

**Delta Sigma Pi**  
**South Central Provincial Council Meeting**  
**Sunday February 24, 2008**  
**Oklahoma City, Oklahoma**

South Central Provincial Vice President Jeff Gallentine opened the South Central Provincial Council meeting according to ritual at 9:10 am Sunday February 24, 2008 at the Clarion Hotel in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Brother Peter Chamberlin served as Chancellor of the meeting and brother Alexandria Echeveste served as recording secretary.

Brother Peter Chamberlin called the meeting to order

Brother Alexandria Echeveste conducted a roll call of delegates. Forty One (41) delegates out of Fifty Four (54) were present at this meeting. Quorum of the South Central Provincial Council is present.

Motion to adopt agenda

Motion: Iota Nu

Second: Crescent City Alumni Chapter

Motion Passed

Motion to approve minutes of the previous council meeting.

Motion: Beta phi

Second: Nu omicron

Motion Passed

See Appendix for detailed reports:

Jeff Gallentine presented the Provincial Vice President Report

Motion to accept Provincial Vice President's report

Motion: Arlington Alumni

Second: Beta Zeta

Motion Passed

Kevin Weber presented the Gateway Region report

Motion to accept Gateway Region report

Motion: St Louis Alumni

Second: Eta Psi

Motion Passed

Jason Campagna presented the Gulf South Region report

Motion to accept Gulf South Region report

Motion: Zeta Mu

Second: Kappa Omicron

Motion Passed

Brandi Taylor presented the Gulf Western Region report

Motion to accept Gulf Western Region report

Motion: Beta Epsilon

Second: San Antonio Alumni

Motion Passed

Al Whitmer presented the Midwestern Region report

Motion to accept the Midwestern Region report

Motion: Kansas City Alumni

Second: Space City Houston Alumni

Motion Passed

Jeff Gallentine presented the Provincial Financial report

Motion to accept the Provincial Financial report

Motion: Beta Phi

Second: Eta Theta

Motion Passed

Paul Brodie presented the Alumni Development Committee report

Motion to accept the Alumni Development Committee report

Motion: Eta Nu

Second: Oklahoma City Tornado Alley Alumni Chapter

Motion Passed

Derry Webb presented the Community Service Committee report

Motion to accept the Community Service Committee report

Motion: Zeta Mu

Second: Delta Epsilon

Motion Passed

Brandon Trease presented the Professional Development Committee report

Motion to accept the Professional Development Committee report

Motion: Kappa Omicron

Second: Dallas Area Alumni Chapter

Motion Passed

Cliff Reilly presented the Scholastic Development Committee report

Motion to accept the Scholastic Development report

Motion: Zeta Nu

Second: Lambda Upsilon

Motion Passed

No Discipline Committee Report  
Motion to accept report  
Motion: Alpha Beta  
Second: Beta Kappa  
Motion Passed

No Old Business

New Business:

Jeff Gallentine presented Provincial Budget for 2008-2009

Motion to call to question  
Motion Passed  
Motion to approve budget  
Motion: Arlington Area Alumni  
Second: St Louis Alumni  
Motion Passed

Jeff Gallentine presented Discipline Committee Appointments. New members are Brandi Taylor and Kevin Weber.

Motion to call to question  
Motion Passed  
Motion to approve Discipline Committee Appointments  
Motion: Beta Epsilon  
Second: Iota Nu  
Motion passed

Derry Webb presented the Provincial Community Service Initiative- the Ronald McDonald House

Motion to call to question  
Motion Passed  
Motion to approve the Provincial Community Service Initiative  
Motion: Iota  
Second: Nu Omicron  
Motion Passed

Determine the date & location options for 2010 LEAD Provincial Conference and Council Meeting

Discussion  
Motion to call to question  
Motion passed

The location for the 2010 Provincial Conference & Council Meeting was decided in the following order by secret ballot: 1<sup>st</sup> New Orleans 2<sup>nd</sup> Dallas 3<sup>rd</sup> Little Rock

The date for the 2010 Provincial Conference & Council Meeting was decided in the following order by secret ballot: 1<sup>st</sup> March 7<sup>th</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> February 28<sup>th</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> February 21<sup>st</sup>

The Chancellor entertained any General Announcements

National Alumni Day- April 25<sup>th</sup>

Chapter Awards due June 1<sup>st</sup>

LeaderShape- July 15<sup>th</sup> -20<sup>th</sup> (Applications due by March 10<sup>th</sup>)

2008 LEAD School- Kansas City, MO November 8<sup>th</sup>

2009 LEAD Provincial Conference & Council Meeting – San Antonio, TX

Motion to adjourn

Motion: Kappa Xi

Second: Theta Omega

Motion Passed

South Central Provincial Vice President Jeff Gallentine closed the South Central Provincial Council Meeting at 10:47am according to the ritual of Delta Sigma Pi.

Signed:

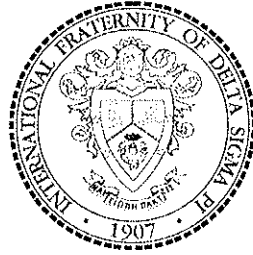


Alexandria Echeveste, Recording Secretary



Jeff Gallentine, South Central Provincial Vice President

Report to the Provincial Council  
South Central Provincial Vice President  
Jeffrey W. Gallentine  
2007 - 2008



It is hard to believe another year has passed. It is a privilege to serve as your Provincial Vice President and an honor to lead such an outstanding group of brothers.

I would like to thank the many volunteers that have contributed to the success of our Province over this past year. Thank you to the RVPs, District Directors, committee members, presenters and others that have given their time and treasure to make us a success. Thank you to the Central Office staff, without your help and dedication we would never get it all done. Above all, thank you to the brothers of the South Central Province. Your dedication to your chapters and the fraternity is second to none and makes our job so much easier.

## Travel Summary

Date	Location	Event
03/01/07 – 03/04/07	St. Louis, MO	Provincial Conference
04/13/07 – 04/14/07	Kingsville, TX	Gulf Western Regional Initiation
04/19/07	Kansas City, MO	Midwestern Region visit - Nu Xi
05/18/07 – 05/20/07	Broken Bow, OK	Southwestern Chapter Exec. Retreat
06/16/07	Overland Park, KS	KCAC Business Meeting and Picnic
08/05/07 – 08/12/07	Orlando, FL	Board Meeting and Grand Chapter
09/27/07 – 09/30/07	Oxford, OH	Leadership Retreat and Board Meeting
10/14/07	Kansas City, MO	KCAC Business Meeting
11/3/07	Houston, TX	LEAD School
11/10/07	Arlington, TX	Southwestern Regional Initiation
01/05/08	Stilwell, KS	Provincial Leadership Meeting
01/25/08 – 01/27/08	Washington, DC	Board Meeting
02/10/08	Kansas City, MO	KCAC Business Meeting

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**South Central Provincial Vice President**  
**Jeffrey W. Gallentine**  
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**Planned Travel**

Date	Location	Event
April, 2008	Wichita Falls, TX	Tentative reactivation-Nu Epsilon Zeta
April, 2008	Baton Rouge, LA	Gulf South joint Initiation
April / May, 2008	TBD	Gateway Region visit
April / May, 2008	TBD	Midwestern Region visit
August, 2008	Chicago, IL	BOD meeting & Nat. Leadership Trng

**Provincial Goal Summary**

**CEI Performance**

CEI performance has been a top priority for your leadership team. CEI scores give us an objective tool to evaluate individual chapter performance. While we have a long way to go to achieve our goal of each chapter earning 100 points, we have made tremendous improvement in our provincial chapter average.

**LEAD School/Provincial Conference Programming and Attendance**

Provincial and national events are one of the best ways to improve chapter operations and increase brotherhood, fraternity knowledge and spirit. We realize that the best way to increase attendance is by offering fresh relevant programming with curriculum that appeals to all of our membership regardless of age or lifecycle stage. I would like to thank our committees for their hard work and dedication. Our committees have allowed us to present new custom programming, career fairs that are unique to our Province and outstanding community service events. With the help of many of your alumni and collegiate volunteers, we have successfully raised the quality of our events and the attendance at those events, setting new attendance records in many cases.

**Awards and Honor Roll Applications**

The collegiate and alumni brothers of this Province work hard and accomplish many great things; it is only fitting that you be recognized for your efforts. One way to do this is through the awards program. With the Provincial Scholastic Development and Awards Committee, we have worked hard to increase awareness of the awards program, application procedures and due dates. We have made tremendous improvement with respect to our awards participation but the committee continues to promote and encourage even more. While it is early in the year, it looks like we are off to a great start. I would like to extend a special thank you to the members of the Scholastic Development and Awards Committee for going the extra mile to promote our awards program and encourage chapter participation.

# Report to the Provincial Council

## South Central Provincial Vice President

### Jeffrey W. Gallentine

### 2007 - 2008

#### **Chapter Interaction**

In an effort to increase unity and brotherhood, your leadership team has also been actively promoting regional and provincial interaction. We have seen success in regards to interaction with the continued tradition of regional initiations in the Gulf Western Region. The Midwestern Region continues to hold joint initiations. The Southwestern Region held two regional initiations and their first chapter executive committee member retreat, which was a great success. The Gulf South Region also had a very well attended regional weekend comprised of a regional initiation with a banquet and a regional conference.

#### **Advisor Teams**

The Midwestern and Gateway Regions have used advisor teams for several years. These teams are made up of the District Director and an "Alumni Advisor" that operates as a co-District Director. This team concept provides more resources for our chapters as well as a way to provide new volunteers with more experience and more opportunities to get involved. I have asked all of the RVPs to implement this concept. I am encouraged by the progress being made in the Gulf Western and Southwestern Regions on this initiative.

#### **Communication**

Coming into this biennium, we wanted to increase the number of volunteers interacting directly with the chapters. We determined that one of the best ways to do this was to get our committees more involved with the chapters through direct promotion of events and issues that these committees deal with. The result of this contact and promotion is evident in the success of our provincial community service events, LEAD events and the increase in chapter participation in the awards program.

#### **Provincial Brotherhood**

Above all things, your leadership team wanted to increase our level of provincial brotherhood and pride. We wanted every brother in the Province to feel like, and be proud to be, part of the South Central Province. I established a personal goal to visit each region at least once per year and met or exceeded that goal with all regions but one. However, I plan on being in the Gulf South Region this spring. As I visit with brothers throughout the Province, it seems that we have made considerable progress towards this goal.

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**Committees**

Our committees have given us additional resources to improve your fraternal experience as well as provided additional opportunities for brothers to get involved. I would like to take this opportunity to recognize our current committee chairs:

Professional Development	Brandon Trease	Southwestern Region
Community Service	Derry Webb	Gulf Western Region
Scholastic Development and Awards	Cliff "Rip" Reilly	Gateway Region
Alumni Development	Paul Brodie	Southwestern Region

Thank you to all of the brothers who have served on our committees during the biennium, we couldn't have done it without you!

**Expansion**

Fraternity growth is always at the forefront of our efforts. The Nu Epsilon Zeta colony at Midwestern State University in Wichita Falls, TX has submitted their petition and will be reactivated this spring, upon Board approval. Nu Eta Sigma at Southern Illinois University in Edwardsville, IL continues to work through the colonization process and I look forward to their successful completion of that endeavor. I would like to take this opportunity to officially welcome Nu Eta Sigma to the SCP. I look forward to the time when we can call our colony members brothers.

**Conclusion**

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you, the membership, for allowing me the honor of serving as your Provincial Vice President. As I look back at our accomplishments and the challenges we have overcome, I must once again congratulate you on your successes. At the end of the day, we are just the leadership and it is you and your accomplishments that make the Province great. Thank you for making us look good, I look forward to another great year.



Delta Sigma Pi  
Gateway Report to the Provincial Council  
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The Gateway Region had a very good start to this biennium. Each of the chapters had outstanding recruiting programs, great community service, and outstanding professional events highlighted the successes for the fall semester. All the chapters are on pace for 100 CEI points and four chapters have already started their Honor Roll application. Each chapter submitted a COY nomination, with 5 of the 6 submitting strong COY applications. I look forward to finishing out the year strong and many chapters already have started multiple award applications, and look forward to a strong Regional and Provincial showing once again. We had a strong representation at the Fall LEAD and looking forward to a strong showing at the upcoming Provincial Conference. Also, at the beginning of the year, the region had two colonies. Unfortunately we had to shut down Sigma Chi Mu colony, at Lindenwood University, due to lack of interest. We will probably be looking to revisit next year to see what interest there is to restart the colonization process. The Nu Eta Sigma colony, at Southern Illinois University Edwardsville, is actively recruiting and plans are underway to complete the process in the coming year. We look forward to them becoming a great addition to the region. The fall regional event was Career Prep Day, hosted by the St. Louis Alumni chapter. This was the 10th year for the event and with over 70 collegiates in attendance, and over 40 alumni that donated their time and expertise to make it a resounding success once again. Lastly, I look forward to a great rest of the spring semester and would especially like to thank all the collegiate and alumni members alike for the time and effort they have put in to make this region a success.

# **Gulf South Regional Narrative**

## **February 24, 2008**

### **Initiations**

This year I was fortunate enough to attend 2 joint initiations, 3 total. The 1<sup>st</sup> was on the campus of LSU and consisted of Beta Zeta and Eta Iota. The 2<sup>nd</sup> was on the campus of Our Lady of Holy Cross College and consisted of Nu Omicron and Kappa Xi. I also attended the Initiation of Delta Nu in mid December. Scheduling issues made it impossible for me to visit either Beta Psi or Eta Tau in the Spring.

### **Chapter Issues**

There has not been any serious issues and or concerns with any of the chapters; Beta Zeta, Beta Psi, Delta Nu, Eta Iota, Eta Tau, Kappa Xi and Nu Omicron. Performance however is still problematic.

In 2006-2007 the Gulf South Region's average CEI was 66.71. In 2006-2007, not 1 chapter attained 100 points for the year. The highest CEI for the year was 95.5 with the lowest being 9.

Recent calculations have showed some marked improvement. Expected average CEI for 2007-2008 is 77.28, 10 points higher with 2 chapters attaining 100 points for the year. In fact for 1 chapter, they have already exceeded their CEI point total from the previous year. Improvements are in the pipeline. Unfortunately poor performance has been ingrained in the mindset of many chapters and it will take time to correct their issues. The timely submission of necessary reports is the biggest culprit. The performance trend however is increasing and should only get better with chapter consultants to visit in mid March.

Chapters of the Gulf South Region should be actively putting together their applications for awards for the 2007-2008 year. Last year, a single chapter walked away with the vast majority of the available awards. I urge all chapters not just those of the Gulf South Region, but those of the South Central Province, apply for any and all awards, even if your chapter believes it is not worthy of an award. Competition brings out the best in everyone.

Also, I urge all Brothers not just those of the Gulf South Region, but those of the South Central Province, apply for scholarships. There are many scholarships that go untouched ever year. Apply, you never know unless you apply.

### **Flashback: Houston Lead**

Houston Lead included participants from Beta Zeta, Delta Nu, Eta Tau, Kappa Xi and Nu Omicron. Out of the 7 chapters, 5 had representation. This is not bad, but certainly not what was expected. I truly believed that the close proximity of Houston would have garnered 100% attendance.

## **District Directors**

For the first time since I have been RVP, we finally have 'willing' District Directors placed at all 7 chapters, many being present this weekend. On behalf of the Regional Vice Presidents here today, we thank you. Your hard work and dedication to the Fraternity makes our jobs and responsibilities tolerable and possible.

## **Future**

The Gulf South Region will hold its second consecutive Regional Initiation on the campus of LSU the weekend of April 26 – 27, 2008. I am inviting each of you to attend this event. At this time, I have no specifics of times and programming that will be discussed at this event. Agendas will go out as soon as the chapters get back with me concerning programming. This Regional Initiation is sure to be special.

As many of you know, Louisiana has a new governor, a 36 year-old governor, Bobby Jindal. I have invited Governor Jindal to be our Honorary Initiate for that weekend. At this time, I have not heard back from his office concerning this recognition, a major reason why I am without a formal agenda. I am anticipating his acceptance. As I can recall, the Fraternity has never formally recognized a sitting governor before. As soon as I hear back from his office, one way or the other, I will send Jeff an email. Please let me or the Brothers of the Gulf South Region know if you are interested.

## **Regional COYs**

Congratulations to all of the newly selected COYs from the South Central Province and to Megan Lyn LeBouef, the Gulf South Regional COY, you never know what you can accomplish.

## **Closing**

Delta Sigma Pi  
Gulf Western Report to the Provincial Council  
February 24<sup>th</sup>, 2008

The Gulf Western Region had a stellar Fall 2007 semester. All chapters except for one are on track for having 100 CEI points and the one chapter who will not is still scheduled to have 97 points. No chapter is currently under disciplinary action and all have proven to be viable candidates for at least one to two awards this year. All 8 chapters submitted a COY and 6 of those 8 chapter COY's submitted an application which is more than this region has seen. A couple of chapters have already met their CEI required professional or community service requirements and are going above from this point forward. The Fall semester began with a joint chapter event between a collegiate and alumni chapter which helped proved our region is on its way to our goal of increased regional participation. The Fall semester ended with an even larger emphasis on regional interaction by having all 8 chapters attend and participate in our regional initiation hosted by the Lambda Upsilon chapter in San Antonio. This region has at least a 15 year tradition of conducting a regional initiation and this was the first time anyone can remember where all chapters were participating. All alumni chapters were also represented at this event with at least 15 alumni in attendance. I want to thank the hard work of the chapters as well as the DD's for everything that went into the Fall semester. I look forward to a bright spring semester with all chapters attending a Provincial Conference and another fine regional initiation scheduled to be in Corpus in April. I fully anticipate our region being a contender in provincial and national awards. I am also grateful for the DD/AA team in place to help not only me but especially the individual chapters. Additional and special thanks to the alumni not appointed to official positions but who helped me a lot in the fall and continue to help out on an ongoing basis. I am very proud of what this region has developed into over the past two and a half years and I only anticipate bigger and better things to be produced from it the rest of this year.

**Midwestern Region Report**  
**Allen Whitmer**  
**Provincial Council Report**

This past year has had many joys and many challenges. I would like to thank my leadership team for their hard work and dedication. Your continued effort is much appreciated. Without the help and dedication of brothers like you, our great fraternity would suffer.

Only one chapter has so far lost their chance at 100 CEI points. This is frustrating, but the advisor team is on top of them to make sure they get the rest that are possible. All chapters were present at a LEAD School and here at our Provincial Conference. Regional interaction continues to be strong with some regional events in the works. Chapters continue to be encouraged to participate in the awards program and I expect the level of awards submissions to increase this year. The Advisor Team concept (DD/AA) continues to be successful. With two new DD's and two returning, I am impressed with the level of enthusiasm and interest the new teams have shown. Brotherhood continues to be very strong in this region.

Our alumni in the region continue to be active and involved and have proved to be a great resource for the collegiates. The Kansas City Alumni Chapter is constantly looking for ways to help mentor and guide the collegiates of the region.

Again I would like to thank all of the brothers of the Midwest Region for their dedication and their deep sense of brother hood. A special thanks to a great team: Jeanne Gregory & Nick Johnson, Michael Nigro & Brad Kliethermes, Melanie Seute & Sabrina Saldanha, and Meagan Brammell & Kyle White.

Southwestern Region  
RVP Report

I am happy to report that our region is doing great. Some highlights from the last year included:

1. Last May the Southwestern Region held its first annual Leadership retreat. We had about 40 people participating from 7 schools in the region.
2. Last November Zeta Mu (UTA) hosted a regional initiation that 4 chapters participated in. A Centennial Celebration at Lone Star Park in Arlington followed initiation.
3. The Southwestern Region had great attendance in Houston for LEAD. About 1/3 of attendees were from our region.

Some things to look forward to:

1. Planning is under way for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Leadership Retreat. It will be in May or June of 2008. Look for details in your email.
2. Nu Epsilon Zeta is in the final stages of colonization. They are on track to be having their installation in April. Look for more details in your email.

Delta Sigma Pi  
Alumni Development Committee Report to the Provincial Council  
February 24<sup>th</sup>, 2008

South Central Alumni Development Team

Chair  
Paul Brodie

Team  
Jason Hinojosa  
Jerry Hotwagner  
Michael Nigro

I would like to thank Jason, Jerry and Michael for their hard work with the committee. All have worked well together and we have been able to accomplish a lot in a short period of time.

Our first project was to develop the questions based on the alumni life-cycle for the alumni round table session in Houston. The team came up with a lot of great questions and due to the volume of questions we made a separate paper questionnaire that we passed out as well. The round table session was successful at LEAD. We also received positive feedback in the zoomarang survey and look forward to having round table sessions at future LEAD events.

This weekend we had round table sessions with collegiate chapter VPAR's and alumni chapter officers. The goal was to improve communication between collegiate and alumni chapters and to launch Operation Contact. Operation Contact is a program that seeks to establish and improve communication between the collegiate and alumni chapters in each region. We were pleased with the results and look forward to launching Operation Contact electronically over the next several weeks.

Our current project is to help with Alumni Chapter Expansion in the province for the 2008-2009 fiscal year. Each member of the committee has been assigned a region and that brother is working with the RVP of that region to help with the expansion if there is an opportunity there. The role of the committee member is to serve as a consultant and to help out with regards to franchising requirements and any general alumni based questions.

I am happy to report that the Tulsa Alumni Chapter is looking to recharter for 2008. Wichita Falls is on the path to becoming a newly chartered alumni chapter and will support the current colony at Midwestern State. The Woodlands Alumni Chapter is on route to being franchised as a new alumni chapter and will be the second alumni chapter in Houston. I would like to thank the Space City alumni chapter for their help with supporting the new Houston chapter. Corpus will also recharter for the next year so our province will be expanding by 4 alumni chapters.

The committee is also working on two new sessions for alumni programming for the Kansas City LEAD. The first session is based on alumni chapter operations and the second session is based on graduating seniors transitioning to alumni.

This concludes my report. I thank you for your time this morning and I am proud to be a Deltasig.

Fraternally,

Paul Brodie  
Alumni Development Chair, South Central Province

South Central Community Service Report  
Fall 2007/ Spring 2008  
Prepared by Derry Webb, Chair

**1. Travel /Leads attended during the period**

Houston (no travel required)  
Chicago  
Buffalo  
Oklahoma City

**2. Committee Members**

Kris Bray  
Cindy McSpadden  
Claudia Porras

**3. Provincial goal progress/update**

*Goal: the Provincial Community Service Committee will organize a community service event at each LEAD*

Houston Lead: A successful community service event was held at the Houston Lead. Our Marines Toys for Tots campaign produced 4 large boxes plus a car full of unwrapped toys for the Marines to take with them. Committee members, Cindy McSpadden and Kris Bray assisted with the organization, collection and marketing of the event. The event should be documented in an upcoming Deltasig.

Oklahoma City Lead: Working with the local Oklahoma University chapter, a community service event benefiting Jesus House was planned for the Oklahoma City Lead event.

*Goal: The Provincial Community Service Committee will identify a provincial community service event, hopefully with input from collegiate chapters.*

The committee identified and communicated to the province a provincial community service event. The Ronald McDonald house was chosen after an informal poll of chapters indicated a strong interest in children's charities. The charity was also chosen as it has a variety of opportunities for involvement including gifts in kind donations, pop tab collections and working with the children and families at the houses.

*Goal: Answering questions regarding Community and University Service activities that chapters may have....and making sure that they have the information that they need in order to fulfill their requirements.*



We haven't had a lot of questions regarding any community service issues the chapters may have. During the roundtable in Houston we had a question regarding officer communication and directed the collegiate to the correct person.

*Goal: The Provincial Community Service Committee will put together a list of best practices and/or community service ideas for each region.*

I have put together a document of available community service organizations and opportunities and gave a rough copy of that to Kris and Cindy at the Houston lead to use in their roundtable discussions. We have not pursued this any further.

#### **4. Summary of Plans for next reporting period.**

*Goal: Increase communication between committee and chapters.*

Define and distribute the best practices/community service ideas for each region. Work on creating a provincial community services newsletter to be sent by email each reporting period. Continue asking for assistance from local chapters in planning lead community service events.

*Goal: Provide more volunteer opportunities for chapters.*

Since the Ronald McDonald house was chosen as our provincial initiative, create a program for pop-tab collections at events.

*Goal: Provide assistance with National initiatives and goals.*

#### **5. Communications.**

- Numerous emails for formation of committee emails and introductions.
- Email to all provincial VPCS with introductory notes.
- Flyer to VPCS for Houston lead event with copies to national officers and to Shanda for inclusion in packets. Flyer created by Kris Bray.
- Numerous emails to Toys for Tots marines' organization to organize lead event.
- Announcement of the Ronald McDonald house as provincial initiative sent to all VPCS, chapter officers and provincial officers.
- Numerous emails to Brett Conner to organize Oklahoma lead event with copies to Committee and to Tracey Florio. Flyer created by Brett Conner.
- Announcement of Oklahoma lead event with flyer attached sent to all VPCS and to Shanda for inclusion in packets.

**DELTA SIGMA PI**  
**South Central Provincial Conference 2008**  
**Professional Development Committee**

Chair: Brandon Trease

Members: Richard Ashton  
Andrew Mascarenhas

**ASSESSMENT OF ACTION ITEMS**

- LEADERSHIP TRAINING
  - Two volunteer leadership training session presented on Giving & Receiving Feedback by Amy Gallentine and Operational & Resource Overview presented by Dale Clark during the LEAD school programming in Oklahoma City. We hope to make volunteer leadership training an annual occurrence in the province as it is a vital piece in maintain a pool of strong future leaders.
  
- CURRICULUM DEVELOPMENT
  - The following is a list of sessions that we would like to develop for future LEAD events. We are open to any and all suggestions for future sessions that may be beneficial to both collegian and alumni members.
    - Personal Finances – 401K's, Roth IRA's, Mutual Funds, etc...
    - Insurance – What kind do I need? How much do I need? Etc...
    - Children's Education – How do I save for my children's education?
    - Buying First Home – Steps involved, different loan types, taxes, etc...
  
- CAREER FAIR
  - The career fair offered in conjunction with the Houston LEAD School was well received, a special thanks to all those involved in the planning and to those who attended. We hope to incorporate a career fair in one of the two national events held in the province each year.
  
- MISCELLANEOUS
  - Here are a few additional items identified by round table discussion and brainstorming that we will be working on.
    - inCircle Promotion
    - Provincial Website
    - Fund for American Study Promotional Article
    - COY Involvement

Please feel free to share with us any and all ideas that you may have to help further strengthen the professional state of the province and fraternity.

South Central Provincial Council Committee Report  
February 24, 2008  
Submitted by Clifford Reilly, Committee Chairperson

Committee Members:

Peter Chamberlain, Gulf Western Region Representative  
Amy Gallentine, Midwestern Region Representative  
Michael McNulty, Gulf South Region Representative  
Clifford Reilly, Gateway Region Representative  
Erin Skattum, Southwestern Region Representative

Overview:

The committee held a conference call on October 2, 2007 to discuss the committee's goals for the 2007-2008 fiscal year. In years past, the goals had been general directions or actions to try to accomplish with a few hard goals to make happen. This year, I am hoping for more concrete goals which could be worked on the entire year versus a fall semester and then a spring semester; to allow committee members to work around their professional commitments that vary throughout the year.

Goals:

1. Research Scholastic Development; promotion of the Scholarship Key and recognition of Deltasig winners within the Fraternity. [Assigned to Gallentine and Reilly]
2. Participate in Roundtable Discussions at the LEAD Conferences [Assigned to committee members at LEAD]
3. Promote Honor Roll and Honorable Mention [Assigned to Chamberlain and Skattum]
4. Identify or survey collegiate and alumni chapters on their local recognition efforts they conduct at their chapters for their members. [Assigned to McNulty]
5. Research to understand how we can improve the participation level with alumni chapters with awards and promote the Fernandez Award. [Assigned to Reilly]

Follow-up since Last Provincial Council Meeting:

The last Provincial Council Meeting on March 4, 2007 included awards information through 2006. Below are the results for the 2007 awards statistics and a historical listing of the awards for the South Central Province. Most areas have made great improvements with Alumni participation being the area which needs more focus. Although the COY Candidate participation for 2008 dropped off by two, it is still a better participation rate than in years past.

The real challenge here is to close the gap on sessions opened versus actual applications submitted. We still have too many chapters starting applications but not following through to completion. There are still many chapters who do participate only participate in a couple awards versus applying for as many as possible. If a chapter applies for Outstanding Chapter, it is a foregone conclusion that they should be applying for other awards like Professional Development and Community Service, for example, as all the awards are basically a roll-up to Outstanding Chapter as well as Most Improved Chapter.

### Award Highlights (2007-2008):

- 2008 COY Candidates for Province (Applicants)
  - Province: 28
  - Gateway: 6
  - Gulf South: 6
  - Gulf Western: 8
  - Midwestern: 2
  - Southwestern: 6
  
- 2008 Award Application for Province (Sessions Opened as of 12/31/2007)
  - Province: 53
  - Gateway: 17
  - Gulf South: 8
  - Gulf Western: 12
  - Midwestern: 12
  - Southwestern: 4

### Historical Awards Highlights:

- COY Candidates for Province
  - 2008: 28 Candidates
  - 2007: 30 Candidates
  - 2006: 20 Candidates
  - 2005: 15 Candidates
  
- Award Application for Province (Applications / Sessions Opened)
  - 2007 Award Stats
    - Alumni: 10 / 12
    - Collegiate: 57 / 106
    - Honor Roll/Honorable Mention: 7 / 21
  - 2006 Award Stats
    - Alumni: 2 / 4
    - Collegiate: 34 / 79
    - Honor Roll/Honorable Mention: 4 / 13
  - 2005 Award Stats
    - Alumni: 4 / 15
    - Collegiate: 14 / 32
    - Honor Roll/Honorable Mention: 1 / 4

### GPA Survey:

As reported at the last Provincial Council Meeting, the committee was working on a GPA Survey to find out if collegiate chapters have a minimum GPA/Good Standing, what is it? How do they feel about a national GPA requirement and what should that requirement be. The provincial level information is listed as well as the Bylaw vs. GPA requirements surveyed. This report was submitted at the fiscal year-end 2007 and includes chapter responses from the 2006-2007 fiscal year.

## PROVINCE GPA QUESTIONNAIRE RESULTS

1. Does your Chapter have a minimum Grade Point Average (GPA) requirement for recruiting/pledging purposes? Yes: **19** No: **3**
  - a. If yes, what is the requirement? Average: **2.553125**
    - i. Are there any exceptions to this requirement? Yes: **3** No: **15**
    - ii. Is this requirement tied to a University standard (i.e., not on academic probation)? Yes: **5** No: **14**
    - iii. Is this requirement tied to a College or School of Business standard? Yes: **5** No: **14**
  
2. Does your Chapter have a minimum GPA requirement for previously-initiated members to be in good standing? Yes: **13** No: **9**
  - a. If yes, what is the requirement? Average: **2.340909**
    - i. Are there any exceptions to this requirement? Yes: **0** No: **13**
    - ii. Is this requirement tied to a University standard (i.e., not on academic probation)? Yes: **7** No: **6**
    - iii. Is this requirement tied to a College or School of Business standard? Yes: **3** No: **10**
  - b. How do you check to make sure that everyone meets this requirement?
    - i. What plans do you have in place to help those brothers who are not meeting this requirement?
  
3. How does the Chapter feel about a national minimum GPA requirement for entrance into pledging? Discuss with Chapter and take a straw poll vote.
  - a. Number in Favor: Aggregate: **392** Average: **23.05882**
  - b. Number Oppose: Aggregate: **60** Average: **3.529412**
  - c. Number With No Opinion: Aggregate: **32** Average: **1.777778**
  - d. Comments During Discussion:
  - e. If majority of the Chapter favors a minimum GPA, what should minimum be? Average: **2.584615**
  
4. How does the Chapter feel about a national minimum GPA for Brothers to maintain in order to stay in good standing? Discuss with Chapter and take a straw poll vote.
  - a. Number in Favor: Aggregate: **316** Average: **17.555556**
  - b. Number Oppose: Aggregate: **105** Average: **5.833333**
  - c. Number With No Opinion: Aggregate: **87** Average: **4.833333**
  - d. Comments During Discussion:
  - e. If majority of the Chapter favors a minimum GPA, what should minimum be? Average: **2.545833**

GPA REQUIREMENT: SURVEY RESULTS VERSUS CHAPTER BYLAWS

Chapter	Chapter Bylaw Information			Survey Feedback
	Bylaw Requirement	GPA	Bylaw Date	
Iota	Yes	3.00	11/15/2006	3.00
Iota Omicron	Yes	2.50	5/23/2006	2.00
Nu Xi	Yes	2.75	11/15/2006	
Nu Omega	Yes	3.00	11/8/2006	2.50
Beta Epsilon	Yes	2.75	11/16/2006	
Beta Iota	Yes	2.50	11/10/2006	2.50
Beta Phi	Yes	2.50	11/15/2006	3.00
Beta Upsilon	Yes	2.75	11/15/2006	
Gamma Epsilon	Yes	2.50	11/15/2006	
Delta Epsilon	Yes	2.70	11/15/2006	
Delta Upsilon	Yes	3.00	11/10/2006	3.00
Zeta Mu	No		11/15/2006	2.0/2.5
Eta Theta	Yes	2.50	11/15/2006	
Beta Kappa	Yes	3.00	11/14/2005	3.00
Zeta Nu	Yes	2.25	11/1/2006	2.30
Eta Psi	No		11/14/2006	2.50
Theta Omega	Yes	2.50	9/1/2006	2.50
Iota Psi	Yes	2.50	11/15/2006	2.50
Lambda Nu	Yes	2.50	11/15/2006	
Lambda Upsilon	Yes	2.50	11/16/2006	2.50
Omicron Phi	Yes	2.25	11/15/2006	2.25
Beta Zeta	No		11/15/2006	
Beta Psi	Yes	2.50	11/9/2006	
Delta Nu	Yes	2.50	11/14/2006	2.50
Eta Iota	Yes	2.00	11/29/2004	
Eta Tau	Yes	2.00	11/15/2006	
Kappa Xi	Yes	2.50	11/14/2006	
Nu Omicron	Yes	2.00	5/23/2006	
Alpha Beta	Yes	2.70	11/14/2006	2.80
Alpha Chi	Yes	2.50	11/9/2006	
Beta Sigma	Yes	2.50	11/2/2005	2.70
Eta Nu	Yes	2.50	11/17/2006	
Iota Nu	Yes	2.50	11/8/2006	2.50
Kappa Omicron	Yes	2.50	11/13/2006	2.50
South Central	31 Yes, 3 No	2.54		
Midwestern	4 Yes	2.81		
Southwestern	8 Yes, 1 No	2.65		
Gulf Western	7 Yes, 1 No	2.5		
Gulf South	6 Yes, 1 No	2.25		
Gateway	6 Yes	2.53333		

\*This Data was compiled by Committee Member Peter Chamberlain