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I was recently asked by the National President of another fraternity what I thought was unique about Phi Delta Theta in the interfraternal community and what we felt set us apart from others. As I thought about his question for a moment, an impression kept finding its way back into my thoughts—and that notion was one of ‘Leadership.’ When I shared the ‘L-word’ with him, he simply smiled and told me that this was his sense of Phi Delta Theta as well.

As Phikeia we often learn of the many ‘Phi Delt Firsts’: the first pledge pin, the first magazine, the first fraternity to expand West of the Mississippi River, etc. However, while being first is nice, it does not necessarily define leadership. Ralph Waldo Emerson wrote “Do not follow where the path may lead. Go instead where there is no path and leave a trail.” To me this sums up the mind-set of leadership that Phi Delta Theta as an organization, and Phi Delts individually, have demonstrated throughout our Fraternity’s history. We have been, are presently, and will continue to be leaders of the Greek movement.

For example, the General Council recently approved a long-range plan called ‘Phi Delt 2020’ which outlines six major strategic initiatives to accomplish by the year 2020. The overall stated vision of ‘Phi Delt 2020’ is “To be the premiere fraternal leadership development organization in North America.” Our vision is not to be one of many, our vision is to be the premiere organization in North America. For Phi Delta Theta, being the leader is what we are about. You will hear more about ‘Phi Delt 2020’ over the next decade as well as our strategic initiatives which include; Growth, Education; Chapter Support; Communication; Organizational Capacity and Funding.

This issue of The Scroll is full of stories of Phis from our Phi Delt Nation who have taken this mantle of leadership seriously. Among these is former U.S. Secretary of State James A. Baker III. His leadership on so many issues of international importance, and over such a long period of time, demonstrates his unrelenting pursuit of a better world. In another piece you will read about an Iron Phi, Brother Sam Felsenfeld, who has run 61 marathons. For those who get regular updates on Phi Delta Theta through either Facebook, our RSS feed, or The Scroll Extra, you can regularly hear of the many Phis who are: supporting the “Building the Bond” fundraising campaign; Phis who are raising funds for disaster relief both at home and abroad; Phis who are demonstrating leadership on their campuses and in the classroom, in their professions, or on the athletic field; and, Phis who are simply working to make their communities a better place to live. As is evidently clear to me, Phi Delts are simply leaders.

I hope you enjoy reading this issue of The Scroll, and I hope you take pride in belonging to a brotherhood that takes its role of leadership seriously.

Yours in the Bond,

M. Scott Mietchen (Utah ’84)
General Council President 2010–2012
California Gamma Phis reunite

Effort to restart UCLA chapter

California Gamma alumni from UCLA held a two-day reunion at the Balboa Bay Club in Newport Beach to renew friendships and memories of their days in Phi Delta Theta. The Brothers were graduates between 1948 and 1958 so they were highly pleased to have forty members and their spouses at the event. It included a welcome cocktail party, a business meeting, and a farewell banquet as well as a boat cruise around Balboa Island.

During the business meeting a group of young UCLA men aiming to restart Phi Delt’s presence on campus described their progress in obtaining a house or a lot to build a house near Fraternity Row.

Scott Mietchen, President of the General Council, gave a progress report on Phi Delt’s efforts to reopen chapters across North America emphasizing that help was needed in re-establishing a UCLA chapter. Tony Rexrode, a coordinator of the reunion, urged all the Brothers to offer their support, with both financial and recruitment help, to the UCLA men who aim to re-establish Phi Delta Theta at UCLA.

Picture displays of many of the athletes and campus leaders of the group received a tremendous reception. And, of course, true brotherhood was experienced as the reunion ended by singing “Comrades in Phi Delta Theta” and “Come Let Us Quaff a Stein.”
STATS

$168,709
amount raised by Iron Phi participants

3046
number of donations

$7640
amount raised by Tyler Kreutzer-top Iron Phi fundraiser

$55.39
average gift amount

$16,500
amount raised for Iron Phi by University of Michigan-Michigan Alpha

94
number of chapters participating
Greek Week champions Tennessee Zeta raised $5,500 for "The Greek Network" charity which will use the money to buy laptops for underprivileged incoming college students.

Recently re-founded Indiana Gamma thanks generous alumni who helped and supported the re-founding as well as a $1.9 million house renovation.

Chapter News

Belmont University
Tennessee Zeta
01 | The Brothers of Tennessee Zeta at Belmont University were recently crowned Greek Week champions for the second year in a row. Against all odds, we managed to get either first or second in every event of the week. After our fall Phikeia class earned us an early lead, we clinched our victory with a Greek Sing win and an overwhelming contribution to the week’s philanthropy. This year was Belmont’s fifth annual Greek Sing competition, and it was not only Phi Delta Theta’s first ever victory, but the first time any of the six organizations dethroned the four-year reigning champions. The theme of the week was “The Greek Network” and the week’s philanthropy was raising money to buy laptops for underprivileged incoming college students. Throughout the week over $11,000 was raised, and of that, Tennessee Zeta raised $5,500. This is a tremendous victory for Tennessee Zeta and the beginning of the bright new future for Phi Delta Theta at Belmont University.

Butler University
Indiana Gamma
02 | The men of Indiana Gamma apologize for their absence from Chapter Reports, but we are proud to say we are strong and hopeful. 73 re-founding fathers were initiated in the Spring of 2009, and that Fall they proudly entered the chapter house after a $1.9 million renovation. Indiana Gamma sends out the greatest of thanks to the alumni who helped and supported the re-founding and the renovation.

We have recently seen the hard work pay off at the 91st Annual Intercollegiate YMCA Geneva stunts, which is a sing and dance competition benefiting the Intercollegiate YMCA of Greater Indianapolis. The group that participated won the competition even when the sorority they were paired with dropped out due to prior commitments. We are proud of Brother Kyle Faulkner for his leadership in composing and directing the winning skit.

The chapter also saw the leadership abilities of Brother Matthew Budi as he went above the standards for Phikeia education. Matthew led the Phikeia and other members on a trip to General Headquarters to tour the locations that Phi Delta Theta holds dear. The trip was an all-around success and provided invaluable information to the Phikeia and the members.

We show great promise, and we are looking forward to the future as the chapter initiates more and more respectable men.

—Justin Abbott

University of British Columbia
British Columbia Alpha
03 | More than 90 alumni and 25 undergraduates from New York Zeta attended their Fifth Annual Career Seminar and Alumni Banquet on January 7, 2011, at The University Club in New York City. The theme of this year’s event was the importance of networking as a career development skill. Did you know that 4–6% of all professional positions are filled using recruiters, 10–12% are filled via corporate websites and job boards, and about 82% are filled via networking? Participants heard from a distinguished panel of New York Zeta alumni speakers including Glenn Laumeister ’82, Mark Moyer ’86, Eric Hoffman ’07 and Conrad Thiede ’90. They discussed various networking strategies and how to use alumni directories and social networking sites such as LinkedIn and Facebook to assist your own networking efforts. Moderator Jarman Russell ’06 kept the crowd entertained with Phi Delta Theta trivia questions. At the end of the evening, New York Zeta Alumni Corporation
New York Zeta’s Fifth Annual Career Seminar and Alumni Banquet held in January was the highest attended to date. Attendees learned the importance of networking in order to further their career.

Michigan Delta experienced the largest incoming Phikeia classes since 1992 for the 2010–2011 school year. They have also enjoyed a surge in alumni involvement.

President Bruce Clayton ’89 and New York Zeta Fund Chairman Michael Floyd ’94 presented a special award and proclamation to New York Zeta Brother Conrad Thiede, who is leaving his job at the Phi Delta Theta Foundation after 19 years of professional service to the Fraternity. Following the seminar, the participants had an opportunity to practice their networking skills and meet with new and old friends during a reception and buffet dinner. The annual career seminar has become a signature event for New York Zeta, and this year’s attendance was our highest ever.

Tim Mansfield, Colgate University’s Director of Alumni Affairs, said that the event “sets the gold standard for fraternity career networking at Colgate,” and he is looking to replicate this with other chapters.

Creighton University
Nebraska Gamma
This summer, five of our chapter members joined chapter adviser Michael Dorsey in a trip to the Tetons and Yellowstone for a week. We hiked and camped and thoroughly enjoyed our experience in the wild. We even got charged by a grizzly bear on the road!

DePauw University
Indiana Zeta
We had a strong start to the spring semester thanks to the hard work of Recruitment Chairs Regin Mathew ’12 and Brett Coburn ’13. We recently finished off a great recruitment with the addition of 18 new Phikeia, and a fun-filled brotherhood retreat which was led by Nick Sullivan ’12. We are very excited about the quality and diversity of our newest Phikeia class and are looking forward to the great things they will accomplish with us.

We have been preparing for our newest philanthropy event, the Phi Delt Fish Fry, and we are all working hard to make it a success.

A sad note for our chapter was the entrance of Chad Scholl into the Chapter Grand. He is the first member of Nebraska Gamma to enter the Chapter Grand. When remembering Chad’s life, Brother Joe Kohout said, “It is a rare commodity in this world to be able to love and genuinely care about each and every person you meet—Chad was that person.”

DePauw University
Indiana Zeta
Many positive things have been going on with our chapter. With the addition of our newest pledge class, more than 90 men proudly wear azure and argent on the DePauw campus. To improve operations and programming, newly elected officers spent a full week with Leadership Consultant David Wyble. His assistance helped officers solidify goals for the next year and beyond, while creating a detailed description of each officer’s role and the responsibilities of those positions. Our academic ranking jumped four spots since the fall. Our cumulative chapter GPA was 3.476, which rose .168 since the prior semester. On February 21–25 we held our philanthropy week benefiting ALS. Brothers created teams to enter a dodge ball tournament hosted by Alpha Chi Omega with proceeds benefiting victims of domestic violence.

Last fall we paired with Delta Gamma and Delta Upsilon and won the 2010 DePauw Greek Week competition. Our parents’ weekend in the fall was certainly a success with more than 14,000 raised to benefit special projects in the chapter house. We would like to thank alumni who have engaged in advisory and house corporation volunteer roles. We are also grateful to those donating to the House Corporation remodeling campaign. If you find yourself near Greencastle, please stop by the house to visit with us.

—Vincent Aguirre

University of Florida
Florida Alpha
Over the past year, we have explored different ways to improve the chapter through new activities and accomplishments. The chapter’s cumulative GPA of 3.41 ranks third overall of all fraternities at the University of Florida. In addition to excelling academically, the brotherhood has been extensively involved on campus. Brothers are currently involved in many organizations at UF, including Florida Blue Key, Student Government, Florida Leadership Academy and other campus-wide events such as Gator Growl. Another major addition is our first annual Greek Academy Awards philanthropy. In an effort to raise more money for the ALS association and extend our involvement, philanthropy chair PJ Biondolillo initiated this philanthropy. It will remake the Academy Awards show and require participants to raise money through ticket sales and other
fundraisers. We have all stepped up to make this first annual philanthropy successful and to create a new chapter tradition. This year has been an incredibly productive one for the Florida Alpha chapter, and the energy will be carried over for years to come.
—Dylan Ciarletta

Florida Atlantic University
Florida Nu
On Friday, January 14, 2011, the boys from Boca Raton were initiated as the Florida Nu chapter of Phi Delta Theta. Multiple alumni from both the Palm Beach and Fort Lauderdale alumni clubs were in attendance for this historic event. The chapter boasts the highest Fraternity GPA, top three in community service hours, and two members (Dean Hasan and Dayal Lalwani) on the Interfraternity Council.

Florida Nu also is one of the only fraternities at FAU with members on the football team. Andy Czuprynski, Brandon Hando, Tim Raber, Erik Hansen, and Phikeia Max Karrick look to inaugurate our brand new on-campus football stadium this fall. This past semester was also a first for our chapter. On March 21 and 22, our first philanthropy, Phide & Seek, took ideas from the Florida Delta and Florida Epsilon chapters to raise over $1000 for ALS. Brothers, including student body president Ayden Maher and Alpha Xi Delta’s Xi Man, Brett Wangelin, were auctioned off for the cause.
—Steven Gonzalez

Florida State University
Florida Gamma
Recently, members of our chapter along with Phikeia participated in a “Build-a-Ramp” day. During the event, a wheelchair accessible ramp was built at the house of a local handicapped child. The day was spent designing and constructing the ramp alongside local volunteer carpenters. The project was orchestrated by FSU Hands of Hope, a student organization co-founded by a member of our chapter this semester. The organization is committed to connecting students and disabled individuals in the community by providing fun and accessible community service opportunities. The organization has become a great resource for our Chapter’s community service efforts.
—Ryan Schell

Hofstra University
New York Kappa
The Brothers of the recently installed chapter at Hofstra have continued to flourish. On March 26, we initiated our first Phikeia group, the Beta class, consisting of seven gentlemen. They have an average GPA of 3.4 and have stepped right into place with the community service aspect. During the new member education process, the Beta class collected four bags of clothes that were donated to the Interfaith Nutrition Network which operates an extensive system of homeless shelters throughout Long Island. The chapter has become a great resource for our community service efforts.

Johns Hopkins University
Maryland Delta
This spring we had advisors from the Johns Hopkins Career Center visit to talk about getting a head start on internship and job searches, as well as helpful tips on finding the best internship/job fit for us. Since many companies have early deadlines, it is important to begin searching early to not miss any deadlines. Also, other companies use a rolling application process, so applying early gives a leg up on other candidates. LinkedIn is also a great resource for connecting with people. Not only can you find people you know, but also joining professional career groups is a great way to get connected with all others in that group.

Teach for America also came to present about opportunities and benefits of spending two years after graduation teaching in low income schools.

Kent State
Ohio Lambda
Since October 2009, we have won every major philanthropy on campus for an entire year! Winning events such as Songfest, Lipsync, and Homecoming, we have come to be known as “The Fraternity to beat.” This also marks the third year in a row to win Songfest, which has never been done before. Raising over $18,000 for children suffering through cancer treatment. We helped to raise over $1500 for the event. We are also raising money for Relay for Life. We have high hopes for the amount of money raised; currently we are in third place overall.
—Nicholas Morgan
California Pi has been very busy since refounding in April 2010. They have worked hard to be one of the most involved organizations on campus and in the community and are working hard to maintain the steady growth in membership.

On April 6, alumnus Dr. Shahid Aziz, on behalf of his New Jersey-based non-profit charity organization, Smile Bangladesh, rang the closing bell for the NASDAQ Market. Members from our chapter also attended the ceremony.

these philanthropies, Ohio Lambda is doing Phi Delta Theta proud.

—Matthew Malinowski

Kettering University
Michigan Delta
04 | During the 2010–2011 school year, we have experienced tremendous success in many areas. For recruitment, the chapter welcomes one of the largest incoming Phikeia classes the house has seen since 1992, with 16 bids being returned out of 20 bids extended. Recruitment was successful despite the smaller freshman class at Kettering, with only an incoming class of 100 male students. We have also enjoyed a surge in alumni involvement, mainly due to the creation of the Brotherhood Tree, a family tree that traces back every member’s Big Brother to display the lineage of the entire chapter.

—Dave Farinelli

University of Nebraska
Nebraska Alpha
05 | The men of Nebraska Alpha have been busy constantly trying to improve our chapter and our selves by taking our three cardinal principles to heart. For Friendship, our recent brotherhood retreat was a great success as we all ventured to a local camp for a little R & R, Tug of War, and the honored tradition of pass the gavel. The bi-yearly retreat was only one of many brotherhood events planned all year promoting the bonds we all share. For Sound Learning, we kicked off the inaugural year of the Clarence Rhodes scholarship given to the two incoming freshmen that best exemplify the three cardinal principles. The $750 scholarships are a great tool in promoting scholarship not only amongst incoming freshmen, but to the whole chapter as well.

For Moral Rectitude, our biggest accomplishment has been our philanthropy and our recent Phi Delta Theta Waffle Bash. Our biggest event of the semester, Waffle Bash is a city-wide waffle feed with all the profits going to ALS in the Heartland to support the fight against Lou Gehrig’s disease. This event alone raised over $3900 for ALS in the Heartland as well as raised awareness about ALS in the community. Along with raising money for ALS in the heartland, we feel it is important to give back to the Lincoln community through weekly community service. From volunteering at an afterschool-mentoring program for a local elementary school, to installing fire alarms for local residents, we give back to a community that has given so much to us.

Recently, two members received honors and awards at the annual Greek Week banquet at UNL. David Freese received a Gamma Gamma senior honors award from UNL Greek Affairs in recognition of his amazing contributions to the Greek system. David Lopez received the Delta Tau Delta Scholarship in recognition of his service and academics. Members Matt Hessel and Nick Hellbusch were inducted into the Order of Omega. Three members were elected onto ASUN Student Government. Ethan Dornbush was elected as a senator for the College of Business Administration. Dillon Jones was elected onto the Student Advisory Board for the College of Arts & Sciences. Zach Coppersmith was elected onto the Academic Fees Advisory Committee.

The members of Nebraska Alpha work hard each and every day to exemplify the three cardinal principles and to promote Phi Delta Theta the best we possibly can.

—Matt Wengert

University of Michigan
Michigan Alpha
What a year! Between the Fall and Winter pledge classes, Michigan Alpha will have 30 new members by the beginning of next year, and nearly all of them will be living in the house. A memorable social event was a candle-lit Thanksgiving feast with the ladies of Zeta Tau Alpha. Brothers and Phikeia cooked and served a four-course meal that was thoroughly enjoyed by everyone. For Philanthropy, Brothers and Phikeia participated in the first-ever Greek Community Service Day, where we did chores such as planting trees and making cookies. The chapter has a 3.254 GPA that ranks sixth on IFC, and we have raised more money than any other Iron Phi chapter. With special thanks to the alumni who are never hesitant on lending us a hand, the Michigan Alpha Brothers are doing well.

—Will Hardenbergh

Recent news
Uintah State University
Utah Alpha
05 | The Uintah State University chapter of Phi Delta Theta has continued to grow rapidly. Our chapter has received numerous awards for our involvement in campus and community. We have received the 2010-2011 Chapter of the Year award from the Interfraternity Council and the 2010-2011 Philanthropy Award from the Interfraternity Council. We have also received numerous awards from the Utah State University Student Government.

—Erik Mortensen

University of Nebraska
Nebraska Alpha
05 | We are happy to report that our chapter has continued to grow and thrive. We have received numerous awards from the Interfraternity Council and the University of Nebraska Student Government. We are proud to have been recognized as the 2010-2011 Chapter of the Year.

—Erik Mortensen

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Texas Sigma Brothers taking part in the Schreiner First Saturdays program of helping the Kerr Co.’s Habitat for Humanity.

South Dakota Alpha celebrates with their annual Founders Day banquet.

and transmission of core Fraternity values to all members. The executive board worked together and with appropriate professors to create a first ever Phi Delta Theta Arizona Gamma Mission, Vision, and Values statement. Goal setting has been helpful in focusing our efforts toward accomplishing tasks, with our goal of 1,000 hours of community service and 1,000 pounds of food donated to St. Mary’s Food Bank in Flagstaff.

We strive to better ourselves each year and the Outstanding Chapter award is only used as a benchmark for achievement. We have only built momentum on our Fraternity involvement and desire to be leaders in our NAU campus and Flagstaff communities.

—Phillip Goldenson

Northwood University
Michigan Epsilon

06 This school year we have had progressive and influential experiences both internally as a chapter and externally through our participation in school-related activities and philanthropy events.

We added eight new members now totaling 36 active chapter members and we are currently the largest fraternity on campus and have been Greek Week champions for the past four years.

Earlier this school year, we were part of numerous philanthropy events such as: Rake-a-Difference; the Salvation Army Christmas Party; St. Jude; Up till’ Dawn; and, Circle K’s mud volleyball fundraising event, just to name a few. Recently this year, members took part in the Northwood Style Show, Circle K’s wheelchair basketball fundraising event, raised money for ALS through their annual Buy-A-Phi auction, assisted at the Wine Tasting event for the H Hotel, and are currently part of Adopt-a-Highway. On a larger scale, around 50% of the chapter was involved with Northwood University’s Annual International Auto Show, and we have an even larger presence this year on the executive board.

Members are also involved in many other student-led organizations on campus. We have members in the Inter-Fraternity Council, Northwood University Media Services department, and the Northwood University lacrosse and hockey team, as well as DECA, Entrepreneur Club, Student Government Association and the Educational Success Mentoring Program.

One can bet that next year we will be pushing to be even more involved with the campus and the community of Midland.

—Alex Fredwall

Nu Province Retreat

Chapter officers from Kansas Delta, Zeta and Eta converged on Emporia, Kansas Friday, February 4–Saturday, February 5, 2011 for the Nu Province leadership workshop weekend hosted by Kansas Epsilon. The productive retreat strengthened brotherhood and created new friendships. The workshop fostered learning as brothers delved into case studies on Recruitment, Retention, and Ethics. Discussions of Ritual and Crisis Management rounded out the program.

Nu Province President Kevin Pouch and a committee of CAB chairs developed the itinerary in conjunction with guest facilitator Kerrie Herren, Mu North Province President. The Emporia Alumni Association provided volunteers to help feed the visiting Brothers and help facilitate small group case study discussions.

Because of the 150 years of Kansas statehood, a bit of history was incorporated into the Saturday program. The Brothers toured Famous Phi William Allen White’s historic site. Emporia’s pre-Civil War Masonic Lodge #12 was the site of the retreat though today the lodge is housed in a mid-century building.

Oregon Institute of Technology
Oregon Delta

School involvement is an all time high in our chapter. We currently have: the President, Vice President, Veteran/Non-Traditional Senator, and Communications Coordinator in Student Government; the Station Manager, Program Director, and Network Engineer for the school’s radio station; seven brothers working for the Geothermal Research Team, including Team Leader and Assistant Team Leader; and, six brothers on the rugby team, including the team captain.

Our community service involvement has been: the bi-annual highway cleanup of our adopted portion of Highway 97; cleaning and maintaining the school’s letters on the hill; and the main volunteer base for Klamath Falls March of Dimes. We also held a highly successful faculty appreciation dinner, with about 30 faculty/staff in attendance: the faculty dinner dramatically improved our public relations throughout the school.

—Derek McIntyre
Ontario Alpha held their 105th Founders Day banquet on February 5, 2011 at the University of Toronto’s historic Hart House Great Hall.

Tennessee Delta, along with Alpha Delta Pi sorority, raised over $9,000 for ALS in the second annual Power for the Journey 5K Run/Walk in April.

Oregon State University
Oregon Beta

We started the year off with the biggest rush class in 30 years. The new brothers secured Oregon Beta’s position as the third largest fraternity on campus. With the addition of our new brothers, we also lost to the Chapter Grand some of our really great and involved alumni: Doc Wicks and Col. Julian McFadden. Their contributions will always be remembered and their presence missed. The past term marked the third term in a row of continual GPA improvement. We look forward to continuing improvement in all areas and working to leave the Fraternity better than it was transmitted to us.

—Charlie Holdman

Robert Morris University
Pennsylvania Pi

On April 2, we celebrated our 10th anniversary at the Sheraton Station Square in Pittsburgh, Penn. Kevin Bazner, Chapter Advisory Board Member, served as the Master of Ceremonies welcoming those in attendance, including General Council Member Chris Brussallis, Leadership Consultant DeMarkco Butler, Pittsburgh Area Alumni Club President, Dan DeMarco, along with over 100 alumni, parents and guests of the chapter.

Also in attendance was Pennsylvania Pi’s Bond Number 1, Dan Best, who recognized the chapter members for the recent growth and enthusiasm towards continuing a vision that the founders of the chapter had almost eleven years ago. This was the largest attended event for our chapter.

Rutgers University
New Jersey Alpha

San Diego State University
California Pi

After being re-founded as a chapter in April of 2010, we have continued to make strides towards becoming one of the top organizations on the San Diego State campus and being well-respected in the San Diego community.

On campus, California Pi continued to be one of the most involved organizations on campus as five members of the chapter held seats on the university’s Associated Students Council representing the Colleges of Business, Engineering, Professional Studies & Fine Arts, Sciences and Residence Hall Association. The chapter also had members serve as presidents of various organizations including Asian Pacific Student Alliance, American Sign Language Club, Residence Hall Association, and SDSU Student Ambassadors with many others holding officer positions in other organizations.

In the community, the chapter strived to find ways to be of service by holding a fundraiser to help the family of a fallen San Diego police officer in addition to helping out at many other community service events throughout San Diego. Our largest event of the year came in the form of our philanthropy event which was approved by the Panhellenic Association in the fall and put on in the spring. The week-long event, called “Phi Delt’s Good Ol’ Fashioned Showdown” consisted of fundraisers, community service work, and competition events between sororities and raised over $3,000 which was donated to the ALS Association of San Diego.

The chapter received many accolades throughout the year including having two members nominated to the school’s Homecoming court, one of whom won the honor of Homecoming King. The chapter also placed first in the talent show competition and was the overall winner of Greek Week.

We initiated 14 new members as part of the Lambda class in the fall of 2010, the first since being re-founded, with 13 more expected by next fall. We will also be moving into a house over the summer with the hopes that we can utilize it in a way to continue our growth and maintain our position as one of the most respected and connected organizations on the San Diego State campus.

—Edward Stephenson

Schreiner University
Texas Sigma

This semester has been one of accomplishment marked with initiations, inductions, and the launching of new projects. We are proud to have initiated the Pi PhiKia class, the second largest class since our founding in 2003, with 11 new members. This also marks a centennial in the chapter with its 100th active member. These events are the product of two recent changes in the chapter. First, the chapter shifted its community service approach from singular large-scale community service events, to regularly scheduled community service programming. The most successful program
is Schreiner First Saturdays, where Schreiner Students are invited by the chapter to go out the first Saturday of each month to help at Habitat for Humanity Kerr County. The chapter also is seeing the results of raising its career GPA standard by .05 every academic year since 2007. This has resulted in the inductions of seven Brothers into the Schreiner Honors Program, three into Alpha Lambda Delta Freshman Honor Society, one into Kappa Mu Epsilon Math Honor Society, and one into Order of Omega Greek Honor Society, this semester alone. Now with 28 active members, clearly established as the largest fraternity on campus, Texas Sigma has only one place to go, up.

—William Keaton

University of South Dakota
South Dakota Alpha

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—Andrew J. Finzen

Tennessee Technological University
Tennessee Delta

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—Andrew J. Finzen

University of Toronto
Ontario Alpha

12 | Our chapter recently held our 105th Founders Day Banquet at University of Toronto’s historic Hart House Great Hall on February 5th, 2011, and a grand time was had by all. The house was full, including the new Province President, Phil Cantrill from Halifax; DeMarko Butler, Phi Delt Consultant from Illinois and GHQ; Allan Paul, former Province President; Grant Loree, Chair of the Canadian Scholarship Foundation; Chapter President, Aık Palikuqui; twelve honored Palladium, Gold and Silver Legionnaire Brothers; and Brothers making trips from afar, including Trinidad, Florida, Virginia, Boston, Montreal, British Columbia and Nova Scotia.

Twelve Legionnaires were honored, including: Brother Dr. Allan Long, receiving the Palladian award; Brother Murray Pollitt, receiving the Golden Legion. The following Brothers all received their Silver Legions: Brothers Peter Angelou, Ian Cockburn, Gord Faber, Bob Fleet, Jony Harris, Richard Leblanc, Ken Mayhew, Craig Morgan, Steve Saarimaki and Ray Westcott.

Brother Grant Loree presented Scholarships to Brother Volda Toma of Ontario Alpha and the J. Fred Green Award to Brother Eric Fleming from Nova Scotia Alpha (Dalhousie U.).

The Chapter Grand honored four Phi Delts: Brother Ambrose Denne, Brother Glenn MacFarlane, Brother Bruce McCraw, and Brother Gordon C. Lee.

The highlight of the evening was a standing ovation honoring Brother Allan Paul for twelve years of dedicated service as Province President. The Brothers presented Allan with an Inuit soapstone-carved Canadian black bear, representing leadership.

Next year’s Founders Day will occur on February 4, 2012, and the Toronto alumni club invites all Phis to attend.

University of Utah
Utah Alpha

It has now been one year since we re-gained our charter here on the University of Utah campus, and it has been a great year thus far. In November we initiated our first pledge class in over five years, of ten men. Cody Cantrell, Andy Tominaga, Kenny Butler, Dan Dowsett, Will Paarmann, Vince Giordano, Marcell Mesquita, Mike Langell, Zephyr Glass, and Ben Haynes are the newest members of our Utah Alpha chapter. We are also looking forward to initiating our spring Phikeia class later this April.

Phi Delta Theta brought home the intramural flag football championship this semester with the help of Andy Tominaga and Kenny Butler. This is the first of many intramural championships to come for the Utah Alpha chapter. This year we also had our first annual Iron Phi 5K here at the Maryland Gamma raised over $6,800 in their annual Crabfest fundraiser, the majority of the proceeds going to ALS.
University of Utah. We raised nearly $3,000 for the ALS Association and look forward to continuing this successful event annually.
—Kevin Butler

Washington College
Maryland Gamma

| The Maryland Gamma brothers, now numbered at 27, have had a very active year in Chestertown. In the Fall, our annual Crabfeast fundraiser brought in $6835, the majority of which went to ALS. The spring semester brought more fundraising success for the brothers as we combined with the Alpha Omicron Pi sorority for the “Ballin’ for a Cause” four vs. four basketball tournament, raising money for both Relay for Life and arthritis research.

Academically, Marshall Cahall was inducted into Phi Beta Kappa. Two brothers were also welcomed into the Douglas Cator Society of Junior Fellows, Washington College’s flagship academic enrichment program.

In the world of sports, many Maryland Gamma Phis are seeing success as members of the college’s rowing team. Two brothers in particular, Mitch Witherow and Lawrence Baker, rowed to a silver medal this spring at the Murphy Cup regatta in Philadelphia.

We are looking forward to our first inaugural Family Phi Day, where we will enjoy the company of all the Brothers, families, and alumni in spring 2011. After a successful year on the Washington College campus, we are actively searching for more opportunities to serve the college and the community.

—Ryan Bankert

Washburn University
Kansas Beta

On April 29, we celebrated the completion of the renovations of our historic house. Approximately 120 alumni made monetary donations with major support coming from Ron Richey (dec.) ’49 and Bob Taggart, ’51. The project took nearly five years and $2 million. Jerry Farle, president of Washburn said “This project is an investment in not only the Phi Delta chapter at Washburn University, but the entire Greek community, which enhances the quality of student life on our campus.”

Wichita State University
Kansas Delta

Starting off on a high note in January, we have continued to do well all semester. We initiated our largest Phikeia class since 1993 of 25 outstanding young gentlemen, and our cumulative GPA of 3.55 brought the chapter’s GPA up to 3.558 for the Fall 2010 semester, up from 3.305 a year before.

Five of the chapter’s outstanding members were initiated into the Order of Omega Greek honor society, making Phi Delta Theta the most represented fraternity in the group. The chapter voted in the spring of 2010 to increase and toughen up the GPA standards for new recruits, and the 3.0 minimum for incoming freshmen and 2.75 minimum for college students is certainly paying off as the chapter continues to build itself around the values of friendship, sound learning, and moral rectitude.

—Paul Knightly

Want to give back to Phi Delta Theta? Why not help a local chapter by becoming a Chapter Advisory Board chairman or member? The chapters below need your help. Please contact Jacob Kingdon (jkingdon@phideltatheta.org) if you are interested.

**CAB Chairmen needed:**
- Florida Zeta-Jacksonville University
- Illinois Eta-University of Illinois
- Maryland Beta-McDaniel College
- Massachusetts Epsilon-Northeastern University
- Pennsylvania Omicron-Shippensburg College
- Texas Rho-Texas A&M-Corpus Christi
- Wisconsin Gamma-Ripon College

**CAB Members needed:**
- Connecticut Alpha-Central Connecticut State University
- Florida Gamma-Florida State University
- Illinois Alpha-Northwestern University
- Indiana Beta-Wabash College
- Kentucky Theta-Eastern Kentucky University
- Maryland Gamma-Washington College
- Massachusetts Gamma-Massachusetts Institute of Technology
- Michigan Epsilon-Northwood University
- Missouri Alpha-University of Missouri
- New Hampshire Beta-Southern New Hampshire University
- New York Eta-Rochester Institute of Technology
- North Carolina Alpha-Duke University
- North Carolina Beta-University of North Carolina
- North Carolina Gamma-Davidson College
- North Dakota Alpha-University of North Dakota
- Ohio Zeta-Ohio State University
- Ohio Eta-Case Western Reserve University
- Ohio Iota-Denison University
- Ohio Kappa-Bowling Green State University
- Oregon Alpha-University of Oregon
- Oregon Beta-Oregon State University
- Oregon Delta-Oregon Institute of Technology
- Pennsylvania Delta-Allegheny College
- Pennsylvania Epsilon-Dickinson College
- South Dakota Alpha-University of South Dakota
- Tennessee Epsilon-University of Tennessee-Chattanooga
- Texas Sigma-Schreiner University
- Utah Alpha-University of Utah
- Virginia Gamma-Randolph-Macon College
- Virginia Zeta-Washington and Lee University
- Virginia Eta-Virginia Poly. Institute and State University
- Wisconsin Epsilon-St. Norbert College
Club News

Central Florida Alumni Club
Contact: Greg Rhodes, gregrhodes@email.com
01 | On January 3rd, the Alumni Club of Central Florida kicked off 2011 when Russell Troutman, a Winter Park attorney and former President of the Florida Bar, was our guest speaker for the day. Russell discussed his experiences of being able to interview various prominent people for television in his position with the Friends of the Orlando Library. He had occasion to interview Dean Rusk, Secretary of State under Presidents Kennedy and Johnson, and to ask questions of national importance concerning the Cuban Bay of Pigs invasion and the Cuban missile crisis.

In a second interview with Dean Rusk, they talked of the many circumstances surrounding our actions in the Vietnam War in the ’70s. He also exchanged several quips with Bob Hope on a subsequent interview. Many thanks to Russell Troutman for sharing his experiences with the club.

The Alumni Club of Central Florida meets on the first Tuesday of each month (Sept.–May). Information about the club can be found at www.CentralFloridaPhi.com.

Fort Worth Alumni Club
Contact: Warren York, wtyork@charter.net
02 | We had a good turnout at our March 31 Founders Day and were pleased to recognize 15 legionnaires: two silver legion members, eight golden legionnaires, three 55-year members and two 60-year members. Pictured are Jim Deaver, Ohio University ’60, Jim Shelton, Texas Christian ’50, Steve Watts, Texas Christian ’50, and Ken Fulkerson, Texas Christian ’55.

Houston Alumni Club
Contact: Chris Job, Chris.Job@ShamrockVenturesInc.com
03 | We celebrated Founders Day on Saturday, April 16. The Brothers enjoyed socializing and dinner, highlighted by the Founders Ceremony and the presentation of eight Gold, two Silver and one Palladian award. W.L. Gray also presented Chris Job with a plaque designating him as “President for Life” of the Houston Alumni Club. Check the Club Facebook page for activities for fall 2011 and spring 2012.

New York City Alumni Club
Contact: Chris Gunderson, gundersonchris@yahoo.com
04 | During the New York City Founders Day Event on March 11, New York City, we presented to the Fraternity a brick from old Yankees Stadium Monument Park with a special nameplate that pays tribute to Brother Lou Gehrig. Gehrig, who played in 2,130 straight games and hit 493 home runs, was the first player in Major League Baseball to have his number retired. Monument Park, a shrine to Yankee immortals, displayed Gehrig’s number Four for decades. The brick will be displayed in the museum in the Paul E. Martin Fraternity Headquarters, alongside other items that honor Gehrig and his namesake award and its past winners.

We were honored to have Astronaut Jon McBride, West Virginia ’64, as one our guest speakers, along with General Council President Scott Mietchen, Utah ’84.

The Club will hold its Golf Classic this fall.

St. Louis Alumni Club
Contact: Matt Rathel, mra@raitheoshow.com
05 | On March 1, the St. Louis Alumni Club hosted a sold-out penthouse suite at Scottrade
Center to watch the St. Louis Blues hockey team battle the Calgary Flames. Thirty Phi Delts, family and friends attended the event as well as two undergraduates of the local chapter at St. Louis University. Special thanks to Missouri Alpha Phi’s Ed Travis, and John Hammond for sponsoring the two undergraduates.

The club also welcomes our new Events Manager Jake Menz, Missouri State ‘06. Jake joins the club committee to help manage and promote new activities throughout the year including Founders Day, Summer Luncheons, and our annual Fall Baseball Event at Busch Stadium.

Valley of the Sun Alumni Club
Don Thompson, butler66@cox.net

On March 13th, the Valley of the Sun Alumni Club held its annual Founders Day banquet at the Mesa Country Club. This year we held an auction to raise money for the ALS Society of Arizona. We auctioned off sports memorabilia including an autographed baseball card by Brother Ron Cey and an autographed Arizona Cardinal football provided by Brother Michael Bidwill, president of the Cardinals. Brother Rex Bradley, Iowa State, served as our auctioneer. Tara Hansen of the ALS Society accepted a check for $357.50 in our initial fund raising attempt. Chris Brunk, University of Arizona, was the big winner in the 50/50 raffle for the second consecutive year. Brother Joe Coughlin, (NAU), handled the role of emcee for the evening. Next year’s Founders Day is already scheduled for March 18, 2012.

During their Founders Day Event, the New York City Alumni Club presented the Fraternity with a brick paying tribute to Brother Lou Gehrig.

The St. Louis Alumni Club hosted an event to watch the St. Louis Blues hockey team play the Calgary Flames. Holding the flag are Chapter President Arthur Kheyfets and Alumni Secretary Ben Albers.

Events of Interest

1. New York Alpha Homecoming
   When: September 17, 2011
   Contact: Roy Cunningham, r cunningham@lippes.com

2. Pittsburgh Alumni Club Golf Outing
   When: September 24, 2011
   Contact: Mike Tylka, mjtylka@gmail.com

3. Indiana Lambda 25th Anniversary
   When: October 22, 2011
   Contact: DeWayne Esson, iefolut@yahoo.com

4. Nevada Alpha 40th Anniversary
   When: April 21, 2012
   Contact: Rick Schultz, schultzrick@att.net

For more information on an alumni club near you, please view the following link: http://www.phideltatheta.org/alumniclubs_us.asp. If you are aware of an event not posted above, please contact Sean Wagner, swagner@phideltatheta.org, with this information.

Club Meetings

To find out more information about our alumni clubs and see the regularly scheduled meetings, go to Phi Delta Theta.org/Alumni Clubs/Regularly Scheduled Meetings
Allegheny
New president of the NHL Buffalo Sabres is Ted Black, ’87. He will oversee all aspects of the day-to-day operations with specific focus on making the Sabres the premier destination for NHL players. Previously he served as senior vice president and general manager of FSN Pittsburgh, a regional sports television network. And before that he was vice president of the Pittsburgh Penguins.

Ball State
Michael Fancher, ’09, recently graduated from the Explosive Ordnance Disposal School. All four services of the military attend this school at Eglin Air Force Base and the school is run by the Navy.

California-Davis
Jon Jessen, ’56, and his wife Caroline, were named the Yuma Sun 2010 Citizens of the Year for giving unselfishly of their time and resources to benefit the education of the young people in the community. In addition they are great supporters of local artists and are involved in the community in many ways.

California-Irvine
HomeAid Orange County has appointed Tom Doyle, ’86, to their board. HomeAid Orange County is part of a national non-profit organization with the mission to build and maintain dignified housing where homeless families and individuals can rebuild their lives. Doyle is founder and principal of Whittlesey Doyle, a full-service land brokerage and advisory firm based in Irvine, California.

Clemson
President of Pellissippi Community College Allen Edwards, ’71, has announced his retirement after serving in that office for 18 years. He has served for 40 years in community colleges. He was president of Lexington (Ky.) Community College for seven years and is a former Fulbright exchange scholar. He has brought worldwide recognition to Pellissippi State through his participation in national and international organizations. He has served on the board of the American Association of Community Colleges, a leading proponent and the national voice for community colleges, and he is co-founder and president of the International Association of Colleges.

Thomas Hash, ’69, has presented an Endowed Chair in Sustainable Development to Clemson University. He retired from Bechtel in 1996 and now sits on the board of directors of the Clemson Foundation and remains active assisting the South Carolina Gamma chapter.

Colorado State
Bert Miller, ’69, played golf with House Speaker John Boehner last August.

Dalhousie University
Rob Evong, ’11, has received funding from The Atlantic Filmmakers Cooperative’s Film 5 Program to produce Deep End, a short film about a young man learning to be accountable for the consequences of a personal decision, as it affects another. Evong recognizes the parallels between the film messages and the values of Phi Delt. Film 5 takes a big-picture view to developing the future of Nova Scotia’s film industry by providing classroom and hands-on training for writers, directors, producers and technical crews.

Florida State
Trevor Kincaid, ’05, has been hired as Communications Director for Sen. Claire McCaskill (D-Mo.). He was the lead spokesperson for Sen. Michael Bennet’s (D-Colo.) successful 2010 campaign, and he previously served as Communications Director for both Rep. Jan Schakowsky (D-Ill.) and former Rep. Nick Lampson (D-Texas).

Gettysburg
During the summers of 2009 and 2010, Josh Scheinblum, ’11, served as an intern in CBS News’ Investigative Unit working with Laura Strickler doing research on reports of untested rape kits at police departments and crime labs. The story became Rape in America: Justice Denied which recently received an Emmy for Outstanding Investigative Journalism in a Regularly Scheduled Newscast.
Idaho

Thomas Anderson, '58, has been selected as part of the inaugural group of the Academy of Engineers at the University of Idaho with the ceremony that occurred on April 29, 2011. He was recognized for his personal contributions to engineering achievement, leadership, engineering education and service to the profession and society. His technical specialty is earthquake engineering and structural dynamics, and he has published extensively in these fields.

Iowa State

On Veterans Day each year Iowa State recognizes a service man from each war. This year Russell Vifquain, Jr. (dec), '40, was honored for his WW II service. He was a navigator on a B-29 Superfortress who died in May 1945 in the South Pacific when his crippled plane went down after a bombing raid to Japan. His sister, Elaine Vifquain Bath of Ames, was able to attend the ceremony.

Kentucky

BB&T has hired Laurence Hulbert, '72, as the Wealth Management regional portfolio manager serving the Naples market. He brings 31 years of investment experience to his new role, including 17 years as a senior portfolio manager in Florida. He is a five-time winner of the “Gulfshore Life Five Star Best Wealth Manager” award.

Maryland

Alumni classes of 1951–1969 held a four-day reunion in New Orleans in January. They visited the World War II Museum where they had dinner and attended the “40s” style floor show.

University of North Carolina

Retired as CEO from Starvin’ Marvin in 1985 and from Right Stuff Food Stores in 2009, Robert Eaves, ’58, has a new career as First Gentleman of North Carolina. His wife is the state’s first female governor, Bev Perdue. He is involved in a number of initiatives including: Celebrate North Carolina, focusing on the people, culture and rich resources of the state; and Students@Work, partnering with the North Carolina Business Committee for Education which challenges business owners to participate in job-shadowing events for middle school students.

North Dakota

As of January 4, 2011, Kurt Zellers, ’92, is the new speaker of the Minnesota House of Representatives. He represents the northwest section of the Twin Cities metro area. Last session he was the minority leader.

Northwood

Greg Desmarais, ’85, was recently recognized as Restaurateur of the Year for the State of New Mexico. He owns Hurricane’s Café in Albuquerque. They are known for the Disaster Burrito which is a huge burrito, filled with meat and beans, smothered in chile and topped by curley fries.

Rutgers

After learning of Dr. Shadid Aziz’s, ’92, work with the New Jersey-based non-profit charity organization, Smile Bangladesh, Christian Bonitago, ’96, invited him to ring the closing bell for the NASDAQ market on April 6 to generate more awareness. Smile Bangladesh’s mission is to provide medical and surgical care to indigent children and adults with facial cleft deformities in Bangladesh and around the world. Undergraduate members of New Jersey Alpha also attended the event and presented David Wicks, the NSADAQ vice president, an authentic Rutgers football helmet, signed by all the attendees, for having hosted the event for the charity.

Saint Louis University

Tyler Bender, ’06, has been promoted to vice-president, commercial lending at Midwest Regional Bank of Festus, Mo. In his four years with the bank, he has developed a $60 million commercial loan portfolio that has brought strength and growth to the area.

Sewanee

In the new book Raising Cain: The Life and Politics of Senator Harry P. Cain, C. Mark Smith, friend of Senator Harry Cain (dec.), ’29, writes about Cain’s outspokenness during the McCarthy era in the 50s over the conflict between individual freedom and internal security and how his warnings
are as appropriate today as they were then. In Cain’s own words, “we can be safe and free…at the same time, but it is possible to become so safe that nobody can be free.”

South Dakota
Fritz Behring, ’88, has been selected as the new Pinal County, Ariz. county manager, with the challenge of improving operations and services in a county that spent much of the last decade as one of the nation’s fastest-growing areas. Previously he was the manager of northeast Florida’s Clay County, where he was tasked with cleaning up after numerous ethical lapses of some county officials. He is described as a manager who develops high-performance, cost-effective government organizations.

Southeast Missouri State
Jeff Davis, ’94, was selected by the American Council of Young Political Leaders as a delegate to China for a 15-day political exchange program. He joined nine other young political and policy leaders to study China’s political system, engage in dialogue on international issues, and forge professional relationships and friendships.

Southwestern
05 | Phis from the 60s met in Fayette County, Texas for their annual May reunion. They are standing by monuments erected by the State of Texas in 1936 marking the site of Rutersville College, the first institution of higher learning in Texas and the original root for Southwestern University.

Stephen F. Austin
Tommy Moore, ’65, served as an instant replay official at this year’s Super Bowl in Dallas. He was an official in the NFL for 12 years before moving to the replay booth where he has been the last seven years.

Stephen F. Austin
The airport in Sinton, Texas has been named for Alfred C. “Bubba” Thomas (dec.), ’64. After retiring, he owned his own plane and was always “on call” to transport a donated organ out of or into the Corpus Christi hospital. In January 2002, after delivering an organ, he crashed his plane while landing back at the Sinton airport and was killed.

Texas Christian
06 | Newsman Bob Schieffer, ’59, enjoying life at the Rose Bowl where TCU beat Ohio State.

Texas Tech
Mark Fewin, ’82, has been promoted at the Richard Ellis Group, Inc., to executive managing director and global leader of project services, a company-wide position. He has been head of the company’s Dallas office and assumed his new duties in January. He was previously an officer with Trammel Crow Company, which was bought by CB Richard Ellis in 2006.

The 1st Battalion, 23rd Marine Regiment “Lone Star Battalion,” a Reserve Marine Corps Infantry Battalion based out of Texas, has been deployed to Afghanistan for a year. Of the 900 reservists, three are Phis: CDR Ray Santos, Texas Tech ’83 (Battalion Surgeon), Major James Fredrick Korth, TCU ’66 (Bravo Company Commander), and 2nd Lt Matthew McVey, Northern Arizona ’08 (Platoon Commander of 1st Platoon Bravo Company).

07 | From Kooler Ice, Stephen Fisher, ’74, received the Outstanding Sales Achievement by a Dealer award for 2010. Kooler Ice is the leading manufacturer of ice and water vending machines; Fisher’s business, Anytime Ice and Water of Texas, is headquartered in New Braunfels, Texas.

Vanderbilt
On April 26, 2011, at the 37th Annual Phi Beta Kappa Scholarship Awards Dinner in Houston, Jeff Love, Vanderbilt ’71, was honored by receiving the Outstanding Contribution to Education Award. He is chairman of the Houston office of Locke Lord Bissell & Liddell LLP and is a Fraternity volunteer who serves as a Foundation Trustee. Seventy-seven graduating high school seniors also received $4,000 scholarship awards for their future studies. Each spring outstanding students from the public districts and independent schools of the greater Houston area receive awards funded by generous Houston businesses, the philanthropic community, and our members. Past recipients of this award include President George Bush and former Secretary of State James Baker, Texas ’57.
Wabash
THE WABASH, a quarterly magazine of Wabash College, recently published Wabash to the Rescue, an article by Richard Rose, ’54, about an adventure in Costa Rica with chapter brother Jim Adams, ’54. Rose is First Vice President Investments of a major investment firm and freelance writer/author. His forthcoming novel The Lazarus Experiment is being published by Savant Books & Publications. The article can be read at http://www.wabash.edu/news/displayStory_print.cfm?news_ID=8204.

We want to hear from you!
Let other brothers know what you are up to. Write us a line or send us a picture. Electronic submissions should be sent to scroll@phideltatheta.org. Digital photos should be at least 300 dpi in resolution or on a digital camera’s highest-quality setting. Hard copies can be sent to GHQ, attn: The Scroll Editor, 2 South Campus Avenue, Oxford, OH 45056. Letters may be edited for clarity, content or length. Photos may be edited for reproduction quality.

Phi Bookshelf

Centre
During and after World War I, there was no more famous college football team than Centre. In The Wonder Team: The Story of the Centre College Praying Colonels and Their Rise to the Top of the Football World 1917–1924, Robert Robertson, ’63, chronicles their rise to fame. The “Praying Colonels” played all over the country and beat the major powers of the day, despite having only 200 students enrolled in school. They produced three first-team All Americans and played in three of the first post-season bowl venues ever held.

Clemson University
In his third book to be added to our library, The Solution Centric Organization, Keith Eades, ’76, shares how industries need to define themselves by the problems they solve rather than the products they sell. We need to shift the focus from products to solutions. All aspects of marketing need to be aligned into this framework, and he provides starting points for taking action and benchmarks for measuring performance.

Illinois
In Eternity Can Wait, Dr. Thomas Nolan, Jr. ’59, encourages us about positive ways to spend our expanded life span—essentially bonus days beyond what we have traditionally learned as our longevity. We have potentially 10,000 more days in our life than previous generations, and he has suggestions and words of caution to help make these new days the best of our life.

Oregon State
A recent addition to the Banta Library is So You Want to be a CEO…The Path from Middle Management to the Top Job, by Thomas Faught, ’51. He brings his personal experience to the table having been recognized among “The Nation’s Outstanding CEOs,” as president and CEO of a major, NYSE-listed manufacturing, engineering and construction corporation. He served as Assistant Secretary of the Navy during President Reagan’s Administration, has acted as strategic advisor to global corporations, government agencies, and military organizations, and is currently an Adjunct Professor for Business Strategy at Carnegie Mellon. The purposed of the book is to assist in planning and executing a career path that advances to senior executive leadership.

South Carolina
Just released is The Trust, the first novel of Sean Keefer, ’88. Mystery and murder are involved in the settling of an estate by a Charleston, S.C. lawyer. Keefer himself is a practicing attorney in Charleston. He was a leadership consultant in the early nineties and the city of Oxford also plays a part in the book.

Washington and Lee
In Our Greatest Threats: Live Longer, Live Better, William Manger, MD, PhD, ’44, presents vital and compelling information on the importance of a healthy lifestyle, including guidelines and solid tips for living longer, better and safer lives. He is the founder and chairman, National Hypertension Association and Clinical Professor of Medicine, NYU Medical Center.
Phi Delt Weekend at the Hall of Fame
April 20–21, 2012
The Rededication of the Lou Gehrig Memorial Award at the Baseball Hall of Fame in Cooperstown, New York.

Since 1955, Phi Delta Theta has been the only fraternity to give an “officially” sanctioned Major League Baseball award to ballplayers. Since the award’s inception, the name of each recipient has been placed on the permanent Gehrig Award plaque, located at the Baseball Hall of Fame and Museum in Cooperstown, New York.

Thanks to the support of many generous Phis, the Fraternity will be endowing a fund that preserves the award, refurbishing Gehrig and Gehrig Award Winner Memorabilia and rededicating the award in the “Halls of Cooperstown” the weekend of April 20–21, 2012. Please save this date on your calendar. The weekend’s festivities include the dedication, a special Phi Delt BBQ, an Iron Phi 5K, and much, much more. All family and guests are welcome to attend.

Please visit www.lougehrigaward.org for details.
Fall/Winter Sports

BY JAY LANGHAMMER, SPORTS EDITOR

Football

Kicker Craig McIntosh was the number two scorer for the Kentucky BBA Compass Bowl squad with 67 points, booting 11 field goals (including a 50-yarder) and 34 extra points. He also had 24 kickoffs for a 63.2 average. Kicker Robert Randolph of Virginia was on the Lou Groza Award watch list and kicked 10 field goals. He also ran for a 20 yard touchdown on a fake field goal try versus Duke. Offensive guard Kelly Turner of the 7-7 SMU team had 13 starts and played in the Armed Forces Bowl. Kansas co-captain Sal Capra had 11 starts at offensive guard and one start at center. He was KU Offensive Player of the Week against Southern Mississippi. Fullback Preston Lyons saw action for the Georgia Tech Independence Bowl squad and quarterback Bradon Hanson was a member of the 8-5 North Carolina Music City Bowl team.

Pennsylvania won the Ivy League title with a 9-1 record behind the efforts of three Phi Delts. All-Ivy second team defensive back Matt Hamscher led with 4.5 sacks, ranked fourth with 45 tackles and ran back seven kickoffs for a 28.0 average. Named Defensive MVP was linebacker Erik Rask, who led with 65 stops and defensive back Jon Saelinger led with three interceptions. Tim Raber was the deep snapper for Florida Atlantic and teammate Eric Hansen saw action at offensive guard. Nose guard Ross Teare of Butler was fifth with 43 tackles and joined by end Ross Cofer (22 tackles) and tackle Larry Thomas (19 stops). Linebacker Nick Vicini played every game for 6-5 Eastern Kentucky and made 17 tackles. Despite being named Atlantic Coast Conference Coach of the Year and leading 9-4 Maryland to a Military Bowl win, Ralph Friedgen, Maryland ’70, had the final year of his contract bought out by the school.

Forty-seven Phis were on the Davidson squad last fall. All-Pioneer Football League second teamer Kenny Mantuo ran for 576 yards to run his career total to 1,936 yards, fourth in team history. All-PFL second team receiver Lanny Funsten had 47 receptions for 686 yards, six touchdowns and had help from Mark Hanbury (31 catches for 252 yards) and Michael Blanchard (29 for 266 yards, three scores). Starting on the offensive line were Colin Wint, Joe Newlon and Marshall Ellis.

Earning All-PFL second team honors for Davidson were linebacker John Behm (69 tackles), back Peter Kidwell (68 stops) and lineman Morgan Popham (42 tackles, 10 for losses). Linebacker Daniel Astrop, who made 62 tackles, gained All-PFL mention. Other defensive standouts were linebacker Patrick Moynaham (top tackler with 70), back Peter Anderson (50 stops), linebacker Patrick Hunt (24 tackles), lineman Lewis McAllister (19 tackles) and lineman Torry Treu (12 tackles). Andrew Wohler had 53 punts for a 36.4 average while Chazzo Hablison and Robert Schick shared kickoff duties.

Helping the 7-3 Washington-St. Louis cause were 28 Phis, led by back Brandon Brown, The University Athletic Association Defensive Player of the Year with 40 tackles, two pickoffs and 24 punt returns for a 9.4 average. The UAA Co-Special Teams Player of the Year, Austin Morman, ranked 11th in NCAA Division III with a 40.8 average. He also had 38 kickoffs for a 59.1 average and caught 18 passes for 241 yards. All-UAA first team linebacker Kyle Larkin was second with 66 tackles and linebacker Kyle Huber (66 stops) was an All-UAA second teamer. Other defenders were linebacker Chris LaBarge (22 tackles), lineman Landon Polakof (17 stops), linebacker Corey Terman (16 tackles), lineman Nick Diehl (13 stops), and back Marcus Shelby (13 tackles).

Winning honors for the Washington-St. Louis offense were All-UAA first team tight end Phil Stoecker (10 catches for 100 yards), All-UAA second team receiver Tom Gulyas (leader with 31 catches for 347 yards), All-UAA second team guard Matt Hasmonek, All-UAA honorable mention tackle David Mackey and All-UAA honorable mention kicker Eric Chalifour (top scorer with 30 points, including 10 FGs). Other contributors were tackle Jake Lewis, receiver Easton Knott (11 receptions for 145 yards), receiver Brennan Fox (11 catches for 126 yards) and back Daniel Grimm.

Twenty-four Phis led Randolph-Macon to a 7-3 record and four were All-Old Dominion Athletic Conference first teamers: linebacker
Jeremy Bowry, leader with 55 tackles, lineman Jaryd Grimsley (37 tackles), offensive tackle Morgan Cross and punter Ben Keyser (30 for a 42.8 average). Austin Faulkner won All-ODAC mention at quarterback after hitting 115 of 165 for 1,434 yards and 17 touchdowns. Kicker John Storm was second with 74 points on seven field goals (three versus Frostburg State) and 53 extra points. Other standouts included defensive back Chris Testa (13 stops) and tackle Jacob Adams (37 tackles), who was elected 2011 co-captain, recording 55 tackles. Defensive tackle Ryan Gails had 35 stops and an 80-yard return for a score. Other defenders were linemen Nick Hobbs (25 tackles), end Bryan Hodge (19 catches for 308 yards) and tight end John Martino (17 receptions for 243 yards).

Puget Sound's offensive line was led by All-NWC second team guard Myles McDonald, center Casey Larson, who won All-NWC mention, running back Ryan Rogers for 488 yards, five TDs and caught 15 passes for 169 yards. Among the top receivers were Myles McDonald (23 catches for 308 yards), Ryan Rogers (20 receptions for 254 yards), Lukas Diesing (19 catches for 332 yards) and John Martino (17 receptions for 243 yards).

Twenty-six players led 8–2 squad, with linebacker Chase Phillips (10 punt returns for a 10.0 average, nine receptions) and lineman Chris Testa.

The 6–4 Centre team featured 39 Phis, led by All-Southern Collegiate Athletic Conference first team offensive tackle Ben Hume. Receiving All-SCAC second team honors were running back Jonathan Pinque (480 rushing yards, 12 TDs), tight end John Coomer, tackle Jason Blatt and center Dane Specker. Other standouts on offense were Rob Pope, third with 24 catches for 288 yards, five TDs; receiver Michael Del Prince (13 receptions for 150 yards), starting guard Billy Douglas and tight end Brian Saulino.

Leading Centre's defense were All-SCAC honorable mention linebacker Kent Simpson (61 tackles, team's Most Improved Player), All-SCAC honorable mention linebacker Will Geisen (61 stops) and All-SCAC honorable mention back Paul Downs (37 tackles). Safety Ryan Gallas led with 68 tackles and other defenders included linebacker Bryan Hodge (37 tackles), linebacker Nick Hobbs (25 tackles), end Grant Sharp (15 stops) and tackle James Bozarth. Puget Sound co-captain/linebacker Taylor Firman, who led 22 Phis, was an ESPN/CoSida Academic All-American, won All-Northwest Conference second team honors, picked off three passes and was third with 61 stops. All-NWC honorable mention back Cory Dunn led with five interceptions, made 39 tackles and ran back eight kickoffs for a 20.0 average. End Casey Coberly also won All-NWC mention and was elected co-captain for 2011. He had 39 tackles, including team highs of 12.5 for losses and five sacks. Linebacker Tyler Vlasak made 41 tackles and linebacker Justin Erickson had 35 stops and an 80-yard return for a score. Other defenders were linemen Chris Subia and Nick Vercella.

Puget Sound's offensive line was led by All-NWC second team guard Chris Duenas, center John Broskovich, who was elected 2011 co-captain, and tackles Ryan Anderson and Rick Day. Running back Casey Larson, who won All-NWC mention, rushed for 488 yards, five TDs and caught 15 passes for 169 yards. Among the top receivers were Myles McDonald (23 catches for 308 yards), Ryan Rogers (20 receptions for 254 yards), Lukas Diesing (19 catches for 332 yards) and John Martino (17 receptions for 243 yards).

Twenty-six players led 8–2 Case Western Reserve. Defensive tackle Dale English (64 tackles, nine sacks) was on the All-UAA first team, the Division III All-Ohio first team and the All-North Region second team. Offensive guard Tony Opperman was on the All-UAA second team and All-North second team. Other DIII All-Ohio picks were first team center Mike Allen and second team linebacker Jacob Adams, who led with 91 tackles. Other defenders were All-UAA second team ends Rich Doolin (36 tackles, 7.5 sacks) and Adam Watson (42 stops, eight sacks); linebacker Wade Self (34 tackles), linebacker Ryan Ferguson (11 stops) and lineman Collin Desins (10 tackles). Offensive line regulars were Jake Abbott, Andrew Berkebile and Cullen Dolan.

The Washington & Jefferson 8–2 squad had 15 Phi Delt players, led by All- Presidents' Athletic Conference first team offensive tackle Gary Flavion. Other offensive line starters were Justin Cole and John Tokarski. Standouts on defense were back Jimmy Thompson (19 tackles) and lineman Alex Patterson (15 stops). The 7–3 Ripon team’s 14 players were led by All-Midwest Conference second team lineman Nick Parulski and running back Matt Schmalzer, who carried 71 times for 442 yards, five TDs. Teammate Max Herrmann rushed 30 times for 212 yards behind the blocking of Ryan Gails. Good Ripon defenders were back Matt Bull, lineman Andy Krueger and linebacker Nick Weiss.

Seventeen Phis were on the 7–3 Hanover squad, with linebacker Andy Dalton as the top star. He led with 116 tackles, had a 48 yard interception return for a TD and was on the All-Heartland Collegiate Athletic Conference second team. Other good defenders were back Jason Chisholm (44 stops), lineman Neal Ploeger (37 tackles), linebacker Cord Dorsey (52 tackles), linebacker Matt Steward (16 stops) and linebacker Brian Robertson. Running back Jeremy Cook was the leader in kickoff returns (21 for a 21.7 average), second in rushing (479 yards) and second in receiving (21 for 203 yards) and All-HCAC honorable mention receiver Shawn Gibson had 13 catches for 170 yards.
Earning All-ODAC second team honors was quarterback Charlie Westfal of Washington & Lee, who threw for 818 yards, 11 scores and rushed for 233 yards, seven TDs. Co-captain/backs John Kavanagh made 43 tackles, ran back nine kickoffs for an 11.1 average and gained All-ODAC mention. Other W&L defenders were linebacker Taylor Malone (39 stops), back David Sternlight (31 tackles) and lineman William Patton (20 tackles). Receiver Walter Davis had 10 catches for 148 yards.

Quarterbacks Ricky Martz and Jordan Kaufman led a large group of Phiis on the Dickinson team. Martz completed 89 of 156 for 1,107 yards, nine scores while running for 230 yards. Tri-captain Tim Smith, who won All-Centennial Conference mention, ran for 523 yards and caught 34 balls for 308 yards. Mike Shimkin caught 17 passes for 122 yards, returned 18 kickoffs for a 16.7 average and ran back 21 punts for a 10.1 average. Receiver Cam Di Felice caught 14 passes for 215 yards and Andrew Hubley was a solid lineman. Tri-captain Kevin Wood led with 87 tackles while back Scott Sullivan had 84 stops and three pickoffs. Other defenders were tri-captain/back Pat McNeal (45 stops), linebacker Jack Connolly (67 tackles), back Andrew Fink (58 stops) plus linemen Adam Farrell (25 tackles) and Andrew Downs (20 tackles).

Kicker Tyler Padgett of Central Methodist was named to the ESPN/CoSida College Division Academic All-American second team and was an NAIA Scholar-Athlete for the second straight year, thanks to his 4.0 GPA. He scored 35 points on five field goals and 20 extra points. Teammate John Lehman caught 21 passes for 195 yards. Linemen Zach Brock and Nick Ramsey started on defense for the 8–2 Wabash squad and offensive lineman Sean Wooding started every contest for the 9–2 DePauw Division III playoff team. Defensive back Ryan Baranek of LaVerne had 33 tackles and wide receiver Nick Bender of McDaniel caught 11 passes for 98 yards.

In the National Football League’s 2010 season, three Phi Delts were on the active roster. New England Patriots wide receiver Wes Welker, Texas Tech ‘05, played in 15 games after rebounding from a serious leg injury in 2009. Last fall, he had 86 receptions for 848 yards and seven scores. His career marks are now 528 catches for 5,657 yards and 23 scores. Offensive guard Jacob Bell, Miami ‘04, started every 2010 game for the St. Louis Rams in his seventh NFL season. Quarterback J.T. O’Sullivan, Cal-Davis ’02, divided his ninth NFL year between the Oakland Raiders and San Diego Chargers but never got into a game.

On the soccer field, Forward Zachary Kabelac of the 10–3–2 MIT squad was named to the All-NEWMAC first team after leading his team in goals (eight) and points (17). Teammate Chris Hammond saw action in 15 contests. Seeing action for Washington & Lee were three Phi players. Goalie Alex Lambert started seven games, made 25 saves, had a 1.34 goals against average and posted three shutouts. Also playing for W&L were midfielder Kit Burgin (seven starts) and Huntley Johnson (nine games). Playing for the Wabash squad were Andre Hall (14 starts), Pat West (eight starts) and Robert Danforth.

Cross country runner Kevin Martin of Franklin won the Heartland Collegiate Athletic Conference meet with an 8K time of 25:48. He was named HCAC Most Valuable Runner and placed 19th (23:33) in the DIII Great Lakes Regional. Teammate John Hojnacki earned All-HCAC honors with an eighth place finish (26:34) and other Franklin HCAC runners were Jay Druba (16th at 27:06), Daniel Morris and Zach Stevenson. At the Centennial Conference meet, Jim Myers of Gettysburg ran a time of 27:44 and teammate Dan McDougal was clocked at 28:32. Other runners last fall were Michael Barker of Whitman, Adam Toomey of Washington & Jefferson, Joe Dilenschneider of Chicago and the Central Methodist trio of Curtis Bedor, Brennan Denney and Daniel Jacobs.

In his seventh season at Akron, head coach Keith Dambrot, Akron ’81, took his 23–13 team to the second round of the NCAA Division I playoffs. Since taking the Akron job, he has fashioned a 162–75 record. Maryland head coach Gary Williams, Maryland ’69, finished with a 19–14 mark, reaching at least 19 wins in a season for the 15th consecutive year. In September, he was inducted into the Baltimore Sports Hall of Fame and in...
May 2011, he announced his retirement after coaching for 22 years at Maryland.

Three Phis played well for 16–13 Ohio Wesleyan. Center Marshall Morris won All-Ohio Athletic Conference second team honors after leading the team in rebounds (187, 6.9 per game) being co-leader with 18 blocked shots and ranking third in scoring with 295 points (10.9). Forward Greg White was fourth with 258 points (8.8), grabbed 106 rebounds (3.9) and tied for second with 28 assists. Center Andrew Martin had 12 starts for OWU. Guard Ryan Rogers of Puget Sound led with 35 three-pointers, scored 143 points (6.8) and had 29 assists.

Co-captain Alex Toth of 13–12 Washington-St. Louis ranked second with 123 rebounds (4.9), was third with 26 steals and scored 184 points (7.4). Guard Nick Caputo of Southwestern was on the SCAC All-Sportsmanship Team and the All-SCAC second team. He led in minutes (855) and three-point goals (71); was second in scoring with 386 points (15.4); grabbed 101 rebounds (4.0) and had 40 assists. Teammate Scott Ryan played in 16 contests. Point guard John Leggett of 13–13 LaVerne led with 77 assists and 29 steals while scoring 142 points (5.3). Regulars for 14–13 Washington & Lee were guard Jon Guest, who scored 205 points (7.6) and had 28 steals, and guard Jason Cimino with 124 points (4.8) and 67 assists.

Swimmer Cole Biederharm of MIT earned All-American honors at the NCAA Division III meet with an eighth place finish on the 800 freestyle relay. He also was 16th in the 1650 freestyle event. Five swimmers helped Gettysburg win the Centennial Conference title. Roger Nawrocki placed third in the 200 breaststroke and fourth in the 200 IM. Pat McDevitt was fourth in the 400 IM and eighth in the 100 backstroke and 1650 freestyle. Donald Bennett had a sixth place finish in the 200 breaststroke and was ninth in the 100 backstroke. Tri-captain Paul Besancon was on the ninth place 200 freestyle relay and tri-captain Stephen Stopenski was 12th in the 400 IM. Nick Santoro of Chicago was on the UAA’s third place 400 freestyle relay and teammate Robert Vanneste was on the third place 400 medley relay. Competing in multiple events for Allegheny were Andrew Bean, Timothy O’Brien and Brandon Staley.

In wrestling, Taylor Potts of Washington & Jefferson had a 21–15 record at 285 lbs and competed in the Division III Midwest Regional. Owen Duffy saw action at 285 lbs for Maryland and Garrett Payne of Wabash had a 23–12 record at 141 lbs.
Innovative Pairing Between Two Great Partners

Chrome by Azzaro
Fragrance and Phi Delta Theta Join Forces

Phi Delta Theta is proud of their partnership with Chrome by Azzaro, a top men’s fragrance brand.

Chrome by Azzaro serves as sponsor to Phi Delta Theta and is the official fragrance of the Fraternity in 2011. As a sponsor, Chrome provides valued funding supporting the Fraternity’s programs and events that service the underlying cardinal principles of the Phi Delta Theta fraternity: friendship, sound learning, and moral rectitude. In addition, Fraternity members have the opportunity to experience the Chrome fragrance through substantial sampling programs during the year.

Chrome, whose brand premise focuses on role models, heritage and shared experiences, aligns perfectly to the values of brotherhood and the cultivation of friendship in the Phi Delta Theta college fraternity.

The very word “fraternity” underscores the concept of Chrome by Azzaro in that it was inspired by a modern day relationship between generations of men. Undoubtedly, today’s college man will appreciate the classic, yet modern scent of Chrome. It instills a sense of calm, cool moments, a time of reflection. Chrome delivers an impeccable blending of sparkling citrus notes with green accords and intense woods; while its azure color is reminiscent of the sea and sky, in addition to being one of the Phi Delta Theta fraternity colors.

A partnership between Phi Delta Theta and a fragrance like Chrome whose essence is based on reflections of men, role models and solidarity is a natural pairing. With camaraderie and generational relationships at the helm of both of these exceptional partners, the path is paved for a mutually successful initiative.
How do you want to be remembered?” I asked Brother James Ballard (Bond #385) and Colorado Gamma Chapter Alumni (’59), as we settled into the well-worn yet sumptuous leather chairs at the downtown Denver Athletic Club earlier this fall.

Despite being at one of his favorite haunts, the question clearly made him uncomfortable so I rephrased it, “What do you want your legacy to be?” His discomfort remained, which seemed odd. Surely someone who had been the cornerstone of our chapter for the better part of three decades had thought about his role in this piece of history. I decided to try a different tact and I asked Jim what he thought made a good Phi. With the focus diverted from him personally, his discomfort subsided and a smile drew across his face as his entire six-foot-three-inch frame exploded into a discussion about Phi Delt. As he spoke, it became clear that Phi Delta Theta was perhaps Jim’s favorite topic and that he was a true embodiment of what makes our fraternity so great—he did what ought to be done. Still, for someone who has given so much, his benchmark for a good Brother is surprisingly simple. In Jim’s words, “a good Phi knows his Brothers and treats them properly.” Based on that definition, I can think of no better way to honor our friend and brother, Jim Ballard, than by telling his story so we may all know a man that has deeply influenced the state of our Fraternity and our lives.

Jim is a natural storyteller and he has honed his skills over a distinguished career in sales. I learned about our Fraternity, life in general, and I laughed for hours as Jim told me stories of his role as a mentor, bill
collector, confidant, taskmaster, stalwart, jester, visionary, savior, mascot, figurehead, and that’s not even half of it. Anyone involved with Phi Delt at CSU in the last three decades has at least one classic Jim Ballard story. Once, while serving as member the housing corporation, Jim jumped in his car and followed an active who owed dues for more than fifty miles in order to collect. My favorite tale involved Jim’s threat to “litigate” a dispute on the daytime TV program Judge Judy. Another involves Jim and his pledge brother, Paul Harper (Bond #368) (’59), “supervising” the installation of a new patio-deck at the house. This may not sound like much but the then sixty-something’s definition of “supervision” seemed a lot more like, “get out of my way and watch me work.” Those who know Jim are reading this with smiles thinking of his blustery personality, his prized Rolls Royce, the trinkets he occasionally brings to alumni events, and his habit of calling actives uncomfortably early on weekends to discuss business.

Jim’s Morrison-esque outlook on life has served him well. His wife of forty-eight years, Kitsie, acknowledges his unwavering sense of commitment when I ask her how Phi Delt has affected her. She also commented on how much she enjoys trips to GHQ, conventions, and the many vacations she and Jim have taken to visit his Brothers. It is not surprising that Jim was a successful businessman. He started at 3M selling abrasives door-to-door but approached the position with humble tenacity. As Brother Harper put it, “Jim was always a salesman: Phi Delt just taught him how to do it.” Thirty-five years later, he retired after a very successful career beloved by coworkers and customers alike.

While his outlook on life has served Jim well, it has served others too. Jim learned about service in the Fraternity and after graduation he joined the Army and served with distinction. He is also a member of the Shriners and while he has never ridden a camel, he has worn a funny hat and made many good friends. He proudly shows me a ring, given to him by a friend, which signifies that he has passed the thirty-second degree, which to those who don’t know, is no small feat. However, his smile beams the brightest when he talks about how he and his fellow Shriners have worked towards providing free hospital care to children in need.

Finally, Jim’s take on life benefited the Brothers of Phi Delta Theta. Most notably, there is a sizable scholarship bearing his name. Beyond that, he petitioned GHQ for many other scholarships the chapter currently enjoys. Jim was part of a group that led Colorado Gamma’s recolonization. Former Chapter Adviser, Scott Griffin (Bond Number 547, ’72) said, “Jim was like a mad dog in a meat shop” when it came to his passion for the survival of the Chapter. Displaying this passion along with commitment, Jim served as chapter adviser and was named Chapter Adviser of the Year in 1997 by GHQ. He then served as president of the housing corporation and spearheaded the projects and remodels that won two GHQ awards in 2002. Despite his mad dog approach, Scott noted how compassionate Jim was in these roles saying, “he treated the actives like they were his own children.”

Earlier this year, Jim was diagnosed with Alzheimer’s disease. He fought to be included in an experimental study that utilizes the most aggressive and innovative treatment available today. Though his wife describes the treatment as arduous and painful, Jim is approaching this with the same commitment and tenacity. For the most part, his life remains the same. He still visits and speaks to Phis of all ages on a regular basis and plans to travel to GHQ around Christmas time. He still makes it to lunch with Brother Harper at least once a week. He does grumble that the state suspended his driving privileges, but he cruises around in a Rolls Royce, so that is more than understandable.

At Colorado Gamma, Jim Ballard’s imprint is everywhere. You do not have to look hard to see it in the Chapter’s new roof, the bricks in the walk way, and the walls of the house, but it does not come through any clearer than in the Chapter’s soul. Jim has built a strong legacy that will continue for years to come as new members experience a Phi Delta Theta that would not exist as we know it without him. Thus, I believe that I speak for all our Brothers—actives, alumni, and those to come in the future—when I say, “thank you Jim!”

Wylie Nelson, Colorado State ’04, shared this interview with longtime Colorado Gamma Chapter Adviser Jim Ballard.
Raise $1,000 through the Iron Phi Program
By Jacob Vincent, Northern Arizona ’12, Iron Phi #55

When I first decided that I wanted to become an Iron Phi, the $1,000 fundraising requirement seemed daunting. When I actually started my fundraising efforts, I was amazed to learn how easy it was to reach the $1,000 mark as the consistent stream of generous gifts from family and friends quickly accumulated. Below are a few pieces of advice for your Iron Phi fundraising efforts. You’ll reach the $1,000 mark in no time.

1. Use the Iron Phi system: Register at www.ironphi.org, tell your story on your fundraising page, and use the tool to blast out Iron Phi-branded emails to your contacts. Do not forget to send a follow up email to those who do not respond initially.

2. Identify your most supportive family and friends and call them. I guarantee that they will donate.

3. Get social: Share the link to your fundraising page on Facebook and Twitter. Each time I did this, a few more dollars were donated.

4. Write Letters: Some people do not have email, check it infrequently or still prefer written correspondence. Write a letter and send it to potential donors who you think may fit into this category.

5. Get Creative: Create a video, give away stuff for donations, challenge somebody to become an Iron Phi with you and have fun.

By Jacob Vincent, Northern Arizona ’12, Iron Phi #55
Fraternity News:
The Mitchell Fund

The Mitchell Fund trustees manage the fund used to support The Scroll and other Fraternity communications. They recently met in Chicago and gathered for this photo.

Front Row—Left to Right: Mack Trapp, Knox ’56; Bob Miller, New Mexico ’50; Art Simon (chairman), Vanderbilt ’76
Second Row: George Trapp, Denison ’87; Don Heatherly, Depauw ’87; Steve Ethington, Northwestern ’71; Rick Held, South Dakota ’69; Bob Biggs, Georgia Southern ’76
Not pictured: Albert Miller, Colorado State ’69; Joseph Alfrevic, Northwestern ’79; Kurt Zoller, Allegheny ’82
Phi Delt Big Dance

While the University of Connecticut won the NCAA Men’s College Basketball Championship, the men of Pennsylvania Mu at Widener University were the big winners in the 2011 Phi Delt Big Dance. The Phi Delt Big Dance was an opportunity for recent supporters of the Phi Delta Theta Foundation’s Annual Fund to participate in a Fraternity-wide bracket competition against each other and Famous Phis like Trey Wingo, Hugh Durham, Gary Bender, Mike Mathis, and Tom Farrey.

Pennsylvania Mu’s Chapter Advisory Board Chairman, Michael D’Agostino, was crowned champion after the Huskies victory over Pennsylvania Delta’s Recruitment Chairman Kyle Adams who was in first place until the final game.

Brother D’Agostino, a 2000 graduate of Widener University, is a former Leadership Consultant and is currently an attorney in Chester, Pa. When asked about his strategy in making selections, D’Agostino reported the following. “I was excited about the tournament this year because, in my opinion, there was not a clear-cut dominant team. When I sat down to do my selections, I had UConn as the Champion. As far as the remainder of my picks, being from Philly, I tend to always root for the underdog. With that in mind, I didn’t want to pick a “chalk” bracket. In my opinion, winning a NCAA bracket pool is a combination of not being blinded by a personal favorite team(s) and a whole lot of luck!”

D’Agostino was also very excited about the opportunity to participate in a Fraternity-wide competition while supporting the Phi Delta Theta Foundation, “I thought it was a great idea to combine the most exciting sports tournament and raising funds for the Phi Delta Theta Foundation Annual Fund. The kicker was being able to help out my chapter send Brothers to important educational programming.”

D’Agostino’s score, along with the seven other Pennsylvania Mu Phis participating in the competition, gave the men of Pennsylvania Mu the crown as Chapter Champions. For this support of the Phi Delta Theta Foundation, an additional undergraduate member of the Pennsylvania Mu Chapter will get to attend the Fraternity’s premiere event, Emerging Leaders Institute, this summer.

As far as our Famous Phis, their scores ranged all across the board. Our top finisher was ESPN’s Trey Wingo who finished 12th while Hugh Durham finished 61st although he did correctly pick his former team, the Florida State Seminoles, to make it to the Sweet 16! The entire field was rounded out by GHQ’s own Renée Crist whose unconventional wisdom that had her select George Mason in 2006, put her in last place in our inaugural Big Dance.

All supporters of the Phi Delta Theta Foundation’s Annual Fund and the Phi Delt Big Dance received a special thank you letter from President of the Foundation Bob Biggs and a print of Famous Phi Gary Williams.

If you did not have a chance to participate in this year’s Big Dance, keep an eye out in early 2012 to make a contribution to the Fraternity’s Annual Fund and to reign supreme as the Phi Delt Big Dance Champ!

Welcome to: Boston!

Running into history

With all the talk of running in this issue, we thought it might be time to explore Boston, home of the Massachusetts Gamma (MIT) and a new colony Northeastern University-MA Epsilon. The sites of the original Tea Party is steeped in history—take a walk along the Freedom Trail, visit Faneuil Hall or explore more recent history at Fenway Park.

Boston’s also home to many great restaurants and the Boston Beer Company, brewer of Sam Adams. Restaurant week in Boston is coming up in August!

For more information about Boston visit cityofboston.gov. Want us to profile your favorite Phi town? Email scroll@phideltatheta.org.
Statesman & Phi
The President’s man

Phi James A. Baker III shares memories of a career in politics
By Rob Pasquinucci

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hen James A. Baker walked into the Texas Beta chapter house, he was not like other members of his pledge class. He already had an undergraduate degree (he was in law school when he joined), had served two years in the Marine Corps, was married and had a small child at home.

“The actives took extra care with me, I think,” Baker said. “I had a really interesting trajectory to become a Phi. I went to Princeton University, so my undergraduate experience was devoid of any fraternities or sororities. My father suggested I join Phi Delt. He told me it will put you in good stead to practice law in Texas. He was right and I always have been proud of the fact I am a Phi.”

Baker’s father also told him about the Five P’s: Prior Preparation Prevents Poor Performance,” Baker said. He still recites the advice today.

One piece of familial advice Baker did not take was his grandfather’s admonition to “stay out of politics”—he spent most of his career serving four different presidents in a variety of roles. He recently shared some stories from being in the inner circle of Ronald Reagan and George H.W. Bush in his book.

Reluctant politician

As he approached his 40th birthday Baker was content practicing law and raising his family; politics was not even on his radar screen.

“The most that could be said of me politically was that I voted…in some elections anyway,” Baker writes in his memoir (facetiously drawing its title from his grandfather’s advice), Work Hard, Study and Keep out of Politics!” But the untimely death of his first wife left Baker looking for something to take his mind off his grief when a friend suggested he help support him on an upcoming bid for Congress. That friend was George H.W. Bush, who went on to serve as the 41st president; so began Baker’s political career.

“And pretty soon, I found myself in Washington,” Baker added. He was known throughout his career as someone who worked behind the scenes to support political leaders, or “catching javelins” for them, as Baker puts it in his book.

If Brother Baker were to visit your chapter house, he would encourage Phis to explore politics and hone their leadership skills, while keeping in mind the spirit of rectitude, of which all Phis should strive.

“You just have to roll up your sleeves and get your hands dirty,” Baker said. “Politics is the art of the possible, but you must be willing to compromise.”

Displaying the wisdom gained from years in Washington, Baker will not comment on which president was the best to work for, but does share inside stories from being in the inner circle of Ronald Reagan and George H.W. Bush in his book.

His book also details his role in resolving the stalemate in Florida following the 2000 presidential election. Baker got a phone call within a day of the election to go to Florida and represent the Bush-Cheney campaign during the recount process.

More recently, Baker served on the Iraq Study Group and still keeps a full schedule. “I do not intend to retire,” he quips. “I think when you retire your brain tends to shrivel.”

Making the right choice

A career in politics often means being confronted with weighty decisions that can change the course of history. Baker is no exception. But he cultivated a reputation for behaving in an ethical way throughout his years in Washington, even garnering praise from political adversaries like Bob Strauss, President Carter’s campaign manager.

Baker said he worked from a value checklist while making decisions—based on his personal experiences.

“There really are not many easy choices in life, whether you are a politician or a plumber,” Baker said. “I recall Nelson Mandela once said I’m not a saint. I’m a sinner. I’m trying to do my best just like the rest of you.”

Baker hopes Phis will continue to use the Fraternity experience to help cultivate their sense of rectitude, and is encouraged that Fraternity leaders are making this a priority in the organization’s educational programming, which will be supported by the Building on the Bond campaign.

“I think that it’s really appropriate and it’s really very good,” Baker said. “I had a checklist of values to use in the course of my decision making; I think the earlier you can do that, the better.”

“The world will never be comprised of 100 percent ethical people,” Baker adds. “But, being honest is the right thing to do and the best way to get out of trouble.”

Work hard, study and…

Unlike his grandfather, Baker does not discourage young Phis from getting involved in politics.

“We live in the best country in the world. What I tell young people all the time—do not discount the possibility of studying policy and politics,” Baker said. “You can put something back into the system.”

He also encourages Phis to use their undergraduate years as a chance to grow their leadership skills. “Leadership is not the private residence of extraordinary individuals,” Baker said.

Good leaders, according to Baker, surround themselves with the best people and then delegate while expecting performance. “And when you get it, show appreciation.”

Decades after walking into the Texas chapter house, Baker does not regret the time spent as a Phi.

“Phi Delt helped me learn the virtues of friendship, and the principles of Brotherhood that made me stronger. It built a sense of togetherness and loyalty.”
The Biennial Convention offers a unique opportunity for Phis of all ages from many parts of the world to meet in the true spirit of the Bond.

Since 1880, the General Convention has held all supreme and legislative powers of the Fraternity. The Convention has three main responsibilities and powers. They include:

1. Electing the General Council
2. Consideration of judicial matters
3. Enacting laws for the regulation of the Fraternity, since only the General Convention may amend the Ritual, Constitution, and General Statutes of the Fraternity
4. Celebration of awards presented to chapters, individual alumni and scholarship recipients

Convention is a memorable and rewarding experience for all that attend. If, during your stay, you do nothing more than discover the advantages of an international association, your time will have been well spent.

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One Man Is No Man
History of the Coat of Arms
The history of the ΦΔΘ coat-of-arms

By George A. Long III, Indiana ’66

It is important to remember that the evolution from literary societies to social fraternities was previously uncharted territory before December 26, 1848. Every idea pertaining to the “Society,” as the Fraternity was referred to then, sprang from the minds of intelligent, imaginative young men dedicated to the preservation, advancement and promotion of Phi Delta Theta.

Each member of the Fraternity had their own ideas which they shared with one another during their studies, dining, walks and debates until the various suggestions of the group became assimilated into a generally accepted mental image of what the coat-of-arms should look like.

The design of the “first” coat-of-arms was the product of a group of young men from Indiana University, Wabash College, and Miami University. Several had been soldiers of the recently-concluded War Between the States and some elements of the design were a result of the lingering military sentiment which was dominant throughout the country. J. F. Gookins, Indiana Beta, created the artwork for the engraver of a copper plate for the program at the installation of Illinois Beta at the University of Chicago on January 11 and 12, 1866.

The blazon, or formal description, of this design reads: “The design was composed of the shield, charged with the eye and scroll, the latter bearing the letter ΦΔΘ; also, a sword attached to the shield by a chain, a larger scroll rolled so as to conceal both ends, a parchment bearing on one end ΦΔΘ and on the other Κια, a helmet with closed visor, two styli, a laurel wreath and a double headed serpent.” At the Convention of 1871 in Indianapolis, this blazon of the “Seal of the Order” was officially adopted, 16 years after its design.

During the next several years, each chapter operated on their own in a nearly autonomous manner and designed similar “arms” which reflected their own schools. It seemed to become a competition between different chapters to out-do other chapters by way of these designs. There was not the centralized control by the “National Grand Chapter” that began to develop near the turn of the century. An example of one of these designs appeared in the Cornellian in 1874, where they added 1848 beneath the helmet and the ΦΔΘ monogram behind the sword and shield.

This competition was fed by the college annuals who wanted images of the fraternities that were no longer sub rosa on their campuses. As a result there were many different designs which built off of one another. These designs were very detailed with equally detailed blazons to describe them.

Meanwhile, at the meeting of the General Council of 1888, a committee was appointed to have a plate engraved for the purpose of issuing duplicate charters to a growing number of new chapters. That plate was created by Louis Dreka, a Philadelphia stationer. It consisted of a separate plate of the “arms” and another more elaborate plate which included the arms with the name of the Fraternity on a streamer above.

At the Convention of 1889, the Fraternity decided not to elect any official stationers and chose a course which they felt would end the competition among chapters and result in a single image that would reflect recognized symbols in which the sword and shield would bind together for the use of all good Phis.

The Constitution of 1898 contained the blazon of a new coat-of-arms which reads:

• **Escutcheon:** azure, on a bend argent, between six mullets of the second, a sword or point downward.
• **Helmet:** affrontee, visor closed of the third, mantling of the first and second.
• **Crest:** a dexter arm embowed vambraced of the third, hand carnation hurling a javelin of the third.
• **Motto:** Εις ανηρ ουδεις ανηρ

The arms described by this blazon were the result of painstaking consultation with heraldic authorities, and they conformed to the fixed requirements of heraldry. The new design was simple and avoided the over-crowded appearance of the designs created by the various chapters. The ΦΔΘ character of the emblems is obvious to all, while to the initiated, the armorial bearing symbolizes the cardinal principles of the Fraternity.

The two Fraternity colors are displayed, the fine horizontal lines denoting azure. The two chief emblems of ΦΔΘ are the two most prominent emblems of the arms, the sword being “charged:” a heraldic term meaning an item placed upon the shield, or rather a bend argent, which divides the azure field of the escutcheon. This charge is most appropriate as the original badge was in the form of a shield, the sword being added later. The escutcheon is of a conventional heraldic shape, instead of the badge form of shield, and the eye of the scroll bearing “ΦΔΘ” are omitted from the new design. Instead of two javelins there is but one which is in the crest.

The features of the new arms which were not in the old arms are the six stars, the open motto, the mantling (the backdrop behind the shield, often depicted as a fabric or foliage), the wreath (twist of ribbons which the crest rests on) and the mailed arm which hurls the javelin.

This coat-of-arms was copyrighted by the Fraternity in early 1899 and based upon a preliminary engraving by R. B. Lockwood of New York and prior to acceptance and approval by the Fraternity, impressions were made from Lockwood’s plate and made the frontispiece of The Scroll, February 1899. However, the engraving was not satisfactory. The shading was not perfect, and the accent of the last word in the motto was not correct. The Lockwood did not follow directions in regard to the upper part of the visor, and without authority placed a small crescent on the front of the helmet.
Consequently, The Convention of 1902 ordered that the coat-of-arms should be engraved by some well known engraver, that the plate made by him should be the standard plate, and that chapters might have reproductions of the design made in conformity with the standard plate. The General Council decided upon the Dreka Company of Philadelphia to do the work. This company finished the plate in August 1903 and impressions from it made the frontispiece of The Scroll, October, 1903. (The frontispiece of W. B. Palmer’s The History of Phi Delta Theta was also printed from this plate.) The plate was also made larger than the one made by Lockwood.

W. B. Palmer proposed, and it was accepted by the Convention of 1900, that when the coat-of-arms was depicted in colors, the bend should be in silver, the field above and below blue, the stars silver, the sword, helmet, mail on the arm and the javelin gold, the hand flesh color, the mantling silver and blue and the motto of black letters on a white scroll.

Those decisions by the Conventions and General Council should have ended the plethora of different images of the coat-of-arms. However, the unacceptable design by R. B. Lockwood was made available to the publishers of the various college annuals and continued to be used. Now, when we fast forward a hundred or so years later, each individual college or university is responsible for whatever image they use in the yearbooks.

It is noteworthy that the desire within the active membership to display the images of the Fraternity never diminished. Sometime during the 1920s, someone created a hand-drawn image of the Lockwood engraving and from that came the coat-of-arms that we have seen for the last 70–80 years. It has been the standard for decals, anything screen printed, mugs and steins, imprints on chapter composites...anything and everything where you could put the image, it was there. It was there in a hundred different colors, or shades of blue and white. It was even done in red and gold by some screen printers, it was stretched and distorted, sometimes printed with the bend and sword going from right to left instead of left to right. It also usually the same size...about three inches tall, and when it was larger, it was distorted or fuzzy. There was no standard image that represented the dignity and beauty of the Fraternity other than the black and white engraving of Louis Dreka and accepted by the Conventions in 1900 and 1903.

All marks of the Fraternity are protected by copyright through the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, and there are penalties for unauthorized use. Keep in mind the rich history of our fraternity symbols the next time you pull on that favorite t-shirt or sweatshirt!

Later this year the Fraternity will be introducing a new brand and style guide that will include this new historically accurate Coat of Arms, a new tagline and emblem, and color guidelines. This will then be utilized in a new recruitment campaign for undergraduate chapters and in a Phi Delt Store.
The Best of ΦΔΘ

We all know we have a great fraternity experience—from our chapter houses, to our volunteers, to our sweet house mom, to the greasy hangouts we hit late at night. We wanted to hear what are your favorite parts of Phi Delta Theta, and we heard lots of responses. We've collected them here in an admittedly unscientific survey of some of the best things in Phi Delta Theta! We will publish more of the best-of in the next issue of The Scroll.
**Best Mascot at a Phi Delt Campus**

**Zippy**

We heard from many Phis supporting their mascots, and have several universities where the mascot was (or is) portrayed by a Phi—Ashland University (Ohio Mu) and Akron (Ohio Epsilon), which helped those two mascots garner many votes.

“ Akron’s mascot is Zippy the kangaroo. Zippy was named after the Acme Zipper company in the early 20th century,” writes John Barnett, Akron ’85.

Zippy was portrayed by Phis Pete Demming and more recently by Anthony LaGuardia ’98. Down the road at Ashland University, Tuffy the Eagle was played by Phi Scott Foster, Ashland ’95, according to 1995 Ashland Phi Nathan Weaver.

Head west to the University of Nebraska, Lincoln and you’ll meet Herbie the Husker, who is played by Nebraska Alpha Vice President Alex Egger, according to Matt Wengert, Nebraska ’13.

Mark McLauchlan, Oregon ’12, loves his mascot, Puddles. “The Duck is a college football icon, appearing on national television numerous times during the football season. He drives a motorcycle into Autzen Stadium before every game to the cheers of the Pac-10’s most dedicated fans. The Duck is probably the most athletic mascot as well due to his tradition of doing push-ups equal to the number of points the Ducks have after every touchdown. Anyone who follows college football knows that’s a lot of push-ups to do each game,” McLauchlan writes.

Other favorite mascots mentioned by readers were the Wichita State Shockers, University of Georgia’s “Uga,” Virginia Tech’s Hokie bird, Robert Morris University’s colonel (called RoMo), Big Red at Western Kentucky and Willie the Wildcat from Kansas State and the Billiken from St. Louis University.

**Favorite Founding Father**

**Morrison**

Yes, we love all the immortal six, but Morrison (of course), Lindley and Wilson garnered the top votes!

“Morrison! He founded my chapter, it was the last one he founded and he is buried in my town,” said Richard Ballard, Westminster, ’12.

Dustin M. Struble, Cal State Chico ’06, is a fan of Wilson. “I think he is rather understated in his contributions to the founding of Phi Delta Theta Society.”
Best Campus Landmark

The Cathedral of Learning

Every campus has something to call its own, and Phis are proud of landmarks on their campus. The Cathedral of Learning at the University of Pittsburgh garnered quite a few responses, but the Campanile at UC Berkley was mentioned by a few readers. Also noted was the “Naked Man” statue at Eastern Kentucky (Phi Neil Armstrong is quoted at the base) and Nott Memorial at Union College, which is the only 16-sided building in the western hemisphere.

Favorite Chapter/Leadership Consultant
DeMarkco Butler

Over the years they have been called travelling secretaries, chapter consultants and now, leadership consultants. At least once during your undergraduate career you have met the “guy from GHQ” visiting your chapter.

We heard votes for many favorite consultants (including from Rob Turning, Akron ‘96, and Jonathon Talcott, South Dakota ‘06, who both voted for themselves). Here are some other responses:

“Kevin Dreiling. He was fully committed to help NVA during a very difficult time. Made four visits in a row and kept the chapter focused through an MBO program. Always positive and motivating and was willing to ask the tough questions,” wrote Rick Schultz, Nevada ‘92.

Also noted were consultants Justin Dandoy, Jim Hizer, Jon Collier, Arthur R. Priest, Bob Biggs, Jacob Ternes, Mario Villa and Randy Nanjad.

“DeMarko Butler. He really brings a lot of energy and enthusiasm to the table. I joined Phi Delta Theta because of people like him,” Michael DeAngelis, Pittsburgh ’12.

“DeMarko Butler — out of all LCs that I have seen in my four years of being a member of Phi Delta Theta, he has been the most enthusiastic and helpful person that our chapter has experienced. His knowledge about PDT is unfathomable and he always seems to know a way to make things in our chapter better, even if they are already good. He puts a lot of effort into his job and it really shows how much he cares about PDT and making it grow,” Mark Himmel, Pennsylvania Pi ’11.
Speaking of Phi meetings, we asked what your favorite Phi Delt Conference was and received lots of responses. Here are a few:

“1963 Officers Conference at Miami; the early, early forerunner to ELI. A fellow alumnus, Don Thompson from Butler, found a copy of the November 1963 issue of The Scroll. On the front cover is the photo of me and two other Arizona Beta brothers who made the classic road trip to Miami—what an experience. This was a real trip down memory lane as all of us in the picture are nearing Golden Legion status, and have kept in touch through the years. A fraternity for life!” wrote Joe Johnston, Arizona State ’62.

Michael Moore, Kent ’11, writes that he likes the ELI conference in Oxford each year. “ELI brings everyone home to where it all began. Seeing the dorm room where everything started is so nostalgic. It brings us back to our roots and helps us focus on the chapter the way that Robert Morrison would have wanted us to. Miami is also a beautiful campus.”

**Favorite Fraternity Song**

**Eternal Praise**

While many were listed, Eternal Praise drew the most...ahem, praise from Phis. This song closes every chapter meeting and is a natural choice.

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**Favorite Convention/Conference Location**

**Oxford**

We have been to some interesting places for Convention (and other conferences) in the past 150 years, from the vacation destinations like the Bahamas to lesser-known locations such as French Lick, Indiana. Because Oxford has hosted several Conventions and Leadership College/ELI conferences every year, it too garnered many votes as a favorite.

“What better backdrop for the Emerging Leaders Institute?” Brother Struble wrote.
Favorite Phi Athlete
Lou Gehrig

This was a no brainer. Many wrote in lauding the original Iron Phi, Lou Gehrig. But also mentioned were Steve Tasker, Mike Timlin, Wes Welker, Doak Walker and other pros.
Approximately 425 marathons took place in the United States in 2010, and Sam Felsenfeld, Kansas State ’98, completed nearly 15 percent of them. While statisticians state that the percentage of individuals in the world who have completed a marathon is somewhere between 0.5%–2%, we are confident that Brother Felsenfeld is the only individual, or one of the select few, to have completed 61 marathons in 2010.

Hearing about Sam’s accomplishment generally triggers one very simple question. Why? This one word question has a one word answer—Jack. Jack is Sam’s six-year-old son who was diagnosed with autism in 2006. Sam’s desire to raise money and awareness for Autism led to the creation of Operation Jack and his 61-marathon challenge, a program that would piggyback and enhance the mission of Train 4 Autism. Train 4 Autism allows athletes to compete their way to raising funds for those with autism and their families.

On December 26, 2010, Brother Felsenfeld accomplished his goal of running 61 marathons in one year. We caught up with him to learn more about the details of his amazing accomplishment.

When did you conceptualize the 61 marathon challenge?
In 2008 I started going to church with my family and started thinking a lot more about not living for myself. In 1991, I broke my neck and was not paralyzed, so I have always viewed my legs as something God spared for me. By 2008, it was pretty clear to me that those legs were working pretty well with the way I was running, and I wanted to find a purpose for them.
At the same time, Jack’s autism was really starting to impact my family, so I wanted to make a purpose out of that. I started thinking about ways to combine the two and after months and months of brainstorming and talking to people and praying about it on my daily runs, I finally came up with the concept in February 2009.

What was the toughest thing about running 61 marathons in one year?
The logistics and the travel. I booked all of my own travel. Sometimes I’d be choosing between multiple races based on travel costs. If I booked everything for a race in less than two hours, I’d consider that a success. It was also tough blogging so much. I blogged about four times a week, plus race reports, because I knew people were living my roller coaster vicariously. It was a job to get those up to keep people coming back. It was very tough to leave every weekend.

How did you keep your body in tune throughout the year?
For the most part, I ran recovery miles (slow and easy) during the week. Occasionally, if I was feeling good, I’d do some extra work at the track, usually 200-meter intervals and 1000-meter intervals, to help keep my speed. Also, I stretched a lot, took lots of vitamins and supplements, and took advantage of motel ice machines to take plenty of ice baths throughout the year.

How did you manage your professional and family life amidst the marathons?
It was tough—I certainly did not have much spare time. I made use out of just about every minute of the day. I really had no “me” time. I did everything I could to not miss out on things. I planned races so I’d be home for all of my kids’ birthday parties; I was home for our wedding anniversary; I took my wife out for Valentine’s Day even though I ran a marathon in Austin that morning; I took my kids trick-or-treating even though I ran a marathon in D.C. that morning. I was on tight timelines, but I got used to the routine and made it happen. The one thing I was really sorry I missed was my oldest son’s soccer games. I was only able to make it to two all year, the routine and made it happen. The one thing I was really sorry I missed was my oldest son’s soccer games. I was only able to make it to two all year, so that was tough. Fortunately, I saw his only goal of the year.

For work, I’m a one-man IT department for a small company, so with my laptop, I could work anywhere. I missed about 20 days during the year so that was tough. Fortunately, I saw his only goal of the year.

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Tell us about your health progression over the years
I gained a lot of weight in college from poor nutrition, drinking, smoking, and no exercise. All my Kansas Gamma brothers would tell you that I am the last person they would have expected to run a 10K, let alone 61 marathons in a year. I was the ultimate picture of poor health. I quit smoking before my last semester in college because I was getting married and did not want to have that habit around my wife and, eventually, my kids. I kept drinking and really did not adjust my diet a whole lot before I was 30, though. I got up to 261 pounds. For my 30th birthday (November 2004), my wife bought me an iPod and suggested I start walking. I did, and I started adjusting my diet, as a result and started to lose weight. I got dared into running a half marathon about a year later and was disappointed in my result, so I trained to improve. Next thing you know, I got dared into running a marathon in June 2006. I missed my goal in that first marathon, so I trained for a second. Then I was hooked.

I got my weight down to about 200 pounds. I have fluctuated between 195 and 205 since then, although I think I have gradually dropped my body fat and increased my lean muscle mass. I’m a different 200 than I used to be. I quit drinking in June 2006. I was a bad drinker and I couldn’t control myself. I knew I had a problem, but did not really care. It got to the point that I nearly cost myself my marriage, though, so I quit. I do not have a problem with people drinking, I just know that I can not handle it. If I still drank, I would be an alcoholic. It is a personal choice for me based on me knowing myself.

Which marathon is the most memorable?
I would have to say the last race, the Operation Jack Marathon. I put that race on, it was the last race, my family was there, I had a lot of friends there... it was a great experience because everybody was out there supporting the cause, and we had a great time. There were about 150 people registered, which surprised me in a positive way.

How do you think your efforts helped Train 4 Autism?
From a dollars standpoint, I brought in a lot of money. At this point, we’ve grossed more than $92,000. Train 4 Autism has received more than $50,000 of that, which is awesome. Beyond the money, we created seven new chapters last year and I brought people in all over the country. I established myself as a go-to person in the running community for people looking to fight autism through running. For what I did, Train 4 Autism named me its 2010 Athlete of the Year. I was also asked to serve on the board of directors, and I proudly accepted that invitation. I’m now the director of technology for Train 4 Autism, a volunteer position.

What’s next?
There’s a few things. For Train 4 Autism, I will be working with teams for the Utah Valley Marathon in Provo in June and the MDI Marathon in Maine in October. I will be running the San Francisco Marathon on July 31 to benefit the Be Aware Foundation and American Institute for Cancer Research in honor of a friend of mine who died from cancer on January 30. In San Francisco, the race is promoting me as a “charity chaser.” I will be starting dead last and collecting pledges for each person I pass. I am taking this race very seriously, because I know that the faster I run, the more money I raise. Those two organizations flat-out save lives, so I know that the faster I run, the more lives my friend will save. It is a big deal to me.

After that, I intend to go the Iron Phi route for the California International Marathon in December. One thing I am really thinking about doing to try to raise money for ALS is to try to run two Boston qualifiers in two states in one day. CIM is in the morning in Sacramento. I have a flight I can catch over to Las Vegas that afternoon, and the Las Vegas Rock ‘N Roll Marathon starts at 4 p.m. I’d love to do that for ALS—not only am I a Phi Delt, but my great-grandfather, whom my son Jack is named after, died from ALS in the 60s, so it is a cause I definitely support!
Introducing the Iron Phi program

More than 70 Phi Delts are moving to help ALS

Launched in February 2010, Phi Delta Theta’s Iron Phi program has mobilized more than 500 Phis to raise more than $170,000 for The ALS Association and the Phi Delta Theta Foundation.

Iron Phi was developed to strengthen both Phi Delta Theta and its impact on the fight against Lou Gehrig’s disease and more than 80 individuals have become Iron Phis. Iron Phis must raise $1,000 on their way to accomplishing an athletic goal. Dollars raised by participants are then split between The ALS Association for ALS research and the Phi Delta Theta Foundation for educational programming initiatives. Phis of all ages and athletic abilities have done everything from running and biking to swimming and walking on their pursuit to become Iron Phis.

To learn more about Iron Phi, visit www.ironphi.org. The program hopes to raise $1 million dollars within the first four years.

Below is a list of Phi Delta Theta’s Iron Phis:

1. Lou Gehrig, New York Delta Columbia, 2,130 Consecutive Games
2. Steve Good, Iowa Gamma
   Iowa State, Boston Marathon
3. Brendan Cunningham, Washington Gamma
   Washington College, Flying Pig Marathon
4. Benjamin Dictus, Wisconsin Beta
   Lawrence Flying, Pig Marathon
5. Justin Dandoy, Pennsylvania Xi
   Clarion, Flying Pig Marathon
6. Andrew Talley, Texas Kappa
   UT-Arlington, St. Patrick’s Day Sprint Triathlon
7. Keith Wysocki, Nebraska Alpha
   Nebraska, Flying Pig Marathon Relay
8. Michael York, New York Beta
   Union, Broad Street Run
9. Jacob Kingdon, Wisconsin Beta
   Lawrence, Flying Pig Marathon Relay
10. Carl Brown, Ohio Lambda
    Kent State, Flying Pig Half Marathon
11. Steve Curtright, Nebraska Alpha
    Nebraska, Flying Pig Half Marathon
12. Nicholas Meeker, Ohio Alpha
    Miami, Flying Pig Half Marathon
13. Jonathan Rogowski, Ohio Alpha
    Miami, Flying Pig Half Marathon
14. Michael Stumpf, Iowa Alpha
    Iowa Wesleyan, Flying Pig Half Marathon
15. Arthur Arand, Ohio Theta
    Cincinnati, Flying Pig 10K
16. Clayton Whatley, Mississippi Beta
    Mississippi State, Memphis in May Triathlon
17. Jacob Ternes, Kansas Epsilon
    Emporia State, Flying Pig Marathon
18. Sean Wagner, Pennsylvania Mu
    Widener, Flying Pig Marathon Relay
Iron Phi

19 Mike Finiani, Florida Epsilon
   South Florida, Iron Phi 5K @ Convention
20 Joseph Finiani,
   Iron Phi 5K @ Convention
21 Capt. Dickey Davis, Florida Epsilon
   South Florida, Iron Phi 5K @ Convention
22 George Grady, Arizona Alpha
   Arizona, Iron Phi 5K @ Convention
23 Sean Dreznin, Florida Epsilon
   South Florida, Siesta Key Beach Triathlon
24 Keith Aldrich, California Xi
   Cal State-Chico, Vineman Ironman 70.3 Triathlon
25 Nathaniel Roberts, California Alpha
   UC-Berkeley, Iron Phi 5K @ ELI
26 Moe Stephens, Indiana Lambda
   Southern Indiana, Seattle to Portland Bicycle Classic
27 Brandon Whiteis, South Carolina Gamma
   Clemson, Purple Swim-2 Mile Open
28 Gary Bredehoft, Nebraska Alpha
   Nebraska, Pigman Half Ironman
29 John Hacker, Michigan Alpha
   Michigan, Ludington Lighthouse Triathlon
30 Rich Fabritius, Ohio Lambda
   Kent State, Iron Phi 5K @ General Council Retreat
31 Scott Mietech, Utah Alpha
   Utah, Iron Phi 5K @ General Council Retreat
32 Karl Cran, Michigan Alpha
   Michigan, Brighton, Island Lake Triathlon
33 Clark Jackson, Kansas Delta
   Wichita State, ALS Letter Writing Campaign to Chapter Presidents
34 Mike Denisoff, Ohio Epsilon
   Akron, Akron Roadrunner Marathon Relay
35 Eric Nicosia, Pennsylvania Mu
   Widener, ING Rock 'n' Roll Philadelphia Half Marathon
36 Kelvin Borchardt, Minnesota Beta
   Minn. State-Mankato, MSU Campus Recreation Triathlon
37 Will Leach, Kansas Alpha
   Kansas, Rock the Parkway 2010
38 Ben Wartko, Ohio Epsilon
   Akron, Akron Roadrunner Marathon Relay
39 Ben Kaufman, Michigan Alpha
   Michigan, Baltimore Running Festival Half Marathon
40 Matt Pepes, Kansas Alpha
   Kansas, Waddell & Reed Kansas City Half Marathon
41 J. Zachary Bastin, Ohio Epsilon
   Akron, Akron Roadrunner Half Marathon
42 Andrew Malmquist, Michigan Alpha
   Michigan, Mackinac Island Great Turtle Half Marathon
43 Vincent Crowley, Nebraska Gamma
   Creighton, Omaha Turkey Trot
44 Scott Moon, Indiana Eta
   Indiana State, Indianapolis Monumental Marathon
45 Matthew Cavallaro, Ohio Epsilon
   Akron, Akron Roadrunner Marathon Relay
46 Michael Polefrone, Ohio Epsilon
   Akron, Akron Roadrunner Marathon Relay
47 Ryan Michaud, Ohio Epsilon
   Akron, Akron Roadrunner Marathon Relay
48 Michael Kunkel, California Pi
   San Diego State, Silver Strand Half Marathon
49 Brent Houk, Indiana Kappa
   Ball State, Beach2Battleship Iron Distance Triathlon
50 Tyler Cronk, Iowa Gamma
   Iowa State, Twin Cities Marathon
51 Stephen Pooler, Texas Beta
   Texas, Dallas White Rock Marathon
52 Tim Grady, Michigan Alpha
   Michigan, Michigan Alpha Landmark Run
53 Brian Burchman, Michigan Alpha
   Michigan, Michigan Alpha Landmark Run
54 Stephen Irvine, Michigan Alpha
   Michigan, Michigan Alpha Landmark Run
55 Jacob Vincent, Arizona Gamma
   Arizona, PF Chang's Half Marathon
56 Roger Heineken, Kansas Epsilon
   Emporia State, 40-Mile Trek of Old Emporia
57 Jeremy Sale, Georgia Gamma
   Mercer, Mercedes-Benz Half Marathon
58 Adam Lewis, Georgia Gamma
   Mercer, Mercedes-Benz Marathon Relay
59 Jere Holder, Texas Tau
   UT-EP, El Paso Half Marathon
60 Rich O'Neill, Florida Zeta
   Jacksonville, Gate River Run 15K
61 Sam Felsenfeld, Kansas Gamma
   Kansas State, 61 Marathons in 2010
62 Jordan Haddad, Michigan Alpha
   Michigan, Michigan Alpha Landmark Run
63 Jeff Rees, Kentucky Iota
   Louisville, Papa John's 10-Miler
64 Ben Murray, Michigan Alpha
   Michigan, Michigan Alpha Landmark Run
65 Bob Biggs, Georgia Epsilon
   Georgia Southern, Iron Phi 5K-General Convention
66 Armin Nazarinia, Utah Alpha
   Utah, Iron Phi 5K for ALS
67 Robb White, Florida Nu
   Florida Atlantic, Florida Super Spartan Race
68 Mark Blackham, Tennessee Zeta
   Belmont, Music City Half Marathon
69 Nick Strzelecki, Ohio Alpha
   Miami, Flying Pig Half Marathon
70 Neil Carroll, Iowa Gamma
   Iowa State, Lincoln Marathon
71 Joseph Leonardich, Oregon Alpha
   Oregon, Eugene Marathon
72 Reid Korbelik, Nebraska Alpha
   Nebraska, Pappillion Half Marathon
73 Brogan Miller, Kansas Delta
   Wichita State, Rock 'n' Roll Dallas Half Marathon
74 Josh Lowenthal, Michigan Alpha
   Michigan, Stoney Creek Back to the Beaches Half Marathon
75 Ernie Chan, Nova Scotia Alpha
   Dalhousie, Scotiabank Bluenose Marathon
76 Bobba Gerhart, California Xi
   Chico State, Williams Pioneer 5K
77 Conrad Thiede, New York Zeta
   Colgate, Cincinnati Phi Delt Tour
78 Nicholas Bolton, Nova Scotia Alpha
   Dalhousie, Abbotford Run for Water Half Marathon
79 Colin Zessis, Texas Beta
   Texas, North Shore Half Marathon
80 Chris Addis, Pennsylvania Mu
   Widener, ALS Express 75-Mile Bike Ride
81 Matt Sharkey, Pennsylvania Mu
   Widener, ALS Express 75-Mile Bike Ride
82 Tyler Kreutzer, Tennessee Zeta
   Belmont, 100 Holes of Golf in 1 Day
83 Ronald Marongelli, Florida Mu
   Embry-Riddle, Yorktown Independence Day Race-8K
Expansion update

Phi Delta Theta’s Expansion staff has been extremely busy with five installations and four colonizations in a span of three months. The staff is looking forward to a busy fall with expansion efforts. If you are interested in helping with our efforts, please contact DeMarkco Butler at DButler@PhiDeltaTheta.org.

Installations

University of Minnesota-Minnesota Alpha
Installed: October 12, 1881 | Re-installed: December 10, 2010
Number of Initiated Brothers: 35

It all started with a simple conversation between alumni. Two years later, Phi Delta Theta is back on campus at the University of Minnesota, Twin Cities. Thirty-five members strong and growing, the Minnesota Alpha Re-Founding Fathers shine in academics with a 3.4 GPA and give back to the university and community by being involved in Club Soccer, CEHD Undergraduate Student Board, American Society of Mechanical Engineers, University Senate, Feed My Starving Children, Habitat for Humanity and many other diverse activities.

The Minnesota Alpha Chapter was first chartered on October 12, 1881, making it the Fraternity’s 58th chapter. The Chapter closed in 1991 due to financial troubles. Nearly two decades later, the Chapter has returned to continue the values of friendship, sound learning and moral rectitude at the University of Minnesota. On December 10, 2010, Chris Brussalis, General Council Member-at-Large, proudly led the Minnesota Alpha initiation ceremony.

Congratulations to the brothers of Minnesota Alpha for their accomplishments!

Florida Atlantic University-Florida Nu
Installed: January 15, 2011
Number of Initiated Brothers: 51

The Florida Nu Chapter of Phi Delta Theta was installed January 15th, 2011, at Florida Atlantic University, located in Boca Raton, Florida. The events of the weekend, which were presided over by Chris Brussalis of the General Council, initiated 51 founding fathers. Not only is the number of men impressive, but the date of initiation marks one year to the day that the first Phi Delta Theta Leadership Consultant set foot on the FAU campus to begin Florida Nu’s expansion efforts.

Beginning as an interest group in early 2010, Florida Nu soon became a Colony and made swift progress. Florida Nu benefits from the hard work and dedication of its brothers, that include student government leaders, FAU football players, club presidents, and IFC board members to name a few. The Florida Nu Chapter also holds the highest GPA of any fraternity on campus and completed the most community service hours during their first semester. Florida Nu is setting the standard for other organizations to follow.

With excellent leadership from their Colony Advisory Board, led by Paul Marko, as well as the dedication and support of Leadership Consultant David Wyble and Director of Expansion Steve Curtright, Florida Nu proudly accepted its charter at a morning brunch ceremony held at a local Boca Raton country club.

They now move forward as Brothers in The Bond with the goal of serving the community and recruiting the very best men.

Hofstra University-New York Kappa
Installed: February 12, 2011
Number of Initiated Brothers: 30

Almost two years of hard work came to fruition on Saturday, February 12, 2011, as the New York Kappa Chapter of Phi Delta Theta was installed at Hofstra University. The ceremony, held at Anthony’s Coal Fired Pizza in Carle Place, New York, was as much of a celebration as it was a time for reflection and a look to the future for the brothers of New York Kappa.

A handful of brothers, who have been part of the Phi Delta Theta movement at Hofstra University from the beginning, can look back in their emails to April 1, 2009 when Gregg Albaum, the Chapter’s Community Service Chairman and former President, stressed “this can only work with cooperation and commitment.” At the ceremony on Saturday, Albaum reflected on the journey of the brothers from interest group to colony, and finally chapter. He spoke of the hard work and “the love and dedication of the brothers not only to the Fraternity, but to each other.”

When the group first started planning, the administration at Hofstra University had placed a freeze on Greek Life expansion. However, the interest group comprised of 16 men stayed true to their goal, worked hard and waited out the freeze. Once the freeze was lifted, they made a presentation before the Inter-Fraternal and Sorority Council (IFSC), were given the green light on March 17, 2010, and colonized on May 8.

Since colonization, the group has grown to 30 men committed to seeing New York Kappa become a chapter. The Brothers have taken part in many community service projects such as Relay for Life, making sandwiches for the homeless with Helping Hands, Eisenhower Park’s Walk for ALS, a walk...
for breast cancer on Jones Beach, and Pi a Phi which New York Kappa raised more than $250 for ALS research by having whipped cream pies shoved in their faces.

As a fully installed chapter, the Brothers of New York Kappa are excited to pledge their first class of recruits. According to Mike Gueli, Recruitment Chairman, the Chapter has a Phikeia class of nine young men who share similar energy, values, and a commitment as the brothers did at the start of their long journey.

Arkansas Alpha-University of Arkansas
Installed: February 19, 2011
Number of Initiated Brothers: 95

The Arkansas Alpha Chapter was installed on February 19, 2011 at the University of Arkansas. The event was held at the Blessings Golf Club and was presided over by General Council President Scott Mietchen. Also in attendance were Executive Vice President Bob Biggs, John Tyson of Tyson Foods and Skip Rutherford from the Clinton School of Public Service. The previous night, 61 members signed their name to The Bond after a journey that lasted close to a year and a half.

The group has come a long way from the original interest group of 25 members. This past fall, the group, then numbering close to 40, recruited 55 new members that ranked as one of the highest on campus. The Colony was one of the most active on campus with members involved in Associated Student Government, Student Movement, Student Alumni Association, Razorback Patrol, Alpha Epsilon Delta, GAMMA and Leadership Walton.

The new chapter is also lucky to have an incredible set of alumni who support the chapter with their time, experience and leadership. They were instrumental during fall recruitment as well as day-to-day chapter operations; many of them even coming all the way from Little Rock to assist.

Arkansas Alpha has faced a lot of adversity and has overcome every obstacle on its way to reinstalation. The Chapter looks forward to continuing the proud 63-year history of Arkansas Alpha and has set their sights on the Harvard Trophy.

Oklahoma Gamma-Southwestern Oklahoma State University
Number of Brothers Initiated: 35

On April 30, 2011, the Oklahoma Gamma chapter of Phi Delta Theta at Southwestern Oklahoma State University celebrated its re-installation weekend. Thirty-five men were initiated into The Bond after an 18-year hiatus of Phi Delta Theta on the SWOSU campus. The chapter was praised at the installation banquet for their accomplishments and continued successes by the President of SWOSU, Randy Beutler, and Dean of Students, Cindy Dougherty. Chris Lapple, Treasurer of the General Council, spoke on behalf of Phi Delta Theta and officially recognized the new chapter.

The Master of Ceremonies was Rho Northwest Province President Keith Brown, West Texas A&M ’91, and the banquet was attended by several alumni including Survey Commissioner Curt Boecking, Oklahoma ’78, Weatherford Mayor Mike Brown, Director of Expansion Steve Curtright, Demarkco Butler, Alex Carrick, and many other local alumni.

In the spring of 2009, Kappa Gamma Beta, a local fraternity established on the SWOSU campus in 2002, began searching for an international fraternity with which to affiliate. Their search led them to Phi Delta Theta. After several conversations with General Headquarters staff, Curt Boecking, Leadership Consultant Keith Wysocki and regional volunteers, Kappa Gamma Beta became officially recognized as the Oklahoma Gamma interest group. The Oklahoma Gamma chapter has had continued success over the past two years due to the continual help and support of local alumni and local business Kelley Jewelers.
Expansion

Colonies

California Epsilon—University of California-Davis
Colonized: April 8, 2011
Number of Colony Members: 52

On Friday, April 8, 52 men at UC Davis were excited as they became the California Epsilon colony of Phi Delta Theta. Ten alumni were present for the Colonization Ceremony that was presided over by Province President, Phil DeCarlo. Chapter Advisory Board Chairman, Ian Sherman, extended his gratitude to the young men and all of their hard work, and touched on a little bit of the rich history of the California Epsilon chapter in a wonderful speech. A special thank you goes out to Joey Waters, Charlie Colato, Jake Morton, and Geovid Kali.

This is a very involved group of individuals on campus holding many leadership roles including the President of the Korean American Student Association (KASA), the President of Armenian Student Association, Student Government, College of Democrats, Aggie SCUBA, American Society of Mechanical Engineers (ASME), Club Water Polo team, Club Rock Climbing, and many more.

Montana Alpha—University of Montana
Colonized: January 20, 2011
Number of Colony Members: 24

On the evening of January 30, 24 undergraduates from the University of Montana and nearly 30 alumni members and guests participated in the Montana Alpha colonization ceremony. The Montana Alpha Chapter at the University of Montana has had a storied history featuring numerous distinguished alumni who have greatly contributed to the campus and community. The Montana Alpha Re-Founding Fathers, with help from numerous leadership consultants, have resurrected a legacy on campus that had lain dormant for nine years after the chapter closed in 2002 due to financial reasons. Already leading the fraternities on campus in service work and academics, the Montana Alpha Colony looks forward to not only retaining their already stellar reputation, but building upon it to ensure that those following will have as rich of experience as these 24 men did on the evening of the 30th

Massachusetts Epsilon—Northeastern University
Colonized: April 16, 2011
Number of Colony Members: 48

On the 16th of April the men of the Massachusetts Epsilon interest group at Northeastern University were officially recognized and installed as a colony of Phi Delta Theta. At 48 men, the Mass. Epsilon colony has established a strong foundation on which to build their future chapter. The colony is made up of a variety of different majors and has members involved in a wide range of student organizations including: Finance and Investment Club, Beta Alpha Psi, Entrepreneurs Club, Student Government, Club Wrestling, and Alpine Skiing. The men are bringing a very fresh attitude to the Northeastern Community by putting a strong emphasis on enabling and helping each other to be better men and have even gone so far as to appoint an official “Etiquette Chairman.”

The ceremony for colonization was led by Leadership Consultant Steven Fleming, Washington Beta ’10, and three members of the Massachusetts Epsilon Chapter Advisory Board: Steve Lyon, Indiana Kappa ’85, Charles Dumbaugh, Ohio Iota ’61, and Ben Barkhouse, NH Beta ’08. Various other alumni and the friends and family of the colony members were also in attendance. This marks the first time that Phi Delta Theta has ever been at Northeastern University.

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On Friday, April 29, 2011 at the Indiana University of Pennsylvania, the 45 men of the Pennsylvania Lambda Interest Group were officially recognized as a colony of Phi Delta Theta.

This eclectic group of strong individuals is heavily involved on IUP’s campus. Colony members actively participate in orientation leadership, varsity track, varsity hockey team, the club volleyball team, the rugby team, campus newspaper, campus radio station, as resident assistants, and ambassadors. Also, several members were recently elected into student government, including the newly appointed Student Trustee.

A main focus of the colony is to reverse the negative stereotypes associated with Greek life on campus, through tireless effort in community service and commitment to higher standards. This struggle resonates with other members of the Greek community, and through this common goal, the Colony hopes to foster strong bonds of friendship with other Greeks.

Furthermore, the Pennsylvania Lambda colony was initially started by a transfer student who had had a great experience with the Re-Founding of the Ohio Lambda Chapter at Kent State. What originally started with one inspired and determined individual in the Fall of 2010, grew to 45 outstanding student leaders.

Originally founded in 1984, the Pennsylvania Lambda chapter is returning after a seven year hiatus. The colonization was attended by five alumni of the 1984 Founding Fathers, as well as many other Greeks from campus and Colony members’ families. Province President Jordan Pallitto presided over the Colonization Ceremony.
Summertime is here and the baseball season is in full swing. As the greats on the baseball diamond take the field, you have the chance to join other great Phi Dels who have already shown with pride and passion for Phi Delta Theta by joining the True Blue Society.

If you join the True Blue Society this summer, you’ll have a chance to participate in this year’s presentation of the Lou Gehrig Memorial Award. Each year one True Blue Society member joins other Fraternity representatives on the Field to help present the only award given by a Fraternity to an MLB player and housed in Cooperstown at the Baseball Hall of Fame.

This year’s candidates included an impressive list of players that featured league and World Series MVPs, a Cy Young Winner, a Rookie of the Year, and the leader of all active players in steals.

The roster:
- Billy Butler, First Base-Kansas City Royals
- Josh Hamilton, Outfielder-Texas Rangers
- Tim Hudson, Pitcher-Atlanta Braves
- Derek Jeter, Shortstop-New York Yankees
- Juan Pierre, Outfielder-Chicago White Sox
- Barry Zito, Pitcher-San Francisco Giants

Ultimately the Yankees Captain, Derek Jeter, was selected by the Lou Gehrig Committee as the best representation of Gehrig and just as synonymous with the club itself. Once a presentation is scheduled in the Big Apple, one lucky True Blue Phi will be there! Join today so that it can be you by going to www.truebluesociety.org.

Want to meet a MLB player?
One lucky True Blue member will... join now and it could be you!
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True Blue Society

Members joining from October 18, 2010 to March 5, 2011. The next issue of The Scroll will list the newest members.

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Iron Phi Helping strangers AND Brothers

Editor’s note: Clark asked that we share this letter again when he entered the Chapter Grand, and he lost his battle with ALS on February 8, 2011. The original letter was created in September of 2010.

Dear Brother,

Phi Delta Theta’s Iron Phi program was introduced in February of 2010. In a short period of time, the program has raised awareness among both alumni and actives for our philanthropy — The ALS Association. Both individuals and chapters will benefit by participating in the Iron Phi program, seeing a greater level of participation, higher chapter morale, and improved philanthropic efforts. If your chapter is in the planning stages for ALS fundraising events, consider the Iron Phi program and its ability to help you easily raise funds.

My name is Clark Jackson, Kansas Delta (Wichita State) bond number 346. I was an active in the seventies, a chapter adviser in the eighties, and in the nineties I chaired a committee of Kansas Delta alums that raised $1.6 million that built a new chapter house. Unfortunately my Fraternity participation now includes being an ALS patient. ALS has no known cause, treatment or cure. Typically in the U.S., 40,000 people suffer from this disease. Our ties to Lou Gehrig, Columbia ’25, bring us to champion the defeat of this horrendously debilitating disease. Hopefully I am the only person you know of, or will ever know of, that will suffer with ALS.

But that is highly unlikely...as I’ve known Keith Worthington (Kansas Alpha), Rich Vliet (Kansas Delta), “Mom” McKay (Former WSU Delta Gamma housemother), both Dennis and “Mom” Dullea (Former WSU Tri Delt housemother and husband), a recent Kansas Delta Chapter President’s mother and several more. Each very active and each like me, surrounded by many that would like to help.

As a fundraiser for my chapter’s endeavor for a new chapter home, I learned this fundraising adage, “people give to people not to causes.” A story of my trials will not raise the money that you will by asking for a donation. The act of you asking your chapter brothers to become Iron Phis will raise more money than I can on my own. You most likely will be asking for a donation from someone who supports you in your goals or who has been touched by ALS in some way. Together, we can help all ALS patients by funding research to find the cause, find treatments and hopefully find the cure to Lou Gehrig’s disease.

Before you put down this letter, think about the next person you are going to get involved. Maybe it is your vice-president or philanthropy chairman. In any case, think it—do it. Ask right now in an email, phone call or text message. Amaze yourself how YOUR asking can assist in achieving your chapter’s highest level of fundraising ever. Do not expect the Iron Phi website to raise money just by signing on. Just as I am asking you as a Brother in the Bond to assist me, I need your influence to make this work. Do not set this letter aside!

Yours in the Bond,

Clark Jackson, Wichita State ’76

P.S. To pull on your heartstrings, I typed this with my thumbs, in bed while on my ventilator that allows me to breathe. Please visit www.ironphi.org to learn how you and others can get involved.

Friends of Tommy need your help

One of the reasons that I chose Arkansas Alpha over the other fraternities at the University of Arkansas was because of Tommy Van Zandt, a junior when I pledged. He was an outstanding undergraduate and is now a loving husband and father, a man of strong faith and a friend to many.

But disaster struck in 2009 for Tommy as he fell from a ladder while cutting tree limbs following a devastating ice storm in Fayetteville. He was left paralyzed from the neck down and ventilator dependent. Following many months of surgeries and rehabilitation, he now spends most of his days in a highly specialized wheelchair that provides him mobility and the freedom to take an active role in Sage Partners, the Fayetteville-based commercial real estate company he co-founded. Nevertheless he still requires around-the-clock care with a lot of specialized equipment along with continuing medical treatment to prevent infection and respiratory problems. This is an enormous financial strain on the family.

Tommy’s brothers of Arkansas Alpha have rallied to help Tommy, but he needs the support of Phi Delta Theta worldwide. His story, information about the foundation and opportunities to contribute can be found at www.friendsoftommyv.com. The strength of Brotherhood can be a wonderful thing.

— Dennis Miller, Arkansas ’83
Chapter Grand

Phi Delta Theta honors members who have entered the Chapter Grand by listing them in the magazine. We generally reserve extended obituary articles for famous Phis and general officers. To submit obituary information, email scroll@phideltatheta.org.

John F. “Cactus Jack” Thomas, Emory University ’43
Longtime Phi volunteer and officer of the Palm Beach Alumni Club
Cactus Jack Thomas died in November, 2010. Jack was initiated into Phi Delta Theta at the Georgia Beta Chapter in January of 1943, and he was almost 89. A long-time member and officer of the Palm Beach Alumni Club, Jack also attended 10 Phi Delt Conventions.
Jack lived in the Flamingo Park neighborhood of West Palm Beach for 75 of his 88 years. He was known for his garden and was the patriarch of neighborhood knowledge.
Cactus Jack was laid to rest in his beloved Americus, Georgia.
Phi Delta Theta was represented by members of Jack’s club, the Palm Beach County Alumni Club.

Ryan Von Klein, Oregon ’03
Oregon Chapter adviser Ryan Van Klein died unexpectedly in February; he was 32.
Brother Van Klein leaves behind his wife, Lauren and two sons. He joined the Utah chapter and remained in touch with his Brothers over the years, with many of his groomsmen being chapter brothers. He took great pride in the Fraternity becoming alcohol-free while he was an undergraduate, and as the chapter adviser of Oregon Alpha, he enjoyed transmitting his love and respect for Phi Delta Theta.

Please let GHQ know about members who have entered the Chapter Grand.
Send an obituary link to scroll@phideltatheta.org or mail to Phi Delta Theta Headquarters, 2 South Campus Ave. Oxford, OH 45056.

...in coelo quies est
“...in heaven there is rest”
Don Meredith, SMU ’60
Famous Phi Don Meredith, the original and perhaps most famous Dallas Cowboy, died Sunday, December 5, 2010 in Santa Fe, New Mexico.

Meredith’s death brought an outpouring of support from former teammates and those who shared the Monday Night Football broadcast booth with him. He was featured in the Winter 2010 edition of The Scroll.

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