

CENTENNIAL TIMELINE

Important Delta Sigma Pi, Cultural and Business Dates and Milestones

Dates pertaining to Delta Sigma Pi appear in yellow

Dates pertaining to Cultural Milestones appear in green

Dates pertaining to Business Milestones appear in blue

1870	Standard Oil formed by John D. Rockefeller (first modern corporation)
1876	U.S. Centennial Celebrated
	Telephone introduced by Alexander Graham Bell
	Custer's Last Stand at the Little Big Horn
1877	Edison invents the phonograph
1886	Founder Alfred Moysello born April 20
1887	Founder Henry Tienken born September 7
1888	Founder Harold Jacobs born February 14
	Founder Alexander Makay born May 21
1891	The zipper is patented
1892	General Electric was created with Thomas Edison on the Board
	Ellis Island Immigration Station opens in New York
1896	Utah becomes 45th state
	Athens, Greece hosts first modern Olympiad
	12-stock Dow Jones Industrial Average created with initial value of 40.74
1898	Spanish American War is fought
	Manhattan, the Bronx, Brooklyn, Queens and Staten Island consolidate into New York City
	Post office begins rural free delivery
1900	Only 5 million women employed outside the home in U.S.
	Paper clip invented
	Otis Elevator installs first modern escalator
	Militant prohibitionist Carrie Nation smashes her first bar
	Chicago reverses course of Chicago River from Lake Michigan to Mississippi River to control disease
	1 in 2 U.S. families grew their own vegetables
	Typical homemaker annually hauled 7 tons of coal and 9,000 gallons of water and made most of family's clothes
1901	JP Morgan forms U.S. Steel -- first company with \$1 billion in outstanding stock
	President William McKinley assassinated -- succeeded by Theodore Roosevelt
	Britain's Queen Victoria dies at 82
	Commonwealth of Australia proclaimed
1902	James Cash Penney opens first J.C. Penney
	Inaugural Rose Bowl game played - Michigan beat Stanford (49 to 0)
1903	Wright Brothers first flight and Ford introduces first production automobile, the Model A Runabout
	NYSE moves to current site at 18 Broad St.
	8,000 cars and 144 miles of paved roads in U.S.
	1 in 10 U.S. adults could not read or write -- only 6% were high school grads
1904	St. Louis World's Fair and Olympics (introduces hot dog, hamburger and ice tea)
	New York City subway system opens
	J. M. Barrie's play "Peter Pan" opens in London
1905	Milton Hershey opens world's largest chocolate factory
	US Forest Service created -- 63 million acres (2005 = 192 million acres)
	Rotary founded in Evanston, IL
	Einstein's theory of relativity published

1906	Voice and music first broadcast over radio
	Dow Jones reaches 100 for the first time
	San Francisco was wrecked by a powerful earthquake along the San Andreas Fault which lead to fires that destroyed a large portion of the city
	Forward pass legalized in college football
	Bubble Gum first introduced (as "blibber-blubber")
	Indianapolis Motor Speedway founded -- first "500" in 1911 -- Ray Harroun winner
	Upton Sinclair published <i>The Jungle</i> - Food and Drug Act addresses tainted meat supply
1907	Delta Sigma Pi "official" founding date at New York University
	Sears, Roebuck introduces mail order homes
	Rumors of trouble at Knickerbocker Trust cause run on banks-- panic drops DOW 49%, creating the USA's most severe financial crisis. JP Morgan props up system.
	United Parcel Service Inc. (UPS) was founded in Seattle by Jim Casey as a bike messenger service
	Oklahoma becomes 46th state
	Teddy Roosevelt US President
	Chicago Cubs beat Detroit Tigers in World Series
	Pink Star wins Kentucky Derby
	Yale wins NCAA Football Championship
	Florence Ziegfield introduces the Ziegfield Follies in New York
	Rudyard Kipling wins Nobel Prize for literature
	First class stamp 2¢
	Almost 1.3 million immigrants entered the United States
	Mother's Day was established as an annual holiday
	First year of electric ball drop in New York's Times Square (then Long Acre Square)
	Average life expectancy in U.S. about 50
1908	Ford introduces the Model T -- first car for the middle class; General Motors formed
	Harvard Graduate School of Business founded
	Hoover introduces portable vacuum cleaner
1910	Boy Scouts and Camp Fire Girls established
	U.S. population near 90 million, including 9 million immigrants since 1900
1911	The DELTASIG newsletter first published
	US Supreme Court orders the breakup of Standard Oil into 34 companies
	Optimist Clubs founded in Buffalo, NY
1912	Delta Sigma Pi Scholarship Key award established
	Panama Canal opens, saving 13,000 shipping miles
	Oreo Cookies introduced
	The <i>Titanic</i> sinks on maiden voyage
	Girl Guides, precursor of Girl Scouts, founded
	New Mexico and Arizona become 47th and 48th states
1913	Personal income tax code is introduced (16th amendment)
	Federal Reserve System established to stabilize banking system
1914	Beta Chapter (Northwestern-Chicago) founded
	First organizational meeting (January 22) - New York
	First GCC (July 3) in New York
	First election for a national president resulted in a tie. W. N. Dean (New York) won on the second ballot.
	John Guernsey (New York) appointed editor of "The Delta Sig"
	Congress passes Clayton Antitrust Act, weakening monopolies
	National City Bank (Citicorp) is first U.S. bank to open a foreign branch -- in Buenos Aires
	World War I begins
1915	The Purpose was adopted

1916	Official jeweler noted: JF Newman of New York City. Current jeweler Burr Patterson Auld first noted in 1926 minutes (over 80 years as partners!)
	AACSB (The Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business) founded as an accrediting agency for bachelor's, master's and doctoral degree programs in business administration and accounting
	Jeannette Rankin of Montana becomes the first woman elected to U.S. Congress
1917	"The Deltasig" (new spelling) becomes a monthly publication
	Membership "catalogue" (directory) published-- listing 5 Founders
	American manufacturers settle on a standard appliance plug and socket
	U.S. enters war against Germany
1918	Scheduled air mail service begins (between New York and Washington DC)
	The Influenza Pandemic
	Daylight-Saving Time begins
1919	Prohibition (18th amendment) enacted
1920	Gamma Chapter (Boston) founded (closed 1995)
	"Founders Meeting" held in New York to reorganize after WWI (all 4 Founders present)
	Commercial radio broadcasting begins (KDKA Pittsburgh first station)
	19th Amendment to U.S. Constitution give women the vote
	Home radios begin to displace the piano and gramophone
1921	A Standard Ritual drafted by a Ritual Committee was adopted. Robes also added to standard regalia. (motions by Founder Makay)
	Shield changed by removing one star to current 4
1922	Fraternity becomes international with installation of Tau (McGill University) in Montreal (closed 1931-32)
	National Fraternity Court of Appeals formed with Past Grand President Frank McGoldrick as Chief Justice
	Western Province added to Eastern, Central, Southern, and Missouri Valley with installations at California-Berkeley, Southern California and Utah. "Province" later changed to "Region" and then another "layer" -- back to "Province" -- added.
	Discussions against hazing noted at Congress; meaning of Greek letters added to Ritual
	<i>Yours Fraternally in Delta Sigma Pi</i> debuted at 6th Congress "Stag Banquet"
	Vladimir Lenin proclaims establishment of U.S.S.R.
1923	Talking movies are invented
1924	The Central Office was established at 222 West Adams Street, Chicago
	H.G. "Gig" Wright becomes Secretary-Treasurer (serves on staff 31 years until 1955)
	Rose of Deltasig copyrighted
	Crest with visor added to coat of arms
	"Money Question" made optional
1926	Initial pledge examination approved
	Two directors added to Board (from 3 to 5)
1927	First transatlantic plane flight by Lindbergh
1928	Professional Interfraternity Conference developed -- Gig Wright instrumental
	First Mickey Mouse cartoon
	Penicillin discovered
1929	50 th chapter – Beta Epsilon (Oklahoma) – installed
	Ancient, Independent, Effervescent Order of the Yellow Dog noted in records (founding date unknown)
	Dow falls 11% on Oct. 29 in Black Tuesday market crash
	National City Bank (Citicorp) becomes largest bank in the world
	First Oscar goes to "Wings"
1930	Chapter roll consists of 52 chapters; 10th Congress held - Detroit
	Life Membership Program established under Grand President Ed Schujahn's urging (\$50 in 1957)
	A&P founded -- first grocery store chain
	Car radio introduced - called "Roamio"

1931	Chapter Efficiency Program starts as Chapter Efficiency "Contest" (55 chapters)
	Second international chapter, Beta Mu (Dalhousie University) in Halifax, Nova Scotia, Canada (closed 1937)
	Empire State Building completed
	George Washington Bridge built across Hudson River in New York City opened making it the becoming the longest suspension bridge
	Nevada legalized gambling
1932	Dow bottoms out at 41.22, down 89% from 1929; unemployment hits nearly 25%
	Air conditioning is invented
	Franklin Roosevelt beats Herbert Hoover - offers "New Deal"
	Radio City Music Hall opens in New York City
1933	Prohibition ends
	Height of "the Depression" -- unemployment 25%
	Hitler becomes Chancellor of Germany
1934	Federal Communication Commission and Securities and Exchange Commission created
	First coin laundromat founded (Texas)
	The cheeseburger is created
	Parker Brothers first sells the game "Monopoly"
1935	The Social Security Act is enacted by President Roosevelt
	First night major league baseball game - Cincinnati
1936	Hoover Dam completed
	United Auto Workers Union first "sit down" strike - Flint, MI
1937	Shopping cart invented
	Golden Gate Bridge opens
	Disney releases <i>Snow White</i>
	<i>Gone With the Wind</i> published
	Minimum wage is set at 25¢/hour
1938	First commercial airline flight over the Atlantic
1939	First commercial television broadcast
	World War II begins as Germany invades Poland
1940's	Most chapters inactive or active "in name only" due to World War (11 active at end of war)
1940	Chapter roll hits 60
	California first freeway opens - connecting LA and Pasadena
1941	Only 9 chapters in Chapter Efficiency Contest (None 1942-46)
	Mount Rushmore completed
	Pearl Harbor bombed; U.S. enters World War II
	T-shirt is introduced
1942	Women allowed to work on NYSE trading floor for the first time
1943	Ballpoint pens are introduced
1944	United Nations founded
1945	World Bank created by 28 nations
	DuPont introduces nylon
	19 million U.S. women working are 30% of workforce
	Atomic bomb dropped on Hiroshima -- Japan and Germany surrender
	Microwave oven invented
1946	Chapter Efficiency Contest resumes with 42 chapters participating
	Bell Labs introduces the transistor
1947	Polaroid camera invented
	India and Pakistan created
	Jackie Robinson becomes the first black baseball player in the major leagues when he joins the Brooklyn Dodgers
1948	First Regional Conference held (Philadelphia)

	First consumer phone recorders
	Berlin airlift lasts 10 months
1949	Purpose amended to add "and social activity"
	Membership qualifications broadened
	IBM Corporation founded (first electronic computer -- the 701 -- released 1953)
	Fair Labor Standards Act amended, increasing minimum hourly wage to 75¢
	First Xerox copier is introduced (Haloid Company)
	NATO treaty signed
1950's	Procter & Gamble dominates consumer brands markets using new TV advertising
1950	Chapter roll consists of 78 chapters
	Diners Club debit card launched -- first national plastic card
	<i>Peanuts</i> cartoon strip first published
	Korean War begins (1952 U.S. aid starts, 1953 war ends)
	<i>Howdy Doody</i> show debuts on NBC
1951	The Remington Rand UNIVAC, early commercial computer, used by US Census Bureau (46 sold at \$1 million-plus)
	Color television introduced
1952	First credit card issued by Franklin National Bank (Franklin Square, NY)
	Car seat belts introduced
1953	Educational Foundation incorporated with Grand President Howard Johnson, Executive Director Gig Wright and Past Grand President Allen Fowler as original incorporators. The first meeting of the new foundation was held on September 6 in Denver.
	Robert G. Busse (Beta Omicron) was elected Grand President in Denver, Colorado
	Hillary and Norgay climb Everest
1954	The IBM 650 becomes first "mass-produced" computer (450 sold in one year)
	Dow Average finally surpasses pre-1929 crash peak
	Brown vs. Board of Education equal education rights case
1955	Jim Thomson (Beta) becomes Executive Director (joined staff in 1946, overall staff service- 18 years)
	McDonald's Corporation founded
	Disneyland opens in California
	Computers first used commercially
	<i>Gunslinger</i> TV series begins and <i>Heartbreak Hotel</i> is Elvis Presley's first number one hit
	Rosa Parks defies busing segregation in Montgomery, AL
1956	Central Office moved to Oxford, Ohio in the summer (building completed)
	Cornerstone laid for Central Office at 330 South Campus Avenue in Oxford, Ohio on August 24
	Highway Act begins the 45,000 mile interstate highway system
	Ginsburg & Dolby develop first practical videotape recorder
	Television remote control invented
1957	Central Office officially dedicated to Gig Wright on May 18; J. Harry Feltham, Grand President
	50th anniversary celebrated at 21st Grand Chapter Congress in New York City- Homer T. Brewer (Kappa) elected Grand President
	IBM 610 introduced commercially as first "personal computer" for \$55,000
	Soviet Union launches <i>Sputnik</i> - first satellite (1958 U.S. launches <i>Explorer</i>)
	U.S. population 170 million
1958	Third international chapter, Delta Mu (University of the Americas) in Puebla, Mexico (closed 1975)
	100th chapter -- Delta Xi (East Tennessee State) installed
	Milton Eisenhower named Deltasig of the Year
	Bank of America establishes the first national credit card
	NASA is established by President Eisenhower
1959	First Field Secretaries employed: Charles Farrar, Beta Psi (Louisiana Tech) and Donald Hill, Alpha Epsilon (Minnesota)

	22nd GCC in Cincinnati- tours available of the "new" Central Office in Oxford
	Texas Instruments invents microchip
	Fidel Castro leads Cuban Revolution
	Alaska and Hawaii become 49th and 50th states
1960	Chapter roll at 106
	First televised presidential debates
1961	Vietnam War begins
	Alan Shepard first American in space
1962	First Wal-Mart Discount City opened
	SpaceWar! first computer game invented
	Cuban missile crisis
1963	President John F. Kennedy assassinated
1964	Charles Farrar becomes Executive Director (overall staff service- 15 years, became a Field Secretary in 1959)
	Hasbro launches G.I. Joe action figure
	Beatles, Rolling Stones and other Brits "invade" America
	Congress passes Civil Rights Act
1965	First International Convention held at West End, Bahamas (25th Congress). Congress was shortened by Hurricane Betsy after M. John Marko elected Grand President.
	CEI changed from "Contest" to "Index", becoming more of a management and planning tool
	Fatal fire at Delta Lambda Chapter house at Ithaca College kills two
	Medicare signed into law by President Johnson
1966	Renowned Kentucky basketball coach (and Kansas initiate) Adolph Rupp named "Deltasig of the Year"
	Order of Golden Helmet established and first award given to Harold V. Jacobs on May 8. Next in order: Past Grand Presidents Philip Warner and Francis McGoldrick, then Gig Wright.
	<i>Star Trek</i> first airs on TV
1967	Founder Harold Valentine Jacobs visits Oxford Central Office -- only Founder to ever do so
	First elected Director of Alumni Activities is Herb Finney
	Betty Thealen honored on 50th anniversary as Beta housemother
	Muriel Siebert becomes first female member of the NYSE
	Kroger installs first retail bar code scanner (Cincinnati)
1968	150th chapter – Eta Kappa (Troy State) installed
	Martin Luther King Jr. and Robert Kennedy assassinated
1969	Number of regions increased to 13 (2006 = 29)
	Central Office addition began, nearly doubling space
	ARPANET, first general-purpose computer network, created by a Defense Department agency
	Chemical Bank installs first ATM (New York)
	First moon landing - Neil Armstrong, Buzz Aldrin
	<i>Sesame Street</i> first airs
1970	Cornerstone laid and dedication of \$100,000 "two wing" addition to Central Office on August 14; Warren Armstrong, Grand President
	Chapter roll at 162
	Intel creates microprocessor
	Joseph Searles III becomes first black member of the NYSE
	18-year-olds granted voting rights
1971	Robert E. Matthews, Eta Pi (Wayne State-Nebraska) first Undergraduate of the Year
	VCRs introduced
1972	"Title IX" adopted by U.S. Congress requiring equality for women's activities at educational institutions receiving federal funding (Social fraternities and sororities were exempt)
	Last of Founders, Harold V. Jacobs, dies July 18.
	Dow Jones Industrial Average closes above 1,000 for the first time on November 14
	President Richard Nixon visits China

	Pocket calculators first introduced
	Apollo 17 splashes down, ending manned lunar landings
	U.S. halts heavy bombing of Vietnam
1973	Field Secretary title changed to Chapter Consultant-- Michael Tillar, Alpha Theta (Cincinnati) first in role (leaves staff in 1981 as Assistant Executive Director)
	A constitutional amendment to open Delta Sigma Pi membership to women was overwhelmingly defeated at the 29th Grand Chapter Congress.
	World Trade Center officially opens in New York
	Federal Express begins operations
	Arab oil embargo
	Sears Tower built in Chicago
	18 minute gap in Nixon "Watergate" tape revealed -- Agnew and Nixon resign
	Skylab launched
	<i>Roe v. Wade</i> legalizing abortion decided by U.S. Supreme Court
1974	Ben Wolfenberger, Beta Upsilon (Texas Tech) becomes Executive Director (overall staff service- 17 years, became a Field Secretary in 1965)
	Nixon resigns over Watergate Scandal
1975	Microsoft Corporation founded (Bill Gates drops out of Harvard)
	At the 30th Congress, the Grand Chapter again failed to pass a bylaw change to open membership to women. The delegates did approve granting "emergency powers" to the Board of Directors to address issues involving legal challenges and the like utilizing those powers. Grand President William Tatum, Jr. convened a conference call on November 7, 1975 and the Board voted unanimously to open membership to women (temporarily until the next Grand Chapter Congress voted to endorse or deny the decision).
	William Tatum, Jr. (Gamma Tau) was elected Grand President in Lake of the Ozarks, Missouri
1976	Betty Thealen honored on 100th birthday -- still Beta housemother after 60 years!
	Apple Corporation founded (releases Mac in 1983)
	U.S. celebrates its Bicentennial
	First class stamp 13¢
1977	Toronto Congress joins 1965 Bahamas event as only two outside the U.S.
	Past Grand President, Robert Busse, and his daughter, Laurie Busse Rosenblatt, become first father-daughter pair at installation of Iota Mu (Georgia College & State)
	At the 31st Congress in Toronto, the action to allow women into membership was ratified and co-educational membership was final.
	3M introduces post-it notes (77 years after paper clip!)
	<i>Star Wars</i> released
	Elvis, Groucho, Bing and Charlie Chaplin die
1978	Leadership Fund was created to raise money for educational programs
1979	Theresa Jeszka Drew, Zeta Omega (Northern Arizona) first female National Collegian of the Year and member of National Board of Directors
	Connie Peitzmeier Hattery, Eta Pi (Wayne State-Nebraska) 100,000th member
	Michael Mallonee (Beta Epsilon) was elected Grand President in Atlanta, Georgia
	Cell phones invented
	Sony introduces the <i>Walkman</i>
	Three Mile Island accident
1980's	Majority of U.S. citizens now in suburbs
1980	Chapter roll consists of 187 chapters (145 active)
	Formalized awards program was developed based on CEI criteria
	Gig Wright passes away at 87 on November 18
	CNN launches first "all news" TV channel
	Japan passes U.S. as top automaker
	Chrysler bailed out by U.S. government

	Ronald Reagan elected (oldest President to assume office at 69)
	83 million watch <i>Dallas</i> to see who shot JR
	Smallpox eradicated
	Mt. St. Helens erupts
1981	Mike Mazur, Kappa (Georgia State) becomes Executive Director (overall staff service- 14 years)
	200th chapter – Kappa Omicron (Southwest Missouri State) installed
	IBM introduces its PC
	Prime rate hits 21.5% -- highest since Civil War
	AIDS virus emerges
	Sandra Day O'Connor appointed as first woman to the Supreme Court
	Pacman phenomenon
	MTV goes on air
1982	Central Office becomes computerized with IBM System 34
	75th anniversary celebrated in Cincinnati
	Betty Sheard retires after 27 years of staff support/administrative service
	Dow Jones Industrial Average at 777 -- Great Bull Market begins August 12
1983	Richard J. Parnitzke (Alpha Kappa) was elected Grand President in Denver, Colorado
	Sally Ride first female astronaut in space
1984	AT&T broken up and divested of 22 Bell System Companies in antitrust action
	CD-ROM invented
1985	John V. Henik (Theta Psi) was elected Grand President in Dallas, Texas
	Microsoft introduces Windows
1986	Space Shuttle <i>Challenger</i> explodes
	Nintendo introduced
1987	Peg Donovan retires after 29 years of staff support/administrative service
	Black Monday stock market crash -- drops 22%, worst day ever
	Dow Jones Industrial Average reaches 2,000 on January 8
1989	Fraternity extends membership beyond continental US with Lambda Psi at Hawaii-Hilo
	First female Chapter Consultant employed: Lynnette Servaes, Epsilon Phi (CSU-Sacramento)
	William R. Kinsella (Delta Sigma) was elected Grand President in St. Louis, Missouri
	Congress bails out savings and loan industry
	Mitsubishi Estate buys Rockefeller Center
	Berlin Wall falls -- Cold War proclaimed "over"
	Exxon Valdez oil spill in Alaska
1990	Chapter roll consists of 223 chapters (170 active)
	Michael Walsh, Alpha Upsilon (Miami-Ohio) leaves staff after 13 years of service, last as Assistant Executive Director
	Apartheid in South Africa ends
1991	Beverly Norris retires after 27 years of staff support/administrative service
	Euro established as common European currency
	Dow Jones Industrial Average reaches 3,000 on April 17
	Collapse of the Soviet Union
	Persian Gulf War end is announced
1992	Hypertext devised -- allowing Internet site jumping; World Wide Web developed
1993	Leadership Foundation merged with Educational Foundation
	Winford Combs retires after 26 years of staff support and custodial service
	Randy L. Hultz (Iota Nu) was elected Grand President in Anaheim, California
	Sears drops its legendary catalog
	Intel introduces first Pentium chip
1994	First chapter at "economics only" installed: Nu Rho Chapter (California- Davis)
	NAFTA signed into law by President Clinton

	Amazon.com was founded
	English Channel Tunnel - " <i>The Chunnel</i> " - opens
1995	Bill Schilling, Alpha Delta (Honorary) becomes Executive Director
	First web site released (CompuServe with one email address)
	Dow Jones Industrial Average reaches 4,000 on February 23 and closes above 5,000 for the first time on November 21
	Microsoft releases Internet Explorer -- only 3 million people have Internet access
	E-Bay was founded
	Oklahoma City bombing
	OJ Simpson found not guilty
1996	Dow Jones Industrial Average reaches 6,000 on October 14
1997	Norman Kromberg (Alpha Delta) was elected Grand President in New Orleans, Louisiana
	Dow Jones Industrial Average reaches 7,000 on February 13; 8,000 on July 16; and then plummets 554 points on October 27 triggering "circuit breaker" for the first time. Trading tops 1 billion shares 10/28.
	The F. W. Woolworth Company closes its doors after 117 years in business
	Princess Diana dies
	<i>Pathfinder</i> lands on Mars
	Dolly the sheep cloned in Scotland
	The first book in the <i>Harry Potter</i> series by J. K. Rowling is published.
1998	C. Dean Ferguson, Kappa (Georgia State) leaves staff as Director of Alumni and Educational Services after 15 years of service
	Chapter Consultant title changed to Educational and Leadership Consultant. Wendy Eilers, Epsilon Omega (Eastern Illinois) first in role.
	E-Bay launches initial public offering
	Dow Jones Industrial Average reaches 9,000 on April 6
	President Clinton impeached for perjury and obstruction of justice
1999	Dow Jones Industrial Average closes above 10,000 for the first time on March 29 and 11,000 on May 3
	The Euro becomes single currency of 11 European countries
2000	Chapter roll consists of 247 chapters (174 active)
	"Y2K" issues cost billions of dollars
	Dow Jones Industrial Average peaks at 11,722.98 on January 14. In August, NYSE starts trading stocks in decimals
	800 million web pages exist
	Final original <i>Peanuts</i> strip published
	George W. Bush narrowly defeats Al Gore in a hotly fought battle for the presidency. The race is finally settled by the U.S. Supreme Court in December.
	Kathy Jahnke, Eta Mu (Northern Illinois) elected first female Grand President at 43 rd Grand Chapter Congress in Buffalo
2001	Featured on "Jeopardy" TV game show as "largest professional business fraternity, founded 1907"
	250th chapter – Xi Tau (Syracuse) installed
	"New governance" adopted reducing Board of Directors from about 30 to 11 -- closer to its original size of 5 (president, secretary-treasurer and 3 directors); Regional Directors no longer on Board, become Regional Vice Presidents
	September 11th terrorist attacks
2002	CEI revamped and moved online as "paperless"
	Bankrupt energy trader Enron under federal investigation
	WorldCom files largest bankruptcy claim in U.S. history
2003	Ben Larson, Alpha Pi (Indiana-Bloomington) 200,000th member
	The Iraq War begins to remove dictator Saddam Hussein
	Space shuttle <i>Columbia</i> explodes over Texas
2004	Joan Howe retires from staff after 22 years of support/administrative service.

	Gay marriages legalized in Massachusetts
	Tsunami devastates Asia December 26- over 225,000 killed
2005	Chapter roll consists of 258 chapters (185 active)
	Delta Nu (Loyola- New Orleans), Eta Iota (Nicholls State), and Nu Omicron (Our Lady of Holy Cross) close temporarily due to hurricanes Katrina and Rita
	Mitchell B. Simmons (Gamma Tau) was elected Grand President in Orlando, Florida. Simmons is the first former Central Office staff member (chapter consultant) so elected.
	Hurricanes Katrina and Rita wreaks catastrophic damage on the Gulf coast killing more than 1000 and leaving millions homeless
2006	Board moves Centennial Congress to Orlando due to New Orleans Hyatt hurricane damage
	Dow Jones Industrial Average breaks 12,000 on October 19
	First class stamp 39¢
2007	Centennial Celebration at 46th Grand Chapter Congress at Hilton in the Walt Disney World Resort in Orlando, Florida
	Dale Clark (Kappa Nu- Longwood) reaches 15th year of staff service as Director of Chapter and Expansion Services
	Alpha Chapter at New York University is reactivated
	Omicron Psi Chapter at Washington State is installed as first Pacific Northwest chapter.
	A Centennial Celebration was observed at the Central Office with a Chamber of Commerce Open House and the dedication of a time capsule to be opened November 7, 2107
	Dow Jones Industrial Average breaks 13,000 on April 25 and 14,000 on July 19
	U.S. population 300 million
	First class stamp 41¢