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WHY I VOLUNTEER

The opportunities for volunteering today are more abundant than ever. Sure we all live busy lives, but giving one or two hours of our time a week to a particular cause can make all the difference. Delta Sigma Pi members are rising to meet the challenge in continuing to educate, volunteer, and use their business and professional skills to give back to other communities, organizations, and the Fraternity.

People choose to volunteer for a variety of reasons. Not only does it provide us with the opportunity to get involved in a cause that we are passionate about, but also provides the chance to look beyond our own surroundings and appreciate what others are experiencing. The difference that you'll make in someone else's life will make an even bigger difference in your own. Choosing to volunteer and work for a greater cause has countless benefits.

Volunteering expands your personal and professional networks:

My network has easily doubled and expanded from coast to coast from volunteering at LEAD events, supporting different chapters in acting as their district director, participating in alumni chapter events and overall networking with other volunteer leaders who share the same Deltasig passion. I've met many great friends attending LEAD events, Grand Chapter Congress and other retreats. Expanding your network with like-minded people can help you tremendously with your personal and professional growth. Your network is all the people you know and all the people they know. Expand it as much as you can.

Volunteering benefits you by learning new and transferable skills:

In my experience, skills-based volunteering is an excellent opportunity to develop talents to help you get ahead in your college or professional career. It's never too late to learn a new skill. Volunteering can open the door to new learning opportunities that you may have not previously considered or thought you were capable of doing.

Volunteering provides an opportunity for career exploration:

When you're considering choosing a career direction or considering a career change, volunteering gives you a chance to explore different professions and industry sectors. You get to know the people, challenges and rewards involved, and gain a better understanding of the roles and positions available. Volunteer experience in a specific field or industry can make your resume or application stand out when you're competing for a job.

Volunteering brings fun and fulfillment to your life:

Research shows that volunteering will help you live longer, and that should be cause enough to make you happy. Volunteering is a win-win situation. By helping others, you have the opportunity to boost not only your career, but also your own well-being. When you volunteer in a role that's right for you, everybody comes out ahead.

I choose to volunteer much of my time to Delta Sigma Pi because of these benefits, my passion for its growth, and because who doesn't want to have a brother they can reach out to in each of the 50 states? If you're looking for an opportunity to stay involved and give back to Deltasig, reach out to your local alumni chapter! Contact a district director or a regional vice president in your area to see if any nearby universities need an extra hand. Volunteer to help or speak at a LEAD event!

Your time is appreciated, worthwhile, and certainly a lot of fun! Reach out to give back, keep your contact information with Delta Sigma Pi current, read *The DELTASIG* magazine, attend LEAD events and Grand Chapter Congress, mentor other Deltasigs, and build friendships and a supportive network that will last a lifetime. I promise you won't regret it.

Whitney Massey, *Radford (VA)*
2016 National District Director of the Year



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"Fraternal Forum" allows elected leaders, staff, and interested members to offer updates, viewpoints and commentaries on issues facing the Fraternity. Contact the Central Office if you have an interest in contributing a column. Final determination of content rests with the editorial staff.

GET READY FOR OUR 51ST GRAND CHAPTER CONGRESS!

Make plans now to join us in New Orleans, August 16–20. Several tools are available to help plan your trip at dsp.org, including registration, hotel information, schedule of events, registration policies, legislation, Bylaw and Ritual proposals, Nominations Beacon, Registration Beacon and more details. There is also a list of things to do and see around The Big Easy.

Event Highlights

Educational Sessions

A number of exciting and new sessions are offered on Wednesday. The session tracks include Delta Sigma Pi operations and history, technology and social media, financial growth, professional/career development, leadership and personal growth. You'll quickly find there are sessions for everyone—collegiate members, alumni members and guests—attending Grand Chapter Congress.



Opening session features Golden Council member and Trustee Emeritus Eddie Stephens who will talk about the extraordinary leader and will describe how joining Delta Sigma Pi, together with several other life decisions along the way, led him to find significant success in business, personal relations, and philanthropic service. These experiences also had a deeper influence and ultimately led Stephens to a profound understanding of humanity and our life journeys prompting him to do something that matters.

Grand President's Dance and Game Night



A Congress favorite is the Grand President's Dance on Wednesday evening. It's a great way to let loose and enjoy an evening of good music and bonding with brothers. If dances aren't your thing, there will also be a game night during the dance!





2017 National Honorary Initiate

Alden J. McDonald Jr., President and CEO at Liberty Bank, will be initiated Thursday morning (brothers only). Non-brothers are invited to hear Brother McDonald's remarks following the initiation Ritual. See story on page 6.

Alumni Recognition Lunch and Awards Lunch

Join us Thursday, August 17 in recognizing Silver and Golden Helmet honorees, outstanding donors and other significant accomplishments at the Alumni Recognition Lunch. On August 18, we will honor our national collegiate and alumni chapter award winners and hear the 2017 National Collegian of the Year address at the Awards Lunch.



Friday Outing-Mardi Gras parade to Natchez Riverboat for Dinner Cruise



Experience the spirit of Mardi Gras on your way to dinner in our very own parade through the French Quarter! You can't beat where the parade ends either—the Mississippi River where the steamboat Natchez will await you for a private Deltasig dinner cruise.

Saturday's Banquet

Brothers and guests look forward to Saturday's formal banquet, where Claire Sammon Roberts, *San Francisco State*, will be honored with the 2017 Lifetime Achievement Award.



Sheraton New Orleans Hotel

Ease into a relaxing getaway on one of the most celebrated parade routes in the world at Sheraton New Orleans Hotel. From the French Quarter and Bourbon Street to the Riverwalk and Warehouse District, you'll be fewer than two blocks from everything you want to see.

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2017 National Honorary Initiate



Alden J. McDonald Jr. is President and CEO of Liberty Bank and Trust Company, one of the top African-American owned financial institutions in the United States. McDonald oversees an expanding network of banking institutions serving urban communities and providing leadership in community development to a diverse customer base throughout America. He is recognized as a passionate advocate

and dynamic catalyst in providing avenues for economic growth, home ownership, wealth building and leadership development in the African-American community. Mr. McDonald has gained a national reputation as a creative, insightful, yet practical problem solver who has developed mortgage and banking products that enhance the opportunities for the financially underserved, as well as, upwardly mobile populations of America's cities.

A graduate of the LSU School of Banking and of Columbia University's Commercial Banking Management Program, Mr. McDonald celebrates 50 years in banking this year. Under his stewardship, Liberty has grown from an initial asset base of \$2 million to more than \$650 million in assets. Over the past ten years, Liberty has closed over one billion dollars in loans. Liberty now operates financial institutions in eight states and nine major urban areas.

Following Hurricane Katrina, Mr. McDonald's extraordinary efforts in rebuilding the bank and providing guidance in the recovery of New Orleans has been chronicled in the *New York Times*. He was recognized as one of the most dynamic African-American business leaders in *Fortune Magazine* and he has been celebrated on numerous occasions in *Black Enterprise* magazine and several local and national publications.

In addition, Mr. McDonald has served on the boards of numerous local, regional, and national institutions and agencies, including FannieMae, the FDIC Advisory Committee on Economic Inclusion, the American Bankers Association, the National Bankers Association, the Louisiana Bankers Association, Entergy New Orleans, and Minority Alliance Capital.

Recognized locally and nationally for his many endeavors, Mr. McDonald was recently recognized as the "Father of the Year" by the American Diabetes Association and he received an Honorary Doctorate Degree from Loyola University in New Orleans. He received the 2013 100 Black Men, Inc.'s Trailblazer award, the 2012 National Urban League's Business Pioneer Award and was one of *Fortune* magazine's 2006 Portraits of Power. ▲

Congress Keynote Speaker



Eddie Stephens has been actively involved with Delta Sigma Pi since his initiation in 1991. In addition to

numerous collegiate offices, Eddie has served the Fraternity in a number of roles including District Director, Regional Vice President, National Committee Member and President and Chair of the Leadership Foundation.

Professionally, Eddie is an equity partner in the Florida law firm, Ward Damon, PL, where he leads the family law department and manages community relations for the firm. Eddie is a Board Certified Family Law Attorney who specializes in high-conflict matrimonial law. He has earned the AV® Preeminent™ Peer Review Rating by Martindale-Hubbell, a professional rating indicating the highest ethical standards and professional ability, and has been selected for inclusion in Best Lawyers in America®, a peer-review publication recognizing the top 4% of attorneys in the country.

In addition to practicing family law, Eddie is an author, lecturer, and community leader who supports a number of local civic and charitable organizations including Leadership Palm Beach County, Boy Scouts of America, Big Dog Ranch Rescue and Peggy Adams Animal Rescue League. His hobbies include cooking, yoga, camping and spending time with his family. Eddie is happily married to Jacquie and has two children, Christopher and Matthew, and they all call Palm Beach, Florida home. ▲

Brother Makes Opening Remarks at Presidential Debate

Kenneth Sng, *Washington-St. Louis*, had the honor of delivering the opening remarks before the second U.S. presidential debate in St. Louis on October 9.



As the Student Union President, Sng spoke for the student body of Washington University and welcomed everyone to the campus. His opening remarks highlighted the importance of democracy in which he stated it, "provides momentous occasion to show that while citizens might disagree fervently on issues, they agree it is important to stay engaged in the democratic process."

When first starting to write his speech, Brother Sng felt inspired by a long conversation he had with an international friend and thought that, "the occasion would present an excellent opportunity to remind everyone that the rest of the world is watching the national election and that America has the potential to send a message of renewed confidence in democracy." Much of the world was in fact watching, and Kenneth pointed out that he was humbled to have received encouragement from his country, including Singapore's Prime Minister. When it came to preparing for his remarks, Sng said, "I tried to make every word count."



Brother Sng is very involved at Washington University, where he studies economics and mathematics. He mentioned that his experiences with the Fraternity have been nothing less than transformational. "Through Delta Sigma Pi, I got to be part of a tightly knit community of brothers who have been there for me every step of the way. Brothers have given me invaluable advice and support within and outside of the Fraternity. Interestingly, it was a brother who recommended that I get involved with the Student Union in the first place. The same brother later encouraged me to run for Student Union vice president of finance in my junior year and Student Union president my senior year," said Sng.

Upon graduation, his plan is to return to Singapore and work for the civil service. Due to strong preference for microeconomic policies and industry regulation, he is applying to ministries that deal largely with those areas, like the Ministry of Transport, Law and Finance. ▲

Brothers Network, Lead and

Last fall, more than 1,600 Deltasigs traveled to Grand Rapids, Jacksonville, Overland Park, Denver and Syracuse for the 2016 LEAD Schools. Attendees had the opportunity to network with brothers, build upon their professional skills and knowledge by listening to exciting keynote speeches, recognizing chapters and individuals and learning about personal development, career planning, Fraternity operations and more during breakout sessions.

Chapters also served the local communities by collecting pop tabs and other donations and dropping them off at each LEAD School. These items were donated to local Ronald McDonald Houses, making a difference for Delta Sigma Pi's national service initiative.

Be sure to check out the 2017-2018 schedule – we hope to see you at an upcoming event near you! ▲



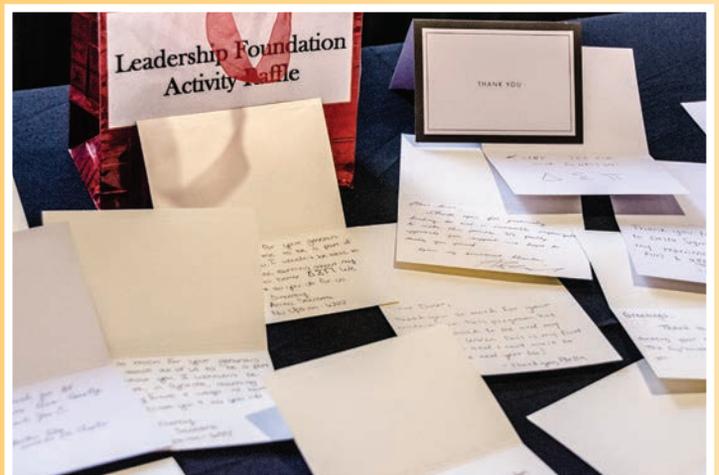
Brothers learned about “Leading in a Room Full of Leaders” from Tim Augustine, Kent State, during the keynote in Overland Park, Kansas. Brothers from DRAKE (IA) enjoyed the sessions and networking. From left: Rachel Youngquist, Lauren Ewing, Austin Christensen, Matt VanHerzeele, Coleby Hanisch, Brad Egan and Erin Hirter.



Julia Wu, Madison Leonard, Kimmy Letzler, Melissa Miles, all CORNELL (NY), display merchandise from Deltasig partner, Mecca Specialties, in Syracuse. Special thanks to all of our partners who attended LEAD events, including Charles Schwab, Enterprise Rent-A-Car, ExecSocks, Fisher Investments, Fraternal Composite Service, OneMain Financial, Mecca Specialties and GEICO careers.



Attendees in Grand Rapids, Michigan listened to Susanna Kalnes, a business owner, fitness Master Trainer and motivational speaker present her signature speech called “T.H.R.I.V.E. by 30.” This session focused on living a “strong” life, not just physically but mentally. Brothers attending from FERRIS STATE (MI) enjoyed networking and meeting national leaders. From left: Alecia Dillard, Cameron Pennymon, Bakiya Taylor, Talesha Wright, Sherimi Matthews and Brittany Hines.



LEAD School attendees penned thank you cards to donors of the Delta Sigma Pi Leadership Foundation for helping make the LEADs possible.

Engage at the 2016 LEAD Schools



The successful 2016 LEAD Schools finished in Syracuse, New York. Brothers from STONY BROOK learned how to foster mentor/mentee relationships as well as team building techniques. From top left: Gibrill Kamara, Andy Cheng, Kevin Han, Noah Ruff, Grace Lin, Andy Morla, Mary Zhen, Emily Yen, Zahanara Zamir and Joseph Cippolina. Bottom: Julio Marin.



SOUTHERN MISSISSIPPI sent 20 brothers to the LEAD School in Jacksonville. From left: Kirby Hesler, Kristen Hamm, Raymond Carter, Tremaine Robinson, Ta'China Starks, Jeremy Trippe, Kelley Farris, Danielle Johnson, Alexandria Geter and Deondrey Russell.



These brothers from the North Central Province gathered in Grand Rapids (MI) for a weekend of networking and professional learning.



Yamilecs Hernandez, Victor Labansat and Carmel Peichoto, all CALIFORNIA-MERCED, attended the Denver LEAD where they took part in a recruitment boot camp, learned how to invest in their futures and gained tips about motivating chapter members to be as involved as possible.



Denver welcomed over 600 attendees making it the most attended LEAD School to date! Brothers from ST. CLOUD and NORTHERN ARIZONA network with 2015 National COY Chad Robinson. From left: Robinson, St. Cloud (MN). Brothers Cassie Johnson, Anndi Ertel, Justin Anderson and Brikken Jensen; Northern Arizona Brothers Alejandro Hernandez and Ryan Searfoss.



In Jacksonville, Florida brothers learned how to make and utilize connections during the "Your Dream Job is Waiting" keynote with Adam Carroll, Phoenix-Thunderbird.



Together Deltasigs

Make A Difference Day (MDDay) is the largest national day of service and is one of Delta Sigma Pi's national service initiatives. Taking place every fourth Saturday in October, millions of volunteers from across the United States join together to support their communities and improve the lives of those living in them.

In 2016, hundreds of brothers from nearly 100 collegiate and alumni chapters volunteered their time and resources to make a lasting impact. Thank you to all brothers who helped make a difference in their communities! ▲



INDIANA-BLOOMINGTON assisted the local Big Brothers Big Sisters and the Boys and Girls Club with their annual Fall Festival and Haunted House by decorating, setting up games and cleaning up after the event.



SYRACUSE (NY) brothers hosted its fifth annual 'Cuse vs. Cancer 5k Color Run. Nearly 100 runners of all ages attended the race. The chapter donated over \$2,000 to the Jim and Juli Boeheim Foundation, which provides support to New York youth battling cancer. President Logan Margolis and SVP Allie Marcuccio pose with Otto the Orange, Syracuse's mascot.



DRAKE (IA), DES MOINES-CENTRAL IOWA and IOWA cleaned up the Drake (IA) stadium after the annual Reggie's Sleepout, which raises funds for Iowa's homeless youth centers. Brothers broke down cardboard boxes used to construct shelters and loaded materials onto garbage/recycling trucks. Pictured are Jody Dierickx and Nathan Wagner, both Iowa State.



NEW MEXICO participated in American Cancer Society's Making Strides Breast Cancer walk, along with 2,000 others. The nationwide walk has raised more than \$750 million since 1993 to help fight breast cancer. From left to right: Thu Ngo, Sydney Nichols, Ava Mueller, Somi Phaybouth, Lindsey Berger and Sabrina Apodaca.

Make A Difference



ARIZONA joined the Eller College of Management Make A Difference Day event along with 960 others. Brothers volunteered at Tucson Valley of the Moon, a children's fantasy park that puts on plays teaching children about kindness. The chapter helped by planting trees, building fences, weaving vines and performing other landscaping needs. From left: Esteban Serino, Maddi Porter and Annie Weber.



WAYNE STATE (MI) collected more than 80 food items to give to local organizations to feed impoverished neighbors.

CAL POLY-SAN LUIS OBISPO gathered at a community garden to distribute mulch, clean and perform other garden activities. According to VPCO Matthew Lem, "It was a great way to bond with each other and meet members from other fraternities."

VIRGINIA TECH penned letters to soldiers for Operation Gratitude. All of the letters were collected at the end of the event and shipped to soldiers. Brothers provided their contact information so the soldiers have the opportunity to reply if they would like.

Giving Back

Chapters and groups that reported participating in Make A Difference Day 2016:

Angelo State (TX)	Hawaii-Hilo	Redlands (CA)
Arizona	Indiana-Bloomington	Rider (NJ)
Cal Poly-San Luis Obispo	Indiana-Purdue at Ft. Wayne	Saint Louis
Cal State-Fullerton	Indiana-Purdue at Indianapolis	South Dakota
Cal State-Long Beach	Iowa	South Florida-St. Petersburg
California-Davis	Kent State (OH)	South Florida-Tampa
California-Irvine	La Verne	Syracuse (NY)
California-Riverside	Long Beach-Pier 9 (CA)	Trinity-San Antonio
California-San Diego	Los Angeles	Truman State (MO)
California-Santa Cruz	Louisiana-Lafayette	Virginia Tech
Cal Poly-San Luis Obispo	Loyola-New Orleans	Washington-St. Louis
Central Office Staff	Massachusetts-Amherst	Wayne State-Michigan
Clemson (SC)	Mercer (GA)	Wayne State-Nebraska
Colorado State	Miami-Ohio	Western Illinois
Colorado-Boulder	Nevada-Reno	Wisconsin-La Crosse
Colorado-Colorado Springs	New Mexico	Wisconsin-Madison
Drake (IA)	North Texas	
Des Moines-Central Iowa	Northern Colorado	
Duke (NC)	Penn State-Erie	
Florida Atlantic	Penn State-State College	
Florida State	Philadelphia	
Frostburg State (MD)	Pittsburgh	
George Washington (DC)	Radford (VA)	
Georgia Tech		



LOYOLA-NEW ORLEANS visited Animal Rescue in New Orleans and assisted with day-to-day tasks necessary to keep the shelter clean and animals well cared for.

Don Matheson CMC® Elected as Chair and CEO of IMC USA

Don Matheson CMC®, *Georgia Tech*, was recently elected as Chair and CEO of the Institute of Management Consultants USA (IMC USA), which promotes excellence and ethics in management consulting through certification, education and professional resources.

Matheson has served IMC USA in multiple roles including President of the Carolinas Chapter for four years and Certification Chair since 2009. He was elected Chair of the IMC USA Foundation in 2012, and is the recipient of the IMC USA 2013 Achievement Award for his financial expertise, strong leadership and ongoing commitment.

Each year, IMC USA hosts an international conference for management consultants where Matheson spends much of his time. The conference allows consultants to “sharpen their axes” and network with others in the industry. Taking place in October, it is a great opportunity for consulting professionals to share best practices with proven leaders throughout the consulting community.

Matheson is the CEO for NorthStar Management and has provided consulting services for 21 years. He helps CEOs and executives improve their business’s financial performance and strengthen their balance sheets. Through the years, he has helped companies and corporations achieve significantly increased profits and preserve numerous jobs. Matheson is also a Certified



Management Consultant®. This certification means he possesses the education, continuing professional develop and commitment to the highest ethical standards and has passed rigorous assessments testing his consulting engagements. This level of excellence has been achieved by less than one percent of consultants.

Before making his way in the consulting business, Brother Matheson began his career in the manufacturing industry. Through his experience at large corporations, he found himself managing 13 plants throughout 11 cities in five states. Perhaps the most remarkable aspect of his management experience is that within the 13 plants, he could call most people by their first names.

His success is fueled by hard work and a zest for learning. In fact, Matheson strives to learn something new every single day. He advises those who are beginning their careers to never be afraid to fail. He says, “If you go boldly and approach all things with curiosity and thoughtfulness you will be successful almost all of the time.” His advice has been taken by many of those who have reported to him throughout the years. Matheson has a talent for helping others and is proud that anyone in a management position who reported to him for three years or longer has risen to be at least Vice President of that organization or been recruited for an even larger role at another company.

One thing that has always remained true for this high achieving Deltasig is to “always remember your family.” That said, he enjoys spending time with his seven grandchildren in Myrtle Beach during Easter and Labor Day vacations.

To read more about the IMC USA Conference, visit imcusaconference.org. If you are interested in attending the conference, Deltasigs receive a \$100 discount off the Non IMC Member rate to attend by using the promotion code DSPCONF.

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UPSILON OMEGA INSTALLED AT STONY BROOK UNIVERSITY



Stony Brook (NY) was installed during a luncheon on December 3, 2016. Members pose with Northeastern PVP Tricia Smith, PGP Mark Chiacchiari, Empire RVP Jackie Napalan and DD William Greenberg (front row).

Stony Brook Colony began September 29, 2014 when a group of students sought to offer a stronger alternative to the existing clubs and fraternities that were available for business students. Since that time, the colony has hosted and participated in numerous professional and service events, including a resume workshop, a campus clean-up, an alcohol awareness workshop and a clothing drive for a donation to Honduras.

In the fall of 2016, the chapter partnered with Stony Brook's career center for their diversity panel and recruiting event. Members introduced Delta Sigma Pi to the panel and had the opportunity to ask questions and listen to the Vice President of Finance at Canon talk about diversity. Members also had the opportunity to network with other professionals on the panel.

During one of the informational sessions open to all business and economics students interested in joining the Fraternity, the colony invited Kristen Brown to speak about her experiences as a Delta Sigma Pi charter member at Duke University.

The colony sent eight members to a LEAD School where they built networks with other chapters/brothers and learned more about the Fraternity as a whole as well as about professional networking. They also participated in the Empire Region's back to school picnic and attended an event with Kappa Rho at Adelphi.

Upsilon Omega is destined to succeed with the strong foundation built by members since the colony's opening. Welcome, Upsilon Omega! ▲

School: Stony Brook University

Chapter Number: 294

Installation Date: December 3, 2016

Installation team assisting national officers: brothers from Kappa Rho at Adelphi and Pi Psi at CUNY-Baruch.

History: Stony Brook University was established in 1957 as a secondary school for teachers of math and science. The original campus was in Oyster Bay, Long Island. In 1962, a new campus was built in Stony Brook, a historic village in New York where the university remains today.

College of Business

Enrollment: 1,239

Concentrations: accounting, entrepreneurship, finance, marketing, operations, international business and MBA.

Brother Bikes 4000 Miles for CANCER

By Heather Troyer,
Washington-St. Louis



Laura Elizondo, *Texas-Austin*, took the ride of her life last summer—bicycling from Austin, Texas to Anchorage, Alaska. From the red dirt and cliffs of West Texas and New Mexico to beautiful desert lightning storms and the amazing colorful mountains in Zion National Park, Brother Elizondo saw some spectacular sights. “We saw the gorgeous snowcapped mountains in Yosemite National Park and the fogginess of San Francisco and the California coast. We were humbled by the Redwood Forest. Up

through Oregon and Washington, we passed over beautiful bridges and spent a lot of time in the cutest little towns. In British Columbia, we rode through gorgeous wildflowers and had spectacular views of mountains. Finally, through the Yukon and Alaska we saw so much wildlife. We saw moose crossing the street and bears along the side of the road. It was really cool.” But this ride wasn’t all about seeing cool sights. Laura made the journey as part of Texas 4000 to support the fight against cancer.

Texas 4000 for Cancer was founded by two engineering students at the University of Texas in Austin in 2004. According to their website, Texas 4000’s mission is to cultivate student leaders and engage communities in the fight against cancer. The student organization fights cancer by fundraising for cancer research and support services. After a competitive selection process of essays and interviews, the University of Texas students spend a year and a half raising money, training, volunteering in the community and planning the journey. During the 70 day cross-country bike tour, participants spread hope, knowledge and charity throughout North America. About 60 riders on three different routes embarked on the summer ride this year.

Brother Elizondo joined Texas 4000 as a way to honor her grandfather Bert Guerra who passed away from cancer when she was in middle school. “My grandfather loved adventures and people. I know he would be so proud to know that I got to experience such an amazing thing.” Laura participated in the Sierra route which spans through West Texas, New Mexico, Arizona, Utah, and Nevada, along the coasts of California, Oregon, and Washington, through British Columbia and the Yukon before finally reaching Alaska. She and her team left Cedar Park, Texas on June 4 and finished in Anchorage, Alaska on August 12.

“The ride was one of the most amazing and surreal experiences ever,” recalled Laura. “After riding about 80 miles a day on average, we would usually be greeted by people in churches and community groups. Getting to know people and hearing their stories about cancer was powerful and inspiring. People everywhere were incredibly generous and offered us meals, showers and a place to stay. After a good night’s rest, we would wake up in the morning and get ready for another day. My favorite tradition, however, was our ride dedication circle. Before

we left on our bikes, we would gather the team and our hosts together and each dedicate our ride that day to someone who inspired us to be there.”

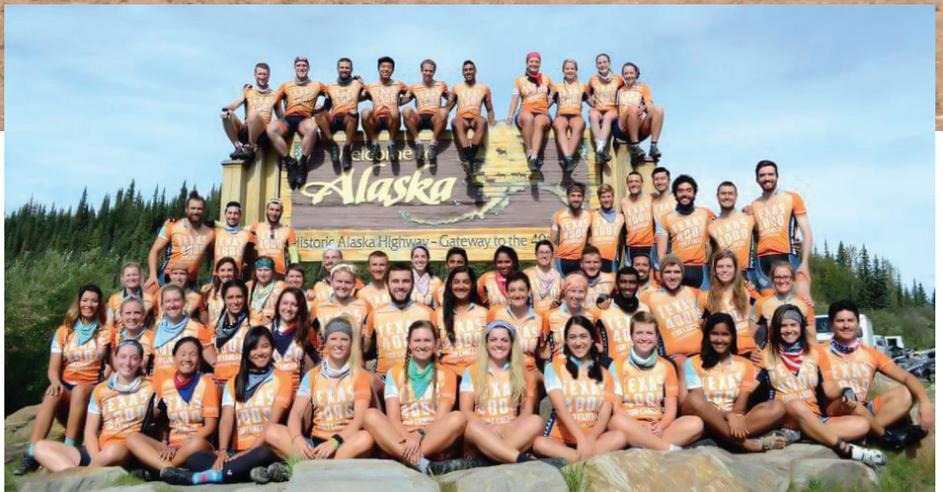
According to Texas 4000’s website, “riders report growth and increased skills in the areas of physical fitness, leadership, accountability, confidence, resiliency, decision-making, conflict resolution, cancer advocacy, community engagement, volunteerism, fundraising, networking, mentorship, nonprofit operations, bike maintenance, nutrition, public speaking, interviewing, time management, teamwork and more.” Laura also learned that attitude makes a huge difference and attitudes, both good and bad, can be contagious. “It is easy to complain about being uncomfortable and missing home, but it bums everyone out. When someone had a good attitude, it was contagious and we all were inspired to get through the really hard days.”

She also learned that it is best to tackle a problem head-on by frontloading your hard work. “When climbing a hill or a mountain, you need to start at it full speed ahead so that your momentum will keep you going.” This message can be used in life, your career and in Delta Sigma Pi. “Instead of procrastinating and grumbling about something, I now try to just get right into problem-solving,” she claimed.

Laura gained even more at the finish line though. Her longtime boyfriend Garrett Oliveira, *Texas-Austin*, surprised her in Anchorage, Alaska with a marriage proposal. And if that wasn’t romantic enough, Garrett was actually Laura’s big brother when she pledged fall 2011. ▲



Laura Elizondo, Texas-Austin, bicycled from Austin, Texas to Anchorage, Alaska for Texas 4000 which raises money to support the fight against cancer. She is pictured here at Camel Rock outside of Santa Fe, New Mexico.



WunderBrothers Start



From sleepaway camp to corporate office! First meeting at middle school camp, two Syracuse brothers created Wundershirt, a company selling T-shirts that incorporate nanofabric technology. After camp, Sam Sanders and Michael Shaw stayed connected on Facebook, but it wasn't until they realized they were both attending Syracuse to study business did they team up.

Although Michael and Sam have very similar business goals which brought them together in business, they joined Delta Sigma Pi for different reasons. Michael joined Delta Sigma Pi to help him stand out in the Syracuse community. He also wanted the opportunity to expand his personal network. Sam wanted to grow, personally and professionally, while being able to share his knowledge and experiences with like-minded individuals. Delta Sigma Pi gave him a group of peers that he could count on for advice and growth.

Before pledging his freshman year, Sam was walking to a class presentation in a suit. It was a hot September day. When he finally arrived, he was tired and dripping with sweat. He asked himself "Why can't clothing do more for you than just be fashionable?" Determined to find an answer, he began to research clothing that could provide health benefits. Sam did not have the scientific background, so Michael joined him to help with research and product development. The two became

industry experts through endless hours of research. And what they don't know, they outsource.

The company came to fruition with the Couri Hatchery and Student Sandbox incubators at the Whitman School of Management, which both brothers graduated from last May. "Our current product's material raises stamina and endurance, boosts speed and strength, allows for quicker recovery, relieves stress on the body, and regulates temperature," explained Sam. According to their website, wundershirt.co., the shirt "contains multiple ingredients including optically responsive minerals that are embedded into the fabric that allow the shirt to enable increased oxygen and blood flow levels. These active ingredients are very small; in fact, they are smaller than a human hair. The materials react to light and heat."

In the beginning stages of creating Wundershirt, other brothers supported Sam and Michael with their goals. "Delta Sigma Pi gave us the network and tools to succeed.

It was beneficial to speak to brothers on campus, as well as professional speakers the chapter brought in, and use them as a sounding board. Furthermore, having other brothers on campus who have started businesses allows us to support each other and will continue going forward," said Michael. "The power of people is everything," Sam continued. "Personal relationships and how you manage and communicate with people will help determine how you will shape your life."



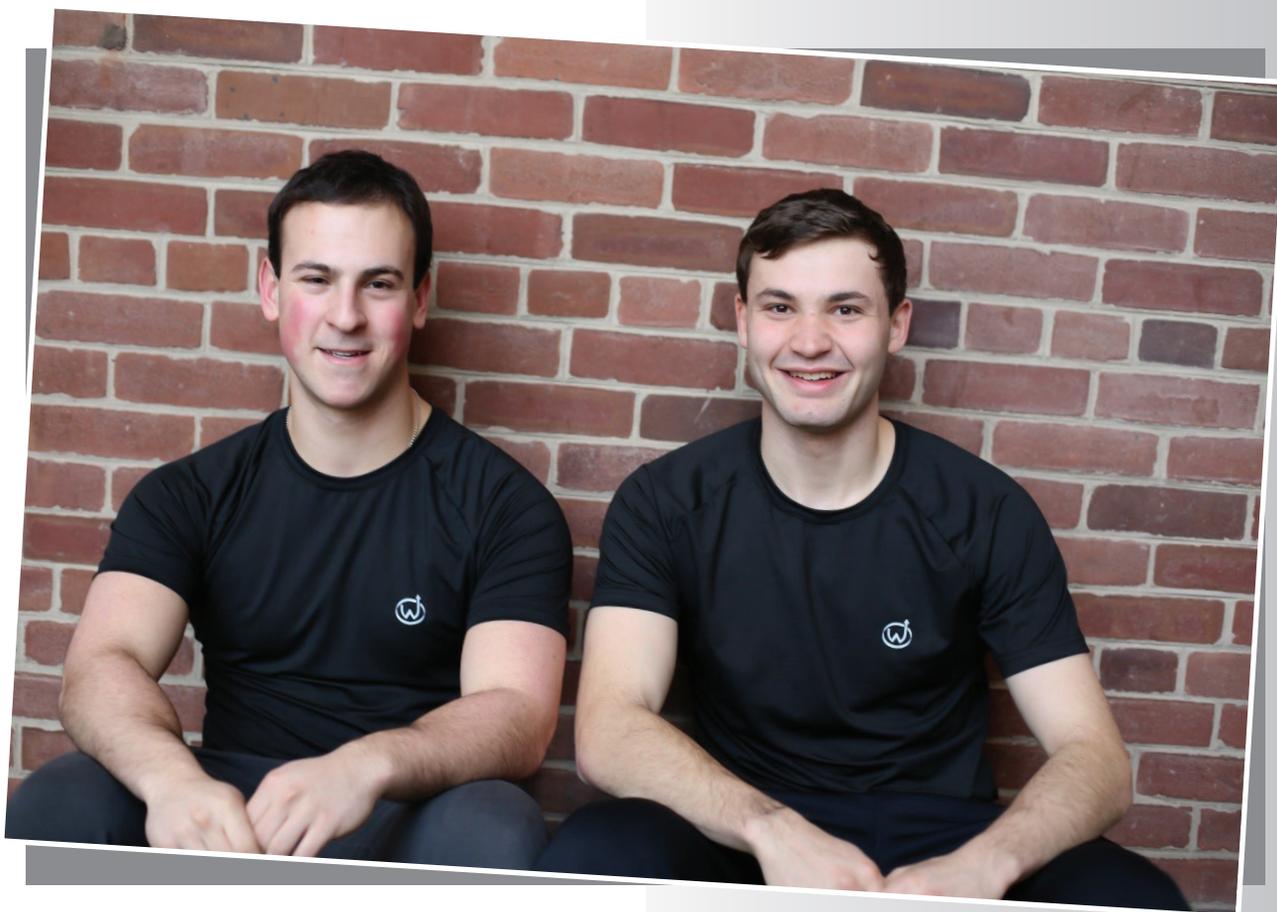
Photos by Aaron Sortal, Syracuse

Starting a new venture in college is no easy task. “When working with a startup, we have to explore every possible option and possible lead we have,” said Michael. “Sometimes the biggest success can come from the most unlikely sources.” The two would schedule meetings to specifically talk about business. Time management and learning how to prioritize activities were important skills they both learned while in school. Sam learned to plot activities on a graph to help him prioritize. “I label the x-axis Importance and the y-axis Time Sensitivity. I then plot all of my activities I need to do, completing the time sensitive and high important items first.”

If you watched the summer Olympics, you may have spotted their shirts in Rio. These brothers

contacted English-speaking countries with ten or fewer athletes to pitch their product. They were hoping to equal out the playing field so that all countries have equal access to top technology, which typically countries with a small number of athletes do not have access to. After many emails and phone calls, representatives from Olympic Track and Field Teams from St. Kitts and Nevis, U. S. Virgin Islands, Bermuda and Trinidad and Tobago all purchased their shirts.

So what is next for WunderShirt? “I believe Wundershirt will one day become the future of clothing. We will be looking to explore other cutting edge fabrics that will help customers get the most out of the clothes they wear,” claimed Sam. ▲



Michael Shaw (left) and Sam Sanders, both Syracuse, created Wundershirt, a company selling T-shirts that help enhance performance during sports and exercise.

DELTA SIG LEGACIES:

Jeff Berlat, *Houston*, married Joelle Estelle, also *Houston*, in 1999. Together, Jeff and Joelle have attended ten or more Grand Chapter Congresses. Jeff was able to attend initiation for both his niece Keri Jucha, *Indiana*, and cousin Kerrie Sivilli, *Arizona State*.



Jeff and Joelle Berlat



Jeff and niece, Keri Jucha

When they started dating, Jennifer Rees Bendetti, *Georgia State*, and Robert Bendetti, *Kennesaw State*, were both presidents at their collegiate chapters. Jennifer's brother, Robert Rees Jr., was recently initiated by Atlanta Alumni Chapter.



Jennifer and Robert Bendetti



Robert Rees Jr. and Jennifer Rees Bendetti

A legacy brother is a member whose parent, grandparent or sibling is also a brother. Although Delta Sigma Pi does not have an official legacy program, family members of brothers joining the Fraternity have existed since our beginnings. In November 2016, we shared the legacies that existed among our Founders and Grand Presidents along with some families that reported five or more brothers—including the Latona/Durst/Signorino/Moore clan with nine members who are brothers.

Enjoy learning about these families and stay tuned to **dsp.org** and future issues of *The DELTASIG* for features of more families!

Fraternal Brothers within Families

By Beth Losik, Baker

Cody Candee was part of the reactivation class for Psi at Wisconsin-Madison. The semester after he graduated, his brother Mackenzie “Mac” also initiated into the same chapter followed by their cousin, Samuel Candee. During a pledge quiz, Mac was excited to be able to answer “my brother” when asked who the National Collegian of the Year was (Cody is 2012 National Collegian of the Year). The family didn’t stop there though. Their cousin Robert Weigel was part of the charter class for Upsilon Phi at Eckerd (FL). The cousins meet during the summer in Wisconsin every year and often talk about their Deltasig experiences.



Cody, Mac and Sam Candee

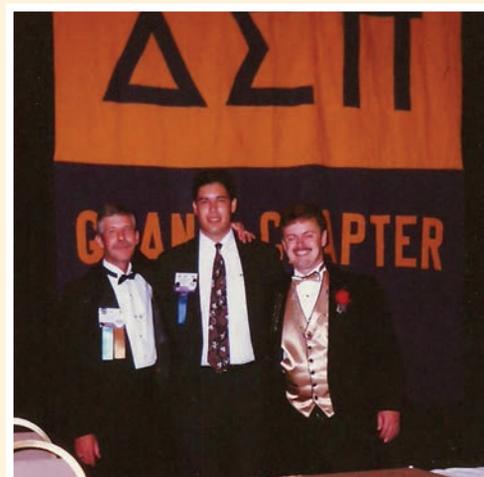


Tony, Allison and Karen Coe

Tony Coe, *Cal Poly-Pomona*, and his wife, Karen, *Texas-San Antonio*, attended the initiation of their daughter, Allison, *Texas Tech*, in the spring of 2016. Karen was the “Rose Queen” for the Tony’s Eta Chi Chapter and was later initiated at Omicron Phi.

Brothers Bill and Jim Deaton both initiated into Beta Epsilon at Oklahoma. Later, Jim’s son also initiated into the same chapter. Jim Deaton, Sr. served as the president of Beta Epsilon in the 1970s and later served as a district director and Regional Director. Jim Deaton II also served as the president for Beta Epsilon (in the 1990s) and still serves in leadership roles for the Oklahoma City-Tornado Alley Alumni Chapter. Jim Deaton, Sr. recently passed away in Oklahoma at the age of 67.

Jim Deaton, Sr., Jim Deaton II and PGP Randy Hultz at Grand Chapter Congress in 1997 in New Orleans, LA.



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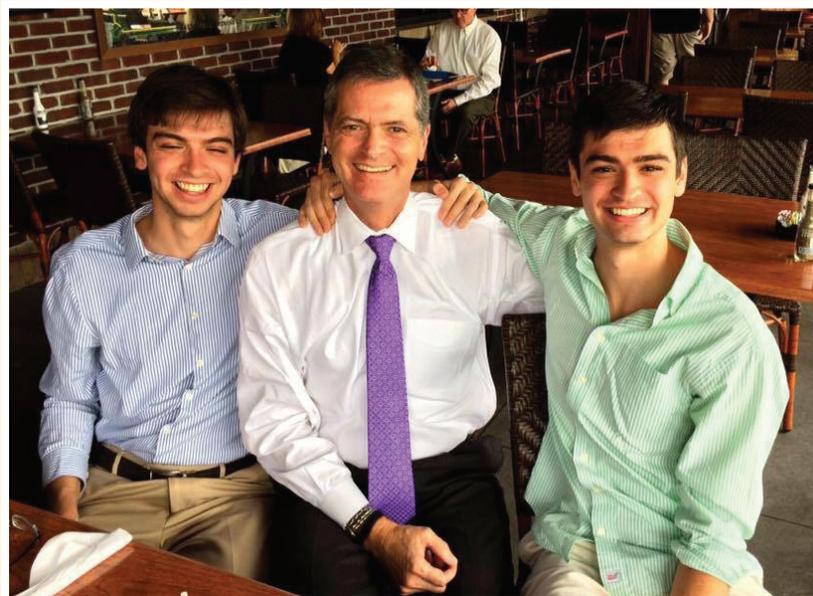
Ellie Pelto, joined Delta Sigma Pi at Nebraska-Omaha shortly followed by her sister Monica at Nebraska-Lincoln. Their mother, Lisa, was recently initiated by the Lincoln/Greater Nebraska Alumni Chapter.

Lisa, Ellie and Monica Pelto

Amanda Romine Meeker, *Truman State*, jokingly notes that “my mom is married to my brother” of parents Jeff and Marilyn Romine who were both initiated as faculty members at Truman State. All three attended the 35th Anniversary celebration for their Iota Nu Chapter.



Marilyn, Amanda and Jeff Romine

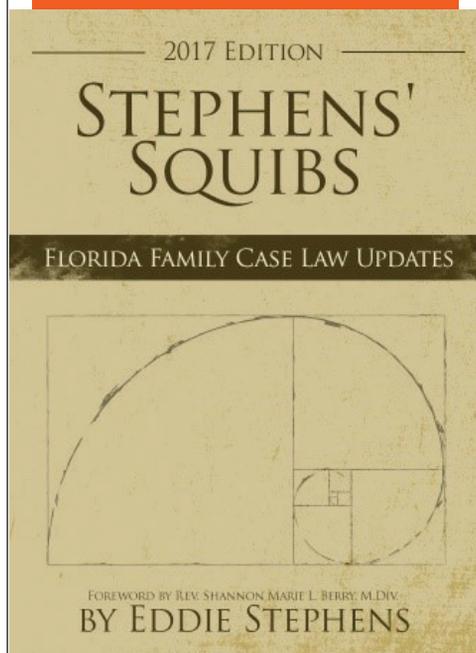


Both of Mark Stewart’s, *Alabama*, sons joined the Fraternity at Alpha Zeta at Tennessee. He says that he is “happy that my sons not only have enjoyed their Deltasig experience, but that they have also assumed leadership duties.” Both Mark and John Michael served as president for their collegiate chapters along with other roles while Justin has served as social chair.

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Book Supports Delta Sigma Pi



Eddie Stephens, Miami-Florida, pledged the proceeds of his book "Stephens' Squibs: Florida Family Case Law Updates" in part to the Delta Sigma Pi Leadership Foundation. Brother Stephens, a Golden Council member and Trustee Emeritus, is a litigation attorney partner in the Palm Beach, Florida law firm Ward Damon. ▲

Harold Carney, Georgia, is compliance officer at Associated Credit Union in Peachtree Corners, Ga.

Morgan Cook, Georgia, is a risk analyst at Beecher Carlson Insurance Services, LLC in Atlanta.

Krista Jarvis, Georgia, is brand manager at Newell Brands in Atlanta. Michael Sanders, Georgia, is a mortgage banker at Caliber Home Loans in Alpharetta, Ga.

Nybria Baker, Georgia Southern, is court administration management analyst at Atlanta Municipal Court in Atlanta.

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Alyssa Stephens, Akron, is a business analyst at DDR Corp. in Beachwood, Ohio.

Jennifer Rawls, Angelo State, is vice president artistree retail at Michaels Stores Inc. in Colleyville, Texas.

Ivan Mendez Gonzalez, Arizona, is a technology risk consultant at Deloitte & Touche in Costa Mesa, Calif.

Aubri St. Pierre, Auburn, is hotel general manager - DoubleTree by Hilton at Indiana Gaming Company, LLC/Hollywood Casino in Lawrenceburg, Ind.

Charles Cleaver, Ball State, is senior VP/CFO at Martin Health System in Stuart, Fla.

Brad Smith, Ball State, is client director at Optiv in Fishers, Ind.

Shawn Gott, Bentley, is a licensed massage therapist/owner at Kneadful Things Massage & Bodywork in Skowhegan, Maine.

Peter LaCava, Bentley, is a fixture buyer with Destination XL Group in Canton, Mass.

Laura Habberfield, Buffalo, is manager, sales & operations planning at New Era Cap in Buffalo N.Y.

Cassandra Wilson, Buffalo, is president and founder at Vital Home Store LLC in Beverly, Mass.

Adam Hetu, Cal Poly-Pomona, is on the National Registry of Emergency Medical Technicians at Aircare International in Carlsbad, Calif.

Barry Leake, Cal Poly-Pomona, is a driver at CleanTech Environmental in Irwindale, Calif.

Eric Hubbs, Cal Poly-San Luis Obispo, is marketing solutions manager at Google in Ferndale, Mich.

Brian Edge, Cal State-Chico, is director of financial planning and analysis at Outerwall in Phoenix.

Christopher Wittman, Cal State-Fullerton, is treasury manager at Amazon in Seattle.

Katherine Engelauf, Central Florida, is outreach support coordinator at The Princeton Review in New York, N.Y.

Holly Stone, Clemson, is accountant/fiscal analyst III at Clemson University in S.C.

Robert Benner, Colorado-Boulder, is lead platform engineer at Walt Disney Company in Lake Buena Vista, Fla.

Angela Brietweiser, Colorado at Colorado Springs, is senior office manager/HR director at KidsEmbrace LLC in Van Nuys, Calif.

William Martz, Colorado at Colorado Springs, is dean-business school at Shepherd University in Shepherdstown, W. Va.

Brenton Ashcraft, Colorado State, is retail development specialist at The Goodyear Tire & Rubber Company in Herriman, Utah.

Heather Kazmer, Dayton, is integration manager - financial shared services at The Sherwin-Williams Co in Cleveland.

Margaret Quinn, Dayton, is director, operations at Ivie & Associates in Flower Mound, Texas.

Gilbert Benes, DePaul, is treasurer at Village of Third Lake in Third Lake, Ill.

Mark Voyda, DePaul, is tax supervisor at MTS Consulting LLC in Lincolnwood, Ill.

Anya Tompkins, Drake, is a managed care analyst at Bryan Health in Lincoln, Neb.

Alex Chan, Eastern Illinois, is corporate marketing specialist at Heartland Dental in Effingham, Ill.

Robin Franczyk, Eastern Illinois, is a business teacher at Plainfield North High School in Plainfield, Ill.

Carlos Glen, Eastern Illinois, is owner at Pop's Barbeque in Charleston, Ill.

Greg Moore, Eastern Illinois, is executive pastor at Connection Pointe Christian Church in Brownsburg, Ind.

John Zatarski, Eastern Illinois, is director of accounting at EVP / Roadrunner Pharmacy Inc. in Phoenix, Idaho.

Robert Canada, East Tennessee State, is acquisition manager at Georgia Tech Research Institute in Atlanta.

Christopher Jenney, East Tennessee State, completed his Ph.D. in neuroscience at Penn State College of Medicine in Hershey, Pennsylvania.

Robert Stewart, Florida Southern, is a music therapist at Florida State Hospital in Chattahoochee, Fla.

Saisha Delevoe, Florida State, is transition and student engagement coordinator at Florida State University in Tallahassee.

Theodore Moore, Florida State, is front office manager at Hyatt in Savannah, Ga.

Sara Maricle, Frostburg State, is customer service agent at Southwest Airlines in San Antonio, Texas.

Mary Kate Parrish, George Washington, is a licensed New York state real estate salesperson at Keller Williams in Brooklyn, N.Y.



Miami-Ohio Outstanding Professor Produces Creativity

Miami-Ohio Brother and professor Jim Friedman recently won the Miami Outstanding Professor Award for his “creativity, enthusiasm and dedication to students inside and outside of the classroom.” Having started his career in film and directed 11 national prime time television dramas and winning one national Emmy, Friedman’s classes are far from a snooze. “I think of every class period as a story,” he says. “It’s important that if your student’s mind is somewhere else, you have to go there with them.”

According to Friedman, “The most important thing is to be very confident about who you are and what your values are.” He says that he wants his students to be as happy someday as he is to go to work every day. In fact, he changed the popular phrase T.G.I.F. to T.G.I.M. (thank goodness it’s Monday!) to better fit the way he feels about coming to work after the weekends. ▲

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Kristy Calhoun, *Georgia Southern*, is senior manager, tax CPA at Chick-fil-A, Inc. in Douglasville, Ga.

Eric Prince, *Houston*, is sales representative at Southern Glazer’s Wine & Spirits in Houston.

Carol Cannon, *Howard*, is senior auditor at Cotton & Co. in Columbia, Md.

Jasmine Braggs, *Illinois-Urbana*, is benefits specialist at CBIZ Human Resources Services in St. Louis.

Darrell Gilmore, *Indiana-Bloomington*, retired as a business unit controller, vice president-supply chain at Cargill, Inc. in Minneapolis, Minn.

Anesh Katara, *Indiana-Bloomington*, is tax staff at Ernst & Young LLP in San Francisco, Calif.

Joshua Scheumann, *Indiana-Bloomington*, is director at KPMG in Indianapolis, Ind.

C.E. “Rusty” Coffing, *Indiana State*, is chairman of the board (retired) at Hoosier Heartland State Bank in Crawfordsville, Ind.

Nikki Harroll-Simpson, *Indiana State*, is executive director of external relations at Indiana State University Division of Development in Terre Haute, Ind.

Jeremy McIntire, *Indiana State*, is golf professional at Bear Slide Golf Club in Cicero, Ind.

Lance Oexman, *Indiana State*, is a territory sales manager at Dieco in Raymond, Miss.

Wesley Green, *Iowa*, is associate lawyer at Fragomen (Canada) Co.: Fragomen, Del Rey, Bernsen & Loewy LLP in Toronto, Canada.

Alexandra Forman, *James Madison*, is a risk assurance manager at PricewaterhouseCoopers in McLean, Va.

Stephanie Coon-Myers, *Kansas*, is assistant vice president/ manager corporate commission at UMB Financial Corporation in Kansas City, Mo.

Doug Gwin, *Kansas*, is purchasing manager at Prosoco in Lawrence, Kan.

Lauren Kana, *Kansas*, is an accountant 1 at Flint Hills Resources in Wichita, Kan.

Karla Lombardi, *Kansas*, is senior associate at KPMG LLP in Chicago.

Justin Cady, *Kent State*, is senior technology risk consultant at Crowe Horwath LLP in Columbus, Ohio.

Gerald Springer, *Kent State*, retired as president at The West & Associates in Keenesburg, Colo.

Alim Stickney, *La Salle*, is senior staff project accountant at CallisonRTKL in Baltimore, Md.

Gregory Dembek, *Lewis*, is treasurer/controller at R.C. Coil Spring Manufacturing Co., Inc. in Glendale Heights, Ky.

Jonathan Geerdes, *Lewis*, is finance manager at Global Experience Specialists in Hodgkins, Ill.

Michael Kristin, *Lewis*, is dealer development at Total Energy Systems in De Pere, Wis.

Darryl Robertson, *Louisiana at Lafayette*, is senior financial analyst at Postlethwaite & Netterville in Houston.

Joseph Earle, *Louisiana Tech*, is owner at Joseph C. Earle, CPA in Alto, N.M.

William Medlin, *Louisiana Tech*, is managing attorney at McMichael, Medlin, D’Anna, Wedgeworth & Lafargue, L.L.C. in Shreveport, La.

Alisiah Muhammad, *Louisiana Tech*, is elementary school teacher at Arlington Independent School District in Arlington, Texas.

JD Sparks, *Loyola-Chicago*, was recently appointed by Kentucky’s Governor Matt Bevin as division director of technical & administrative support in the Energy and Environment Cabinet, Department of Natural Resources in Frankfort, Ky.

Amanda Bayane, *Loyola-New Orleans*, is senior project manager at Hostway in New Braunfels, Texas.

Kevin Furr, *Lynchburg*, is a compliance officer at First Citizens Investor Services, Inc. in Raleigh, N.C.

Karl Schneider, *Marquette*, is senior lead specialist – sales compliance at Altria Group Distribution Company in Richmond, Va.

David Walusis, *Marquette*, is a territory sales manager at Intersect ENT in Redondo Beach, Calif.

Eric Scop, *Miami-Florida*, is vice president sales & digital marketing at Retractableawnings.com Inc. in Miami Gardens, Fla.

Joni Konstantelos, *Miami-Ohio*, is director, investor relations and corporate communications at Broadwind Energy in Cicero, Ill.

Heather Graziano, *Michigan State*, is meeting and events manager at Sheraton in Atlanta.

Nathan Heisler, *Minnesota State*, is a field sales representative at Arrow Electronics in Prior Lake, Minn.

Amber Smith, *Minnesota State*, is community marketing manager at UnitedHealth Group in Minnetonka, Minn.

Nina Stupeck, *Minnesota State*, is a personnel assistant at Minnesota State University in Mankato, Minn.

Ray Smith, *Mississippi State*, is owner of Ray Smith Wealth Management in Stillwater, Okla.

Milestones

Did you recently tie the knot? Welcome a new bundle of joy? Do you know a brother who has passed away? If so, please tell us. Email your mergers, gains or losses to magazine@dsp.org.

Mergers

Joanna Finkelstein, *Adelphi*, and Shannon Nichols, on August 6. They live in Marietta, Ga.

Ashlee Feltis, *Ball State*, and Robert Craven, on September 3. They live in Mooresville, N.C.

Janie Rauscher and **Michael Hanna**, both *Bowling Green State*, on September 3. They live in Hudson, Ohio.

Hillary VanFleet, *Bowling Green State*, and Matt O'Neill, on October 1. They live in Wadsworth, Ohio.

Rocky Mountain RVP **Kristyn Childress** and **Matthew Koller**, both *Colorado State*, on October 21. They live in Parker, Colo.

Anya Bagnato, *Drake*, and Paul Tompkins, on August 6. They live in Lincoln, Neb.

Devon Prybeck and **Kevin Furr**, both *Lynchburg*, on December 11, 2015. They live in Cary, N.C.

Morgan Hunt and **Chris Fullen**, both *Ohio*, on October 22. They live in Columbus, Ohio.

Holly Bourquin, *Penn State-Erie*, and Matthew Lefever, on May 14. They live in Saxonburg, Pa.

Monica Ginop, *Saginaw Valley State*, and Spencer Goshcke, on April 23. They live in Saginaw, Mich.

Lucas Golliet, *St. Cloud State*, and Kayla Gobin, on April 2. They live in Saint Paul, Minn.

Marcela Favila, *San Francisco State*, and Mathew Cashman, on April 23. They live in Yonkers, N.Y.

Marin Mattioli, *South Florida-Polytechnic*, and Kelsey Tyson on May 21. They live in Exeter, Pa.

Gabriella Pantoja and **Christopher Leto**, both *South Florida-Tampa*, on April 23. They live in Tampa, Fla.

Benjamin Riley, *Southern Mississippi*, and Janna McIndoe on December 12, 2015. They live in Birmingham, Ala.

Sarah Dunham, *Truman State*, and Sam Kurple, on December 30. They live in Cuba, Mo.

Andrew Gress, *Truman State*, and Kelsey Kirchhoefer, on October 15. They live in Wildwood, Mo.

Gains

Alyssa Stephens, *Akron*, and Tim, on October 10 – Henry. They live in Akron, Ohio.

Leslie Wilbers, *Missouri-Columbia*, and Luke, on May 30 – Kemper-Cole. They live in Jefferson City, Mo.

Lori (Jellick) Boyle, *Penn State-State College*, and Brett, on March 15 – Owen. They live in Germany.

Danielle and **Trevor Gohman**, both *St. Cloud State*, on November 4 – Payten. They live in Sartell, Minn.

Kristin MacDonald, *Siena*, and David, on March 7 – Lowen. They live in Ballston Spa, N.Y.

Beth Blaylock, *Texas A&M-College Station*, and John, on July 28 – Harlan York. They live in San Antonio, Texas.

Losses

Arizona State
Charles F. Anderson (October 7)

Boston
Joseph Riordan Carty (July 19)

Cal State-Sacramento
John Bullwinkel (February 18)

Creighton
Paul D. Brick (September 16)

East Tennessee State
Thomas Kilby (November 17)

Ferris State
Gary P. Turner (April 22)
Jerry Allan Woodcock (August 14)

Georgia State
Edwin Clark (September 12)
Edward Stiemke (August 14)

Illinois
George Theodore Kramer (April 9)

Ithaca
William G. Updyke (October 1)

Marquette
Robert Silah (August)

Memphis
Jerry E. Whitehorn (April 20)

Mississippi
Charles H. Humphrey
(September 9)

Ohio
Ronald B. Johnson (September 11)

Oklahoma
James Franklin Deaton
(November 4)

Rutgers-Newark
Gillette VanNuyse Treacy
(November 23)

San Jose State
Kirsten Westerman (February 15)

South Dakota
Benno Wymar (November 4, 2015)

Truman State
Paul Hosemann (September 10)

Virginia
Littleton Columbus Hudgins
(September 12)

West Liberty
John Tsikalas (May 22)

Wisconsin-Madison
Richard W. Brust (January 3)

John Bangs, *Missouri-Columbia*, is CEO at US-Telemed, LLC in Columbia, Mo.

Lynda Baris, *Missouri-Columbia*, is executive vice president, employee benefits practice leader at J.W. Terrill, a Marsh & McLennan Agency in St. Louis.

Leslie Wilbers, *Missouri-Columbia*, is office manager at LaBrunerie Financial in Columbia, Mo.

Sheri Gaunt, *Missouri State*, is human resources manager at Kraft Heinz Company in Springfield, Mo.

Eric Olson, *Missouri State*, is director, marketing at the Golf Course Superintendent Association of America in Lawrence, Kan.

Charles Shay, *Monmouth*, retired as school business administrator in Rumson, N.J.

Crystalle Cotton, *Nebraska-Omaha*, was recognized for showing dedication, leadership and excellence in information technology by Worldwide Branding for her role as event volunteer-technical support

of Web Innovations & Technology Services.

Chase Houston, *Nevada-Reno*, is associate at NAI Alliance in Reno, Nev.

Stephen Gonzales, *New Mexico State*, is senior program manager at COLSA Corporation in Warner Robins, Ga.

Shahryar Bachani, *New York*, is an advisory consultant at Deloitte in New York, N.Y.

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Earlisc Dyson, *Nicholls State*, is a fraud analyst at Deepwater Horizon-CAO in New Orleans, La.

Patrice Sherman, *North Carolina-Chapel Hill*, is global public relations manager at Burt's Bees in Durham, N.C.

Joseph Kaulaity, *Northern Arizona*, is an accountant at Indian Health Services in Window Rock, Ariz.

Stephanie McGuinness, *Northern Illinois*, is sales executive at Paycor in Downers Grove, Ill.

Carman Shah, *Northern Illinois*, is senior travel consultant at Abercrombie & Kent USA in Naperville, Ill.

Michael Steele, *Northern Illinois*, is vice president, investor relations at Zebra Technologies in Lincolnshire, Ill.

Donald Cox, *Northwestern*, is senior manager logistics engineering at FedEx in Memphis.

Morgan Fullen, *Ohio*, is team manager at RevLocal in Granville, Ohio.

Megan McDonald, *Ohio*, is senior technical recruiter at CDI Corporation in Strongsville, Ohio.

Christina Castro, *Ohio Dominican*, is bioinformatician at Centers for Disease Control and Prevention in Atlanta.

Alyssa Baptiste, *Ohio State*, is a financial business specialist at Nationwide Insurance in Columbus, Ohio.

Daman Brown, *Oklahoma*, is operations manager for Southern Plains Waterworks at Ferguson Waterworks in Oklahoma City.

Peter Chamberlain, *Oklahoma*, is a market research specialist at The Pennsylvania State University in State College, Pa.

Tiffany Davis, *Oklahoma*, is principal/employee benefits specialist at Scout Benefits Group in Oklahoma City.

BeTina Edwards-Wilson, *Oklahoma*, is an instructional specialist at Dallas Independent School District in Dallas.

Alexandria Wade, *Oklahoma*, is tax supervisor at Continental Resources, Inc. in Oklahoma City.

Robert Riley, *Purdue*, is president at Decatur Plastic Products Inc. in North Vernon, Ind.

Erin Ribacchi, *Redlands*, is internal auditor at Forest City Trading Group in Tigard, Ore.

Kaylon Sanders, *Rockhurst*, is African American services case manager at Cascade AIDS Project in Portland, Ore.

Lucas Golliet, *St. Cloud State*, is part of people advisory services staff at Ernst & Young in Minneapolis.

Stephen Munshi, *San Diego State*, is marketing manager at Behr Process Corp. in Santa Ana, Calif.

Marcela Favila Cashman, *San Francisco State*, is wine consultant and buyer at Wine Cellarge in New York, N.Y.

Andrew Placito, *Siena*, is senior financial analyst at Globalfoundries in Voorheesville, N.Y.

Kate Fenton, *South Carolina*, is branding consultant at Jack Nadel International in San Francisco.

Pamela Smith, *South Carolina*, is EEO/DBE analyst at MARTA in Atlanta.

Marin Tyson, *South Florida-Polytechnic*, is field sales manager – Samsung Mobile at Premium Retail Services in Scranton, Pa.

Karen Jeter, *South Florida-Tampa*, is a mathematics teacher at Pasco High School in Dade City, Fla.

Earle Reynolds, *South Florida-Tampa*, is director strategic business development at DentalWorks, USA in Tampa, Fla.

Ne' Presha Watkins, *South Florida-Tampa*, graduated Cum Laude with a Masters in social work at Howard University in Washington, D. C.

Brother A-Dorned with Alumni Award

In October, Mark Dorn, *Minnesota State*, received the Distinguished Alumni Service Award from his alma mater Winona State (WSU), where he remains an active service member.

The Distinguished Alumni Service Award recognizes WSU graduates or non-graduates who have voluntarily rendered significant contributions of time and talent to the university. Dorn took part in WSU's Homecoming parade and was recognized at a banquet. Out of 50,000 WSU alumni, only 48 have received this prestigious award.

Dorn graduated from WSU with a Bachelor of Science in business in 1983. He currently works as a Transportation Consultant and Athletic Event Manager at St. Olaf College. At WSU, Dorn played a vital role in starting our Kappa Upsilon Chapter, which has initiated nearly 800 brothers. He received the Silver Helmet Award in 2006, recognizing his 25 years of service to the Fraternity. He has served as Regional Director, district director, chair of awards and scholarship committees and is an active member of the Twin Cities Alumni Chapter.

Mark and his wife Linda, *Winona State*, (Deltasig's National Alumni Development Committee Chair) live in Webster, Minn. and are very involved in mentorship programs, volunteering regularly through their church and other organizations they are passionate about.

Congratulations, Mark on this accomplishment! ▲



Mark Dorn, *Minnesota State*

Zach Wedding Named Western Kentucky Young Alumni of the Year

Zach Wedding, *Western Kentucky*, was named the WKU Young Alumni of the Year for 2016-2017 for his efforts to engage alumni in Louisville. Wedding, a 2012 graduate of the Gordon Ford College of Business, currently works as a Real Estate Agent for Gant Hill & Associates in Louisville, Kentucky. He also serves as chapter president for Deltasig's Louisville Alumni Chapter and district director for Western Kentucky. Congratulations, Zach! ▲



From left: Drew Wedding (Zach's brother), Brittany Foster (Drew's fiancé), Dennis Wedding (Zach's father), Zach Wedding, *Western Kentucky*; Cindy Wedding (Zach's mother), Lindzey Trogdon (Zach's longtime friend) and Tyson Trogdon, *Western Kentucky* (Zach's longtime friend).

Zach Harrison, *Southern Illinois-Edwardsville*, is bank specialist at Scottrade in St. Louis.

John Manning, *Southern Methodist*, is data warehouse architect at Brinker International, Inc. in Dallas.

Benjamin Riley, *Southern Mississippi*, is owner of Riley Capital Management in Birmingham, Ala.

Jennifer Smith, *Tennessee*, is attorney at Miller & Martin, PLLC in Chattanooga, Tenn.

Ronald Berkley, *Texas*, received his Masters of Science in Urban and Regional Planning from the University of Texas at San Antonio.

Beth Blaylock, *Texas A&M-College Station*, is digital product manager at USAA in San Antonio.

Jeffery Treadway, *Texas A&M-College Station*, is senior vice president and group manager at Comerica Bank in Houston.

Gregg Birdy, *Texas A&M-Corpus Christi*, is vice president of operations at Birdy Properties, CRMC in San Antonio.

Valdemar Sarabia, *Texas A&M-Kingsville*, is systems administrator at Department of Defense in Meridian, Miss.

Ralph Edgar Jr., *Texas Tech*, is an account manager/sales at Pioneer Contract Services in Houston.

Robert Stevenson, *Tulsa*, retired as director of tax at Oceaneering International Inc. in Spring, Texas.

Alexandra Hauss, *Virginia Tech*, is retail manager at Compass Group - Morrison Community Living in Jacksonville, Fla.

Marcia Robertson, *Virginia Tech*, is marketing coordinator at The Hermitage in Richmond, Va.

Chelsea Pace, *Washington State*, is a data analyst at Fisher Investments in Camas, Wash.

Nadia Sobehart, *Washington-St. Louis*, is director of marketing at Axon Health Associates in New York, N.Y.

Deldric Dunning, *West Alabama*, is IT computer support /cable tech at Pine Belt Communications in Selma, Ala.

Sharron Larrison, *West Liberty*, is principal secretary/bookkeeper at Northside Independent School District in San Antonio.

Malorie Williams, *Western Illinois*, is manager at Uncle Julio's in Naperville, Ill.

Leanne Mabrey, *Western Kentucky*, is affiliate and toxic free coach at Go Beyond Natural in Lakeland, Fla.

Rachael Thornton, *Western Kentucky*, is Bank Secrecy Act specialist/project assistant at First Security Bank in Owensboro, Ky.

Kenneth Ostlund, *Winona State*, is a portfolio manager at U. S. Bank in Minneapolis, Minn.

Randy Schissel, *Winona State*, is account executive at Storey Kenworthy in Decorah, Iowa.

Ami Cindric, *Wisconsin-Milwaukee*, is pension administration – team lead at Mercer in Milwaukee, Wis.

Become a CDL today!



The Certified Deltasig Leader program is an online volunteer training program for Deltasigs. Certification recognizes alumni members for their demonstrated leadership training and experience. To learn more, go to dsp.org/beacdl.

To be a CDL, an alumni member must successfully complete eleven E-learning presentations and their respective quizzes noted as “Core Leadership Training” within a three month period.

To qualify for Advanced Certification (also known as CDL Tier 2), in addition to the E-learning presentations an alumni member must also have participated in or led educational sessions at two Fraternity events in the past five years, complete four E-learning presentations and their respective quizzes noted as “Advanced Training”, and supported the Leadership Foundation with a gift in the last 12 months.

Certifications are effective for a two-year term based on the completion date of the original certification.

Congratulations to the CDLs who earned Tier I or Tier II certification

between September 1, 2016 and January 10, 2017. (Tier II CDLs are marked with a *.)

Jennifer R. Aichele, *Cal State-Sacramento*

Christopher W. Anderson, *Winona State (MN)*

Jessica M. Anderson, *Evansville (IN)*

Tia Arnold, *Colorado-Boulder*

Charles Brown, *San Diego*

Kristen Melody Chou, *San Jose State*

Samantha Clark, *Denver*

Jody E. Dierickx*, *Iowa State*

Stephen H. Dunn, *West Florida*

Wendy L. Eilers*, *Eastern Illinois*

Jason Ewing*, *Kent State (OH)*

Karen Flores, *Concordia (CA)*

Meagan L. Hagerty*, *Wisconsin-La Crosse*

Carley Haro, *Cal State-Fullerton*

Joseph J. Kaulaity, *Northern Arizona*

Kelly Kolstad*, *San Francisco*

Elizabeth K. Le, *Cal State-Long Beach*

Edward Lee, *Cal State-Northridge*

Thomas G. Lenoir, *Marquette (WI)*

Modarith Ly, *Cal State-Long Beach*

Miguel Merilleno, *San Jose State*

Mary L. Miracle*, *Cincinnati*

Jeffrey Nestrud*, *Minnesota State*

Kathryn Ouaknine, *Cal State-Long Beach*

Pablo Antonio Portillo*, *Texas A&M-Kingsville*

Molly J. Rae*, *Winona State (MN)*

Raina Rawlings*, *Wayne State-Michigan*

W. Michael Sinclair*, *South Florida-Tampa*

Laura Elizabeth Thompson*, *Oklahoma*

Anna Marie Trenshaw, *Grand Valley State (MI)*

Elizabeth M. Van Zandt, *Central Florida*

Holly N. Vernon, *Troy (AL)*

Carol Yan, *San Jose State*

Celebrate National Alumni Day!

We hope you will be able to celebrate National Alumni Day with other Deltasigs—have dinner with a brother from college or attend a local collegiate or alumni chapter's event. If you aren't able to make plans, here are some ways to celebrate Alumni Day without having to leave the comfort of your home!

- ▲ Wear your letters, badge or other Deltasig jewelry.
- ▲ Update your contact information at dsp.org/contact-us.
- ▲ Make plans to join your fellow Deltasigs, August 16-20, in New Orleans for our 51st Grand Chapter Congress! Learn more on page 4.
- ▲ Take advantage of one of Deltasig's many affinity partners—use your Delta Sigma Pi credit card or get a quote for GEICO insurance. dsp.org/partners
- ▲ Become a Deltasig For Life Donor, or join the Living Legacy Society. dsp.org/foundation
- ▲ Contact your local Regional Vice President about local volunteer opportunities.
- ▲ Purchase a brick in the Central Office courtyard. dsp.org/bricks
- ▲ Show appreciation for your big/little brother or another Deltasig by posting a message on social media (#DSP425), sending an email or giving them a call just to tell them what they mean to you.
- ▲ Support the 4.25 Drive by making a donation to the Leadership Foundation.

Share your Alumni Day fun by posting a photo on Facebook, Twitter or Instagram using #DSP425.

Want more information? One of the Fraternity's Strategic Priorities is to provide members with meaningful involvement opportunities at every stage of life. We hope to engage 20,000 alumni annually as volunteers, donors, national event participants, or supporters of chapter or national activities. If there is anything we can do to help you or a brother you know stay involved, please contact us at alumni@dsp.org or 513-523-1907.



Share news of your collegiate chapter's activities and events with brothers across the country!
Email news and photos to magazine@dsp.org

BAYLOR (TX) participated in the annual fall blood drive sponsored by Carter Blood Care and in cooperation with Alpha Phi Omega, which is a service initiative they look forward to making tradition each semester.

ELON COLONY brought in Allison Long, Vice President of Corporate Communications at Volvo Financial Services to present her experiences in international business to the chapter. Long spoke of traveling the world for business and going to Sweden many times each year. She explained that working for an international company takes compromises, and stressed the importance of work/life balance.

MASSACHUSETTS-AMHERST celebrated the holidays and the end of another successful semester with a holiday party during their last chapter meeting. Chapter members exchanged gifts and spread holiday cheer to help relax during finals week.



GEORGE WASHINGTON (DC) brothers were given the honor of participating in the wreath laying ceremony on September 11 at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier at Arlington National Cemetery. Pictured: Isaac Liberman, Akina Newbraugh, Josh Park and Stephanie Schipull.



BELLARMINE (KY) volunteered with Uspiritus, an organization that provides housing, therapy and adoption services to neglected and abused youth, by playing kickball and mentoring the youth in their community.



On September 20, CENTRAL MISSOURI teamed with keynote speaker, success coach and best-selling author Mitch Matthews to host their chapter's first campus-wide event. The BIG Dream Gathering has become a motivational training tool that's inspired thousands to "dream bigger, think better and do more."



NORTH FLORIDA attended the Free to Breathe run/walk in Jacksonville where they joined more than 100 lung cancer advocates, healthcare professionals and survivors to help raise funds and awareness.



Brothers from LONGWOOD (VA), LYNCHBURG (VA), RICHMOND (VA) and DUKE (NC) attended the Mid-Atlantic Area Conference in November hosted at Lynchburg College.



RUTGERS-NEW BRUNSWICK (NJ) has been involved with Billy Biviano and his family since 2013. Billy was diagnosed in 2012 with an inoperable brain tumor, and the chapter participates in numerous events throughout the year to support him, including a breakfast event at Applebee's, pig roasts, a holiday dinner and a walk hosted by Steps-Together, the organization where the chapter met Billy, who is pictured on the bottom row in the center.



CORNELL (NY) hosted its fourth annual ConsultingNOW conference for brothers and students in October. The conference allows students to hear from professionals in their chosen career paths, network and ask probing questions to get a better understanding of the consulting industry. From left: David Seiden-Plaut, David Golding, Stuart Wang, Sakib Jamal and Rosalyn Xu.



COLORADO-COLORADO SPRINGS celebrated its 24th birthday with collegiate and alumni members at a local restaurant with food and Deltasig inspired cupcakes.



ROGER WILLIAMS (RI) participated in the university's annual turkey basket contest to raise funds and collect items for underprivileged families to be able to celebrate Thanksgiving. While the chapter only planned to donate one basket, the outstanding amount of donations made it possible for them to donate three baskets with Thanksgiving items and over \$75 in gift cards for families to purchase turkeys.



HAWAII-MANOA invited more than 40 Hawaiian professionals to its fourth annual Professional Interaction Night (PIN). Chapter members networked with companies like Deloitte, Ernst and Young, Aflac and Hilton during two networking rounds where they were matched up with companies/professionals of interest to them.



TEXAS TECH served lunch at the local branch of our national philanthropy, Ronald McDonald House Charities. From left: Brittany Brewster, Natalie Butler, Desirea Wright, Sabrina Nguyen, Hunter Welborn and Nicholas Elliff.



TEXAS-EL PASO remembers Manny Arzate, a brother who had muscular dystrophy that passed away before finishing his degree in 2016. The chapter won the Fall 2016 College of Business Organization Fair Competition for the third consecutive semester, proving to several university judges that Delta Sigma Pi is the most valuable organization at the Texas-El Paso CBA.



GEORGIA hosted The Spirit 5k to raise money for the Athens area Humane Society. Nearly 100 runners sported the jerseys of their favorite sports team or the T-shirt of their favorite on-campus organization. The Humane Society brought some furry friends to the finish line to help celebrate a successful run!



GEORGE MASON (VA) hosted Meet the Firm where they invited over 300 students and 44 companies to campus for networking opportunities and a Q&A panel. From left: Santiago Falconi and Rodney Velazquez.



SAN DIEGO hosted a dinner celebration for Founders' Day this year.



OHIO STATE received a room in the M. Fisher College of Business building dedicated by Nu House Corporation, beginning a successful and exciting semester for the chapter.



TEXAS A&M COLLEGE STATION organized its second annual *When Life Gives You Lemons 5k*, which raised funds for Alex's Lemonade Stand Foundation to move a step closer to finding a cure for childhood cancer. The chapter welcomed over 200 participants and raised \$8,000 to support an entire month of research.



BINGHAMTON (NY) hosted *Purple with a Purpose* where four acapella groups and other entertainers performed to raise money and awareness during Pancreatic Cancer Awareness Month. Approximately \$1,200 was raised at the event and through ticket sales. Pictured: Justina Law, Binghamton, sings and plays guitar.



EASTERN ILLINOIS held initiation shortly after Founders' Day and welcomed nine new brothers to the Fraternity. The chapter is proud of president Randi Rogers for her efforts to organize a great chapter and chancellor Shannon Kicher for helping initiation run smoothly.

NORTHERN COLORADO participated in the university-wide *Cans for Candelaria Food Drive* to raise goods for a local neighborhood.



HAWAII-HILO welcomed Derek Kurisu, the executive vice president and founder of Mountain Apple Brand of KTA Super Stores, the largest locally owned supermarket chain in Hawaii. Kurisu talked about creating value added products and where he gets his passion to serve the community and the importance of building a good team with diversity and various strengths.

Distinguished DELTASIGS

Congratulations to our 2015-16 award winners, honored at our fall LEAD Schools. A complete list of winners can be found online and in the November 2016 issue of *The DELTASIG*.



TRUMAN STATE (MO) received recognition for National Outstanding Service Activities, provincial recognition for Professional Activities, Service Activities, and Scholastic Development and many regional awards, including regional Chapter Advisor of the Year, Debra Cartwright, who is pictured here second from the right.

Will your chapter's picture be here next year?

Award applications, nominations and letters of recommendation must be submitted no later than

June 1.



TWIN CITIES (MN) earned national recognition for Outstanding Alumni Chapter and Outstanding Service Activities. The chapter also swept the alumni chapter awards in every category for the North Central Province. From left: Chapter President Adam Katch, North Central PVP Jodi Schoh, and 2015 COY Chad Robinson.



CINCINNATI ALUMNI earned the national award for Most Improved Alumni Chapter, also winning provincial awards for Outstanding Alumni Chapter, Outstanding Professional Activities and Outstanding Collegiate Relations by an alumni chapter. From left: PGP Mark Chiacchiari, Northeastern PVP Tricia Smith and Mary Miracle, Cincinnati.



DEPAUL (IL) received recognition for National Outstanding Alumni Relations. The chapter also earned regional awards for Most Improved, Financial Operations, and Scholastic Development. From left: Chris Evans, Jessica Le, North Central PVP Jodi Schoh, Elizabeth Lang and Elise De Bie.

Gratitude from 2016 Chapter Advisor of the Year – Terri Mische

I was serving as the Director of Development for the Herberger Business School at St. Cloud State University (Minn.) when I began working with Theta Tau during a small 2.5 million dollar fundraising campaign to enhance space being remodeled for the business school. I also had the opportunity to observe several of the chapter brothers when in 2007 the school hosted John Stumpf, then President and COO of Wells Fargo, during a day of presentations and meetings on campus. I continued my relationship after the campaign with the chapter as a resource for event planning assistance. I was initiated in April 2011 as a faculty initiate and have continued volunteering as the chapter advisor.

During the campaign planning and celebratory events, I was consistently impressed by the maturity, professional presence, courteousness and organization of the brothers. For example, when the mother of the first deceased brother visited campus to attend a reception, Mrs. Jirik was constantly engaged in conversation and was never without a brother as an escort during her visit. In fact her daughter who had accompanied her to campus, felt comfortable enough to venture away from her mom and engage in separate conversations. It was at that point that I realized the brothers were a distinctive group of students and the manners and polish I had been witnessing was being fostered by the Fraternity.

My duties as the advisor have grown over the years. Initially, I continued to offer guidance with special event planning and to explain and sign off on required University documents. I began to attend more executive committee meetings and to participate in events. After my initiation, my knowledge and understanding of Delta Sigma Pi grew exponentially. I attended Grand Chapter Congress in 2015 with a dear friend and mentor, Dr. Deb Kellerman, who served as advisor to Theta Tau during the time when our chapter transitioned to coeducational membership. Deb and I had a wonderful time traveling together. One cannot attend GCC without being moved by the depth of the friendships, the loyalty engendered by the Fraternity and the commitment to the professional and personal development of business students.

Dr. Queen Booker, 2015 Advisor of the Year recipient, encouraged collegians to involve their chapter advisor as



Terri Mische was presented the 2016 National Chapter Advisor of the Year Award by North Central PVP Jodi Schoh during a chapter meeting at St. Cloud State. From left: DD Danielle Gohman, Mische, Schoh and North Central RVP Cory Stopka.

a brother and I concur with her sage advice. The chapter advisor can: offer continuity where leadership changes every semester, be an ally who sees possible conflict as opportunities to learn, help with the campus business office communications, provide a neutral place to share worries and successes, counsel, and become a friend. I have developed treasured friendships that would never have been possible if I were not serving as our Theta Tau chapter advisor.

Each opportunity to work with district directors, Regional Vice Presidents, and Provincial Vice Presidents helps me learn more about what I can contribute to Delta Sigma Pi. Each chapter president I have worked with has allowed me to participate in his or her personal and professional growth. Each member of an executive committee has permitted me to articulate alternatives when none seemed forthcoming.

Each member of the chapter provides me with energy and joy! I am flattered and grateful to be trusted with such an honor.

Fraternally yours,

Terri Mische, *St. Cloud State (MN)*
2016 National Chapter Advisor of the Year



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BOSTON hosted a summer outing at Kimball Farm in Westford, Mass. in August.



OKLAHOMA CITY TORNADO ALLEY brothers toured the Mile High Stadium while in Denver for the fall LEAD School. From left: Sarah Jane Harris, Oklahoma State; Avery Moore and Jennifer Mayes, both Oklahoma; and Tornado Alley RVP Mark Wernette.



Members of CINCINNATI attended the Grand Rapids LEAD School. From left: Kevin Wright, Northern Arizona; Mary Miracle, Cincinnati; Kyle Rinderle, Xavier (OH); Jim Davis, West Liberty (WV); Malory Rinderle, Midwestern State (TX); and Jim Gerhardt, DePaul (IL).



LOS ANGELES hosted its annual Founders' Day potluck. The chapter not only enjoyed food and football, they reflected on the Fraternity's influence on their lives and how they can improve their chapter. From left: Ryan Yamishita, Trey Hernandez, Loyola Marymount; Whitney Massey, Radford; Melinda Cooper-Polakoff, Cal State-Northridge; Nate Woerner, Loyola Marymount and Vito Romono, Lewis (IL).



VIRGINIA TECH recently celebrated its 50th anniversary by inviting alumni brothers, including the chapter's original charter members for a weekend of fun and networking. From left: Miles Young, Ron Fox, Rich Carpenter, Bill Schweider, Allan Auvil, and Roy Dodson.

Delta Eta Time Capsule

Brothers at Delta Eta Chapter at Lamar in Beaumont, Texas joined together in October during the university's homecoming to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the chapter. Brothers had a special treat--they were able to see the contents of a time capsule buried on campus thirty-five years ago.

Originally, the plan was to open the capsule at the 50th anniversary celebration, but with the bolts around the capsule rusted shut, some brothers entrusted the assistance of university personnel to open the box. The reveal was scheduled with Lamar officials in June and Brothers Perry Dorrell, Dale Tyson, Dean Venta and Dennis Warren all excitedly watched as the capsule was dug up.

A new marker has been placed next to the original spot of the time capsule. The capsule and contents were donated to the Gray Library's



The time capsule, which was buried in front of the Galloway Business building at Lamar University in 1981, was unearthed in June.



*The time capsule included pieces of history including *The DELTASIG* magazine, a local newspaper and a bottle of Spanish Cabernet Sauvignon.*

archives for posterity. The time capsule included pieces of history including a list of members, pledges and faculty present for the burial, *The DELTASIG* magazine, a *University Press*, a *Beaumont Enterprise*, a *Wall Street Journal* from April 1981, and a bottle of Spanish Cabernet Sauvignon. Delta Eta was installed in April 1956 and later closed in 1998, remaining inactive today. ▲



TWIN CITIES (MN) donated more than \$1,750 in toys to Toys for Tots in December. Toys for Tots collects new, unwrapped toys and distributes them to less fortunate children during Christmas.

While on vacation, 2016 National COY Jen Huynh met up with brothers living in Vietnam. From left: Khoi Nguyen, San Jose State; Minh Phu, South Florida-Tampa; Nam Nguyen, Pacific; Huynh; Han Thai, San Francisco State; and Wendy Nguyen, Central Florida.



PHOENIX-THUNDERBIRD welcomed Christine Schwan, a certified life coach and professor, to teach the chapter how to create vision boards and make their visions reality. From left: Erica Kenney Bryant (RI); Pam Bennison, South Florida-Tampa; Alex Warrick, Evansville (IN); Jamie Kirkegaard, Arizona State; Christine Schwan, Caytes Liley, Colorado and Dan Pascha, Illinois State.

ARLINGTON AREA LONE STAR (TX) hosted its eleventh annual luau in July. Brothers, family and friends enjoyed much food and fun.



Congratulations to these alumni for their service!



Former chapter president Jennifer Mayes presented Avery Moore, Oklahoma, with the Anthony Z. Fernandez Distinguished Alumni Service Award on behalf of Oklahoma City Tornado Alley Alumni Chapter in December.



Jim Davis, West Liberty, was presented with his Silver Helmet by PGP Mark Chiacchiarri at the Grand Rapids LEAD School. Brother Davis has been active over the last 25 years serving as a chapter officer, regional chair for both the alumni and organizational development committees, and member of the provincial alumni development committee. He has been a member of multiple alumni chapters including Washington D.C., Baltimore and currently Cincinnati. In addition to attending LEAD events and Grand Chapter Congress, he also attended the installation of Mu Pi at Penn State-Erie.

Tom Fey, Miami-Ohio, was presented his Golden Helmet by ED Bill Schilling in Oxford. Brother Fey has been impacted by the Fraternity from a very young age – as his neighborhood vacant lot “ball field” in Oxford was lost to then Executive Director Jim Thomson’s newly built house – after Jim’s move to Ohio for the new Central Office. Tom’s father Ralph was the First Administrative Secretary (and a National President) of Beta Theta Pi, also headquartered in Oxford. Fey Insurance was an early and longtime partner with the Fraternity and Tom has long been a sounding board and resource for staff leadership. He and the Fey family are very involved in the local community at all levels. Congratulations Tom!



Janet Tominaga, Cal State-Fullerton, was presented with her Silver Helmet in December at Lambda Sigma’s 30th Anniversary Banquet. Brother Tominaga is a member of Orange County Alumni Chapter and attends almost all of the chapter’s service events. Her participation in these events demonstrates to collegiate members that service does not stop at graduation.



“Thank you for this amazing opportunity to continue my education, grow as a brother and continue making Delta Sigma Pi the best organization for collegiate students to become involved with. The success of our chapters and our Fraternity relies on resources from our generous Leadership Foundation donors, and it is very much appreciated.”

-Nolan Hickey, *Iowa State*

Need a reason to donate to the Delta Sigma Pi Leadership Foundation? How about 10,000?



There are over 10,000 collegiate brothers of Delta Sigma Pi. For more than 70 years, these and our more than 260,000 alumni have been supported by the financial resources of the Delta Sigma Pi Leadership Foundation. Brothers, friends, and sponsors have contributed the funds that make it possible for our members to achieve individual and professional excellence within the business community.

Your gift to the Leadership Foundation has a direct impact on collegiate members. These gifts help:

- Award over \$80,000 in academic scholarships and educational travel grants annually to Deltasigs.
- Award more than 30 scholarships totaling in excess of \$18,000 annually to the chapters' top member—recognized through the Collegian of the Year program.
- Provide grants for educational programs at LEAD events and Grand Chapter Congress.
- Support visits to chapters by Educational and Leadership Consultants.

Show your lifetime commitment to our brotherhood by becoming a Deltasig For Life Donor. Your donations go further when you sign-up for this recurring gift program because processing and administrative costs are reduced. With your help, Delta Sigma Pi can make a greater impact on every single collegiate brother.

To join and for more information, visit dsp.org or contact foundation@dsp.org or 513-523-1907. Choose how much and how often (monthly or quarterly) you would like to give. Your credit/debit card is then charged automatically until you change or cancel your gift. Through your generosity, these tax-deductible gifts will help brothers for generations to come. ▲



MARK YOUR CALENDAR

- April 25**
National Alumni Day
- May 1**
Deadline to submit content for *The DELTASIG* (July)
- June 1**
Award submissions due
- June 15**
Leadership Foundation scholarship submissions due
- August 13-14**
Fraternity Board Meeting – New Orleans
- August 15**
Leadership Foundation Trustee Meeting – New Orleans
- August 16-20**
2017 Grand Chapter Congress – New Orleans
- August 19**
Fraternity Board Meeting – New Orleans
- September 14-15**
Fraternity Board Meeting – Cincinnati
- September 15-17**
"Oxford" Leadership Retreat – Cincinnati
- October 6-7**
Myrtle Beach (SC) LEAD School
- October 13-14**
Cincinnati (OH) LEAD School
- October 20-21**
Tulsa (OK) LEAD School
- October 27-28**
Omaha (NE) LEAD School
- October 28**
Make A Difference Day
- November 3-4**
Sacramento (CA) LEAD School
- November 7**
Founders' Day

Welcome New Team Members!

We are excited to welcome two new staffers to our team: Brittany Shearer and Megan Chadwick.

Brittany Shearer joined the Central Office as our Member Services/Event Assistant in July. Her responsibilities include LEAD and event planning and registration, Leadership Foundation support and preparing reports and correspondence. Brittany is from Oxford, Ohio and graduated from Miami University in 2012 with a degree in integrative studies.



Brittany

Megan Chadwick began working at the Central Office in September as the Communications Coordinator. She is responsible for day-to-day activities to produce publications and communications. Working under supervision of the Director of Member Services, Megan coordinates writing, design and production of all mass communications from our headquarters. Megan graduated from Miami University with a degree in strategic communications/public relations.



Megan

