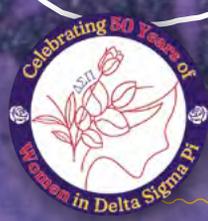


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WELCOME NEW STAFF!



Rhonda Cunagin joined the Central Office staff in 2025. As staff accountant, she is responsible for reporting and tracking payments, donations, and reconciliations. She has over 20 years of experience in financial accounting with 17 years in hospitality management. Previously, she worked as a staff accountant at Compton Point, Inc. to provide HR support, review monthly financial statements and process sales reporting for retail stores.



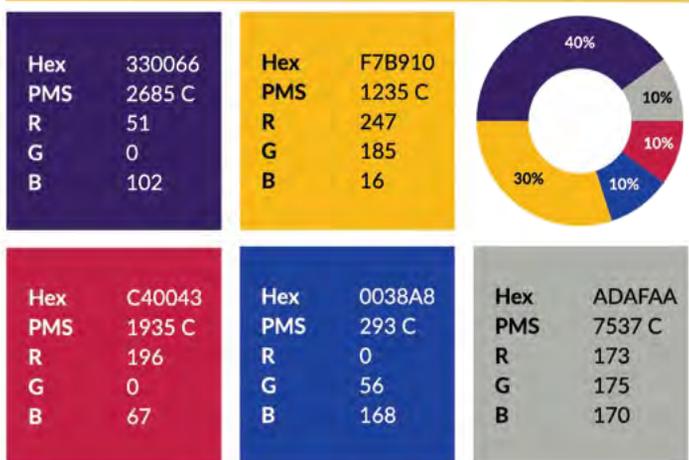
Lynn Bryan joined the Central Office in October 2025 as Director of Member Education and Support. She is responsible for leading the strategy and development of educational initiatives to enhance member engagement, leadership growth, and organizational success. Previously, she worked at Girl Scouts of Western Ohio as a growth project manager, where she focused on driving growth

across the entire council.

DELTA SIGMA PI HAS A NEW BRAND GUIDE!

Delta Sigma Pi's official colors are royal purple and old gold. While any of our colors may be used together, it is suggested that purple is the primary color, followed by gold as a secondary color, and red, blue, and silver as tertiary/trim colors. View the full Brand Guide at dsp.org/brandguide.

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2026

April 25
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November 7
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January 16-18
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St. Louis

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Orleans, LA

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FALL LEAD EVENT DATES

We're currently finalizing program dates! Go to dsp.org/events for all up-to-date info!





Golden Memories

What does Delta Sigma Pi mean to me? The first words that come to mind are service, professional and personal development, lifelong friendships, and above all—brotherhood. The moment I was welcomed into Gamma Omega Chapter at Arizona State University, I knew Delta Sigma Pi was special, but I could have never guessed I would be writing to you all as the first female Golden Helmet recipient in recognition of 50 years as a brother in Delta Sigma Pi.

2025 marked 50 years since women started being initiated into the Fraternity, and we continue to evolve. At my first Grand Chapter Congress in 1977, I was able to see the historic moment of the ratification of co-educational membership and was a part of the straw vote to continue to refer to all members, regardless of gender, as brothers—one

brotherhood of Delta Sigma Pi. I'm honored to be among the women featured in this issue of *The Deltasig* and hope you take the time to ingest each story. (Profiles celebrating women of Delta Sigma Pi start on page 5).

My 50 years in this outstanding organization have been filled with attending events, supporting chapters, and continuing to build my Deltasig network. So many of the brothers I consider lifelong friends I met because I continued to stay involved. I encourage you to grow your own network and connect with brothers across the country by attending events. Check out dsp.org/events throughout the year and learn about connections others made at the 2025 LEAD season (page 26) and 2026 Presidents' Academy (page 29).

At its core, Delta Sigma Pi is made up of dedicated leaders serving

and supporting various communities, whether it's the national Fraternity or your chapter, or a cause important to you—we bring our fraternal values with us. I am constantly amazed and inspired by our brotherhood. Learn more about the brothers supporting their communities on page 20.

I stay involved in Delta Sigma Pi as much as I can because I was blessed with incredible mentors and experiences. I try to follow in their footsteps and hope you continue to give back whether it's through volunteering, donating (see page 18 to join the brothers at the Deltasig Investors Roundtable) attending events, or simply connecting with a Deltasig over dinner or on social media.

A lot of people have asked me about legacy. To me, my legacy is tied with everyone who has supported me through my Deltasig journey. Without them, I would not have the confidence or professional skills I have today. I am forever in debt to our Fraternity and will continue to give back. I urge you all to do the same. I have re-engaged several times since graduation, it's never too late! My Deltasig memories are some of my most cherished moments, and I'm proud to be a part of the unshakable bond of our brotherhood, especially as Delta Sigma Pi's first female Golden Helmet recipient. I look forward to seeing all those who have their own "firsts" ahead!

Fraternally,

Laurie Gail Senko,
Arizona State



50 years of women

On November 7, 1975, Delta Sigma Pi made history when the Board of Directors lead by then-Grand President Bill Tatum unanimously voted to open membership of Delta Sigma Pi to women. As any decision made with emergency powers, it was only temporary, until the 1977 Grand Chapter Congress in Toronto when it could be ratified. In November 2025, 50 years had passed since this momentous verdict and the Deltasig woman who have been initiated have continued to serve the Fraternity—and the world—with excellence. The introduction of open membership to the Fraternity only strengthened our community of business leaders, and overall brotherhood. In the 50 years since women have been initiated in Delta Sigma Pi, women have become an essential part of the Fraternity's fabric—shaping our future and strengthening its legacy. Read about some of these women on the following pages.



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Laurie Gail Senko Living the Legacy

BY GREG HOWELL, PACIFIC (CA)

At the 1977 Congress where the action to initiate a woman was ratified, Laurie Gail Senko, *Arizona State*, first made her mark by taking part in the decision to continue calling all members “brothers”—regardless of their gender.

As we celebrate 50 years since that groundbreaking moment, let’s shine a light on a pioneer whose contributions, passion, and spirit have shaped generations: Laurie Gail Senko—the first woman to receive her Silver Helmet Award and, at the 2025 Grand Chapter Congress, the first woman to receive her Golden Helmet for 50 years of dedicated service.

Laurie’s introduction to Delta Sigma Pi came through working with a brother in the comptroller’s office and attending a banquet with another Deltasig.

Gamma Omega Chapter instilled a deep sense of pride, discipline, and belonging in Laurie, which she keeps with her today. “Even though I grew up insecure and unsure of myself, Delta Sigma Pi helped me find confidence. Eventually, I learned to like myself. I owe that growth to the Fraternity and the brothers who accepted me—even when I didn’t fully accept myself yet.”

Laurie’s contributions to Delta Sigma Pi span five decades and reflect a level of passion that is unmatched. Whether through service, mentoring, or spirited community-building, she has never wavered in her love for the Fraternity.

PGP Kathy Jahnke (first woman elected Grand President), Theresa Drew, Northern Arizona (first woman to serve on the Board of Directors), and PGP Tricia Bonfrisco (second woman elected Grand President) presented Laurie (second from the left) her Golden Helmet during the 2025 Grand Chapter Congress Banquet in August.

Her professional life includes three distinct careers: 18 years in banking, nearly a decade as executive director of a nonprofit providing affordable housing, and almost nine years as a hospital IT trainer (public sector). Through each chapter of her career, her passion for service never dimmed. “Helping people grow—especially when they didn’t yet believe in themselves—was one of the most rewarding parts of my career,” she shared. That same desire to uplift others has been a cornerstone of her Deltasig involvement.

Brother Senko served as Regional Director (now Regional Vice President) of the Desert Mountain Region from 1997 to 1999 and held numerous roles in the Phoenix Thunderbird Alumni Chapter, including President. She also previously served as District Director (for all six Arizona chapters, including three alumni chapters at that time) and continues supporting chapters. In all her roles, she has remained active through the years, giving back with unwavering enthusiasm even when resources were limited. “For a long time, I gave my time and talents because I didn’t have much treasure. Now that I can, I give all three.”

Through the Leadership Foundation, Laurie gives back through funds she’s passionate about, including the Gamma Omega Chapter Leadership Fund, BASE Fund, Claire Sammon Roberts Women in Leadership Fund, the Collum-Mallonee LGBT Fund, National Collegian of the Year Grant and Veterans’ initiatives. “I want undergraduates to have the same opportunities I did—to travel, attend conferences, and meet brothers across the country. That exposure can be life changing.”

Through all of it, Laurie has remained deeply rooted in her purpose: to share her passion for Delta Sigma Pi and inspire others to do the same. “I stay involved because I was blessed with incredible mentors and experiences. I try to follow in their footsteps. Giving back feels natural—it’s part of who I am.”

When asked what she hopes to be remembered for, Laurie said with a smile, “Someone recently told me, ‘You already have a legacy—you’re the oldest woman still going strong.’ If people remember me for my passion and the fact that I never stopped coming back, then that’s enough.”

Laurie Gail Senko’s story isn’t just about longevity. Having received her Golden Helmet Award this year, she represents not only history, but the very spirit of Delta Sigma Pi—and we’re lucky to have her cemented in our history. 🌸

Housemother Turned Member

*Elizabeth
"Betty" Thealen*

BY ABBEY SCHNEIDER (WITH REFERENCES
FROM PREVIOUS *THE DELTASIG* MAGAZINES)

On May 14, 1976, Elizabeth "Betty" Thealen became one of the first women to be an honorary initiate for her work as housemother for Beta Chapter at Northwestern University-Chicago.

Betty's association with Delta Sigma Pi began when PGP H. G. "Gig" Wright decided to acquire a house for Beta Chapter and needed someone to oversee its operations. The house was located only a block from the Fraternity's Central Office (222 W. Adams Street, Chicago, Illinois). Betty worked as a housekeeper at the house before it was acquired by Beta in 1917 and agreed to "help out" until a replacement could be found.

Housemothers are often live-in employees of a fraternity or sorority organization who manage a chapter house's day-to-day operations, overall maintenance, and any other household duties. They also served as supportive figures and provided guidance to members. Betty, who never dreamed the job would become her life's work, went on to serve as housemother for 60 years, attending over 500 recruiting functions, 700 Fraternity parties, and 120 post-initiation celebrations, and "adopting" close to 1,200 Deltasigs.



Anthony Z. Fernandez presented Betty a painting of herself at her 100th birthday party.

Betty managed the house so well that after two years, Beta Chapter sought a larger residence, and then another. In 1925, the chapter made a momentous decision to buy a four-story building. Despite the huge obligation, the students felt secure with Betty as their housemother. An apartment was created for her on the lower level, and she resided there for the rest of her career.

At her 100th birthday party in 1976, many brothers came together to celebrate, and she was presented with a plaque that read "To Betty... with genuine devotion reserved by men for the mother of a mighty race... with keen envy at the fullness of your years... and with sincerest heartfelt good wishes upon reaching

a century, most of it in service to this brotherhood. Happy Birthday."

As part of the celebration, PGP Thomas Mocella announced that under the Fraternity's then-new policy of admitting women, Betty would become the first woman honorary initiate for Beta Chapter. She was initiated on May 14, 1976, at 100-years-old. Betty passed later that year on October 1, 1976.

Elizabeth Thealen is a hallowed figure in our history for her passion for her job, our members, and this organization. For her service, she was honored as one of the first woman honorary initiates. We thank Betty, and all the women behind-the-scenes, for their service to Delta Sigma Pi. 🍷

Theresa Drew

A Full Circle Journey

BY BETH LOSIK, *BAKER [KS]*

Theresa Drew, *Northern Arizona*, was the first woman in the room many times—the Delta Sigma Pi Board, in her career—but she never let that define her.

When Theresa Drew was initiated into Zeta Omega Chapter in 1977 at Northern Arizona University, she stepped into more than just a student organization — she became part of a movement that was redefining the future of the Fraternity. Since joining, she has left a mark on Delta Sigma Pi and the broader world of business leadership.

Theresa's introduction to Delta Sigma Pi occurred during a time of transition since it was just two years after Delta Sigma Pi's Board of Directors used emergency powers to open membership to women. Some chapters like Zeta Omega Chapter were quick to embrace the change, and her chapter's culture of inclusivity developed her lifelong connection to Delta Sigma Pi.

Breaking New Ground

In 1979, Theresa was the first woman ever to receive the honor of being named National Collegian of the Year (formerly known as Undergraduate of the Year). This role

gave her a seat on the Board of Directors and the Executive Committee, making her the first woman to serve and vote at the national level of Fraternity governance. At the time, the Executive Committee was the governing body, while the Board handled broader advisory matters.

In this role, Theresa found herself among seasoned Fraternity leaders, participating in decisions ranging from constitutional revisions to chapter disciplinary actions and financial matters. "Everybody asks me, 'What was it like being the first woman on the Executive Committee?' and I have to laugh," she said. "I didn't know any better. But it was probably more of an adjustment for the male members of the Executive Committee than for me," Drew later shared. "I found everyone to be extremely receptive and accepting of me and my ideas...I knew my voice would be heard."

Her service didn't stop there. She served on the Education Foundation (now the Leadership Foundation), was a District Director for three Arizona chapters, and remained engaged with the Phoenix Thunderbird Alumni Chapter — all while beginning a remarkable corporate career.

Corporate Journey

Theresa credits her early Board experiences with helping prepare her for the corporate world, and it set the tone for her career. Theresa joined Touche Ross & Co. (now Deloitte) immediately after graduation and became a Certified Public Accountant in 1981. By 1991, she became the first woman promoted



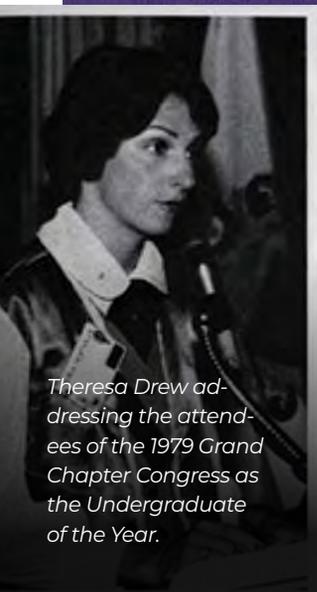
to partner in Deloitte's Phoenix office — at a time when fewer than four percent of Big Four partners were women.

Over the next four decades, Theresa took on increasing responsibility. She led Deloitte's audit practice in Phoenix, managed the firm's San Diego office for ten years, and eventually became managing partner for the Carolinas, overseeing nearly 2,000 professionals across North and South Carolina. She was the only woman to lead a Big Four accounting firm in Charlotte at the time.

Full Circle

Theresa retired from Deloitte in 2019 and now serves on three boards: Amrize Ltd., Sonoco Products Company, and The Cato Corporations. She chairs the audit committee for each and serves as chair of the Carolinas Chapter of the National Association of Corporate Directors (NACD).

"It's come full circle. My first boardroom was Delta Sigma Pi. That experience gave me a foundation in



Theresa Drew addressing the attendees of the 1979 Grand Chapter Congress as the Undergraduate of the Year.

Theresa participated on a panel for the 50 years of Women celebration at the 2025 Grand Chapter Congress.

governance, strategic thinking, and collaboration that I still draw on today.” She’s a vocal advocate for increased diversity and representation in boardrooms. “Women cannot let the clock get rolled back. Diversity and inclusion are not just important — they’re essential for the strength of any organization.”

Legacy

In 2014, she was honored again by the Fraternity as the first female recipient of the National Career Achievement Award —35 years after being named National COY. She has served as a Trustee Emeritus of the Leadership Foundation and endowed the Theresa Jeszka Drew Delta Sigma Pi Scholarship Fund at Northern Arizona University.

Brother Theresa Drew’s story is one of courage, inclusion, leadership, and perseverance. She was the first woman in the room many times — at Delta Sigma Pi, at Deloitte, in corporate boardrooms — but she never let that define her. Instead, she used those moments to open doors for others and elevate the organizations she served.

The Royal Order of Pink Poodles

BY ABBEY SCHNEIDER (WITH REFERENCES FROM PREVIOUS *THE DELTASIG* MAGAZINES)

In the late 1940s, the Fraternity’s membership remained exclusive to men, as it had been since the Founding. While that would change in the mid-70s, many of the women who accompanied their husbands to Delta Sigma Pi events found the same camaraderie among themselves and wanted an organization like the brotherhood their husbands shared.

The Royal Order of Pink Poodles began on September 8, 1949, at the Baltimore Congress. On that day, Gig Wright was one of the first to arrive in Baltimore with his wife, Alice. While sharing a ride to the hotel, John, *Johns Hopkins (MD)*, and Marie McKewen, in her position as Chair of the Ladies Program, discussed some of the events arranged for the wives. Alice Wright suggested a Pink Poodle Initiation and then the Royal Order of Pink Poodles was born.

The first party was held that same day and seventy-seven wives of Deltasigs, representing 17 chapters and residing in 15 states, were initiated into the Royal Order. At the next Congress (Dallas 1951), the Royal Order of Pink Poodles was officially recognized. Baltimore was declared the first meeting and called Kennel #1 (in reference to the kennels dogs like poodles use), and the women who had been initiated there were declared charter mem-

bers. Kennel #2 (43 Poodles)

was installed in Dallas and officers were named within the organization, and it was decided that a reunion meeting would be held biennially during each Congress, and a new kennel would be installed.

Arlene Hughes, wife of Bob Hughes, *Pennsylvania*, was another charter member of the Pink Poodles who had fond memories of the organization. “It was actually the women who persuaded their husbands to come to Congress,” Arlene said with a laugh. “We were such a close group—all the women looked forward to coming. We had a coffee hour every morning, and everyone worked as a group to organize shopping trips, sightseeing outings, dinners, and other events.”

The organization continued to grow throughout the years. When some of the members became widows, they continued to attend Congresses on their own and develop memories with the Pink Poodles. In 1995, the organization was officially discontinued, but the

memories and friendships shared within the Royal Order of Pink Poodles are a treasured history of Delta Sigma Pi.



The Pink Poodles provided a forum for wives of Deltasigs at a time when the Fraternity was only open to men. Here, the Fourth Kennel of the Royal Order of Pink Poodles gather at the 1955 Grand Chapter Congress in Detroit.

Visit the Central Office in Oxford, Ohio to see the Poodles history and memorabilia in the Buzz and Stonie Sutton’s Archives Room. Read more about Buzz and Stonie on page 14.



At the 2025 Grand Chapter Congress, PGP Kathy Jahnke hosted the 50 Years of Women Celebration.

Kathleen "Kathy" Jahnke **Shaping History: The First Female Grand President**

BY GREG HOWELL, PACIFIC (CA)

Among the trailblazers of the past 50 years is PGP Kathleen "Kathy" Jahnke, (initiated into Eta Mu Chapter at Northern Illinois University in 1980) whose journey from collegiate member to the first woman elected Grand President embodies the spirit of determination, service, and vision.

Nationally, Kathy faced the challenges of the time. Although the Fraternity had made great strides in keeping with the times, there was still an adjustment period

throughout the organization. Despite her eagerness to serve as a District Director, the then all-male leadership—many from all-male chapters—continued to overlook her. "It was a struggle to move beyond just being an alumni member," she recalled. "Even though I eventually became Grand President, I was never appointed District Director."

Brother Jahnke decided to take matters into her own hands and get involved from the ground level. Her breakthrough started by helping rebuild Gamma Pi Chapter at Loyola University, where she led alumni to recruit and revive the struggling chapter. The visibility helped launch her into higher office and the following years she served as Great Lakes Regional Director (now Regional Vice President) from 1993-1997, then Mid-American Provincial Vice President from 1997-2001, and ultimately, she reached new heights to become Grand President in 2001—the first woman ever elected to the role.

Kathy still remembers the exact moment of personal triumph and organizational progress for Delta Sigma Pi. “I was out in the hallway with the Past Grand Presidents waiting to hear if I had won and PGP Mike Mallonee reminded us that it had been 25 years since Delta Sigma Pi had allowed women to be initiated. During my acceptance speech, I mentioned they had just elected their first female Grand President.”

According to PGP Tricia Bonfrisco, “When Kathy became Delta Sigma Pi’s first female president, she didn’t just break barriers—she reimagined what leadership could be. Her journey has been an inspiring reminder that true leadership isn’t about being the first; it’s about opening doors for others and continuing to serve a greater purpose well beyond any title or term.” Read more about Tricia on page 12.

Kathy led with conviction and paved the way for other women leaders in Delta Sigma Pi. Her philosophy? Leadership through empowerment. She focused on sharing knowledge, trusting others, and ensuring chapters had a voice in decisions that affected them. During her two terms, she:

- ❖ Installed 16 new collegiate chapters
- ❖ Guided the Fraternity through 9/11, reinforcing continuity and resilience
- ❖ Reformed governance by implementing provincial councils and a new national committee structure
- ❖ Helped secure and shape the Leadership Foundation’s scholarship program—working in conjunction with Beta Chapter’s scholarship funds to support students in Delta Sigma Pi
- ❖ Led the comprehensive reorganization of the Delta Sigma Pi Leadership Foundation alongside then Foundation Chair and President Greg Howell, modernizing and strengthening the Foundation’s impact

Despite never winning Collegian of the Year or serving as a chapter president, Kathy never let those setbacks deter her within the Fraternity. From her first Grand Chapter Congress in 1981 at Mackinac Island, she had a vision: “I wanted to stand up on that podium. I wanted to be Grand President.” And she made sure to achieve her goal.

Kathy continues to give back through the Delta Sigma Pi Leadership Foundation, contributing to a fund that sup-

ports the volunteer retreat she helped create. “I feel like I have to give back because I got so much. We all take that oath.” Outside the Fraternity, she has years of experience in the printing industry after starting at her father’s company. Today, she is a vice president of client services at Printing Arts, managing large-scale projects and mentoring teams.

PGP Kathy Jahnke remains a symbol of what’s possible when one leads with heart, courage, and commitment. Her journey reminds us: empowerment doesn’t just lift the leader—it lifts up Delta Sigma Pi. 🌸



Kathy Jahnke was elected Grand President in 2001, a moment marking both personal triumph and organizational progress. From left: Jahnke with Alison Solotoroff, Drake (IA), after being elected as the first female Grand President at the 2001 GCC in Niagara Falls.

Tricia Bonfrisco

Leading Through Change, Hardship, and Collaboration

BY ABBEY SCHNEIDER

Tricia Bonfrisco participated in history as a chapter delegate in the 2001 Grand Chapter Congress, where Kathy Jahnke was the first woman elected Grand President. Tricia had no way of knowing that 16 years later, she would also break barriers as the second woman elected Grand President. We sat down with Brother Bonfrisco to hear her story.

What does Delta Sigma Pi mean to you? “When I first joined, I was quite shy. Looking back on how far I’ve come, I realize that much of my growth came from my experiences, serving in various leadership roles, and observing and learning from the leaders who came before me. I truly am where I am today because of the Fraternity.”

Tricia Bonfrisco was initiated into Theta Kappa Chapter at Akron University in 2000. As a student she served as Vice President-Pledge Education and then President. After graduation, Tricia served as District Director for Akron (OH), Steel Valley Regional Vice President, Northeastern Provincial Vice President, and on multiple national task forces and committees. From 2017-2020, Tricia served as the Fraternity’s thirty-seventh Grand President, then as Past Grand President.

How does the 50-year anniversary of women being initiated into the Fraternity make you reflect on being the second woman elected Grand President? “I never

thought I would volunteer after college, let alone take on leadership roles. I felt so honored to be elected, to be able to serve as Grand President, and have that opportunity to give back to the Fraternity. I was a delegate for my chapter at the 2001 Grand Chapter Congress where Kathy Jahnke and Beth Keith ran for Grand President.

As a student, I was able to vote on the first female Grand Presi-

dent, and then years later I submitted my nomination to run as the second female Grand President. It was an unbelievable feeling. When I think about the 50-year anniversary, it’s surreal. What will our new members bring forth? I can’t wait to see what’s next.”

During her term as Grand President, she led the Fraternity through the COVID-19 global pandemic. This was an unprecedented time, but through exceptional leadership skills and strength, the Fraternity came out the other side intact.

What was your primary goal for the Fraternity during the pandemic? “We were all in the same place, navigating new waters, struggling, and we were all able to come together to reach our goal...Our focus was making sure we came out on the other side. We wanted to still have passionate brothers, successful staff, and be able to continue operations.

The pandemic challenged us to find new and innovative ways to achieve our goals and encouraged us to explore approaches we might not have considered. It taught us to view our processes through a new lens and to look for ways to improve and adapt for both that period of time and the future.”

Under Tricia’s leadership, the first Presidents’ Academy was launched in 2019 to train chapter presidents in their roles and offer opportunities to network with other presidents throughout the country.

What are some other memorable moments from your time as Grand President? “I previously served on the Board when we voted to create the Presidents’ Academy, and I remember the significant effort and collaboration it took to bring that decision and the first event to life. When I stepped into the role of Grand President, I witnessed firsthand the excitement of our chapter leaders and the lasting impact Presidents’ Academy had on them. Knowing how we were able to make a difference for our members and our future leaders is exactly why I volunteer and continue to give back.”

Tricia also led the charge in the 2019 Initiation Ritual change. The Board approved a single Initiation Ceremony.

“Since the beginning of Delta Sigma Pi, our Rituals have continued to evolve—just as the world around us has. As an organization, we’ve had many meaningful discussions about how to preserve the integrity and historical significance of our Ritual while ensuring it remains relevant for today’s members.

Over time, both the Board and Grand Chapter Congress considered both small and significant changes to our Initiation Ceremony. In 2019, when the Board ultimately made the decision using emergency powers to create a single ceremony, we knew it would be challenging and would receive pushbacks. But leadership is also about having the courage to make the right decision at the right time—even when it’s not the easiest path forward. If there’s one thing I am most proud of from my time as Grand President, it’s knowing that we made decisions rooted in what was best for the Fraternity’s future.” 🌸



One of Tricia’s favorite parts of being Grand President was meeting and celebrating brothers of Delta Sigma Pi! She (right) presented LF Trustee Conchita Dixon (left) with her Silver Helmet Award at the 2019 North Central LEAD Provincial Conference.

Stacy Jordan

Impact Through Personal Service

BY BETH LOSIK, BAKER (KS)

Stacy Jordan's, *Georgia Southern*, Journey is not just a record of personal achievement—but a blueprint for service impact. From her initiation at Georgia Southern University's Epsilon Chi Chapter in 1993 to her recent service as Northeastern Provincial Vice President (2023–2025), Stacy's career in the Fraternity reflects a deep commitment to empowering others, challenging norms, and making space for those who follow.

As we celebrate 50-years of women initiated into the Fraternity, Brother Jordan remarks "It's great to be first (in reference to leadership roles, etc.) ...but it's important not to be the only." As a woman of color who previously served on the Board of Directors, she understands the responsibility and privilege of representing such a unique and complex organization. She emphasizes that leadership must reflect the diversity of Delta Sigma Pi's membership, both in identity and experience.

"People want to hear stories about people like them in this organization," Stacy said. "There isn't just one version of what a brother looks like or can achieve."

Brother Jordan's Deltasig story began when she transferred into the Georgia Southern School of Business after starting out in computer engineering. Though her collegiate chapter was not heavily involved in national affairs

at the time, Stacy saw the broader vision of the national organization.

Shortly after graduation, she served as District Director for Georgia State and Georgia Southern and worked to ensure chapters participated in national events and look beyond their own regions. Her leadership trajectory spans both the Fraternity and the Delta Sigma Pi Leadership Foundation—one of the few brothers to have been elected to both boards. As a Foundation Trustee from 2014 to 2020, Stacy helped raise over \$100,000 through the 2017 Grand Chapter Congress campaign and continues to hold the title of Trustee Emeritus.

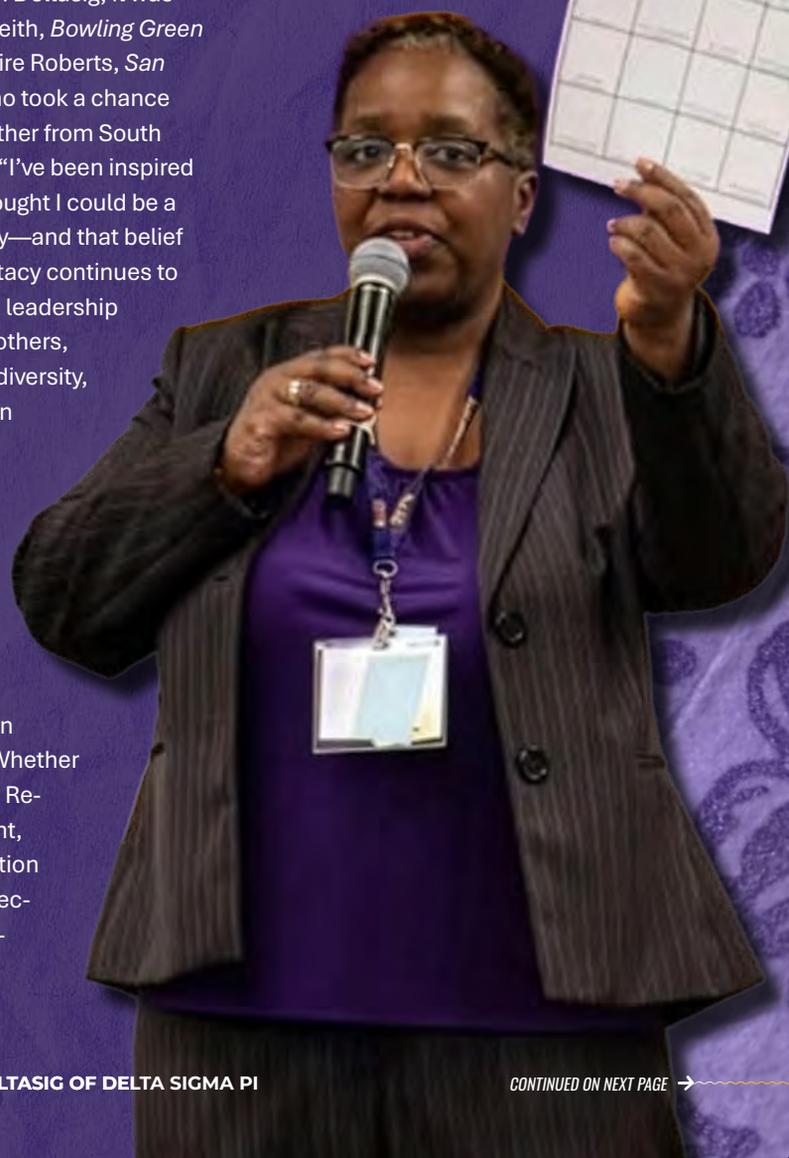
Stacy believes strongly in giving back, and her commitment is rooted in gratitude for those who supported her early on. "When I was first coming into my own with Deltasig, it was brothers like Beth Keith, *Bowling Green State (OH)*, and Claire Roberts, *San Francisco State*, who took a chance on an unknown brother from South Georgia," she says. "I've been inspired by so many who thought I could be a great leader one day—and that belief mattered." Today, Stacy continues to inspire by serving in leadership roles, mentoring brothers, and advocating for diversity, equity, and inclusion across all levels of the organization.

Having attended over 150 national events (including every Grand Chapter Congress since 1995) Brother Jordan truly is dedicated. Whether serving as a Capital Regional Vice President, Leadership Foundation Trustee, District Director, or as Northeastern Provincial Vice

President, she remains steadfast in her mission: to make space for others, challenge barriers, and ensure the Fraternity evolves to meet the needs of all its members.

"I still feel like I have something to give...Sometimes that means stepping back. Other times, it means stepping in. But you must know why you're there and to be ready to support others on their journey."

For Stacy Jordan, leadership isn't about the spotlight, it's about opening doors and leaving them wide open for those who come next. "If you see a place you can help, volunteer. People need to feel included and wanted. That's how we build the future of Delta Sigma Pi." 🌟



Ruth "Stonie" Sutton

The Name Behind the Archives Room

BY ABBEY SCHNEIDER (WITH REFERENCES FROM PREVIOUS *THE DELTASIG* MAGAZINES)

Ruth "Stonie" Sutton and her husband, Charles I. "Buzz" Sutton, exemplify the meaning of Delta Sigma Pi. Buzz and Stonie met in Indianapolis in May 1942. Buzz joined the Army almost immediately to serve during WWII. When he was discharged in 1945, they made the move to Arizona for the warmer climate. Stonie was a graduate nurse from the Methodist Hospital in Indianapolis, and she began work at the Veterans Hospital in Phoenix. Buzz then enrolled in classes at Arizona State University through Public Law 16 for disabled veterans, and the couple quickly got involved in Gamma Omega Chapter as soon as Buzz was initiated in 1955.

Many of Gamma Omega Chapter were returning veterans who were also non-traditional students with families, so Stonie and Buzz seamlessly integrated into the Fraternity. In the 2007 Centennial issue of *The Deltasig* magazine, Stonie said, "The spouses even attended some of the chapter meetings, especially if there was an upcoming potluck to plan. Many activities allowed the chapter members to bring their families. The women each received a 'PhT' from their husbands—'Pushing Husband Through'—and we loved it."

Over the years, Stonie had a successful professional career as an operating room registered nurse. During her 40 years of nursing, she also served with distinction as secretary of the Arizona State Nurses Association. Buzz took a job with the Arizona Department of Economic Security, and eventually he retired as the area director, after completing over 25 years of service.

At the 1963 Congress in Pennsylvania, Stonie was initiated into the Pink Poodles and had a deep fondness for the friendships shared among the Pink Poodles (read more about the Pink Poodles on page 9). "It was fun, and the brothers treated us like queens at the banquet," she said. "We felt as if it were fitting recognition for standing by our husbands at so many Congresses and other events."

In 1998, Gamma Omega Chapter initiated Stonie Sutton as an honorary brother of the Fraternity. Buzz recalled from



The Buzz and Stonie Sutton Archives Room showcases the history of Delta Sigma Pi since its inception. Come visit the archives at the Central Office in Oxford, Ohio!



One of Buzz and Stonie's favorite events was Grand Chapter Congress. They are shown here at the 1969 Mackinac Congress.

the change of allowing women to be initiated into the Fraternity, "The change was for the better. We wouldn't be nearly as strong without welcoming women in.

The national leaders advised us that we needed to be leaders, instead of being dragged kicking and screaming to the wall. Over the years, the Fraternity has grown. Attitudes and cultures have changed."

Donating to the Leadership Foundation was always important to Buzz and Stonie. About the time of Buzz's initiation, Fraternity members began collecting donations to be used as scholarships for deserving brothers. Their generous gifts helped increase scholarships and leadership training for Deltasigs, so brothers could develop leadership skills vital for success after graduation. Buzz and Stonie are recognized at the Centurion Giving Level.

In August 2000, to honor the Suttons, the Delta Sigma Pi Fraternity and Leadership Foundation passed a joint resolution, designating the Archives Room at the Central Office as the Buzz and Stonie Sutton Archives Room.

The Archives Room is located adjacent to the Founders' Room and contains many items of historical interest, including copies of *The Deltasig* magazines, Fraternity jewelry, Ritual books, and pledge manuals. In addition, mementoes and clip-pings portray 100 years of Fraternity growth and evolution.

Ruth "Stonie" Sutton and her husband, Charles I. "Buzz" Sutton passed away in 2003, and 2005 respectively. The impact they've made on Delta Sigma Pi holds true now and forever. People who visit the Central Office for years to come will be able to learn our fraternal history in the beautiful Buzz and Stonie Sutton Archives Room. 🌸

Lynnette Servaes

The First Female Consultant

BY ABBEY SCHNEIDER

Lynnette Servaes, *Cal State-Sacramento*, left ripples in Deltasig history still felt today. If there's one phrase Lynnette sticks by, it's "Once a consultant, always a consultant." All throughout her Deltasig career and life, she continues to teach and lead others to the best path to success, often "consulting" members to connect deeper with each other. Her deep tie to the Fraternity started when she was initiated into Epsilon Phi Chapter at Cal State University-Sacramento (then known as Sacramento State) in 1987.

Her initiation and commitment would go on to be her guiding light through her Deltasig journey. "I pledged the Fraternity, and the terminology is key, because you can join a club and leave at any time, but when you pledge a Fraternity and go through a process, it's a lifelong commitment with an oath."

After meeting her chapter's then Regional Director (now called Regional Vice President), and helping at a regional event, she decided Deltasig was the place for her. "I was still kind of shy, but I grew from it. I grew from the fact that I was no longer in just a female organization [Lynnette was also a leader of another organization as a student]. I had both male and female peers that were stronger, tougher, and challenged me all the time. It was a push I needed."

Lynnette's connection to her chapter and the brotherhood they had with each other went above and beyond—they were family. When she graduated, she wasn't ready to stop leading and working with chapters and when the consultant job was suggested to her by national officers, it seemed like the perfect opportunity to share her brotherhood bond with other Deltasigs.

Before she joined the Central Office in 1989, she had no idea she was coming in as the first female chapter consultant, let alone the first female brother to serve as a Central Office employee. Lynnette felt pressure, especially coming from a chapter with women and then working in a more male-dominated environment. "I felt a major weight on my shoulders, because at that time, women had only been initiated as members for 14 years, and now I was in the spotlight as the first female consultant. We still had some

all-male chapters, and there were a large portion of alumni still trying to adjust to women in the Fraternity—especially on the national level."

From the start, Lynnette was determined to show she was just as capable as previous consultants, regardless of gender. She decided from the beginning she would do whatever was best for the Fraternity and keep the oath she made as a collegiate member,

As a consultant, Lynnette made impacts in Deltasig history that are still visible today. Some of the most notable moments from her time include working with other consultants to develop Officer Training Schools (OTiS). The first OTiS, offered in 1990, was designed to help chapter officers develop and enhance their chapters individually and the Fraternity as a whole. This program was the stepping stone to programs like LEAD events and Presidents' Academy.

"We traveled around the country in the summertime and introduced OTiS to teach chapters and chapter officers how to do their roles, and coach district directors...when I became a Certified Deltasig Leader, I saw the same words and processes we developed. My words still exist, which is how I know I've made an impact."

During her two years as a consultant, Lynnette had many striking memories of meeting with brothers. Some of her favorites are bringing a stuffed pink flamingo with her to each chapter she visited and snapping a picture with each chapter, working at Grand Chapter Congress as a staff member, developing deep bonds with her fellow consultants, and making connections that still last today.

Today, Lynnette works as a senior claim representative at Farmers Insurance. She previously served as District Director for various chapters (*Cal State-Sacramento* and *California Lutheran*) and is always willing to lend a helping hand to those in the Fraternity who need it because in her words, "I took an oath."

Throughout her Deltasig journey, Lynnette has held true to her values. To her, leadership is a willingness to sacrifice for the betterment of an organization and make decisions for the Fraternity as a whole—and those decisions are never based on ego. Thanks to Lynnette, so many doors for Deltasig women were opened, but to her it's important those doors stay open for others, and the Fraternity continues to grow. 🍷



Lynnette and her chapter paid their way to go to the 37th Grand Chapter Congress in St. Louis. Here they are pictured at the St. Louis Cardinals/Atlanta Braves baseball game at Busch Memorial Stadium in 1989.



Founder Harold Valentine Jacobs and his wife, Rose Jacobs, at the 1957 Grand Chapter Congress in New York.



Roses of Deltasig

BY ABBEY SCHNEIDER (WITH REFERENCES FROM PREVIOUS *THE DELTASIG* MAGAZINES)



The significance of roses in Delta Sigma Pi has expanded through the decades. In 1921, one of the Founders of Delta Sigma Pi, Harold Valentine Jacobs, suggested the official flower of the Fraternity be a red rose, as they were a favorite of his wife, Rose Jacobs. Later in 1926, when Delta Sigma Pi adopted the song “Rose of Deltasig” as the official Fraternity song, the song was dedicated to Rose due to her name and love of the flower. The “Rose of Deltasig” song was written by Paul Coughlin, *Georgetown (DC)*, and is still sung today at national events and roses are often given as gifts for special occasions.

Roses became a common thread throughout the rest of Deltasig history. They were the primary gift given to the wives of brothers at the time the organization was all male, and by the 1940s, the “Rose of Deltasig” would also refer to the Rose of Deltasig Contest. This event originated at

the 16th Grand Chapter Congress, and the first contest was conducted in the 1947-1948 academic year.

For the Rose of Deltasig Contest, chapters would select their own Rose of Deltasig from among the women at their university, and then a national winner was selected for the year. Chapters held banquets and dances to honor their “Roses”. The national winner, together with the second and third selections, were announced in an issue of *The Deltasig* magazine; and the winner was presented with a special all-ruby engraved badge of Delta Sigma Pi. The last national winner of the Rose of Deltasig Contest was published in the 1972 issue of the magazine, which coincides with Title IX of the Federal Higher Education Act that same year.

Red roses have represented much across the history of the Fraternity, and through it all they are a symbol of brotherhood, friendship, and so much more. 🌹



Jen Huynh

Building Leaders and Breaking Barriers

BY BETH LOSIK, BAKER (KS)

When Jen Huynh, *Babson (MA)*, joined Delta Sigma Pi in 2013 as a student dedicated to reactivating Gamma Upsilon Chapter at Babson College, she didn't know how much that decision would change her life. "I could never imagine what my life would be like if I hadn't joined," Jen says. "I'm so glad I took that leap. I've learned so much."

Today, Jen is a nationally recognized leader, mentor, and volunteer who has dedicated over a decade to Delta Sigma Pi. Her journey began with a desire to get involved, but it was her mindset—leadership by action that made the biggest impact.

Within her chapter, Jen served several officer roles, and even as a collegiate member, she became the unofficial "connector" between multiple chapters, helping build strong interchapter bonds. By 2016, she was named National Collegian of the Year—one of the first women of color to receive this honor—recognizing her outstanding service on the chapter, provincial, and national levels.

Since then, Jen's involvement continues to grow. She has served as a District Director for several chapters including Roger Williams (RI) and Rhode Island. As New England



Brother Huynh accepted the National Collegian of the Year award at the 2016 Northeastern LEAD Provincial Conference. From left: then-GP Onuka Ibe, PGP Mark Chiacchiarri, Huynh, then-Northeastern PVP Tricia Bonfrisco, then-LF Trustee Larry Mroz and 2004 Lifetime Achievement honoree and Babson District Director Nick Steinkrauss.

Regional Vice President (2019–2023), she supported many chapters and over a dozen volunteer leaders. During her term, she led the creation of the North Atlantic Region—a major structural change that better aligned resources and support for chapters.

Jen also contributed to national committees and task forces focused on diversity, equity and inclusion, pledge education, strategic planning, and the individual discipline policy. She continues to serve Hartford-Connecticut Alumni Chapter as Vice President-Collegiate Relations and attend events with the Boston Alumni Chapter. In 2023, she helped plan a multi-regional conference to provide a LEAD-like experience for chapters unable to travel.

After graduating in 2016 with a degree in business administration, she began a two-year rotational program in quality, operations, and supply chain career development in the aerospace and aviation industry. A decade later, she now manages that same early-career program for her company and leads global pipeline and benchmarking strategy for supply chain talent. She went on to earn dual master's degrees—in business administration and organizational psychology from the University of Hartford.

Jen is passionate about making opportunities for everyone, regardless of background or identity, which

comes from her personal journey. "I grew up in a low-income background. I'm a first-generation college student, an Asian American woman, and I've been in different settings where I was marginalized for my race and gender," she says. "I wouldn't be where I am today without someone giving me a chance. Representation matters. I've had students and brothers tell me they could see themselves in leadership because they saw me." She was named a Diversity Leadership Scholar at Babson University and a Gates Millennium Scholar by the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation while at college. Jen's story wouldn't be complete without mentioning her husband and fellow brother, Chris Doto, *Bryant (RI)*. The two met in 2013 at LEAD and stayed connected through national events. They married in 2022 and continue to support the Fraternity—each in their own way.

"I have many hopes and goals for this organization," she says. "But the biggest right now is that we're ready to make change, ready to move forward, and ready to innovate. We must be ready to shift our organizational culture to adapt and take us to a higher standard." Whether she's managing global talent programs or mentoring the next generation of brothers, Jen leads with heart, humility, and purpose. 🌟

The Deltasig Investors Roundtable honors brothers whose annual gifts of \$1,200 or more strengthen the future of Delta Sigma Pi. Every contribution between July and June counts, and joining is easy—whether through a one time gift or monthly support starting at just \$100. Many members also choose multi-year commitments to deepen their impact.

There are so many ways to give, but the real power comes from brothers who choose to invest in something bigger than themselves. When you join the Roundtable, you help create opportunities, elevate leaders, and shape the future of Delta Sigma Pi. To join the Roundtable, visit dsp.org/roundtable or email foundation@dsp.org for more information.

TAKE YOUR SEAT AT THE TABLE!





WHY DID I JOIN THE ROUNDTABLE?

**ART PASQUARELLA,
PENN STATE-STATE COLLEGE**

"Delta Sigma Pi was a big part of my collegiate experience which helped lead to my success in business. Being part of the Investors Roundtable is my way of giving back to the Fraternity for the opportunities that it afforded me and help support the Fraternity's mission of encouraging and developing tomorrow's business leaders."

**ANDREW CONACHEY,
HOUSTON**

"My contributions to the Fraternity are having a direct impact in allowing the organization to continue its work in building leaders of the future. There are so many ways to support the Fraternity, and I'm honored that it's possible to make a real difference even while living abroad. I believe in the values and priorities of Delta Sigma Pi and my support through the Foundation is a commitment to furthering those priorities and continuing to develop the organization."

**MEGAN PAUL,
LINDENWOOD (MO)**

"My perspective of the Fraternity shifted at my first national event. It was there that I first grasped the true magnitude of our brotherhood and the lifelong value it offers. The Roundtable offers an avenue to translate my gratitude into a legacy. It's an opportunity not just to give back, but to strategically invest in the same kind of transformative experiences for future generations of brothers."

*you are
Invited!*

**MELISSA GARCIA,
SOUTH FLORIDA-ST. PETERSBURG**

"By supporting initiatives that focus on leadership development, scholarships, and long-term planning, I'm ensuring members, both current and future, have access to meaningful opportunities for growth. It's not just about giving, it's about being part of a thoughtful, forward-looking community that cares about the Fraternity's future."

**SARA SOMERSET,
BENTLEY (MA)
(NOT PICTURED)**

"Some of my closest friends and happiest memories were made because of Delta Sigma Pi. I cannot imagine my life without these people or experiences! Investing in the future allows other brothers to have these same experiences. If you are able, make a commitment to our organization! Join the group that has committed to the ongoing support of Delta Sigma Pi. Brotherhood is for life."



Find Your Passion

How Can You Support Your Communities?

Volunteering is one of the most meaningful ways to channel your passion and make a real impact on the causes that matter to you. One of the best parts of giving back is the wide range of opportunities available—Deltasigs can support their communities both within Delta Sigma Pi and beyond the Fraternity. Whether your schedule allows you to contribute on a local level by working directly with chapters or giving back in hands-on ways, or you're interested in shaping the future of the Fraternity through national leadership and decision-making, there's a path for you. If your passion extends outside of Delta Sigma Pi, you can also find meaningful ways to engage with your local community—or even combine multiple volunteer experiences. Read more to discover how you can make a difference at the local and national levels and hear from brothers who are already making an impact.

WANT TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE ON THE GROUND LEVEL?

Follow these steps to support and build members on a local level.

Donating to **Chapter Leadership Funds (CLFs)** helps chapters (CLFs are chapter-specific accounts for tax-deductible donations to support collegiate chapters), request grants for Delta Sigma Pi educational program costs, including registration, travel, and lodging. Grants may also cover expenses for educational or professional events like speakers, workshops, and conferences. Donations to CLFs can be made online at dsp.org/donate or through other Leadership Foundation giving options. Read how Gail and Michael are giving back to chapters.



HUNTER WEBER, COLORADO STATE

What do you enjoy about volunteering? I love to volunteer for this organization because I can see people progress through different life stages and see their successes throughout. By volunteering I can cheer each of these groups on and be connected to them, not always as a guiding voice, but sometimes just as someone that was present and listened to them.



FRED LIPSEY, HOUSTON

What do you enjoy about volunteering? I enjoy making a difference. I look at it as a privilege and honor to serve. It is very rewarding to see something start as a concept, take root, and come to fruition. Brotherhood is being there to work alongside someone, to lead when necessary, or offer a helping hand.



GAIL BAUMER, BUFFALO (NY)

What does community mean to you?

Brotherhood is a feeling of belonging, support, or closeness with people who have common interests, goals, needs, or aspirations. We may not see or talk to each other in years...but...when you reach out, brothers are there. Giving to Chapter Leadership Funds is an encouragement to brothers to experience our Fraternity beyond their local chapter.

WANT TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE OUTSIDE THE FRATERNITY?

Learn how to give back to your home base.

Get involved with causes that relate to your interests, like Ame (left). Visit your **local food bank, shelter or join civic clubs like Rotary or Kiwanis Clubs for volunteer opportunities.** Support Delta Sigma Pi's **national service initiative, Literacy** by connecting with your local library. Brothers can help volunteer at local schools with reading programs, libraries with tutoring and reading support, long-term care facilities with reading programs and other financial, digital, health and civic causes.

WANT TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE ON THE NATIONAL LEVEL?

Be a part of the strategic thinking for the future of Delta Sigma Pi by becoming a volunteer leader.

Volunteering for Delta Sigma Pi allows you to contribute your unique talents to support a cause that resonates deeply with you. It allows you to **develop valuable skills, expand your network and gain unique experiences** that can enhance your personal growth and career advancement. By engaging in different volunteer roles, you can make an impact in the lives of countless individuals, develop valuable skills, and expand your network. Learn about the new Delta Sigma Pi structure on page 22 to see where you can get involved and read (left) about why Hunter and Fred are volunteering today!



AME KRIPPNER, TRUMAN STATE (MO)

Why did you get involved in your community?

Being able to contribute to a high degree has always been very important and I choose based on that principle. Look for where there's a need in your community and you will find a good community service match. I give back to my community because I enjoy combining my skills and helping others.

MICHAEL SOUTHARD, TAMPA (FL)

Why do you give? My experience at Delta Sigma Pi at University of Tampa was exceptional, and I give because the local leaders ask. I hope my gift helps the chapter achieve their goals and continue to be the best Fraternity.



BOARD COMMITTEES
Supports the governance work of the Board of Directors.

ADVISORY PANELS
Shares expertise with the Board of Directors, as it applies to their areas of expertise.

WORK GROUPS
Executes programs that support the operations of Delta Sigma Pi.

TASK FORCES
Addresses a specific issue or project within a specific time period.

Executive Committee

Academia

Chapter Operations

Delegate Experience

Governance Committee

Alumni

Deltasig Experience

Finance Committee

Chapter Operational Support

Ethics & Standards

Audit Committee

Collegiate

Leadership Development

Industry

Member Recognition

Past Grand Presidents

Volunteer Opportunities

**DELTA SIGMA PI'S
COMMITTEES,
ADVISORY PANELS,
WORK GROUPS, &
TASK FORCES**

Strengthen the Brotherhood

In August, the Grand Chapter amended bylaws to reorganize the national committee structure to allow for better oversight, clearer expectation, and greater efficiency. Part of this restructuring was the creation of board committees, advisory panels, and work groups.

MORE ABOUT BOARD COMMITTEES

Membership of Board Committees are primarily directors, with select non-directors additionally supporting efforts.

The **Executive Committee** advises the Grand President and Executive Director to support the effective planning, execution, and follow-up of Board of Directors meetings and other Board updates. It also assists in overseeing committees, work groups, advisory panels, and task forces by supporting coordination and clear reporting to the Board of Directors.

The **Governance Committee** develops and executes a comprehensive strategy to identify, recruit, and prepare candidates for volunteer leadership

roles, while building a sustainable pipeline of future leaders. The committee also establishes evaluation processes for the Board and future volunteer leaders.

The **Finance Committee** annually supports the establishment and presentation of an operating budget to the Fraternity Board of Directors and effectively represents the financial state of the organization to the Board. The committee also supports maximization of assets for effective advancement of the Fraternity's mission through budgetary policy and strategy recommendations and monitoring of investment policy and managers.

The **Audit Committee** is responsible for oversight of an annual audit performed by a certified public

accounting firm and monitoring and oversight of Delta Sigma Pi's financial statements.

LEND YOUR VOICE AND SHAPE OUR FUTURE THROUGH ADVISORY PANELS

Delta Sigma Pi is strongest when the wisdom, experiences, and perspectives of its members help guide where we go next. That's why the Fraternity is expanding opportunities to serve on Advisory Panels. Advisory Panels are collections of experts the Board of Directors, work groups, and staff can turn to for advice and feedback on decisions that the organization is facing.

Serving on an advisory panel is not about titles or hierarchy—it's about insight, collaboration, and service. Panel members provide practical feedback, identify emerging trends, and help the Board of Directors make informed decisions.

Whether your expertise comes from academia, industry, chapter operations, or lived experience as a Deltasig, there is a place for your voice:

- ❖ **Academia Advisory Panel** members help shape how Delta Sigma Pi partners with higher education and supports business education and student engagement. Membership is comprised of individuals working in student activities, current chapter faculty advisors, or individuals with similar current experience.
- ❖ **Alumni Advisory Panel** members influence how the Fraternity connects with alumni across careers, generations, and life stages. Members are Deltasigs with a passion for the organization and varying levels of past en-

agement (volunteering, event attendance, alumni chapter participation), age, and geography.

- ❖ **Collegiate Advisory Panel** members ensure student perspectives are central to recruitment, programming, and chapter support. Members are current collegiate members representing chapters of different sizes, provinces, public/private and commuter/residential status. Individuals will be targeted to represent different age groups as well as Deltasig experience levels (event attendance, officer roles, COY recognition, etc.).
- ❖ **Industry Advisory Panel** members help align Delta Sigma Pi with workforce trends, in-demand skills, and professional opportunities. Panel members represent a variety of professional areas and levels of professional and Deltasig experience.
- ❖ **Past Grand Presidents Advisory Panel** members bring historical insight and seasoned perspective to guide change responsibly. Membership includes all living Past Grand Presidents who are no longer serving as a director, regardless of decision to attend meetings or "opt-in status".
- ❖ **Chapter Operational Support Advisory Panel** members help strengthen the tools, resources, and systems that support chapters and volunteers. Membership includes a selection of currently serving District Directors, Regional Vice Presidents, and Chapter Advisors who represent chapters of different sizes, experience, and geographic location.

WHY SERVE?

Advisory panels offer a unique opportunity to:

- ❖ Make a tangible impact without a long-term commitment
- ❖ Share real-world insights that shape Fraternity strategy
- ❖ Collaborate with other dedicated Deltasigs from across the country
- ❖ Give back in a way that matches your experience and availability

If you care about the future of Delta Sigma Pi and want your perspective to matter, serving on an advisory panel is a powerful way to lead. Your experience is valuable—and the Fraternity is better when you help guide it. Tell us how you would like to serve by visiting dsp.org/volunteer or emailing volunteer@dsp.org.

WORK GROUP OPPORTUNITIES

Volunteering for a national work group is one of the most impactful ways to support the Deltasig community. These groups shape the programs, policies, and experiences that define the Deltasig experience.

❖ Chapter Operations Work Group

Strengthening chapter success through expertise and innovation

This work group exists to ensure every chapter has the support, structure, and resources it needs to thrive. This group plays a pivotal role in empowering chapter leaders, enhancing operational consistency, and expanding the reach of our volunteer network. Volunteers help:

- ❖ Expand staff and District Director support by offering subject matter expertise
- ❖ Recruit and support franchised alumni chapters, strengthening lifelong engagement and expanding the Fraternity's alumni footprint
- ❖ Analyze Chapter Management Program trends to identify opportunities
- ❖ Standardize the review of chapter bylaws and policies
- ❖ Maintain and enhance operational resources
- ❖ Recommend updates to policies and programs
- ❖ Review collegiate officer structures
- ❖ Evaluate the Pledge Education Program and related materials

If you enjoy *improving systems and supporting chapter leaders*, this group is a powerful place to serve.

❖ Deltasig Experience Work Group

Designing meaningful engagement across the member lifecycle

The strength of Delta Sigma Pi lies in the experiences we share—the moments that shape us as leaders, the relationships that sustain us, and the opportunities that keep us connected long after graduation. This work group is dedicated to designing and enhancing those experiences across the entire member lifecycle.

Volunteers help:

- ❖ Create and support engagement programs, including service, networking, and professional development initiatives, for all member stages
- ❖ Map the full member journey from prospect to alumni
- ❖ Identify gaps and propose new or enhanced programs
- ❖ Develop a framework to measure program impact
- ❖ Strengthen alumni engagement through chapters, employer networks, and inclusive governance

If you're passionate about *building community and creating memorable experiences*, this group is for you.

❖ Member Recognition Work Group

Celebrating excellence and inspiring engagement

This work group ensures the accomplishments of our brothers and chapters are honored with integrity, consistency, and pride. Their work strengthens our culture, motivates engage-

ment, and reminds every member that their contributions matter. Volunteers help:

- ❖ Implement a Fraternity-wide recognition strategy
- ❖ Coordinate selection processes for chapter and individual awards
- ❖ Maintain transparent criteria and reviewer training
- ❖ Update and maintain the Awards & Recognition Guide
- ❖ Assess awards for gaps or redundancies
- ❖ Promote recognition as a tool for motivation and engagement
- ❖ Highlight recognition stories in partnership with staff and volunteers

If you enjoy *celebrating achievements and strengthening a culture of appreciation*, this group offers meaningful ways to uplift others.

❖ Leadership Development Work Group

Developing the next generation of Deltasig leaders

This work group ensures that every brother—collegiate or alumni—has access to high quality learning experiences that build confidence, competence, and character. This group shapes the programs that help Deltasigs grow into the leaders their chapters, workplaces, and communities need. Volunteers help:

- ❖ Design and deliver a Fraternity wide leadership curriculum

- ❖ Offer a diverse mix of learning experiences, including workshops, online modules, and in person sessions
- ❖ Align programs with Fraternity learning outcomes
- ❖ Recruit and train a strong facilitator team
- ❖ Use feedback and data to refine offerings
- ❖ Provide training for current and aspiring volunteer leaders
- ❖ Maintain and enhance the Certified Deltasig Leader (CDL) Program
- ❖ Implement a transparent, consistent Collegian of the Year selection process

If you love *developing others and shaping learning experiences*, this group is a natural fit.

❖ Volunteer Opportunities Work Group

Connecting Deltasigs to meaningful ways to serve

This work group ensures that members can easily find, understand, and step into opportunities where their talents make the greatest impact. The group focuses on building clear, intentional processes that align volunteer interest, skills, and capacity with the evolving needs of the Fraternity. Volunteers help:

- ❖ Establish and execute effective, inclusive processes for recruiting volunteers across all member stages

- ❖ Review and analyze existing volunteer roles to ensure they are purposeful, well-defined, and meeting organizational needs
- ❖ Identify gaps, overlaps, or emerging needs in volunteer opportunities
- ❖ Recommend improvements to role descriptions, onboarding, and engagement practices
- ❖ Help create a positive, rewarding volunteer experience that encourages long-term involvement

If you enjoy *building pathways for others to lead, strengthening systems behind the scenes, and ensuring members can serve where they're most impactful*, this work group is a meaningful way to give back.

❖ Ethics and Standards Work Group

Upholding the values that define our brotherhood

This group ensures that our conduct, processes, and expectations reflect the highest standards of ethical leadership. Volunteers help:

- ❖ Oversee discipline, appeals, and member status changes
- ❖ Interpret policies related to conduct and ethics
- ❖ Develop training and educational materials that promote ethical leadership

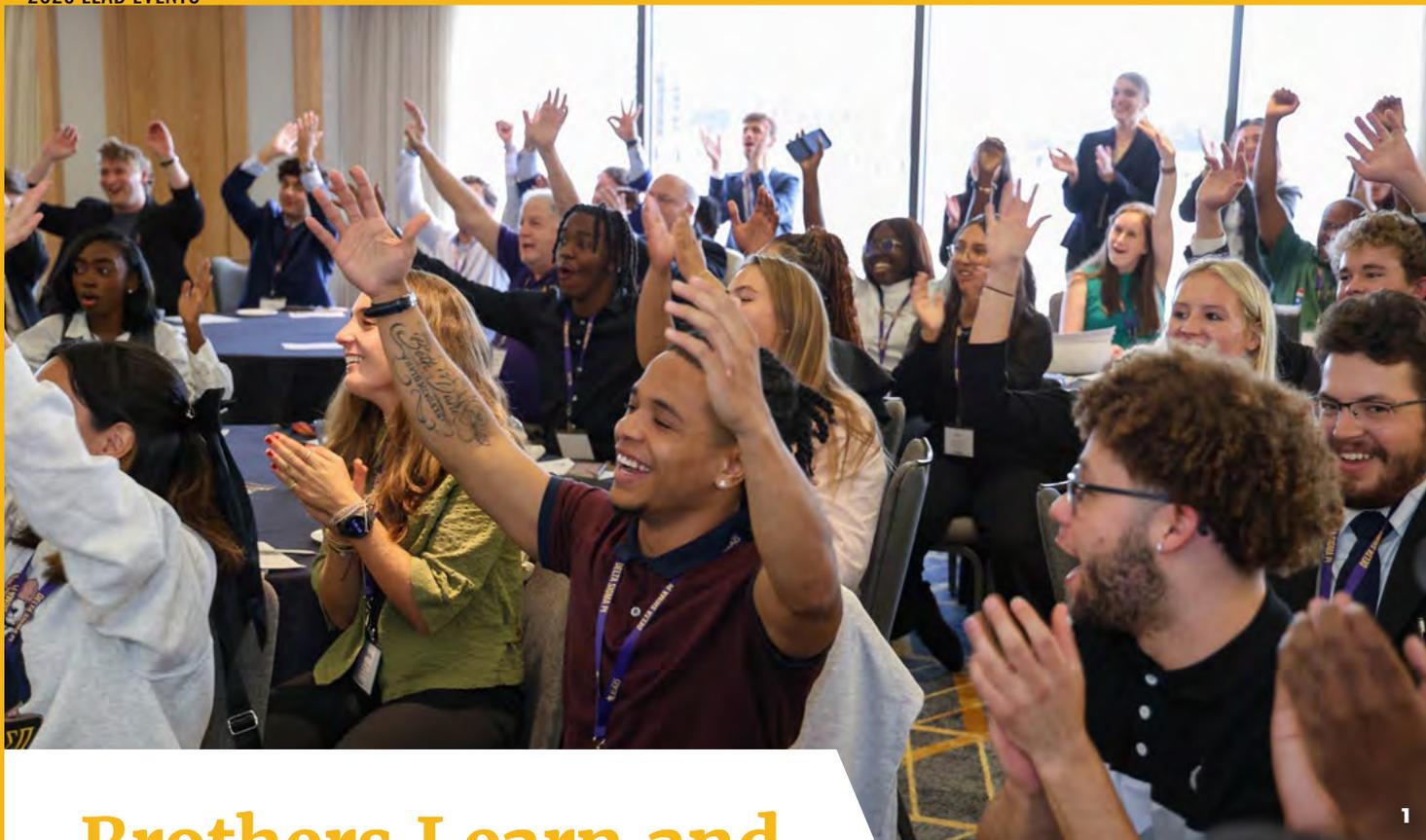
If *fairness, integrity, and accountability matter to you*, your leadership here will make a lasting impact.

YOUR LEADERSHIP MATTERS

Each work group plays a vital role in shaping the Deltasig experience and the future of our Fraternity. By volunteering, you're not just contributing your skills—you're strengthening the brotherhood, supporting future generations, and leaving a legacy of service.

Whether your strengths lie in operations, education, ethics, leadership development, or recognition, there is a place where your contributions will matter.

The question now is simple: **Are you ready to lead?** Tell us how by visiting dsp.org/volunteer or emailing volunteer@dsp.org.



Brothers Learn and Grow at the 2025 LEAD Events!



1 \ Attendees at the Jacksonville LEAD School walked away with leadership skills that will help them shape their chapters and professional careers!

2 \ Minneapolis LEAD Summit attendees learn leadership skills through sessions like how to lead through change, use data to solve problems, and staying curious through collaboration (pictured with North Central PVP Nicole Orlando, second from left).

The 2025 LEAD season offered new and extensive opportunities for professional and personal growth for Deltasigs. The Fraternity hosted three traditional LEAD Schools and six of the newly introduced LEAD Summits—first started in 2024 to bring smaller, more collaborative, leadership development events closer to our members.

In Minneapolis, Syracuse (NY), College Park (MD), Boston, College Station (TX), and Cincinnati, nearly 400 attendees enjoyed exciting curriculum featuring interactive leadership labs and mini sessions.

During the LEAD Summits, attendees started the day by exploring a three-step framework for making better decisions. They then learned how to analyze a situation and gather neces-

sary data before determining

the best course of action. Next participants re-defined collaboration, examined barriers and

strategies to overcome them, and practiced conditions for successful collaboration. The last session of the day explored human's inherent resistance to change and provided a practical framework for lead-

ing successful change initiatives. Participants learned how to proactively manage change and apply Kotter's 8-Step Change Model to turn their vision into a reality. During all of these sessions, participants interacted with other attendees, practicing their newly learned skills, and expanding their networks. Attendees at the Cincinnati event also had the pleasure to hear from Cincinnati Insurance Companies Senior





Marketing Director Jessica Shrewsbury who talked about building your personal brand.

In Jacksonville, Phoenix, and Kansas City, over 450 registrants attended LEAD Schools and enjoyed fun-fueled networking, education, and more. Each LEAD School kicked off Friday night with Deltasig networking, participating in activities, and more! During each LEAD School, attendees enjoyed breakout sessions focused on professional, personal and leadership development. Speakers presented topics like how to thrive in the job market, event planning, and time and organizational management.

In addition to the sessions, attendees networked and collaborated with other brothers. Others participated in local service activities to support Deltasig's national service initiative, literacy, including making flashcards for the Central Library at Kansas City and donating books to United Way of the Brazos Valley Early Literacy Program, Kids Need to Read, and making

3 | EAST CENTRAL REGION enjoyed interactive sessions and networking at the Cincinnati LEAD Summit hosted by the Cincinnati Insurance Companies (pictured with East Central RVP James Kuhn on far right). 4 | College Station (TX) LEAD Summit attendees pose after the event with South Central PVP Sara Casey (front row, second from right) and GP Erica Kolsrud (second row, second from right). 5 | At the Phoenix LEAD School, attendees donated books to Support Kids Need to Read, which helps provide books and literacy programs to underfunded schools and libraries. Each LEAD season members can participate in local service activities to support Deltasig's national service initiative, literacy. 6 | Attendees work together at the College Park (MD) LEAD Summit to further their collaboration and team-building skills. Brothers can take skills learned at LEAD events and apply their new knowledge to their personal and professional lives. 7 | LEAD events like the Boston LEAD Summit bring together members and leaders! From left: New England RVP Kelsie McAllister; Jayden Bryant, Katie Lacomini, and Grace Wenger; all-Massachusetts-Amherst.



GEORGIA STATE enjoys the Jacksonville LEAD School. From left: Maya Pollen, Brianna Johnson, Kennedy Murray, and Halle Carter.

bookmarks for Friends of the Jacksonville Public Library. Attendees also had the chance to learn more about the Leadership Foundation's programs, meet with Deltasig partners, and purchase Deltasig gear from chapters and partners.

To close out each LEAD School, attendees attended inspirational keynote speakers. In Jacksonville, attendees learned from Rita Goodroe through her keynote session, *Create Your Own Path: Making a REAL Impact™ in Business and Leadership*. In Phoenix, keynote speaker Marcus Benally, *New Mexico State*, taught members how to work together effectively through his session, *Empowering Your Journey: Leadership, Networks, and Service in Modern Business*. And lastly, keynote Jesse Cruz presented *Leadership That Lasts: How to Inspire Unity, Retain Your Best People, and Build a Community That Thrives* to brothers at the Kansas City LEAD School.

Thank you to our partner Enterprise Mobility for helping make our LEAD events successful! Also, thank you to Cincinnati Insurance Companies for sponsoring the Cincinnati LEAD Summit.

Make plans for an upcoming event or take advantage of other online learning opportunities. For more details on events, please visit dsp.org/events. ▲



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8 \ ROCHESTER TECH (NY) collegiate and alumni members reunited at the Syracuse LEAD Summit. From left: Justin Allen, Niagara RVP Robert Fosdick, Leon Niles, Joshua Michaels, Vaishnave Muthukumaresan, and John Robinson. 9 \ TORNADO ALLEY REGION and their leaders reunite at the Kansas City LEAD School. From left: Adin Feliciano, Oklahoma State; Katie Sparks, Oklahoma; Micheal Ethan Johnson, Oklahoma State; Jorge Herrera, Texas Tech; Thomas Barry, Oklahoma State; Amanda Stanley, Texas A&M-Kingsville; Mark Wernette, Midwestern State (TX); Angie Schelp, Central Missouri; and Marla Schlaggel, Oklahoma State. 10 \ Deltasigs network and develop connections to last a lifetime at the Kansas City LEAD.

Leadership in Action

A Weekend of Growth, Strategy, and Connection



Southern PVP and director of guest experience at Tropical Smoothie Café Meghan Hill, North Central PVP and assistant regional director at Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation Nicole Orlando, LF Trustee and chief corporate officer and partner at Atwell, LLC Tim Augustine, small group facilitator and vice president, head of mortgage servicing at Central Bank Jane Spurgeon, and small group facilitator and realtor at Keller Williams Realty Wade Weistreich kicked Presidents' Academy off with a Deltasig Leadership Panel.

2026 Delta Sigma Pi Presidents' Academy – January 16-18, St. Louis

The Presidents' Academy develops “chapter CEOs” through a structured weekend of training that applies to chapter operations, campus involvement, internships, and future careers. For the ninth consecutive year, collegiate officers gathered in St. Louis for high level leadership development, supported by generous donors who ensured travel and lodging were fully covered. Presidents' Academy offers far more than a typical conference—it provides a focused, transformative experience that strengthens chapters, enhances the Fraternity, and accelerates participants' personal and professional growth.

Throughout the weekend, facilitators guided attendees through a dynamic curriculum on self-awareness, strategic planning, time management, team building, motivation, and conflict navigation. Large group sessions, small group discussions, and intentional networking deepened learning and connection. Participants also heard from keynote speaker Wayne Prichard and heard a conversation on the Fraternity's purpose and principles featuring GP Erica Kolsrud, LF Chair Shawn Gregory, ED Jeremy Levine and PGP (and large group facilitator) Onuka Ibe. (See sidebar on page 31 for full agenda details.)





Representing San Antonio, from left, Abraham Albretti, St. Mary's (TX), Manuel Soto, Texas-San Antonio, and Eva Tatum, Trinity-San Antonio.

SURVEY RESULTS

Here is a sampling of the feedback attendees shared:

- ❖ 99% recommend Presidents' Academy to future chapter presidents.
- ❖ 94% agreed or strongly agreed they will apply the new techniques and approaches to incentivizing their peer leaders.
- ❖ 92% agreed or strongly agreed they feel more equipped to have crucial conversations with others.
- ❖ 87% agreed or strongly agreed they will apply the concepts of the strategic planning exercise when they return back to their chapters.
- ❖ 86% agreed or strongly agreed they learned skills to guide discussions, run meetings, and foster collaborative decision-making.
- ❖ 85% agreed or strongly agreed they gained the ability to build action plans, set goals, and align operations with chapter needs.
- ❖ **Participants valued:**
 - Networking & Peer Learning
 - Value of Small Groups
 - Practical, Transferable Skills
 - Leadership Skill Growth

More responses:

- "This has been a life-changing experience. The tools, knowledge and suggestions given here can apply not only to my chapter, but to my professional and personal life. "
- "I learned a lot about other chapter successes and struggles based on the topics that were brought up. This academy provided a fantastic space to show me I'm not alone and help find new ways to address these problems."

The program concluded with each officer creating a personalized action plan for their chapter, supported by ongoing peer-coach check-ins to ensure progress and accountability.

Delta Sigma Pi Leadership Foundation Supports Presidents' Academy

Supporting Presidents' Academy is one of the most meaningful ways to invest in Delta Sigma Pi's future. Donor generosity ensures chapter presidents can access this transformational leadership experience without financial barriers.

The **Presidents' Academy Fund** allows donors to directly underwrite the program, while the Jeffrey E. Zych Presidents' Academy Fund provides an annual grant inspired by Jeff Zych's commitment to "go big" and inspire others to do the same.



For chapter-specific impact, **Chapter Leadership Funds** ensure members always have access to premier leadership programs, including Presidents' Academy and LEAD events.



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Presidents' Academy facilitator Jodi Schoh and Keynote Wayne Prichard

PRESIDENTS' ACADEMY CURRICULUM

- ❖ Your Personality at Work: Birkman Basics
- ❖ Organizational Purpose and Principles
- ❖ Putting the Strategy in Strategic Planning
- ❖ Time Management & Prioritization
- ❖ Building Successful Teams
- ❖ Enhancing Team Morale & Engagement
- ❖ Navigating Crucial Conversations
- ❖ Facilitating Team Collaboration
- ❖ Building a Legacy: Bringing it Back to Your Chapter



Deltasig Connections



Building Leaders



"I had an incredible experience learning not only how to lead, but how to lead with intentionality... This experience reinforced the importance of returning to the fundamentals of leadership: building something meaningful that leaves a lasting legacy not only within our chapter, but also in our community and future workplaces.

I can't wait to get to campus with a renewed sense of purpose and a clear focus on elevating our team. Thank you, Delta Sigma Pi, for being one of the many reasons I continue striving to be a better person, a better professional, and a better leader."

– FRANCES GONZALEZ-CRUZ, FLORIDA SOUTHERN

"Not only did I leave with a great experience while meeting wonderful people, but also with the privilege of being able to further advance in my professional career. Thank you, Delta Sigma Pi!"

– ANGEL SALINAS, LOYOLA-NEW ORLEANS



GP Erica Kolsrud, LF Chair and President Shawn Gregory, and ED Jeremy Levine discussed the Purpose and Principles of Delta Sigma Pi to the chapter presidents.



Angel (eighth from left) with his small group.



"This past weekend I had the privilege of representing the University of Washington at Delta Sigma Pi's President Academy!

Throughout the conference, I had the opportunity to connect with 220+ fellow chapter presidents from across the country, exchanging ideas and learning from the diverse ways each chapter leads and grows.

At our Sigma Upsilon Chapter, we often say 'my ceiling is your floor', a reminder that older members have a responsibility to lift up those who come after them. This weekend I felt that same principle on a national scale. I'm excited to bring new perspectives and ideas back to our chapter as we continue to grow!

A special thank you to my small group, I couldn't have asked for a better circle of peers to bounce ideas off of and learn alongside!"

- ELERI LYON, WASHINGTON-SEATTLE



Some attendees enjoyed "Build Your Own Snowman" sundaes while snow fell to the ground in St. Louis.



The Fraternity Board of Directors, Leadership Foundation Trustees, and senior staff members connected and learned during Boards Academy, which ran concurrently with Presidents' Academy.



Attendees networked, learned different personality types through their Birkman, and participated in group decision-making the whole weekend!



From left: Julia Brondello, Texas Christian; Jarell Rimando, West Virginia; and William Bialobrzski, Colorado-Boulder.

"This past weekend, I had the opportunity to travel to St. Louis, Missouri for the annual Delta Sigma Pi Presidents' Academy, an intensive three-day experience focused on what it truly means to lead a chapter and to grow as a leader yourself.

Through leadership workshops, keynotes, and small-group sessions, we explored what effective leadership looks like in practice, not just in theory. As one take-away from the weekend put it, "Never lose sight of the culture." Strong chapters aren't built by individual effort alone, but by teams aligned around shared values, trust, and purpose.

Thank you to Delta Sigma Pi for investing in student leaders and creating an environment that challenges us to be better together."

- ANDREW HOFFMAN, BUFFALO (NY)



Andrew (first from left) with other Academy attendees.

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



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1 \ TAMPA (FL), FLORIDA SOUTHERN, SOUTH FLORIDA-TAMPA, ECKERD (FL), SOUTH FLORIDA-ST. PETERSBURG, AND ST. PETE-CLEARWATER ALUMNI celebrated Founders' Day together in December.

2 \ CAL STATE-NORTHRIDGE cleaned up their local community garden in October.

3 \ ATLANTA ALUMNI held a white elephant gift exchange and a Toys for Tots donation drive at their holiday party in December.



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4 \ **DENVER ALUMNI** welcomed the new year together in January.

5 \ **TRINITY-SAN ANTONIO** participated in the San Antonio Half Marathon in December. From left: William Meckel, Spencer Britton, and Eva Tatum.

6 \ **FLORIDA STATE** held a bowling social event in September.

7 \ **BALL STATE (IN)** wrapped Christmas gifts at Second Harvest Food Bank in December.



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8 \ BINGHAMTON (NY) held a Homecoming BBQ event with alumni in September.

9 \ LOYOLA-CHICAGO (founded September 30, 1950) honored their 75th anniversary by initiating 22 brothers in October.

10 \ BOSTON U. celebrated Founders' Day in November by going apple picking.

11 \ DUKE (NC) held a charity 5K in November for the nonprofit StepUp Durham.

12 \ EASTERN ILLINOIS held a game night with business faculty in December.



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13 \ STEVENS (NJ) held a food drive for the Hoboken Food Shelter in December. From left: Tiffany Zapoluch, Andre Santos, Adrian da Silva, and employees of the Hoboken Homeless Shelter organization.

14 \ DEPAUL (IL) visited Plante Moran's Chicago office for a networking session in November.

15 \ KENNESAW STATE (GA) worked with the nonprofit Pocket Full of Care to make cards for the elderly in November.

16 \ CLARK ATLANTA (GA) partnered with Trees Atlanta at Legacy Park to restore the environment in September.



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17 \ KENT STATE (OH), BOWLING GREEN STATE (OH), MIAMI-OH, MARSHALL (WV), WESTERN KENTUCKY, AKRON (OH), INDIANA-INDIANAPOLIS, PITTSBURGH, WEST VIRGINIA, VALPARAISO (IN), and ILLINOIS-CHICAGO attended the Central Office Open House to celebrate Founders' Day in November.

From left: Sofia Glink, Owen Roberts, Christian Lutes, Austin Dunaj, Bhavin Prajapati, Tess Golden, Sage Owens, and Ava Snider; all *Kent State (OH)*.

18 \ MARQUETTE (WI) held a holiday bake sale in December.

19 \ ST. THOMAS (MN) heard from Molly Nadeau-Peterson, senior loan officer at Neighborhood Loans, on the value of homeownership, building credit, and managing college loans in October.

20 \ DENVER (founded October 10, 1925) celebrated their 100th anniversary with a gala in November.

New job? Start a new business? Get promoted or recognized for an achievement?
Share your news with us! Email magazine@dsp.org.

ACHIEVEMENTS

Lisa Wyka, Akron (OH), is senior regional sales manager for Abbott in Detroit, Mich.

Allen Jenkins, Bowling Green State (OH), is senior finance manager at Stanley Black & Decker. Allen lives in Charlotte, N.C.

Michael McKeeman, California-Berkeley, is partner at Seyfarth Shaw LLP in San Francisco, Calif.

Cristina Gao Chen, Chapman (CA), is partner alliance manager at Kingston Technology in Orange County, Calif.

Kelly Coughlin, Dayton (OH), is brand director at The Wendy's Company in Dublin, Ohio.

Scott Tebbe, Evansville (IN), is partner and business manager at Steinhardt Heating & A/C and SERVPRO of Madison, Lawrenceburg & Versailles. Scott lives in Madison, Ind.

Great Lakes RVP Ron Neto-Taylor, Florida Atlantic, is solutions architect at SWK Technologies LLC in Chicago.

Omar Franco, Florida State, is chair, government law and lobbying practice at Becker & Poliakoff, P.A. in Washington.

Colin Rocker, Georgia, was named on *Forbes Magazine* 30 Under 30. Colin lives in New York, N.Y.

Jan Zonnenberg, Georgia, retired as partner and consultant from PRTM in Waltham, Maine.

Greg Boswell, Indiana Northwest, is plant mechanic at Indiana American Water in Gary, Ind.

George Drikos, Loyola-Chicago, is operations lieutenant at Illinois Secretary of State Police in Villa Park, Ill.

Hannah Cockrell, Marshall (WV), is a data analysis at Southeastern Fright Lines in Lexington, S.C.

Ashley Redditt, North Florida, is senior implementation consultant at ADP. Ashley lives in Jacksonville, Fla.

Kevin Wright, Northern Arizona, is senior manager of membership recruitment at Shriners International. Kevin lives in Las Vegas, Nev.

Mary Bailey, Oklahoma State, is a mortgage loan consultant at First United Mortgage Group in Edmond, Okla.

Alyssa Matthews, Oklahoma State, is underwriter for Shepherd in Fort Worth, Texas.

Gregory Howell, Pacific (CA), was honored as the District 26 Division Director of the Year by Toastmasters International. Greg lives in Parker, Colo.

Craig Koch, Penn State-State College, is director of operations at NetOne. Craig lives in South Riding, Va.

Jacqueline Schott, Pepperdine (CA), is account executive at Salesforce in Austin, Texas.

Michael Foley, Shepherd (WV), retired as budget officer at the United States Air Force, Air National Guard in Martinsburg, W.Va.

Tamra Buntrock, South Dakota, is the system vice president of finance and administration at CommonSpirit Health. Tamra lives in Pacific Palisades, Calif.

Keith Weeden, South Florida-Tampa, retired as a businessman and teacher from the Broward County School District in Delray Beach, Fla.

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

Jan Zonnenberg, Georgia, and Susan on August 30. They live in Scarborough, Maine.

Ashley Redditt, North Florida, and Greg Cunningham on December 1. They live in Jacksonville, Fla.

Lauren McAuley, North Texas, and Jared Lambert on November 1. They live in Flower Mound, Texas.

Amanda Wood and **Jason Mitchell**, both *North Texas*, on December 27. They live in Carrollton, Texas.

Matthew Ruiz and **Cindy Moscote**, both *Shepherd (WV)*, on November 14. They live in Ranson, W.Va.

Bryce Rauba, *Truman State (MO)*, and **Tess Lovig** on September 6. They live in Columbia, Mo.

Gains

Mariëlle Schep and **Andrew Conachey**, *Houston*, on December 10 – Jake and Alex. They live in Rotterdam, the Netherlands.

Remembering A Lifetime’s Worth of Achievement

William “Bill” Leonard, *Arizona State*, who gave tirelessly to Delta Sigma Pi during his lifetime, passed away in October at age 90. Brother Leonard was a Golden Council member, Golden Helmet recipient, and received Deltasig’s 1990 Lifetime Achievement Award for his contributions to the Fraternity. He held many leadership positions within the Fraternity, including Regional Director (now Regional Vice President) as well as serving as V.P. Alumni Benefits & Services. Bill was a co-founder of the Phoenix Thunderbird and Sun City-Roadrunner Alumni Chapters and served as a decades long mentor and leader of the chapters. A strong supporter of the Leadership Foundation, Bill and his wife Norma Jeanne, also *Arizona State*, are recognized at the Cornerstone Giving Level. Professionally, Bill worked as a certified public accountant.

He will be greatly missed, leaving a longtime legacy of brotherhood and service to the Fraternity. “The world is better upon it.”



“The world is better because he dwelt upon it.”

\\ LOSSES \\

Arizona State

William "Bill" Leonard (October 26)

Cal State-Sacramento

Michael Bugbee (February 28, 2025)

Detroit (night)

Theodore Mushenski (June 22)

Iowa

William Strobach (September 23)

Kent State (OH)

Jason Labay (November 13)

Lewis (IL)

James Stewart (October 22)

Maryland-College Park

Steven Rothfield (November 14)

Minnesota State

Bruce "Bullwinkle" Lindvall (September 29)

North Carolina-Chapel Hill

Richard Kannan (December 5)

Ohio

William de Monye Sr. (July 5)

Oklahoma

John Bingman (May 26)

Rochester Tech (NY)

John Jaconski (December 16)

Santa Clara (CA)

Samuel Sebastiani (October 9)

St. Cloud State (MN)

Richard Theilmann (October 28)

South Dakota

Jane Hoffman (November 3)

Southeastern Louisiana

Ronald Henriques (September 16)

Texas Christian

Joseph Goldblatt (November 9)

Texas-El Paso

Jerry Ganann (July 16)

Wisconsin-La Cross

Thomas Kinney (November 25)



From left: PGP Mike Mallonee and Western PVP David Pratt.

ALUMNI AWARDS

DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CERTIFICATE

MIKE MALLONEE, *Oklahoma*, was awarded the Distinguished Service Certificate at the 2025 Phoenix LEAD School. Brother Mallonee served as the Fraternity's twenty-seventh Grand President from 1979-1983, followed by Board service as Past Grand President. He also served as Chair and President of the Leadership Fund/Leadership Foundation from 1989-94. He was then the 1994 Lifetime Achievement Award Recipient. He continued to aid the Fraternity by serving as District Director for Arizona for 15 years, during which he frequently won the Desert Mountain Regional District Director of the Year Award from 2020-2024, and the National award in 2015. Mike has also served as a committee member on many Fraternity and Leadership Foundation committees. A strong supporter of the Leadership Foundation, he is recognized at the Fifth Founder Giving Level.

ALUMNI AWARDS & DONOR RECOGNITION



From left: LF Chief Operating Officer Shanda Gray, the Wernettes (Lily, Mark, and Nicole), and LF Trustee Sandy Shoemaker.

FALL 2025 DONOR RECOGNITION

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MARK, *Midwestern State (TX)*, and NICOLE, *Missouri State*, WERNETTE are dedicated Deltasigs who have had many roles within the Fraternity and are strong supporters of the Leadership Foundation proven by their membership in the Deltasigs Investors Roundtable. Previously, Mark served as South Central Provincial Vice President and Tornado Alley Regional Vice President. He has also served as District Director for Midwestern State (TX) and Oklahoma. He has attended more than 80 events. Mark currently serves as President of the Oklahoma City Tornado Alley Alumni Chapter and on the Leadership Foundation Audit Committee. Profes-

sionally, he is president and chief financial officer at Fort Still National Bank (FSNB).

Nicole previously served as Midwestern and Tornado Alley Regional Vice President. Brother Wernette has also served as President of Oklahoma City Tornado Alley and Kansas City Alumni Chapter. She has also served as District Director for Rockhurst (MO) and has attended more than 60 events. She currently serves as Vice President-Chapter Operations for Oklahoma City Tornado Alley Alumni Chapter.

**MINUTES IN SECONDS
FROM NOVEMBER 23,
2025 BOARD MEETING**

- Directed the Chapter Operations Work Group to explore changes in chapter officer structure that would provide flexibility for different types of chapters.
- Supported continuing with educational plans that increase the number of LEAD Summits in 2026 and not hosting LEAD Schools.
- Discussed and supported proposed outline of the roles and responsibilities of staff and volunteers in preparation of national events.
- Approved updated Executive Director Evaluation Process.
- Updated previous decision on provincial budget allocations for the 2026-27 fiscal year, to use chapter counts from July 1, 2025 as the calculation point. The previously adopted new process will determine allocations based on distance and number of collegiate chapters.
- Received reports from the Board Committees (Executive, Governance, Finance, and Audit).
- Received an update from the Leadership Foundation.

Become a CDL today!

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



Congratulations to the CDLs who earned Tier I or Tier II certification between September 1, 2025 and January 20, 2026. (Tier II CDLs are marked with a *.)

Nada Aboraya, *West Virginia*
 Hunter Broadnix, *South Florida-St. Petersburg*
 Ann Brown, *Nebraska-Omaha*
 Lucas Chappel, *Lindenwood (MO)*
 Christopher Copeck, *St. Joseph's (PA)*
 Justin Cranmer, *Arizona*
 Nichelle Dawkins*, *Drake (IA)*
 John Eberle, *Purdue (IN)*
 Johanna Ebert, *Lewis (IL)*
 Addison Freedle, *Colorado State*
 Mackenzie Grifka, *Grand Valley State (MI)*
 Paul King, *Old Dominion (VA)*
 Joshua Macareno, *Texas A&M-Kingsville*

Traci Matemu, *Ferris State (MI)*
 Erik McIntosh, *Massachusetts-Amherst*
 Jack Messier, *Roger Williams (RI)*
 Breanna Mirakian, *Longwood (VA)*
 Jahem Perez Vazquez*, *Western Kentucky*
 Julia Platt, *South Dakota*
 Lindsay Rickers, *Nebraska-Lincoln*
 Andrew Soel*, *Cal Poly-Pomona*
 Ella Walton, *Texas Christian*
 David Wang, *Georgia*
 Elyse Whittemore, *South Dakota*

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BEST FEMALE RATES				
Age	\$100,000	\$250,000	\$500,000	\$1,000,000
18-35	\$8	\$9	\$11	\$21
40	\$9	\$14	\$15	\$24
45	\$10	\$16	\$23	\$37
50	\$12	\$21	\$32	\$62
55	\$16	\$28	\$50	\$90
60	\$24	\$42	\$72	\$136
65	\$40	\$77	\$143	\$253

BEST MALE RATES				
Age	\$100,000	\$250,000	\$500,000	\$1,000,000
18-35	\$7	\$13	\$13	\$24
40	\$9	\$15	\$17	\$35
45	\$11	\$18	\$27	\$45
50	\$17	\$23	\$40	\$76
55	\$21	\$37	\$66	\$121
60	\$33	\$63	\$112	\$206
65	\$53	\$102	\$189	\$358

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OHIO, founded on December 5, 1925, celebrated their 100th anniversary in 2025 with alumni from across the decades.



Celebrate the brotherhood of Delta Sigma Pi on Alumni Day!

Whether it's calling or texting a brother far away, hosting events with brothers like Ohio University's anniversary event or meeting up with Deltasigs to support your communities (learn more on page 20), we would love to hear about it! Please send news and photos to magazine@dsp.org.

Save the Date – April 25!