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Current view of the Willis (Sears) Tower and 222 West Adams Street, Chicago, which is home of the original Delta Sigma Pi Central Office. Take a look for yourself while attending the 50th Grand Chapter Congress.

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“Feel Good!” Brotherhood

There are some days when “proud to be a Deltasig” is more than just a phrase. I enjoyed one recently, right at my desk in the Central Office.

Sitting in my not-so-very-well-organized office, I heard a familiar slight knock and, “Bill, do you have time to say hello?” This meant the “tour du jour” was underway, with the corresponding opportunity to briefly visit with pledges, brothers, parents, vendors, etc. While I certainly enjoy this interaction, and I realize it is meaningful for folks to meet the Executive Director, like anyone, I have pressing duties where such interruptions are sometimes challenging. I remind myself these “interruptions” ARE my job, as much or more than whatever contract, invoice or email complaint (praise?!) I’m focused on.

This particular visit, however, was a bit different. And one that all brothers can take great pride and satisfaction in.

Our guests that day were a young brother from South Carolina and her parents. (I will refrain from identifying her here, as she’ll likely suffer mortification as is!) The family came to Oxford, on purpose, just to see the Central Office. This is normal for chapters, pledge classes, etc., but a bit unusual for parents.

Always glad to meet parents, I made a bit of small talk with the family -- proud South Carolina Gamecocks. My Nebraska Cornhusker heritage came through and we chatted about some recent bowl battles between the two, some mutual Nebraska connections, and other minor chit-chat. Nice people. Friendly. Happy to be here. The pleasantries out of the way, the tour moved on to the “cooler” parts of the office -- Sutton archives room, board room, etc.

Much later I heard the family about to leave, so I wandered out and encountered the (non-Deltasig) father in the hall. I offered a simple, “Hey, nice to meet you and thanks for coming...and thank you for sharing your daughter with Delta Sigma Pi!!”



Bill celebrated more than 20 years of work in April (but still has plenty to do!). Read more about his two decades with the Fraternity on page 18.

And then it came. The pay off. For me, you...for all of our brotherhood.

Our young brother’s father looked me in the eye, shook my hand and said, “No, thank you! Delta Sigma Pi has done tremendous things for our daughter and we appreciate it so very much. She has grown tremendously since she joined and really found her place at school.”

How about that for a good day’s work?! Proud to be a Deltasig!

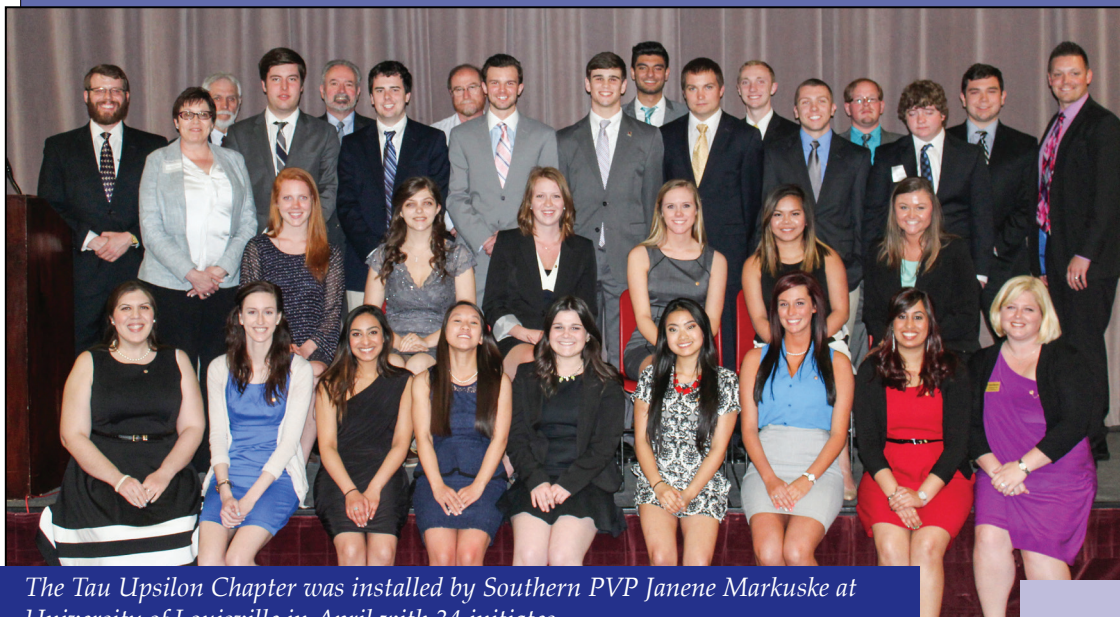
Side Note: Your involvement as a volunteer is the best gift you can give back to your Fraternity. If you are not in a position to help that way, the next best way to help us develop young leaders is through support of the Leadership Foundation. Please contribute today!

Fraternally,

Bill Schilling
Executive Director

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

TAU UPSILON INSTALLED AT LOUISVILLE



The Tau Upsilon Chapter was installed by Southern PVP Janene Markuske at University of Louisville in April with 34 initiates.

In the spring of 2015, Delta Sigma Pi welcomed our fourth collegiate chapter in the state of Kentucky, Tau Upsilon at the University of Louisville. The process began with a recommendation from Jay Brandi, Dayton, chair of the department of finance, who indicated he had seen many students who possess the qualities we seek in Deltasigs. He was so impressed with the leadership of Stacia Bivens, Louisville, he asked her to lead the efforts to bring a chapter to the university. Stacia enlisted the assistance of Kelsey Kennedy and Rachael Bivens, both

Louisville, to register as a student organization, secure Brandi as their advisor and set up a fundraiser, all before the first informational meeting.

With the help of local chapter Kappa Psi at Bellarmine and DD Billy Markowitz (a founding member of Ohio Dominican), the Louisville Colony excelled at recruiting and their service and professional programs. The colony built a strong relationship with Opal's Dream Foundation, a local non-profit dedicated to meeting the needs of the elderly in nursing homes. They volunteered many times with the organization and assisted with their annual fundraising gala. In a recommendation for the colony, Opal's Dream chairman Gerald Smith stated how impressed he and many guests were with the colony members' professionalism during the gala.



Colony President Stacia Bivens accepts the chapter's charter from Southern PVP Janene Markuske. From left: DD Billy Markowitz, Bivens, Markuske, and Mid-South RVP Erin Lee.

Tau Upsilon

Chapter Number: 286

Installation Date:

April 11, 2015

Initiates: 31 collegians, 3 faculty

Initiation team assisting

national officers: students from Bellarmine (KY), Evansville (IN), and Western Kentucky

University of Louisville

History: University of Louisville was founded in 1798 as Jefferson Seminary, which later became a Medical Institute that merged with a law school to become University of Louisville. In 1970, it joined the State of Kentucky higher education system.

University enrollment: nearly 23,000

College of Business

Year created: 1953

Enrollment: nearly 1,500

Concentrations: accountancy, computer information systems, economics, entrepreneurship, equine business, finance, management, marketing and MBA.

Louisville Colony also supported our national service initiative, Ronald McDonald House Charities, by volunteering with several projects at the local Ronald McDonald House. Their professional programming included a number of speakers and a tour of a local logistics provider.

Tau Upsilon Chapter is destined to succeed with the strong foundation built by members in the one year since the colony's opening. Welcome, Tau Upsilon! ▲

TAU PHI AT JACKSONVILLE STATE (AL) BECOMES 215TH ACTIVE CHAPTER



The Tau Phi Chapter was installed by PGP Mark Chiacchiari at Jacksonville State University in April with 26 initiates.

Tau Phi

Chapter Number: 287
Installation Date:
 April 18, 2015
Initiates: 25 students,
 1 faculty
Initiation team assisting national officers: students from Auburn (AL), Kennesaw State (GA), and Georgia State

Jacksonville State University

History: Founded in 1883 as a two-year normal school, and later named the State Teachers College. It attained university status in 1967 and has additional teaching sites in Anniston, Gadsden, and Fort Payne, Alabama.

University enrollment: more than 7,500 undergraduates

College of Commerce and Business Administration

Enrollment: more than 900

Concentrations: accounting, economics, finance, human resource management, information management & e-commerce, management, marketing, and MBA.

businesses around central and northern Alabama to help support their operations and installations costs. After completing the requirements to become a chapter and electing dedicated, hard-working officers, the colony successfully petitioned to become a chapter. This chapter's will to succeed and strong membership of many freshmen and sophomores means the future is bright for Tau Phi Chapter.

Congratulations, Tau Phi! ▲

Tau Phi Chapter at Jacksonville State in Alabama was installed in April, and the colony's path to becoming a chapter saw members overcome adversity to reach their goal of full-fledged brotherhood. The roots of the colony began in the fall of 2013 when Central Gulf RVP Lee James held an informational meeting with alumni at the university to demonstrate the benefits and life-long brotherhood bonds of Delta Sigma Pi. These alumni included Birmingham

Alumni Chapter's President and VP-Collegiate Relations Patrick Murphy and Matthew Norman, and Golden Council members Michelle Cain and Sherry Flood.

The colony then began to struggle with completing the professional and service programs as the time and effort to have a successful colony was becoming too overwhelming for the colony's leadership. However, Hector Lopez, *Jacksonville State*, stepped up to fulfill the vacated position of President and he led the colony through an imperative semester that determined its fate. To make up for lost time, colony members planned their fall events and attended freshman orientation days during the summer to recruit new members. DD Daniel Gaines, *Kennesaw State*, played an instrumental role in the colony's success by teaching members how to plan and execute events.

To meet colony requirements the colony hosted speakers on topics such as personal finance and internships. They also supported local organizations such as Ronald McDonald House Charities and the Wesley Foundation. The colony also obtained nine sponsors from



Colony President Christopher Brown (left) accepts the chapter's charter from PGP Mark Chiacchiari.

GAMMA MU REACTIVATED AT TULANE ON ALUMNI DAY



The Gamma Mu Chapter was reactivated at Tulane University on Alumni Day with 29 initiates by South Central PVP Henry McDaniel. PGP Bill Tatum (center, front row) also attended the ceremony.

Gamma Mu Chapter

Chapter Number: 78

Reactivation Date: April 25, 2015 (Gamma Mu was originally chartered in 1949 and closed in 1964.)

Initiates: 29

Initiation team assisting national officers: students from Loyola-New Orleans, Southern Mississippi, and Louisiana State

Gamma Mu Chapter returned to Tulane University in New Orleans 51 years after the chapter became inactive. Through an informational meeting with Gulf South RVP Susan Lackey and Director of Chapter and Expansion Services Dale Clark, Danielle Levy and Gabby Rigol, both Tulane, gained interest in forming a Delta Sigma Pi colony. They would soon spearhead the recruitment process securing a large group of interested members very early in the process. Their motivation came from the knowledge that there was a chapter on campus previously and their own will to succeed.

The colony's professional and community service programming included many events pertinent to the members. To assist with the renewed support of New Orleans to rebuild the community after Hurricane Katrina, Tulane Colony members participated in a kickball tournament to raise funds for local disabled children. Members also volunteered at a local rehab center

and at a community event hosted by Mercy Endeavors.

Tulane Colony also held a creative professional event where they streamed the TED Talk "Your Body Language Shapes Who You Are" by Amy Cuddy. This was a very helpful event for the newly established organization because they learned about first impressions and how one's posture impacts perceived confidence and attentiveness. Members then held a group discussion on how they could incorporate what they learned into their professional and personal lives. The colony also hosted engaging presentations from the CEOs of both NOLA Brewing and Entergy New Orleans.

Gamma Mu Chapter's reactivation on April 25 was not only a special day for alumni because it was National Alumni Day, but it also brought Delta Sigma Pi's active chapter count to an all-time high—216. Welcome back, Gamma Mu, and thank you for helping to achieve this! ▲

Tulane University

History: Founded in 1834 as the Medical College of Louisiana and became part of the public university system in 1837. In 1884, the university became private and was named after Paul Tulane.

University enrollment: about 8,300 undergraduates

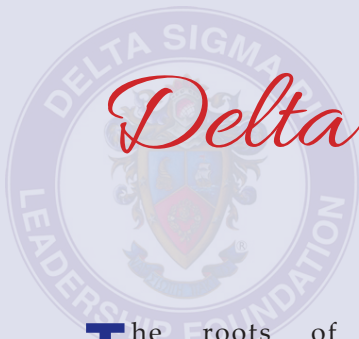
A. B. Freeman School of Business

Year created: 1914

History: Tulane was one of the 16 founding members of the AACSB (accrediting association for business schools). The undergrad program was discontinued in 1963 (Gamma Mu closed thereafter in 1964) and was later reinstated in 1978.

Enrollment: more than 1,800

Concentrations: accounting, energy management, entrepreneurship, finance, legal studies in business, management, marketing, a joint economics major with liberal arts, and six MBA specializations.



Delta Sigma Pi Leadership Foundation

By Anne Strychalski

The roots of the Leadership Foundation extend back to 1945, when the Grand Council (today's Board of Directors) gave considerable thought to the possibility and practicality of creating an educational foundation. For 70 years since then, the mission to support Delta Sigma Pi members and encourage scholastic development has not wavered. Through the creation of the Educational Foundation, then the Leadership Fund, and ultimately the merging of those entities to form the Leadership Foundation, Deltasigs have had 70 years of support for leadership, personal, and professional development and academic achievement.



Creating the Educational Foundation was the first step in developing what we now know as the Leadership Foundation. A committee created the structure and purpose, which was approved by the Grand Council, and then proposed bylaws and the organizational setup in August 1952. The Delta Sigma Pi Educational Foundation was incorporated for nonprofit on March 11, 1953. Establishment of the Educational Foundation finally allowed the Fraternity to expand into areas of scholarship and research.

In 1978, the Fraternity Board of Directors created an additional tax-exempt arm, the Leadership Fund, to raise money for educational programs of the Fraternity that had evolved over time. It would eventually become apparent that a merging of the resources of the Foundation and Fund would best benefit our members. In 1993, they joined to form the current Delta Sigma Pi Leadership Foundation, which is also a not-for-profit organization, providing tax deductions for donors.

The mission of the merged organization as stated today is, "The Delta Sigma Pi Leadership Foundation exists to generate and provide financial support for Delta Sigma Pi Fraternity's educational and charitable programs, which assist members to achieve individual and professional excellence within the business community." With the ongoing support of brothers and friends of Delta Sigma Pi, the Leadership Foundation will continue to grow, prosper, and support Delta Sigma Pi and its members for years to come!

As a separate entity operating as a 501(c)(3) charitable organization, the Leadership Foundation has played and continues to play an important role in the lives of

thousands of future leaders. Each year, the Leadership Foundation promotes the development of business leaders by providing nearly \$70,000 in grants for conferences and schools that help collegiate and alumni members develop personally and professionally. To further their mission, the Foundation also awards academic scholarships to Deltasigs, now totaling in excess of \$80,000 annually. Thank you to all supporters and donors to Delta Sigma Pi—past, present and future. Our success and longevity would not be possible without you. ▲

Foundation Programs and Milestones

- Grand President's Circle (1995-2014): 6,761 members committed to annually give throughout their lifetime.
- 2007 Centennial Society (2003-2008): 211 members each gave \$2,007 in unrestricted gifts to commemorate our Centennial.
- 10K Club (2003-2012): 51 members gave \$10,000 in unrestricted gifts. A special designation of 10K Club Centennial Founder was given to 17 early donors who also included a memento in the time capsule.
- Living Legacy Society: 90 brothers have designated a minimum gift of \$10,000 through their will, life insurance, or other planned gift.
- Buck\$ 4 Brotherhood Legacy Chapters (2011-current): 210 collegiate and alumni chapters have participated.
- Deltasig For Life Donor recurring giving program (2013-current): 369 members automatically donate via credit card monthly or quarterly with minimum annual donations totaling \$120 or more.
- 2015: Assets reach \$2.5 million from \$800,000 in 2005; 55 endowment funds.
- \$80,000 awarded annually via 90 scholarships.

2015 LEAD Provincials Inspire Brothers

L EAD events provide members the opportunity to learn and network with incredibly inspiring brothers and business community members. The events this spring were no exception as more than 1,500 alumni, collegians, pledges and guests enjoyed outstanding sessions and banquets.

Each event successfully kicked off Friday night with a networking event, trivia night or dance. Then each Saturday morning began with a keynote kick-off and networking to set the tone for the day.

The Northeastern LEAD had the highest attendance with 426 registrants. Kurt Yerak, ERC, opened this event speaking about leadership and teamwork. Over the next three weeks, Mitch Matthews provided the keynote address for the North Central, South Central and Western LEAD Provincial Conferences and Council Meetings. Southern PVP Janene Markuske led a team building activity in Birmingham.

LEAD events are about more than learning; they are also an opportunity to recognize brothers for their accomplishments and contributions to the Fraternity and Leadership Foundation.

Chapter, regional and provincial Collegians of the Year were presented at all LEADs while Chad Robinson, *St. Cloud State*, was crowned the 2015 National Collegian of the Year. Donors reaching milestones were also

shown recognition and gratitude for their support of the Foundation.

Also for supporting the Foundation, the honor of Buck\$ 4 Brotherhood Legacy Chapter was given to 113 chapters. For their dedication to leading by example with integrity, 18 Certified Deltasig Leaders were honored.

The North Central Provincial Council moved a recommendation to amend our bylaws to add a national Alumni Chapter Committee and a proposal to amend Delta Sigma Pi Ritual. Both proposals will be voted on by the Grand Chapter at Congress in August.

Pop tabs were donated at all LEADs to support one of our national service initiatives, Ronald McDonald House Charities. However the service didn't stop there. T-shirt sales in Iowa benefited the American Cancer Society, brothers in Columbus wrote valentines for troops, and in Portland the donations from the Penny War supported the National MS Society.

Thank you to all who helped make this year's conferences a success! A special thank you to all the partners who joined us including Enterprise Rent-A-Car, Fraternal Composite Service, GEICO Careers, GEICO Insurance, How Hard Are You Knocking?, National Financial Educators, Paycom and Springleaf Financial.

Registration is live for the 2015 LEAD Schools, register today! ▲

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1. Sales of chapter merchandise are fun and engaging ways for brothers to gain practical business skills. In Iowa City, Drake (IA) sold koozies.
2. At all events, Legacy Chapters were recognized for their support of the Leadership Foundation's Buck\$ 4 Brotherhood campaign. Trustee Stacy Jordan (center, right) presented certificates to chapter representatives in Birmingham.
3. Adam Carroll, Phoenix-Thunderbird, presented sessions on practical skills of networking and time hacks. Carroll presented at three LEAD events this spring without an empty seat in the room.

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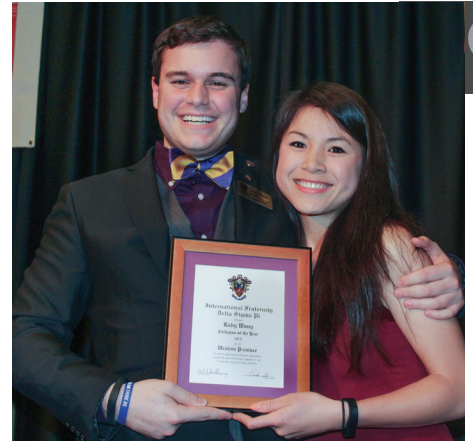
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4. At the Leadership Foundation table, brothers learned about scholarships, leadership development opportunities and how to support the Foundation. From left: Nathan Christen, Lindenwood, speaks with Trustee Jerry Hotwagner at the South Central LEAD.
5. In the Western Province, travel awards were presented to recognize regions or chapters who covered the most miles to get to LEAD with the South Pacific Region earning the farthest traveled in total miles.
6. Delta Sigma Pi career partners present sessions and meet with brothers to provide valuable professional development advice to members. In Birmingham, Enterprise Rent-A-Car representatives hosted energizing sessions on professional etiquette and leadership.

7. At many LEAD events this spring, alumni critiqued resumes and offered advice to attendees seeking their next step in the professional world. In Columbus, Blessing Honey, Lewis, received advice from Courtney Carroll, Shepherd, and Jeremy Bloch, Rider.
8. Service events at LEAD are a great opportunity to connect with the community and support our service initiatives. In Columbus, brothers Travis Brodbeck, Nicolette Dimaggio, Kelly Page and Jacky Cheng, all Siena, made valentines to send to our troops.
9. Collegian of the Year awards were presented at the chapter, regional, provincial and national levels to 118 brothers. In Portland, 2014 National COY Nick Rizzi presents the 2015 Western COY award to Ruby Wong, California-San Diego.

The Ultimate Grand Chapter

Chicago, here we come! Our *50th Grand Chapter Congress* will take place August 12-16 and the program promises to not disappoint. This year's Congress has everything you've come to know and love about GCC. You'll gain valuable knowledge during the educational sessions, impact Deltasig history during the business sessions, elect new leaders for the next biennium, and so much more. How can you fit all that into five days? Use this sample itinerary to help plan your ultimate Grand Chapter Congress!

Tuesday, August 11

DAY... Once you check-in at the Renaissance Schaumburg Convention Center Hotel, stop at Delta Sigma Pi Registration to get your materials for the week.

If you have time, visit Chicago's Millennium Park and The Bean or one of 40 museums like the Shedd Aquarium, Adler Planetarium, Field Museum and Museum of Science and Industry. If you're looking to stay outdoors, the Lincoln Park Zoo is free and has many adventures to offer!

EVENING... Head down to Wrigley Field or U.S. Cellular Field for a night of baseball, take a self-guided tour through the Lurie Garden, or watch a movie at the Jay Pritzker Pavilion in Millennium Park.

Wednesday, August 12

MORNING... Enjoy a day of personal, professional, leadership and chapter operation workshops! Don't miss out on the keynote Workplace 2020 with Jeff Zych, *DePaul*.

AFTERNOON... Join us for "Lunch and Learn" roundtable topics or grab a bite on your own at a local eatery like Weber Grill, Rack House, or Circa '57. Later in the afternoon, you will not want to miss the special presentation on *Chicago's Impact on Deltasig and the History of GCC* or the closing session where 2014 National COY Nick Rizzi will speak.

Donate gently used Deltasig T-shirts and accessories at the Community Service table in the Deltasig Marketplace, and while you are there visit our partners and chapter sales. If you haven't already, stop by the Central Office Store to pick up your ladder and logo pin!

Ronald McDonald House



Nu Chapter at Ohio State has a long history of supporting Ronald McDonald House Charities, including 11 community service events in two years.

Since August 2014, chapters have concentrated their efforts to champion for a cause we wholeheartedly support, Ronald McDonald House Charities (RMHC). Our chapters collected hundreds of pounds of pop tabs, gave countless hours of their time to help the families staying at Ronald McDonald Houses, and tirelessly raised funds to support the Houses. You can help us continue the goodwill created by donating pop tabs (Wednesday-Friday) and gently used or new Delta Sigma Pi T-shirts at Congress. T-shirts will be collected Wednesday through Thursday at noon and sold Thursday afternoon for \$5 each. To put an exclamation point on the end of our yearlong efforts, there will be presentation of funds raised from T-shirt sales, pounds of pop tabs collected, and summary of chapter events. We will donate all proceeds to RMHC at their headquarters in Oak Brook, Illinois.

Congress Preview

EVENING... Spend the evening exploring local Schaumburg. Plan a night of fun at GameWorks or Topgolf or just grab a bite to eat and do some shopping at the neighboring Woodfield Mall—one of the world's largest. Be sure to be back by 10:30 p.m. for the Golden Knights Ceremony—if you miss it, you can't get initiated until 2017! Before heading to the Grand President's Dance, change into your favorite "Game Night" attire to enjoy fun with 1,000 brothers.

Thursday, August 13

MORNING... Come early to get your seat for the honorary initiation of Deloitte CEO Barry Salzberg followed by an interactive Q&A with our new brother. Then stick around for the opening session of the Grand Chapter.

AFTERNOON... Join us as we recognize Helmet honorees, donor achievements and other significant alumni during our Alumni Recognition Lunch. After lunch, attend the business sessions with voting on Fraternity legislation and Ritual. Next up are the Provincial and Regional Chapter Award presentations.

EVENING... Hop on a dragon (aka bus) for a journey to the Deltasig Night at Medieval Times. "Enjoy" the castle's dungeon, knighting ceremonies, photo ops and cash bar while waiting for the feast and tournament. Root for your provincial champion over all comers. *If you are a Full or Thursday registrant for Congress, there is no additional cost for admission to this private event.*

Friday, August 14

MORNING... Don't miss final legislation and caucuses for the positions of Grand President, VP-Finance, and Provincial Vice President.

AFTERNOON ... Join us for the National Awards Luncheon where we will recognize chapters for outstanding achievements and hear from 2015 National COY Chad Robinson. After lunch, you can join the regional caucuses or professional development workshops.

EVENING... Head downtown (or the 'burbs) for some Chicago-style pizza (popular spots include Lou Malnati's, Giordano's and The Original Gino's East). If you dare, look over the Ledge at Chicago's Skydeck at Willis (former Sears) Tower where you can see the most spectacular views of the city or you can also head to Navy Pier for an evening of entertainment, including a ride on the Ferris wheel! Another option is to take advantage of our Congress attendee special discount to the 8 p.m. show of Kurios by Cirque du Soleil.

Saturday, August 15

MORNING... Grab a front row seat as the Grand Chapter elects our new Board of Directors and Regional Vice Presidents. You will not want to miss out on a Congress favorite—testimonials made by brothers to recognize and thank those who have made an impact over the last biennium.

AFTERNOON... If you haven't had time to explore, take the afternoon to enjoy Chicagoland! You can cruise the Chicago river with one of many cruise lines and enjoy an architectural tour of the city's landmark buildings and attractions. Of course, it may be naptime for some!

EVENING... Don your best attire as we conclude with our 50th Grand Chapter Congress banquet where Tim Gover, *Southern Methodist*, will receive our 2015 Lifetime Achievement honor. Then enjoy a night of Deltasig celebration and dancing.

Charities Effort Culminates

How we have helped so far:

Texas Christian Game Night

At the RMH of Fort Worth, 15 brothers set up a game night for the families staying at the House. The House provides the games and members played classic games such as UNO, Candyland, Sorry!, and Apples to Apples. This event was as much fun for the brothers as it was for the children.

Oklahoma and Oklahoma State Donations

Our chapters met in Oklahoma City to make a donation to the RMH there. Before the event, members donated items from the House wish list ranging from gift cards to household items such as cleaning supplies and grocery items.

Florida International Cooks in the Kitchen

Brothers assisted in cooking and serving dinner for

multiple families and patients at the RMH of South Florida. They also aided in cleaning the kitchens, worked as a unit to tidy play areas, improved group cohesion, and gained an appreciation and gratitude for the kindness of others.

Bring pop tops to Chicago!

Ohio Fundraising

The chapter set up a grilled cheese stand on the main street in town and sold grilled cheese sandwiches all night long to students. This unique fundraiser led to the chapter donating \$170 to RMHC.

Wisconsin-La Crosse Pop Tab Collection

Brothers collected pop tabs during a month-long competition between the pledge classes. After the competition ended, the pop tabs were donated to the Western Wisconsin and Southeastern Minnesota RMHC Chapter.

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Timothy D. Gover to be honored at Grand Chapter Congress

Tim Gover, *Southern Methodist*, will be honored at the Grand Chapter Congress banquet with the 2015 Lifetime Achievement Award for his life-long support of Delta Sigma Pi. Brother Gover has held numerous offices, and with his time and talent has supported the Fraternity, Leadership Foundation and academic world.

Brother Gover was initiated into Beta Phi Chapter at Southern Methodist in December 1958. When he became a professor of finance at Eastern Illinois in 1963, he helped charter Epsilon Omega Chapter and continued to serve as Chapter Advisor until 1985. During that time, he also served as District Director for Southern Illinois from 1966 until 1982. Tim continued to support the Fraternity by later serving on the National Board of Directors and was elected into the Golden Council in 1982. He reached his Silver Helmet for 25 years of service in 1984 and his Golden Helmet in 2009. Brother Gover also served as an officer and director of the former Delta Sigma Pi Educational Foundation and recently served on the Leadership Foundation's Gifts and Solicitations committee. Along with his service, he is a continual donor to the Leadership Foundation. In 2007, Brother Gover earned the Entrepreneur Award for over \$10,000 in donations.

Professionally, Brother Gover was a finance professor at Eastern Illinois for 32 years and served as Director of First Federal Savings and Loan in Mattoon, Illinois for over 35 years. Now retired, he is the longtime mayor of Mattoon. In addition to supporting Delta Sigma Pi, for 34 years he has been a member of the Charleston Rotary Club and served as District Governor in 1995. Tim also served 11 years as president for Coles County Council on Aging where he was involved with the planning, fundraising and construction of their Life Span Center. Recently, he also served five years as a member of the Board of Eastern Illinois University Foundation and for 13 years he served on the Board of the Lincoln/Sargent Farm Foundation



Tim Gover, *Southern Methodist*, will be honored with the 2015 Lifetime Achievement Award in Chicago. Delta Sigma Pi is more than a brotherhood—it is a family. From left: Granddaughter Lainey, Baylor, Tim, and son Ed, Illinois-Urbana.

working with the Lincoln Log Cabin Historic Site.

Tim also supports the legacy of Delta Sigma Pi—his son Ed, *Illinois-Urbana*, brother Bob, *Eastern Illinois*, and cousin Tom, *Eastern Illinois*, are also Deltasigs. His late wife, Marilyn, and daughter-in-law Bonnie, attended Grand Chapter Congress as Pink Poodles, of which Marilyn was elected S.G.B. in 1977. When Tim's granddaughter Lainey, *Baylor*, was initiated in 2013, she became the third generation of the Gover family to be affiliated with Delta Sigma Pi. ▲



Tim Gover (right) and wife Marilyn attended the 1979 GCC in Atlanta. Seated with them (left) is PGP Tom Mocella.

MARATHON MAN

By Tom Nugent

At the tender age of 91, longtime business professor, corporate consultant and high-octane Deltasig H. Nicholas Windeshausen, Ph.D., continues to run circles around the Energizer Bunny. So what's the key to this upbeat nonagenarian's impressive longevity?

It's simple, says the laughter-loving "Nic," who was presented with the Delta Sigma Pi Lifetime Achievement Award in 2011.

"Work every day on a volunteer service project you care deeply about – and don't die young!"

Guam, Easter Sunday, 1945 – It's nearly midnight. Nothing moving. A bit of moonlight glimmers on the wet leaves of the rain-soaked jungle, then it dims as the clouds roll back in.

He's walking guard duty tonight. He's a U.S. Navy medic, trained to care for American battlefield casualties in the Pacific.

Along with hundreds of Navy Seabees, Nic Windeshausen and his fellow sailors have spent the past several months building a military hospital on the island. Tomorrow they will begin receiving some of the 38,000 wounded from the titanic struggle for Okinawa – the key battle that will turn the tide against the Japanese.

He's just a kid from small-town Osmond, Nebraska, population 783, and still in his early twenties.

Tonight he's a kid in a wet rubber poncho, with a loaded M-1 slung over one shoulder. He's walking guard duty in the rain.

He volunteered for this – and that word will remain important to him during the next seven decades of his remarkable life: *volunteer*.

He's scared, though. In the past few months, on recently captured Guam the remaining Japanese soldiers have grown increasingly desperate. They know the end is near.

The Americans and their Allies have thrown immense resources into the battle for Okinawa. And when it falls, the Allies will be able to use it as a staging area for the approaching invasion of the nearby Japanese mainland. But it won't be easy.



On Guam, where Nic and his buddies have been working 16 hours a day to build the combat hospital, there are still hundreds of fanatical Japanese soldiers hiding in the jungle. Almost daily, they attack the American invaders in suicidal ground assaults designed to slow down the American war machine. These sudden banzai charges come unexpectedly, and they are terrifying.

And he's wondering, are the banzai soldiers out there right now, silently attaching their bayonets on the other side of the tree line and preparing to die?

Windeshausen, the kid from Osmond, checks the clip on his M-1. Another hour or so and his relief will arrive – another sailor clad in a rubber poncho, with another rifle slung over one shoulder. In a few days, if

he survives, Nic will begin treating the wounded from Okinawa at the brand-new hospital on Guam.

They are the lucky ones of course. More than 14,000 American soldiers – mostly Army and Marines – will die in the three-month struggle (April-June, 1945) to capture the island from the Japanese. Sixty years later, Nic will remember the men who came to his Navy hospital on Guam.

"They kept coming in," he will tell you quietly. "Individuals who were missing arms, and individuals who were missing legs. I don't like to think about it." That was his life in 1945, as a volunteer.

"I got through it," he says quietly. "I prayed a lot."

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Have you ever heard American folk singer Tom Roth run through his popular ballad, *My Favorite Little Town*? While strolling through the tranquil streets of Osmond, the high-spirited Roth tells the story of a tranquil village in northeastern Nebraska during the era when Nic grew up there.

*My favorite little town,
Just a few miles west
Of where 81 and 20 intersect . . .*

Perched on the broad right shoulder of the Cornhusker State, Osmond is the kind of small-town setting that produced millions of Americans like Nic Windeshausen (the German name is pronounced as *WIND-iss-howz-en*).

Roth says as much in the song, as he describes hot summer afternoons when the kids all swam in the nearby Elkhorn River and then recalls the quarter his parents gave him each Saturday morning. He had 25 cents of his own to spend as he liked at the downtown general store!

"We lived on the edge of town," says Nic, who was born in Osmond in May of 1923, "and throughout my childhood we had outdoor plumbing. We heated the house with a cook-stove in the kitchen, and that got us through some very cold Nebraska winters."

The second-oldest child in a family that included 11 kids, Windeshausen learned early about the importance of *volunteering*. At the local St. Mary's Catholic grade school, the nuns taught him the lesson that has ruled his life: *Love thy neighbor*.

"My grandmother lived alone in town after my grandfather died," he recalled during a recent interview. "Well, my mom didn't want her to be alone in the evenings, so as a teenager I stayed with her every night for about five years, until I joined the Navy after the start of the war."

For the eager adolescent, caring for Grandma was the beginning of a way of life. During the more than 60 years in which he's been an ardent Deltasig, Windeshausen has worked on dozens of public service projects. That includes everything from feeding the hungry and sheltering the homeless, to teaching troubled adolescents how to become self-sufficient adults and helping raise millions of dollars for national community programs run by United Way. He worked on several United Way campaigns with the "devoted and dedicated" parents of a young man named Bill Gates, Jr.

Of course, Nic also spent nearly 40 years teaching young people how to succeed in the world of commerce – first as a youthful business administration instructor at Nebraska-Lincoln (1955-62) and then for 30 years as a professor of marketing and management at Cal State-Sacramento College of Business Administration.

In his long and varied teaching career, Windeshausen

has been a marketing professor, a marketing department chairman, an associate dean of business administration and a retired professor emeritus. Along the way, he created six different endowed scholarships that have so far helped pay expenses for 115 in-need college students.

And there's more. On numerous occasions, Nic also worked as a highly effective consultant to more than a dozen trend-setting national corporations. He's served as a pro bono management and best-practices advisor to U.S. Peace Corps programs in Brazil and the Philippines, along with the Mid-West Marketing Association.

Oh and let's not forget that Nic Windeshausen also found the energy and the initiative required to launch the Epsilon Phi Chapter of Delta Sigma Pi at Cal State-Sacramento. As you might expect, he's still furiously active as a member there today. During his more than five decades as a relentless advocate for the nation's leading business fraternity, he has served as a chapter



In 2011, PGP Mark Chiacchiarini presented Windeshausen with Deltasig's Lifetime Achievement Award, our highest honor, at Grand Chapter Congress.



Windeshausen is still active with Epsilon Phi Chapter at Cal State-Sacramento. In 2012, he celebrated National Alumni Day with the chapter (pictured: center, back row).

president, District Director in the then Mid-American and Western Provinces, Director of Education for Business on the national board, Chairman of Editorial Advisory Board, Golden Council member and Delta Sigma Pi Educational Foundation member.

Pretty impressive, right?

But the long list of Nic Windeshausen volunteer-credits doesn't stop with the numerous educational and community service projects he's run as a Deltasig.

No way. Have you heard about his decades of service with the Big Brothers/Big Sisters program for disadvantaged kids? How about his longtime advocacy (and trash collecting) with the American River Clean-up and his work with the Teenage Pregnancy and Parenting Program in the Sacramento area? And did you know that Nic has spent several years feeding hungry folks at Sacramento Loaves and Fishes while also serving on the board and raising funds for the Stanford Home for Children?

As a business professor, Nic helped to groom hundreds of students who went on to become successful corporate executives and entrepreneurs. Vision Service Plan of California executive Ric Steere, who studied under Windeshausen at Cal State says, "For me, he was the professor who made the difference!"

While raising two daughters and advising daily on the care and grooming of his three grandkids, Nic somehow found the time – and the

energy – to keep on as one of the most dedicated volunteers in the modern history of the Golden State. His beloved wife of more than 60 years, the late Joyce Pilger, died in 2008.

He has contributed frequently to various programs at Nebraska's Wayne State College through their foundation – and has served on its board for 20 years, while missing only two meetings. In honor of that performance, the college awarded him an honorary doctorate in 2015.

Even today, at the ripe old age of 91, he still gets a "terrific charge" twice a week as a prayerful volunteer for the Catholic Legion of Mary delivering Holy Communion to dozens of elderly shut-ins.

But when you ask Nic Windeshausen why he loves to work on volunteer projects – for Delta Sigma Pi and half a dozen other public-service groups, these days – he'll tell you that serving his neighbors has always been the most joyful and rewarding thing he does.

"I've had a wonderful life," he'll explain with a quiet smile, "and working as a volunteer has always been a privilege. A lot of people ask me why I do so much volunteering, but the truth is that I've always gotten back much more than I gave!" ▲



Windeshausen inspired all Congress attendees in Louisville when he gave his acceptance speech for the Lifetime Achievement Award. His fellow Cornhusker Fraternity leaders posed with him after the banquet. From left: ED Bill Schilling, Windeshausen, PGP Norm Kromberg, all Nebraska-Lincoln, and Brandon Trease, Wayne State-Nebraska.

Your "Moment of Truth"

By Tim Augustine, Kent State

Deltasigs are well familiar with our Ritual and the goals each member should strive to achieve.

Are you making the world a better place?

When your Moment of Truth happens, how will you respond?

My point of making the world a better place through your Moment of Truth, could not have been made any clearer than an incident involving ESPN reporter, Britt McHenry and her berating of a towing company employee over having her car towed. The very reaction at the point when a person is faced with an issue is the "Moment of Truth"--the moment when one's true colors are revealed. How one deals with a situation at that very moment could be the foundation of one's reputation.

McHenry is caught on film saying, "I'm in the news sweetheart, I will sue this place." And she continued with statements like, "I could be a college dropout and do the same thing?" and "I'm on television and you're in a trailer, honey." McHenry's popularity and her hostile reaction caused the video to go viral.

Although she apologized on Twitter, it was too late. She failed her Moment of Truth and her reputation was immediately impacted as social media blew up, the press has had a field day and articles about her past surfaced.

Have you ever been to a restaurant and received a cold meal or the wrong order? How did you respond? How did the server respond when he/she was informed of your issue? Have you ever been upset with poor service or voiced a complaint to a customer service representative? How did they respond at the very moment you voiced it? If the waiter rolled their eyes, if the customer service representative argued with you, that is the failure of their Moment of Truth. In regards to the ESPN reporter scolding the parking attendant, we could all agree that

she failed her Moment of Truth and is now facing the consequences from public backlash and even ESPN.

The importance of good customer service

A number of years ago, I read a book written by Jan Carlzon, the former president and CEO of Scandinavian Airlines (SAS), titled *Moments of Truth*. In the book, Carlzon defines the Moment of Truth in business as "anytime a customer comes into contact with any aspect of a business, however remote, is an opportunity to form an impression."

Jan Carlzon revolutionized the airline industry through an unrelenting focus on customer service quality. Within the first year of taking over, SAS launched an on-going training program called Putting People First. The program was focused on delegating responsibility away from management and allowing customer-facing staff to make decisions to resolve any issues on the spot. Jan Carlzon said at the time, "Problems are solved on the spot, as soon as they arise. No front-line employee has to wait for a supervisor's permission."

Nowadays, we call these "touchpoints". From this simple concept, Jan Carlzon took an airline that was failing and turned it around to be one of the most respected airlines in the industry.

The Ritz-Carlton Hotel is another firm known for great customer service. Their motto "We are Ladies and Gentlemen serving Ladies and Gentlemen" is completely focused on managing touchpoints and creating "customer wow". They teach their employees

about the Moment of Truth, the first impression made when an issue, complaint or challenge is voiced.

Both of these firms identify their touchpoints as the first moment a client interacts with a person. In this example, this would include the reservation process, curbside baggage check-in, ticket counter interactions, interaction with a flight attendant or the moment a hotel guest



asks a question. Notice that all of these touchpoints are controlled by people. These are the points of contact that customers and clients have directly with a person in their organization.

In fact, a recent study by Monster.com showed that customer service skills ranked among the top ten traits employers look for in new hires.

Using touchpoints to manage interactions, first impressions or reactions

You should aim managing your first impressions and touch points at creating a “wow” moment for the people in which you interact with every day. No one can control how you respond or react to a situation... except you. Let me rephrase that. You are the only one that can control how *you* react to a situation.

Moments of Truth can come in many forms. How do you react to a final exam or a project deadline? Do you let your nerves get the best of you or do you study and bring confidence to the classroom? Moments of Truth occur during the first interview or during a job search, at networking events or when faced with difficult decisions such as deciding to take steps to break out of your comfort zone and register for leadership development programs such as Succeed Faster, a program I co-founded a few years ago.

Moment of Truth in business is “anytime a customer comes into contact with any aspect of a business, however remote, is an opportunity to form an impression.” - Jan Carlzon, former president and CEO of Scandinavian Airlines

Your communication style is key to landing the positive first impression. One of the best pieces of advice I received in my early twenties was the importance of *being present* in the conversation. Sometimes, we need to get out of our communication comfort zone! Face-to-face interaction is the key to building meaningful relationships. I know we are all busy and it is easy to be distracted by all of the noise in our lives. We are all plugged in and sometimes forget the strongest bonds are formed in person, not online. No matter how much you have going on in your life, when your Moment of Truth comes, stop.... and be present to the conversation.

Take the next two weeks and concentrate on the impression you are leaving and your reactions to situations. Pick one reputation trait that you would like



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to leave on people and try to show that trait in each interaction. This will train the mind to have a different automatic response when faced with your Moment of Truth. If you want to be known for your customer service, make sure people experience that service. If you want to be known for your ambition, volunteer for the next big project and knock it out of the park. Remember, you are the only person that can control your response, reaction or your own productivity.

Once you learn how to control your reactions and start managing your Moments of Truth, people will take notice, your reputation and brand will begin to develop and doors will begin to open. You will notice an increased level of energy, self-esteem, relationships and overall productivity.

Keep in mind that your reaction, either positive or negative, will form a lasting impression. Keep an eye out for your next opportunity or Moment of Truth and make it count! ▲

Bill Schilling Celebrates 20 Years

Brother Bill Schilling has served as Executive Director of Delta Sigma Pi since early in 1995. As ED, Bill oversees the Central Office staff and operations, Fraternity management and legislation, works closely with the Board of Directors, and plans Grand Chapter Congress. He also serves on the Fraternity's National Nominations, Finance, and Organizational Development Committees. In 2003, Bill also began overseeing Leadership Foundation management and operations.

As the Editor of *The DELTASIG* magazine since 1995, he has worked on the production of nearly 100 issues. (Including *this* one, which makes editing this article a bit awkward!)

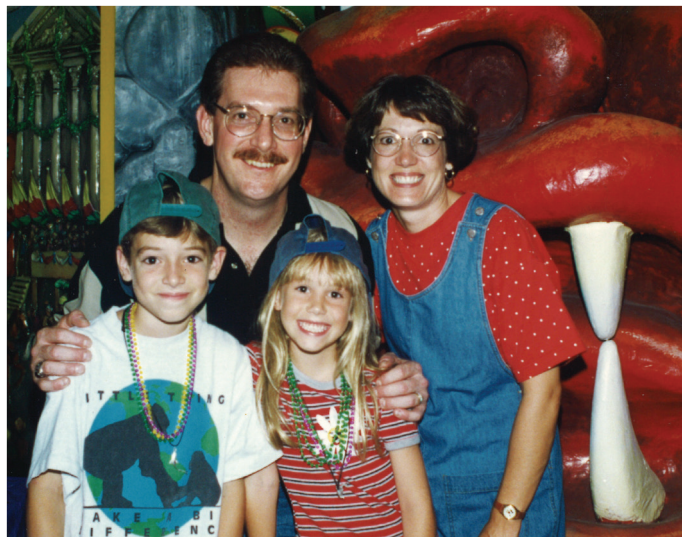
In March, Brother Schilling celebrated his 20th anniversary with Delta Sigma Pi. He has made an indelible impact on this Fraternity



Courtney, Sherry, and Bill join son Ben and his bride Amanda Stuk April 2014 in Mexico. The Schilling family has evolved along with Delta Sigma Pi (and eyewear styles)!

with no plans of slowing down. During that time, Bill has enjoyed working with talented young people and like-minded alumni who enjoy life while working to make life better for others. Known for his consistent leadership, passion for Greek life, and dedication to excellence, Delta Sigma Pi has prospered under his guidance.

"We've been able to do well with the great teamwork, hard work and passion of many wonderful staff and volunteer leaders," said Schilling, "I appreciate being given the opportunity to help such a great organization grow and prosper. That said, the patience, support and 'tolerance' of my wife Sherry and family have provided the foundation for any successes we've accomplished."▲



Bill's family has attended numerous events with him including the 1997 Grand Chapter Congress in New Orleans. Pictured: Ben (8), Bill, Courtney (6) and Sherry in front of a Mardi Gras World float.

The *DELTASIG* reached out to friends and brothers to share their testimonials on Brother Schilling's positive impact on Delta Sigma Pi and our members.

In 1994, the ED position became vacant and I served as chair of the search committee. We wanted someone whose background, experience, professional drive and personality could assist in taking Delta Sigma Pi to new levels.

During the interview process, it was almost immediately apparent that Bill was our top candidate because of his background and ability to establish rapport with anyone. One of Bill's strengths is his negotiating skills and they were on full display when I met with him to offer him the job. At one point, I called my immediate predecessor, PGP Bill Kinsella, to discuss the final terms and get his input. I remember Kinsella saying, "if he's that good, we've definitely made the right decision."

For those who have been around to witness it, it is apparent that we achieved our objective of finding someone who could help take us to new levels. It's hard to believe it's been 20 years. Six Grand Presidents and numerous Fraternity leaders have relied on Bill's guidance. Bill, congratulations on this milestone and thank you for your service!

– Randy Hultz, Grand President 1993-1997

Upon the hiring of my successor, I was very pleased because I knew Bill from our membership and involvement in the College Fraternity Editors Association, the Professional Fraternity Association and various other inter-fraternal organizations. Given his experience with Alpha Gamma Rho Fraternity and Sertoma International, plus knowing that he is a "good guy", I knew that a great decision had been made.

Over these past 20 years of his service, Bill and I have had many opportunities to communicate about current and past issues facing the Fraternity. I hope in some way, our chats and messages have been helpful to him as mine were with my predecessors. Congratulations on 20 years, Bill!

– Mike Mazur, Delta Sigma Pi Executive Director 1984-1994

Bill has earned the respect of so many people. He is genuinely concerned and interested in helping people. On a personal level, he has been a willing mentor, coach, and friend to me--always willing to listen to problems or concerns and helping to find a way forward. And in some cases, in true Bill Schilling fashion, telling me "just let it go and move on." In the fraternal world, many people have a lot of colleagues, but Bill has a lot of friends.

– Steven Hartman, CEO Alpha Kappa Psi Fraternity 2013-present
CEO of Phi Kappa Tau Fraternity and Foundation (Oxford, Ohio), 2002-2013

at the Helm of Delta Sigma Pi

By Anne Strychalski

One day many years ago, a colleague called asking what I thought of his brother-in-law. I had known John for years, but didn't have the slightest idea what he was talking about. John said Bill was interviewing for the open Executive Director position and called to give a good word.

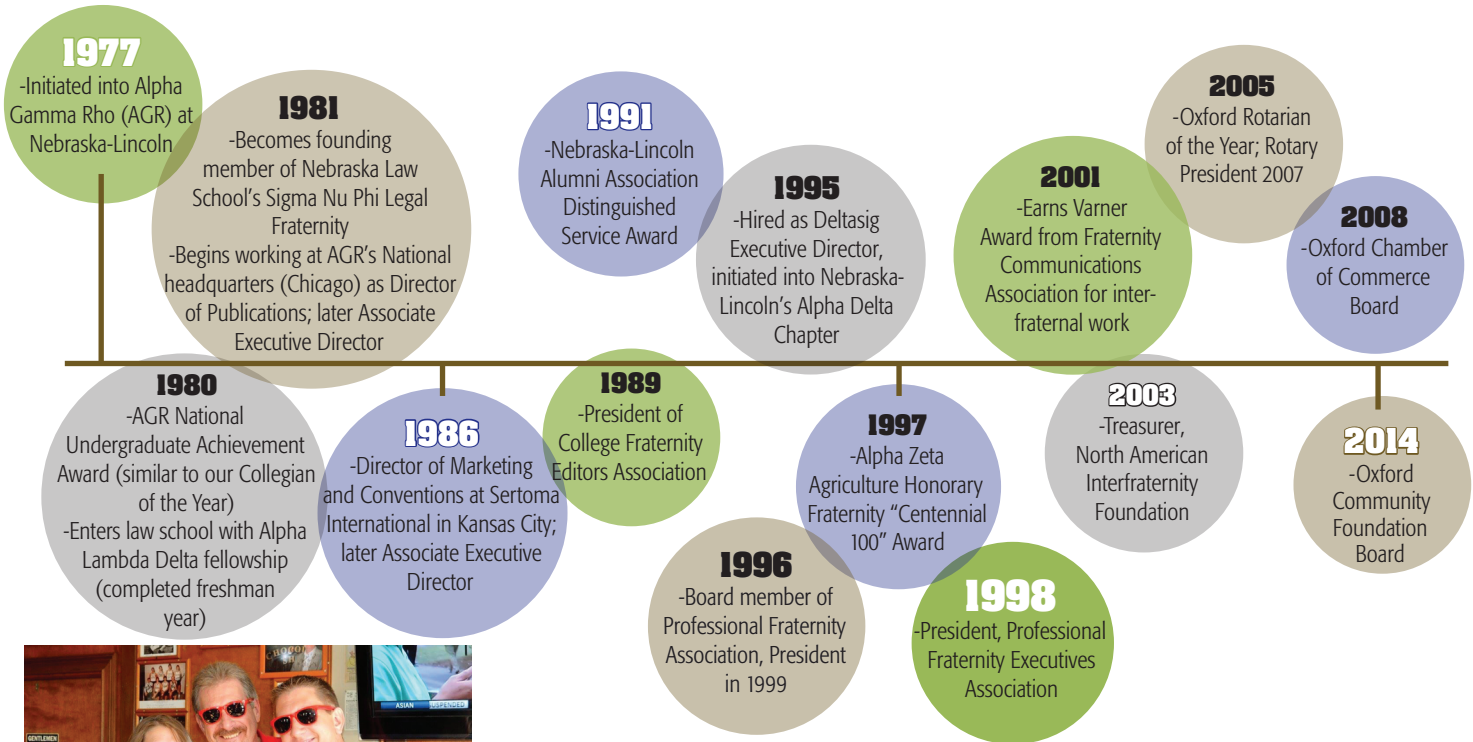
Bill, like myself, is Nebraska born and bred. This bond was cemented when Bill looked me in the eye during his initiation. I was equally impressed with Bill being Nebraska's mascot "Harry Husker" in the 70s.

Our common bond as Huskers helped Bill put up with me as Grand President. Bill calmed the rivalries by recommending the use of Longhorn Steers as part of Houston's GCC processional. He made up for it by inviting Lil-Red to the next GCC. Bill is a friend, a colleague and most importantly, a brother. Bill thank you for being our Executive Director and brother!

- Norm Kromberg, Grand President 1997-2001



Then GP Norm Kromberg (left) and then Foundation Chairman Chris Robinett entered the '99 Houston Grand Chapter Congress banquet in style, while ED Bill Schilling served on the (other end) clean-up crew-- "other duties as assigned".



Niece Krissy Ozenbaugh and nephew Eric Schilling join Bill at Purdue's famous Harry's Chocolate Shop prior to Big Ten football.

Two Decades of Organizational Progress

- ▲ Quadrupling of the Fraternity's National Endowment Funds
- ▲ Increase of annual revenues from approximately \$850,000 to more than \$2.5 million.
- ▲ Growth by 100,000 initiates to more than 265,000 members
- ▲ 66 Chapter Installations: 47 new and 19 "returning"
- ▲ Operations grew from one collective email address (long distance call to access!) to "vast computerization" and "Deltasig-in-a-box" 24/7 web access for all members
- ▲ Growth of Leadership Foundation assets from approximately \$500,000 to nearly \$2.5 million and an increase from 10 endowed funds to nearly 60.
- ▲ Helped mentor 26 chapter consultants, including Judith Briggs, Ann Ambler, Wendy Eilers, Michael Banks, Heather Troyer and Jeremy Levine who stayed on staff in other capacities.
- ▲ Initiation fee increased by only \$5 from \$65 to \$70 since 1995.

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

Elizabeth Aboaba, *Albany*, is tax associate at Ernst and Young in New York, N.Y.

Scott Anderson, *Ball State*, is a retired bank examiner at Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation in Washington, D.C.

Cole Fevold, *Boston*, is an accountant at Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services in Kansas City, Mo.

Brandon Double, *Bowling Green State*, is safety director at Anderson Concrete Corporation in Columbus, Ohio.

Golden Council Member **Matt Temple**, *Cal State-Fullerton*, is manager of technology business management services at DIRECTV in El Segundo, Calif.

Vice President-Finance **Shane Borden**, *Central Florida*, is an infrastructure principal consultant at Accenture Enkitech Group in Atlanta.

Julie Voorhees, *Central Florida*, is Title III grant project director at University of North Carolina-Greensboro.

Meggan Davison, *Cincinnati Alumni*, is senior program assistant with Project Dragonfly at Miami University in Oxford, Ohio.

Tracy Jursz, *Connecticut*, is president at Comprehensive Compliance Consulting LLC in Kissimmee, Fla.

Zachary Atwood, *Denver*, is recruiting social media analyst at Sports Authority in Englewood, Colo.

Jeffery Askew, *Eastern New Mexico*, is chief financial officer at Sames Motor Company in Laredo, Texas.

Lesli Whisenant, *Florida Southern*, is director for global tax at FARO Technologies Inc. in Lake Mary, Fla.

Thomas Gilliard, *Francis Marion*, is web support specialist at ACS Technologies in Florence, S.C.

Mehrzad Adloo, *Georgia*, is account and finance development program analyst at Wal-Mart Stores, Inc. in Bentonville, Ark.



Mark Roberts, *San Francisco*

Roberts Earns Top Local Honor

In March, 2007 Lifetime Achievement Honoree Mark Roberts, San Francisco, was recognized as the Orinda (California) Citizen of the Year. Roberts is a member of the Orinda Community Foundation and a past president and board member of The Orinda Association. Additional local involvement includes Orinda News publication, Senior Rides Around Town service and their Fourth of July event. He is the California Autism Foundation Board President and serves as assistant

district governor for five Rotary clubs. Currently he is working with local schools to help educate teens and their parents about the dangers of texting while driving. Delta Sigma Pi is grateful for Brother Roberts' dedication to our organization and his community. ▲

Golden Council Member **Michael Banks**, *Georgia Southern*, is senior mobile program manager at Oracle in McDonough, Ga.

Lisa Funderburg, *Illinois*, is a partner at Stinson Leonard Street LLP in Decatur, Ill.

Kendra Walker, *Indiana-Purdue at Indianapolis*, is warehouse management software education and standardization manager at Performance Team in Santa Fe Springs, Calif.

Daniel Blair, *Kent State*, is a meeting planner at Aramark in Philadelphia.

Roman Guillory, *Louisiana-Lafayette*, is a revenue auditor at L'auberge Casino Resort in Lake Charles, La.

South Central PVP **Henry McDaniel**, *Missouri-Kansas City*, is fraud control manager at Grantham University in Lenexa, Kan.

Golden Council Member **Kevin Weber**, *Missouri-St. Louis*, is a data quality analyst with Equifax in St. Louis.

Christina Gallison, *Purdue*, is project estimator/project engineer at Prevost Construction in Solana Beach, Calif.

John Sandoval, *St. Mary's*, is a finance management trainee at Nestle in Jacksonville, Ill.

Anthony Aceti, *St. Peter's*, is partner at KPMG LLC in Roseland, N.J.

David McIntee, *St. Peter's*, is founding member at McIntee Fusaro Del Corral, PLLC and has been elected president of the Durham/Orange Estate Planning Council. He lives in Hillsborough N.C.

Mariann Kukielka, *St. Thomas*, earned the Tommie of the Year Award from the University of St. Thomas.

Foundation Trustee **Claire Sammon Roberts**, *San Francisco State*, is vice president risk & compliance at Marqeta Inc. in Emeryville, Calif.

Gerald Kerkhove, *South Dakota*, is consultant at Resources Global Professionals in Houston.

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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

Brandon Double, *Bowling Green State*, to Andrea Marchi on October 18. They live in Blacklick, Ohio.

Daniel Blair, *Kent State*, to Colleen Campbell on October 25. They live in Haverford, Pa.

Alexis Cox to **John Schieman**, both *Miami-Ohio*, on April 11. They live in Mason, Ohio.

GP Onuka Ibe, *Truman State*, to Michelle Tafel on April 18. They live in Washington, D.C.

Jessica Johnson to **Colby Reneau**, both *North Texas*, on April 12. They live in Corinth, Texas.

Sara Maxfield, *North Texas*, to **Dustin Casey**, *Midwestern State*, on October 25. They live in Dallas, Texas.

Dividends

Stacy, *Cincinnati Alumni*, and **Shawn Heyderhoff**, *Iowa State*, on April 23 – Charlotte Jordan. They live in Batavia, Ohio.

Losses

Auburn

John Arnold

Boston

Richard Gooding (June 1, 2014)

Buffalo

Gordon Myers (March 25)

Denver

Paul Nehf (April 10)

Duquesne

Robert Sughrue (August 28)

Indiana-Bloomington

Ronald Baker (May 26, 2014)

Louisiana State

Enrique Camacho (November 16)

Minnesota

Frank Strle (November 28)

Missouri State

Gregory Koch (March 10)

New Mexico

William Hughes (November 27)

Rider

E. Dwight Clark (April 4)

St. Cloud State

Lee Overvold (August 6)

South Carolina

Jordan Basl (March 31)

Larry Strange (March 13)

Truman State

Charles McClain (April 9)

John Nollen (December 15)

Virginia Commonwealth

June Cookson (January 29)

In our March 2015 issue, Cliff Cardwell, *North Texas*, was erroneously listed in the Losses section. We apologize for the error.



Greg Koch, *Missouri State*

Delta Sigma Pi Mourns Loss of Greg Koch

The Fraternity lost one of its greatest supporters in a tragic accident this March. Brother Greg Koch, *Missouri State*, only 46, made his biggest impact as a major advocate and contributor to our Leadership Foundation, serving eight years as a Trustee, then Chair and President in 2011-2012. Our entire brotherhood, but particularly the many close friends he made and influenced, will miss him dearly. ▲

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Texan Bedell Honored for Alumni Achievements



Leonard Bedell, *Texas A&M-Kingsville*

Mobil Steel International, Inc. president and CEO Leonard A. Bedell, *Texas A&M-Kingsville*, was honored as a distinguished alumnus of his alma mater for professional achievement and exemplary service. Bedell culminated the year of recognition by celebrating the 50th anniversary of the Zeta Nu Chapter at their Rose Ball in May.

"It is quite an honor to be recognized by Texas A&M-Kingsville and humbling to be included in such a group of distinguished alumni," said Bedell. "It is inspiring to note that each person was recognized for "paying it forward" for the

generations that follow us – generously repaying the gifts and blessings we received."

Bedell maintains his Texas Certified Public Accountant license and is a Life Member and ongoing supporter of the Delta Sigma Pi Leadership Foundation. As a student, Bedell worked to establish the Accounting Society Scholarship and he recently established The Bedell Family Scholarship. Bedell was also honored at the President's Legacy Ball and inducted into their Legacy Society.

Brother Bedell has been president and CEO of Mobil Steel since 2005 and serves on the company's board of directors. He received his bachelor's degree in business administration with a major in accounting from Texas A&I (now Texas A&M-Kingsville). Immediately after graduation, Bedell joined the Houston office of an international accounting firm. His career has spanned the fields of public accounting, management consulting and finance, and also has included senior management positions in public and private firms in various industries. ▲

Delta Chi Exec Retires

Ray Galbreth, *Missouri-Columbia*, has retired after serving 33 years as the executive director for Delta Chi International Headquarters. While he joined Delta Chi as a freshman in 1965, the University closed that chapter shortly after his initiation. A significant portion of his undergraduate fraternal experience came from Delta Sigma Pi. His chapter, Alpha Beta, earned a perfect score in the Chapter Efficiency Index from 1937 to 1987, including during Brother Galbreth's collegiate career.

At Delta Chi, Galbreth was the editor for more than 100 issues of the *Quarterly*, Delta Chi's magazine. Over Galbreth's tenure, initiatives rose from 40,000 to 100,000 and their operating budget grew 850% to \$1,820,000. For these efforts and many more, he received the "Delta Chi of the Year" award in 1989. In 1986, he began serving on the Fraternity Executives Association Board and in 1992 he served as the Association's president. Brother Galbreth volunteered to help Delta Sigma Pi with its Governance Task Force in the late-1990s that led to our reorganization into five provinces and the Regional Vice Presidents model.

He is currently helping Deltasig's leadership with our strategic planning efforts. ▲

Richard Marte, *South Florida-Tampa*, is marketing manager at Monitronics in Cape Coral, Fla.

Dianna Doebbler, *Texas A&M-Corpus Christi*, is an accountant at Waste Management in San Antonio.

Allan Schuster, *Texas-Arlington*, is application delivery account manager at CA Technologies in Plano, Texas.

Phillip Sims, *Troy*, is marketing strategist/broker at JAMM Entertainment Services in Birmingham, Ala.

Christine Barnard, *Truman State*, is vice president of benefits at Magellan Health in Maryland Heights, Mo.

Jeffrey Rinvelt, *Western Michigan*, is the principal with Renaissance Venture Capital Fund and on the Western Michigan Board of Trustees. He lives in Ann Arbor, Mich.

Benjamin Turkus, *Western Michigan*, is a tax intern at Maner Costerisan in Lansing, Mich.

Ashton Honored For Dedication To Community

Richard Ashton earned the University of Texas-Arlington College of Business Alumni Award for Outstanding Early Career Achievement in January. This honor is awarded annually to alumni of the College of Business who demonstrate a record of achievement professionally, show high potential to be an exceptional business leader or innovator, and is active in his or her community.

Brother Ashton is president of Arthur, Ashton & Associates, PLLC, a boutique real estate and financial services company. Ashton received his bachelor's degree in accounting, with honors, from Texas-Arlington in 2005, where he was a scholar in the inaugural cohort of the Goolsby Leadership Academy. He is also the president and founder of Leadership Development Council, Inc.



Texas-Arlington Business Dean Rachel Croson presents Richard Ashton with the Business Alumni Award for Outstanding Early Career Achievement.

He provides affordable housing development and consulting services to community development corporations, non-profits, developers, general partners and sponsors. Ashton has arranged more than \$150 million in tax-exempt bond issuance and utilized more

than \$20 million in low-income housing tax credits. Prior to real estate development, he worked for XTO Energy, most notably with the post-closing team that closed the \$1.1 billion Chevron-Texaco acquisition. ▲

Smathers Earns Distinction for Alma Mater Support



Kevin Smathers, *Southern Mississippi*, was named the 2014 Boardman Distinguished Alumni of the Year by the College of Business at The University of Southern Mississippi. Smathers was chapter president of Gamma Tau and earned a scholarship to LeaderShape® Institute while he was in school. After graduating, Smathers began working for Saks Fifth Avenue's rapidly growing .com business and he eventually became the Director of saks.com. He supports his alma mater by serving on the Business Advisory Council for the College of Business. *From left: Gwen Pate; Smathers and Faye Gilbert, both Southern Mississippi.* ▲

Become a Certified Deltasig Leader today and join more than 100 of your brothers!

The Certified Deltasig Leader program is an online volunteer training program for Deltasigs. Certification recognizes alumni members for their demonstrated leadership training and experience.

How do you become a CDL-Tier I?

Register and attend at least two national Fraternity events in five years; complete 11 CDL presentations—all found at dsp.org; and support the Leadership Foundation. Events attended up to five years ago will count toward completion.

Already a CDL and want to take it one step farther? Advanced Certification Tier II is also available!

To be eligible, alumni members must: complete Tier I certification; serve the Fraternity for at least one year in a volunteer leadership position; and complete the four advanced training presentations at dsp.org.

Congratulations to the CDLs who earned Tier I or Tier II certification for 2014-15 between December 15 and May 1. (Tier II CDLs are marked with a *.)

Kia Baker, *Wayne State-Michigan*

Ashley Bernstein, *South Florida-St. Petersburg*

Jason Campbell*, *Penn State-Erie*

Brooke Crail, *Evansville*

James Deaton*, *Oklahoma*

Chelsea Hayes*, *Wayne State-Nebraska*

Meghan Hill*, *Kennesaw State*

Jacob Lewy, *Winona State*

Michael Montgomery*, *Winona State*

Elise Pelto*, *Nebraska-Omaha*

Christopher Price, *Wayne State-Michigan*

Monica Ramey*, *Ohio Dominican*

Rafael Rawlings*, *Wayne State-Michigan*

Raina Rawlings, *Wayne State-Michigan*

Jessica Robinson, *Georgia*

Omar Sandoval*, *Texas-Arlington*

Cory Stopka*, *St. Cloud State*

Kevin Wright, *Northern Arizona*



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

Ohio State/Nu

Nu Chapter held an event prior to LEAD in Columbus leading brothers to meet and network with various senior level managers. The event, called Integrate, gave brothers valuable insight into the business world that most college students do not normally get the opportunity to receive. The speakers included managers from Worthington Industries and Nestle; a professor from The Ohio State University Office of Diversity and Inclusion; and the keynote speaker, a partner at PricewaterhouseCoopers. Since the Northeastern LEAD Provincial Conference was in Columbus during the same weekend, brothers from Bowling Green State and Cincinnati also attended. – *Michael Squicciarini*

Pepperdine (CA)/Rho Upsilon

Rho Upsilon Chapter hosted a charity exotic auto show to fundraise for Reach Out WorldWide, a foundation started by the late Paul Walker. Over 200 exotic cars were brought to the event that had 500 attendees. The purpose of the event was to raise the awareness of road safety in Malibu, especially on Pacific Coast Highway. Instead of charging an

admission fee, the general public was encouraged to donate. In total, nearly \$1,500 was collected. – *Paul Wong*

Radford (VA)/Omicron Pi

The chapter held a Mocktail Party in February. This recruiting event gave the prospective pledges a chance to network with collegiate members through various ice breakers and a photo booth with a custom Delta Sigma Pi themed frame. – *Ali Assadi*

Rider (NJ)/Beta Xi

The chapter held its 3rd annual alumni picnic in April where Herb Young, 2005 Golden Helmet Honoree and Rider University Class of 1950, was honored as Beta Xi's first Alumni Brother of the Year. This honor was bestowed upon him because of his long lasting commitment to the chapter and his generosity in establishing the Herb Young Beta Xi 446 Scholarship available to undergraduates and graduates of the chapter in the amount of \$5,000. The plaque honoring Brother Young and future winners will be displayed in the College of Business Administration.

– *Daniel Palo*

Rockhurst (MO)/Nu Omega

For the annual "Dinner with the Industry," the chapter invited a number of notable professionals from across Kansas City to a formal dinner and networking event. Students socialized, as well as engaged in conversation with the professionals. This was the largest event yet, almost 160 students and professionals attended. Overall it was a very successful event because students formed great networking connections.

– *Peter Wilkinson*

South Dakota/Alpha Eta

Members of the chapter drove to Sioux Falls to meet Joe Millar, public relations manager of the Skyforce minor league basketball team. They toured the Sanford Pentagon and learned about different jobs within the business side of sports. He spoke about his daily work and other jobs offered throughout the D-League. – *Amanda Kellen*

South Florida-St. Petersburg/ Rho Psi

The university hosted their first-ever Dance Marathon event to support Children's Miracle Network and Rho Psi helped plan the event. The school nearly

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GEORGIA COLLEGE AND STATE volunteers each semester at the Lucille Harrisburg Garden near campus. Chapter members help with planting, watering, and maintenance of the garden that is used for outreach in the community.



TEXAS A&M-KINGSVILLE has adopted a highway and works hard to keep it clean. This spring the chapter also donated teddy bears to children at CHRISTUS Spohn Hospital Kleberg and collected pop tabs for Ronald McDonald House Charities.

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tripled its initial goal by raising more than \$6,750 and Delta Sigma Pi's team earned 5th place for group fundraising. — *Melissa Garcia*

Truman State (MO)/Iota Nu

Brothers participated in the nationwide student-led philanthropic program Up 'til Dawn where college students raise awareness and funds for St. Jude Children's Research Hospital by asking friends and family to donate through social media and email. Brothers formed four teams of six and each member raised at least \$100 to participate. Throughout the night, teams competed in teambuilding competitions to stay energized. In total, Iota Nu raised almost \$3,200 to support the children and families who depend on the services and research of St. Jude. — *Heather Hoing*



WASHINGTON STATE had an unbelievable time at LEAD in Portland, Oregon that was filled with many captivating seminars, delicious food, great company and a Winterhawks hockey game. The chapter was honored to receive an award for the collegiate chapter with the largest attendance (27 members!) and was proud of Brian Leonard who won Northwestern Regional Collegian of the Year.



MICHIGAN members took on the Windy City to visit JP Morgan, Deloitte Consulting, PepsiCo, and PricewaterhouseCoopers. It was also a great opportunity for the chapter to connect with alumni in Chicago. From left: Jake Erikson, Tracy Lai, Corey Johnson, Darius Crum, Casey Read, Austin Delsi, Beth Mansueti, and Francesco Munacco.



TEXAS-ARLINGTON volunteered at River Legacy Park in Arlington as a part of the Great Backyard Bird Count. This educational festival is a great opportunity to engage children and families in bird conservation and awareness through a variety of family-friendly games and activities, as well as guided bird hikes and counts.



MIAMI-FLORIDA joined FLORIDA SOUTHERN and TAMPA in Lakeland, Florida for a joint initiation in April. During the ceremony, Miami-Florida initiated 34 new brothers.

Jessy's Story

This year's theme for Relay for Life at Tampa was inspired by Jessica Moran, *Tampa*, and her yearlong battle with leukemia. Epsilon Rho created Spartan Survivors as a way to recognize collegiate and alumni cancer survivors from their university.

Jessica was diagnosed in February 2014 and last fall Meredith Brown, *Tampa*, created an initiative called Jessy's Story to raise money and awareness of cancer in young adults. Money was raised for the campus-wide fundraiser through a car wash; penny wars; T-shirt, candy gram, and bracelet sales; individual donations; and support from Greek organizations on campus.

As the keynote speaker at Relay, Jessica gave a beautiful address to attendees and she was honored to share her story and inspire others. After months of hard work planning the event, chapter members took pride knowing one of their alumni was the focus of an event that touched so many people. Now that Jessy is back to work and cancer-free, Epsilon Rho wants to use its greater visibility on campus to continue with strong philanthropic events in the future. ▲



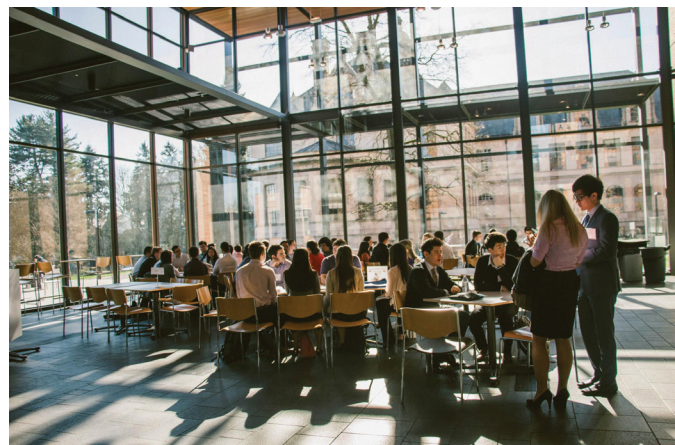
Jessica Moran (left) and Meredith Brown, both Tampa.



INDIANA fundraised more than \$8,700 for Riley Children's Hospital at Indiana University's Dance Marathon. The team's "Riley kid" was BJ Yoho and they danced for more than 18 hours to support him and others.



NORTH CAROLINA-GREENSBORO brothers and pledges set-up and volunteered in a wheelchair basketball tournament hosted by Greensboro Parks & Recreation and Bridge II Sports.



WASHINGTON (WA) hosted the "The Leadership Experience" conference with generous financial support from the Hogan Family, and support from the Foster Undergraduate Career Services and the Foster Center for Leadership and Strategic Thinking. The Leadership Experience provided guidance in areas of the leadership process including envisioning, executing, and evolving. In total, 178 registrants and eight participating companies attended this successful event.

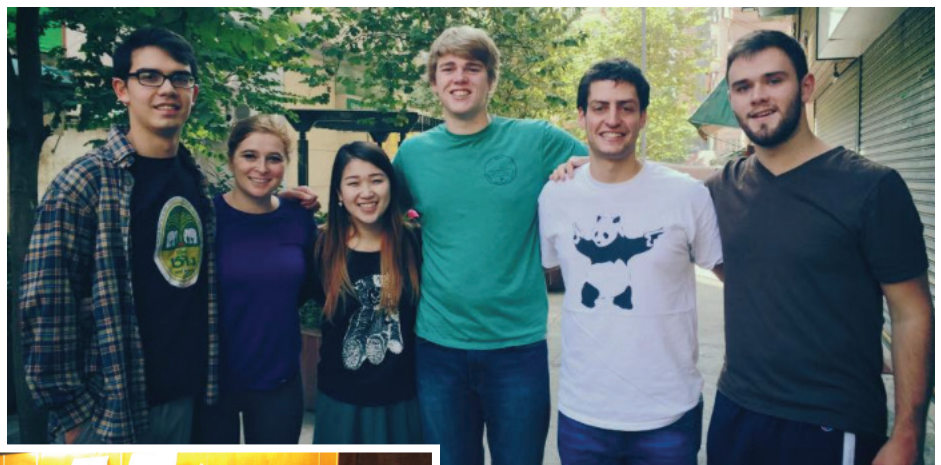
Beta Kappa Chapter's DSPeaks Series



Snapchat's Evan Spiegel puts up the Hook 'em Horns to a sold-out crowd with whom he discussed the popularity of Snapchat, how students can get involved in entrepreneurship and startups, as well as his thoughts regarding the future of the application. Andrew Watts, Texas-Austin, moderated Spiegel's discussion.

Texas-Austin's professional programming is one to note because the chapter is bringing in big names and great advice for the whole campus. Their signature speaker series, DSPeaks, began last fall and they have hosted distinguished individuals from across multiple industries. DSPeaks featured executives from local startups including Makersquare and Mass Relevance along with Rooster Teeth co-founder Burnie Burns; CEO/founder of TotalFratMove.com Madison Wickham; co-founders of Yik Yak Tyler Droll and Brooks Buffington; director of product/data products at Twitter April Underwood; entrepreneur and owner of the NBA's Dallas Mavericks Mark Cuban, and CEO of Snapchat Evan Spiegel.

SYRACUSE (NY) members in the university's study abroad program met up with Brother Miki Yin who returned home to Hong Kong. From left: Nick Dickinson, Dani Silverstri, Yin, Sam Koopman, Colby Schapiro and Paul Rinella.



CAMERON (OK) installed in April 2014, presented the Sigma Chi charter to the School of Business in January.



SAN JOSE STATE (CA) hosted an alumni appreciation barbecue for collegians and alumni in the spring. The event was complete with fun games, delicious food and brotherhood bonding.



NEBRASKA-LINCOLN initiated Donde Plowman, Dean of the College of Business Administration, as an honorary member in the spring. Plowman is top row, seventh from right.

Thank You to these Blood Drive participants!

Every two seconds someone in the United States needs blood and more than 41,000 blood donations are needed every day. On a national level, Delta Sigma Pi encourages chapters and members to support this need by participating in or sponsoring blood drives. This year, 76 chapters sponsored a blood drive and registered their event with the Central Office and/or National Community Service Chair Kris McDaniel. Special thanks to the efforts of these chapters:

Arizona State
Ball State (IN)
Baylor (TX)
Bellarmine (KY)
Bentley (MA)
Boston U.
Bowling Green State (OH)
Buffalo (NY)
Cal Poly-San Luis Obispo
Cal State-Long Beach
Cal State-Northridge
Cal State-Sacramento
California-Riverside
California-Santa Barbara
Central Missouri
Colorado-Boulder
Connecticut
Eastern Illinois
Florida
George Mason (VA)
George Washington (DC)
Georgia
Georgia College and State
Georgia Southern
Grand Valley State (MI)
Illinois State
Illinois-Urbana
Indiana-Bloomington
Indiana State
Indiana-Purdue at Ft. Wayne

Indiana-Purdue at Indianapolis
Iowa State
Kent State (OH)
Lewis (IL)
Longwood (VA)
Loyola-Chicago
Loyola-New Orleans
Marquette (WI)
Miami-Ohio
Minnesota
Nebraska-Lincoln
New York
North Florida
Northern Illinois
Ohio State
Oklahoma
Oklahoma State
Pacific (CA)
Penn State-State College
Pittsburgh
Purdue (IN)
Rockhurst (MO)
Rutgers-New Brunswick (NJ)
Saginaw Valley State (MI)
Saint Louis
San Diego
San Diego State
San Francisco
San Jose State (CA)
South Carolina

Southern California
Southern Illinois-Edwardsville
Southern Mississippi
Syracuse (NY)
Tennessee
Texas Tech
Texas-Austin
Truman State (MO)

UCLA
Washington State
Wayne State-Michigan
West Florida
Western Illinois
Winona State (MN)
Wisconsin-La Crosse
Wisconsin-Milwaukee



SAN FRANCISCO held their annual blood drive in April and collected donations from more than 35 people. Each donation collected will save up to three lives.

COLLEGIANS

Congratulations to the 2015 Collegians of the Year!

In 2015, the Collegian of the Year (COY) program saw 118 chapter COYs apply for the coveted title of National Collegian of the Year. Chad Robinson, *St. Cloud State*, earned this honor by exemplifying the values inherent in Delta Sigma Pi's Ritual and perpetuating the ideals as set forth in the Purpose of the Fraternity. This award was established more than 40 years ago and the aspiration for this honor remains undiminished.

To be named national COY, a collegian must first be nominated by his/her chapter. Regional COYs are then chosen from that pool by committees for each of the 31 regions. Each Provincial Scholastic Development and Awards Committee then selects a provincial COY from the remaining pool and these five become eligible for the national COY award as chosen by the national committee.

The 31 members who were selected after being nominated as the chapter COY were rewarded for their dedication to the Fraternity through support from the Leadership Foundation. The Foundation awards scholarships and recognition totaling in excess of \$18,000 annually to these members. This is made possible by the National COY Scholarship endowed by Sidney "Sparky" and Ruth "Buttercup" Sparks. Throughout the years, the scholarship grew through a re-endowment, a generous Living Legacy gift made by Sparky and more support from Buttercup. Today this fund supports the COY program at the regional, provincial and national levels. The regional level is also funded through the Clyde Kitchens/Thoben Elrod endowment.

As the applicants were reviewed, the following criteria were considered in order of importance: Fraternity involvement; attendance at inter-chapter Fraternity events including but not limited to Grand Chapter

Congress, LEAD Schools and LEAD Provincial Conferences, regional initiations, chapter installations, etc.; essay outlining goals if selected as National Collegian of the Year; degree of leadership exhibited in Delta Sigma Pi; university/community involvement and leadership; scholastic aptitude/GPA; additional essays required by the application and letters of recommendation. Other criteria considered include: ability to represent the Fraternity on the National Board of Directors, leadership ability, dependability, responsibility, honesty, integrity and sincerity, moral character, personality and professional attitude. ▲

NATIONAL

Chad Robinson, *St. Cloud State*



Chad Robinson, *St. Cloud State*, was named the 2015 National COY at the North Central LEAD Provincial Conference in February. From left: North Central PVP Jodi Schoh, 2014 National COY Nick Rizzi, Robinson, PGP Mark Chiacchiarri, and South Central PVP Henry McDaniel.

PROVINCIAL



NORTHEASTERN
Alexandra Land
Cincinnati



SOUTH CENTRAL
Paige Dunn
Texas-Arlington



SOUTHERN
Gabriella Pantoja
South Florida-Tampa



WESTERN
Ruby Wong
California-San Diego

OF THE YEAR

REGIONAL

Atlantic Coast - Taylor Fekany, *Central Florida*
Bay Area - Antonio Miguel Merilleno, *San Jose State (CA)*
Capital - Ian Robinson, *George Washington (D.C.)*
Central - Ashley Torri, *Illinois State*
Central Gulf - Eric Zitter, *Southern Mississippi*
Desert Mountain - Sarah Laus, *Arizona*
East Central - Alexandra Land, *Cincinnati*
Eastern - Taffy Le, *Rider (NJ)*
Empire - Jackson Sheng, *New York*
Gateway - Michelle Zhu, *Washington-St. Louis*
Great Lakes - Samuel Daniels, *Wisconsin-Madison*
Great Plains - Russell Yan Wei Pang, *Drake (IA)*
Gulf South - Tyre Kenney, *Louisiana Tech*
Gulf Western - Laura Elizondo, *Texas-Austin*
Huron - Hannah Janssen, *Indiana-Purdue at Fort Wayne*
Mid-Atlantic - Laurie Nelson, *Wingate (NC)*
Mid-South - Alysha Rauen, *Bellarmino (KY)*
Midwestern - Amanda-Lyn Bonacchi, *Central Missouri*
New England - Nora Bisaccio, *Roger Williams (RI)*

Niagara - Ashley Carrington, *Rochester Tech (NY)*
North Central - Chad Robinson, *St. Cloud State (MN)*
Northwestern - Brian Leonard, *Washington State*
Pacific Coast - Ruby Wong, *California-San Diego*
Rocky Mountain - Amanda Gossman, *Colorado State*
Sierra Nevada - Daren Minetti, *Cal State-Chico*
South Atlantic - Gabriella Pantoja, *South Florida-Tampa*
Southeastern - Kristen Busby, *Georgia College and State*
South Pacific - Rebecca Rogers, *Cal Poly-San Luis Obispo*
Southwestern - Paige Dunn, *Texas-Arlington*
Steel Valley - William Lilly, *West Virginia*
Tornado Alley - Hailey Wolcott, *Oklahoma*

CHAPTER

Adelphi (NY) - Catherine Xie
Albany (NY) - Troy Torres
Albion (MI) - Marius Froehlich
Arizona - Sarah Laus
Babson (MA) - Jennifer Huynh
Ball State (IN) - Alice Runion
Baylor (TX) - Maria Brockman
Bellarmino (KY) - Alysha Rauen
Bentley (MA) - Emily Finemore

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As I reflect on my two-year term as the 2013 National Collegian of the Year, I am nostalgic, thankful, and humbled by all the experiences and memories. I can't seem to pinpoint just one moment that stands out the most to me from my term. Each time I begin thinking of one, another just as quickly distracts me. Here are some highlights:

- 10 LEADs in 10 different states in all 5 Provinces
- 5 initiations
- 4 Board meetings (and many conference calls)
- 1 chapter installation

Each point comes with countless memories, but they don't begin to cover them all. I'm so grateful to have met countless collegiate and alumni brothers who taught me more than I could have ever imagined. During my term, I grew as a brother, a professional, and a person. Delta Sigma Pi is such a unique organization in that way. As long as you stay involved, you continue developing in all areas of your life. This fact solidifies the notion that I made the right choice in pledging my freshman year.

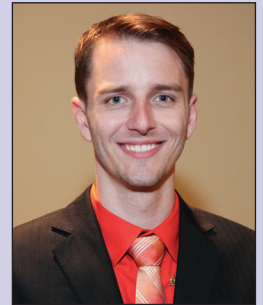
No position is without its struggles. There were times I questioned why I was doing this. Those were the times though that the strength of brotherhood proved itself the most. I never felt alone or isolated. Brothers all across the country were there when I reached out. I look back and see how valuable the hard times were because they taught me great lessons about life and myself. As I continue my transition from collegiate to alumni and move off the Board, I challenge all brothers to not give up. Whether it's your chapter, your brothers, your job, or yourself that's causing you issues—keep fighting. I promise it will be worth it.

Last, I would like to thank everyone who I've had the pleasure of meeting, shared a LEAD session with, or gotten to know better over the past two years. You all are the reason this Fraternity is so incredible and has such a strong far-reaching network. I will always be there for my brothers so don't hesitate to contact me. See you all at Grand Chapter Congress!

Fraternally,



Richie Brandt, *Tampa*
2013 National Collegian of the Year
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Bowling Green State (OH) -
Ethan Trombly
Bryant (RI) -
Ravi Pandey
Buffalo (NY) -
Eric Yonda
Cal Poly-San Luis Obispo -
Rebecca Rogers
Cal State-Chico -
Daren Minetti
Cal State-East Bay -
Alexander Munoz
Cal State-Fresno - Jason Hand
Cal State-Fullerton -
Alex Corona
Cal State-Long Beach -
Matthew Nguyen
Cal State-Northridge -
Desiree Flores
California-Davis - Brian Tao
California-Irvine -
Tiffany Luu
California-Los Angeles -
Rocco Rizzo
California-San Diego -
Ruby Wong
California-Santa Barbara -
Jennifer Liu
Cameron (OK) -
Waheed Gbadamosi
Central Florida -
Taylor Fekany
Central Missouri -
Amanda-Lyn Bonacchi
Chapman (CA) - Rechenna Lo
Christian Brothers (TN) -
Vanessa Ramirez-Ortega
Cincinnati - Alexandra Land
Clemson (SC) - Kevin Phillips
Colorado State -
Amanda Gossman

Colorado-Boulder -
Andrew Guidas
Colorado-Colorado Springs -
Chen Zhao
Cornell (NY) -
Zachary Benfanti
Dayton (OH) -
Elise Heneghan
Delaware -
Thomas Giacomucci
Denver - Caroline Blakney
Drake (IA) -
Russell Yan Wei Pang
Duquesne (PA) -
Jacob Hartman
Eastern Illinois - Alex Chan
Evansville (IN) -
Gretchen Kohl
Ferris State (MI) -
Kiara Patterson
George Mason (VA) -
Angela Joy Impat
George Washington (DC) -
Ian Robinson
Georgia - Martin Maignan
Georgia College & State -
Kristen Busby
Grand Valley State (MI) -
Andy McLean
Houston - Kathryn Wright
Illinois State - Ashley Torri
Illinois-Urbana - Joseph Storto
Indiana - Sara Broadwater
Indiana State - Ashley Farris
Indiana-Purdue at Fort
Wayne - Hannah Janssen
Indiana-Purdue at
Indianapolis -
Kayla Hagemier
Iowa - Tyler Dolan
Iowa State -
Samantha Burmeister
Kansas - Kaymon Witt

What is a COY's reward for their commitment to Delta Sigma Pi?

Regional winners receive:

- A pearl and ruby badge.
- A \$250 cash award from the Delta Sigma Pi Leadership Foundation made possible by Mr. and Mrs. Sidney A. Sparks Scholarship and Clyde Kitchens/Thoben Elrod funds.
- Recognition at a spring LEAD Provincial Conference and in The DELTASIG magazine.
- A certificate in recognition of their accomplishments.

The provincial and national winners also may receive \$500 and \$5,000 educational scholarships, respectively. The national winner serves on the Fraternity's Board of Directors for a two-year term. ▲

Will You Be One of Next Year's COYs?

Each collegiate chapter may annually nominate one of its members for the Collegian of the Year award. A chapter member other than the nominee must complete the nomination form through the Hub no later than October 15. The nominee must then complete an online application (for higher levels of recognition) no later than November 15. For complete guidelines, review the Awards and Recognition Guide at dsp.org/awards. ▲

Kennesaw State (GA) -
Christian Nixon
La Salle (PA) -
Melissa O'Donnell
Lindenwood (MO) -
Rebecca Piel
Longwood (VA) -
Jessica Woodard
Louisiana State -
David Nguyen
Louisiana Tech - Tyre Kenney
Loyola Marymount (CA) -
Allyson Weber
Marquette (WI) -
Christine Leffel
Massachusetts-Amherst -
Elizabeth Lockett
Massachusetts-Boston -
Katie McGeary
Mercer (GA) -
Amanda Pugsley
Miami-Florida - Megan Lee
Miami-Ohio - Joseph Pesek
Michigan - Darius Crum
Minnesota - Martin Caride
Minnesota State -
James Cooper
Missouri State - Krista Brooks
Missouri-Kansas City -
Caroline Croessmann
Missouri-St. Louis -
Jennifer Puccini
Nebraska-Lincoln -
Lea Kayton
Nebraska-Omaha - Justin
Korth
New Mexico - Jorie Harris
New Mexico State - Cindy Lee
New York - Jackson Sheng
North Carolina-Chapel Hill -
Stephanie Michael
North Carolina-Greensboro -
Dawn Wiggins
North Florida - Jacob Carlson
North Texas -
Heather Cumming
Northern Illinois - Rob Willer
Ohio - Elizabeth Doyle
Ohio State - Brian Bourke
Oklahoma - Hailey Wolcott
Oklahoma State -
Kaylee Gryzmala
Pace-Westchester (NY) -
AnnaLisa Aceto
Pacific (CA) - Ryan Dong
Penn State-Erie - Paige
Mcnabb
Penn State-State College -
Joseph Mocera
Pepperdine (CA) -
Alexandria McGhee
Pittsburgh - Kevin Warrell
Radford (VA) -
Keith Wilson Jr.
Redlands (CA) -
Katherine Bishop
Richmond (VA) - Henry Trinh
Rider (NJ) - Taffy Le

Rochester Tech (NY) - Ashley Carrington
 Rockhurst (MO) - Keven Thomas
 Roger Williams (RI) - Nora Bisaccio
 Rutgers-New Brunswick (NJ) - Robert Arbelo
 Saint Louis - Claire Mispagel
 San Diego - Taylor Kalinowski
 San Francisco - Gem Pacumio
 San Jose State (CA) - Antonio Merilleno
 Santa Clara (CA) - Nicole Schulz
 Savannah State (GA) - Ahkanyala Jordan
 Siena (NY) - Travis Brodbeck
 South Dakota - Jeremy Jansen
 South Florida-St. Petersburg - Nathalie Ascensao
 South Florida-Tampa - Gabriella Pantoja
 Southern Illinois-Edwardsville - Elizabeth Guzman
 Southern Mississippi - Eric Zitter
 St. Cloud State (MN) - Chad Robinson
 St. Edward's (TX) - Krupali Laxmidas
 St. Joseph's (PA) - Nicole Taylor
 St. Thomas (MN) - Mariann Kukielka
 Syracuse (NY) - Sean Fernandez
 Tampa (FL) - Dylan Cassidy
 Tennessee - Saeed Zarshenas
 Texas A&M-Kingsville - Araceli Hernandez
 Texas Christian - Victor Harter
 Texas-Arlington - Paige Dunn
 Texas-Austin - Laura Elizondo
 Texas-El Paso - Ivan Yanez
 Truman State (MO) - Tyler Yost
 Valparaiso (IN) - Jillian Holtzer
 Virginia Tech - Emily Gabor
 Washington State - Brian Leonard
 Washington-St. Louis - Michelle Zhu
 Wayne State-Michigan - Sayeema Bhuiyan
 Wayne State-Nebraska - Kaitlyn Rischmueller
 West Virginia - William Lilly
 Western Illinois - Faith Jackson
 Wingate (NC) - Laurie Nelson
 Wisconsin-Madison - Samuel Daniels
 Wisconsin-Milwaukee - Sean Philipps

I am honored to be your 2015 National Collegian of the Year and I am excited for what the future holds in our Fraternity. Delta Sigma Pi has been a cornerstone for me in my growth personally, professionally, and fraternally. It's hard to imagine this shy young man that started college four years ago is the same who is writing to you now.

From the beginning, my involvement started with a bang with my first national event being the 2011 Grand Chapter Congress in Louisville. From there I made lifelong friends and contacts that I have continued to get to know and treasured ever since. One piece of advice from that first experience is to be willing to try something different and to push your comfort zone. This mentality helped me prosper with professionals in our organization.

As the 2015 Collegian of the Year, one of my biggest goals is to increase transparency for the national awards process. I want chapters to better understand what it takes to compete with chapters that have a history of winning. My simple mindset is that if we can learn from each other then we can raise the quality of all of our applications to an unprecedented level.

I am truly humbled to be your 2015 Collegian of the Year and I am looking forward to meeting you. My goal as your COY is to be as approachable as possible because I represent YOUR voice! Please do not hesitate to contact me or better yet-- introduce yourself in person!

Fraternally,



Chad Robinson, St. Cloud State
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2015 Collegian of the Year
 North Central RVP Hannah Hoes, Chad Robinson
 and North Central PVP Jodi Schoh



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ATLANTA enjoyed a crawfish boil at Barrett, Georgia State, and Kim, Clemson, Carter's house. PGP Mitch Simmons and VPF Shane Borden helped plan this successful event for many local brothers.

DC METRO gathered together on National Alumni Day for an afternoon of mingling, fun, and networking.



ARLINGTON AREA LONE STAR attended opera night at AT&T Stadium in Arlington, Texas in March. This was the fourth year that brothers have taken part in this event. Nearly 10,000 people were in attendance to watch the live simulcast of La Boheme performed by the Dallas Opera.



Collegiate and alumni brothers while abroad or on business in London met for dinner to network and connect. From left: Sarah Durlacher, Buffalo; Ashok Arora, Central Florida; Debbie Wang, Texas-Austin; Kim Taylor, Megan Weisert, both Drake; and Cassandra Shah, Rutgers-New Brunswick. Brother Arora has been an outstanding "London Ambassador" for Deltasigs for many years.



SAN ANTONIO joined ST. MARY'S, TEXAS-SAN ANTONIO, and TRINITY-SAN ANTONIO for a day of brotherhood bonding on National Alumni Day in April. The day included a barbeque and bocce ball.

CONGRATULATIONS TO HELMET HONOREES

Southern PVP Janene Markuske presented Victor Calero, *Miami*, his Silver Helmet at the Southern LEAD Provincial Conference in February.

Brother Calero has served as District Director for Xi Omega at Florida International, Beta Omega at Miami and the Miami/Fort Lauderdale Alumni Chapter. He also currently serves on the South Atlantic Regional Awards Committee. Professionally, Victor is the senior revenue cycle auditor at the University of Miami Hospital.



Patrick Murphy, *Georgia State*, accepted Silver Helmets on behalf of himself and his wife, Angela, also *Georgia State*, from Southern PVP Janene Markuske in Birmingham. Both brothers have been actively involved in the Birmingham Alumni Chapter since 2001.



Patrick also previously served as a Central Gulf Regional Awards Committee member and the Vice President-Collegiate Relations of the Birmingham Alumni Chapter, now serving as President. Patrick is retired from AT&T and the United States Naval Reserves.



Southern PVP Janene Markuske presented Sherry Flood, *Louisiana at Lafayette*, her Silver Helmet at the Southern LEAD Provincial Conference. Brother Flood served as the Gulf South Regional Director from 1993-1997 earning her distinction as

a Golden Council member and currently serves on the Central Gulf Regional Awards Committee. She resides in Arab, Alabama.

John Grant, *Eastern Illinois*, received his Silver Helmet from GP Onuka Ibe during the Northeastern LEAD Provincial Conference in January.



In November 2002, Brother Grant along with several students started a colony at Ohio Dominican which installed in 2006 as the Omicron Tau Chapter. He has been supporting the chapter ever since as their Chapter Advisor.



Karla Edwards, *Akron*, was presented her Silver Helmet from GP Onuka Ibe during the Northeastern LEAD Provincial Conference.

Brother Edwards has been a longstanding member of the Akron-Canton Alumni Chapter which later merged with the Cleveland Alumni Chapter having served as President, Secretary and currently serving as Vice President-Collegiate Relations. She has also served on the National Alumni Development Committee and currently serves as the Steel Valley Regional Awards Committee Chair.

Eilers Appointed Committee Chair

Wendy Eilers, *Eastern Illinois*, was appointed in March to chair Deltasig's National Organization Development Committee. Brother Eilers earned degrees in marketing and fine arts-graphic design. After college, Wendy joined the Fraternity staff as a Chapter Consultant and later became the Director of Alumni Development while overseeing the daily operations of the Foundation. Upon completion of her service at the Central Office, Wendy was elected to the roster of Delta Sigma Pi Golden Council.

Wendy then went to work for Gannett newspapers in project management. A few years later, she became a project manager in digital advertising in New York. Her role later changed to U.S. Operations Manager to ensure smooth managerial and reporting transitions. While in New York, Brother Eilers served as the pledge educator for the Alpha Chapter reactivation at NYU and the Kappa Rho reactivation at Adelphi.

In 2013, Wendy moved back home to St. Louis, where she mentored students in the Lindenwood Colony and installation, participated in the St. Louis Alumni Chapter's Career Prep Day, and served on the Foundation's scholarship selection committee. Wendy currently works as a contract PMO project QA analyst and project manager for technical systems of the U.S. Treasury at the Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis.

Wendy is well qualified to fill the position of National Organization Development Chair and we look forward to her work helping us move forward strategically. ▲



DENVER ALUMNI participated in the 2015 Rocky Mountain Regional Olympics hosted by COLORADO-BOULDER.

From left: Patrick Lewis, Northern Colorado; Golden Council member Greg Howell; 2014 National COY Nick Rizzi; Susie Hausman, Cal State-Northridge; Rocky Mountain RVP Crystal Varela; AJ Goodenow, Colorado State; Kristyn Childress, Colorado State; Ryan Hustana, Denver; Jennifer Nell, Danielle Brooks, and Matthew Koller, all Colorado State.

MIAMI/FT. LAUDERDALE hosted an alumni barbeque with MIAMI and FLORIDA INTERNATIONAL to celebrate National Alumni Day. Brothers traveled across the country to join the festivities. From left: Ehsan Ansari, Florida International; Emily Burville, Purdue; Khushboo Ganwani, Cal State-Northridge; Mike Snyder, Miami-Florida; Adrian Childers, New Mexico; Ijtsuri Childers; Namrata Dadlani, Florida; and Dan Heisler, Miami-Florida.



Get Involved! Please note: Contact information is listed here for cities where alumni chapters are currently franchised as of April 30. There are alumni members organizing groups in other cities listed. They are noted with a city name only. For contact information on these organizing groups, or to start a group in an area not already listed, please email alumni@dsp.org, call (513) 523-1907 x223, or check online at www.dsp.org.

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**NEW HIRES:
Rochelle Carnegie and
Lea Kayton**



Rochelle Carnegie, North Florida, began working at the Central Office as an Educational & Leadership Consultant in June. Rochelle is from Jacksonville, Florida and was initiated in January 2014. Rochelle served as VP-Chapter

Operations for the Kappa Pi Chapter and Treasurer of the National Society of Collegiate Scholars. She is a member of the National Society of Leadership & Success, Women in Insurance and Financial Services, and the Financial Management Association International. Brother Carnegie also has four years of work experience in banking and customer service. She also completed two study abroad programs in Peru and France.

**Meggan Davison
Appreciation**



Meggan Davison, Cincinnati Alumni, joined the Central Office staff in 2005 and completed 10 years of service to the Fraternity before leaving in February to advance her career with a position at Miami University. Delta Sigma Pi

is grateful for all of Meggan's hard work as a Membership Services Coordinator where her responsibilities included LEAD registration, scholarship management, and support of the Leadership Foundation. ▲

UPCOMING DELTASIG EVENTS

August 12-16

Grand Chapter Congress (Chicago)

October 9-10

Fort Wayne (IN) LEAD School

October 16-17

Springfield (MO) LEAD School

October 23-24

Albuquerque LEAD School

October 30-31

Boston LEAD School

November 6-7

Greensboro (NC) LEAD School

November 7

Founders' Day



Lea Kayton, Nebraska-Lincoln, was hired as an Event and Member Services Coordinator, and began working in June at the Central Office. Lea was initiated in November 2011 and served as the Alpha Delta Chapter VP-Chapter Operations for two years. She is a member of Alpha

Lambda Delta National Honor Society and earned her degree in business administration and marketing. Lea also chaired the Women in Business Conference, completed the Fund for American Studies program and studied abroad in Oxford, England. She was her chapter's 2015 Collegian of the Year. ▲



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Mark Cuban gave encouragement and guidance to a crowd of 600 Texas-Austin college students about their futures while he discussed business lessons he learned from succeeding and failing over the years. See page 28 for more details on Beta Kappa Chapter's DSPEaks Series.