State Senator. This position follows six years as a Missouri State Representative.

Senator Loudon was named Taxpayer Watchdog of the Year for 1995 (his first year in the Capitol) and was named Legislator of the Year in 1996 by the Alliance for Animal Legislation. In 1998, Representative Loudon was named chairman of the American Legislative Exchange Council's Subcommittee on State Tax Limitation. In January 2001, he was named chairman of the Senate Labor Committee. Senator Loudon is the Missouri State Coordinator for the National Republican Legislators

Senator Loudon is an insurance broker. He is a member of the Ballwin Baptist Church, West County Chamber of Commerce, Chesterfield Chamber of Commerce, Creve Coeur/Olivette Chamber of Commerce, the Young Republicans and Pachyderms.

Loudon represents the 7th Senatorial District which encompasses the western portion of St. Louis County.

# Texas executive becomes CEO

Steven R. LeBlanc (University of Texas at Austin, 1980) has over 20 years of experience in the Real Estate industry with various companies. Prior to joining

Summit, LeBlanc served as President of Urban Growth Properties in Atlanta, where he developed the company's strategic business plan and orchestrated its transition to REIT status. He also served in a number of senior management positions with Archstone Communities Trust, one of the nations largest Apartment REITs.

Since joining Summit Properties in 1998 as COO, LeBlanc has been responsible for executing a business plan to maximize shareholder value. Through his strategic vision and leadership, Summit delivered a 55 percent total rate of return in 2000 and a 34 percent average annual return to its shareholders since 1998, far exceeding its peers.

"I am very excited about the position of the company and the opportunities going forward," stated LeBlanc. "Since we are predominately self-funded, we do not have the same capital concerns that many of our competitors do." Areas of particular interest to LeBlanc are the Texas markets of Austin and Dallas. "We already have an established presence in these markets and it is my goal for Summit to be the Market-Leader of

luxury apartment communities in these markets."

LeBlanc believes that to be successful you must have superior local knowledge

of your market.

"At Summit, we have a 'City Team' approach to doing business," LeBlanc said.

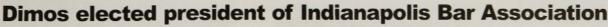
At Summit, a regional VP of Development, Construction, and Property Management work together as a 'City Team' to evaluate projects and developments and to better

serve the customer

**LeBLANC** 

"I'm excited about the recent additions to our Texas regional team and what this will mean for our development and acquisition initiatives in these markets," LeBlanc said

Summit Properties Inc. is a leader in the operation, development, and acquisition of luxury apartment communities. It has received numerous national awards including "Management Company of the Year" from the National Association of Home Builders and the "National Award for Service Excellence" from CEL & Associates for three years in a row. The company currently owns or holds an ownership interest in 64 communities comprised of 18,706 apartment homes with an additional 2,471 apartment homes under construction in seven new communities.



On January 24, 2001, James Dimos (Wabash College, 1983), a partner with Locke Reynolds LLP, became the 123rd President of the Indianapolis Bar Association (IBA). He becomes the 7th Locke Reynolds attorney to serve as President of the IBA.

Dimos has served on the Indianapolis Bar Association's Board



DIMOS

of Managers since 1994. He is also a member of the Indiana and American Bar Associations. He serves as Indiana's State Delegate to the American Bar Association's House of Delegates as well as a member of its Nominating Committee. He chaired the Litigation Section of the Indiana State Bar Association in 2000 and, in 1997, he served as Chair of an Indiana State Bar

Task Force on the re-codification of Title 34 of the Indiana Code. Additionally, Mr. Dimos serves on the Board of Directors of the National Association of Wabash Men, Indiana Legal Services, Inc., and The International Violin Competition of Indianapolis.

Dimos is a graduate of the Stanley K. Lacy Leadership Series

and in 1998, he was recognized by the Indianapolis Business Journal in its "40 Under 40 Professionals" list who have made an impact on Indianapolis prior to their fortieth birthday

Dimos received his Bachelor of Arts degree from Wabash College, Crawfordsville, Indiana in 1983, and his Juris Doctor degree from the Washington University School of Law, St. Louis, Missouri, in 1986. His practice involves addressing the litigation needs of the business community in the areas of intellectual property, business, and construction disputes. He also assists clients in their dealings with state and local governments.

Locke Revnolds LLP was founded in 1917 when two firms merged to create a litigation practice, which over the years, has become highly regarded. While litigation has remained an important part of the practice, they have dramatically expanded their services in anticipation of and in response to the needs of their clients. With offices in Indianapolis and Hammond, they are now one of Indiana's largest law firms, providing legal counsel to clients throughout Indiana and around the country in virtually all areas of law.

# Missouri Delts celebrate 40th annual river trip



THE GAMMA KAPPA DELTS OF THE 1950s held its 40th annual canoe trip on the Current River in the Missouri Ozarks in June of 2000. This group was started by five Gamma Kappa Delts four decades ago. Each year, they renew long-term friendships on various Missouri and Arkansas streams. First row: Greg Smith, Don Kaufmann, Dale Klausman and Wally Eggers. Second row: Dave Dolan, Phil Acuff, Ken Bartlett, George Buchanan, Guy Rose, Bill Gabler and Ken Johnson.

# Sooner Delts hold 1942 pledge class reunion



THIRTEEN MEN WERE INITIATED at the Oklahoma Delt Shelter on March 8, 1942. Today, only five are alive and their reunion in Fort Worth, Texas on February 1, 2001 is a testimony to their good health and continued enthusisam for the Fraternity. Gene Herring and David George are members of this pledge class and now live in Fort Worth. They and their wives hosted and arranged the events of the three-day reunion. Most of these men had not had any contact for 56 years or so. "It was a memorable event," Paul Opp said. "Stories and lives were shared, and many Delt songs were sung." The group toured the Bass Theatre, visited the display of 83 paintings on loan from the Louve in Paris at the Kimbell Museum, had the chance to see a herd of 32 Texas longhorns driven by cowboys from Sundance Square to the Trinity River for a drink and ended the weekend with a dinner at the Reata atop the 35-story bank building. First row: Lou Ann Opp, Walter Moore, Dorothy Moore and David George. Second row: Paul Opp, Wayne Smith, Mary Jo Smith, Mary Lou Herring, Gene Herring and Tinki George.

# **ALUMNI IN THE NEWS**

Lt Col Wm. Brent Nixon (University of Cincinnati, 1981) was selected to the Board of



Trustees of the
Institute of
Professional
Environmental
Practice, the certifying body for Qualified
Environmental
Professionals. Until
recently an Associate
Professor and Head

of the Department of Systems and Engineering Management at the Graduate School of the Air Force Institute of Technology, he now leads the Base Conversion Restoration Division of the Air Force Center for Environmental Excellence. Brent and his wife, Sue, make their home in Windcrest, Texas.

Charles Oliver (Auburn University, 1991) has become Atlanta's newest sports talk on-air personality. Oliver is behind the microphone on WQXI-AM 790 ("The Zone"), Atlanta's sports talk leader. He began his duties this past September, being billed by the station as Atlanta's "College Football Guru," and he now co-hosts a show covering all sports, as well as movies, music, and other pop culture pursuits. In addition to his on-air duties, Oliver writes for the station's Web site (www.790thezone.com). From the station home page, click on "People" and then scroll down to Charles' picture. Click on his picture for his latest ramblings on sports and beyond.

Larry B. Stewart (Jacksonville State University, 1970) retired as Principal of Saks Middle School in July 2000, after 30 years as a coach, teacher and principal. He ran for a position on the Calhoun County School Board and was elected to a six year term and currently serves in that capacity. Larry was one of the organizers of a local fraternity which became Zeta Nu. He graduated in 1970 but was initiated as a Delt in 1973 along with the other founding members.

Dennis Svitek (Carnegie Mellon University, 1970) is currently serving as Chairman of the Board of Environmental, Health & Safety Auditor Certifications, an Orlando-based organization that certifies audit professionals in the environmental, health, and safety field. His full-time job is as Coordinator - Audit Division, USX Corporation, in Pittsburgh, PA.

# Shave receives Ohio State University young alumni award

John T. Shave (Ohio State University, 1989) received the Young Professional Achievement Alumni Award from the Fisher College of Business from The Ohio State University.

Shave is the founder of Globalcom



SHAVE

Communications and has served as chief executive officer and president since its inception. Shave also serves as a director of Globalcom.

Shave has more

than nine years of experience in the telecommunications industry. He began his telecommunications career in 1993 at Allnet Communications and later held positions at LDDS, a nationwide long distance carrier. His tenure at LDDS saw the company's movement from a mid-size long distance company to the global telecommunications giant, MCI/Worldcom.

Under Shave's leadership, Globalcom has evolved from a company with a handful of employees and revenues of \$1.5 million in 1997 into a facilities-based integrated service provider with more than 200 employees and revenues in excess of \$40 million in 2000. Further growth is expected, with projected revenues for 2001 and 2002 to be in excess of \$130 million and \$275 million, respectively. This growth marks Shave's successful transition from a reseller to a facilities-based carrier and Internet service provider.

Shave is committed to fulfilling his core mission, a goal founded on continued deployment of Globalcom owed and operated network facilities, state-of-the-art back office and the continued expansion of Globalcom's aggressive direct sales force and dealer programs nationwide.

The Young Professional Achievement Award recognizes young men and women for their accomplishments early in their careers. The Alumni Society Board seeks to identify individuals who have records of distinguished accomplishments in business and who serve as role models.

# Businessman elected to NTEA board of trustees

John Princing (University of Michigan, 1986), vice president of sales and marketing for Scientific Brake & Equipment Company in Saginaw, Michigan, was recently elected to a threeyear term on the Board of Trustees for the National Truck Equipment Association (NTEA). Princing took office during the NTEA's 37th annual convention in Baltimore, Maryland, February 28- March 3, 2001.

Princing has been with Scientific Brake & Equipment, a fullline commercial truck equipment distributorship, since 1995 first as Director of Service for three years and then in his current post as Vice President of sales and marketing since 1999. Princing served as district sales manager (group sales) for The Guardian from 1988-1995 and as a registered representative in insurance sales for The Equitable from 1986-1988.

Princing holds a bachelor's degree in economics from The University of Michigan. He has served on the NTEA Young

Executives Network Steering Committee for three years, including as chairman for two years. Princing also serves on the

University of Michigan Alumni Club Saginaw Board and is a member of the Delta Tau Delta House Corporation at the University of Michigan.

The NTEA was established in 1964 and currently represents over 1,600 companies that manufacture, distribute, install, sell and repair commercial trucks, truck bodies, truck equipment, trailers and accessories. Buyers of work trucks



and the major commercial truck chassis manufacturers also belong to NTEA. The association maintains its administrative headquarters in suburban Detroit and a government relations office in Washington, D.C.

# Gjovig named to North Dakota Entrepreneuer Hall of Fame

Bruce Q. Gjovig, (University of North Dakota, 1974) founder of the University of North Dakota Center for Innovation was inducted into the North Dakota Entrepreneur Hall of Fame in ceremonies on Thursday evening, February 22, 2001 at the Ramada Inn in Grand Forks, North Dakota. Gjovig was recognized as a long-time champion for innovators, entrepreneurs, small manufacturers and seed capital causes in

the Upper Great Plains.

**GJOVIG** 

Bruce Gjovig founded the University of North Dakota Center for Innovation and Business Development in 1984. Since it's inception, the Center for Innovation has assisted over 300 business start-ups or product introductions. The Center has received national attention for its manufacturing start-up programs and its success in technology commercialization, especially in rural areas.

In 1992, Gjovig helped secure funding for the Rural Technology Incubator, the first University-based business incubator in the region. The Rural Technology Incubator houses new and expanding businesses and offers business assistance as they grow and eventually graduate from the incubator. Since its opening in 1996, the Rural Technology Incubator has housed over 50 new start-up companies. The Incubator building was also instrumental during the flood of 1997, housing the "virtual University" during the crisis, and housing a number of displaced businesses after the flood waters receded.

Giovig was involved in founding the 3M Patent & Trademark Depository Library at UND in 1991. He also was instrumental in the development of the North Dakota Inventors Congress. Gjovig founded the North Dakota Entrepreneur Hall of Fame in 1986 to recognize North Dakota Entrepreneurs and inventors for their long-standing entrepreneurial contributions to the state and nation.

In 1988, Gjovig founded the North Dakota Business Innovator of the Year Award to recognize North Dakota's entrepreneurs

who are discovering new and better ways of serving their customers, changing the way business is done, exploring new frontiers and building through excellence.

Gjoving served as editor, project manager, and sponsor of The Business Plan: A State- of-the-Art Guide @ 1988 and The Marketing Plan: Step-by-Step @ 1991, business plan software and information on new manufacturing/processing operations - the first manuals of this kind in the nation for manufacturing startups. Distributed nationally with over 110,000 copies sold. He is also author of Pardon Me. Your Manners are Showing a book outlining professional etiquette, protocol and diplomacy.

Gjovig, a Crosby, ND native, holds two degrees from the University of North Dakota. He spent 25 years in service to Delta Tau Delta, and he has served as founder and President of the Delta Tau Delta Educational Foundation of North Dakota raising over \$2 million for academic scholarships, achievement awards, leadership development programs, and competitive housing. Gjovig has been a national leader in the chapter educational foundation movement to help chapters raise funds and increase alumni involvement through forming chapter educational foundations. From 1992 to 1997, Gjovig served on the national Delt Housing Commission.

The North Dakota Entrepreneur Hall of Fame was established in 1986 by the Center for Innovation to recognize North Dakota Entrepreneurs and inventors for their longstanding entrepreneurial contributions to the state and nation. Thirty-two entrepreneurs have been inducted thus far.

These people created and built products, processes, technologies, businesses and organizations. They solved problems and invented new concepts. By doing so, they contributed immeasurably to our higher standard of living, our economy and our general well-being as they enjoyed professional

Despite being the founder of the North Dakota Entrepreneur Hall of Fame, Gjovig was unaware of his induction until the ceremonies on February 22.



BONOMO

## **SWIMMING**

Winning his second straight NCAA Division III championship in the 1650 freestyle event was Kenyon's Mike Bonomo, who beat his previous Division III record with a time of 15:27.85. He also gained All-American honors by placing fourth in the 500 freestyle (4:28.83) and seventh in the 100 backstroke (58:04) as the Lords won their 22nd consecutive Division III title. At the NCAC meet prior to the NCAA's, Bonomo won the 500 and 1650 freestyle titles. Named as NCAA Division III Women's Coach of the Year was Denison's Gregg Parini (Kenyon College, 1982), who led his squad to its first-ever Division III championship. His men's team placed fifth at the Division III men's meet.

David Dillehay of George Washington won the 1650 freestyle event (15:53.60) at the Atlantic 10 championships. He also was on the second place 800 freestyle relay and fourth place 400 freestyle relay, in addition to placing sixth in the 500 freestyle and eighth in the 200 butterfly. At the Patriot League meet, Lehigh co-captain Steve Turoscy placed second in three meter diving and third in one meter diving.

Delts dominated the

PLAYING A KEY ROLE for the 16-9 Albion squad was co-captain/guard Steve Champine, who received All-MIAA honorable mention. He started every game, led in steals (38), ranked second in scoring (269 points, 10.8) and was second in assists (66). Among Steve's top games were 24 points, 6 rebounds against Calvin and 22 points, 5 assists versus Adrian in the final game of his career.

swimming squad at Bradley. Co-captain Zak Knott was MVC Scholar-Athlete of the Week after winning the 500 and 100 freestyle events in a three team meet with Northern Iowa and St. Louis on January 27. He was also eighth in the 1650 freestyle at the Midwest Classic. At the MVC championships, Scott Zaleski was on the fifth place 400 medley relay and was 15th in the 100 freestyle; Neal Verdick placed 15th in the 200 backstroke and Justin Lahtinen finished 16th in the 200 butterfly. Other leading Bradley competitors included co-captain Justin Merriss, Alan Goncalves and Larry

Four Wabash Delts did well at the NCAC meet. R.J. Morgan was on the third place 200 medley relay, placed fifth in the 100 backstroke and was eighth in the 200 backstroke. Also on the third place 200 medley relay was Ben Long, who added a 14th place finish in the 50 freestyle. Diver Jacob Goldstein placed fourth in the three meter event and was fifth on the one meter board. Co-captain Gary Mineart placed ninth in the 1650 freestyle and 13th in the 500 freestyle.

Johnson

Nikolas Kling was a leading swimmer for Illinois Tech at the NAIA championships. He was on the fifth place 200 and 400 medley relays and sixth place 200 and 800 freestyle relays. In individual events, Nikolas was sixth in the 200 freestyle and eighth in the 50 and 100 freestyle. Also swimming for IIT were teammates Daniel Monahan and Daniel Kammann. Scott Cohen of Tufts was a key competitor in the 50 freestyle, 100 freestyle and 100 butterfly events.

MIT's Chris Voekler swam at the NEWMAC championships and placed 13th in the 100 breaststroke. 14th in the 200 IM and 17th in the 100 freestyle. Competing for RPI at the Upstate New York championships were cocaptain Tim Lyons, Mike Budris, Eric Internicola and David Weinman.



TRIANDAFILOU BASKETBALL

Co-captain/guard Nick Triandafilou of Illinois Tech was one of the leading scorers in the NAIA, totaling 521 points for a 19.3 average. The Chicagoland Athletic Conference Player of the Week in mid-February, he also collected 127 rebounds (4.7) and had 57 assists. Among Nick's best games were 31 points, 7 rebounds, 4 assists and 4 steals against Fontbonne; 29 points, 7 rebounds against Marian; and 28 points, 6 rebounds versus Olivet Nazarene. Also seeing action for IIT was forward

# Daniel Monahan.

Guard Nevada Smith of 16-10 Bethany tied for the NCAA Division III lead in 3 point field goals per game (3.9) and ranked fifth in 3 point field goal shooting (49.2 percent). He received All-PAC second team honors, led in free throw shooting (83.9 percent), ranked second in scoring (389 points, 15.0) and was fourth with 41 assists.

Nevada scored 32 points against Grove City and totaled 30 points versus Bluffton.



**McGUINNESS** 

Bethany forward **Todd**McGuinness ranked second in assists (80) and steals (37), was third with 138 rebounds (5.3) and ranked fourth in points (243, 9.3). His best performance was 20 points versus Westminster. Also seeing action for Bethany were guard **Pat Kelly**, who got into 24 contests, and guard **Brad Davern**, who appeared in 10 games.



**OVERBEY** 

Westminster cocaptain/forward Jason Overbey was named to the All-SLIAC second team. He led the Blue Jays in scoring (363 points, 14.5) and field goal shooting (54.1 percent) while ranking second in rebounding (99, 4.0). Jason had big games against Fontbonne (27 points, 4 rebounds) and Principia (24 points, 11 rebounds).

Center Istvan Nylias of Stevens Tech was an All-Skyline Conference first team selection. He led the Ducks in rebounding (180, 9.0) and ranked second in scoring (295 points, 14.8). Receiving All-Skyline honorable mention was forward Eric Stanley, who led in scoring (416 points, 16.6), field goal percentage (50.4 percent) and blocked shots (31). He was also second in rebounding (204, 8.2) and minutes played (781). Guard Mike Pinto led Stevens Tech in assists (99) and scored 84 points (5.3 per game). Also seeing action for the Ducks was forward Omar McKinney, who played in 12

Forward Dan Bruce appeared in 32 games and pulled down 94 rebounds for the 26-11 Albertson College squad which went to the NAIA "Elite Eight" tournament. Seeing action in 21 games for Wabash was the team's tallest player (6'11"), center Jeremy Vanscoy. Teammate Brendan O'Hara, played guard in 11 contests. MIT guard Klint Rose was a team co-captain for the third year and led the squad with 35 steals.

Two Delt head coaches had great seasons. Griff Mills (DePauw University, 1988) had his best year in 10 seasons at Armstrong Atlantic State, tying a school record with a 25-8 record. His team won the Peach Belt Conference title and played in the NCAA Division II playoffs. Bill Fenlon (Northwestern University, 1979) took his DePauw squad to a 19-6 record, the team's best record since 1993. One of his assistant coaches was Brad Nadborne (DePauw University, 1981).

## GOLF

Playing on the PGA Tour once again is the Fraternity's best pro golfer ever. Scott Dunlap (University of Florida, 1985), who ranked 44th in winnings during 2000 (\$1,040,244). At last year's THE PLAYERS championship, he tied for third and earned his biggest pro day with \$270,600. Through April 1, Dunlop has earned \$315,381 with ties for 11th at the BellSouth Classic, 13th at the Nissan Open and 15th at THE PLAYERS championship. During his pro career, he has also played on the Buy.com Tour, the Canadian Tour and South African Tour.



CONTI

Ten Delts were members of the Lawrence squad. Cocaptain Tom Conti earned Midwest Collegiate Hockey Association Player of the Week honors during the season, was co-scoring leader with 23 points and ranked second with 14 goals. With one season left, he is the Vikings' career leader in goals (28) and points (62). Splitting time in goal were Grant Henderson (740 minutes, 507 saves) and Nick Cosky (760 minutes, 483 saves). Forward Mike Vernon scored 10 points and assistant captain/defenseman Stuart Manning added 7 points.

# **GREEKS IN SPORTS**

To read more about Greeks in sports, check out Jay Langhammer's link on the North American Interfraternity Conference Web site.

# www.nicindy.org

Also seeing a lot of action for the Lawrence team were forward Brian Winnie (25 games, 5 points), forward John Burton (24 games), forward Sam Sather (24 games) and defenseman Tom Murphy (23 games). Alex Reeve saw action again in goal for the MIT squad which won its third straight NECHA title.

# **OTHER SPORTS**

Three Delts were regulars for the Stanford wrestling squad. John Garfinkel competed at 165 lbs. and placed third at the All-Cal Invitational. Brendon Fox wrestled at 149 lbs. while Kayvon Bina competed at 133 lbs. Seeing action for Eastern Illinois was Chris Stevens, who wrestled at 141 lbs. Heavyweight Joe Scanlon of Wabash placed fifth at the HCAC meet and competed at the NCAA Division III Midwest Regional. Dave Jennings of Muhlenberg posted a 10-10 record at 184 lbs. and competed at the Centennial Conference meet. Playing again for the Quincy volleyball team was Lucas Kandefer.

Playing in the XFL
Championship game during
its first season were San
Francisco Demons OT Seth
Dittman (Stanford University,
1995), who spent last fall in
the CFL, and former New
York Jets DT Carl Hansen
(Stanford University, 1998),
who was also on the Demons
squad.

Delt Sportlight is compiled by Joseph H. "Jay" Langhammer, Jr. (Texas Christian University, 1966). His e-mail address is jay@totalshow.com. Being a part of the installation of alpha chapter has been one of the greatest experiences of my life. Everyone who aided and supported us during this time deserves the utmost of thanks and credit. From the signing of the charter to the receiving of the ritual, this was truly an experience that I will never forget.

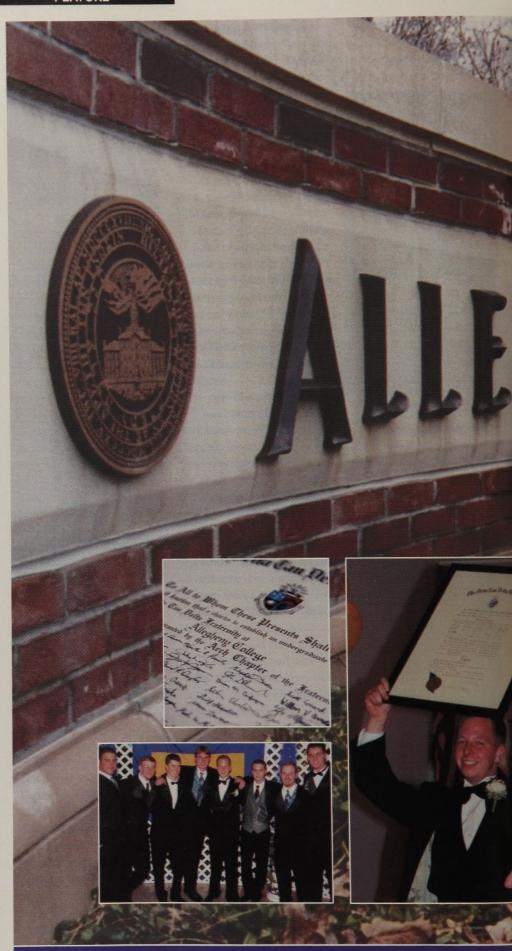
- BRIAN VITA Alpha Delt

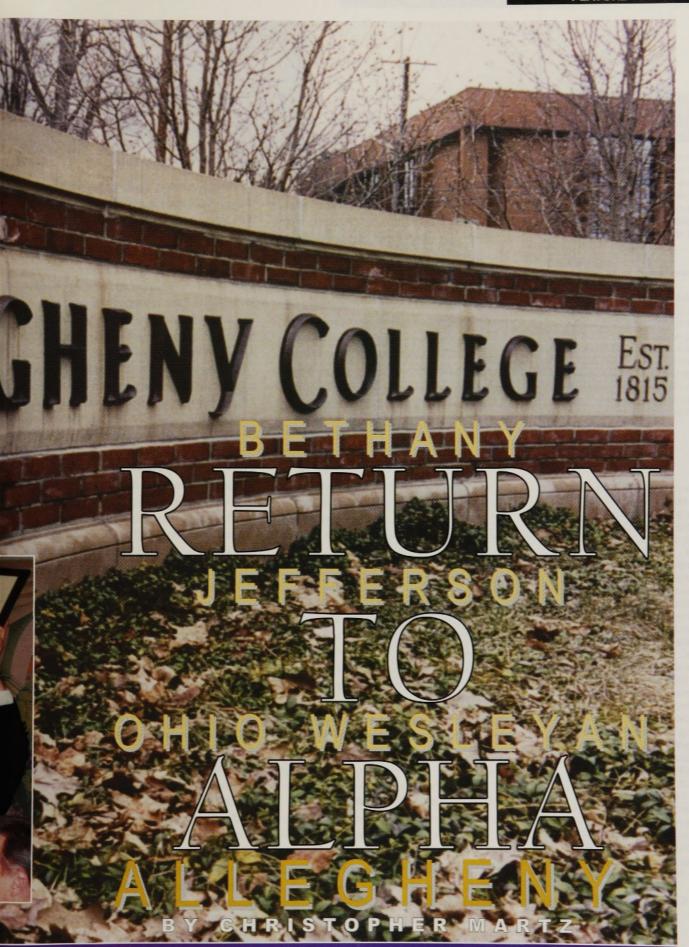
The banquet was very touching for those of whom weren't even in the Fraternity. When the brothers all held hands and bowed their heads to imagine themselves years from that moment, you could feel the Brotherhood in the air. When an alum asked them to stand up and to give them a round of applause, they all stood up with beaming smiles; how could anyone else not smile or not be proud of them? Some of these brothers have waited a year and a half for the moment when they received their charter and that day will be one of the proudest in their lives. And although it might sound corney or tacky, it definitely was 'a day to remember'. I have never seen a group of men as excited as they were the night before their ceremony; some of them couldn't even sleep. Now is this the type of behavior your normal everyday college student has? Only if he was a Delt and he knew the Brotherhood and the opportunites that were yet to come. As the one alum said, 'Brotherhood sustains us' and I know these guys will always have that in their hearts no matter where they go or what happens in their lives to come.

> - JULIE WILSON Chapter Sweetheart

From my point of view as an alumni initiate, the ceremony was remarkably poignant. I was able to see the transformation of a group of individuals to a tight unit through the ritual. It brought focus and direction to the group. I was overwhelmed by the support of the alumni, members of the arch chapter, and the Central Office. Without their guidance and sage advice, we would not have made it through the recolonization process. I'm honored to have been able to go through the ceremony. Being an advisor and sharing that experience makes the significance for me even greater. It is a day I will not soon forget.

> — JOSH NOLAN Faculty Advisor







Going through the ritual and rite of iris was one of the most important accomplishments in my life so far. It meant so much to me to be initiated and to now be able to call the 35 guys in my chapter along with the thousands of other delts out there brothers for life.

# - WILL ARNOLD Corresponding Secretary

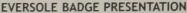
Alpha today, while not responsible for the business of the International Fraternity, still has a strong meaning to me. I feel it is necessary for us, the brothers of Alpha Chapter, to continue the traditions of excellence that precede us through our work within our chapter, within the Allegheny College community, and within the entire International Fraternity.

## - MATT GEREGA Risk Management

As I walked over to sign the charter, I first looked at the space in which the Rite of Iris was being performed. I wasn't sure if the ceremony was going to live up to all of the praise John Mainelli gave it. Then, it was as if the room transformed. When we entered the room blindfolded and knelt, a strange sensation came over me. I suddenly felt closer to my soon to be brothers than I ever had before. Once we removed our blindfolds and participated in the Rite of Iris, the feeling grew inside me. I don't know whether it was anticipation of what was going to come next, coming closer to my brothers fraternally, or just the return of the Alpha Chapter. While we waited to go through the Ritual, this feeling just kept getting stronger. Finally, as we were all together during the Ritual, the feeling became enormous. This feeling lasted all through the night, and especially at the banquet when we did our cheer. I still have the same feeling whenever we are together as a chapter. We have become a much closer chapter as well. Now that we are the Alpha Chapter again, I know nothing can stop the Alpha Delts, primarily because Brotherhood Sustains Us!

> — CHRIS RORABAUGH Alpha Delt







GAVEL

This is a story of two Matts with one mission—a mission neither knew they would journey upon when they entered college, but a venture that changed both of their lives.

When Matthew Carson entered college, he hoped to grow both personally and academically. He knew that Allegheny College was a fine institution, based on values and tradition. What he had no idea about was that the Alpha Chapter of Delta Tau Delta was located on Allegheny soil. Even as a freshman, he had no idea that the Fraternity even existed on campus, however, it is this Fraternity that has made his college experience worthwhile.

Matt Laconte did not even want to be president when the Alpha Chapter was initially colonized. He only volunteered because he believed the only other person he knew who was thinking about the presidency was not right for the job. Little did he realize then that making that decision would be one of the best decisions that he made.

# COLONIZATION

"Looking back at the 14 months that I was president of the Alpha Crescent Colony of Delta Tau Delta I am only just beginning to understand the significance that position held, and hopefully myself and Matt Carson are going to be the last two Alpha Crescent Colony presidents," Laconte said. "I am proud to say that I was the founding president, but I could not have made it through those 14 months had it not been for my executive board. Not a single one of us had any Greek experience and we were experiencing all of this together. I was not the leader—or Overlord as Carson likes to call himself—I was just the spokesman for us all. Sure we made some mistakes and took a while to understand how to run a chapter, but all in all we managed to learn and grow and achieve some fairly lofty goals. Though I have much more time to myself since Carson assumed office, I do miss seeing the entire chapter from the front of the room.

Twenty-one men were presented with an exceptionally rare opportunity in October of 1999 to become Founding Fathers of Delta Tau Delta's historically proudest chapter.

"This is an honor that few people in the history of fraternities have experienced," Carson said. "Even as brothers, we still do not understand what has happened to us in the past year and a half. It is simply inconceivable to comprehend what has transpired to the Alpha Chapter since its creation in 1863."

"During the first few weeks of being a colony, many of us were confused why Allegheny is the Alpha Chapter, seeing that the Fraternity was founded in Bethany five years earlier," Carson said. "As our installation team consisting of Keith Dziki, John Mainella and Jerry Cooper explained to us, before there was an Arch Chapter, the Fraternity's governing body was the Alpha Chapter. The strongest chapter at the time was honored with this designation; it changed three times due to several factors including the Civil War. The chapter at Allegheny was given the title in 1875. During Allegheny's reign, the Fraternity thrived. The official publication, The Crescent, was created. Expansion built the Fraternity from 17 chapters to 31. Alpha's leadership was strong, however, in 1884 it was decided that alumni would be better suited for governing responsibilities and thus the Arch Chapter was created. Because of Allegheny's leadership in the young years of Delta Tau Delta, it was decided that the Alpha designation would remain there.

Being a part of this tradition means a great deal to our new chapter. We have over a hundred years of generous and important alumni that are crucial in our growth and development."

During the division reports at the Eastern Division conference, Division president Jim Garboden expressed that the greatest achievement in the past two years was the colonization of the Alpha Crescent Colony at Allegheny College. Success on the Alegheny





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CHARTER PRESENTATION

campus came pretty easily for the Delts. They all had a fairly similar conception about what Greek life should be like, and they all agreed that the other chapters on campus were not fitting that perception. So they decided to go against the grain and see if they could do things differently than everyone else.

#### RAISING GREEK STANDARDS

"It became our motto, we strove to raise the standards for ourselves and see if the other chapters on campus would follow suit," Laconte said. "We wanted to strive for excellence and hoped that everyone else would be forced to work that much harder to keep up. The best examples of this are the two major Greek "competitions" on campus, Greek Sing and SAMS (Students Against Multiple Sclerosis). Greek Sing is a competition held every fall where all the fraternities and sororities perform a traditional song and a popular song. Now traditionally the fraternities would get up on the stage, stand in a large semicircle, maybe bring out an acoustic guitar or two, and attempt to sing a couple of songs. Meanwhile the sororities would have choreography and put in obviously much more effort. We decided that that was about to change. The Delts for Greek Sing this year began by setting up a full band on stage, complete with a drum set, electric guitars, bass, and a piano. Then, as a brother sits behind the drums, the cadence starts and we make our entrance. We sang "Our Vow" accompanied by a piano and then the band started and we started our popular song "No Rain" (with a brother dressed in a bee costume!). But we would not be satisfied with just this, oh no! In the middle of the song we stopped, the band dropped their guitars and picked up brass horns, and we bust out with "The Impression That I Get" by the Mighty Might Bostones. The crowd was stunned. We had just broken every unwritten rule that all the fraternities had followed up until that point, and we could not have been more proud. But it gets even

better with SAMS. SAMS is a lip-sync fundraiser sponsored by Panhel and IFC held in March. Now, again, the sororities always have the fraternities out matched, both with effort and dance moves. They didn't even see us coming! The fraternities would just sit up on stage, usually unrehearsed, and basically look like stereotypical "frat" guys while the sororities would rehearse for weeks and blow them away. When we got up there with our lighting, fog machine, police light, spot light, and choreography (oh no!) we literally stole the whole show. We won the whole thing hands down. But that was last year, and this year we had raised the bar. Every act this year was better and effort was put into all the acts. We didn't win this year (we lost by two points) but we were proud to see that we had changed

the face of Greek life here at Allegheny. The best compliment that I hear is 'I wonder what the Delts are going to do. They always have something up their sleeves."

Greek life here has changed, it has gotten better, and we are responsible for that. I just pray that we will never stop trying to push ourselves and Greek life in general toward excellence."

# INSTALLATION

The Alpha Crescent Colony was officially installed as a chapter on Saturday, March 31,

"I can honestly say that March 31 was one of the best days of my life," Carson said. "It was a day devoted to being a Delt and I did not want to see it end. The experience of being installed as a founding father of the Alpha Chapter of



**EVEN THOUGH CURRENT** PRESIDENT MATT CARSON was presented the Eversole Badge, the gavel and the charter, Founding President Matt Laconte was the first member to sign the charter.



THE ALLEGHENY ALPHA **CHAPTER** was originally chartered on January 5, 1863. Thirty-seven Founding Fathers signed the Alpha Charter on March 31, 2001. "The Alpha Installation was a glorious event in itself," former Chapter Consultant Keith Dziki said. "For me, the installation will be an eternal memory. As I said at the installation, 'Of all the places that I traveled, of all the major universities that I had visited, of all the major cities I passed through, not one of them compares to enjoyment and pleasure that the campus, the people, and the students of Allegheny College have given to me!" This is a chapter that defines excellence, and I am certain they will continue to do so for another 100 years."

ALLEGHENY COLLEGE

It was with great pride as the father of Matthew Adams, plegde class president, that I attended the Delta Tau Delta initiation banquest. Sitting at our table and listening to the president of the Delts talk about what it meant to be a Delt brought back many memories of my own initiation into a fraternity several years ago. The life-long friendships that developed through my college days will never be duplicated. I had chills running up and down my spine just listening to the accomplishments of these fine young men in their quest to be re-instated. The fact that these Allegheny students had the vision to bring the Alpha Chapter back at its origin and work hard to see this dream become a reality was a great source of pride. It was obvious to all in attendance that night how hard these colony actives had worked and how eager they were to finally be re-instated as the Alpha Chapter. An emotional night to be sure! This is what fraternities are all about

- STEVEN ADAMS Beta Theta Pi, 1975, Father of Alpha Delt, Matthew Adams

You know, a lot of these guys recently got tattoos of the letters Delta Tau Delta and they asked me," Hey, Sloppy, you going to get one?" At first I didn't even have to think about it, I said nope. Now that I know what the letters are meant to stand for and the reasons for those letters, I can honestly say I would not be ashamed to have those letters on my body for the rest of my life. They will always be with me if I did not get a tattoo but going through the ceremonies really taught me a lot about the way men should live their lives. The Ritual taught me how hard and demanding being a Brother of Delta Tau Delta really is. and the men selected to be in this organization are. I really believe that the ONLY Fraternity that I could honestly say I would join if everybody did talk about their Ritual is Delta Tau Delta.

- SCOTT CONARD Sargeant at Arms

Delta Tau Delta will echo through my heart and mind as long as I endure."

"The day of our installation was full of excitement," Carson continued. "After a long year and a half of being a colony, we were ready to take the next step in the process of becoming a Delt. So much preparation was put into the day, I was nervous but at the same time confident that everything would run smoothly. Signing the charter is something that I will never forget. My hand trembled, as I'm sure everyone else's did, as I was signing it. This document was the first symbol that we had actually made it: we were almost Brothers."

Laconte's initial thoughts were not so poetic. Afterall, he was the first one to sign the charter.

"The thought that went through my head as I was signing the charter first was "Crap! The pen isn't working!" and "I have to fit my whole

name in that little spot?" Laconte said. "But seriously, I didn't know what to think until I saw the charter as a whole after initiation. It was just amazing that we are the ones on that document, and that is going to be around for years to come. We earned the right to be on that paper, and it was beautiful to see it after

The University of Pittsburgh Chapter performed the Rite of Iris and the Washington & Jefferson College Chapter performed the Ritual for the Alegheny installation.

"The Rite of Iris was simply beautiful," Carson said "The installation committee of the Brothers of Gamma Sigma performed a flawless ceremony, which helped maintain the seriousness of the allegory. Following the Rite of Iris, International President Robert Roush politely asked all of the visitors to leave the building. This is when it hit me that I was to

**STEINER:** I really didn't do much. Just in the right place at the right time as President of the House Corp. As for why it has been my privilege to stay involved, that's a long story...

It starts at Allegheny where back to 1869, every Delt I was a part of a great chapter. Alpha won Hugh Shields awards the year before I pledged, all four years I was there and two more after I graduated, seven in a row. The Chapter wasn't perfect,

but we had very high standards and high expectations of every member. One of the distinctive requirements at Allegheny is that every

senior must do a comprehensive project, or "Comp." It is an original research project that must be meticulously prepared, footnotes, bibliographyeverything perfect including a formal oral defense of the project before three faculty members. Only 10 percent of the projects in any year receive an "A." As a history major and Brother, Chuck Zebley (1974), suggested a history of Alpha Chapter. After receiving approval for the project from my comp advisor I waded into six months of research in 1972. I read old

minute books of Alpha dating

magazine from the first Crescent published in Meadville in 1876 (started by Alpha, of course) and lots of Allegheny history-yearbooks, student newspapers and college archives. I traveled to

Indianapolis to review Fraternity records and became acquainted with Delta Tau Delta as an International organization and also

attended the 1972 Atlanta Karnea. I was hooked. The comp ran on to 125 pages and I got an "A."

I also became interested in being a field secretary, the position now called Chapter Consultant. I was fortunate to be hired and traveled to over 85 Delt Chapters over the next two years. I then served a year as Resident Advisor at Beta Chapter at Ohio University while in grad school. I was hired back on the Delt Executive Staff serving the next nine years as Director of Program Development and Chapter Services. After finally finishing an MBA, I joined

PaineWebber in 1985 where I gradually have developed my business as an Investment Management Consultant to 25 Greek organizations as well as other Non-Profit organizations. Along the way I was asked to serve as Northern Division President and International Secretary. It has all been a wonderful experience with only a few disappointments.

One was the closing of Alpha in 1997. Many of the members were good people but the chapter didn't function because they could not or would not discipline their members. Once the culture of a chapter goes bad it is often better to close. By re-starting Alpha with high standards and committed members, we now have the potential to again see the possibility of Hugh Shields Awards at Alpha. We will see how much this new group wants to achieve.

While on the staff I had the privilege of colonizing chapters at Wisconsin, Florida State, Eastern Illinois and Southern Mississippi. They were outstanding groups and three of them won Hugh Shields awards within two years of chartering. If Alpha gets one anytime soon, Keith Dziki gets the credit.



KEITH STEINER

learn the mysteries of Delta Tau Delta; the Ritual was next and it was a Delt only event.

"The Ritual was captivating," Carson continued. "It brought the journey to a complete circle; never again would I have to leave a Division Conference or Karnea when the Ritual was being performed or wonder what our letters really meant. The Brothers of Gamma chapter also did an exceptional job at the ceremony. It was amazing to witness something that was created over a hundred years ago that only a select group of people has seen."

One thought that kept appearing over and over again in Laconte's mind during the day of the installation

"I can't believe we have finally made it... we're the Alpha Chapter of Delta Tau Delta," Laconte revealed. "The entire day I was overflowing with anxiety (especially since I was the one that had to be taken through all the ceremonies), but once the ceremonies were over and I walked into the banquet hall with Kurt Foriska (my VP) was when it hit me... there were so many people there to recognize all the work that we did. I just stood in amazement at the crowd of friends, parents, faculty, administration, and Brothers. It was the most memorable part of the day because that was when we could all sit and reflect on the feat that we had just accomplished."

"I knew that something was missing during our life as a colony," Carson said. "I could not quite put my finger on it, but I now realize the power of the Ritual. It is an incredible bonding point to be able to share something with a group of people that is a secret to most others. Our Brotherhood has already flourished because of this. We are more confident around campus now that we are full members of Delta

A banquet followed the Ritual, which included dinner, speeches and dancing.

"We were honored to have over two hundred people in attendance, including such distinguished guests as International President Dr. Robert Roush, International Treasurer Gilbert Standley, Eastern Division President James Garboden, Executive Vice President Duane Wimer and legendary Alpha Alumnus, Keith Steiner," Carson said.

Several toasts were given by guests and alumni, as well as presentations of the gavel, president's badge and charter. Many inspirational words of wisdom were bestowed upon the new chapter. After the banquet the

entire room of Alpha Delts gave a rousing Delt cheer that literally shook the floorboards.

## THE FUTURE OF ALPHA

The men of the Alpha Chapter now understand the importance of Alpha and the

responsibility that comes with that designation.

"The men of Alpha Chapter understand that we need to be the best Delts that we can be." Carson said. "We hope that we can be an example to other chapters of how to live the mission and values. We cannot let our alumni down; in 20 years the chapter must still be operating at elevated standards so they can always feel at home in the shelter."

"The question now is where we are headed," Carson said. "We are already a strong chapter, but there are improvements that can be made. The first priority is recruiting new members into the chapter. With a larger member base, we can reoccupy our true shelter, which is currently a residence hall owned by the college. This is building Brotherhood and memories to our alumni and it is a shame that we cannot yet live there. We are now re-energized and can set our standards high. I know that Alpha is not far from a Hugh Shields award and I believe we can be one of the strongest chapters in Delta Tau

"I just think that joining Delta Tau Delta has been one of the major milestones of my life," Laconte said. "I never thought that I would be in a fraternity, let alone found a chapter. But for the friendships that it has brought, the opportunities for leadership and personal growth, and the memories that I will have from my time in this

Fraternity I will forever be grateful for. To end with the words from Kevin Johns 'We are in the business of building better men.' I don't think it could be summed up more appropriately."

# WEARING TWO HATS

Dave McInally (University of Akron, 1982) serves as the Chapter Advisor for the Alpha Chapter and the Dean of Students of Allegheny College.

The Central Office's colonization process is well-organized and effective, so when Keith Dziki arrived on campus I had the pleasure of simply observing their well-oiled selection machine. The student affairs staff and I contributed primarily by having conversations with strong student leaders, encouraging them to take a look at this new and exciting opportunity. From that point on, Delta Tau Delta sold itself.

Welcoming the Alpha Chapter back to Allegheny was obviously especially meaningful to me as a Delt. The key consideration for me is that the Fraternity's values, taught to me as an undergraduate student, are important to me every day in my work as a student affairs administrator. This means that sometimes I have to make difficult decisions, such as working with the Alpha alumni to suspend the charter several years ago. But I know that in light of the Fraternity's emphasis on courage and integrity, it was worth the pain of the suspension in order to have such a strong Alpha Chapter now.

Passing the President's gavel to Matt Carson transported me to the day when I became president of Eta Chapter. The lessons I learned through fraternity leadership still guide me every day in my work. I learned that values are not just empty words, but that they can be put to work in practical ways in our everyday lives, and that leaders who have a strong base of values are much more likely to be successful. Quite simply, Delta Tau Delta teaches values, and in so doing produces better leaders.

My dual perspective as a Delt and a Dean of Students makes it very clear to me how extraordinary, life-changing institutions can thrive through successful partnerships. It is obvious that the Alpha Chapter exists first and foremost to support students who are pursuing an Allegheny education. But it is also obvious to me that their educations are richer and more profound as the result of membership in Delta Tau Delta. The two institutions-college and fraternity-have complementary missions. each making the other better through a strong, lasting partnership.

# Volunteer Partnerships bring eye care to mental health community

Many people take their vision for granted. Individuals with insurance and reasonable incomes often have the resources to maintain and care for their eyes through routine eye examinations and the purchase of corrective eyewear. Unfortunately, many mental health consumers do not have the resources necessary to seek professional eye care because of hospitalization or a lack of insurance or funding.

Butler University Delts, Prevent Blindness Indiana and the Indianapolis Eye Care Center have formed unique partnerships with Larue D. Carter Memorial Hospital, a state psychiatric hospital, to provide vision screenings and eye exams to its patients and individuals throughout the mental health community.

Prevent Blindness Indiana has trained Delt volunteers from Butler University to conduct Adult Vision Screenings for employees, patients, and groups affiliated with the hospital. Delta Tau Delta has adopted this venture as an ongoing volunteer project for its members and pledges, screening at the hospital every other week.

"There are many different ways of giving back and the opportunity to work with Prevent Blindness Indiana provides a unique experience," said Matthew Bajor, pharmacy student and President of the Butler Chapter. "Working with the community puts my own day to day life at Butler in perspective and the more volunteer work I do the more I realize we do make a difference."

Those who fail the vision screenings conducted by the volunteers are referred for follow-up care, which is provided once a week at Larue Carter Hospital by the Indianapolis Eye Care Center, a program of the IU School of Optometry. Faculty and students from the school give complete eye examinations and can provide low cost eyewear for those in need.

"The screenings performed by Delta Tau Delta help the psychiatrists at the hospital to identify patients in need of eye care," said Brad Sutton, O.D., F.A.A.O., Indianapolis Eye Care Center clinic director. We are then able to examine them onsite at the request of their doctor and provide much needed services that contribute to their overall well being and may help to facilitate their recovery."

Once established, these services will also be offered to the community at large.

# **CHAPTER ETERNAL**

The following Chapter Eternal notices were received at the Cental Office between February 1, 2001 and April 12, 2001.

ALPHA-Allegheny College David G. Burns, 1953 Joseph Cicero, 1979

BETA-Ohio University Thomas H. Morgan Jr, 1950 David S. Titus, 1933 Richard D. Stiver, 1945 John B. Alexander, 1966

GAMMA-Washington & Jefferson College Donald C. Beatty Jr, 1945

EPSILON-Albion College David A. Lindley, 1961

ZETA-Case Western Reserve University Samuel J. Anthony, 1954

**KAPPA-Hillsdale College** William G. Lashbrook II, 1949

MU-Ohio Wesleyan University James R. Mortensen, 1949

NU-Lafayette College James P. Wearn, 1950

TAU-Pennsylvania State University Allen V. Rothermel, 1932

UPSILON-Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute John F. Hildebrand Jr, 1944 Ralph E. Albright, 1940

PHI-Washington and Lee University John H. Allen, 1952 Robin W. Chamness, 1945 Edward P. Bassett, 1951 Spurgeon Jennings, 1928

BETA BETA-DePauw University Donald W. Hadley, 1938

BETA EPSILON-Emory University John W. Pattillo, 1951

BETA ZETA-Butler University

Lawrence C. Davis Jr, 1953 Jack B. Jackson, 1952

BETA ETA-University of Minnesota Thomas F. Allen, 1950

BETA KAPPA-University of Colorado Robert H. Pike, 1951

Robert L. Knous, 1940 Joseph S. Hughes, 1948 BETA MU-Tufts University

Howard J. Godfrey, 1931 Roger W. Page, 1933 Everett B. Wakeman, 1923

BETA XI-Tulane University Charles E. Reid, 1939

BETA PI-Northwestern University George C. Branston, 1941

BETA RHO-Stanford University Carl E. Hoefener, 1949 Clyde A. Dingfelder, 1950

BETA UPSILON-University of Illinois

Robert D. Bailey, 1939 Edward A. Johnson, 1938 Walter E. Jenkins, 1941

BETA PHI-Ohio State University Charles M. Copeland, 1951 George E. Tifft III, 1944

GAMMA ZETA-Wesleyan University Chester A. Jackson Jr, 1939

GAMMA ETA-George Washington University Leroy C. Blankenship, 1954

GAMMA IOTA-University of Texas

Alfred S. Frobese, 1939 Arthur V. Lamb Jr, 1952

GAMMA KAPPA-University of Missouri John C. Holmgren Jr, 1952

GAMMA LAMBDA-Purdue University

Howard K. Thompson, 1952

**GAMMA NU-University of Maine** Richard B. Hamilton, 1952

Russell W. Gamage, 1939

GAMMA XI-University of

Cincinnati Robert G. Moore Jr, 1946

GAMMA RHO-University of Oregon

Frank K. Neff Jr, 1942

GAMMA TAU-University of Kansas Clifford C. Anderson, 1928

Clifford C. Anderson, 1928 Stephen D. Barling Jr, 1955

GAMMA UPSILON-Miami University Dale R. Kauffmann, 1940 DELTA ALPHA-University of Oklahoma

Richard T. Cannon, 1938
DELTA GAMMA-University of
South Dakota

Kevin M. Loge, 1979

DELTA DELTA-University of Tennessee

Willard M. Johnson, 1929 Edwin M. Hicks Jr, 1937

DELTA EPSILON-University of Kentucky

William G. Haag Jr, 1932 Louis Haynes Jr, 1939

DELTA ZETA-University of Florida

John H. Priestman, 1951 E. Gardner Piper, 1926 Charles L. Robinson, 1950 William L. Jennings Sr, 1932

DELTA ETA-University of Alabama

Phillip C. Williams, 1941 Frank E. Bentley, 1953 George W. McMillan, 1955 Wesley T. Mays, 1987

**DELTA IOTA-UCLA**Grant L. Young, 1949

DELTA PI-University of Southern California Donald W. Reid, 1946 Michael J. Werther, 1967 Edward L. Wenzlaff, 1962

DELTA PSI-UC-Santa Barbara John A. Cavanagh Jr, 1949

EPSILON BETA-Texas Christian University William P. Kennedy, 1962 John R. Blanton, 1959

EPSILON DELTA-Texas Tech University Joe P. Naylor, 1959

EPSILON IOTA-Kettering University

Gifford E. Runyon, 1943

EPSILON KAPPA-Louisiana State University Darrell A. Posey, 1969

EPSILON OMEGA-Georgia Southern University Edwin R. Wolf Jr, 1975

ZETA LAMBDA-Western Illinois University Robert E. Stalker, 1973

ZETA PSI-Stephen F. Austin University Gregory E. Cherry, 1989

# Grimes receives File Scholarship for his ability to 'dare greatly'



CHRISTOPHER GRIMES RECEIVED THE FILE SCHOLARSHIP at the Southern Division Conference Banquet on March 3, 2001. Grimes is pictured above with **Educational Foundation** President Ken File, whose name the scholarship honors. Grimes is a member of the Zeta Tau Chapter of Delta Tau Delta. He is also a member of the Omicron Delta Kappa National Leadership Honor Society; Phi Epsilon Kappa Fraternity, a national professional fraternity for persons engaged in or pursuing careers in health, physical education, recreation or safety; Order of Omega; as well as a North Carolina Prospective Teachers Scholar, an Ohio Leadership Academy graduate; a Chancellor's Achievement Award recipient, and a member of the Dean's List. The idea behind the \$3,000 scholarship is to create opportunities to recognize excellence as it happens within the undergraduate chapters and to reward individual efforts reflective of the Delt Mission and The Delt Creed.

He grew up the majority of his life with only one parent to support him. He was forced to learn responsibility at a very young age. He began working at the age of 14 so he could help support his family. He learned the value of hard work and that perseverance pays off in the end. The job, working at a local community center in Raleigh, is where he found his true passion promoting physical education and health to children.

Because of his commitment to excellence and his courage to "dare greatly," Christopher Grimes was honored as the 2000 Ken File Scholarship recipient at the Delta Tau Delta Southern Division Leadership Conference in Charlotte, North Carolina on March 3.

"This job was more than just a way for me to ease the financial burden off my mother," Grimes said. "It also gave me hope and desire to do more with my life in general. I gained a mentor through this work experience who pushed me to continue my education. No one in my family had ever been accepted to a fouryear university directly out of high school. I figured I would be the same way. Besides, how was I going to afford college. However, my mentor made me take the SATs and apply to colleges. Her encouragement along with other members of my community gave me the positive direction that I could break the mold of my family. This push of confidence was all that I needed. By Christmas of my senior year, I had been accepted into two major universities and the only major question was funding my way through college."

Grimes eventually received federal financial aid and three scholarships upon entering college. With careful planning and loans he took out in his own name, Grimes has been able to pay for college without asking his mother to take out any loans herself.

"Faith has an unusual way of working sometimes," Grimes said. "In the long haul, if you or someone who loves you believes in you, then

everything you could dream for can somehow

Grimes, a junior at the University of North Carolina at Wilmington, is a physical education major and history minor with a 3.676 grade point average.

"Let me say that he is the most deserving of vour award," Associate Professor John Bennett said in a letter to the scholarship committee. "Chris ranks as one of my top all time students in my 32 years of teaching. In my opinion, they just don't come any better than Chris."

University of North Carolina at Wilmington's Dean of Students Terrence Curran also recommended Grimes for the award based on his work with Grimes as a leader in the orientation program, a coordinator in the recreation and intramural program, and a member of the University Campus Judicial Board as well as an active member in the

"Mr. Grimes has always excelled in his achievements and commitment to serving others," Curran said. "He brings a refreshing sense of purpose, vitality and maturity beyond his chronological age. I can always depend on Christopher to come through and go beyond my expectations."

The scholarship is named in honor of the service of Kenneth A. File to the Fraternity and the impact he had on Delta Tau Delta in a relatively short period of time.

"Winning the File Scholarship was a truly remarkable experience not only because it is the highest undergraduate award one can receive by the Fraternity but because of the name that goes along with it," Grimes said. "Ken has so much respect and honor from Delts across the nation, and to be a representative of him, I will cherish for a lifetime."

File believes in the power of undergraduates committed to excellence and that even one man with a vision and courage can change the destiny of a chapter for the better.

# McKelvey, Hoffman named 2000 Gustafson-Johns scholars

Jason McKelvey, a mechanical engineering student at Kettering University, and Edward Hoffman, III, an education and music performance major at the University of Southern Mississippi are the 2000 Ned H. Gustafson/Kevin R. Johns Scholarship recipients.

The recipients of the scholarships are recognized as men who find a unique

balance between academic achievement and involvement in their chapter, campus and college community, and are "Committed to Lives of Excellence."

Both men seek to lead others by being model leaders.

"In order to lead others, you must first be in control of your own life," Hoffman said. "Setting an example as an individual of integrity and

accountability is the primary way I attempt to influence others to serve. I try to show others that by prioritizing your time they also can be involved in all aspects of our school, community and Fraternity.

"I try to lead by example," McKelvey said. "I participate in every rush event and major project inside the house. I am always available to help out and listen to my Brothers' needs. With the younger members, I try to help them find out what the meaning of the house is for each of them. The house means something different to each one of us and to make future leaders of the house, the younger members need to find the meaning early

# Mainella hired by Foundation

Kenneth A. File, President of the Delta Tau Delta Educational Foundation, announced March 1 the hiring of John A. Mainella, West Virginia '99. John will join the Delta Tau Delta



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Educational
Foundation as
the Annual
Fund Director.
The hiring of
Mainella completes the
Foundation's
first phase
implementation of its long-

range plan to increase alumni support for the Fraternity.

"Our Annual DeltFund is one of the most successful in the Greek world; however, we are still reaching a very small percentage of our alumni. The creation of this position will allow a more intense focus on different forms of solicitation to broaden our base of donors and include more young alumni in our Annual Fund Program."

Mainella joins an already successful Foundation team that, most recently, completed a \$9.5 million fundraising effort to support educational programming for Delta Tau Delta. His work will center specifically on direct mail, telemarketing and electronic solicitation of donors in new and innovative ways that are more interactive and engage alumni in two-way conversations regarding their giving.

Mainella is just now completing a second year traveling for the Fraternity as a Chapter Consultant. A native of Fairmont, West Virginia, John received his Bachelor of Arts Degree in English from West Virginia University. He was active in the Gamma Delta Chapter as not only a founding father, but also as Chapter Treasurer and Pledge Educator. On campus, John served the Greek community as President of the Order of Omega.

"John wants to get into higher education administration," File said. "To be successful in higher education, almost all administrators need some form of development background and the Annual Fund is a great place to start any career in that area."

Mainella plans on pursuing a law degree in the near future and is very excited about coming to work for the Foundation and helping to expand an ever-growing number of alumni who generously support the Foundation's efforts.

John completes his service to the Fraternity as a Chapter Consultant this May and will begin his work with the Foundation on June 18, 2001.

# Good ideas are timeless Getting young alumni involved

At the Delt Foundation we borrow every good idea we can get our hands on. We exchange information with other Fraternities and are constantly trying to improve our

appeal to alumni.

One challenge we have been trying to overcome is the "graying" of the Annual DeltFund. For years our Annual Fund has been the envy of the Greek World, but lately we have not seen our younger alumni getting into the habit of making contributions. Our counterparts at colleges and universities have been seeing the same thing.

Don't get us wrong; giving to the Delt Foundation is at an all time high in terms of revenue, last year topping almost \$4 million. The challenge is that the number of donors giving is shrinking. As we analyze the symptoms of this problem we have discovered several trends:

- Our traditional donor base is getting older and, while contributing more, their numbers are dropping off as they retire or enter the Chapter Eternal.
- Our primary solicitation is through the mail, which appeals to only a certain type of alumnus.
- 75% of our living alumni graduated after 1969

Conclusions that could be drawn are numerous but some we considered are:

- Younger alumni aren't as interested
- Fraternities are on the decline and not seen as relevant
- The mail is not how younger alumni prefer to get information

Foundation Chairman Norval Stephens rejects the premise that younger alumni aren't as interested. In fact, young alumni who are donors confess that they learned more about life, working with people, and building relationships from the Fraternity than from any

course they took as an undergraduate.

This paradox left us with more questions than answers. In an attempt to find a solution, we looked into the Fraternity's past to

> see if there was a period in our history that could teach us some lessons. We did not have to look far.

# An Old Idea Is New Again

One of the biggest changes in the Constitution of Delta Tau Delta in the 20th Century was the creation of the Undergraduate Council. Born in the uncertain times of the 1960s the council was originated by Supreme Court Justice Tom C. Clark, Texas 1922, who felt that as President of the Fraternity, he was not getting enough information directly from the undergraduates. His answer was to form an informal group from various sectors of the Fraternity to advise him, and he called it the President's Council. This undergraduate influence helped Delta Tau Delta weather the storms of campus unrest better than many of our compatriots. To this day, The Undergraduate Council helps advise the Arch Chapter on all matters of Fraternity operations.

# The Recent Graduate Council

Borrowing this page from the Fraternity's history, Chairman Stephens informed the Foundation's Board of Directors he was creating a Recent Graduate Council. Thirty men, six from each of

the five divisions, half of whom had never given or had contact with the Fraternity since graduation, will comprise the inaugural Recent Graduate Council. Each had to have graduated since 1985.

Chairman Stephens posed three questions to this initial group by e-mail:

■ What would make Delta Tau Delta more

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valuable to you?

- How should we keep young graduates informed about the Fraternity?
- What question should we have asked, but didn't?

Their responses, were immediate! Norval has asked Merlin Dewing, a Board member of the Foundation, to help him manage the answers and the group. "Manage" is not the right word. Probably should be "get out of their way."

So far they have asked for local alumni groups they can join, how to get alumni groups started in their areas, how to reach their classmates, how they get involved with local undergraduate chapters to name just a few.

They absolutely expect us to have an e-mail address for every Delt and a Website for every chapter. Merlin is compiling a report for the Board in May on what they expect and how we can help this ever growing group of alumni be a part of the Fraternity in their younger years. Feel free to pass along any of your comments to these men, and they will be reviewed.

# Bethany Delts get new permanent Shelter



THE DEDICATION OF A NEW CHAPTER **HOUSE** for the Bethany chapter took place Saturday, April 28. The Shelter is provided by the college at Bethany. The original Clark House was built for the chapter by the college in 1968, and was dedicated to Champ Clark (Bethany, 1873) and his son, Thomas Campbell Clark (University of Texas, 1922), who was the Fraternity's international president from 1966-1968 and a Justice of the Federal Supreme Court. That Shelter, on Old Parkinson Place, served the chapter until the spring of 1999. It was razed to build extensive new dormitory space that opened last fall. After a year in temporary housing, the Bethany Delts were given the larger Woolery House (named for a Bethany President), which was renamed the Clark House during

the dedication. The original 1968 plaque was put in the former Woolery House, and unveiled by D. Duane Cummins, president of the college and member of the Fraternity (Bethany Alumni Initiate, 1991). The Chapter is in hopes of erecting a second plaque explaining the move. The afternoon ceremony included a welcome by Chapter President Joel Tachoir and chapter member Jean'-Louis Thompson, and a speech by President Cummins. The program ended with a blessing of the Shelter by a member of the Chapter's advisory team, The Very Rev. Kevin Quirk, who is a new initiate of the Fraternity. A cookout and reception followed. Cummins and Tachoir are pictured above with original Clark House plaque, now installed in the former Woolery House.

# Moravian Delts test, register bone marrow types

On April II, 2001, Theta
Tau Chapter at Moravian
College held a blood drive for
the HLA Bone Marrow
National Registry Service.
This service's purpose is to
collect blood samples, test for
bone marrow type, and potentially match up with needy
recipients of a bone marrow
transplant.

The Fraternity had 104 total people donate blood toward the cause including college faculty, staff, students, and even outside community members.

This drive was also done through the Miles for Matt organization, which is a local Lehigh Valley sponsored organization committed to educating and promoting the donation and collection of bone marrow. More information on their organization can be found at www. miles4matt.org. This site also links to the HLA Registry. The money for this drive to cover the price of tests was generously donated by Miles for Matt and the HLA Registry.

\$5000 was donated from Miles for Matt, while a grant was given to HLA to lower the costs of tests. This event was highly promoted around campus through posters, personal letters, e mails, and one on one conferencing sessions. The president of the college was even integral in promoting this

event by making all of his faculty and staff aware of the cause.

"Our fraternity undertook this cause because the issue really hits home with the chapter," Chapter President Scott Heydt said. "One of our own member's mother is currently dying of a strand of lukemia, only to be cured by a bone marrow donation. It was our hope that by holding a drive like this, we would not only educate the surrounding community about the dire need for bone marrow in this country, but we would also better the chances of helping out a brother and his family who are in need."

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# Alumni in the news or letter to the editor?

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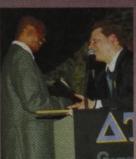
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# Gamma Beta celebrates 100 years



More than 70 alumni attended the Gamma Beta Centennial celebration on May 5, 2001. Dr. Robert Roush presented a proclamation to Chapter Advisor Todd Daley, former International President from Gamma Beta Ken Folgers, House Corporation President Brain Laird and Chapter President Michael Olsen. "I believe that our Centennial celebration gave us the chance to refocus our goals for alumni relations," Olsen said. "I feel that every Delit present has a better understanding of 'Life long learning growth' as a member of our Fraternity. President Roush's presence truly made the entire evening wonderful. It was great that we had support from so many people. Now it's time to look forward toward the next 100 years."



Brian Laird (on right) presents Vance Richards with an Alumni **Achievement Award and** gold Delt watch during the celebration. Richards has been the housefather and resided in the Shelter at **Gamma Beta for more** than 25 years as both an undergraduate and our housefather. He was presented the Alumni **Achievement Award in** recognition of his service and dedication to Gamma Beta. "Vance is our Brother, friend and father away from home," Olsen said.

The Gamma Beta Chapter was established at the Illinois Institute of Technology, originally known as the Armour Institute of Technology, on May IO, 1901. Since then, the chapter has initiated over 1,300 men into its ranks; and has brought honor and distinction to the Greek movement by being named a Hugh Shields Chapter of Excellence for 18 years—the most thus far in the history of the award.

The Gamma Beta Chapter is the largest Greek organization at HT with 52 members. The undergraduates at HT represent excellence on their campus and in the Greek world. The average fall 2000 GPA was 3.108, the highest fraternity on campus, with seven members posting a 4.0 GPA and over 60 percent of the chapter had over

a 3.0.
Delts are involved in 35
different student organizations
and hold leadership positions
in 14 of these organizations.

Two out of five Student Leadership Committee (IIT's student government and largest student organization) executive board members, including president and secretary, are Delts. Four out of nine Finance Board (organization that allocates student activities funds, budget in access of \$200,000 annually) members, including chairperson, are Delts. The Greek Council president is also a Delt. Gamma Beta has won the IIT Overall Greek Excellence Award, presented to the top Greek organization on campus, four years in a row, including this year.

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