# DELTA TAU DELTA FRATERNITY | WINTER 2021

### CHAPTER INSTALLATIONS

VIRTUAL Educational Programming

DELTS IN Sports

NOW UP, NUMBER

55th International President Bruce Peterson is a determined, hardworking and detail-oriented servant leader. Over the past five years, he has also found success in a men's baseball league.

## OUR CHAPTERS HAVE FOUND A WAY



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

Brothers, I am two months into my term, and please allow me to say once again how honored I am to have the opportunity to serve as your International President. Despite the challenges brought on by the pandemic, I remain confident we will overcome all obstacles to our progress and not only survive during these uncommon times but emerge stronger and more relevant than ever.

Although this is the Winter magazine, I am composing this message in October when our young brothers have returned to school to encounter the most unusual school environment and an atypical Delt experience in more than 70 years.

The COVID-19 pandemic has created a very fluid environment where, when I gave my acceptance speech in

August, we had 90 institutions expecting to open with in-class instruction and by mid-October we had 39 institutions fully open, 39 institutions offering a hybrid of in-person and online courses, 48 institutions offering primarily online courses, with eight institutions fully online. To make matters worse, our ability to assemble and to recruit new members has been severely limited and even prohibited on some campuses. With so much uncertainly, I was concerned about the disruptive and negative effect the pandemic would have on our membership and the survival of our Fraternity, for I want to preserve the Delt experience so others can reap the many rewards of membership.

We are early into the fall term, but I report with great pride some successes and how our chapters have found a way and have rallied to overcome the challenges offered by the pandemic.

Our largest concerns for fall 2020 were new member recruitment, member engagement and fulfilling our mission of service to our community. Regarding recruitment, our chapters courageously faced the challenges posed by our institutions, which forced many chapters to change how they recruit new members. A positive outcome has been the use of virtual gatherings, which expanded our recruitment toolbox for creating and fostering relations with new members.

Virtual meetings now take the place of in-person gatherings and recruitment events, so many of our chapters did not miss a beat to attract new brothers. I want to acknowledge the chapters at Texas Tech University, University of Missouri, University of Florida and the University of Texas at Austin, which all reported high membership numbers exceeding their past fall efforts. Upon hearing these chapters' successes, our Central Office staff quickly contacted them to capture their successes and share new practices with chapters struggling with recruitment.

Our chapters are finding new ways to engage and connect to foster interpersonal relationships, bolster our brotherhood and connect our brothers to TalkSpace or Delt Ulifeline when hearing subtle calls for help. Supporting each other means offering a hand to those who need it, not waiting to be asked or invited.

In the same spirit of our chapters, the Fraternity is not holding back on expansion. We have nine active colonies, including our return to Ole Miss, after a 78-year absence. I am pleased to announce the installations of Western Kentucky (Epsilon Xi) and the University of South Carolina (Theta Eta) in November.

I also want to report two success stories for raising funds toward our philanthropic partnership with JDRF. In the fall, Delta Gamma Chapter at the University of South Dakota with its "Delt Dogs" event and the Theta Eta Chapter at the University of South Carolina working toward the JDRF One Walk, raised more than \$7,000 and \$13,000 respectively even during these most difficult of times. Brothers, I thank you for your efforts to help JDRF fund and find a cure to end type 1 diabetes.

Finally, I want to thank our chapter presidents, chapter advisors and house corporations who are doing an excellent job of keeping morale high, providing a safe environment and helping rally our men amidst the pandemic.

I continue to remain confident we will overcome all obstacles to our progress and emerge stronger and more relevant than ever. Our future is bright, and it is indeed a great time to be a Delta Tau Delta member.  $\Delta$ 

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- Inform members of the events, activities and concerns of interest to members of the Fraternity.
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- Educate present and potential members on pertinent issues, persons, events and ideas so members may be aware of and appreciate their heritage as Delts.
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#### **ON THE COVER**

A believer in servant leadership, 55th International President Bruce Peterson was elected at Karnea in August 2020. Peterson took to the baseball diamond to get in shape in 2016 where he found success in a men's baseball league as a result of committed training.

*Upcoming features in* The Rainbow *include leaders in higher education and community service. Do you know a Delt with a story to share or do you have a topic to suggest?* 

## 20 TO 140 YEARS AGO IN *THE RAINBOW*

#### 20 Years Ago (2001)

In his first essay for The Rainbow as the Fraternity's 45th president, Bob Roush (Sam Houston State University, 1964) reprised passages from his aspirational address at the 2000 Minneapolis Karnea by recalling the words of Herbert Hoover. The 31st U.S. president said. "Don't wait until you're a grown man to be great, be a great young man."

#### 40 Years Ago (1981)

Bob Folstad (University of Minnesota, 1983) was featured on *The Rainbow* cover as the Fraternity's 100,000th initiate. The sophomore from Hopkins, Minn., became a Delt on Jan. 12, 1981, through the Beta Eta Chapter.

"They had the best balance of the things I was looking for. They were active in all the campus activities and seemed to have the proper balance between academics and social activities. Most importantly, I got along with the men in the house quite well."



Compiled by Jim Russell (Purdue University, 1975)

#### **HEADLINES OF THE PAST**

#### 60 Years Ago (1961)

The Epsilon Eta Chapter at East Texas State University (now Texas A&M University-Commerce), was installed as the fifth Delt chapter in Texas on Jan. 7, 1961, in Dallas with 27 founding members. Shortly following those founders would be Epsilon Eta pledge brothers Thomas Huddleston and Kenneth L. (Rock) Clinton. Each would later serve as president of the international Fraternity.

#### 80 Years Ago (1941)

The January The Rainbow announced the Arch Chapter's approval to charter a chapter at the University of Southern California. Installation was set for Feb. 14. The Delta Pi Chapter would join longtime California chapters at Stanford University (Beta Rho, 1893) and the University of California at Berkeley (Beta Omega, 1896) along with the University of California at Los Angeles (Delta Iota, 1926).

#### 140 Years Ago (1881)

The January 1881 edition of *The Crescent*, edited by Charles E. Richmond (Allegheny College, 1882), featured a strong opinion on the practice of honorary initiates.

It read: "The question of honorary members has been decided by Delta Tau Delta as against the interpretation of the 'fraternity idea' but there seems to spring up, occasionally, a desire to initiate men for the honor they will bring.

"We could imagine cases where it would be of great benefit to the Fraternity to take in men outside of college, but it would have to be for something greater than for the mere honor that accompanied them. There never was a greater mistake than the idea that the initiation of famous men would raise the fraternity standard. It does not; but it does give foundation for the very disagreeable insinuation that the Fraternity is unable to raise honorable men from its own ranks, and is compelled to go outside for them.

"We are glad that Delta Tau has been so little given to this fallacy, and that it has so early taken a stand against honorary members, and we can justly take to ourselves a superiority over these fraternities that practice it yet. But we must have members that are famous for their good deeds and noble works."

It concluded, "To become honorable, first be worthy of honor."



Delta Tau Delta Troy Youth and Lions Club hockey teams break in a new rink at Brunswick, N.Y. The Delt team, sponsored by Upsilon Chapter at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, went on to win first place in its league. To help celebrate the victory, the Upsilon Chapter threw a party in the team's honor. All chapter members were on hand to personally meet the champs. The Upsilon Chapter sponsored the team for several years.

#### FISCAL YEAR 2020 PORT August 1, 2019 - July 3<u>1, 2020</u> DIVISION CHAPTER CONFERENCES NTEER FAAR IGNITE THE GOOD DELT MENTORING TÁLKSPACE ONLINE LEARNING KARNEA ULIFELINE SCHOLARSHIPS GRANTS THE CHARGE BROTHERHOOD DELTS TALKING DELT TALKS ABOUT ALCOHOL PRESX PROGRAMMING MYDELT

#### IN A YEAR WITH UNIQUE CHALLENGES, OUR SIGHTS REMAIN FIXED. THE FRATERNITY AND THE DELT EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION ARE TWO ORGANIZATIONS UNITED IN PURPOSE COMMITTED TO LIVES OF EXCELLENCE.



\*Does not include most of the spring 2020 new members whose initiation was delayed due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

#### 122 CHAPTERS 130 SCHOOLS 9 COLONIES

#### **COLONIZATIONS IN FY20**

University of South Carolina Oct. 2019

University of Louisiana at Lafayette - Nov. 2019

Southern Illinois University Edwardsville - Nov. 2019

Northern Arizona University Feb. 2020

#### COLONY PETITIONS TO CHARTER APPROVED IN FY20

University of Nebraska at Kearney University of South Carolina Western Kentucky University **SZ,664,369** Total dollars raised from

5,468 GIFTS in FY20

\$404,605

Total dollars granted to the Fraternity

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Programs and resources supporting lives of excellence.

THE FRATERNITY AND DELT FOUNDATION ARE INTENTIONAL ABOUT WORKING TOGETHER TO PROVIDE MEMBERS WITH THE BEST RESOURCES TO MAKE EVERY DAY, AND THE NEXT, A GREAT DAY TO BE A DELT.

### THE IMPACT OF PROGRAMS

#### Adam Wickler (Washington State University, 2021)

"Prior to attending PresX, I had assumed the topics covered would pertain mainly to the various responsibilities we have as presidents, and the many documents we need to submit. Rather, PresX was much more impactful than simply learning how to cross your T's and dot your l's. PresX taught me how to think in a much bigger picture, to analyze situations and develop strategies to solve problems."

#### MEMBERS PARTICIPATING IN LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCES GAINING EXPERTISE TO GUIDE CHAPTERS AND LIVE LIVES OF EXCELLENCE

**558 IGNITE\*** \*Three sessions were cancelled due to COVID-19



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Delegates and unique views of **KARNEA** and Karnea programming

Total educational grants, scholarships and fellowships awarded from the Foundation

\$1,792,896



Including Arch Chapter, Foundation Board, Division Vice Presidents, Assistant Chapter, Advisors, Finance Advisors, House Corporation Presidents, Recruitment Advisors, Risk Management Advisors and many other valuable volunteers. BROTHERHOOD SUSTAINS US. WE NEED BROTHERHOOD MORE THAN EVER, THE FRATERNITY AND FOUNDATION ARE WORKING TOGETHER TO SUPPORT MEMBERS IN THESE TRYING TIMES.



HAS BEEN GRANTED THROUGH THE **DELTS HELPING DELTS GRANT** TO MORE THAN 30 YOUNG DELTS IN NEED OF ASSISTANCE DUE TO THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC.



**"Delt means a support system to me and an endless network of mentors.** I am so grateful for all of the men I have met through this Fraternity and I can't thank them enough for the support and guidance they have given me." Brady Deprez (University of Nebraska at Kearney, 2021)

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### VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

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

- Delta Omicron at Westminster College
- Theta Chi at Muhlenberg College
- Theta Psi at the College of Idaho
- Iota Delta at Quincy University
- Iota Pi at the University of Vermont
- Iota Psi at Northeastern University
- Kappa Beta at James Madison University
- Kappa Zeta at the College of Charleston
- Epsilon Epsilon Crescent Colony at University of Arizona (Spring 2021 Expansion)

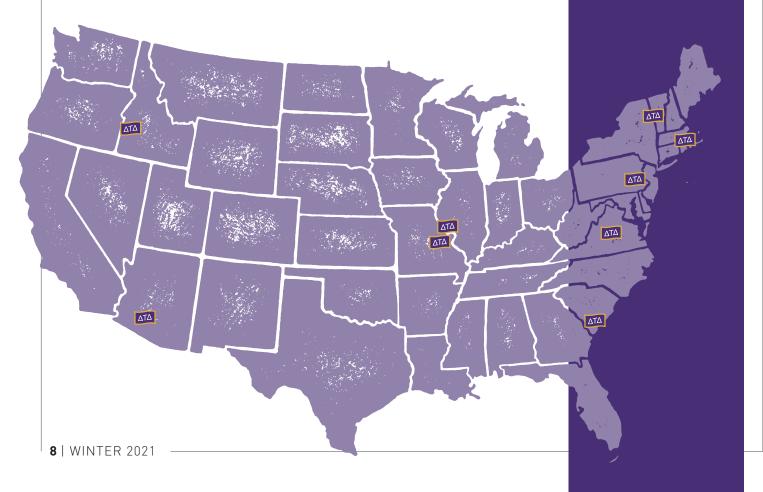
You don't need to live near a campus to volunteer. In many instances, leadership from remote advisors is a valuable opportunity to give back. We encourage you to reach out if interested in opportunities to support chapters virtually.

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

#### Chapter Advisor

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

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





André Monney (University of California-Riverside, 2007), chapter advisor for Beta Rho at Stanford University, is also a teacher and wrestling coach.

## VOLUNTEER Q&A WITH

#### WHAT IS THE BEST ADVICE YOU EVER Received in Relation to Volunteering?

See members where they are. As a teacher, I've worked mostly with students from difficult backgrounds: split family homes, living out of cars and with significant learning gaps. With my students, I often try to figure out their passions, what they want out of my 80-minute classroom experience and how I can tie that to their futures. My approach is no different with undergraduates. They come from different backgrounds and they will get what they want and need out of their Delt experience. It will be different than mine and different than the ideal experience, but that's okay. The Delt experience is important to all of those who take the Oath.

#### HOW DO YOU BALANCE VOLUNTEER TIME WITH WORK AND LIFE IN GENERAL?

In high school, I set up a calendar for everything I do. Between that calendar and lessons from wrestling, I've stuck to a system that works for me. It's now digitized so I remember to do everything I'm supposed to do. It's an ever-evolving balance as some weeks are heavier with Fraternity commitments, while others are more work or family involved.

#### HOW HAS THE PANDEMIC IMPACTED VOLUNTEERING?

The evolving circumstances of the pandemic have made it challenging to find a way to effectively volunteer in an equitable way for every member. I'm thankful for the relationships I've developed with current undergraduates and recent graduates which have allowed me to maintain communication with members at Beta Rho.

#### WHY DID YOU CHOOSE TO JOIN DELTA TAU DELTA AS AN UNDERGRADUATE?

I gravitated to the wrestling club since wresting was the most important and foundational thing for me in high school and eventually learned two members who I felt had a well-rounded approach to college were part of Delta Tau Delta. I chose to join because Theta Lambda Chapter did things that were important to me such as volunteering at schools, showing respect toward others and upholding qualities I value.

#### DO YOU HAVE A MENTOR IN THE FRATERNITY?

One person, I always look to is my chapter advisor, Nigel Manick (University of

California-Riverside, 2003). He is almost entirely responsible for me wanting to volunteer. As an undergraduate, I watched what Nigel did and listened to what he said in meetings just to have an idea of what I should do after graduation. The way he carried himself allowed me to see what life after college could look like.

#### HOW HAVE OTHERS SUPPORTED YOUR VOLUNTEER ROLE?

My mom was super hesitant about me joining a fraternity, but she was extremely welcoming of me having experiences as a first-generation student in high school and college in the United States. She saw Delts at UC Riverside to be more than a social outlet and more of an opportunity for me to learn to become a man.

#### HOW HAVE YOU BENEFITTED BY VOLUNTEERING?

The ability to see men grow through their years in Delta Tau Delta has been more important to me than anything—seeing members grow has allowed me to see the value in the Delt experience.  $\Delta$ 



L-R: Theta Eta Chapter Director of Communication Jake Tucker (2022), Assistant Chapter Advisor Bryan Chavez (Allegheny College, 2013), Chapter Vice President Andrew Krawczyk (2022), Chapter President Jason Hink (2021) and Chapter Advisor David Baker.

## THETA ETA CHAPTER INSTALLED

On Nov. 1, 2020, Delta Tau Delta celebrated its first-ever virtual installation welcoming 93 founding fathers of Theta Eta Chapter at the University of South Carolina. Installation ceremonies were held via Zoom due to the COVID-19 pandemic. International President Bruce Peterson (University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, 1975) and International Secretary Bryan Adams (University of Maine, 2007) signed the charter before it was mailed to the home of Chapter Advisor David Baker (University of South Carolina, 2000) in advance of the installation.

Delta Zeta Chapter from the University of Florida performed the model *Ritual*, welcoming the founding fathers to the Fraternity. The founding fathers signed the roll book and the charter in pod-style following health and safety procedures and to abide by CDC guidelines. Two of the men initiated were colony graduates who joined the installation to be initiated with the 91 undergraduates. While most initiates joined the Zoom call from locations around Columbia, S.C., a few joined from their home states including Virginia and Pennsylvania, where they are pursuing their studies from afar.

In addition to Peterson on Zoom from

Illinois and Baker from South Carolina, Southern Division President Mark Nichols (Kansas State University, 1991) joined from Louisiana.

"I'm excited to have Theta Eta Chapter return to campus at USC," said Nichols. "During the installation ceremony, I called out the once-in-a-lifetime experience these young men have gone through within one year, they colonized, met chartering requirements, came together as a brotherhood, moved to virtual classes and dealt with COVID-19 while maintaining their grades. To say it's easy to go to college these days cannot be further from reality."

Delta Tau Delta CEO Jack Kreman (University of Nebraska at Kearney, 2004) was present from Indiana, Director of Growth Adam Abbott (Morehead State University, 2017) from Kentucky and Colony Support Consultant Justin Vatti (Moravian College, 2020) from Pennsylvania as well as Delta Tau Delta Educational Foundation President Steve Vedra (Butler University, 2002). Representing the chapter's advisory team led by Baker, Assistant Chapter Advisor Bryan Chavez (Allegheny College, 2013) was also in attendance.

Three of the four expansion team

members including Zack Day (Northern Colorado University, 2018), Nick Pidgeon (University of South Florida, 2019) and Kobe Nelson (Oregon State University, 2019) were in attendance for the historic installation.

"From our very founding, our leadership has found ways to make the Fraternity work in spite of some truly challenging circumstances. A virtual installation is simply another example," said Kreman. "I cannot speak highly enough of the hard work by the men of Theta Eta Chapter. They have earned this and I am proud to call them brothers. On the backside of this pandemic, they will be positioned to be among the elite organizations on their campus."

An in-person celebration and more detailed *Ritual* education will be held once campus and state restrictions related to COVID-19 are lifted and it is safe to gather.

Originally chartered in 1993, the Theta Eta Chapter represents more than 450 alumni who have joined the Fraternity at the University of South Carolina. Delta Tau Delta is among 21 members of the Interfraternity Council at the campus which has an undergraduate student population exceeding 26,000.  $\triangle$ 

## **EPSILON XI CHAPTER INSTALLED**



Delta Tau Delta welcomed 39 founding fathers of Epsilon Xi Chapter at the Western Kentucky University through a carefully planned virtual installation on Nov. 14, 2020.

For this second-ever virtual installation, International President Bruce Peterson (University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, 1975) and International Secretary Bryan Adams (University of Maine, 2007) signed the charter before it was mailed to the home of Chapter Advisor D.G. Sherrill (Western Kentucky University, 1991) in advance of the installation.

Zeta Zeta Chapter from Morehead University welcomed the founding fathers to the Fraternity by performing the model *Ritual*. Using a pod system for health and safety measures and to abide by CDC guidelines, the founding fathers signed the roll book and the charter. A majority the men joined from Bowling Green, Ky. where they gathered in a large meeting room with one man per table spread throughout the room. Five colony graduates were among the men initiated.

All but one member of the Arch Chapter attended from their home states and Southern Division President Mark Nichols (Kansas State University, 1991) participated in the installation along with Southern Division Vice President Derek Olive (Western Kentucky University, 1991) and former Southern Division President and Division Vice President Lee Grace (Western Kentucky, 1984).

"I'm excited by the return of Epsilon Xi Chapter. On this momentous occasion I encouraged the men to learn something new every day, and to share those lessons with those who come behind them," Nichols said.

Delta Tau Delta CEO

Jack Kreman (University of Nebraska at Kearney, 2004) was present from Indiana, Director of Growth Adam Abbott (Morehead State University, 2017) from Kentucky and Colony Support Consultant Justin Vatti (Moravian College, 2020) from Pennsylvania as well as Delta Tau Delta Education Foundation Senior Advancement Officer Vince Russo (Robert Morris University, 2017) and Cody Nulph (University of South Florida, 2018) a member of the original expansion team.

"It's always exciting when a new chapter is installed," said Vice President of Membership Doug Russell (Western Kentucky University, 2010). "This one clearly means a lot to me—my membership began on the Hill. It's important to me and the organization that Delta Tau Delta has a place at Western Kentucky University."

An in-person celebration

and more detailed *Ritual* education will be held once campus and state restrictions related to COVID-19 are lifted and it is safe to gather.

The history of Delta Tau Delta's newest chapter goes back to 1938 when a group of students formed what was known as the "13 Club" named for a group of 13 friends. The "13 Club" became a local fraternity in 1963, going by Phi Phi Kappa before affiliating with Delta Tau Delta. When Epsilon Xi Chapter was originally installed in 1967, the Honorable Tom C. Clark (University of Texas at Austin, 1922), who was then president of Delta Tau Delta, was the principal speaker and more than 300 guests attended the installation banquet.

Delta Tau Delta became the 14th member of Western Kentucky's Interfraternity Council as a colony in October 2018. The chapter boasts more than 650 Delt alumni. ∆

## DELT CONTINUES TO GROW

Delta Tau Delta Fraternity believes in future growth. As an organization, we are charged with identifying new colleges and universities where we would like to expand, colonize and plant a Delt flag. Growth will continue in the spring of 2021.



#### University of Arizona: Epsilon Epsilon Crescent Colony

The Fraternity will establish the Epsilon Epsilon Chapter at the University of Arizona after an absence since 2015. Located in Tucson, Ariz., the University of Arizona is home to more than 35,000 undergraduates. Founded in 1885, the U of A was the first university in the Arizona Territory. The Fraternity will join 18 IFC chapters in the fraternity and sorority life community in spring 2021. For updates on the colony, search for Delta Tau Delta at University of Arizona on Facebook and follow @arizonadelts on Instagram and Twitter.

#### COVID-19 EXPANSION EXPERIENCE

Like other industries. areas of the Central Office internal operations and the Fraternity's expansion model had to be flexible and adapt to change, disruptions and restrictions in today's virtual environment due to COVID-19. Both Eastern Caronlina University and Ole Miss expansions have taken place virtually during the recruitment of new members rather than the normal, in-person. Delt's expansion team adapted to campus restrictions and changes at the University of Mississippi as Campuspeak has for the project at East Carolina University. Both projects are moving forward, and recruitment will continue in a remote capacity via founding fathers and leadership consultants into the spring 2021 semesters.

#### **GET INVOLVED**

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

If you know current undergraduates or high school seniors who could be potential members of one of the colonies who may already attend one of the institutions or who may be attending in spring 2021 or fall 2021, please contact Director of Growth Adam Abbott at adam.abbott@delts.org to refer a man to one of the colony recruitment processes. In addition, if you have interest in the Fraternity returning to a campus where the Fraternity once had a chapter or have connections with a campus where our colors of purple, white and gold have never been before, please notify the director of growth of this future expansion opportunity.

### THE GREATEST OF ALL VIRTUAL EVENTS KARNEA 2020



The Virtual Karnea of 2020 was a biennial convention like no other and it was more accessible than ever with members logging in from across the country. Originally scheduled to take place in Phoenix from Aug. 5-9, Karnea became a virtual event due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The Arch Chapter voted on the move in late April. At the time of the vote 54th International President Steve Paquette said the number one priority is the safety of members. "As the Arch Chapter considered the information available, we simply could not justify the risk involved in asking our members to travel at a time when many people are sick and suffering," Paquette said.

The date of Karnea has only been changed one other time when the Arch Chapter moved the 1945 Karnea to 1946 to accommodate the United States' response to World War II. Unlike the move in 1945, however, the Fraternity was able to hold Karnea in an alternative format.

With the opening business session online on June 27, 2020, Karnea kicked off a six-week celebration. For business meetings, delegates logged in to a customized platform to make motions, discuss business and vote, while members-at-large followed along through Facebook live.

The Nominations, *Constitution* and Laws, Audit and Finance, Credentials, Advancement of the Fraternity and *Ritual* Review Committees completed their work virtually. Final copies of legislation were provided to each chapter.

From his home in Syracuse, N.Y. International President Steve Paquette presided over the election of new members of the Arch Chapter during the final business session of Karnea on Aug. 8. The convention body elected new members of the Arch Chapter for the next biennium, including 55th International President Bruce Peterson who was at the Fisher-Nichols Memorial Headquarters in Fishers, Ind., where the closing business session was produced and broadcast.

#### Awards

The Fraternity hosted a virtual gathering in lieu of the traditional AAA/DSC luncheon. Alumni Achievement Awards and Distinguished Service Chapter citations will be presented at a later date.

#### **Delt Foundation Virtual Gala**

In conjunction with the Virtual Karnea, on July 11, 2020, the Delta Tau Delta Educational Foundation celebrated the accomplishments of the past biennium with a virtual gala. More than 100 attendees came together to enjoy fellowship and brotherhood and to further the mission of the Delta Tau Delta Educational Foundation through the lighthearted event.  $\Delta$ 

#### PROGRAMS AND EDUCATION OVERVIEW

Throughout the summer, undergraduates and alumni participated in a series of programs covering career development, chapter operations, health and wellness, leadership skills and programs specifically for alumni. The Delt Foundation funded a portion of Karnea programs.

#### **Career Development**

- Five-Year Plan Competition
- Articulating the Value of Your Fraternity Experience
- Building an All-Star LinkedIn Account
- The Power of an Informational Interview

#### **Chapter Operations**

- State of Recruitment with Phired Up
- Recruitment Certification Demo and Q&A
- You Can Help Change Lives with JDRF
- Creating a Shelter Operation that will Thrive in the COVID-19 World
- Rolling out the Next Era in Chapter Support
- Save Time, Save Money and Make it Easy with Omega Fi

#### Health and Wellness

- Asset-Based Approach to Masculinity (Aug. 6)
- You Can Help a Brother: Recognizing and Responding to Brothers and Friends in Distress

#### Leadership and Skills

- Leading with the Mission and Values
- Assessing and Applying Your Creative Type
- Alumni CEO Panel
- Multiculturalism, Empathy and Four Fundamental Principles

#### Alumni

- Delt Life After Graduation
- Leading with Insight
  Alumni and Volunteer Town Hall
- Creating Powerful
   Connections

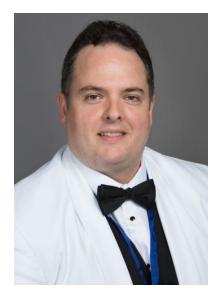
#### **FRATERNITY HEADLINES**

## THE NEW ARCH CHAPTER

#### **Bruce Peterson**

Bruce Peterson was elected the 55th international president of the Fraternity at Karnea in 2020 and took office on Aug. 17, 2020. Previously, he served as vice president, treasurer and secretary to the Fraternity. He also served on the Arch Chapter from 2007-2011 as Northern Division president and as chairman of the Committee on Chapters. As an alumni volunteer, Peterson has served as chapter advisor, division vice president, and house corporation president and director. He was also president of the Milwaukee Alumni Association from 1976 to 1980.

Peterson has attended 23 Karneas and was the 2000 Karnea Chairman for *Ritual* committee chairman and the 2006 Karnea Chairman for Future of Fraternity Committee. He also served as a member of the Sergeant of Arms Committee for Karnea three times. Peterson has attended numerous regional and divisional conferences, the Fisher conference, and the 2006 and 2010 Presidents and Advisors Retreat. He was cited into the Distinguished Service Chapter in 2012 and received the William J. Fraering Award in 1986 for outstanding service from a young alumnus. Rosario Palmieri



Rosario Palmieri (American University, 1999) as international vice president. Previously he served as treasurer and secretary on the Arch Chapter. He served as Southern Division president from 2007 to 2011. Prior to his election to the Arch Chapter, he served as division vice president, chapter advisor, assistant advisor and phonarch.

Palmieri has served on numerous fraternity committees, taskforces and was a past president of the National Capital Alumni Chapter of Delta Tau Delta. He has facilitated workshops at Karneas and division conferences. As an undergraduate, he served the Theta Epsilon Chapter as president and vice president and the campus as IFC president.

#### **Anthony Albanese**



Anthony Albanese (American University 1996) as international second vice president. Previously he served as secretary and before that as Eastern Division president from 2011 to 2015. He has also held the position of division vice president and has served as chapter advisor at three different chapters. He has served on two separate housing corporations, as a member of the Fraternity's Sesquicentennial Commission and on numerous committees. He is currently the chairman of the Delta Tau Delta Bethany Founders' House Committee.

Albanese has been recognized for his volunteer service as Theta Epsilon Alumnus of the Year, Eastern Division Chapter Advisor of the Year, as a member of the Heritage Society, as a member of the Bethany Society and a recipient of the William J. Fraering Award. In 2016, he was cited into the Fraternity's Distinguished Service Chapter.

#### Charles "Tiger" Edward



Charles "Tiger" Edward (Southeastern Louisiana University, 1973) as treasurer. Edwards served two terms as the Southern Division president from 2015-2019 and has also served as a Southern Division vice president for 30 years.

He was the first recipient of the William J. Fraering Award for outstanding service to the Fraternity and was cited to membership in the Distinguished Service Chapter at the Washington, D.C. Karnea in 2010. Edwards has fulfilled multiple roles at Karneas from 1978 through 2014, including co-chairman of the local committee, sergeant-at-arms and Credentials Committee chairman.

#### **Bryan Adams**



Bryan Adams (University of Maine, 2007) as international secretary. Adams previously served as Eastern Division president elected in 2015 and 2017. As a division vice president he was responsible for the Gamma Nu and Beta Nu Chapters, and later worked with the Beta Mu and Iota Omicron Chapters.

In 2010, he was appointed treasurer for the Eastern Division and served in that role until his election as division president. Adams was a recipient of the William J. Fraering Award at the 2015 Eastern Division Conference.

#### **Ashley Wollam**



Ashley Wollam (Marietta College, 2008) as international director of member development. Originally elected at the St. Louis Karnea in 2018, Wollam continues in this position. He chaired the Fraternity's Corporate Governance Committee in 2017 and served as chapter advisor to Gamma Xi Chapter at the University of Cincinnati. He was a colony advisor at Boston University and assistant advisor to Epsilon Upsilon Chapter at Marietta College.

Wollam was recognized with the William J. Fraering Award in 2016 and with the Robert Ferguson Advisor of the Year Award in 2018.

#### **DIVISION PRESIDENTS**

The elected Arch Chapter members join the ranks of the five ongoing division presidents, which include:

- Eastern Division President, Ross Theriault (University of Maine, 2008)
- Northern Division President, Jeff Pelletier (Ohio State University, 1994)
- Southern Division President, Mark Nichols (Kansas State University, 1991)
- Western Pacific Division President, Mike Tankersley (College of Idaho, 2005)
- Western Plains Division President, Chris Wisbrock (University of Missouri, 1997)

Division presidents serve two-year terms. Elections will take place online in early 2021.

## VIRTUAL EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMMING



Last March, few people expected to be largely living, working and gathering virtually into the fall semester, but since March, the fraternity experience, one designed to predominantly happen in real life, changed. As in all areas, the Fraternity's programming and education department did its best to redesign its offering knowing it was critically important to continue to provide worldclass educational experiences. The two most noticeable examples are Karnea and Ignite.

As the fall semester began, the Central Office identified a need from members to focus more on self-guided learning, thus the approach to virtual programming began.

The focus of this pursuit included a few key points: Education should be for all. The Fraternity has traditionally focused on chapter officers and/or those who decided to spend a few days at inperson leadership experiences. This new approach helped reach members who may not have previously connected with Fraternity programs.

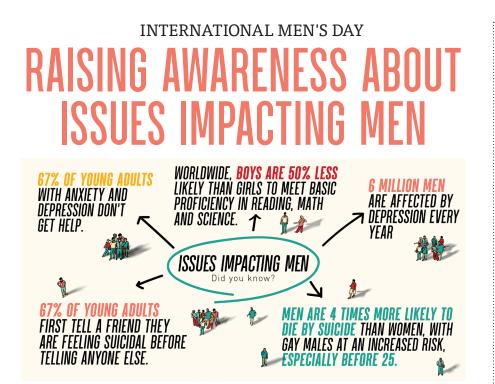
Members crave a variety of topics that matter. To expand and reach all learners, the Fraternity also needed to expand topics beyond the usual officer and leadership programming. A survey asked members what topics they'd like to see or learn about in five core areas. These areas include health and wellness, personal development, civic engagement, professional development and chapter operations. Responses included an assortment of topics to inform future educational offerings based firmly on what members want to learn.

Learning can and should be fun and educational. Delt wanted to ensure men would not only learn something new but also would enjoy the programs provided. For example, the Fraternity hosted a session about Enneagrams—a personality assessment focused on motivation, a session on the dos and don'ts of your first job, a session on working out at home and many others.

People certainly have a lot on their plates right now and many are on Zoom calls all day, some even saying they're "zoomed out." That's the Fraternity also created a library of all the sessions provided throughout the year, including Karnea sessions. These sessions are available to all members on demand, letting individuals take charge of their own learning.

As Delta Tau Delta continues with this approach the Fraternity needs your ideas and feedback. What session topics would you like to see? Do you have expertise on a topic you think would fit into one of our programming areas? If so, we want to hear from you.

If you're interested in learning more about future sessions, checking out recorded sessions, giving feedback or signing up to host a session—please visit delts.org/virtual-edu.  $\Lambda$ 



Delta Tau Delta's mission is clear, we are Committed to Lives of Excellence. In order to fullfill this committment, we must focus on the unique issues that impact men, and in turn, our Delta Tau Delta brothers. Did you know:

- Six million men are affected by depression every year
- Since 2000, male suicides have been on the rise, with it being the seventh leading cause of death
- Men are four times more likely to die by suicide than women, with gay males at an increased risk especially before age 25
- Almost one in five men will become dependent upon alcohol, with male veterans using alcohol and drugs at nearly twice the rate of women.

These facts remind us about several issues specifically impact men. We know our members live in world where the definition of what it means "to be a man" is often narrow. Delta Tau Delta wants to change that. We were eager to join forces with our partners at the JED Foundation and the North American Interfraternity Conference to discuss these topics in the fall semester. In November, we offered programming on these topics through a panel on men's issues, educational programming on masculinity and men's friendships, and finally concluding the week by unveiling our newest chapter resource on mental health, the You Can Help a Brother program. The You Can Help a Brother program will be available this spring semester. A

#### YOU CAN HELP A brother

This training module created by JED\* for undergraduate members assists with identifying and supporting those who may be struggling with a mental health challenge and refers them to professional help if needed. Discussion guides and assessment tools to measure learning outcomes accompany each presentation.

\*Delt Ulifeline—The Fraternity established a partnership with JED in 2019. JED is a nonprofit working to strengthen mental health and provide substance misuse and suicide prevention programs with the goal of protecting emotional health and preventing teen and young adult suicide. JED is equipping young adults with the skills and knowledge to help themselves and each other by encouraging community awareness, understanding and action for young adult mental health.

#### SERVING DELT'S EMERGING LEADERS WITH IGNITE



Facing the challenge of how to invest in its newest members, the Fraternity adapted its traditional model for connecting leadership fundamentals to Delt values through Ignite. To prevent a future leadership gap and retain emerging leaders, Delt responded by converting the proven in-person Ignite curriculum to an engaging educational experience, using the best practices of online programming. The new multi-week experience built leadership capacity and reinvigorated passion for the Fraternity. Delt knows leadership experiences are successful because of the volunteers who share their talents through facilitation, alumni panels and alumni networking. If you are interested or know someone who would be an asset to future leadership experiences, please email Coordinator of Undergraduate Education Jacob Ellis at jacob.ellis@delts.org.

### RESEARCH REAFFIRMS FRATERNITIES' Positive impact for first-year students

At a time when college students and campuses struggle to cope with impact from the pandemic, a prominent higher education researcher finds fraternity members benefit from significantly more engagement than non-members. The study also shows greater gains in learning and more satisfaction with their college experiences.

"Research has become a much bigger emphasis for Delta Tau Delta. We must be able to show impact of membership and programs. Working collaboratively with the members of the North American Interfraternity Conference, we engaged Dr. Gary Pike of Indiana University. The results speak to a fact members already know. Fraternity men are more engaged in their studies and have a more complete undergraduate experience," said Jack Kreman, CEO.

Pike finds fraternity membership is associated with significantly higher levels of engagement on a number of measures including high impact practices, collaborative learning, student-faculty interactions, perception of a supportive campus environment and discussions with diverse others.

For this study, one of the largest of its kind, Pike replicated his 2003 research which utilized National Survey on Student Engagement (NSSE) data to determine whether levels of engagement and learning outcomes changed over time. According to Pike, the NSSE is a good instrument to understand students broadly and fraternity and sorority members specifically.

"The scope of the NSSE data is significant to these findings. Each year, approximately 700 institutions participate in that survey and we get complete responses from over 200,000, either first-year students or seniors," said Pike. "It is a tremendously robust and representative data set."

Some specific conclusions found in Pike's study included:

Fraternity membership also indirectly improved learning gains, acting through higher levels of student engagement.



Despite being less diverse than students in general, fraternity members reported higher levels of interaction with people different from themselves than did other students.

Membership in a fraternity or sorority is associated with greater involvement in curricular and co-curricular activities, promotes student learning and development, and promotes satisfaction with the college experiences.

The largest positive effects were generally found for first-year students, arguing against deferring recruitment until the second semester or year.

The findings of this study indicate fraternities and sororities are not antithetical to the values of American higher education.

"These results are clear: fraternities play an integral role in helping new students successfully transition to college life," said Judson Horras, president and CEO of the North American Interfraternity Conference. "Public health restrictions have made students feel distanced and alone this fall, the online interactions among fraternity brothers have kept them engaged."

According to Pike, the collaborative learning effects were most dramatic for first-year students. He saw much higher participation and interaction with faculty in first-year fraternity members compared to first-year non-affiliated students. There was also significantly higher perception of a supportive campus environment for first-year fraternity members.

"The first year of college is a time of transition for students," said Pike. "Engagement during the first year tends to help students stay in college and positively affects their learning."

The study also found that while members of fraternities and sororities were more homogeneous than the general student population, they reported significantly higher levels of discussions with diverse others than non-affiliated students including people from different races, ethnicity, economic backgrounds, religious beliefs and political views. Moreover, the relationship was strongest for fraternity members.

"There have been several studies, including mine, that find positive relationships between fraternity membership and student engagement and learning. While specific findings differ from study to study, the overall results are consistent about fraternities and sororities having this positive effect on students' engagement," said Pike.  $\Lambda$ 

Source: The North American Interfraternity Conference

#### FORMER INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENTS

## **REUNITE VIA ZOOM**



As limited interaction during the initial months of the COVID-19 pandemic isolated individuals around the world, the importance of maintaining brotherhood and a strong community became more evident than ever, especially among Delt's esteemed former international presidents.

"One of the traditions at Karnea is for former international presidents and the current president to get together for a briefing on issues facing the Fraternity and to catch up personally on our lives since the last Karnea," said 51st International President Travis Rockey (University of Florida, 1973) who served from 2012 to 2014.

By late spring, in a year where the original Karnea planned for a J.W. Marriott property in Phoenix was adapted to a virtual event, 43rd President Dave Hughes (Ohio Wesleyan University, 1961) who served from 1996 to 1998, was compelled to organize a Delt call with former international presidents.

"There are 17 past presidents still living now and that includes Steve Paquette, so 16 before Steve became a fallen arch and now 17 of us total," Hughes said.

Rockey joined the other former presidents who jumped at the opportunity to gather online. "The first Zoom had 13 of the 17 former presidents on it. It was like being back at Karnea. It was good to hear what was going on in each other's lives and renew our bonds of brotherhood. Today we look forward to the Zoom meetings and urge communities, chapter officers, chapters as a whole, pledge classes or small groups of alumni to reconnect by Zoom, Facebook, conference calls or just a single call to your big brother. Whether it is COVID-related or life's challenges, there are always brothers to help make your day better," Rockey said. "Brotherhood sustains us."

From the pandemic to how chapters and the Fraternity are adjusting, this group of leaders shared information and inspiration. "At the end of the call I think everybody said, 'Let's do this several times every year going forward.' And we're going to, we're going to do that." Hughes said. "This was a chance to catch up and find out what the Fraternity is doing now, how they're handling the pandemic and what can we do to support it."

Forty-fifth International President Bob Roush (Sam Houston State University, 1964), who was elected to serve in 2000 following the peak of the dot-com bubble, heartily endorsed what he calls a form of e-brotherhood. "I think this will likely continue beyond the COVID-related restrictions because of the opportunity for people of like mind to share things important to our lives and to the Fraternity," Roush said. "It would have been better to have been at Karnea personally, but this is the next best thing." ∆

#### **Five Tips for Staying Connected**

Social connections are the threads that bind Delts together. By prioritizing human interactions and finding meaningful ways to connect during this time of physical distance and social isolation, we can support each other and our own health and well-being.

- Pick up the phone and call a chapter brother you haven't spoken to recently. Social isolation really brings home the value of our daily interactions.
- Use technology to connect with family and friends. From Facebook to FaceTime to Skype to WhatsApp, plenty of options are available. Host video chats one-on-one or with a group.
- 3. Exercise with a friend/family member at a safe distance. If

you live alone, call a friend or family member to accompany you for a physically-distanced walk.

- 4. When the weather cooperates, find a common space where you can visit outdoors with neighbors or participate in group activities held at a distance. If you observe the proper physical distance, you can be a friendly, encouraging presence in the neighborhood.
- Check on neighbors who live alone. From a safe distance, strike up regular conversations and ask if they need anything before you go to the grocery store.

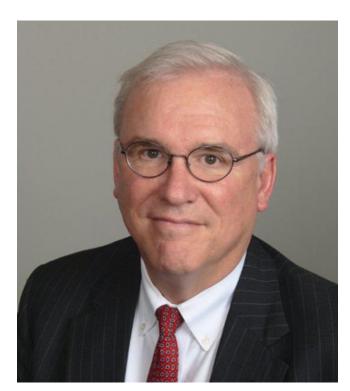
Use Delt's Online Directory > Go to delts.org and click on MYDELT LOGIN to access the alumni directory for your chapter.

## KEITH STEINER Honored with Silver Medal

Former Arch Chapter Member, Chapter Consultant and Foundation Board President recognized by NIC

The North American Interfraternity Council (NIC) announced in summer 2020 that Keith J. Steiner (Allegheny College, 1973) had been recognized with the Silver Medal. The presentation of the NIC Gold Medal and NIC Silver Medal dates back more than 70 years, making it one of the oldest interfraternal traditions. The Silver Medal recognizes exemplary service or leadership in a role or task that has advanced the fraternal movement and is one of the highest honors the Conference can bestow. Though the formal presentation of the interfraternal recognition is delayed, the is no less significant.

Steiner joined Delta Tau Delta's field staff after graduation and traveled to nearly every chapter. He spent 10 years as director of chapter services. Following his tenure at Delta Tau Delta, Steiner went to work for UBS in 1985. Over the next 35 years, Steiner became the manager for dozens of institutional endowments including Zeta Beta Tau, Delta Chi, Phi Kappa Psi and the Fraternity Executives Association. Within Delta Tau Delta, Steiner served as president of the Northern Division, international secretary and chairman of the Delta Tau Delta Educational Foundation. Through a career spanning nearly 50 years, Steiner has been the consummate fraternity gentlemen.



Steiner modeled humility in his Delt endeavors. He assumed leadership of the Delta Tau Delta Educational Foundation in 2016 building Fraternity and Foundation relationships and instituting term limits. At the conclusion of his term, he modeled the great Cincinnatus and returned to his professional work.

"Steiner is in all ways deserving of this high honor both by what he has done inside and outside Delta Tau Delta," said Jack Kreman, CEO of Delta Tau Delta.

NIC Gold Medal recipient (2005) and Alpha Epsilon Pi Executive Director Emeritus Sid Dunn has known Steiner since 1970 and interacted with him personally and professionally. "Steiner is the epitome of a 'fraternity man' who has the best interests of his organization and his clients in mind. While soft spoken, he commands the room when discussing investments and portfolio realignment. His grasp of investment theory is impressive, always working for the betterment of the fraternity movement through strengthening the financial position of his fraternal clients," Dunn said. "He is an outstanding example of a fraternity man acting for the greater benefit of the system.  $\Lambda$ 

#### SILVER AND GOLD MEDAL DELTS

Steiner is the second Delt to be recognized with the Silver Medal following John W. Galbreath (Ohio University, 1920) in 1985. The NIC has presented the Gold Medal to seven Delt alumni, more than any other fraternity. Gold Medal recipients include Jim Russell (Purdue University, 1975) who was honored in 2019, Norval B. Stephens (DePauw University, 1951) who was honored in 2015 and five Delts now in the Chapter Eternal, including in 1940—Alvan C. Duerr (Kenyon College/Williams College, 1893); in 1952—Henry B. Wriston (Wesleyan University, 1911); in 1965—Tom C. Clark (University of Texas, 1922); in 1966—Joel W. Reynolds (Tufts University, 1923) and in 1991—Edwin L. Heminger (Ohio Wesleyan University, 1948).

### WELLNESS, POSITIVITY AND MENTAL HEALTH DURING THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC



The current COVID-19 pandemic has been a significant adjustment for everyone worldwide and has increased stress levels related to personal lives, finance and academics with fears related to individual health and that of friends and family. Positivity, wellness and mental health are paramount at this time.

What can we do when faced with a world that seems unrecognizable? The pandemic has forced many of us to reckon with difficult feelings and situations and it is having a documented negative impact on the mental health of a growing number of people. Some people are finding new paths of resilience as well as the time and space to slow down and reconnect with family, friends and themselves. We may be physically keeping our distance from others, but it's important to stay in touch. Talk with people you trust about how are doing and feeling. Connect with your community or faith-based organizations to find others who share your interests. Give help when you can and get help when you need it.

Delt ULifeline offers tools to make every day another good day to be a Delt. ULifeline is an anonymous, confidential online resource center where college students can be comfortable searching for information they need and want regarding emotional health. By knowing what tools and resources are available, we can act quickly and confidently when we recognize a brother in need.

Delt's ULifeline digital portal demonstrates the Fraternity's commitment to greater mental health awareness, accurate education and appropriate treatment resources. ULifeline is tangible evidence of our goal to provide mental health education and awareness to undergraduates and alumni as well as access to mental health crisis resources 24 hours a day.

A project of The JED Foundation, a leading organization working to protect the emotional health of America's college students, ULifeline was developed with input from leading experts in mental health and higher education.

Learn more at delts.ulifeline.org. 🛆

#### 24-HOUR HOTLINES

National Suicide Prevention Lifeline: 1-800-273-TALK (1-800-273-8255)

The Trevor Lifeline (Suicide Prevention for LGBTQ Youth): 866-4-U-TREVOR (1-866-488-7386)

CDC-INFO (Formerly known as the CDC National STD and AIDS Hotline): 1-800-CDC-INFO (1-800-232-4636)

Veterans' Suicide Prevention Lifeline: 1-800-273-TALK (1-800-273-8255), press 1

Treatment Referral Hotline (Substance Abuse): 1-800-662-HELP (1-800-662-4357)

National Sexual Assault Hotline: 24-hour online hotline: https://ohl.rainn. org/online/

1-800-656-HOPE (1-800-656-4673)

National Teen Dating Abuse Helpline: 1-866-331-9474

**Crisis Text Line Get Help Now:** Free, 24/7, Confidential

Text START to 741-741

#### TALKSPACE: A BENEFIT FOR UNDERGRADUATE MEMBERS

Encouraging members to take care of their mental health is a priority for Delta Tau Delta. In the spring of 2018, the Fraternity launched a new student benefit through a partnership with Talkspace. Talkspace makes it simple and convenient to connect with fully licensed, highly respected counselors via text, audio or video messages from your browser or smartphone—in the library, over the weekend or between classes. Undergraduate members have access to Talkspace for one month at no cost. Talkspace is completely optional and more importantly, 100-percent anonymous and secure. **To get started**, **visit talkspace.com/delts.** 

### NOW UP, NUMBER

55th International President Bruce Peterson is a determined, hardworking and detail-oriented servant leader. Over the past five years, he has also found success in a men's baseball league.



### Bruce peterson

was elected the 55th international president of the Fraternity at Karnea in 2020 and took office on Aug. 17, 2020.

Peterson retired from AT&T in November 2000 with 28 years of service. His last held position was executive director of business development. He was also the vice president of IT planning and strategy for ServiceMaster for seven years. Following retirement, he served as chief information officer for Uline Shipping Supply Specialist in Pleasant Prairie, Wis., for 12 years until he retired again, this time from Uline at the close of 2019.

Peterson earned a bachelor's degree in education from the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee in 1975 and a master of business administration in 1999 from Keller Graduate School of Management. As an undergraduate, Peterson served Epsilon Tau as president, vice president and treasurer.

Peterson resides in Crystal Lake, Ill. Peterson and his wife have two sons.

#### WHAT INSPIRES YOU TO VOLUNTEER WITH DELTA TAU DELTA?

I believe servant leadership is important—we serve others for the greater good. I had a great chapter advisor who exhibited servant leadership and inspired me to serve others—it is all about helping others be better men and better people. It just feels right to me and it is something I enjoy doing. Also, young men need role models, coaches and an adult figure while they are away from home attending college—to help them learn, to understand our mission and values and to be a good man. I love seeing the light turn on and watching young men "get it" where they do the right thing, for the right reasons, all the time without being prompted.

#### HOW DID YOU CHOOSE THE UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN-MILWAUKEE?

I chose UW-M, because it played to a commuter market, was affordable and allowed me to live at home. I was interested in kinesiology as it related to sports performance. A decent athlete but never bound to play in the pros, I hoped to be part of baseball even if it wasn't as a player.

#### HOW DID YOU CONNECT WITH DELTA TAU DELTA?

A Delt named Jack Breen (University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, 1974) caught me after a kinesiology class and invited me to the Epsilon Tau Shelter for a pick-up football game. Like many of our members, I had no intention of joining a Fraternity, but a simple ask brought me over to the Fraternity house that changed my life for the better.

There was something special about the young men of my chapter; they took a personal interest in me, they challenged me, they cared about me, they became a family away from home—it was a safe harbor. The Fraternity taught me selfconfidence, self-governance and accountability, leadership and to be a man. We also shared common values taught to us by our *Ritual* and learned many life lessons together. For a young man, it was a great life experience and one I would never trade.

#### WHAT CHALLENGES DID YOUR CHAPTER FACE?

One year after I joined, the chapter experienced strife where some men had strayed from our values. Some men were expelled and some voluntarily ended their membership because they were disillusioned. The chapter went from more than 30 men to just three who didn't want to let the chapter close.

I remember a late spring of 1974 visit from Delta Tau Delta's Executive Vice President Al Sheriff (Washington & Jefferson College, 1949) and Assistant Executive Vice President Gale Wilkerson (Oklahoma State University, 1966). They told us unless we could increase our membership in the fall, it may be best to close the chapter. The 1974 Karnea was just a couple of months away, so the three of us blocked that time (all three of us were working and going to school full-time) to attend Karnea, hoping it would help us learn how to recruit and turn our situation around. We came back from Karnea with a head of steam and initiated nearly 30 men over that next school term to save our chapter. It was worth the effort for I made many lifelong friendships. Also, I will be forever grateful to Tom Augustine (University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, 1975) and Russel Bedalov (University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, 1975) who helped bring back Epsilon Tau from the brink of closure.

#### WHAT INFLUENCED YOUR CAREER PATH?

Midway through my major, I decided to seek full-time employment, leave home, join a Fraternity and live in the Fraternity house. I found a job with Wisconsin Telephone Company, part of the Bell Systems, working third shift in a workgroup named Cash Mail Remittancebasically processing customer payments. After a month, my supervisor told me I was wasting my talents and she asked if I was interested in computer operations. I played a gofer role feeding paper into printers, mounting tapes, working with IBM punchcards and learning to operate mainframe computers-the early 1970s was about the beginning of large-scale computing and I was in at the ground floor.

Over one year, I advanced several positions and became one of the lead computer operators. I really liked and was good at my job, and the pay was good, too, for a working student. I never thought anything would alter my aspirations, but I decided to augment my major with computer science. I completed all my kinesiology requirements and then took computer-related classes to help my new career with the phone company. I held many IT leadership roles over my career, including serving as the chief information officer at Uline Shipping Supplies Specialists for the 12 years leading up to my retirement.

#### HOW DID YOUR FRATERNITY EXPERIENCE IMPACT YOUR CAREER?

I felt like I had a leg up on my peers because my experience running meetings, working with people and helping others get their work done made me a better leader



Peterson warms up before a game at The Rock Sports Complex in Franklin, Wisc.

and a good businessperson. That's why I initially gave back to Delta Tau Delta. But knowing that young men are struggling in life, many don't go to college and fewer are graduating from college, I wanted to take a more active role in helping our young brothers to become good and honorable men, good leaders and good citizens.

#### WHEN DID YOU RETIRE?

I retired at the end of 2019. COVID-19 has thrown a wrench into our desire to travel. Jill and I were looking forward to traveling for the Fraternity for installations, anniversaries, conferences, chapter visits and to vacation abroad.

#### HOW DID YOU MEET YOUR WIFE?

We met at a spring high school band recital during my senior year. Jill, a sophomore attending a different high school, had tagged along with her girlfriend who was desperately trying to connect with my identical twin brother. Jill and I connected and the other two never did. We have been married for 43 years, together for just over 48 years and have two sons.

Jill played a huge role in my career and personal achievements, especially when it came to improving my composition or writing skills. Jill and her mom, a past legal secretary, would ruthlessly proofread my term papers and coached me on writing which served me well to advance my business career. Jill's support gave me the courage to take on new jobs and roles that made me a better person and man.

#### WHEN DID YOU RETURN TO PLAYING BASEBALL?

Spring of 2016, I decided to join our church softball team for I just wanted to get back to playing baseball (even if it was softball). I really enjoyed playing, I was at least 20 years older than my teammates, my play was decent and I looked forward to our weekly games. My wife was in the stands with many other churchgoers, and as I hit the ball and ran to first base, I could hear my wife yelling, "Get the lead out, disconnect the piano, remove the anchor!" above all other voices. Her inspirational words only motivated me to want to play better. When the church softball season concluded, I had the itch to play hardball again after being away from the game for 30 years.

#### WHAT DROVE YOUR RETURN TO BASEBALL?

Two things, first I bumped into a friend who played hardball with me in the 1970s (Milwaukee League Baseball), and he suggested I try out for his Over 60s team in Franklin, Wis.

Second, I needed to get into shape! My wife had read about a local sports performance training facility called the Davis Speed Center, focused on speed, agility and strength training for athletes. She suggested I check it out to "lose the anchor." August 2016, I started training four days per week with Kevin Brummond, a Pi Kappa Alpha member, to improve my running skills. Kevin is tough on me, but what I really respect is his knowledge of selecting drills and weight training routines to protect my shoulders and back due to me being over 60 years of age. My favorite motivating line from Kevin is, "For a guy your age, that's not bad!"

When I was invited to play at the Field of Dreams in the Over 60s Shoeless Joe Jackson Tournament, Kevin was also excited because it was a big deal to be invited. It is magical—the field of dreams is just magical. I cannot explain it and it fueled us to see if I can run faster and be stronger. Kevin said running at full out sprint at 66 years old is not exactly easy on the body. He had a conversation with me about when it is time to take the Ferrari out of the garage and when it's time to cruise around in the little Mustang. He's not saying I can't go fast, but I can't always go Ferrari fast.

#### WHERE DO YOU PLAY?

When I was 16 years old, I drove a dump truck for a construction crew. I used to take the debris from each site to a dump outside of Milwaukee. That landfill site became a ski hill, then an entrepreneur purchased the ski hill and made it into a baseball destination called "The Rock" with two diamonds for Little League, an adult complex with four back-to-back diamonds and a professional baseball stadium for a professional baseball team named the "Milkmen." The adult complex provides a professional stadium experience. Before the game starts, we all line up on our lines, we all take off our caps and they play the National Anthem on all four diamonds.

#### WHAT WAS THE FIELD OF DREAMS EXPERIENCE LIKE?

When our leagues champion team's left fielder wasn't available, I got the call on a Wednesday and was in Iowa by Friday. I had the best games of my senior career that weekend. An opposing batter clobbered the ball with a high fly down the left field line. I just turned and ran and caught the ball over my left shoulder, just a few feet before the Corn Field. I stole the home run from the batter, and I got a standing ovation. It was amazing. I tipped my hat with a tear in my eye.

#### HOW DID YOUR 2020 SEASON WRAP UP?

Our team finished second. We lost in the playoffs. Winning the playoffs would have been a sweet way to end the season without taking first place, but we took second place overall. To Kevin's credit, I am one of the better base stealers on my team. I would not have been one of the fastest guys on the team and stealing bases if it weren't for working with Kevin.

#### WHEN YOU'RE NOT "TAKING OUT THE FERRARI" ON THE BASEBALL FIELD, WHAT ARE YOU DRIVING?

My dad acquired a 1930 Ford Model A in the early 60s. It was abandoned in a farmer's field and left to rot in upper Wisconsin. It took my dad roughly 30 years to rejuvenate it. He promised to have the car ready for my wedding in 1977. That didn't happen, but when he got the car running, it was a real joy for him to take it to town (Shawano, Wis.). My dad's health prevented him from driving his prized car and it sat in his garage for 10-plus years. I asked if he'd mind if I got it going. He was thrilled that I was interested in his car. I got it up and running just before he died, where I had several opportunities to take him for car rides.

#### HOW DID YOU GET INVOLVED WITH THE MODEL A FORD CLUB OF AMERICA?

I felt that it would behoove me to join an organization with members who I could learn from and help me if I had car problems. I got lucky, two of the nation's top Model A experts (two brothers) live within nine miles from me. An unexpected benefit and one I'm looking forward to participating in are the club's four planned driving excursions per year (i.e. trip down Route 66). I look forward to attending my local Model A Ford Club of America chapter meetings with a membership of 115 members and there are nearly 300 chapters nationwide. ▲



## OPENING THE MIND TO ITS TRUE CAPACITY THROUGH EXERCISE

Two friends who met through Fraternity recruitment at Ohio University never imagined how an athletic challenge would bring them together more than two decades later. In 2019, Kevin Morgan (Ohio University, 2003) and Randy Allen (Ohio University, 2002), who both served as chapter president, completed what they dubbed the Presidential 27-a 27mile run through the hills in Marin, Calif.

They hired a race director through Craigslist to ride a motorcycle on the route and carry their water. "It was awesome," said Allen. "Before I started training, I'd only run 13. I ran 20 when we were training so it was a stretch for me, and it was a lot of fun and a big challenge. Before we ran, we sat outside with Kevin's kids and played the national anthem."

Though Morgan and Allen had stayed in touch since graduation, they reunited when they both landed in San Francisco, Morgan in 2012 and Allen in 2010. "We had great experience at Ohio University, and it's been great to rekindle in particular a friendship with Randy here in San



When Randy Allen and Kevin Morgan learned of the passing of Jason Peters (Ohio University, 2004), they got together for an epic trail run. "It was a great release where we laughed about Jason and shared some of our best memories," Morgan said. In October, Allen joined Beta Chapter alumni and undergraduates to plant a tree in memory of Peters on the Ohio University campus.

Francisco and bring back a lot of the memories that we had at OU," said Morgan. "We're at a stage now where we're looking for challenges and ways to improve ourselves—to learn more about ourselves, our strengths and weaknesses and we came up with the idea to do a 27-mile run," said Morgan who had recently completed his first Ironman triathlon.

In the spring, Allen joined Morgan for a portion of his 39-mile run to celebrate his 39th birthday and two weeks later Morgan joined Allen in an 83-hour fast to celebrate Allen's 40th birthday.

Allen has done restricted fasting or intermittent fasting over the last few years and wanted to challenge himself for his 40th birthday. "I'll be honest, I didn't want to run 40 miles because I hadn't been training that hard. The longest fast I had ever done was 44 hours, so my initial goal was to do a 72-hour fast. After I started I realized, gosh, I'd love to have this end at the exact time I was born so I stretched it to 83 hours. Once I decide I'm going to do something, I'm going to do it. I always know that I'm in charge of my choices," Allen said.

"What I've learned, and I think what Randy has learned, is it's about 90-percent mental. I wish I would've learned this when I was 20. I've enjoyed doing these things with Randy because you learn a lot about yourself and I'm learning the kind of mental capacity I have," said Morgan.

"Obviously being in a Fraternity together during those formative years when you're 18 and 22, you're not really







an adult, but you are, and you're on your own, but you can still be close to home—that's when you make friendships where you can really lean on each other and be vulnerable. I think that's what has helped us because whether Kevin and I talk about business or our marriages or family, I can say anything, and it doesn't matter. I would be fooling myself if I said it wasn't a part of the rearing the Delts brought us at Ohio University," Allen said.

Training takes discipline and it can be difficult to schedule. "I have a five-year-old and seven-year-old and training for an Ironman was not easy—or even for the half Ironmans and running with Randy," Morgan said. "I have a good support system, a great wife and family."

Running hasn't always been smooth for Morgan. When he ran in college, his legs would hurt after about three miles, so he'd give up without pushing himself. "I'm not saying push through being hurt, but [you might] not realize your true capacity. You can't be afraid to fail because through failure you can learn

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Kevin Morgan (Ohio University, 2003)

a lot—you can learn your capacity and gain confidence and mental fitness. Fear of failure is worse than actually failing," said Morgan. "It's taking a journey into a challenge. When I go to sleep at night or if I'm feeling challenged, I can think back to when I was doing a fast with Randy or when I was running 39 miles on my birthday. You can always revisit that. Whether it's relying on it to just relax because it was such a good time, or relying on it to say, 'Oh, I'm struggling at work, but this is nothing. I ran 39 miles the other day. Keep it going.""

Morgan and Allen both found extraordinary value in their friendship during the shelter in place. "The shelter in place forced me to figure out really what matters. Don't wait to tell people how you feel and to connect with them," Allen said.

Morgan and Allen plan to set their next challenge soon and they encourage brothers across the country to join them. "Exercising is a way to express yourself and really open up your mind. And for me, it's such a cathartic experience," Morgan said.  $\Delta$ 



Executive Director of the USTA Foundation Daniel Faber at his 2019 US Opening Night Gala celebrating the 50th Anniversary of the National Junior Tennis and Learning program that serves thousands of under-resourced children through tennis and education.

### SERVING UP SAFE, EDUCATIONAL AND HEALTHY Environments for youth through tennis

Daniel Faber (Albion College, 1989) has tennis and education in his blood and a drive that reflects his passion and commitment to service, community and giving back. As executive director of the USTA Foundation, the national charitable foundation of the United States Tennis Association, Inc. (the national governing body for tennis), Faber's work impacts the lives of tens of thousands of children from hundreds of communities.

Faber grew up in Holland, Mich., and played tennis at Albion where his older brother, James Faber (Albion College, 1987), was already a member of Delta Tau Delta. Between his brother, who he now calls his "double brother" and friends from his dorm, Faber found his home with Delt and never looked back. Though he planned to study business, he shifted his focus when he remembered his high school history teacher (who was also his tennis coach) had emphasized the power of education and the impact of sports. These two components continue to guide Faber. "I took an education course as part of a liberal arts degree and found a fit. I always wanted to coach. I wanted to help kids, so I entered the education program at Albion College," Faber said.

He graduated with degrees in history and education and landed a job as a fourth-grade teacher in Grand Rapids, Mich., where he also worked as an afterschool program coach. After five years in Michigan, he taught sixth grade for five years on the East Coast. Then he became a math specialist and teacher in charge (equivalent to an assistant principal) and earned a master's degree in educational leadership.

He continued to coach summer camps and envisioned a career path from vice principal to principal to superintendent. In his last year as a sixth-grade teacher, Faber was introduced to the National Junior Tennis and Learning (NJTL), a grassroots program founded by Arthur Ashe to provide tennis and education to underresourced youth. Through this non-profit organization, Faber began teaching tennis as a summer job and saw an opportunity to advance the education program to compliment the tennis portion.

He hired math and literacy specialists to develop a curriculum supporting tennis and education. "We created a math

and literacy program called ACE, Academic Creative Engagement. We turned the tennis court into an active classroom teaching kids about perpendicular and parallel lines, surface areas and ratios-comparing the area of the service court versus the area of a double valley. We helped kids learn their multiplication facts by using the tennis net because the tennis net is made of squares. We chalked tennis balls to roll on the court and then measured the line to get the circumference of the ball. We literally turned every aspect of the game into an active classroom to support what was going on in school and not replicate it."

Faber took a leave of absence from teaching to become the first full-time executive director of NJTL where he could enhance and develop this academic curriculum. As a nonprofit leader, his responsibilities grew to include fundraising, measuring the impact of programs and telling the organizations story to help it grow.

Within two years, Faber helped the ACE program grow from one school to 10. "Kids were enriched by an academic program connected to sports. This had a tremendous impact on the school environment, where kids were no longer going into detention," Faber said. "They were raising their hands; they were fully engaged because they didn't want to miss out. I took that and I started leasing the program to other NJTLs across the country. Within a matter of years, we had 50 locations using ACE and the lease

dollars were coming back to the NJTL Trenton. We went from a \$200,000 budget to a \$1.2 million budget within a year and a half and it was sustainable."

The United States Tennis Association (USTA) recognized the value of ACE and its ability to help grow the sport and purchased the program from the NJTL, a year and a half later.

Now as executive director of the USTA Foundation, Faber is back with ACE and directly supporting 250 education programs across the country focused on academics, but the program also teaches sportsmanship, resilience and problem solving. The program benefits roughly 200,000 kids ages five to 17, most of whom qualify through school for free and reduced lunch.

"This current opportunity [was] developed through my passion for education and tennis and now I'm running the national foundation. It's really an amazing combination of education and sport," Faber said. "I have the honor and the opportunity to carry on the legacy of Arthur Ashe through the sport of tennis."

When he landed at the USTA Foundation seven years ago, the foundation was raising about \$1.5 million a year and funding many programs, but without a measurable impact. By 2020, the foundation was raising \$8 to \$10 million a year with the goal of getting to \$20 million to make a big impact for kids.

The USTA Foundation is also set to play a crucial role in revolutionizing sports and education in the Los Angeles area. USTA, partnered with Tiger Woods' TGR Foundation, the Walt Disney Company, philanthropist Doug Kimmelman and the Karsh Family Foundation, plans to commit \$50 million to the upcoming construction of the Carol Kimmelman Athletic and Academic Campus, envisioned as one of the largest sports and education centers in America.

The multi-sport campus will be named in honor Carol Kimmelman, a member of the 1983 national champion USC women's tennis team and longtime educator who believed in the transformative power of sports for young people. Carol Kimmelman, a former board member for the USTA Foundation, died in 2017 from ovarian cancer. Her husband and children envisioned the project as a tangible reminder of the legacy she built and lives she touched which includes traditionally underserved communities.

"It started out as a little tennis and education endowment that we were going to build, and it's become a comprehensive, massive 47-acre athletic and education campus to provide free services for hundreds of thousands of youths," Faber said.

Faber hopes to replicate this concept in other cities engaging the social responsibility arms of professional sports with a combination of large and collective donors with the sole purpose of helping kids succeed by providing three key components for a safe, educational and healthy environment.  $\Lambda$ 



At center, Executive Director of the USTA Foundation Daniel Faber and USTA Foundation Board Chair Chris Evert, former world No. 1 tennis player and 18-time Grand Slam Champion.



Gator One won their first ever tournament in the PBSC series, weighing in a total of 185.3 pounds for a grand total \$27,059 in earnings. On top of winning first place team and \$10,000, they caught the heaviest Cobia (30 lbs.) and second heaviest Kingfish (34.9 lbs.).

## A WINNING FISHERMAN

Fishing—It's validity as a sport sometimes comes into question. Can a recreational activity that conjures the image of a guy in a boat, sitting on a cooler in the middle of a lake, really compare to rough and tumble ball sports like football or baseball? Or the exhilaration we feel completing an endurance sport?

The short answer is, "Yes."

Just ask Ryan McBride (University of Florida, 2003). He's turned his passion for recreational fishing—something rooted in his childhood—into a competitive career, spending his days doing what he loves... and winning.

McBride is currently the captain of a 39-foot Yellowfin boat in Southern Florida. "I work for a private family. Whatever they need, that's my full-time gig. I clean the boat, make sure the engines work okay, talk to vendors," he said. "For people who have a lot of money and don't have the free time to do all this stuff, when they show up at the boat, they want it to be 100-percent perfect. That's where my job comes into play."

And sport fishing is a part of that job. "The owner has hired me to put together a crew that I am comfortable with and can pull together good results," he said. "He doesn't spend his money to come in last place. He wants to be competitive."

During the summer of 2020, McBride proved to be extremely competitive. His team of eight, Gator One, won the first two of three legs of the Pompano Beach Saltwater Circuit, competing against as many as 95 boats.

As with any sport, there is a lot of preparation involved in getting ready to fish. "We spend probably four days preparing bait. Sometimes it takes a day, sometimes it takes a week and a half," he said. "On tournament day, I like to bring 150 of one type of bait and maybe 200 of another type of bait. You might not use it all, but at the end of the day, I want the freshest bait possible."

He also pre-fishes for three days before a tournament to get a feel for where the fish are.

Challenges, such as the weather, are always a consideration. But unlike most other sports, one of the biggest challenges they face are sharks. "For the past few years, we have had to





Left: Members of the Gator One team. Right: Ryan McBride (University of Florida, 2003) holding a mutton snapper.

deal with sharks eating the fish off the hook," he said. "They've closed a lot of commercial fisheries for sharks because a lot of environmentalists think that sharks are endangered, which they are worldwide. But, in the United States, because it is so heavily regulated, there are a ton of sharks. So, we try to find areas that don't have the same shark problem."

The 2020 season was affected by the pandemic in much the same way other sports events were affected. The second leg of the Saltwater Circuit should have been the first, but it was rescheduled due to COVID-19 and fell second in the lineup this year. Once the tournament season was underway, fewer spectators were on hand and celebrations were minimized to prevent the spread of the disease. The pandemic, however, failed to diminish the spirit of the fishermen. "Although one tournament was moved, boat traffic was increased and boat sales were through the roof because you can totally enjoy the outdoors on a boat," McBride said.

As the seasons change, McBride is looking forward to the winter sailfish tournaments, where the stakes are higher, and the competition is increased. "Boats may come from the Florida Keys all the way up the east coast," he said. "There are boats that will come down from the mid-Atlantic because they don't have much of a winter fishery. You pay a lot more, but you can win a lot more."

As a professional fisherman, McBride takes pride in his sport. Instead of throwing a ball, he's throwing a line. And instead of revving an engine for a run around the track, he's making sure the boat's engine is in pristine condition to face elements of oceanic proportions.

When he's not pulling captain duties, McBride is a family man. His wife is a pastor, and together they are raising two boys, currently 10 and 12 years old. He enjoys sharing his love of fishing with his sons. "They love fishing. But at their age, it can be boring, and they would sometimes rather hang out at the beach," he said. "This past weekend, though, I taught them how to scuba dive. We just did our first ocean dive yesterday."  $\Lambda$ 

By Janine Wampler



**THE BOAT** Gator One is a 39-foot Yellowfin with quad 400 horsepower Mercury Verado motors.



## CAPTAIN IN ROUGH WATERS

John DeRuff (George Washington University, 2021) sought two things when he searched for a college—a strong engineering program and a sailing team. The combination was surprisingly difficult to find, he said, but the George Washington University turned out to be the perfect fit.

The youngest of three, DeRuff began sailing in the summer before fifth grade when his mom signed him up for a sailing camp. "I started sailing then and through high school things really picked up with racing in San Francisco. It's one of my favorite, most consistent things in each phase of life."

Across the country at the George Washington University in the fall of 2017, DeRuff joined a sailing team that had evolved over several decades from a club to a team that gained recognition as a varsity sport in July 2012.

"Since receiving our varsity charter, the team has qualified for eight national championships, fundraised for an entire fleet of boats and sails (twice), and traveled across the country representing the buff and blue. Through its determination and commitment, the GW sailing team has earned the respect of the nationwide community of college sailing," DeRuff said.

In early March 2020, the GWU sailing team opened spring competition hosting Hobart and Smith, Navy, Penn, SUNY Maritime and U.S. Merchant Marine Academy for the GW Team Race. The Colonials placed third at the competition, taking a 9-6 record throughout 15 races with five underclassmen and four upperclassmen competing. The following



weekend's competition ended up being the end of the spring season due to the pandemic.

"The lessons we learn through sports continue to humble and teach us in different ways, and that is why we love it. Sailing teaches the athlete not to give up and come back more capable than before. We will be stronger students, stronger sailors and stronger individuals," said the George Washington University Head Sailing Coach Billy Martin, in a statement released in late March.

As captain last year and again this year, DeRuff became a clear leader working to cultivate team spirit. "I've loved working with the younger members of the team. They've grown with the team. It's really wild to think I'm a senior now and I can

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John DeRuff (George Washington University, 2021)

think so clearly back to three years ago when I was just figuring everything out myself," he said. "This year we have some people that have elected to stay home for the semester, but we have 15 people on campus practicing, including two freshman."

Through the spring, DeRuff hoped to find some normalcy in sailing by the fall season which usually runs from September through Thanksgiving, and then another blow hit in July when he learned the team was losing its varsity status in June 2021.

Since the news came out in July, DeRuff gradually learned more about the decisionmaking process, but that doesn't lessen his disappointment. "I'm really grateful for our team and alumni who rallied their support and willingness to jump in and say 'Whatever needs to be done, we'll get it done.' We're just figuring out the first steps to ensure the best set up as possible as a club team."

The biggest difference will be the uncertainty of funding for costs such as renting spots at the marina, competition fees, transportation and coaching. Sailing is just one of several teams cut from varsity recognition and for each the future will differ. For sailing, at least there are some club teams in the nation competing at, or above the level of varsity sports.

With only online classes this fall, 15 team members returned to Washington, D.C., hoping to practice in some manner. They knew they wouldn't compete in the fall, but hope to have an opportunity in the spring season which runs from February to May.

While DeRuff waits to see how the future of sailing will develop at George Washington he follows another passion; being a committed advocate. Last summer he landed a work-from-home job with Athlete Ally, a national non-profit working to support equal access, opportunity and experience in sports regardless of sexual orientation, gender identity or gender expression.

Recently U.S. Sailing, the governing body for sailing in the United States, turned a lens to the sailing community recognizing the sport is often predominantly white and male dominated. A town hall panel over the summer focused on how sailing can be more diverse and accepting and in September, DeRuff participated in a panel focused on inclusion, particularly about LGBTQ inclusion in sailing.

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DeRuff also found a sense of community and support in Delta Tau Delta. A few older friends on the sailing team encouraged him to go through recruitment and the high standards of Delta Tau Delta caught his attention. Delt membership fit well with DeRuff's demanding academic focus as a civil engineering student and involvement with a varsity team and through the Fraternity he found some of his closest friends. "Delt has been a fantastic addition to my experience at GWU," DeRuff said.

Through the ups and downs of sailing this year brothers have been particularly supportive. Ethan Martin (2022) was with DeRuff when he got the call about the team losing varsity status. "He was great helping me take it in, take it in stride and providing a positive outlook toward the future," DeRuff said. "Overall it's the support from both brothers who reached out and were sympathetic offering their support—one of the benefits of being a Delt has been when anyone needs support, people are not afraid to reach out."  $\Delta$ 



## LISTEN, LEARN AND LEAD

Just two years after he graduated from college, Jacob Porter (Morehead State University, 2017), was named as an assistant coach for the Grand Rapids Drive, the NBA G League affiliate for the Detroit Pistons.

Porter played basketball all through high school, then turned to coaching a middle school team after his aunt told him the team needed a coach. "Practicing with that first

team was when I really got the itch. After that first practice, I thought 'Wow, this is a lot of fun. This is definitely what I want to do.' And I was just hooked on it from there—that was when I really decided that's what I wanted to pursue. By the summer after my first year of coaching, I had made up my mind that my goal was to get in pro basketball."

While working with grown men (some of them are older than he is) at the pro level is certainly different than working with a middle school team, Porter still applies his early coaching experiences to his current coaching position. "At the end of the day, coaching is teaching and players want to Porter joined the Drive coaching staff after stints as a basketball operations intern with the Pistons, Drive and Erie BayHawks. He also assisted Team USA at the World Cup qualifiers as part of the support staff each of the last two years.

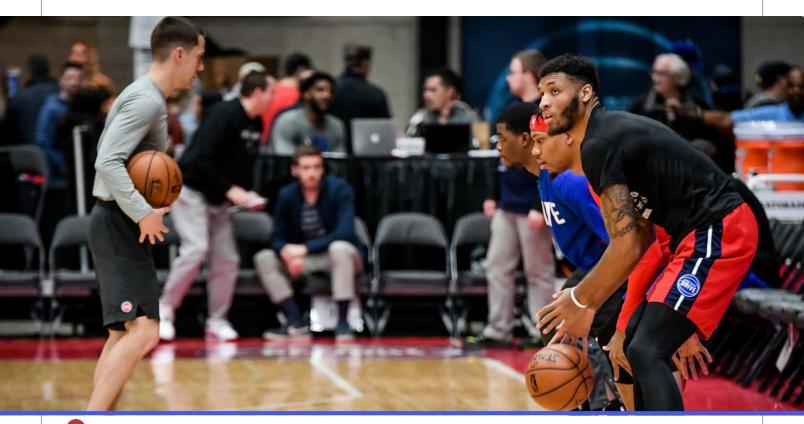
learn and [get] better. If you can help them get better, they will respect you regardless of how old you are."

By spring 2016, he was searching for summer jobs and internships when he got an internship in Erie, Pa., with the NBA G league team affiliated with the Orlando Magic at the time. It was a business internship and Porter wanted to get into coaching, but he decided getting his foot in the door was most important.

Hired by the president of the NBA G League's BayHawks, Matt Bresee, Porter spent a summer in an unpaid business internship working in marketing, ticket sales and social media—a practical fit for his studies in strategic communication and leadership at Morehead.

After returning to school, Porter continued to coach the middle school team. By the spring of 2017, the team he worked for in Erie was moving under the Atlanta Hawks umbrella and hiring a new staff for the Erie Bayhawks. With an endorsement from the business staff president he had worked for, Porter secured a paid internship in basketball operations working directly for the coaches, players and staff.

As he became involved, Porter learned how much work truly happens behind the scenes. "When I first got there, [I] saw how things are done, offensively and defensively, how coaches handle the organization as a whole, how they build culture and how important all those things are to



🔼 Assistant Coach Porter running warm-up drills with Todd Withers and other members of the Drive basketball team.

the success of a team," Porter said. "They really set a great example for me and allowed me to work through growing pains and work through mistakes that first year in Erie. [They held] me accountable, which allowed me to grow quickly. Seeing what it takes to be a professional in that industry and seeing how much these guys care about and how much work they put in is what surprised me the most."

Advice Porter took to heart early on as an intern was to be seen and not heard—to listen and absorb and to do what is needed. "When the opportunity or door opens just kick the door down and do whatever you can for whatever industry you're working in, whether it's business, sports or education. I'm not thinking any job is too small. It really set me on the path to success."

Porter read that legendary San Francisco 49ers coach Bill Walsh said you listen and learn and then you lead. "I think listening and learning are the two most important things you can do as a young person in the professional world," he said.

While Porter's achievements are clearly tied to his hustle and determination, he said he was fortunate to be around successful people during his internships in Erie. "Our head coach was Josh Longstaff, and he'd been in the NBA for seven years. Now he's an assistant coach for the Milwaukee Bucks. Our general manager was Malik Rose and he won two championships with the Spurs. Courtney Alexander, an assistant coach for the Grand Rapids Drive, was a lottery pick."

When Malik Rose moved from the Atlanta Hawks to become assistant general manager for the Detroit Pistons, he moved Porter to a position there as intern for a second year.

"I did two years of internships in basketball operations and during that second year in Grand Rapids, I met Donnie Tyndall, an assistant at the time. I worked closely with him throughout that whole year. And he really allowed me to get an insight into how he plans, how he scouts, how he strategizes and how he carries himself on the floor," Porter said.

Early in his second year as an intern in Grand Rapids Porter, he had the opportunity to scout—watching the last four games of the team that you are preparing to play and presenting to the team. "At the time I hadn't done any speaking in front of the team. I was just in a supporting role. That was a great challenge pushing me to get out of my comfort zone to articulate the game plan and present it with confidence," Porter said.

After Tyndall moved to the head coach position, Porter earned the assistant coaching role. "I was actually the youngest assistant coach in the league. I was very fortunate and very lucky. We had a good year and it was a great opportunity. Unfortunately, we got canceled with COVID with 10 games left."

The unknown during the pandemic has been challenging. Porter spent the spring and summer in his hometown of Russell, Ky., where he spent hours keeping tabs on the league by phone and keeping a positive attitude. "It's been challenging, but it's also been a good challenge. You try to keep yourself regimented. I'm reading a lot, watching film and trying to stay sharp because we don't know when we could go back. I'm trying to stay ready for whatever happens."  $\Delta$ 



# BELIEVING IN Possibilities

Sports Management Advisor Finds What's Important

"In most careers, if you let opportunities evolve naturally, you end up in a better place." Steve Pederson (University of Nebraska, 1980) not only said it, he has lived it.

Pederson spent nearly 20 years as a collegiate athletic director, starting at the University of Pittsburgh, then to the University of Nebraska before returning to Pitt. His list of achievements are lengthy and not limited to winning games but also includes improving athletic programs in all sports. Whether it was taking Pitt from the bottom of the Big East conference to a championship game or leading building projects at Nebraska to provide new facilities for football, soccer and sand volleyball, he was committed to growing an athletic program for everyone, thereby growing the campus reputation.

But it wasn't his life's dream.

In fact, when Pederson started college, he didn't know what he wanted to pursue as a career. All he knew for certain was that he didn't want to be an attorney like his father and older brother, David (University of Nebraska, 1977).

"I didn't start out to be an athletic director, but I had a great opportunity through a gentleman in the town I grew up in to introduce myself to the sports information director at the university," he said. "I just walked in and said 'I'd like to volunteer to do whatever I could to be a part of this.' He gave me an opportunity and with that opportunity a lot of different things happened."

Working on a degree in business administration with an emphasis in journalism, he still wasn't headed toward athletics, although he liked what he was doing. "When I got ready to graduate, the athletic director at Nebraska asked me if I would like to stay and be a part of this, so I did. And that's how I got started on that career path," he said.

When young people have asked him how to become an athletic director, he'll say he has no idea. But the advice he gives is simple: become involved. "I used to say that the best way to get experience is to raise your hand when somebody says, 'We need somebody to do this,' and you say 'I'll do it.' That doesn't mean you have to know anything about it, but you better figure it out pretty fast," he said.

"I volunteered for every little thing. One of the advantages I think I had when I got to be an athletic director is that I knew what everybody did because I think I had done almost every job in the athletic department, including the mail. I think that's how you learn."

While opportunities were plenty for Pederson, his success came from hard work and believing in the possibilities. "I tried to look down the road and see what I thought was coming ahead," he said. "That sometimes works to your disadvantage because not everybody understands where you are headed."

When he hired Ben Howland to coach the University of Pittsburgh's basketball team sitting at the bottom of the Big East conference, he knew he had the right guy to turn the program around. "I remember sitting in the office one day and I said, 'Ben, we are the only two people who believe we can get this done.' I was convinced of that. Everybody around us was thinking that we were crazy and didn't know what we were doing," he said.

"I said 'But the two people who matter most in believing we can get it done are you and me, and that's the advantage we have so we have to keep pushing.' We had high goals and pushed people to be the very best they could be."

Today, Pederson is part of Barnes & Thornburg, LLP, serving as the sports management advisor with the firm's university and professional athletics group. Although he is not an attorney, the irony of working at a top 100 law firm has not escaped him. "The work I do now is very interesting, but I always tell my brother David that our dad would laugh that I'm now working at a law firm," he said.

This new career move has allowed him to put more focus on his personal life, enjoying more time with his wife, children and grandchildren. "Athletics is seven days a week, 365 days a year. Games fall on Thanksgiving and Christmas. We've made sure our family is part of that but it is a big commitment of time. There are real advantages and we got to do some pretty spectacular things, but there's always another sport happening. It's year round. There is no off season," he said.

"I've enjoyed having a little different lifestyle now than before. My wife, Tami, and I have a lot of time together which is fantastic. Our family is now at 14, on its point when it is just too much. Everybody wants to win and be the best, but there has to be some healthy acknowledgement," he said. "One of the things the pandemic has done is maybe brought a little perspective to a lot of people in varied ways. I'm

"Some of those things that seem like a big deal, don't seem like such a big deal now. You're worried less about winning a game than you are about your friends and family being healthy. Maybe that will be a blessing out of all of this. Maybe everybody will rethink a little about what's important to them."

way to 15. Our top priority is them and spending time with them when we can." He even found time to write a novel, *Lost in Ambition.* 

Although Pederson left his athletic director career prior to the pandemic, he still sees the effects and chooses to see the silver lining.

"I think when you get outside of the business and look in, you realize just how much pressure is put on presidents, athletic directors and coaches. There is a seeing family units grow stronger and friends depending on friends more than they ever have.

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Gregory Eggert (Lafayette College, 1979) is the media officer for United States Aquatic Sports, FINA National Federation.

# HELPING ATHLETES TELL THEIR STORIES

One of the leading figures in American swimming Gregory Eggert attended his first Summer Olympics in 1992 in Barcelona, Spain. And he hasn't missed one since. In fact, if you have seen any Olympic swimming events that have been televised since 2004, chances are good you've caught a glimpse of Eggert as he navigates athletes through the myriad of media outlets.

Eggert is a member of the FINA media committee where he is tasked with helping athletes in water sports tell their story. "FINA is the international federation, the governing body, for all of the aquatic disciplines at the Olympic Games, and during the interim between the games, at the World Championships," he said. "The media committee members cover those events. Some of us have a specialty. Mine is pool swimming and open water swimming." Other disciplines include diving, artistic swimming, water polo and high diving.

"I'm a U.S. member," he said. "The chairman is from Russia, the vice chairman is from South Africa and we have members representing a number of countries. It is a committee of 12 and we all come from different countries.

"Our job is to help the athletes tell their story. Hundreds

and hundreds of media attend the Olympic Games and the FINA World Championships and there is always a barrier between the athlete and the media. We want to make sure the athletes will speak to as many members of the media as possible, but that those conversations won't be too long or too onerous that it takes them away from their preparation for their next event or distracts them in any way. They are new to this in many cases," he said. "Some are veterans, but many are just making their mark, climbing up the hill and doing it so well, not expecting the level of attention they receive."

For Eggert, he has spent most of his life around water sports. A swimming enthusiast and past competitor, Eggert swam on a YMCA swim team as a youngster. But his high school didn't have swimming, so he spent those and subsequent college years as a track and field athlete, coaching swimmers during the summer months.

With a degree in economics, Eggert became a business owner when he purchased a company in the early 1980s called Metro Swimshop, a mail order and retail operation selling Speedo and other branded merchandise. His executive vice president was Brian Hendrix, the Delt chapter president at Lafayette when Eggert served as the chapter advisor. "He came to work for me two weeks after he graduated from Lafayette, and he is still there," said Eggert who sold the store in 2004, the same year he would cover his first Olympic Games in Athens, Greece, as a member of the FINA media committee.

In addition to his appointment on the media committee, Eggert also is the media officer for United States Aquatic Sports, the governing body for the same disciplines in the United States. This role, just as his role with FINA, is on a volunteer basis.

He is in it for his love of swimming and to be able to work to help the athletes. "In the domestic organization, I get the opportunity to work with all of these great American athletes who are climbing up the pyramid to Olympic success if that is within their reach."

Eggert is inspired by the athletes he has crossed paths with through the years—a list that includes Michael Phelps who he has known since the swimmer was eight years old. "I commend all of the athletes and their families for all the dedication and sacrifice," he said. "I was nowhere near as accomplished in either swimming or track and field to be able to enjoy the Olympic experience. But I am in awe of every young person who is successful either at our Olympic trials or as a member of the U.S. Olympic team."

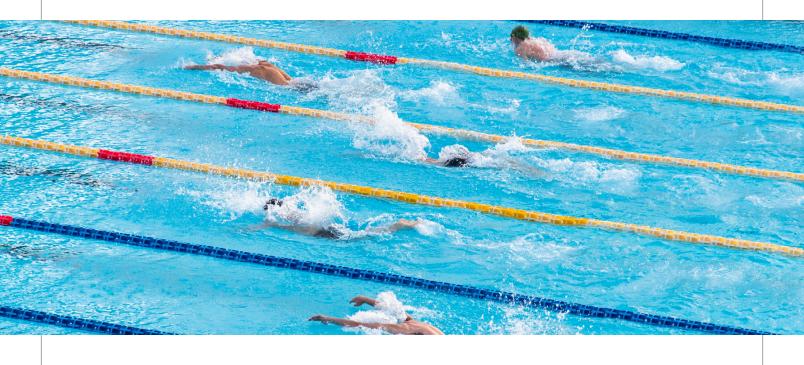
#### What's next for Eggert?

He is waiting to learn his fate for Tokyo 2020. "They'll still call it the Tokyo 2020 Olympics, but it will be held in 2021," he said. "Because of COVID, they are cutting back. It would be sad if I wasn't able to have the opportunity to be at the Olympics, but we want the Olympic Games to be safe. And if safe means fewer people that could potentially infect our Olympians or allow the attention to be focused on the Olympians from all countries, I would understand."

He hopes to maintain his position on the FINA media committee through the 2028 Olympics. "Even when I was at Lafayette, I had hoped to be in some way involved in the Olympics. I hoped I would have the opportunity to go the 1984 Olympics in Los Angeles," he said. "As it turns out, I didn't get to go to the 1984 Olympic Games, but I hope I'll have an opportunity to retire there, that my last event will be the 2028 Los Angeles Olympics. There's a little irony there!"

While he does plan to step back from his Olympic duties, he has no plans to step back from the role he has enjoyed as a fundraiser for Delta Tau Delta. "I raise money through the generosity of the brothers of the Nu Chapter. I raise money 365 days a year for DTD's education fund for Lafayette undergraduates who achieve the dean's list."  $\Delta$ 

By Janine Wampler





Cody Dewrell (Kennesaw State University, 2014) Membership Sales for the Atlanta Braves at Truist Park.

# FROM THE BACKYARD TO THE BIG LEAGUES

As a young boy, Cody Dewrell (Kennesaw State University, 2014), like many before him, wanted to be a professional baseball player. Dewrell grew up playing ball in his backyard and later on his high school's team. When that dream failed to become a reality after high school, he intentionally switched his focus. "I truly changed my mindset so that who I wanted to be was not defined by my job, but by my lifestyle. I wanted, and still want, to be a good man."

Growing up in Smyra, Ga., a 20-minute drive north of Atlanta, Dewrell enjoyed the feel of a close-knit community where everyone knew everyone. From a young age, Dewrell's mother, Joy, taught him about respect and love, and to be an advocate. It was that sense of community and commitment to values that cemented his relationship with Delta Tau Delta while attending Kennesaw State University. "I planned to transfer to another university, after two years, but that plan went up in smoke after joining Delt. I loved my Fraternity, my best friends and the community I had become a member of."

After joining Delt, Dewrell got to work being a fully engaged member, eventually serving as chapter president. Former International President Jody Danneman (University of Georgia, 1988) was a formative part of his undergraduate Delt experience. "As I look back on the weekly dinners I had with Jody, it was his mentorship that propelled me to became and remain so invested in Delt." After graduation, Dewrell joined the Central Office staff as a chapter leadership consultant and later a leadership gifts officer with the Delta Tau Delta Educational Foundation. Delt taught me the value of relationships and making connections. As a staff member, I learned to create my own pipeline, develop my own schedule and manage my own prospect list in addition to a host of leadership and interpersonal skills.



Cody Dewrell (Kennesaw State University, 2014)



It was Dewrell's commitment to living a life of integrity and following his heart that eventually led him back to sports. A lifelong Braves fan, it was a dream come true when a staff position with the organization became available. This was everything he had prepared for in college, in Delt and in his professional life. "Delt taught me the value of relationships and making connections. As a staff member, I learned to create my own pipeline, develop my own schedule and manage my own prospect list in addition to a host of leadership and interpersonal skills." The lessons Dewrell learned in the Fraternity were pivotal in securing a professional role with the Braves.

Today, Dewrell enjoys his career with the Atlanta Braves. While not on the field, his role as a sales executive keeps him about as close as one can get to the action. The COVID-19 pandemic has not made his job easy; however, the lessons he learned as a Delt have helped guide him. "If you do not have values you follow in your life, you can easily become lost. I rely on Truth, Courage, Faith and Power in my everyday life," Dewrell said. "My biggest piece of advice is to have faith. Have faith in yourself. Have faith in others. Have faith that it will all turn out okay." For Dewrell, being a good man is the big leagues, living with purpose and passion is what it is all about.

Dewrell is still a passionately involved Delt giving of his time, talent and treasure. He is a proud member of the Order of the C—, the Foundation's premier annual giving society. Through his generosity, he strives to make opportunities for growth available to other young Delts, just like they were for him. "There is always room to grow. Every day you should learn something and every day you should look for a win. No matter how big or how small, find the wins in your life. Each day is a blessing, breathe in the air and be thankful for what we have. It truly is a wonderful thing."

Dewrell lives outside of Atlanta with his wife, Amanda, whom he met at Kennesaw State. He enjoys spending time with his family and remains close with his chapter brothers—taking weekend trips or gathering over a meal to reflect on their time together as undergraduates.  $\Lambda$ 

Join Cody J. Dewrell in making opportunities for growth available by joining the Order of the C— at delts.org/give.



#### **ORDER OF THE C---**

Membership has its privileges! This giving society is for Delts who want to make a leadership level investment in the programs and initiatives that strengthen our Fraternity. To join, it requires an Annual DeltFund gift of \$1,000 or more annually. Order of the C— members receive special communications, invitations and updates related to the activities and future plans of the Foundation. You can become a member of the Order of the C— by making a monthly recurring gift of only \$84 per month.

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# COLLEGE STAR IN THREE SPORTS, SUCCESSFUL NFL EXECUTIVE AND THE ONLY PLAYER TO EVER PINCH-HIT FOR TED WILLIAMS

One of Delta Tau Delta's greatest athletes, Carroll Hardy (University of Colorado, 1955), entered the Chapter Eternal on Aug. 20, at age 87 in Highlands Ranch, Colo. He was a football, baseball and track star at the University of Colorado. In track, he excelled in the 100-yard dash and broad jump on the school's indoor track team. On the football team at halfback, Hardy scored a touchdown on his first carry as a freshman in 1951 and had a career total of 1,999 yards. He received All-Big Eight honors when his college career ended and was also chosen for footballs East-West and College All-Star Games. During his college football career, he had several Delt teammates: halfback Ron Johnson (1954), guard Bill Mondt (1959) and end Boyd Dowler (1959) of the Green Bay Packers. His .392 batting average remains Colorado's all-time best.

The NFL San Francisco 49ers drafted Hardy in the third round of the 1955 draft. Late in the season, he played in 10 games for the 49ers and veteran quarterback Y.A. Tittle and caught 12 passes for 338 yards and four touchdowns. He also ran back three kickoffs for a 21.7 average. It was a tough season physically and he sustained numerous injuries.

Hardy returned to baseball with the Cleveland Indians, playing in Indianapolis for another Indians minor league team. Over the next dozen years, he played for four other minor league teams and a Venezuelan winter league team and, in the big leagues for the Indians, Red Sox, Houston Colt .45s (now the Astros) and Minnesota Twins. He hit his first major league home run with Cleveland in 1958 as a pinch-hitter for teammate Roger Maris, who three years later would hit 61 home runs for the New York Yankees, breaking Babe Ruth's single-season record.

Two years later in August 1960, Hardy was on his second team, the Boston Red Sox, and took part in another significant baseball moment. Fellow Delt and manager Mike "Pinky" Higgins (University of Texas, 1931), told him that Ted Williams, the team's megastar, fouled a pitch off his right foot during his first at bat against the Orioles and left the field. Pinky told Hardy to pinch-hit for Williams and he proceeded to loft a soft line drive to the pitcher, Skinny Brown, who threw to first base for a double play. It was an ordinary play in a forgettable season for the Red Sox except for one detail—no one had ever pinch-hit for Teddy Ballgame!

Eight days later Williams hit a long home run in the last at-bat for the final game of his career. After Higgins sent Williams to left field in the top of the ninth inning to soak up the fan's cheers, he sent Hardy out to replace him. Hardy later said, "They booed me all the way out and cheered him all the way in."

Those two episodes overshadowed Hardy's more substantial achievements as an athlete, and later as a football executive. Over eight seasons in the major leagues, Hardy had a career batting average of .225 with 17 homers and 113 runs batted in. Near the end of his baseball career, he started scouting for the Denver Broncos National Football team full time and he was an associate ticket manager. He was named director of scouting the next year and held roles in player personnel, including assistant general manager. In his last years, he got to know John Elway (Stanford University, 1983.) ∆

By Jay Langhammer (Texas Christian University, 1966)



# Alumnus Helps Professional Athletes Do Their Taxes

Nothing beats the adrenaline rush of basketball in Butler University's historic Hinkle Fieldhouse. There are less than 10 seconds left on the shot clock. You hear that distinct sound of sneakers squeaking on polished hardwood floors, and the uproar when the referee makes an unpopular call. Nothing beats it.

These are the moments that led John Karaffa (Butler University, 1991) to the idea of combining his two passions, basketball and accounting.

Karaffa describes his career path as the "best of both worlds." As a selfproclaimed numbers guy, he knew from the start that he wanted to be part of the business world. But he couldn't fathom the idea of giving up the euphoric feeling of dribbling up and down the court—as he did for four years as part of the men's basketball team at Butler University, then for 12 more seasons on professional teams after graduation. So, he thought, what if he combined the two interests?

That's exactly what he did.

Two seemingly unrelated career paths collided, and after Karaffa spent more than a decade working as an accountant at U.S. multinational firms by day and playing basketball by night, ProSport CPA was born.

Since launching the sports-focused accounting firm in 2009, Karaffa has been able to develop his craft into something he said no other accounting firm in the country is able to do. ProSport CPA works with more than 1,000 professional athletes, helping clients tackle complicated taxes and other financial obstacles that are unique to the world of athletics—the same obstacles Karaffa faced during his years on the court.

"Professional athletes can earn a lot of money, but at an age when they know very little about money," he said. "In addition to starting ProSport CPA, I wrote *Touchdown Finance* using the lessons I've learned to try to help athletes and other young people learn more about keeping more of what they earn." Karaffa enjoys taking the extra time to really get to know the players he works with.

"It's really neat to get to speak with athletes and entertainers who are the best at what they do," he said. "It's humbling to think they have the same respect for me."

And Karaffa attributes the stepping stones of his own success to the foundations he built at Butler. He took advantage of every opportunity that came his way, building lifelong relationships while studying accounting, all while sparking the fire for his professional basketball career.

"I am very grateful to Butler University for the opportunities I had to play college basketball, to earn a degree from a prestigious school and to get to know some great, motivated people, especially through Delta Tau Delta," he said.  $\Delta$ 

By Megan Collins/Butler University

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#### 2020 NASDAQ CENTER OF ENTREPRENEURIAL EXCELLENCE AWARD

1 Miami University and the John W. Altman Institute for Entrepreneurship, named for John Altman (Miami University, 1960), has been named winner of the 2020 NASDAQ Center of Entrepreneurial Excellence Award, joining an impressive group of entrepreneurship centers at a select list of prestigious universities, including the University of Chicago, University of California-Berkeley, MIT, Stanford University, Columbia University and Cornell University. Awarded annually by Global Consortium of Entrepreneurship Centers (GCEC), the 2020 NASDAO Center of Entrepreneurial Excellence Award is the highest honor that a University Entrepreneurship Center can receive.

This special award was created by NASDAQ in association with the Global Consortium of Entrepreneurship Centers for the purpose of recognizing the unique achievements and outstanding efforts of entrepreneurship centers across the world. The NASDAQ award honors those centers that have made and will continue to make enormous contributions in advancing entrepreneurship as the force in economic growth throughout the world.

### DIPLOMATE STATUS IN THE AMERICAN COLLEGE OF ZOOLOGICAL MEDICINE

Justin Rosenberg (Marietta College, 2007) obtained Diplomate Status in the American College of Zoological Medicine. Becoming a diplomate in the ACZM is recognized as being an expert in all things pertaining to zoo/aquatic/ wildlife medicine and has only been achieved by approximately 250 people in the world.

#### **A.J. HINCH TO MANAGE DETROIT TIGERS**

<sup>2</sup> The Detroit Tigers have tapped former Houston Astros manager, A.J. Hinch (Stanford University, 1996), to manage the team next season. The Tigers are in the process of rebuilding.

### KENTUCKY YOUNG PROFESSIONALS NEXT GENERATION LEADER

The 2020 Next Generation Leader Award

(NGLA) winners were announced in July and Mark Collier (University of Kentucky, 2005) received the Public Relations, Advertising and Marketing category award. Designed to salute and applaud young professionals under 40 for significant professional achievements, demonstrated leadership and community impact, the awards recognize talented young leaders and their contributions to the region.

Collier is the publisher and owner for *Living* magazines and *Fort Thomas Matters* in northern Kentucky. Collier was the 2020 president for the Leadership Northern Kentucky class and is an elected member of city council in Fort Thomas.

#### **50-YEAR INSURANCE CAREER**

In September 2020, Walter Harrison (Ohio University, 1968) marked the 50th-year anniversary of his professional insurance career. In 2019, the American Veterans Heritage Center recognized his 30-plus years of service as a founding member who retired from the board after serving since 1995. Harrison was



also one of the initial organizers of The Friends of the Soldiers Home. He previously served on both the Dayton level and national level of the Ohio University Board of Directors, was honored for his involvement in the Greater Dayton Jaycees and remains involved with the Masonic and Scottish Rite Valley of Day as well as the American Legion and Antioch Shrine.

#### CARPENTER PORTRAYED IN "THE RIGHT STUFF"

Cmdr. M. Scott Carpenter (University of Colorado, 1947) (deceased) is portrayed by actor James Lafferty in National Geographic's historical drama anthology series "The Right Stuff" which premiered in October 2020 as a Disney Plus original series exploring the origins and growth of the United States' space program. Carpenter was an American naval officer and aviator, test pilot, aeronautical engineer, astronaut and aquanaut. He was one of the Mercury Seven astronauts selected for NASA's Project Mercury in April 1959. Carpenter was the second American (after John



Glenn) to orbit the Earth and the fourth American in space, after Alan Shepard, Gus Grissom and Glenn.

### FRENCH NATIONAL LEGION OF HONOR INDUCTEE

Dr. Richard D. Schmitz, D.V.M. (Kansas State University, 1951) was recently inducted into the French National Legion of Honor with the rank of Chevalier. He gained numerous other awards for his service during WWII. After 55 years of continuous veterinary practice, he is now retired at his home in Anza, Calif.

#### **BRANCH RICKEY ARENA RENOVATION**

Ohio Wesleyan University announced a \$4 million project to fully renovate Branch Rickey Arena, home of the Battling Bishop wrestling, volleyball and men's and women's basketball teams. The six-month project will improve the 44-year-old arena with new flooring, bleachers, scoreboards with statistics panels, lights, sound system, air conditioning and more.

In addition to improving the home court, the renovation will reconfigure

the arena's main lobby to create an entry highlighting current Bishops, OWU champions and the legacy of building namesake Branch Rickey (Ohio Wesleyan,1904). Rickey broke Major League Baseball's color barrier when he signed Jackie Robinson in the 1940s.

#### DAVID HAMILTON SMITH ALUMNI AWARD

Rusty McClure (Ohio Wesleyan University, 1972) was recognized with the David Hamilton Smith Alumni award by Ohio Wesleyan University. The award is named for Fraternity alumnus David Hamilton Smith (Ohio Wesleyan University, 1953). Smith was the first recipient of the award, presented in 1991, in honor of his service remaining active with both his fraternity and the university following graduation. Smith was also recognized with the University Distinguished Achievement Citation in 1992. He was the co-developer of a vaccine that has virtually eradicated childhood bacterial meningitis in the United States. He donated \$5 million for the Hamilton Williams Student Center. He died of malignant melanoma in 1999.





#### LIFETIME PHILANTHROPY AWARD

Rian Mehta (Florida Institute of Technology, 2013) was recognized with the Lifetime Philanthropy Award from Florida Tech Student Life, Civic Engagement Honors.

#### SUPER SENIOR CHAMPIONSHIP

John Roesch (Ohio State University, 1964) won the Super Senior Championship at the Cincinnati Country Club with score of 77, two under his age.

### INTERCOLLEGIATE STUDIES INSTITUTE PRESIDENT

John A. Burtka, IV (Hillsdale College, 2012) will become the next president of the Intercollegiate Studies Institute (ISI). Burtka recently served as executive director at The American Conservative, a magazine based in Washington, D.C.. Before that, he was a development associate at ISI. Burtka, who double majored in French and Christian studies, told The Hillsdale Collegian, "My position on the executive board of Delta Tau Delta gave me the practical leadership skills needed to manage people, build a movement and direct an organization. It also was a boot camp in public relations, communications and

diplomacy as I learned how to effectively represent the Fraternity on campus when interacting with other student groups and the administration."

#### **PRO FOOTBALL HALL OF FAME FINALIST**

John Lynch (Stanford University, 1993) was a finalist for the seventh consecutive year in the Pro Football Hall of Fame's Class of 2020. If the San Francisco 49ers had beat the Kansas City Chiefs in Super Bowl LIV, Lynch would have joined John Elway (Stanford University, 1983) as the only two people to win Super Bowls as both a player and a general manager.

#### TECHNOLOGY COUNCIL OF NORTH American Chairman

KC Tech Council President Ryan Weber (Kansas State University, 2005) has been named as chairman of an international tech council board, which gives Kansas City a unique opportunity. The Technology Councils of North America (TECNA) includes about 60 IT and technology trade organizations that represent a network of more than 22,000 tech employers. Weber has served on the TECNA board since 2013. In addition to its peer-to-per network, TECNA provides benchmarking research, best practices and public policy advocacy.

#### **TEACHING ASSISTANTSHIP TO AUSTRIA**

Joey Karczewski (Wabash College, 2020) earned a United States Teaching Assistantship (USTA) award to Austria. Karczewski, a German major with a minor in French, was a member of the Wabash swim and dive team, participated in Model U.N., took immersion trips to Tübingen, Germany, and Caen, France and studied abroad in India and Germany. "Learning a foreign language was an entertaining, though initially daunting, idea which eventually transpired to build the foundation for my future education," said Karczewski. "During my time with USTA, I hope to show that learning a language doesn't have to be just another class to take at school, but rather a fun way to connect with others, learn about different cultures and discover what the rest of the world has to offer."

The Fellowship start date is not yet determined due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

### CHAIRMAN OF LYMPHOMA RESEARCH FOUNDATION

After a year on the board of directors,

Steven Eichberg (Butler University, 1974) was elected as chairman for the Lymphoma Research Foundation, guiding the nation's largest non-profit organization devoted exclusively to funding innovative lymphoma research. As chairman, he will primarily focus on supporting under-served communities by addressing health inequities and increasing access to quality cancer care. He also plans to strengthen the LRF Board of Directors further, reduce barriers for women and people of color entering the field of lymphoma research, and increase corporate partnerships to facilitate cause marketing opportunities and research initiatives.

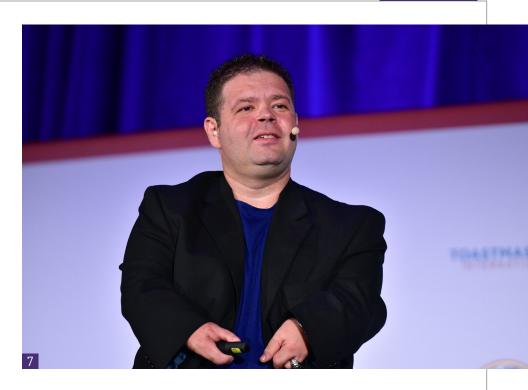
"When I was diagnosed with lymphoma, I quickly learned that the Lymphoma Research Foundation has been instrumental in funding research that has positively impacted the field; and providing best-in-class resources and support lymphoma patients need to manage their disease," said Eichberg. "Today, I am honored to take the next step in the journey to eradicate lymphoma and provide my thoughtful leadership to advance the Foundation's mission, and substantially improve access and affordability of care."

#### CO-FOUNDER OF DIVVYCLOUD MAKES TECH WORLD NEWS WITH \$145 MILLION DEAL

Brian Johnson (Westminster College, 2005), CEO and co-founder of DivvyCloud, made tech world news recently when his company merged with Rapid7 in a \$145 million deal. In an April 28, 2020, industry article in Tech Crunch found here, Johnson explains that his company helps businesses operate in the cloud "while ensuring they remain secure, well-governed and compliant." Johnson said the new relationship with Rapid7 will help maintain DivvyCloud's culture of passion, drive and kindness for the company's clients.

### SHARED GOVERNANCE IN HIGHER EDUCATION ESSAY

Dr. Cliff L. Wood (Texas A&M University-Commerce, 1966), president emeritus, Rockland Community College,



State University of New York, has an essay included in Shared Governance in Higher Education: Volume Three published by The State University of New York Press, Albany, N.Y. in 2020. A resident of Putney, Vt., Wood is a 2014 recipient of the Distinguished Alumnus Award from Texas A&M University and a 2010 Alumni Achievement Award from Delta Tau Delta Fraternity.

#### DELT ACHIEVES RARE HONOR THROUGH TOASTMASTERS INTERNATIONAL

Paul Artale (Ottawa University, 2001), became the 84th Accredited Speaker in Toastmasters International's 100year history, recognizing professional speakers through an extensive testing and application process. "It's significant for me since Delt gave me some of my first speaking opportunities," said Artale, whose subject matter expertise includes, motivation and winning mindsets, disability in the workplace, leadership and work-life balance.

An Accredited Speaker since 2019, Artale is a Ph.D. candidate at Michigan State University. In his time with the school, he has twice received the Wilson Fellowship for excellence in emerging human resource research. The University of Toronto awarded him the Bennet Award, which is given to the school's football player who has overcome great obstacles in their career. He is also the recipient of the Drudel Award for excellence in special education.

Artale is also a Distinguished Toastmaster, the highest level of educational achievement in Toastmasters and a two-time semi-finalist in the World Championship of Public Speaking, including a third-place semifinal finish in 2018.

#### INTELLECTUAL BENEFITS TO SOCIETY AWARD WINNER

Dr. Paul Lorin Bechly (Cornell University, 1980) was recognized as the Mensa Foundation's 2020 Intellectual Benefits to Society Award winner. The award recognizes the application of a Mensan's intellectual abilities that result in a tangible benefit to society.

Now a first vice president at Morgan Stanley and Mensa Life Member, Bechly's first career as a chemical engineer at DuPont presented him with what he describes as "the most intellectually challenging assignment of my life."

As a result of his work, Bechly was awarded DuPont's Environmental Excellence Award in 1992, and

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provisions to control PFC emissions were made a part of The Climate Change Action.

#### LAWYER OF THE YEAR

Hal Moorman (Massachusetts Institute of Technology, 1971) was selected as Lawyer of the Year 2021 Houston Area Trusts & Estates by Best Lawyers. He was selected by Best Lawyers as Lawyer of the Year 2013 Trusts & Estates Litigation by Best Lawyers, an honor awarded to only one lawyer each year in the Houston region for these two areas of law. He has been listed in Best Lawyers in America each year since 2001. This distinction is awarded by consensus opinion of lawyers in the same geographical area and legal practice area. Moorman was on the charter listing of Texas Super Lawyers in Texas Monthly magazine and has been named on the Super Lawyers list every single year this award has existed. Much like the Best Lawyers distinction, this award is voted upon by members of the bar. The selection process includes independent research, peer nominations and peer evaluations.

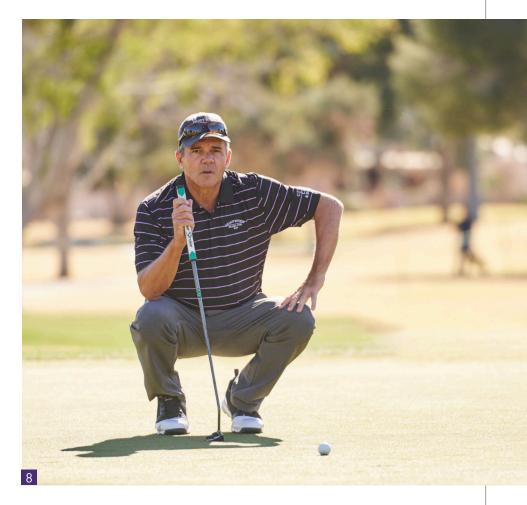
#### **GEORGIA SPORTS HALL OF FAME**

The Georgia Sports Hall of Fame announced Tony Barnhart (Georgia Southern University, 1975) will be inducted in the spring of 2021. Known as "Mr. College Football," Barnhart is one of the most knowledgeable sports personalities working today. He spent 25 years as the national college football reporter for the *Atlanta-Journal Constitution* and worked with CBS Sports before joining the SEC Network during its launch.

He contributes on radio to 680 The Fan in Atlanta, has written multiple books on college football and was named Georgia Sportswriter of the Year in 1999. Barnhart has been honored with the Bert McGrane Award from the College Football Writers Association and named a Grady Fellow by the Henry Grady School of Journalism at UGA.

#### **AIR FORCE BASE COMMANDER**

Todd Canterbury (Arizona State



University, 1992) is commander of the 56th Fighter Wing at Luke Air Force Base west of Phoenix, Ariz., a position previously held by his father, Maj. Gen. Henry Canterbury, from 1982 to 1984. This is the first and only father-son combination to hold base commanding positions at Luke.

#### HILLMAN PROFILE IN MORNINGSTAR MAGAZINE

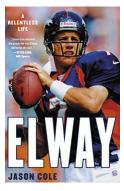
Morningstar Magazine featured a profile on Mark Hillman (Tufts University, 1984), CEO and Chief Investment Officer of Hillman Capital Management which he founded in 1998. Since 1994, Hillman's investment results have been recognized by investors and media alike. He has appeared in Fortune Magazine, The New York Times, MSN Money, USA Today, Bloomberg News, Dow Jones Marketwatch, The Baltimore Sun, The San Francisco Chronicle, Bloomberg Television, Kiplinger's and Forbes.com. Also an expert sailboat racer, he has competed successfully in national and world championships over four decades.

#### **PGA TOUR CHAMPIONS GOLFER**

■ Golfer Scott Dunlap (University of Florida, 1984) continues to play on the PGA Champions Tour, the men's professional senior golf tour. Dunlap has played 13 events with one top 10 finish and five top 25 finishes. He recently participated in the Charles Schwab Cup Championship where he finished 75th and +11 over par.  $\Delta$ 

Correction: An alumni news headline on page 45 of the Summer 2020 issue incorrectly indicates a law school is named for Michael Davis (Kansas State University, 1964). It is a fund at KU Law created in Davis' name. The KU Law School remains named for its founder and original dean, James Woods Green.

# **BOOKS BY BROTHERS**



#### ELWAY: A RELENTLESS LIFE

A biography of John Elway (Stanford University, 1983), Hall of Fame Quarterback, two-time Super Bowl champion, now president of football operations and general manager of the Denver Broncos. The book includes several references to Delta Tau Delta

#### A PLATYPUS PUSS L. FRED MILLER (EMORY UNIVERSITY, 1965)

This children's book about a platypus and children at play has bright illustrations. Children learn to sound out rhyming couplets about an Australian critter who likes to make friends.

#### HANK, AN ANGEL DOG David O. Scheiding (Iowa State University, 1964)

The tear-jerking tale of a special dog's journey as he comforted the author's father-in-law after the passing of his wife, then the author's family after Hank could no longer live with his master.

#### THE LONG RETURN DAVID O. SCHEIDING

Retired U.S. Air Force Col. David O. Scheiding shows us his experiences as an Air Force pilot and his efforts to understand the change in the American attitude upon his return to the United States after serving in Vietnam.



#### DON'T FLY TODAY-WHEN GOD SPEAKS-LISTEN! DAVID O. SCHEIDING

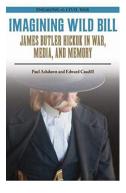
Does God really exist? The author's perspective on the existence of God based on the path of his life.

#### HOMEGROWN: ISIS IN AMERICA SEAMUS HUGHES (UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND, 2006)

Based on first-hand interviews and detailed analysis of court cases, Homegrown reveals how and why ISIS was able to radicalize and recruit a new generation of sympathizers in America.

#### HIGLEY JAMES GRABAU (Texas christian University, 1968)

Grabau wrote this book to honor his father-in-law, a torpedo bomber in WWII and a decorated war hero. His fatherin-law gave his life for our country leaving a wife and two daughters.

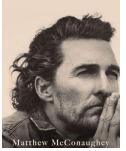


#### IMAGINING WILD BILL: JAMES BUTER HICKOK IN WAR, MEDIA AND MEMORY

#### PAUL ASHDOWN (UNIVERSITY OF Florida, 1966) and Edward Caudill

While the famous gunfighter was largely the creation of the press, the dime-novel industry, movies and television, his legacy as a Western hero was sustained by the American fascination with violence.

#### GREENLIGHTS



#### GREENLIGHTS MATTHEW MCCONAUGHEY (UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT AUSTIN, 1992)

"Notes about successes and failures, joys and sorrows, things that made me marvel, and things that made me laugh out loud. How to be fair. How to have less stress. How to have fun. How to hurt people less. How to get hurt less. How to be a good man. How to have meaning in life. How to be more me."



#### ONCE, TWICE, THRICE BY IAN KILGOUR, PSEUDONYM OF FRED TOLIN (UNIVERSITY OF KENTUCKY, 1983)

The story takes place in the quiet town of Owensboro, Ky., with a very likeable police detective chasing a serial killer.

#### FLY FISH MINDSET ANTHONY ATWELL (SEWANEE: THE UNIVERSITY OF THE SOUTH, 1982)

A fisherman's perspective on the joys of fly fishing, renewed awareness of of mother nature and time with friends and family tied together with fishing tips and tricks.

#### SHARED GOVERNANCE IN HIGHER EDUCATION DR. CLIFF L. WOOD (TEXAS A&M COMMERCE, 1962)

President emeritus of Rockland Community College in Suffern, N.Y., authored the chapter "Shared Governance: Valuing Each Other and Achieving More Together," in this publication by The State University of New York Press.

#### OUTSIDE WITH ELEPHANTS Martin Angus, Jr. (Stevens Institute of Technology, 2016)

A story of friendship from a small town in New Jersey to the faraway corners of New York City, three young men and their ambitions take shape as they battle insecurity and struggle to find their voices.

# MICHAEL "MICKEY" MILLSAP REMEMBERING A BROTHER AND SON

As a type 1 diabetic, Michael Ronald "Mickey" Millsap (Oregon State University, 2021) had a special relationship with Delta Tau Delta's national philanthropic partner, JDRF. Initiated in March of 2019, Mickey served the chapter as director of marketing and as director of community service.

With firsthand knowledge of the challenges of type 1 diabetes, Mickey and his chapter brothers were enthusiastic supporters of the local JDRF One Walk in Corvallis in 2019 and in 2020. Brother Mickey was entering his fourth year of college pursuing a double degree in education and history when he entered the Chapter Eternal in August 2020 due to complications with diabetes. "Mickey was very proud to be a Delt and his brothers were his extended family," said Mickey's father Jim Millsap.

He also described Mickey as a headstrong independent thinker with a quick wit who made new friends quickly and cherished his old friends from his hometown of Encinitas, Calif. Mickey was an Eagle Scout who enjoyed computer gaming, skateboarding across campus, camping, hiking trips and experiencing new places in Oregon with his fraternity brothers.

"Mickey and I shared a lot of things; a high school, a boy scout troop, a university, a fraternity and were even roommates this last year. I will always celebrate the fact that Mickey has been a loyal and constant friend," said



Mickey Millsap, right, with his big brother Andrew Lovre (Oregon State, 2021).

Spencer Dalton (Oregon State University, 2020).

In late August, several chapter brothers celebrated Mickey's life on a camping trip to Yellowstone National Park that Mickey had helped plan.

As a memorial tribute and celebration of Mickey's life,

the Millsap family and Delta Lambda Chapter will gather to support the JDRF OneWalk at Crystal Lake Sports Park in Corvallis, Ore. on Mother's Day weekend.  $\Lambda$ 

LEARN MORE ABOUT THE MEMORIAL TRIBUTE AT DELTS.CO/MICKEY.

## MOREHEAD DELTS SERVE COMMUNITY DURING COVID-19 PANDEMIC

Though the fall 2020 semester at Morehead State University in Morehead, Ky., was different due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the members of Zeta Zeta Chapter still found a way to give back.

The chapter encouraged every member to raise \$25 in donations for JDRF throughout September and October. At the conclusion of their philanthropy focus, the chapter had raised \$2,550.

"The brothers of Delta Tau Delta see the need to constantly give back," said Connor Tilford (2021), a senior business management major and the chapter's director of communications. "Our annual efforts to give back through philanthropy cannot be stopped even in a pandemic."  $\Delta$ 



Members of the Zeta Zeta Chapter support JDRF in the fight against type 1 diabetes (T1D). JDRF helps fund research, advocates for policies that accelerate access to new therapies and provides a support network for millions of people around the world impacted by T1D. Photo courtesy of Morehead State University.

# SOUTH CAROLINA EXCEEDS FUNDRAISING GOAL

After Theta Eta raised \$6,571 for the JDRF OneWalk in three weeks as a colony in the fall of 2019, members kicked off the fall 2020 semester with an ambitious goal; Raise \$10,000 by Nov. 1. By mid-October, the men exceeded their goal and raised it to \$13,142—double the funds raised in 2019. They even exceeded the new goal.

Undaunted by the pandemic, Philanthropy Chairman Jared Lipton (2023) focused on one virtual or extremely limited in-person event each week. These "philanthropy Friday" activities ranged from bingo cards on Instagram stories, to brothers pledging activities for donations. One event, "Pelt a Delt," included a small group gathered to livestream an opportunity for viewers to donate funds to see brothers pelted with a water balloon or whipped cream pie.

"We like to get creative while we fundraise," said Lipton, who started planning the previous fall but worked on most plans over the summer.

The chapter did not let the pandemic get in the way of the call to service. "The frustrations of the pandemic and cancelled philanthropy programming spurred committee's ideas for the semester," Lipton said. "The entire philanthropy Friday campaign was designed to be a hybrid of virtual and physical interactions, keeping us in a position where we can effectively work for JDRF and keep brothers and our communities engaged with philanthropy in the safest way possible."

Lipton appreciated the collaborative relationship with



Theta Eta Delts outside their Pelt A Delt tent. The University of South Carolina chapter raised \$597 with their Pelt A Delt event, pushing them past their goal of \$10,000 for the semester.

Kevin Simmons, executive director of the former Palmetto Chapter and the current Georgia South Carolina Chapter of JDRF. Simmons' insight and advice for programming allowed brothers to support JDRF's mission locally.

"We were thrilled to have Delta Tau Delta involved with our Columbia One Walk in 2019. Not only were they our top fundraising school team, they provided incredible volunteer support showing up at our walk venue at 6 a.m. on Saturday morning to help get everything ready for our 1,500 attendees-and they stayed until the last item was removed from the stadium at the end of the day," Simmons said. "They have not let the challenges of COVID stymie their efforts or the fact that we are not all gathering together for the event this year."

All of the chapter's programming features some sort of educational component

#### related T1D.

"Beyond merely our programming and fundraising efforts, we personally and wholeheartedly believe in the mission of JDRF," said Lipton, who is acutely aware of Tyler Fournier (2022) living with T1D. "Every day we are reminded of the burden of the disease. We are constantly driven to support of JDRF as they work to support, advocate for and research T1D. As Delts, we believe that "strengthening community is essential to our vitality." As a chapter, we firmly believe that in working for the support of T1D individuals and families within our communities we truly begin uplifting our community and environment to a better place, with Delta Tau Delta and Theta Eta Chapter being known as a forefront for good in our community."

Chapter President Andrew Krawczyk (2022) praised the work of Lipton and his committee and found motivation in his passion. "Seeing our brotherhood's dedication and enthusiasm to helping turn type 1 into type none is equally as motivating. It is fantastic to see that we can accomplish any goal we put our minds to," Krawczyk said. "We hope that by educating our men on type 1 diabetes, its effects and how donations to JDRF will benefit the lives of those with T1D, each brother will walk away with a greater understanding of our philanthropy. With a greater understanding and committed mindset, we encourage our brothers to then share this same information with potential donors to show how their generosity will fund scientific breakthroughs. In return, we see our donors and potential donors become more active in our campaigns and virtual events by attending, donating more and inviting friends to do the same." 🛆

# FIRST RECIPIENT OF THE OUTSTANDING KERSHNER SCHOLAR AWARD

The Delta Tau Delta Educational Foundation is pleased to announce Cameron Faudere (Morehead State University, 2020) as the recipient of the 2019-2020 Outstanding Kershner Scholar Award. "His commitment to academic excellence is commendable; and worthy of this distinction," commented Foundation Vice President of Advancement Tony E. Vukusich.

Faudere graduated summa cum laude with a Bachelor of Arts in strategic communication. He maintained a 4.0 grade point average throughout his undergraduate career and took graduate level courses in his senior year. Fauder served Zeta Zeta Chapter as the vice president, director of member development, FAAR chairman, philanthropy chairman, social media chairman, T-shirt chairman and the president of his new member.

Outside the classroom and the Fraternity, Faudere was highly involved with campus life at MSU. He served as the marketing and educational coordinator for the Campus Activities Board (CAB), as well as a senator for the Student Government Association (SGA). In addition to CAB and SGA, Faudere was a member of the Student Alumni Ambassadors, Order of Omega and Lambda Pi Eta—the National Communication Association's honor society. He was also crowned the 2018 MSU Homecoming King.

As the first recipient of the Outstanding Kershner Scholar Award, Faudere will use this scholarship to continue taking graduate courses as he works toward a master's degree in communication while also entering the workforce.



In 2019, the Foundation re-imagined the Kershner Scholar program to continue the tradition of recognizing young Delts who have a strong commitment to academic excellence and lifelong learning. The Kershner Scholar program was created in the 1970s to encourage consistent academic achievement and improvement. It is named after Fred Kershner (Butler University, 1937), a past international president of Delta Tau Delta and the longest-serving director of academic affairs in the Fraternity's history.

Undergraduate Delts with a cumulative grade point average of 3.5 or higher on

a 4.0 scale are recognized as Kershner Scholars. Additionally, individuals meeting this criterion are invited to apply for the Outstanding Kershner Scholar Award, a merit-based academic scholarship in the amount of \$2,500.

In January individuals who have achieved the Kershner Scholar designation in the previous academic year will receive applications for the scholarship. A desirable candidate will demonstrate superior academic achievement, a dedication to helping others in the academic setting and commitment to a life of excellence.  $\Delta$ 

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For more information on how to get involved with the Delt Day of Giving, contact Tony Vukusich, vice president of advancement at tony.vukusich@delts.org.

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#### ALPHA

Allegheny College

William M. Boreman, 1943 John O. Woods, Jr., 1949 Grant E. Alpaugh, 1953 M. Richard Segina, 1959 William V. Hrach, Jr., 1960

#### BETA

Ohio University Clare H. Grosenbaugh, 1949 Dick Hay, 1964 Robert W. Stewart, 1971 Jason Robert Peters, 2004

#### GAMMA

Washington & Jefferson College John C. Inglis, Jr., 1953 Howard S. Gittins, 1956 Charles E. Lutton, 1957 William E. Novogradac, 1957 Robert G. Shepard, 1957 William I. Sahw, 1958 James W. Bibb, Jr., 1959 James M. Giambroni, 1959 Walter J. Terpin, 1959 John M. Allardice, 1962 John J. Douglass, 1962 Robert D. Kabo, 1962 Robert D. Kabo, 1965 Gerard M. Kendzior, 1966

#### DELTA

University of Michigan Donald H. Duff, 1957 Robert G. Willoughby, 1958 Seberon Litzenburger, 1959 Lauren R. Schott, 1959

#### **EPSILON**

Albion College Victor Nester, 1943 Clark G. Gleason, 1953 Leopold P. Borrello, 1955 Robert R. Kinde, 1959

#### ZETA

**Case Western Reserve University** Marling Abel, 1949

#### **THETA** Bethany College Jakob Ross Hassig, 2003

IOTA

Michigan State University Donald H. Saunders, 1948 Walter W. Johnson, 1949 Jerry K. Myers, 1962 Donald Lewis Ross, 1965 Paul M. Bentley, 1968 Douglas E. Mc Intosh, 1984

#### **KAPPA**

Hillsdale College Jack W. Landon, 1958 Howard E. Mudd, Jr., 1963 John E. Martin, 1964

#### MU

**Ohio Wesleyan University** Richard R. Surbrook, 1953 Geoffrey T. Keating, 1962

#### NU

Lafayette College James A. Dye, 1950 Martin E. Carroll, III, 1953 Sanford D. Hickok, 1973

#### **OMICRON**

**University of Iowa** John A. Pagin, 1949 Kenneth Lane, Jr., 1950

#### RHO

**Stevens Institute of Technology** Paul R. Duhamel, 1988 Todd Micheal Sheridan, 2010

TAU Pennsylvania State University Thomas Powell, 1988

UPSILON Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute David A. Bullock, 1969

CHI Kenyon College William S. Walch, 1956

**OMEGA University of Pennsylvania** John P. Reading, Jr., 1950 Alfred J. Bacon, Sr., 1969 BETA BETA DePauw University William J. Runninger, 1945 Jay U. Sterling, 1956 Dale A. Wood, 1965 Bruce R. Lowstuter, 1972

BETA GAMMA University of Wisconsin-Madison Frayden V. Amundson, 1947 Rawson S. Price, 1957

BETA DELTA University of Georgia Sharon R. Denney, 1960 Lindsey W. Trussell, Jr., 1967

BETA EPSILON Emory University Albert L. Vincent, 1966

BETA ZETA Butler University Louis F. Luzar, 1971

#### BETA ETA

University of Minnesota Robert A. Van Nest, II, 1943 Norman E. Groth, 1948 John W. Higgins, 1949 James R. Rognas, 1950 Peter A. Royse, 1960

BETA THETA Sewanee: The University of The South C. Richard Alfred, 1951 Wyatt Aiken, 1982

Frank M. Lockwood, 1990

**BETA IOTA** University of Virginia

Allen M. Griffin, 1978 Jeffrey Tinsley, 1993

#### BETA KAPPA

University of Colorado-Boulder Robert K. Hudson, 1946 John R. Moberly, 1951 William F. Allnutt, 1952 Gene C. Fishburn, 1956 Byron V. Nowels, 1959 Thomas L. Anderson, 1966 Terry K. Palmatory, 1967 BETA LAMBDA Lehigh University James F. O'Connell, 1955

BETA MU Tufts University

George W. Ryan, 1957 Lance L. Stewart, 1965 James P. Scialabba, 1967

#### **BETA NU**

Massachusetts Institute of Technology William B. Gist, Jr., 1947

BETA OMICRON Cornell University G. Edward Fielder, 1969

BETA PI Northwestern University Alan W. Grantham, 1949 L. Edward Bryant, Jr., 1963

David W. Stepelton, 1970
BETA RHO

**Stanford University** Richard M. Weismann, 1953

#### **BETA TAU**

University of Nebraska-Lincoln Charles R. Decker, 1955 John J. Carlson, 1957 William L. Lindgren, 1960 Fredrick M. Kuncl, 1964 Courtney Campbell, III, 1977 William R. Nagaki, 1980 Luke Richard Weiland, 2022

#### **BETA UPSILON**

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

Donald G. Hallahan, 1952 William R. Borchelt, 1957 Martin L. Maguet, 1958 Robert Halliday, 1961 Keith Leeders, 1965 David C. Berglund, 1971

#### **BETA PHI**

**The Ohio State University** William W. Fallon, 1952 Ronald E. Essary, 1966 James J. Tankersley, 1969

#### BETA PSI

Wabash College Wayne B. Cox, II, 1944 Ronald C. Callen, 1954 James Dimos, 1983 Benny Liang, 2020

#### **BETA CHI**

**Brown University** Arthur D. Foster, 1950 H. Bradford Benson, 1952 Clinton G. Clough, Jr., 1953

#### **BETA OMEGA**

**University of California-Berkeley** David Walter Feinstein, 1994

#### **GAMMA BETA**

Illinois Institute of Technology Lawrence W. Johnson, 1946 David J. Anderson, 1959 George S. Bovis, 1962

#### **GAMMA DELTA**

West Virginia University Robert H. Stamm, 1949 Melvin C. Souder, 1957 Stephen H. Limbers, 1961 Edward W. Meadows, 1971

**GAMMA ZETA** Wesleyan University Fred A. Irwin, 1951

#### **GAMMA ETA**

The George Washington University Richard Lee Potterton, Sr., 1960

#### GAMMA THETA

**Baker University** Philip B. Hartley, 1947 James H. Hendricks, 1952 Kenneth D. Head, 1953 Dennis G. Delay, 1963

#### **GAMMA IOTA**

University of Texas at Austin Frederick S. Abney, 1942 Elliott L. McCurdy, 1942 John Edward Evans, Jr., 1945 J. Foy McMaster, Jr., 1949 Meredith J. Long, 1950 Harold R. De Moss, Jr., 1955 Chase Andrew Clarey, 2011

GAMMA KAPPA University of Missouri

Julius R. Kemmling, Jr., 1968

#### GAMMA LAMBDA Purdue University

William A. Mitchell, 1946 Dale A. Cue, 1947 Paul B. Caton, Jr., 1953 Donald W. Stitz, 1958 **GAMMA MU** University of Washington Kenneth J. Erickson, 1955

GAMMA NU University of Maine-Orono Mark A. Hedtler, 1986

#### **GAMMA XI**

University of Cincinnati William J. Gerhardt, 1950 Robert W. Ent, 1955 Richard A. White, 1959 Richard K. Powers, 1962 David L. Argabright, 1965

#### **GAMMA OMICRON**

Syracuse University Costa N. Tesnakis, 1949 Alvin W. Saile, 1950 John W. Campbell, 1953 James R. Markley, 1957 Harold A. Reeks, 1957 Michael I. Berger, 1980

GAMMA PI Iowa State University Robert N. Knox, 1942 John D. Selby, 1946 James H. Walker, 1953 James P. Sweeney, 1982

GAMMA RHO University of Oregon Michael C. Haines, 1968

#### GAMMA SIGMA University of Pittsburgh M. David Burns, 1954 Luke J. Kluchko, 1985

GAMMA TAU

University of Kansas Murray Rex Arrowsmith, 1948 G. Edward Hutton, Jr., 1949 Robert K. Scovel, 1952 Mark E. Bennett, 1976

#### GAMMA UPSILON

Miami University Frank W. Sherwood, 1950 James A. Stebick, 1952 Thomas G. Thornbury, 1953 Frederick J. Tillman, 1956 Stewart Williams, 1957 Michael L. O'Rourke, 1971

#### GAMMA CHI

Kansas State University Robert R. Jones, 1946 Kenneth S. Morrison, 1950 Henry C. Fager, Jr., 1951 Wendell B. Parks, II, 1953 Dean E. Robson, 1954

#### GAMMA PSI

Georgia Institute of Technology Edmund A. Waller, 1953 William P. Killian, 1957 James R. Dubose, III, 1961 William C. Rogers, 1961 George L. Fricks, 1977

#### DELTA BETA

**Carnegie Mellon University** Jerry J. Styrsky, 1964 Kevin M. Kihara, 1990

#### DELTA GAMMA

University of South Dakota Curt Y. Hopkins, 1951 Charles M. Allen, Jr., 1957 Richard G. Zeigler, 1964

#### DELTA DELTA

University of Tennessee-Knoxville Robert D. Arrants , 1947 John B. Bethea, Jr., 1950 Donald K. Ludwig, 1950 Robert Rose, 1952 Dennis L. Stohler, 1968 Daniel Harrison Pickle, 2018

#### DELTA EPSILON

University of Kentucky Ralph D. Tatum, 1950 Nelson F. G. Whipple, 1953 George Park, 1956 Carl W. Albright, 1964

#### **DELTA ZETA**

University of Florida Charles R. Earnest, Sr., 1948 Joseph E. Capo, 1950 Dennis S Hudson, Jr., 1950 Jerry B. Crockett, 1952 Larry C. Linder, 1956 Jack Turvaville, 1956 Barry D. Graves, 1964 Raymond Nelson, 1965 Steve Collins, 1970 Joseph S. Savary, II, 1977

#### DELTA ETA

**University of Alabama** Olin Chester Friant, Jr., 1951 John Harper, 1964 Winston F. Groom, Jr., 1965

#### DELTA THETA

University of Toronto David N. Pigott, 1972

#### **DELTA IOTA** University of California-Los Angeles

Fred G. Smith, 1951 Jack R. Taylor, 1952 Walter Gayner, 1953 Jon Michael Hibler, Sr., 1954 Robert E. Stickney, 1956 Lewis H. Ankeny, Jr., 1958

#### **DELTA KAPPA**

**Duke University** Michael A. Tucker, 1985

#### DELTA LAMBDA

**Oregon State University** Chester M. Warnock, 1959 Randolph G. Rothman, 1965 Michael Ronald Millsap, 2021

#### **DELTA MU** University of Idaho\*

Lorenzo L. Evans, 1939 Devereux G. Hoyt, 1939 Cedric E. Sanders, 1939 Bill M. Hedges, 1940 Ross L. Rowe, 1940 Ned A. Smith, 1940 Fredrik W. Swank, 1940 Stanley E. Varner, 1942 Lionel L. Wallace, 1943 Dwight E. Hill, 1944 James D. Rossman, 1944 Spencer R. Shortridge, 1944 Paul E. Laughlin, 1945 Frank W. Murphy, 1945 Walter L. Jain, 1946 Ross A. Moser. 1947 John Pearring, 1947 Edgar A. Tegarden, 1947 Robert D. Gardner, 1948 Richard L. Martin. 1948 Andrew G. Nielsen, 1948 William L. Andrews, 1949 William R. Dell, 1949 Robert E. Gillette, 1949 Harold M. Paulsen, 1949 Robert T. Webb, 1949 Truman J. Blei, 1950 Glenn C. Cushman, 1950 Harvey E. Gardner, 1950 Harold J. Heidemann, 1950 Robert J. Metzger, 1950 Richard E. Johnson, 1951 Robert R. Peterman, 1951 Jack D. Peterson, 1951 Ivan L. Stone, 1951 Frederick W. Van Engelen, 1951 Thomas J. Green, 1952 Eugene Toone, 1954 Barry P. Rust, 1955 George B. Rappleye, 1957 Michael J. Morgan, 1961 Roger A. Lyons, 1972 Joe Aaron Pitzler, 2014

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#### **DELTA NU**

Lawrence University Charles D. Sprich, 1954

#### DELTA XI

University of North Dakota James O. Johnson, 1959 Ronald C. Johnson, 1960 Robert J. Ceronsky, 1980

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Westminster College Harold L. Ogden, 1940 W. Stewart Kenney, 1952 Sheldon M. Crossette, 1955 Jerry T. Parker, 1956 Alan C. Brueggemann, 1959

#### **DELTA PI** University of Southern

California Stephen Carl Miller, Jr., 1942 William O. Parker, 1949 Franklyn G. Kostlan, 1956 Ernest J. Horacek, Jr., 1961

#### **DELTA TAU**

**Bowling Green State University** Richard E. Brown, 1955 Donald D. Dunham, 1956 Joseph F. Kucklick, 1961 Richard A. Smith, 1969 Timothy B. Horne, 1971 Hunter M. Pachell, 2016

#### **DELTA UPSILON**

University of Delaware Edmund O. Howell, 1958 L. Philip Reiss, 1958

#### **DELTA PHI**

Florida State University Joel W. Carter, 1954 W. Emory Morris, 1966

DELTA CHI **Oklahoma State University** Dan Hurley, 1955 Harold E. Riley, Jr., 1965 Daniel Wujack, 1969 Kirk J. Hungerford, 1979 Eric Martin, 2010

#### **DELTA OMEGA** Kent State University Frank R. Ballo, 1952

**EPSILON BETA** 

Texas Christian University Marvin C. Overton, III, 1957 Todd H. Overton, 1959 Clyde Edward Wills, 1964 Scott L. Self, 1972 S. Craig Harvey, 1975 T. Hughes, III, 1977

#### **EPSILON DELTA**

Texas Tech University Charles L. Waldrum, 1966 Jeff D. Modisette, 1989

#### **EPSILON EPSILON**

University of Arizona John S. Knudsen, 1969 Steven M. Weller, 1983

#### **EPSILON ZETA**

Sam Houston State University Louis M. Ferrell, 1963 James A. Glover, 1964 James Mallery, 1966 Jerry Stricklin, 1966 Jeffrey E. Shoop, 1982

**EPSILON ETA** Texas A&M University-Commerce Jay E. Bauman, 1965 Jack W. Brady, 1968 William Ballew, 1986

#### EPSILON MU

**Ball State University** Dan W. Guio, 1968 Clifford E. Cochran, Jr., 1969 Joel W. Bartenbach, 1970 Nestor M. Gasset, 1978 Michael J. Taite, 1982

**EPSILON PI** University of South Florida Paul W. Griscti, 1972 Thomas D. Caley, 1983

EPSILON PSI University of Louisiana-Lafayette John Coles, 1975 Stuart M. Smith, 1979

#### **EPSILON OMEGA** Georgia Southern University

Stanly W. Cochran, 1976

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#### ZETA ETA Minnesota State University-Mankato Marlowe F. C. Anderson, 1971

**ZETA SIGMA** Texas A&M University Jason Thomas Guilbeau, 2004

#### **ZETA TAU** University of North Carolina-Wilmington Kevin T. Colaner, 1989

**ZETA PSI** Stephen F. Austin State University Jose E. Seminario, 1991

THETA DELTA **Baylor University** Robert D. Shofner, 1990

#### IOTA MU Quinnipiac University Ryan Gunther, 2015

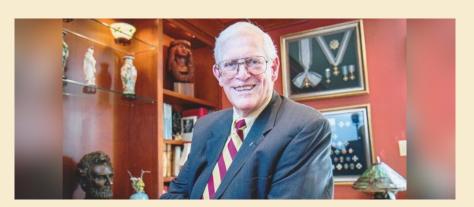
#### CORRECTION

William Gervers (University of Cincinnati, 1960) is alive and well. We apologize for the error of his name appearing in the Chapter Eternal in the Summer 2020 issue of The Rainbow.

#### **ED BRYANT**

Leo "Ed" Edward Bryant, Jr. (Northwestern University, 1963) died unexpectedly on Sept. 20, 2020. Born in Olney, Ill., he grew up in Decatur, Ill., and entered Northwestern University in 1959, following his wife, Kay. Bryant held the presidential seat of the Associated Student Government at Northwestern University in the early 1960s—a role not held by another Delt until 50 years later with the election of Ani Ajith (Northwestern University, 2014).

Bryant earned a journalism degree, then graduated from Northwestern University School of Law in 1967. As a partner with Gardner Carton & Douglas, he founded the firm's Health Law Department in 1979 and represented healthcare providers and professionals. He published and spoke widely in the health industry and to the health law bar. He was on the faculty for seven years at both the Kellogg Graduate School of Management of Northwestern as well as Loyola University of Chicago School of Law, where he was the namesake of the L. Edward Bryant, Jr. National Health Law



Transactional Competition. He served as the founding president of the Northwestern Young Alumni Council and was a director of the NU Students Publishing Company.

Bryant served as Beta Pi's chapter advisor and house corporation president from 1963 to 1980, then rejoined the house corporation board after 2000. He received the Fraternity's Alumni Achievement Award and was cited to the Distinguished Service Chapter in 2010. Since 1993, the Bryant

Leadership Award, is presented in his honor to an undergraduate student who exemplifies leadership within the Beta Pi Chapter at Northwestern University.

Bryant is recognized for his generosity to the Delta Tau Delta Educational Foundation with membership in the Bethany and Heritage Societies.

He was preceded in death by his wife. Survivors include three daughters, two grandchildren and three brothers.

**ZETA BETA** Lagrange College Christopher Lee Landrum, 1995



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