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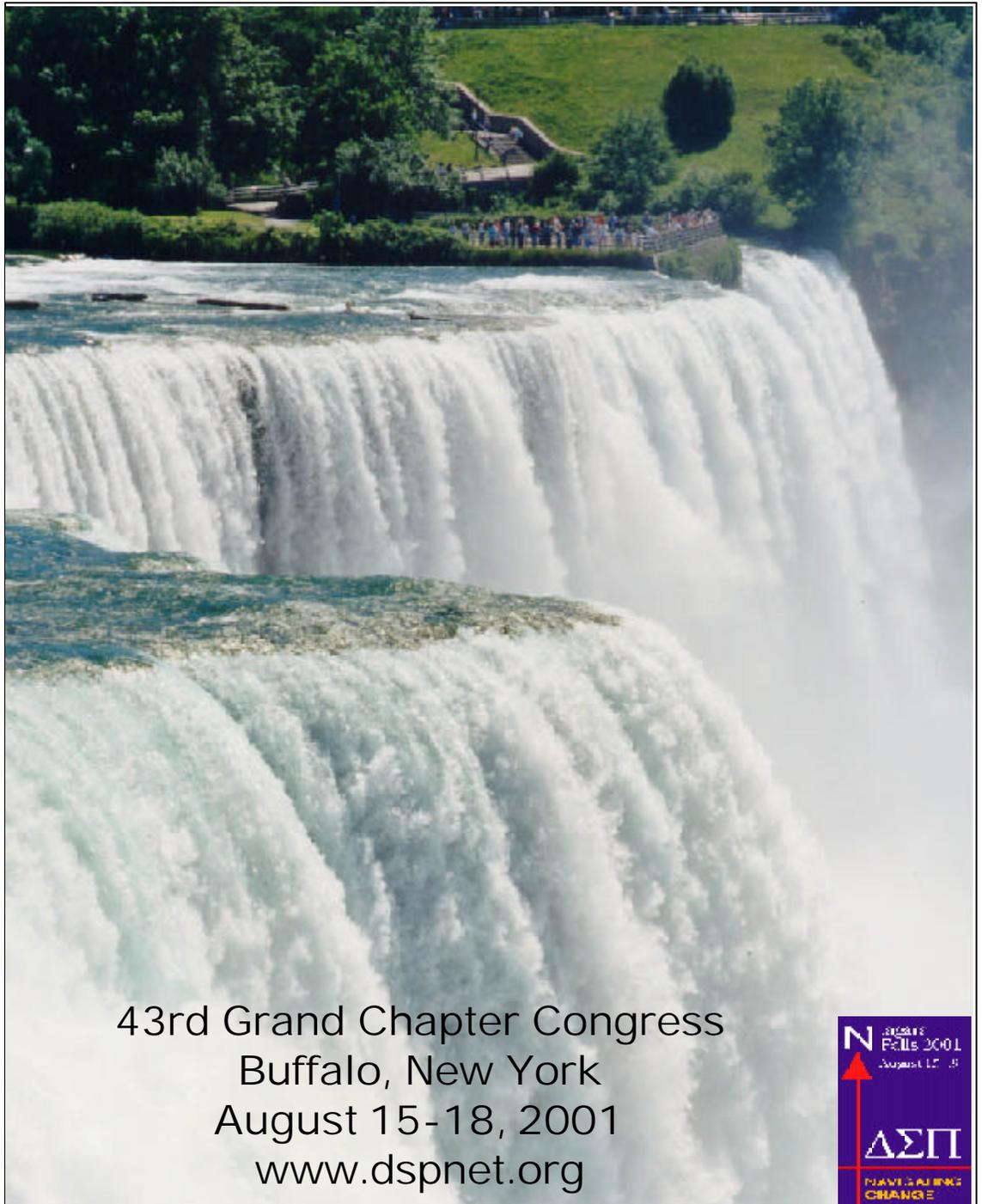


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# Focus ON THE FRATERNITY - EDITORIAL

## Risk Management Isn't Just for Breakfast

by B. Todd Whisenant, *Alabama*

As Deltasigs, we know the Fraternity's Risk Management Policy (RMP). The better question is: Do we really understand it and know how it affects us?



B. Todd Whisenant, Golden Council Member

Once we learn about RMP, we tend to treat it like it's breakfast; we eat our Wheaties and forget about it.

In August 2000, a study was released regarding hazing in America. Ironically, the study dealt with hazing in high schools, not colleges. In central Florida, where I live, the study was publicized on television and radio for almost two weeks, and sparked other stories about the more well-known college hazing.

Realizing these "angles" are to entice viewers, you may not give the stories a second thought. However, these stories only fuel a fire, bashing college fraternities

instead of dealing with the issue or even the facts. The views expressed were not tolerant, but biased. This is alarming to me, as it should be all Greeks, because it could spell the beginning of the end for fraternities and sororities on college campuses nationwide. Perhaps it already has.

The same stories were presented on other TV and radio stations around the country. While broadcasting negative news increases viewership, at the same time it fuels public opinion, which in turn determines university policies and has legal ramifications.

One of the local news stories interviewed a member of the Board of Regents. The board member commented that the state nor the board would tolerate any violations, and that those organizations that allow such activities should be removed from the campus. Note the words,

"any violation." If that notion is carried through, *any* violation of campus policies, not just hazing, could be the demise of a local chapter. Furthermore, any attorney would have no trouble receiving a judgment in his favor when public opinion sees fraternities in such a negative light.

However, with all of this negative publicity, Delta Sigma Pi has done an outstanding job in not only curbing risk management issues, but also working to put our Fraternity in a positive light. Its RMP, Alcohol 101, and other local, regional, and national presentations keep our organization above the muck that members of other fraternal organizations create. But this is only half the battle. The other half depends on our chapters and our membership to carry through and adhere to RMP. Because of this total effort, the Fraternity has enjoyed being a role model for other professional fraternities as well as some general fraternities. A direct benefit has been the lack of legal charges against our organization.

As a Greek letter organization, however, the saying that "one bad apple spoils the whole barrel" is unfortunately true. The public doesn't understand the difference between social and professional fraternities. They hear the word "fraternity" and come to their negative conclusion. It is important that chapters continue to be aware of this topic, its implications, and its effect on society's opinions.

I am not suggesting that we are free of fault. We must work at this every day. Simply put, be the best and take the lead—inspire others to follow you. It's not easy. But if the public opinion fire is to be doused, then it will depend on

each of us to do so. Remember a chain is only as strong as its weakest link. Be the example that everyone, inside and outside of the Fraternity, looks up to.

It's no longer hazing or alcohol that puts Greek organizations in a negative light. It's all aspects of RMP. On September 8, 2000, a story aired on CNN regarding the Alpha Gamma Delta Sorority at the University of Georgia discriminating against potential members. While the local chapter and national organization rebutted the allegation, the damage is done, and the negative view of fraternities and sororities comes to the forefront again.

It is important that we never lose focus on what we are about, being business professionals. We are a cut above the rest. Stories like the ones mentioned serve not only to remind us of what we should not do, but also why we are the best. Always remind your chapter to be the best, to be a leader—not just in the Fraternity, but on your campus and in your community. Be the leader and set the example! ▲

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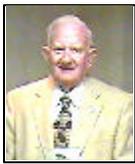
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Delta Sigma Pi's first Grand Chapter Congress of the new millennium is held in a city which is stepping up to the 21<sup>st</sup> century in style: Buffalo, New York. You can be a part of the excitement August 15-19, 2001, by joining your brothers for the 43<sup>rd</sup> Grand Chapter Congress!

## Calendar of Events

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<b>FEBRUARY 9-12, 2001</b> Executive Committee and Foundation Trustee Meetings, Oxford	<b>JULY 19-24, 2001</b> LeaderShape Academy
<b>FEBRUARY 17, 2001</b> Northern Provincial Council Meeting, Cleveland	<b>AUGUST 9, 2001</b> DELTASIG Magazine Fall Issue Copy Due
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<b>APRIL 25, 2001</b> National Alumni Day	<b>NOVEMBER 7, 2001</b> Founders' Day
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## 2000 Lifetime Achievement Award

# Jim Thomson – Deltasig's Early Architect

by Wendy Eilers, *Eastern Illinois*

Brother James D. Thomson was honored as the 2000 Lifetime Achievement Award recipient at a luncheon in Tampa on September 16, 2000. Nearly 50 brothers, both collegiate and alumni, were in attendance.

### Jim's Many Achievements Greatly Enhanced Delta Sigma Pi

Past Grand President Randy Hultz, as Master of Ceremonies, reviewed Jim's record of service. He referred to his leadership on the Oxford City Council, and his 10 years as a Trustee on the McCullough/Hyde Hospital Board. He also mentioned Jim's being a member of the Oxford City Planning Commission and the Board of Appeals. Added to this was a number of terms on the Lions Club and the Oxford Country Club Board.

Brother Thomson served as Secretary/Treasurer of the

Professional Interfraternity Conference (now the Professional Fraternity Association) for many years and represented all professional fraternities on the Interfraternity Research and Advisory Council, the supreme organization in the fraternity world at the time. Eventually he was the Treasurer of this organization for a number of years.

While at Northwestern University Jim won the Delta Sigma Pi Scholarship Key, and the Psi Gamma Rho Prize granted to a junior. The Commerce Club award to the Outstanding Senior was given to Jim. He was also made a Life Member of the Commerce Club. For 17 years he represented Delta Sigma Pi at meetings of the American Association of Collegiate Schools of Business. For a number of years he served on the Council for Professional Education for Business and was the only non-dean member.

Brother Thomson was also President of the Northwestern University Commerce Club and



Jim Thomson, supported by his wife Lillian, lead the rebuilding of Delta Sigma Pi after World War II – as well as the design and construction of the Central Office building still in use today.

the Chicago Campus Association, which had members from all Schools of Northwestern in Chicago.

### The Central Office Building Becomes a Reality

Robert G. Busse, who served as Grand President during the period the Central Office was created, saluted Brother Thomson at the luncheon with these remarks:

"It all began when "Gig" Wright announced, at the inception of my term as Grand President in Denver 1953, that he would like to retire at the next Grand Chapter Congress. This led to the development of the magnificent Central Office building in Oxford, Ohio. Jim was the key person in all

phases of the project from site criteria, selection of property and actual construction of the facility, including engagement of architects and contractors. He did this while still running the Fraternity from Chicago."

"So what is the heritage he has given us? A beautiful Williamsburg style building that originally cost only \$72,000 on a lot in Oxford that was \$7,000. The mortgage was retired in 1980. The dedication to "Gig" was held on May 18, 1957 with Grand President Harry Feltham officiating."

"Delta Sigma Pi has been blessed with a number of truly outstanding leaders. We honor one today, who has left an indelible mark both in our lifetime and for the future. We salute you, Jim, and add to that our appreciation to Lillian for

the encouragement she has given you."

### Jim Was Destined To Be A Deltasig

Jim was raised in Chicago along with his brother, Donald, who is also a Deltasig. In his own words:

"My father worked for the Wesson Oil Company that had offices and a plant on the south side of Chicago. To break up the long [trolley] ride he bought a morning paper, *The Chicago Tribune*, and another one when he returned at night, *The Daily News*. The Tribune had comic strips, then called the "funnies," that were like gold to a five-year-old.

"Believe it or not, my dad usually threw away the morning paper and bought the evening paper, which had dumb comics, for reading on his ride home. Dorothy Lewis, my father's secretary, came up with a plan that endeared her to me for life. Each day she would cut the comics from the paper and place them in my father's coat pocket for me to find when he came home."

As time went on and Jim entered his senior year of high school, his father became very ill. Shortly before his father's death, Jim remembers him pointing out the window of the Northwestern University Passavant hospital toward the school, saying, "That is where you are going someday."

After a few months, Jim received a call from the Division Manager of Wesson Oil offering him a job there, which Jim took with very little hesitation. There he was



Jim Thomson, shown here in the original Chicago Central Office, served as Delta Sigma Pi's Executive Director from 1955 to 1964. He joined the staff in 1946 as Assistant Grand Secretary Treasurer.

reacquainted with his pal Dorothy, who watched over him like a mother hen.

During one of their frequent chats Dorothy encouraged Jim to join her at Northwestern University in Chicago, where she was taking night courses. Jim did so and in so doing he fulfilled one of his father's last wishes. (Destiny again?)

Later that semester in 1940 Jim received an invitation to attend a professional night of Beta Chapter of Delta Sigma Pi. He had little interest in a fraternity, but the air turned blue and Dorothy bristled when she was told of this. She promptly informed him of her efforts to obtain this invitation for him and he just better attend. She also had arranged for a warm reception which resulted in Jim's pledging Delta Sigma Pi. (More destiny.)

About two weeks later, Jim ran into some of his buddies from high school, and he was surprised to find that they were all members of Alpha Kappa Psi. They did their best to entice Jim to switch to A.K.Psi, but he held steadfast to the pledge he made to Delta Sigma Pi.

A few years went by and his activities in Beta Chapter accelerated – he became president. The war was over and the chapter was curious about the future of the Fraternity. To answer this question Jim invited 'Gig' Wright from the Central Office to come and speak to Beta Chapter. In his remarks he mentioned his desire to retire as Grand Secretary-Treasurer in a couple of years.

Jim gave little thought to

this position until he received a letter from Mike Mitchell, president of the Beta Chapter House Corporation and one of the key alumni. He informed Jim that a large number of the alumni were behind him and hoped that he would apply for this job.

About that time Beta Sigma Chapter at St. Louis University was to be installed. This was a local fraternity with many years of existence and several hundred members, both students and alumni. "Gig" asked Jim to put together a ritual team from Beta Chapter to initiate the several hundred that were in attendance. It was no easy task, but all worked well impressing "Gig." This was one thing, plus the backing of the alumni, that moved "Gig" to accept Jim as Assistant Grand Secretary-Treasurer. (Destiny again?)

The next 19 years were spent rebuilding the Fraternity from a war time low of 11 chapters to a total of 125 and the creation of the Central Office building with a new staff and routines. After that, to Jim, there did not appear to be any new big goals forthcoming. He was now referred to as "Mr. Thomson" and was no longer Jim to the undergraduates. So it was time to move on.

He accepted a position as Executive Director of the Budget Executives Institute, but really never left Delta Sigma Pi. Jim says "I merely moved upstairs in the business world where most of the Deltasigs are today." During Jim's tenure with BEI four of his presidents were Deltasigs.

Over the past few years Brother Thomson has contin-



Among the 50 brothers on hand to congratulate Brother Thomson were (from left) Past Grand President Randy Hultz, Past Executive Director Charles L. Farrar, 1999 Lifetime Achievement Award recipient John Cookson, Thomson and Past Grand President Bob Busse, who received the 1996 Lifetime Achievement Award.

ued to give back to the Fraternity as a guest author of magazine articles about the Central Office and his mentor "Gig" Wright.

In addition to Past Grand Presidents Randy Hultz and Bob Busse, those attending the ceremonies included: John Cookson, 1999 Lifetime Achievement Award recipient; Southern Provincial Vice President Beth Keith; Regional Directors Shawn Gregory and Mitch Simmons; past Executive Director Charles Farrar;

and former members of the Central Office staff Dean and Heather Ferguson.

Also present were collegiate members from many of the chapters in Florida, who were attending an area leadership conference that followed the luncheon.

Jim Thomson is one of the few brothers who can say he has witnessed many extraordinary events in the Fraternity. He has a remarkable story of how he crossed paths with

Delta Sigma Pi, and how he continues to rely on Deltasig for social, professional and community pursuits. He spends time reviewing memories with his brothers, reminiscing about the great feats they accomplished and speculating on what the future holds for the Fraternity.

With the solid base built by Jim Thomson and his fellow leaders, that future is sound indeed! ▲



The original Central Office building cost only \$72,000 to build under the watchful eye of Brother Thomson. It is a beautifully designed building, reminiscent of the Raleigh Tavern in Williamsburg, Virginia.

# Brotherhood's Triumphant Journey



Brother Amy Briggs, North Central Regional Director and initiate of the Epsilon Iota Chapter at Minnesota State, became involved with the Twin Cities to Chicago AIDS Ride in 1997 when she saw a booth at the Minnesota State Fair. Amy decided to ride to help her recover from a car accident that shattered her right kneecap. She continued her involvement

Brothers from the Twin Cities Alumni Chapter volunteered for the Ride registration day, and several brothers traveled to Chicago for the closing ceremonies. It was there that the idea of "Team Deltasig" was conceived.

Over the next several months, a total of ten brothers from two alumni chapters registered for the AIDS Ride,

Director Amy Briggs (*Minnesota State*), District Director Laurie Alexander (*St. Thomas*), Tony Brand (*St. Thomas*), Celeste Campo (*St. Thomas*), Jeff Kennefick (*St. Thomas*), District Director Brad Lazar (*Iowa*), Nicole Orlando (*Winona State*), District Director Jodi Schoh (*Winona State*), District Director Chris Staloch (*St. Thomas*), and District Director Sara Trask (*Minnesota-Minneapolis*).

The following are excerpts from Team Deltasig's journal as they competed in the AIDS Ride.

wear their own shirts to identify their members. Bystanders say it's a remarkable sight to see all of the riders, and hard not to have a lump in your throat thinking about the long and difficult trip ahead, and the importance of the cause.

I'm a little concerned about the safety of the riders. Summit Avenue, where the ride begins, hasn't been closed to traffic, and the riders share a narrow bike lane with two-way traffic along the avenue. Keep a good thought for the safety of all the riders, I say softly to myself.

## Team Deltasig's Ride to Benefit AIDS Support

### Day Zero (July 9)

The team jerseys have been distributed, and Team Deltasig registers for the event. We're greeted by smiling faces as we drop our bikes off, and we see volunteer members of the Twin Cities Alumni Chapter at the bike parking area. We take pictures and go out for a team dinner before hurrying home to get a good night's rest.

### Day Two (July 11)

Laurie had two flat tires yesterday, and only one spare inner tube. Brother Tony Brand gave her one of his, and helped her fix her flat. We hear about an accident involving some riders before the Ride began, when riders gathered on a stage at Concordia College were hurt by a falling backdrop. Despite this minor setback, Team Deltasig rode 95 miles yesterday, and spent the night in Wabasha. Laurie tells us there are more Deltasigs in the Ride, and that we will probably meet them today. The weather is still warm and humid; we hear some riders were treated for heat exhaustion yesterday. We stop at the Minnesota/Wisconsin border for another team picture, and sing "Happy Birthday" to Jodi at lunch. Her parents visit her this evening with a birthday cake. Thanks to everyone who e-mailed us yesterday with their support!

### Day One (July 10)

We're off! Team Deltasig, in our bright yellow T-shirts, leave St. Paul near the front of the pack after the opening ceremonies this morning. All riders look happy, confident, and prepared for the 500-mile journey, buoyed by the cheers of family, friends, and well wishers. The weather is good, slightly humid, and a thin veil of clouds shields us from the sun. At the front are riders who have participated in all five national AIDS Rides this summer. Behind them are riders who are HIV positive, and then Team Deltasig. There are approximately 2,000 riders, and several in tandem and three-wheeled recumbent bikes. The riders wear brightly colored shirts, and many groups, like Team Deltasig,

### Day Three (July 12)

We're tired after a long day yesterday. Today most of the route is on an old railroad line. We have to walk our bikes through three tunnels which you can't see through to the end. We left camp at 7:00 a.m. and arrive in Sparta, Wisconsin



Team Deltasig: (from left) Nicole Orlando, Tony Brand, Celeste Campo, Laura Lutz, Laurie Alexander, Sara Trask, Brad Lazar, Jodi Schoh, Chris Staloch, Amy Briggs, Shannon Neary and Jeff Kennefick ride from St. Paul, Minnesota to Chicago on a six-day journey.

in 1998 by volunteering at the Ride office, assisting with orientations, outreach, and other recruiting efforts.

In February of 1999, Amy, who was District Director at Minnesota-Minneapolis, attended a meeting at St. Cloud State with District Director Laurie Alexander, *St. Thomas*. On the ride home, Laurie decided to participate with Amy in the 1999 Ride.

and began training and fundraising. Letter writing campaigns began, and a party with a guest speaker raised over \$8,000 in one night for the cause. Training consisted of spinning (aerobics on a stationery bike) and gym cross training, as well as bike riding outside when the weather permitted.

The Team Deltasig members are: Regional



Team Deltasig, in their bright yellow T-shirts, leave St. Paul near the front of the pack after the opening ceremonies. The group raised over \$26,000 to benefit AIDS support.

at 6:00 p.m. Laurie says the map shows we have traveled 193 miles, but our odometers show more miles than that. Celeste has been dubbed the “tire changing machine” because she can change tires in record time. Tonight, we camp next to each other in tents, and watch a wedding in camp. We will still be in Wisconsin tomorrow—whoever would have thought that Wisconsin was so wide?

#### Day Four (July 13)

The weather holds until Team Deltasig is about six miles from camp. Eight of us made it to camp by 2:00 p.m., but Jodi and Nicole were detained when Jodi had a flat tire. Nicole stayed to help her change the tire in the rain, and they got to camp covered in mud, cold and wet, but their spirits aren’t dampened. Way to go, Jodi and Nicole!

Today we faced hills, hills, and more hills as we traveled through western Wisconsin. Some riders chose to walk their bikes up the hills, then ride down on them. Others don’t make it at all. This year Laurie

found the hills a challenge as previous knee and wrist injuries came back to haunt her. The last pit stop of the day was the University of Wisconsin in Madison, where we were met by well-wishers with candy, stickers, and hugs.

#### Day Five (July 14)

We leave in heavy fog at 6:30 a.m., riding 12 hours up and down more hills and through unending corn fields. There is no relief from the sun in the midst of all of those cornfields, and the hills are really steep. Today we have spent a total of 26 hours riding, and have traveled 340 miles so far. Jodi had two more flat tires this morning, and Laurie is feeling nauseous—could be a sign of dehydration, but she is drinking lots of water, and says she feels better by mid-morning. When we rode through Madison yesterday, people turned their sprinklers and hoses on us, a much-appreciated break from the heat. Other people provided snacks, and still others supplied awnings and lawn chairs for those riders who needed to get

out of the sun for a little while.

Laurie has her picture taken with one little girl who bakes cookies and serves refreshments to the team, paying for the goodies with money she earns over the year. Many riders today, including the Deltasigs, wear red in tribute to a woman who lives in McHenry. Every year she and her family decorate the road from the Wisconsin/Illinois border into camp.

Jeff has acquired the nickname “Radio” because he’s always singing, and once he starts, the rest of us join him. Tonight there is a talent show in camp. We’re all anxious to get there, but when we do, it’s pouring rain, and everyone has to bail the rain out of their tents. Today we rode 100 miles to McHenry. Tomorrow we have just 60 miles left to Chicago. All of us have sore posteriors, some have sore shoulders, and others, like Laurie, are having wrist problems from holding their wrists in the same position for so long. But Laurie talks about next year, and how she is looking forward to making the ride again.

#### Day Six (July 15)

Everyone feels great as we near the end of our journey. We’re wearing our Team Deltasig jerseys today. The entire team, with several “adopted” members, stop for a picture along Lake Michigan when we make a pit stop. We then ride through the city and into Grant Park. After receiving our victory jerseys, we have a few snacks and rest before the closing ceremonies. We see more cheering friends and family members. There are many brothers who had come from Minnesota as well as many brothers from the Chicago area here to greet us with signs, hugs, and congratulations. Several of them inquire about next year’s ride.

We pose for the last of our team pictures. We listen to the speakers who are there for the ceremony, and watch as a “riderless bike” is walked down the center of the aisle to represent those who have succumbed to AIDS. Somberly, the meaning of our journey deep in our hearts, we head to the hotel for showers and dinner. Our evening ends with a celebration as we exchange stories of our adventure and recall the memories of an awesome week. ▲

*For further information, to join Team Deltasig 2001, or to make a donation to the team, please contact Amy Briggs at 952/836-0933 or [briggs\\_amy@hotmail.com](mailto:briggs_amy@hotmail.com).*

### The History of AIDS Rides

**A new concept in AIDS fund-raising was launched on May 1, 1994 when 478 cyclists departed San Francisco for a 525-mile, seven-day journey to Los Angeles. These pioneers were hoping to raise \$1 million for AIDS services at the Jeffrey Goodman Special Care Clinic. They exceeded their expectations, raising \$1.6 million and becoming part of the most successful first-time AIDS fund-raiser in American history.**

**One year later, the Los Angeles group expanded their ride to include the San Francisco AIDS Foundation, raising \$5.5 million. In September, the AIDS Rides concept was taken to the East coast, in a Boston to New York Ride which raised \$6.6 million. The program expanded to Washington D.C., the Twin Cities, Chicago, Florida, and Texas.**

**Each rider is responsible for raising a minimum of \$2,300 in order to participate. The money raised goes to agencies which support individuals living with HIV and AIDS, providing housing, food, family and individual counseling, support groups, volunteer services, education, transportation, case management, and access to medical information and services.**

**In 2000, eight cities and more than 10,000 bicyclists will participate in Tanqueray’s AIDSrideUSA, the largest program of AIDS fund-raisers ever. More than \$15 million is expected to be raised for AIDS-related services at dozens of AIDS agencies this year.**

**To learn more about all of the AIDS Rides, visit [www.aidsride.org](http://www.aidsride.org).**

# Chapters SPEAK



Southern Provincial Vice President Beth Keith, *Bowling Green State*, right, presents the 1999-2000 Outstanding Chapter Award for Kappa Xi, Louisiana at Lafayette, to Tracy Cruz.

## Akron, Theta Kappa

Theta Kappa raised funds by working at the Cleveland Browns' stadium, sharing concession duties with the Cleveland North Coast Alumni Chapter and Kent State. Community service projects included our Akron Boo At The Zoo cleanup, Thanksgiving baskets, and Christmas gifts for Children Services. We are very proud of our "Most Improved Chapter" award that is currently being displayed in the College of Business.

## Ball State, Epsilon Xi

Epsilon Xi Chapter has been very busy this past semester. Activities included the bi-annual "Prof-n-Golf" golf tournament, a Homecoming alumni cookout for fun and fellowship. They also sponsored department events to involve and inform professors about Delta Sigma Pi. They volunteered their time to help the faculty and help start their



Brothers from Illinois-Urbana participate in a team building exercise during officer training.

day with juice and donuts. Members also participated in Ross Days, sponsored by a local supermarket, to support the American Cancer Society, and participated in the Adopt-a-Highway Program.

## CalState-Northridge, Iota Upsilon

Seasonal retreats are a meaningful way to get the brothers together; we love team-building events at overnights and Lake Isabella. For the community, we participated in AIDS Walk 2000, Junior Achievement, and Reseda kids' arts and crafts. We appreciated our business faculty and staff by inviting them to Starbucks coffee. Football security at the Rose Bowl and Nocturnal Wonderland and See's candy sales were a fun way to raise funds. Our goals are to reclaim the past, energize the present, and embrace the future by remembering our treasured alumni, and reaching out to other business student organizations.

## California-Riverside, Lambda Chi

During recruitment week, the chapter sponsors "Meet the Chapter Night" to inform students about Delta Sigma Pi. This fall quarter, we added a fun and unique twist by hosting a theme event called "Hawaiian Night." The room was decorated accordingly and the brothers wore Hawaiian shirts with leis. As a result of our recruiting events this quarter, our chapter had over 100 applicants who were interested in Delta Sigma Pi. It was very rewarding to have so many students attend.

## Dayton, Epsilon Tau

Epsilon Tau welcomed 20 new brothers to their ranks after recruitment. They did a professional trip to Indianapolis, touring Eli Lilly and the RCA Dome. Community Service projects included a walk for the American Cancer Society, the Light the Night Walk, and a trick or treat event for the children of Dayton. They sold T-shirts and worked at the Cleveland Brown's games, raising \$2,000.

## Houston, Eta Psi

The chapter recruited 30 new members after an intensive recruitment effort. Flyers, posters, and billboards were used to spread the chapter's theme, "Mixing Business with Pleasure," and a PowerPoint presentation showed potential members the mission of Delta Sigma Pi. David Oakland of Reliant Energy and Frank Kelly of Bauer College spoke to the chapter about career experiences. The chapter also worked baseball concession stands as a fundraiser, and the members wish to thank everyone who made this event a success.

## Indiana-Bloomington, Alpha Pi

Alpha Pi had a great new member class of 21 talented students during the first semester. Fundraising events have increased funds 400% over the previous semester. The chapter hosted speakers from Bank One and MBNA, and members also learned about self-defense techniques from a local organization. The chapter sponsors a local chapter of the Boys and Girls Club, and enjoyed pumpkin carving with

residents of a retirement home at Halloween.

For the second year in a row, the chapter took part in the annual Indiana University Dance Marathon. The chapter also instituted a designated driver program which has been well received.

## Iowa, Epsilon

Epsilon celebrated its 80<sup>th</sup> year on the University of Iowa campus. Alumni were invited back for the anniversary, and 55 alumni celebrated with 88 brothers and 22 new members. The chapter received the "Most Improved Chapter" Award at the LEAD Regional Conference in Minnesota.



California Riverside sponsored a "Meet the Chapter Night" using a fun and unique twist by hosting a theme event called "Hawaiian Night."

The third annual Tuff's Car Wash was a successful fundraiser. Members also worked with the Ronald McDonald House in Iowa City, holding food drives, volunteering to make dinner for the House's guests, and collecting soda pop can tabs.

## Johns Hopkins, Chi

In the spring of 2000, Chi Chapter began anew. Our chapter graduated many of the chapter officers, and the "new" brothers that were initiated in



Twin Cities (Minnesota) Alumni Chapter was awarded the national Outstanding Alumni Chapter for 1999-2000.

fall of 1999-2000 were to become the lifeblood of Delta Sigma Pi at Johns Hopkins. We initiated a small pledge class this fall and are planning our recruitment strategic plan for spring semester.

## Kennesaw State, Nu Pi

Nu Pi held its annual Success Forum. A speaker from Bell Capital Management discussed investing with the chapter. Two speakers from Northwestern Mutual Life Insurance was an open event for the entire campus, which opened the door to recruiting opportunities.

Eight brothers attended the Southern Province LEAD Conference, and chapter members worked security for an Atlanta Falcons home game when the team played the Carolina Panthers.

## Louisiana-Lafayette, Kappa Xi

Kappa Xi is proud to have received Honor Roll recognition. The chapter cites the hard work of all members for this success, and says brotherhood in Delta Sigma Pi is definitely the key to succeeding.

## Loyola-Chicago, Gamma Pi

The chapter is involved in the School of Business Junior Achievement program at Loyola. Brother J.D. Sparks will be one of 15 students teaching

high school students about business.

### **Miami-Florida, Beta Omega**

Beta Omega hosted a joint initiation with Barry and Florida Atlantic. Beta Omega initiated 13 new brothers. The chapter participated in Hurricanes Help the Hometown, an annual service project where volunteers help clean up the Miami community, and collected canned goods to help feed the homeless on Thanksgiving. Members also assisted in Thanksgiving activities for underprivileged children at a local after-school house.

### **Nebraska-Lincoln, Alpha Delta**

Brothers of Alpha Delta braved the ice and snow to attend the Regional Basketball/Volleyball Tournament in St. Cloud, Minnesota. We are proud to announce that we will be hosting the tournament in 2001. Our social committee put on a benefit concert to raise money for the Make A Wish Foundation. We also hosted the 23<sup>rd</sup> Annual Spina Bifida Basketball/Volleyball Tournament, raising \$1,500 at the event. We are looking forward to seeing our North Central Region brothers soon!

### **Nevada-Reno, Delta Pi**

The chapter proudly initiated 29 new members after



Gamma Iota Chapter at the University of New Mexico participated in 15 service projects benefitting their campus, community and several charities.



Illinois State celebrated the 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of its founding with alumni at an enjoyable evening outing. A Sunday brunch formalized the occasion. Fall recruitment events proved successful for the chapter.

recruitment. Delta Pi had tables at orientation events, posted classroom announcements, and held luncheons entitled, "What is Delta Sigma Pi?" All members wore bright purple T-shirts with the Fraternity name so they were recognizable on campus. Initiation was held jointly with Lambda Mu, Pacific, and everyone enjoyed a banquet held at the Carson Valley Inn following the ceremony.

Community service events included cleaning up a local highway, donating to the Salvation Army, and carving pumpkins on Halloween for the Center to Aid Abused Women and Children.

### **New Mexico, Gamma Iota**

Gamma Iota received three regional awards at the Desert Mountain LEAD Regional Conference: Most Outstanding Chapter, Most Improved Chapter, and Most Outstanding Service Award. The chapter also received the national award for Most Outstanding Community Service. Professional speakers and community leaders provided information about resume building, interview-

ing skills, and advice for entering the workforce.

Members volunteered at "Zoo Boo," a Halloween carnival for children to give them a safe place to trick or treat. The chapter also participated in the "Hanging of the Greens," a community event at which different organizations display luminaries on the campus grounds.

### **Northern Illinois, Eta Mu**

Eta Mu's professional events have included speakers from the fields of accounting, entrepreneurship, marketing, and sales; and members took a tour of a local newspaper's publishing facilities. Socially, activities included paint ball, a dance, and an ice skating event. At our annual family day event, family members joined us for pizza and learned about our chapter. Community and fundraising events include Adopt-a-Highway, Salvation Army bell ringing, and working at Great America. Eta Mu sent 24 of our brothers to the LEAD Regional Conference in Chicago.

### **Pennsylvania State-Behrend, Mu Pi**

Mu Pi hosted Phil English, the representative for the 21<sup>st</sup> Congressional District of Pennsylvania, as a guest speaker. The chapter also attended a LEAD Regional and is reconstructing its web site to

keep members and alumni connected.

### **Pittsburgh, Lambda**

The brothers participated in the 16<sup>th</sup> Annual Chocolate Rendezvous, to benefit the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society. Brothers spent an afternoon passing out chocolate samples at the local mall, which were donated by local candy distributors and restaurants. The chapter also volunteered at the local food bank during the holiday season.

### **Rider, Beta Xi**

The chapter decorated a local nursing home for Halloween and played Bingo with the residents during Make A Difference Day. An executive from WMA Securities spoke to the chapter, and social outings included bowling and a beach excursion. The chapter recruited 11 new members during a successful recruitment period.

### **Rockhurst, Nu Omega**

Nu Omega participated in Homecoming Week, which produced a great turnout at each event and generated a considerable amount of interest in the Fraternity. For Make A Difference Day the members along with Missouri-Kansas City and the Kansas City Alumni Chapter, volunteered with the Habitat Restore, where we painted bathrooms and organized materials in

the warehouse. The warehouse is for citizens within the community who need materials to maintain their homes, but cannot afford regular store prices. Not only were we able to serve the community, but we had the opportunity to interact more closely with fellow brothers from local chapters.

### **St. Thomas, Nu Tau**

Nu Tau participated in a number of events on campus, including the Homecoming parade and the Taste of Saints selling hamburgers before the big game. We participated in our annual community service event at the Children Museum on Halloween and put together care packages for Red Cross. A semester of interesting speakers represented companies such as General Mills, Plural, Ideas to Go, and Anderson Windows. Our social events included our annual Big Brother/Little Brother Spaghetti dinner, a hayride, and getting together to watch a Vikings game. We also will be welcoming back seven brothers who have been studying in Europe. Please check out our web site at [www.department.stthomas.edu/DeltaSigmaPi](http://www.department.stthomas.edu/DeltaSigmaPi).

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Iowa brothers were honored at a reception by the Department of Transportation for their participation in the Adopt-a-Highway Program.

# Deltasigs Make a Difference



Texas A&M-Kingsville brothers volunteered at the bike race for the American Red Cross.

On October 28, 2000, members of Delta Sigma Pi proudly represented their chapters and the Fraternity on campuses and in communities around the country during "Make A Difference Day." Their volunteer activities helped many people and organizations in their local communities.

Volunteering to help those in need, Deltasigs gave of their time, made donations, and assisted others who were less fortunate. Zeta Xi Chapter, *Lewis*, donated several hundred cards to St. Jude's Ranch, which then distributes them to needy children. Members of Beta Pi, *Kent State*, collected canned goods for the King



Akron brothers collected books which were donated to Children's Services for the Christmas Toy Room.

Kennedy Center, a shelter which provides food for those in need. **Alpha Epsilon**, *Minnesota-Minneapolis* hosted a food drive on campus and in their neighborhood, as well as cleaning up the park area in Minnehaha Falls.

Chapter members of **Gamma Omicron**, *San Francisco*, collected pennies in a joint effort with the Western Region. The money was donated to a local charity. **Nu Phi**, *Northern Colorado*, also joined their Region to donate candy to the Mt. Saint Vincent Home for Children. **Nu Chi**, *Lynchburg*, helped a local merchant, Jolly's Hair Boutique, in a neglected area of town by painting the place of business. **Eta Pi**, *Wayne State-Nebraska*, cleaned the Wayne County Museum, raked leaves, clipped hedges and hung decorations in preparation for a social the museum was hosting.

**Iota Nu**, *Truman State*, held a food and clothing drive for local charities, including Hope's Kitchen and a thrift store. **Epsilon Psi**, *Christian Brothers*, collected canned goods for a student at their school who was

made the legal guardian of eight younger siblings after his mother died. **Beta Omega**, *Miami-Florida*, participated with other students in the Miami Hurricanes Help the Hometown, working with different community agencies on projects to benefit Miami.

**Kappa Pi**, *North Florida*, members donated clothes to Goodwill, a non-profit organization which helps the less fortunate. **Iota Phi**, *Cal State-Fresno*, members volunteered at a homeless shelter and fed families in need. **Nu**, *Ohio State*, incorporated a canned food drive into their annual Halloween party. The food was donated to the Mid-Ohio Food Bank, which assists low-income families.

**Gamma Phi**, *Texas-El Paso*, members organized a canned food drive for the Battered Women Shelter in their area. **Eta Kappa**, *Troy State*, brothers donated canned goods to the Salvation Army. **Kappa Xi**, *Louisiana-Lafayette*, donated clothes, shoes, books, kitchen-ware, and baby items to Goodwill. **Lambda Omicron**, *Western Illinois*, members participated in a food and clothing drive. **Xi Omicron**, *UCLA*, helped the Harvest Home, a shelter for abused, single mothers and their children, by painting the facility, cleaning furniture, baking cookies, and playing with the children. **Epsilon Phi**, *Cal State-Sacramento*, held a canned food drive to help with Thanksgiving dinner for the American Red Cross. **Nu Psi**, *Trinity*, collected clothing and toiletries for the Oaks Nursing and Rehabilitation Center.

Many chapters worked to help others who were faced with debilitating illness and

disease, and to help the organizations which support people facing these health challenges. The **Dallas Area Alumni Chapter** participated in the Sandman Bed Race to benefit the National Marrow Donor Program. The men's division won first place, and the women's division won second place. **Zeta Nu**, *Texas A&M-Kingsville*, volunteered at the bike race for the American Red Cross.

**Beta Eta**, *Florida*, volunteered at a local farm to carve pumpkins which were then sold. All proceeds went to the University of Florida Sands Research Hospital for children who are patients there. Brothers of **Theta Upsilon**, *Siena*, baked cookies for the families staying at the Ronald McDonald House in Albany, and then cleaned portions of the house. They were given a tour of the facility and learned about the important support the House gives families of critically-ill children.

Brothers from **Zeta Eta**, *St. Peter's*, took part in the 5K Run-Walk for Juvenile Diabetes held in Park Ridge, New Jersey. **Theta Lambda**, *Xavier-Cincinnati*, made posters for terminally-ill children at Children's Memorial Hospital, and collected art supplies for the hospital's recreation department. **Kappa Chi**, *Savannah State*, members participated in the annual Walk-a-thon for the American Heart Association, walking two miles around Lake Mayer.



**Alpha Gamma**, *Pennsylvania State*, volunteered for the Dance Marathon, a university-wide event which raises money for children with cancer. Last year the event garnered over three million dollars for the cause, and this year Delta Sigma Pi brothers raised donations in communities in Pennsylvania and New York.

Community service projects included helping children and senior citizens, especially around the holidays. **Alpha Delta**, *Nebraska-Lincoln*, volunteered at the Fall Festival Family Fun Day, working at booths to teach children about how to trick or treat safely. **Iota**, *Kansas*, went to Brandon Woods Retirement Home to help the residents decorate for Halloween by carving pumpkins. **Delta Rho**, *Ferris State*, brothers volunteered at the Metron Nursing home, playing games with the



Texas-Austin brothers hosted a party for a daycare center at a local church, providing games and pizza for the children.



Valparaiso brothers worked with the Boys and Girls Club setting up a haunted house project, which helped the club raise much-needed funds.

residents and taking pictures which they gave to the patients after the event.

**Mu Phi, Saginaw Valley**, brothers assisted at a Big Brothers/Big Sisters Halloween party for 100 children, running the games and cleaning up after the event. Members of **Kappa Phi, Valparaiso**, worked with the Boys and Girls Club setting up a haunted house project, which helped the Club raise much-needed funds. **Gamma Iota, New Mexico**, members held their annual event, Zoo Boo, at the Albuquerque Zoo, which gave children the opportunity to have a safe Halloween. Chapter members hosted booths for face painting, pumpkin carving, and other games.



Saginaw Valley brothers assisted at a Halloween party for 100 children, running the games and cleaning up after the event.

**Eta Rho, Wisconsin-La Crosse**, collected food, clothing, and school supplies for area children. **Beta Kappa, Texas-Austin**, hosted a party for a daycare center at a local church, providing games and pizza for the children. **Beta Psi, Louisiana Tech**, visited nursing home residents on Halloween, passing out decorations and singing songs. **Beta Xi, Rider**, members also helped the elderly by collecting donations of stationery, stamps, envelopes, and pens to give to a local nursing home. They decorated the facility for Halloween and played bingo with the residents.

Members of **Xi Chapter, Michigan**, visited two local elementary schools to participate in a latchkey after school program. A tradition for the chapter, members engaged the children in pumpkin decorating and enjoyed interacting with them. **Zeta Kappa, Western State**,

donated candy to the Mt. Saint Vincent Home for Children with the Rocky Mountain LEAD Regional Conference participants. **Kappa Omicron, Southwest Missouri**, had a sock drive to benefit the Boys and Girls Club.

**Epsilon Kappa, Shepherd**, transformed an elementary school into a haunted house for Halloween. **Kappa Sigma, Indiana-Purdue-Indianapolis**, brothers volunteered at the Concord Community Center to help the staff with an after school program, taking children to the Children's Museum and playing games with them. **Epsilon Tau, Dayton**, gave local children a safe place to trick or treat at the University of Dayton Arena, playing games and passing out treats.

**Lambda Upsilon, St. Mary's**, members volunteered at the San Antonio Infant Shelter, feeding babies and playing with toddlers. **Beta Nu, Pennsylvania**, members took children to the Philadelphia Zoo and hosted Halloween activities for them. **Nu Pi, Kennesaw State**, donated 600 bags of goodies to a local elementary school in a lower-income area of the county. The children fished for the bags at a fishing booth run by the brothers, and money was raised to help the school with future improvements. **Theta Kappa, Akron**, collected books from students at the University's School of Business which were donated to Children's Services of Summit County.

Preserving and keeping the environment clean is always important to Delta Sigma Pi members, and many demonstrated their commitment to this effort by participating in many such projects. **Beta Zeta, Louisiana State**, members helped to clean up River Road, a one-mile stretch

of highway near the LSU campus. Brothers also participated with other LSU student organizations on additional beautification projects such as planting shrubs and flowers at the university gates, and felt the importance of teamwork in projects such as these.

Members of **Alpha Phi, Mississippi**, cleaned debris from Highway 334 in Lafayette County. **Zeta Psi, Albany**, members cleaned up a local wilderness area which included hiking trails and a river. Members of **Nu Tau, St. Thomas**, planted trees at the St. Thomas Campus Ministry House, leaving a legacy of natural beauty for future



Dayton brothers gave local children a safe place to trick or treat at the University of Dayton Arena, playing games and passing out treats.

generations. **Gamma Lambda, Florida State**, planted trees and flowers in the community, and served food to the volunteers on the project.

**Alpha Upsilon, Miami-Ohio**, members helped in clean up and rebuilding efforts of an uptown park, and weeded a baseball park and volleyball court. Brothers in **Delta Xi, East Tennessee State**, did landscaping at a local elementary school, and planted trees for the school's ecology club.

**Iota Psi, Texas A&M-Corpus Christi**, brothers

participated in a "Graffiti Wipe Out" to clean up downtown areas, and enjoyed working with other people from the community. **Zeta Omega, Northern Arizona**, brothers participated in their semi-annual highway clean up in Flagstaff. Brothers of the **Lambda Phi Chapter, Cal State-Long Beach**, planted a new garden and beautified the exercise area of a local animal shelter.

Other service projects benefited the communities of Delta Sigma Pi chapters. **Mu Pi, Pennsylvania State-Behrend**, works each semester in the preservation of the Flagship Niagara, a battleship from the War of 1812 which is housed in Erie, Pennsylvania.

Once again, Delta Sigma Pi brothers took the initiative to help their communities and made a difference for those in need and for our environment. Each chapter said the work its members did united them closer in brotherhood, and brought them

fulfillment in knowing they were helping to make lives better. Many chapters plan to continue the efforts they have begun with various organizations on this special day of giving. Make A Difference Day made a difference in thousands of lives—including the lives of the brothers of Delta Sigma Pi. ▲

To learn more about  
Make A Difference Day  
go to  
[www.makeadifferenceday.com](http://www.makeadifferenceday.com).





# Chapter Award Winners

## The Best of 1999-2000

### Collegiate Chapter Awards

#### OUTSTANDING CHAPTER

Kappa Xi, *Louisiana-Lafayette*, Gulf South Region  
Nu Tau, *St. Thomas*, North Central Region

#### REGIONAL WINNERS

Upsilon, *Illinois*, Central Region  
Iota Nu, *Truman State*, Midwestern Region  
Mu Pi, *Penn State-Behrend*, Allegheny Region  
Iota Kappa, *James Madison*, Mideastern Region  
Kappa Phi, *Valparaiso*, Huron Region  
Nu Rho, *California-Davis*, Western Region  
Theta Pi, *Bowling Green State*, East Central Region  
Eta Kappa, *Troy State*, Southeastern Region  
Gamma Iota, *New Mexico*, Desert Mountain Region

#### MOST IMPROVED CHAPTER

Delta Xi, *East Tennessee State*, Mid-South Region

#### REGIONAL WINNERS

Kappa Psi, *Bellarmino*, Central Region  
Theta Rho, *Duquesne*, Allegheny Region  
Beta Omega, *Miami-Florida*, South Atlantic Region  
Theta Kappa, *Akron*, East Central Region  
Epsilon, *Iowa*, North Central Region  
Gamma Iota, *New Mexico*, Desert Mountain Region

#### PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Theta Pi, *Bowling Green State*, East Central Region

#### REGIONAL WINNERS

Iota Nu, *Truman State*, Midwestern Region  
Mu Pi, *Penn State-Behrend*, Allegheny Region  
Theta Iota, *Connecticut*, New England Region  
Kappa Xi, *Louisiana-Lafayette*, Gulf South Region  
Nu Tau, *St. Thomas*, North Central Region  
Nu Pi, *Kennesaw State*, Southeastern Region

#### OUTSTANDING SERVICE

Gamma Iota, *New Mexico*, Desert Mountain Region

#### REGIONAL WINNERS

Epsilon Omega, *Eastern Illinois*, Central Region  
Iota Nu, *Truman State*, Midwestern Region  
Mu Pi, *Penn State-Behrend*, Allegheny Region  
Theta Tau, *St. Cloud State*, North Central Region  
Eta Upsilon, *West Florida*, Southeastern Region

### Individual Recognition Awards

#### DISTRICT DIRECTOR OF THE YEAR

Lisa N. Brown, Western Region

#### REGIONAL WINNERS

Christopher W. Anderson – North Central Region  
Wendy K. Braxton – Mid-South Region  
Angela T. Burton – Huron Region  
Jamie L. Fox – Central Region  
Carl M. Glasick – Desert Mountain Region  
Kelly M. Haden – Gulf South Region  
Eugene C. Johnson – Eastern Region  
Stacy Jordan – Atlantic Coast Region  
Theresa J. Kacer – Gulf Western Region  
Ryan Matthews – Southwestern Region  
Monica S. Nishimoto – Pacific Coast Region  
Joseph J. O'Brien – South Pacific Region  
Sharalee E. Pederson – Rocky Mountain Region  
Clifford P. Reilly – Midwestern Region  
Kyle W. Sargent – Mideastern Region  
Corinne L. Schilberg – Allegheny Region  
Samuel F. Shaheen – East Central Region  
Alison L. Spring – Great Lakes Region  
Diane M. Thibault – New England Region  
Kimberly E. Weber – Southeastern Region  
Randy R. West – South Atlantic Region

#### ADVISOR OF THE YEAR

Tim G. Dills, *East Tennessee State*, Mid-South Region

#### REGIONAL WINNERS

Gayle Baugh, *West Florida*, Southeastern Region  
Diana Dawson, *Florida Atlantic*, South Atlantic Region  
James Rabalais, *Our Lady of Holy Cross*, Gulf South Region  
Shawn Reitsma, *Minnesota-Minn.*, North Central Region  
James B. Stull, *San Jose State*, Western Region  
Robyn R. Poole, *Bellarmino*, Central Region

#### Honorable Mention -

Katherine Glass, *Indiana*, Central Region  
Alan Deck, *Bellarmino*, Central Region

### Alumni Chapter Awards

#### OUTSTANDING ALUMNI CHAPTER

Twin Cities (MN) Alumni Chapter - North Central Region

#### MOST IMPROVED ALUMNI CHAPTER

Dallas Alumni Chapter, Southwestern Region

#### REGIONAL WINNER

Cincinnati Alumni Chapter, East Central Region



The 1999-2000 Outstanding Chapter Award is presented to Nu Tau Chapter, *St. Thomas*, by Regional Director Amy Briggs, *Minnesota State*, and Mid-American Provincial Vice President Kathy Jahnke, *Northern Illinois*. The chapter has earned Honor Roll status every year since their founding in 1995.

### Chapter Management Awards

#### HIGHEST FUNDRAISER

Upsilon, *Illinois-Urbana*, had the highest profits from a single fundraiser during the year. The chapter received net profits of \$10,081.54 for selling pumpkin care packages at Halloween.

#### HIGHEST ANNUAL FUNDRAISING

Upsilon, *Illinois-Urbana*, received the award for the highest fundraising profits totaled from all of their events throughout the year. The chapter had net profits of \$18,442.54.

#### HIGHEST GPA CHAPTER AVERAGE

Kappa Pi, *North Florida*, was recognized as the chapter with the highest grade point average for the year with 3.65. Chapters report grades for all terms and the grade totals are divided by the number of members in the chapter.

#### MOST IMPROVED CEI

Delta Xi, *East Tennessee State*, achieved the greatest increase in CEI from the 1998-99 year to the 1999-00 year. The Chapter had an improvement of 62,600 points based on the adjusted point goal of 100,000 points.

#### HIGHEST AWARDED CEI POINTS

Chapters are recognized for their total efforts in CEI beyond the adjusted 100,000 point goal. The highest CEI award was presented to Iota Nu, *Truman State*, with a total of 229,696 awarded points.

# Foundation Partnership Creates Internship Opportunities

by Brandon Trease, *Wayne State-Nebraska*

Are you currently in search of a summer internship? Have you ever thought of living in Washington, D.C.? Does attending classes at Georgetown University interest you? If you answered yes to any or all of these questions, I have the experience for you! The Fund for American Studies and Georgetown University are looking for 200 undergraduate college students to live, learn, and intern in Washington, D.C. this summer.

I am currently a senior at Wayne State College in Wayne, Nebraska, and a member of the Eta Pi chapter. This past summer, I was given the opportunity, through the Delta Sigma Pi Leadership Foundation, to complete a summer internship program with the Fund for American Studies, a nonprofit educational organization that brings more than 200 undergraduate students to Washington for the ultimate summer internship and academic experience.

The Fund for American Studies sponsors three programs each summer that combine classes, internships, site briefings, evening lectures, and social activities into a jam-packed seven-week schedule in June and July. Participants from all over the country and the world attend one of three programs each summer. Those programs include: The Bryce Harlow Institute on Business and Government Affairs, The Engalitcheff Institute on Comparative Political and Economic Systems, and The Institute on Political Journalism.

Participants live in furnished four-person apartments located on the campus of Georgetown University and take two courses for six transferable credits to their home institution. Students also work 30-35 hours a week at an internship and attend various site briefings and social activities set up by the Fund for American Studies.

I was a participant in The Bryce Harlow Institute on Business and

Government Affairs this past summer and found it to be a very rewarding experience. Some of the highlights of my summer were sitting on the floor of the House of Representatives, covering Congressional hearings on Capitol Hill, attending a Baltimore Orioles baseball game, meeting students from all over the world, and establishing many valuable contacts. It was definitely the greatest summer experience I have ever had!

If you're interested, check out the Fund for American Studies website at [www.dciinternships.org](http://www.dciinternships.org) for further information. If you have additional questions or wish to speak with someone who has completed one of the programs, feel free to contact me at [brtrea01@willy.wsc.edu](mailto:brtrea01@willy.wsc.edu), and I'll be happy to discuss my experience.

In cooperation with the Fund for American Studies, the Delta Sigma Pi Leadership Foundation awards a full scholarship to The Bryce Harlow Institute on Business and Government

Affairs to one brother each summer. In addition, there are many other scholarship opportunities that are offered by the Fund for American Studies. Applications are currently being accepted, and interested students can apply online or through the mail via an application which can be ordered on the website. For me, this was a once in a lifetime experience that I will never forget, and I'm sure it would prove to be for you, too. ▲

## New Executive Vice President

Bill Martin is the new Executive Vice President of the Delta Sigma Pi Leadership Foundation.

Most recently, Bill was Vice President of Fraternity Sales for



WeFusion.com. However, the most valuable preparation for his duties with the Foundation came through many years of service on the staff of Phi Gamma Delta

Fraternity, a men's social fraternity. During 22 years with Phi Gamma Delta, Bill served as Field Secretary, Director of Chapter Services, Director of Programs, and Executive Director. His interfraternity experience includes service on the boards of directors of Order of Omega Greek Honorary and the Fraternity Executives Association, including a term as president of the latter organization.

A resident of Lexington, Kentucky, Bill has been involved in his community as a Big Brother and on the board of directors of Big Brothers/Big Sisters of the Bluegrass.

Bill is a graduate of Mississippi State University, receiving a B.S. in marketing in 1975. He and his wife, Carol, have three children.

## Making It Right

In the Honor Roll of Donors in the fall 2000 issue, we recognized brothers for their generous support of the Leadership Foundation. Unfortunately, in the recognition for cumulative giving, we omitted some brothers and listed some others in an incorrect recognition category. We take this opportunity to set the record straight.

### BENEFACTOR \$10,000 or more Cumulative Contributions

Ralph D. Groff – Omega  
Firman H. Hass\* – Psi  
Michael R. Mallonee – Beta Epsilon

### FOUNDERS' FORUM \$5,000 Cumulative Contributions

Russell and Sally Brown – Gamma  
Omega  
Randy L. Hultz – Iota Nu

### CHAIRMAN'S FORUM \$2,500 Cumulative Contributions

Lloyd A. Amundson – Alpha Epsilon  
Robert W. Carlson\* – Beta  
Allan E. Davis – Iota  
Theresa J. Drew – Zeta Omega  
Arthur J. Giomi – Epsilon Theta  
Timothy D. Gover – Beta Phi  
Virginia Hesse – Iota Upsilon  
Howard E. Hight – Alpha Omega  
M. John Marko\* – Beta Rho  
William W. Tatum, Jr. – Gamma Tau  
Kevin B. Ward – Kappa Xi

\* denotes deceased



# Chapters SPEAK – CONTINUED

## **Tennessee, Alpha Zeta**

Alpha Zeta participated in the “Adopt-a-Spot” clean up event outside the University of Tennessee’s business building. Brothers and new members joined to beautify the campus, planting flowers and bushes to enhance the College of Business.

## **Trinity, Nu Psi**

Nu Psi celebrated its second anniversary in Washington, D.C. Collegiate members, alumni, the regional director, and family and friends joined in the celebration at Captain Billy’s Seafood Restaurant. Regional Director Kelli Smith shared insightful

ideas on how Nu Psi can continue to be successful in the coming years.

## **Truman State, Iota Nu**

Many brothers from Iota Nu had a wonderful time in Kansas City at the Regional Conference. This enthusiasm carried through into our Homecoming participation this year at Truman State. Once again, we placed third in the float competition. The chapter donated over 1,000 clothing and canned food items to the needy for our “Make A Difference Day”. Everyone is looking forward to the Winter Ball for Cystic Fibrosis. We will donate a portion of the proceeds to the

Cystic Fibrosis Foundation. One of our biggest goals this semester is the creation of a three-tier investment fund. The future goal of this fund is to enable the brothers to bring key speakers to campus for the benefit of the entire student body.

## **UCLA, Xi Omicron**

Xi Omicron distributed Deltasig material around campus, resulting in over 90 candidates who came to see what Delta Sigma Pi was all about, resulting in 20 new members. Events included “Deltasigneyland” and an e-business presentation by our main corporate sponsor, PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP,

which included a former Rho Chapter President as one of the outstanding speakers. With the help of PricewaterhouseCoopers, we put on “Viva Las Vegas!”, a casino night that attracted over 300 students. We also co-sponsored an amazing career fair. Throughout the quarter we also had a car rally with local chapters, broomball face-off with the pledge class, a faculty luncheon, an annual ski trip, and other events.

## **Valparaiso, Kappa Phi**

At Homecoming the chapter won first prize in the parade. Another key event this semester was the haunted house with the Boys and Girls Club. Chapter members raised

funds to send ten brothers to the LEAD Conference. The brothers came away with new ideas and three awards: Honor Roll, Most Points in the Region, and Outstanding Collegiate Chapter.

## **Western Kentucky, Zeta Theta**

Twelve of our members attended the LEAD Regional Conference for a great learning experience. We were especially excited to win the awards for Most Profitable Fundraiser, Highest Total Annual Fundraiser, and Outstanding Scrapbook. We have begun to plan our fundraising efforts for Grand Chapter Congress. ▲

# Alumni NOTES

**Patricia A. Deitch, Akron,** is a commissions specialist with Vestax Securities Corporation in Hudson, Ohio.

**Virginia M. Lowers, Akron,** is a GL information process analyst with Eaton Corporation-NAFSC in Brookpark, Ohio.

**Sharyn King Price, Akron,** is a marketing services coordinator with Permatex, Inc. in Solon, Ohio.

**Samuel F. Shaheen, Akron,** is an administrator with Mercy Professional Care Corporation in North Canton, Ohio.

**George L. Wilson, Akron,** is a plant controller with Federal Mogul in Avilla, Indiana.

**Christopher D. Wood, Akron,** is a technology development manager with Duke-Weeks Realty Corporation in Indianapolis.

**Amie S. Cennamo, Albany,** is a supervisor for national TV with Initiative Media in New York City where she lives with her husband Victor.

**Margaret M. Grandstaff, Albany,** is a financial analyst with Rockrose Development Corp. in New York City.

**Jessica L. Hughey, Angelo State,** is an IT consultant with Hewlett Packard in Palo Alto, California.

**Jon S. Davis, Arizona,** is a professor at the University of Wisconsin-Madison.

**Kristen J. Hansen, Arizona,** is a financial analyst with Comcast in Philadelphia.

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**Chartering a new chapter:** In order to be awarded an Alumni Chapter charter the following must be submitted to the Central office: a petition to charter, a chartering fee of \$25, a list of officers, and a roster of 10 members living in the general locale. Previously chartered chapters are required to franchise annually.

**Franchising an existing chapter:** To be recognized continuously as an Alumni Chapter of Delta Sigma Pi, the chapter will need to complete franchising requirements between April 1 and June 30 for an upcoming fiscal year. For example, to be recognized for the July 2004 – June 2005 fiscal year, requirements must be completed by June 30, 2004.

**Franchising requirements:**

- Submit a roster of current chapter members (National Bylaws require a minimum of 10 members living in the same general locale.)
- Submit a List of Officers (Form L)
- A Franchising Fee of \$25
- Chapter Bylaws must be on file at the Central Office
- A Charter Renewal Fee of \$25 (if franchising has lapsed for the chapter)

Franchised chapters will be invoiced each year for payment of a \$25 liability insurance premium.

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## Mergers

**Sharyn L. King**, *Akron*, on October 24, to Brian Price in Nassau, Bahamas. They live in Sagamore Hills, Ohio.

**Karla J. Schwanke**, *Bowling Green State*, on August 12, to Charles D. Wine. They live in Northwood, Ohio.

**Caroline P. Adinegoro**, *California State-Fullerton*, on July 22, to Thomas Bratawira in Jakarta, Indonesia, where they now live. You can visit the wedding website at [www.here.is/ourwedding](http://www.here.is/ourwedding).

**Sylvania A. Werthman**, *Cal Poly-San Luis Obispo*, on April 29, to Doug Laabs in Santa Barbara, California.

**Alicia Marie Deluca**, *Central Florida*, on July 15, to Paul James Murray. They live in New Orleans.

**Angela C. Schelp**, *Central Missouri State*, on July 8, to Jason C. Winbolt. They live in Kansas City, Missouri.

**Joseph Kantor**, *Eastern Illinois*, on August 19, to Kourtney Laird. They live in Decatur, Illinois.

**Connie Olson**, *Illinois State*, on July 8, to Michael Wysocki. The couple lives in Elk Grove Village, Illinois.

**Eric S. Powell**, *New Mexico State*, on August 28, 1999, to Cynthia Reece.

**Jim A. Gardella**, *Oklahoma*, on June 3, to Cindy Hale. The couple lives in Dallas.

**Ashley C. Chatelain**, *Our Lady of Holy Cross*, on May 6, to David A. Rihner. They live in Lawrenceville, Georgia.

**Kenichi Nishikawa**, *San Jose State*, on July 26, to Susan Hawkins.

**Taleen Artunian**, *Southern California*, on October 16, 1999, to Jacob Khatchadourian. They live in Glendale, California.

**Kimberly E. Norris**, *Southwestern Louisiana*, on September 8, to Craig Romero. Over 20 brothers attended the wedding. The couple lives in New Iberia, Louisiana.

**Valerie D. Smoluch**, *St. Cloud State*, on August 12, to Bill Sholes. They live in Blaine, Minnesota.

**Kimberly Walton**, *Texas-Arlington*, on March 11, to Michael Todd Mayden. They live in Plano, Texas.

**Nancy A. Haney**, *Truman State*, on August 19, to Drew Fussner. They live in Maryland Heights, Missouri.

**Matt J. Milbrodt**, *Wayne State-Nebraska*, on August 12, to Kelly R. Stroh. The couple lives in Omaha, Nebraska.

**Amanda L. Hering**, *Western Michigan*, on May 6, to Brian Daniels.

## Dividends

To Brother **Beth Rzeszut Hartman**, *Akron*, and husband Carl, on July 10, a daughter, Mackenzie Lee.

To Brother **Samuel F. Shaheen**, *Akron*, and wife Beth, in June, a daughter, Emma. She joins Christian who is two.

To Brother **Christine Mancino Mage**, *Adelphi*, and husband Joseph, on July 21, a daughter, Grace Helen. She joins big brothers Tommy and Matthew.

To Brother **Elizabeth Chiu Ford**, *Arizona State*, and husband Kevin, on August 24, triplets, two sons, Austin and Brendan and daughter, Madeline.

To Brother **Wendy W. Summers**, *Arizona State*, and husband Tom, on August 3, a daughter, McKenna Lynn.

To Brother **Tracia Ware Jaksetic**, *Bowling Green State*, and husband John, on June 23, a son, Marc.

To Brother **Rand Morimoto**, *California-Berkeley*, and wife Kim, on October 16, a son, Andrew.

Brother **Steve Kleiser**, *California State*, and wife Pam, have adopted a son Joshua Stephen, born December 2, 1999.

To Brother **Gilbert Cortez**, *California State-Fresno*, and wife Marilyn, on February 28, a son, Nathan.

To Brothers **Bryan Hale** and **Lisa Soares-Hale**, both *California State-Northridge*, on September 13, a daughter, Danielle Marie Hi'ilani.

To Brothers **Michael** and **Karen Stinson**, both *California State-Sacramento*, on September 20, a daughter, Amanda Elizabeth.

To Brother **Sharrie Caffin Mack**, *Georgia Southern*, and husband Brian, on July 24, a son, Brandon Andrew.

To Brother **Charlynglim**, *Illinois State*, and husband Michael, on September 20, a daughter, Kaitlyn Carole. She joins two-year old brother Jacob.

To Brother **Bryan M. McMillan**, *Johns Hopkins*, and wife Marijke, on October 8, a daughter, Elisabeth Julia. She joins three year old brother Sebastian.

To Brothers **Craig** and **Crystal Todd**, both *Indiana State*, on October 26, a son, Noah Michael Alexander.

To Brother **Shara James Ware**, *Longwood*, and husband Mark, on June 18, a son, Joshua Logan.

To Brother **Jason C. Roberts**, *Missouri-Kansas City*, and wife Chenoa Smith, on August 10, a daughter, Alexandra Astraea.

To Brother **Madeline Greub Meyer**, *Missouri-St. Louis*, and husband Jeff, on May 7, a son, Bradley James. He was welcomed home by his two sisters, Marie and Megan and brother Michael.

To Brother **Susan Arbuckle Niezelski**, *Pennsylvania State*, and husband Mike, on July 13, a son, Daniel Aaron. He joins six-year old Sarah, and four-year old David.

To Brother **Ari J. Rothstein**, *San Diego State*, and wife Caron, on September 20, a son, Jesse Lior. He is welcomed by his two-year old brother Jonah.

To Brother **Taleen Khatchadourian**, *Southern California*, and husband Jacob, on July 27, a son, Robert Levon.

To Brothers **Chris** and **Danika Reese Taylor**, both *Texas A&M-College Station*, on November 15, a son, Dawson Reese.

To Brothers **Brian** and **Laura Gauze Schromm**, both *Truman State*, on October 8, a son, Aaron Nicholas. He joins two-year old sister, Sarah.

To Brothers **Brian** and **Ame Krippner**, both *Truman State*, on December 19, a daughter, Lauren Antonia.

## Memoriam

(Please note: The Fraternity, its officers, staff, and the editor of the magazine do not assume responsibility or liability for the accuracy of this column.)

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*Arizona State*  
**Paul M. Eskey, Jr.** 9/00

*Georgetown*  
**William F. Gliss** 7/00

*Loyola-Chicago*  
**Robert G. Schumann** 9/00

*North Dakota*  
**Harold M. Rowley** 10/00

*Ohio*  
**Herbert L. Halberstadt** 6/00

*Oklahoma*  
**John Ellis Prather** 9/00

*San Francisco State*  
**Bruce G. Queen** 5/00

*Southwest Missouri State*  
**George Y. Ireland** 8/00

*Texas Christian*  
**Charles W. Payne** 11/99

## Fraternity Staff Update

Joining our administrative staff is Allison

McClymont. She serves as administrative assistant to the Director of Information Services. She will be in charge of

handling the many areas of membership records and mailings.

Allison attended Miami University where she studied health enhancement and met her husband, Joshua, a fine arts major. They were married in August and live in Oxford.



## SEND US YOUR NEWS!

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# Celebrate and Legislate at Delta Sigma Pi's 43rd Grand Chapter Congress



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**D**elta Sigma Pi's first Grand Chapter Congress of the new millennium is held in a city which is stepping up to the 21<sup>st</sup> century in style: Buffalo, New York. You can be a part of the excitement on August 15-19, 2001 by joining your brothers for the 43<sup>rd</sup> Grand Chapter Congress!

The Congress offers many opportunities for our members. Educational and leadership seminars are among the best you will ever experience. Interesting and dynamic speakers lead the sessions, and allow our members to discover their own potential and the opportunities that await them in Delta Sigma Pi and the business world. Personal development is also an

important part of the educational process, and those seminars will provide valuable enrichment for everyone who attends. Former staff members have been invited to a special recognition ceremony, allowing our membership to have the chance to interact with these important leaders in our Fraternity.

From the opening session and the keynote address to the legislative and business ceremonies, all delegates and visitors attending this Congress will be a proud part of an historic event. The Grand Chapter Congress Banquet, featuring fine dining, dancing, and entertainment, provides a fitting conclusion for the ceremonies.

## Buffalo: The Second Largest City in New York

Buffalo is called the "Queen of the Great Lakes," and has a cosmopolitan style with an intimate, small-town feel that makes the metropolis easily accessible and attractive. Buffalo is close to Niagara Falls, less than two hours from Toronto, Ontario and other Canadian sites, and less than an hour from the beautiful Victorian village of



Beautiful and bizarre bison roam Buffalo's streets as part of a fun "Herd About Buffalo" public art project. These three grace the entrance to the Hyatt Regency, our Congress host hotel. Rates start at \$98. Call 716-855-4940.

Niagara-on-the-Lake. Buffalo/Niagara International Airport is serviced by all major airlines, including Southwest, and two Amtrak stations make train travel convenient as well. Buffalo is within a 500-mile radius of over 48% of the population of the United States and 62% of Canada's population.

## Perfect Summer Weather

Summer in Buffalo is a comfortable climate with clear skies and cool breezes from the lake. Buffalo has the sunniest summers on the East Coast. You'll enjoy many outdoor activities and events in enjoyable weather to compliment your stay.

## Stay at the Premiere Hotel in Buffalo

The Hyatt Regency Buffalo, a prime downtown hotel connected to the Buffalo Convention Center, which will host our Grand Chapter Congress, is the perfect location at which to stay while in the city. Located on the metro rail, the hotel is within walking distance of shopping, restaurants, theatres, and entertainment attractions.

Recently renovated, the Hyatt Regency offers elegant guest rooms and suites. Rooms also feature desks and ergonomic chairs, convenient for transacting any business needs. You can also enjoy the full service Olympia Health Club with a heated indoor Olympic-size pool, sauna, steam room, whirlpool and aerobics, free weights, Nautilus, and jogging paths. The hotel also offers transportation to first class tennis and golf facilities.

Fine dining can be enjoyed at The Bakery, E.B. Green's Steakhouse, Genesee Sports Bar and Grill, and Café Petit. With the largest hotel ballroom in western New York, and conveniently located to Niagara Falls and all local attractions, you will enjoy the best of accommodations at the Hyatt Regency Buffalo.



## The Excitement of a Journey through the Falls

Only twenty minutes from Niagara Falls and the Canadian border, you may tour the Falls on the famed Maid of the Mist Boat Tour, which has hosted visitors since 1846. The tour includes cruising to the base of the American Falls, then to the basin of the magnificent Horseshoe Falls, as the roar of the Falls become ever closer. You'll experience the mist from the intense force of the Falls, and see massive rock formations that have tamed the raging rapids for millions of years. Twenty percent of the earth's fresh water flows over Niagara Falls, which has existed for over 12,000 years.

There are an abundance of additional ways to experience the majesty of the Falls and Niagara River Gorge. Daring collegians will enjoy the jet boat tours over the raging rapids and

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Buffalo is home to many musical and theatrical choices. Shakespeare in the Park is performed in beautiful Delaware Park.



The Broadway Market features crafts, food, and European ethnic items.

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## Recreational Activities Provide Enjoyment and Excitement

Although Buffalo is a winter playground, there is no lack of recreational activities in the summer. Swimming, fishing, sailing, scuba diving, and water-skiing can be enjoyed on the waters of Lake Erie. Spectator events include sporting events that cater to every taste. Buffalo is the home of the Buffalo Bills, the National Hockey League's Buffalo Sabres, and the Triple-A Buffalo Bisons baseball team. Well over one million fans come to watch the Bisons in action during the season. The Bisons will be in town during the Congress and many brothers will enjoy their "top of the line" stadium, a short *free* train ride from the Hyatt.

## Family Fun Shared in a Special Atmosphere

In addition to the Falls, Buffalo has many natural areas of beauty which you can share with your family. The Aquarium of Niagara, Fort Niagara State Park, Niagara Reservation State Park, and the Cave of the Winds offer scenic beauty in relaxing settings for you and your family to enjoy. Nature lovers will enjoy the Buffalo and Erie County Botanical Gardens, the Buffalo Zoological Gardens, the Hawk Creek Wildlife Rehabilitation Center, and several nature preserves. Children's entertainment includes Martin's Fantasy Island (a family-theme park), the Penn Dixie Paleontological and Outdoor Education Center, Toy Town Museum, and Explore and More, a children's museum.

## Historical and Cultural Attractions

Buffalo also has many museums and sites of historical interest. Tour the Buffalo and Erie County Naval and Military Park, and the Buffalo and Erie County Historical Society. In 1901, Buffalo hosted the Pan American Exposition, and was witness to President William McKinley's assassination during the event. Vice President Theodore Roosevelt was inaugurated at the Wilcox House, which provides tours

seven days a week and is one of the finest examples of Greek Revival architecture.

Buffalo boasts one of the largest concentrations of homes by architect Frank Lloyd Wright outside of Chicago. These homes are open for tours all year round. The Allentown Historic District also offers tours of restored homes from the 19<sup>th</sup> century. Cultural attractions include the Albright-Knox Art Gallery (classical works and sculpture), the African-American Cultural Center (the African World Studies Archive and the Paul Robeson Theatre), and the Anderson Gallery (contemporary art, sculpture, and graphics from World War II to the present).

## Crossing the Border

Canada offers the atmosphere of a foreign country with a proximity to the United States. A rich mixture of French, English, and Scottish influences, you'll see beautiful architecture and gardens which reflect this heritage. Cross the Peace Bridge, which was built to commemorate a century of peace between the United States and Canada. The Whirlpool Bridge is found at the starting point of the Niagara Parkway, and offers a scenic drive with views of the Niagara Gorge, orchards, wineries, and historical houses. Winston Churchill said this area provided "the prettiest Sunday afternoon drive in the world."

Niagara Falls, Canada, features a world class casino, beautiful parks, Hard Rock Cafe, Planet Hollywood and spectacular views of the Falls. A casino



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shuttle, very moderately priced, leaves frequently from the Hyatt.

American citizens must show proper forms of identification when crossing the border. If you're not an American, you must show your birth certificate or passport. The best advice to all brothers is to bring a passport, birth certificate (or both) and to carry them whenever venturing across the border. Currency exchange rates are always favorable for Americans.

## Shopping Offers Many Choices

You'll find several malls, an outlet mall, and a large Galleria in Buffalo, as well as many other shopping choices to satisfy a variety of interests. Elmwood Avenue and the Allentown area in downtown Buffalo have vintage shops, quirky gift shops, and exclusive specialty stores. Vidler's 5 & 10¢ Store offers the old-fashioned fun of an authentic five and dime. The Broadway Market features crafts, food, and European ethnic items. Niagara Falls has name-brand outlet malls and unique souvenir shops. You'll find something for everyone when shopping in greater Buffalo—including yourself!

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