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Alpha Phi Delta fraternity members traveled to Penn State University in April to conduct the spring National Council Meeting over the weekend of April 9th through the 11th. Located in State College, Pa., the site provided a fairly central point for many alumni and undergraduate entities to reach. Consequently, the attendance was the best seen in six years with 29 chapters and many alumni clubs represented.

The brothers of Chi Chapter at Penn State were gracious hosts by offering their chapter house to hold the meeting of the executive committee on Friday night and a party on Saturday night. Penn State is the largest school having an ? F ? chapter.

National President Tom Carroll conducted the business meetings Saturday and Sunday. No legislation was brought up at the meetings. However, a noteworthy item was passed in the budget (which is separate from legislation) with the approval of partial expense reimbursement for the national secretary. Traditionally the fraternity has been supported by all volunteers. It is coming to grips with the fact that it cannot continue to expect

brothers to hold fraternity offices that require full-time work without some compensation. Paid officers are a standard in most other national fraternities as volunteers cannot be expected to continue to serve at a pace of 40-50 hours a week. An increase in undergraduate fees was approved to support the budget.

The highlight of the fraternity weekend meeting was the awarding of two new charters. Roger Williams College in Providence, Rhode Island, was chartered as Delta Tau chapter. They have 18 members and had been a colony for over three years. Robert Morris College in Coraopolis, Pa., was chartered as Delta Upsilon chapter. They currently have ten members and two pledges and had been a

colony four semesters. Additionally, Beta Kappa chapter at Long Island University was reactivated.

The fraternity meeting ended with the re-election of the present officers: Tom Carroll as National President and Matt Vislocky as Executive Vice President.

Special recognition was given to the brothers from Embry-Riddle University, Delta Pi chapter. The chapter rented a Winnebago and drove over 1000 miles from their school which is

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**President's Message**

The first thing we all learned when we decided to pledge Alpha Phi Delta was that, “Membership in Alpha Phi Delta is eternal and carries with it the obligation of permanent activity and support.” Yet in recent years there has been a growing chorus of questions about what this really means and how many people still take this oath seriously. We had several negative things going on that caused some brothers to wonder what was happening with our beloved Fraternity.

It seemed like the Kleos was a thing of the past. If it was published at all, it contained news outdated by the time it was received. The cost of publication and distribution was out of control.

National officers were forced to close chapters for hazing and to expel brothers for non-payment of fees. The National Council Meeting was moved to the Summer Convention and business was conducted with just a handful of delegates. Communication was almost nonexistent. Overall the state of the Fraternity seemed bad and the prospects for the future looked bleak.

When I was elected President, I was determined to address these problems. I am happy to report that with the help of several dedicated and hard working brothers that many of these problems are nothing more than a bad footnote in the long and proud history of Alpha Phi Delta Fraternity.

The Spring Meeting of the National Council was a great success. Twenty-nine of thirty-five undergraduate chapters and several alumni clubs were represented at the Council

Meeting.

The Foundation also met in State College on April 10<sup>th</sup>. Pursuant to a request for reimbursement for costs associated with educational and cultural activities of the Fraternity, the Foundation Board of Directors approved a grant of \$12,000 to the Fraternity.

The Fraternity web site is up and running. This is an on-going project that will be constantly improved and updated. Information concerning the upcoming Summer Convention in Lake George, New York can be found on the site. Additionally, all forms used by the Fraternity will be on the site for use by the chapter presidents by the fall semester. This will save the Fraternity money in mailing costs.



**Tom Carroll**  
**National President**

I recently appointed Brother Anthony Castellano to serve as Vice President for Alumni Affairs. One of his goals will be improving relations and communications among our alumni entities and Central Office. Several steps have already been taken towards this goal. The Chapter Letter is now being sent to over one thousand brothers via e-mail. The Executive Secretary is sending each graduating brother a letter reminding them of their obligation of permanent support and activity and asking them to consider joining an alumni club or association. He is also sending each alumni club a list of brothers by zip code.

In the last year, Career Workshops were conducted in the New York City and Hudson Valley Districts. The Delaware Valley Alumni

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## E-mail — Improving APD Communications

By Mike Iacovelli

These are exciting times in the technology world. Access to information and people is fast, cheap, and efficient. Many organizations within Alpha Phi Delta, including The Kleos, Central Office and numerous alumni and undergraduate entities are using technology to improve communications, reduce costs, and reach more people. Electronic mail is enabling wider and more frequent distributions of information, re-establishing lost communications between the fraternity and the brothers, and between many individuals within the fraternity who have lost contact.

The National Fraternity's electronic list now numbers 1000 brothers, and we are searching for ways to more efficiently utilize, communicate, and update this list for the benefit of all brothers.

Though e-mail is virtually free for the sender of the note, we need to respect the privacy of the recipient of any communication from Alpha Phi Delta. Many users of e-mail are new to this form of communication. To help us all understand the power (and danger) of e-mail, here are a few points to be aware of:

? Many e-mail addresses are not “individual” accounts; they are business accounts, shared accounts, or family accounts. As such, coworkers, secretaries, children, etc. also have access.

? E-mail is a permanent form of communication. Postal mail gets thrown away and is untraceable. E-mail is stored to disk and archived on a backup tape. Thus, every word you type is associated with YOUR NAME forever. In many cases, these archives are being used in various lawsuits, including employee terminations for inappropriate behavior.

? People do not like “junk” postal mail. People do not like unsolicited calls at home. Likewise, people don't like e-mail that is not directed to them, especially from people they don't know, or on a topic they do not care about.

? In rare cases should a reply be sent to the entire “cc” list. Generally, a reply should be directed to the sender, and as needed other *interested* parties. It is important to *think* of who cares about what you are saying — your list will diminish dramatically.

? If your mail program defaults to sending a reply to all, either modify the settings/preferences or actively delete names off the “cc” or “to” lists.

? Verify all addresses on your list. Misdirected messages abound, some create very embarrassing situations. Never reply to an address you do not know.

? Chain letters, virus hoaxes, make-money-scams do not need to be forwarded. Know your recipient; most people don't like these ridiculous messages.

? In e-mail, tone of voice and intent cannot be conveyed easily. Be careful what is said, it is easy to misinterpret static text without some help (see next item for an emoticon).

? In the electronic world, there are two cases to letters, upper and lower. Use both. All upper case implies YELLING (this is for everyone except Al Fafara, of course, as this is his normal speech :-))

Why should we follow these guidelines? Minimally, to respect other people and to use technology responsibly and professionally. But there are many practical reasons also:

? Some businesses frown upon or prohibit excessive personal e-mail.

Many companies monitor e-mail for non-work related threads. There are software products that can be bought off the shelf that provide management reports for disciplinary actions.

? Legal action is becoming more common. There have been lawsuits against those sending unwanted and unsolicited mails (spam).

? The unintended recipient must wade through dozens of messages looking for an urgent business or personal message.

? Many mail servers have limits on mailbox size, similar to voice mail systems. If someone's mail server fills up with inane chatter it could prevent a critical work-related or personal emergency message from being delivered.

Now that you know how to use this wonderful communications medium, here are some tips on shorthand you might see in conversations:

- ? :-) .... Smiley, joke, funny, etc.
- ? ;-) .... Smiley with a wink.
- ? <g> .... Grin, joke.
- ? LOL .... Laugh Out Loud
- ? :-( .... Frown, sad, its a shame, etc.
- ? BTW .... By The Way
- ? IMO .... In My Opinion
- ? IMHO .... In My Humble Opinion
- ? TTFN .... Ta-ta for now.

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*He and his wife Rosaria have three children — Marc 8, Adam 6, Dominique 3. Mike and his family reside in Murray Hill, N.J. He is an independent telecommunications software*

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## Tom Carroll Addresses Fraternity

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Club has agreed to hold one during the fall 1999 semester. These workshops are designed to have alumni guide and instruct undergraduate brothers on such things as how to put a resume together and what to expect on an interview. An added benefit is the opportunity for undergraduate brothers and alumni brothers to meet and bond.

Many steps have been taken to improve communications. The *Ecce Signum* was recently updated and distributed to over 1500 dues-paying members of the Fraternity. This publication contains information about the history of the Fraternity as well as listings for the national officers, chapters, alumni clubs, constitution and by-laws of the Fraternity.

Thanks to the help of brother John Russo, the Kleos is now being published at a much reduced price and I am very pleased that this is the third issue in six months. The web site will soon be posting the monthly newsletter of the alumni clubs and associations.

It has been written that, “History is the witness that testifies to the passing of time; it illuminates reality, vitalizes memory, provides guidance in daily life, and brings us tidings of antiquity.” It is time that we update the *History of Alpha Phi Delta*. Much has happened since 1973. If you are interested in helping with this project or other Fraternity publications, please contact me at APDPRESTJC@aol.com or the address shown on page 2.

In recent years, attendance at the Summer Convention has fallen dramatically. As a result, many have discussed the possibility of eliminating it or having it every other year. This would be a great loss. The Summer Convention is a time when we get together as family and have a great time. We remember old times and we make

new memories. Wives, children and family friends join us in our celebration of the brotherhood, which we have created.

This year, the Summer Convention is being held at Lake George, New York. The prices are reasonable, and the location is great for summertime activities such as swimming, hiking or just relaxing and enjoying time

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with friends and family.

You may be wondering what is the state of the fraternity. I am pleased to report that the positives outweigh the negatives many-fold. Since I was elected President, I have traveled to many places and seen many things. I would like to relate a few experiences.

In February, I attended the Psi Chapter Valentine’s Ball. It was an impressive event. I met with the Vice President of Duquesne University, and he was full of praise for this chapter that has been active for seventy years. In April, I attended the annual South Seas Celebration at Chi Chapter. This event took on an added significance since it also marked the seventieth anniversary of the founding of the chapter at Penn State. Alumni of Chi Chapter have formed a housing corporation and are actively seeking donations to purchase a house at Penn State.

The Beta Lambda chapter house at St. Francis College in Loretto, Pa. burned to the ground in December. In spite of the fire, the chapter is doing well and inducted new members this spring. Its alumni housing corporation intends to pursue the purchase of an-

other house.

I have attended meetings of the New York Alumni Club, the North Jersey Alumni Club and the Delaware Valley Alumni Club. Recently, the North Jersey Alumni Club gave a sizable donation to the Alpha Phi Delta Foundation to help fund the Leadership Conferences conducted by the National Fraternity.

Overall, we have made great progress in addressing the most pressing problems of the Fraternity. Communications have improved. Colonies were chartered this spring and several new colonies have been established. As a result of the hard work of many people including the Executive Secretary and the District Governors, initiations increased this year by 15%. The future looks bright again. I welcome you to

### WWW.APD.ORG

Want to apply for a fraternity credit card? You can do it on the web. You can find our alumni clubs, alumni associations, and chapters all on the web page. Chapter listings show their founding date and link to each associated college’s web sites. Officer listings, contacts, and web site guidelines for fraternity entities are all on the web page. Need to order fraternity jewelry or sportswear? The contacts are on the web. Other things you can do on the fraternity web page: find the qualifications for fraternity awards, post questions to the fraternity, get in a fraternity chat room, and read the fraternity calendar of upcoming activities.

Fraternity forms will be available in the future. The web site is just evolving. If you have comments or suggestions while visiting there, please drop an e-mail to the webmaster (webmaster@apd.org).

**“We all have lives, jobs, families, responsibilities ... but the bond is the bond. It knows no barriers of age, race, school or geography.”**

## It's Good To Be A Brother

If you were an active brother in the late 1980s, you may have perceived a dividing line in the Fraternity that pretty much covered the Delaware River. I certainly did. There were the tri-state (New York, New Jersey and Connecticut) brothers and there were the Pennsylvania brothers, and rarely the two met. Geographic separation seemed to be an obstacle to truly experiencing the “national” aspect of the Fraternity. The focus in my experience was more regional than national.

This phenomenon puzzled me. As a founding father of Gamma Lambda at Fordham University, I was active nationally as a freshman. I was Undergraduate Vice President as a sophomore. From the beginning the emphasis in my local area was the twenty or so entities within short driving distance, and by and large the rest of the country was more of a “them.” There were other people at national events, but we never took the time to venture out of our local circle and discover that fraternal bonds and brotherhood

span more than 30 minutes in a car.

It's good to be an adult.

Saturday night, April 10th was one of my most enjoyable as a brother in the 13 years I have been in the Fraternity. Seven brothers from the Pittsburgh Alumni Club, (Bob Valeriano, PNP; Cal Shipley; Gerry Smulski; Paul Fabrizio, FNP; Leon Panella, Foundation Chairman; Paul Russo; and Kleos Editor John Russo) along with three brothers from the Brooklyn Alumni Club (Peter Gaudiuso, Mike Iacovelli and myself) and Gary Cuda (Foundation trustee and an alumnus of Beta Chi from Utica, N.Y.), broke bread at the Tavern Restaurant in State College, Pa. We would have had New Jersey Alumni Club brothers present, but we lost Al Fafara and Garry Kosteck on the way to the restaurant. We were all at Penn State for the Fraternity's National Council Meeting.

The evening was filled with great food, great brothers and plenty of laughs. The brothers told stories of

their pledge periods, caught up on the events of the day, and promised to make these events regular happenings at the conventions and National Council meetings. The brothers also started planting the seeds for future events like National Council Meetings, Convention Golf Outings (Fiore-Valeriano 1st Annual), softball games (League Champion BAC versus all comers) and the return of the formal dinners.

A great time was had by all, and it's good to know we are all pretty much the same from different cities. We all have lives, jobs, families, responsibilities, and realize that time is precious. But the bond is the bond. It knows no barriers of age, race, school or geography.

It's good to be an adult. It's good to be a brother.

*Article submitted by Joe Narciso, Gamma Lambda '87. Joe is a contributing writer for The Kleos and a member of the Brooklyn Alumni Club.*



A truly “national” bonding was made with brothers from the Brooklyn and Pittsburgh Alumni Clubs enjoying a meal together at the recent convention at Penn State. Brothers in the photo from left, back: Calvin Shipley, Pete Gaudiuso, , Jerry Smulski, Joe Narciso, John Russo, Paul Russo; and Mike Iacovelli; from left, front: Paul Fabrizio, Gary Cuda, Bob Valeriano, and Leon Panella with his “Santa” beard.

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## Alumni Clubs Hold Awards Nights

The Pittsburgh Alumni Club (PAC) honored four brothers at its 1999 Awards Dinner on April 23rd. With 50 brothers at Tivoli's Restaurant in Pittsburgh on hand to enjoy the festivities, PAC members enjoyed a fine dinner as a prelude to the award presentations.

**Rich Gagliardo**, Beta Rho '68, PAC social chairman for the past six years, was honored as **Outstanding Alumnus** for his service to the club. Rich has been involved with the club for most of the past ten years.

**Norman “Lefty” Armenti**, Psi '56, was presented with the **Adam DiVincenzo Award**. The Adam

Award honors an alumnus who has promoted the ideals of Alpha Phi Delta in the community and is given in memory of our beloved fraternity brother and PNP Adam DiVincenzo who served Alpha Phi Delta and his community for much of his 80 years). Brother Armenti served the city of Pittsburgh as a schoolteacher for 35 years before his retirement and has been a lifelong member of the PAC.

**Frank Costanzo**, Nu '30, was given a **Lifetime Achievement Award** for his long service to both the PAC and National (Frank was National President in 1956). Brother Costanzo, at 88 years young, is still a regular participant at PAC events and

provides his experience as a stabilizing influence in the group.

**Christopher Moran**, Beta Rho '96, was selected as **Outstanding Undergraduate** of the Western Pennsylvania District from petitions received from several undergraduates in the district (undergraduates from Psi, Beta Rho, Beta Theta and Gamma Delta are invited to seek the award). Chris was chapter president at Beta Rho at Gannon and was responsible for getting the brothers into a new chapter house.

The Delaware Valley Alumni Club (DVAC) held its annual awards banquet also on April 23rd. About 80 brothers and friends of those honored attended this affair which was held at the Cynwyd Tennis Club.

At their “man of the year” banquet, they gave an Outstanding Alumnus Award to DVAC president **Fred Bovoso**, Beta Delta.

The Community Service Award went to restaurateur **Arnold Orsatti**, Beta Delta '35. Arnold is known in the Philadelphia area for his works of charity and is the publisher and editor of an Italian language newspaper *Il Popolo Italiano*.

Two “Profile in Courage” awards were given. One award went to **Mark Chilutti**, Beta Delta '87, who was seriously wounded by an armed robber while working in his jewelry store in Philadelphia several years ago. Mark's spine was severed, and he is paralyzed from his chest down. The other “Courage” award was presented to **Anthony Pirillo**, Beta Delta '76. Anthony is also wheelchair bound. While undergoing heart surgery, he stopped breathing for about 40 minutes. He has a positive outlook on life and is devoted to his family.



Award honorees from Western Pennsylvania – left to right: Norman “Lefty” Armenti holding the Adam Award; Richard Gagliardo with the Outstanding Alumnus plaque; and Frank Costanzo with an award commemorating Lifetime Achievement with Alpha Phi Delta.

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## Our Contributions

*The following is a letter that was written by Santo Barbarino to Stanley Raffa, chairman of the Alpha Phi Delta Scholarship Division. Brother Barbarino wrote the letter after viewing the film “Our Contributions: The Italians in America.”*

I thoroughly enjoyed the video on Italian-Americans. It was a source of pride in our heritage. I learned so much, and it made me come to understand a little more about my father who came to America in his early teen years, greeted by his slightly older brother who came the year before. I often wonder what that was like.

My father was a young boy, 14 years of age, alone on a ship, leaving his mother and father, whom he would never see again, coming to a completely foreign land, with nobody here to greet him but his teenage brother. When I think of the strength of character that my father possessed, as well as that of his older brother, my Uncle Frank, I realize how I could never measure up to these two individuals. (I get lost when I drive into the next neighborhood.) My father got as far as the third grade in Sicily. My education, no matter how far it has gone, could never make me as wise as this humble, beautiful man.

One thing my father always talked about was the beauty of Sicily and the glory of our Italian heritage. He was so proud of the richness that Italians brought to the world, old and new. Thanks to him, I was introduced to opera, inventors, composers, and artists. He was also the best cook, and boy did I take advantage of that! I can still taste those fried meatballs on Sunday morning, before he put them in the sauce.

For all of these reasons, when I first heard of Alpha Phi Delta and its heritage, I realized that this was the only fraternity to which I could possi-

bly belong. He, too, was happy that I was part of APD. He always told me to “stay with people who are better than you,” advice he said he got from his father. I can remember how proud he was of meeting Macey (Domenic Macedonia, PNP) and DeGug (Joseph DeGuglielmo, PNP) at our Third District Communion Dinners in the late 1960s (and Stan, especially when I told him that Stan was Sicilian). He knew I followed his advice when I joined Alpha Phi Delta.



**Dr. Santo Barbarino**

The video brought it all together. From the broad scope of social, scientific, musical and artistic contributions of Italians, to the very basic and fundamental aspects of grandma’s love and family gatherings on Sunday, it captured us and gave us good reason to be proud. I pray that I can live up to my father’s expectations, but I know I could never attain his level. May God rest his soul, and my Uncle Frank’s.

Thank you for sharing this video with me. Please accept the enclosed

contribution and please continue to spread the good word.

*Dr. Santo Barbarino, Beta Sigma '65, was elected President of Alpha Phi Delta Fraternity in 1978. Prior to that, he was 3rd District Governor in the New York City area and Kleos editor for ten years. He is the sole remaining active member of the original scholarship trustees formed in 1974. He received his doctorate from New York University in 1987 and is currently the principal of Lynbrook High School in Lynbrook (Long Island), New York.*

*The video tape he refers to is “Our Contributions: The Italians in America.” It is a wonderful two-hour video on Italian heritage that was originally broadcast on PBS. Stan is offering copies of the video as a gift for all tax deductible donations of \$25 or more made to Alpha Phi Delta Scholarship Foundation. Send your check to Stan Raffa, 17 Essex Place, Dumont, NJ 07628.*



**“Frank Gentile was an inspiration for all the disabled who crossed his path. He proved that the disabled can be productive.”**

## Chapter Eternal

**Frank Gentile**, Eta '54, an accomplished and giving brother, passed away on January 30, 1999. He died of complications from pneumonia in San Diego. He was 63.

The Frank Gentile story is one of courage, pain and persistence. At age 15, he contracted polio, just one year before the vaccine was invented. Confined to a wheelchair for the rest of his life, he went on to receive a B.S. degree in Psychology from Brooklyn College and then studied at Dowling College for his doctorate. While in Brooklyn College, he was inducted into Beta Eta chapter in 1954. A few years later, he became active with the Long Island Alumni Club.

In 1957, Brother Gentile, together with Henry Viscardi, established the Human Resources Center in Albertson, N.Y., now known as the National Center for Disability Services. It is well known throughout the world. Frank worked there for 30 years in various executive positions. In 1985, he became executive director of the Association for the Help of Retarded Children. Two years later, he was appointed by New York Governor Mario Cuomo as director of Rehabilitation and Social Services at the New York

State Workers Compensation Board. Ten years later, in November 1997, he retired and moved to San Diego.

Frank Gentile was an inspiration for all the disabled who crossed his path. He proved to all the skeptics that the disabled can be productive and constantly strived to dispel the myth about them. Throughout his life he served on many committees and received numerous awards and recognition for his work with the disabled. Frank lived in the world of the handicapped and couldn't help but understand their problems, shortcomings and capabilities. (*Obituary provided by Joseph Randazzo, LIAC Newsletter Editor*).

Other death notices received:

**William Ventolo**, Psi '33, passed away June 3, 1998.

**Leonard C. Delia**, Nu '47, passed away July 7, 1996.

**George R. Bowers**, Psi '77, passed away April 30, 1996.

**Dominic Carifo**, Psi '37, passed away December 4, 1998.

**Louis Cardarelli**, Beta Epsilon '30, passed away December 12, 1998.

**Donald M. Nelson, Jr.**, Gamma Delta '83, passed away June 27, 1997.

**Emil Spadafore**, Nu '42.

## Penn State Convention

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located in Daytona Beach, Florida in order to attend the weekend meeting

The Alpha Phi Delta Foundation also met at Penn State. One of the main goals discussed at its meetings was an effort to increase fund-raising in order to aide the fraternity in areas allowed by its charter. The Foundation approved a grant to the fraternity to cover publication of two issues of The Kleos and two Chapter Leadership Conferences held by the fraternity during the past school year.

Everyone left this council meeting looking forward to returning to the next one in October with the hope that we can increase attendance and organized activities. The over-riding feeling of the meeting was that the fraternity will move into the next century as one cohesive unit: undergraduates, alumni, and the Foundation all working together to ensure the success and growth of Alpha Phi Delta.

## Travaline Honored

**Frank M. Travaline Jr.**, Lambda '22 and our 14th National President (1937-39), was honored by the Camden, New Jersey Rotary when they proclaimed April 13th as Frank Travaline Day. Frank has been a member of the Rotary for 52 years and has served as its president.

Frank was a founding father of our Lambda chapter at the University of Pennsylvania where he earned a degree in law. He had a law practice in Camden, taught political science at the Wharton School (at U. of Penn.), and served the New Jersey legislature for four terms. Among his college students at Wharton School was former U.S. Supreme Court Justice William J. Brennan Jr.

During his years of fraternity service, Frank wrote two fraternity songs, "Alpha Phi Delta Sweetheart of Mine" and "What We Do Goes Down in History." He wrote the basic ritual for memorial services adopted in 1929 and a revised initiation ritual in the mid-1930s. He served as a District Governor and Grand Consul (the original title for the National President) in the days when the fraternity had few officers. During his term as Consul, Frank was able to assist the fraternity to survive the depression and start the groundwork for better times after the end of the war.

In 1989, Frank wrote to The Kleos regarding his term as our leader. "My proudest accomplishment as Grand Consul was in the adoption by the convention of the new ritual which abolished the cruel and sadistic form of ritual which did our fraternity a disservice and voiding the inhumane hazing whose time had come."

Frank will turn 100 years young on July 19th. Happy Birthday Frank.



**“I am very proud of his many accomplishments and thank the fraternity for the help it offered Marc in making his dream a reality.”**

## Scholarship News

### *Scholarship Winners Series: Where Are They Now?*

*by Stan Raffa, Delta '49*

I received a very interesting letter from Ben Cerrone, Beta Pi '59, and a member of the Long Island Alumni Club. “After reading the Spring 1998 edition of The Kleos asking for information regarding past scholarship winners, I am honored to relay information on how my son, Dr. Marc Bernard Cerrone, utilized his scholarship. He was an Alpha Phi Delta scholarship winner for the years 1991-93. Marc studied pre-med at Notre Dame followed by four years at Downstate Medical School. He will complete his residency at Montefiore Medical Center in the spring of 1999 with a specialty in pediatrics. Having just accepted a permanent position at Day Kimball Hospital in Putnam, Connecticut, he is looking forward to finding a new home for himself and his wife and relocating.

“My son Marc was a great student who, with the help of the APD Scholarships, was able to pursue his lifelong dream to become a pediatrician.

“As you can appreciate, I am very proud of his many accomplishments and thank the fraternity of Alpha Phi Delta for the help it offered Marc in making his dream a reality.”

Here is a letter from Marc Schmidt, Delta Kappa '93. “After being initiated in Delta Kappa in 1993, and graduating from SUNY-Binghamton in 1995, I was awarded an Alpha Phi Delta scholarship for post-graduate study. I spent 1995-96 at the University of Virginia pursuing a master's degree in history which I eventually received in August 1998.

“The generosity of brothers who endowed the scholarship fund allowed me to focus on academics rather than part-time work; and I will always be

thankful for their support.

“Owing to my long held interest in the political process, I moved to the Washington, D.C. area after leaving UVA and have already held a number of positions. I am currently the Director of Programs for the National Taxpayers Union, located in Alexandria, Virginia. My responsibilities include membership development, policy analysis and research.”

Brother Schmidt concludes, “One of the main reasons I have been able to succeed in the highly competitive political field is that my graduate degree set me apart from other applicants. The Alpha Phi Delta scholarship helped make this possible, fulfilling the fraternity's goal of mutual obligation and support.”

And here's another past winner story. Lee R. Panella, son of Leon Panella, Psi '62, received Alpha Phi Delta Scholarships in 1987 and 1988. He graduated from James Madison University December 1989, with a Bachelors of Science degree in Political Science and two minors, Criminal Justice and Psychology. After leaving College, he joined the Marine Corp. He left the Corp in 1996 as a Captain and is now with the FBI as a Special Agent in Miami, Florida.

His father Leon is currently chairman of the Alpha Phi Delta Foundation and involved in fund-raising to continue scholarships and other areas that benefit young men and women in college.

***If you have won a scholarship from Alpha Phi Delta and would like to update your story, please write to Stan Raffa, 17 Essex Place, Dumont, New Jersey 07628.***

## Scholarship Forgotten?

I received a letter in which a fraternity brother lamented about his experience with those who have received academic scholarships. “The benefits, like many streets in our congested, downtown cities, are one way. It is unfortunate,” he continues, “that scholarship recipients rarely recall the roots of their success, and even more rarely see fit to reciprocate by making any contribution back to the organization responsible in part for their education and ultimately for their professional success.

“Experience in this realm has also led me to believe that most scholarship winners are reluctant to pay back the favor in terms of monetary support to the fraternity or university. Could they donate enough of their time to reciprocate the investment made by the fraternity back to the organization that was so supportive of their financial needs? I sincerely believe few could be interested.”

My answer to this letter contained the following:

“Scholarship is a worthy cause, giving help to an undergraduate who can use the money, being remembered in perpetuity, knowing that the money is working for the fund every day and is a tax deductible charity besides. These reasons appeal to alumni who contribute to the fund.

“It is true that many winning undergraduates seem to have forgotten to keep in touch (specifically to send monetary contributions when they become alumni) so that those who follow may benefit from the fund. But we all need some prompting when it comes to parting with our monies.

“I can think of no nobler way of spending my change than contributing to the scholarship fund. I am proud to join the lists of sponsors this year.”

*Stanley W. Raffa, Delta '49*



1999  
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National Convention

Lake George, New York

August 9th – 13th



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Surfside on the Lake is located in Lake George, New York nearby the famous Adirondacks. Special attractions and activities include: Amusement Parks, Historical Museums, Cruises, Boating, Watersports, Parasailing, White Water Rafting, Hiking, Bicycle Trails, Dinner Theaters, Thoroughbred Racing and Harness Track at Saratoga Springs, N.Y. (only 30 minutes away), Shopping at the Lake George Factory Outlets, The Adirondack Balloon Festival, The World's Largest Garage Sale Weekend, The Americade, The Queen's Great Boat Race Weekend, The Adirondack Nationals Car Show, Lake George Jazz Festival, Gore Mountain Octoberfest, and many other activities.

**SURFSIDE PACKAGES**

**FULL WEEK:**  
August 9<sup>th</sup> –13<sup>th</sup>

Single	\$560.00
Double	\$350.00
Quad	\$250.00
Kids: 13-18	\$200.00
Kids: 3-12	\$ 50.00

**SHORT WEEK:**  
August 11<sup>th</sup> –13<sup>th</sup>

Single	\$300.00
Double	\$200.00
Quad	\$125.00
Kids: 13-18	\$100.00
Kids: 3-12	\$ 35.00



Invite your family and friends to the Alpha Phi Delta Summer Convention at Surfside on the Lake. During the week, you will enjoy breakfast, dinner, the Annual Award Banquet, great attractions, fun-filled events, the nightly hospitality suite, with the surroundings of family and brothers

For additional information, contact:

Frank Riccardo, Beta Xi, at 908-369-5728 or by e-mail at FRiccardo@WORLDNET.att.net or Central Office at 718-875-9897 or by e-mail at apdoffice@apd.org.

Deposits due on June 15th; balance due on July 15th.



### Happy Anniversary Kleos

In commemoration of The Kleos' 70th anniversary, here's a picture from a bygone era. This shot is from the March 1931 issue of The Kleos. The caption was titled *"The 1930-31 New Year's Dinner Dance in New York"* in the Hotel Astor. Held the evening of December 27, 1930, this gathering was a forerunner of the famed Third District Christmas Dance.

**“Seventy-nine years later, on April 30, 1999, in the office of Aldo Del Sorbo, Delta chapter officially initiated two new members.”**

## Chapter Chatter

### DELTA REACTIVATED Polytechnic Institute

On April 30, 1920, the founding fathers of Delta Chapter at Polytechnic Institute of New York in Brooklyn were initiated into the fraternity. Delta Chapter had been active for 60 years, until it's official closing in 1980. Seventy-nine years later, on April 30, 1999, in the office of Aldo Del Sorbo (Delta '74), Delta Chapter officially initiated two new members, Brian Silk and Austin Poyerd. They are the new reactivation leaders of the very old and historical Delta chapter. Nearly 20 alumni were present to witness the rebirth of Delta.

The Fraternity has seen many great leaders from Delta serve the Fraternity, most notably Stan Raffa, Delta '49. Delta was one of the few chapters in the New York City area with housing for it's members. The new brothers of Delta will begin requesting assistance from over 125 living Delta brothers in the purchasing of a home once again for the chapter. The two new brothers are currently setting up for the next pledge class during the summer months.

Christopher Cagno, Beta Kappa, and Manuel Rodriguez, Gamma Sigma helped with the pledging process. If you are a Delta man and would like to help the chapter, please call Brian Silk at 718-234-0015. *(Submitted by Felipe Martinez, Executive Secretary.)*

### DELTA ZETA St. Peter's College

As Chapter President of Delta Zeta in Jersey City, N.J., I wanted to take the time to send compliments to

the neighboring chapters of APD. Recently the brothers of our small chapter at St. Peter's College went on a pair of road trips to SUNY-Oneonta and Marist College. We were in small groups; only three brothers took the three-hours trip to Oneonta and six ventured to Marist. However, being a small chapter comprised of only 12 brothers at a school where we are the only social fraternity on campus, these trips proved to be a great experience for us. When Tom D'Elia, Danny Anjos and I traveled up to Oneonta, we really didn't know what to expect. A friend mentioned that there was a very successful chapter of APD at her school. After a quick search to find the brothers, we arrived at their house. The brothers immediately brought us in and treated us as kings, showing me (a N.I.B. at the time) what brotherhood was all about. I want to compliment the brothers of Delta Rho for being a great bunch of guys.

My story turns to the Garden State Plaza Mall in New Jersey where I was shopping with one of my brothers when I noticed a guy wearing a purple APD hat. I went up to him, and we exchanged APD pleasantries as well as phone numbers. This brother, R.J. Ardetti, invited our chapter up to Marist College to a mixer with the "hottest" sorority on campus. Once again the brothers were all so hospitable to us and proved to make the weekend an absolute blast. I want to especially thank R.J. and to recognize Chapter President Mike Walsh for the invitation. They and all the brothers of Delta Theta proved to be prime examples of great APD brothers.

I want to send a continued thank you to all the chapters of the North Jersey District for helping us continue to stay strong. These chapters include Beta Xi (N.J.I.T.), Gamma Pi (Ramapo College), Gamma Nu

(William Patterson College), and Delta Xi (Seton Hall). They have always welcomed our chapter to attend all of their parties and pledge functions. Beta Xi has been continually gracious in allowing us to use their house for big pledge functions.

It is the demonstration of brotherhood that the aforementioned chapters have shown that makes this all so special. We continue to stay strong because of the national support we receive, and our doors are always open to any brothers who would like to come and spend a weekend with us. Stay strong, APD, and stay in touch. *(Submitted by Nick Leidl, Chapter President.)*

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Brothers from Embry-Riddle, Delta Pi chapter, pose in front of the "Winnie" that took them comfortably on their 1000 mile trek to Penn State from their campus in Florida. *(See convention story on page 1)*

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## Letter to the Editor

### Where Are The Undergrads?

I just got the KLEOS, and I was very happy to see how great a job you did in making the publication look as good as a commercial magazine. Your effort is particularly outstanding considering that you received exactly one article and one picture from any alumni club (Brooklyn AC) and one photograph from a chapter (Beta Rho). I assume that the Chapter Chatter stuff was lifted by you from newsletters.

It is hard for me to believe that we do not have any undergraduates playing sports, winning intramurals, making the dean’s list, helping old ladies cross the street, or taking any photos of anything worth publishing.

It should not be your job to find, write and in some cases create the news. The Fraternity should do something about this.

Signed, Charles G. Fiore, Esquire, Beta Theta '73

*Thanks for the compliment, Charlie. I have tried to solicit information from undergrads through e-mails, personal requests at the conventions and appeals in the Chapter Letter. Undergrads, are you up for the challenge? Your input is requested. The alumni want to know what you are doing these days.*

*Ed.*

## Next Kleos

The next Kleos will be published in the fall after the summer convention. Please send your pictures and stories to The Kleos by September 1st to be included in the next issue.

## Picture Gallery



National officers toured western Pennsylvania this winter and stopped at Psi Chapter's 29th Annual Valentine Ball in February at Duquesne University in Pittsburgh. From left: Paul Fabrizio (Pittsburgh Alumni Club), Felipe Martinez (Executive Secretary), Tom Carroll (National President), Ivan Sevillano (Psi Chapter), and Manuel Rodriguez (Gamma Sigma, the assistant district governor of N.Y.C.). Tom, Felipe and Manny stopped at Gamma Delta (Waynesburg) and Beta Theta (Steubenville) on their trip.



Psi Chapter (Duquesne University) celebrates spring initiation with the swearing in of six new members at a combined initiation and dinner. The event was sponsored by the Pittsburgh Alumni Club (PAC) in March at a local Pittsburgh restaurant and run under the leadership of District Governor Jerry Smulski. The PAC has held the combined alumni dinner meeting/undergrad initiation event several times in the past three years.

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## Alumni News

### BAC Celebrates 22nd Year of Softball

The Brooklyn Alumni Club celebrated their 22nd consecutive year of competition in the Staten Island Softball Association with another championship season! The team posted a 12 - 4 regular season record to capture first place in the Southern Division, before losing a two-run heartbreaker in the playoff finals.

Over the years, the team has been able to span the generations of fraternity brothers. This year's team included a 19-year-old and a 53-year-old, with representatives from seven area chapters!

Three of this year's players have been with the team since 1977 (Joe Caldarella, Tony Ceraso, and Zeke Parmegiani), while many others have been playing for over 10 years. Every year, new blood is added from the area, most recently Ron Lumachi (Beta Pi), Pete Gibaldi (Beta Sigma), and Leo Parmegiani (Beta Omega).

If you are moderately athletic and highly fraternal, and are interested in spending some time on Sunday mornings from April through August, contact Joe Caldarella at (718) 967-2374 or caldarej@bms.com.



### Wedding Bells

Brother **Michael J. Parascand**, Gamma Mu, wed Natalie Zawada on February 13, 1999. Michael is a consultant for Andersen Consulting and Natalie is a CPA in Internal Audit for Banker's Trust in N.Y.C. After honeymooning in St. Thomas, the couple will reside in Newark, Delaware.



### The Brooklyn Alumni Club Softball Team

L-R: Back Row: Bill Simmons, Doug Awn, Tony Ceraso, Ron Lumachi, Al Candela, Mike Iacovelli, Kris Hackanson, Lenny Plantemoli, Eddie Urena. Kneeling: Zeke Parmegiani, Ralphie Parmegiani, Leo Parmegiani, Joe Narciso, Joe Caldarella, Pete Gaudiuso, John Loddo, Pete Gibaldi. Not Pictured: Rob Nicotra

**Christopher Bernard**, Gamma Eta '87, and his wife Judy are proud to announce the birth of their son (future brother) Haig Lloyd Bernard on April 5th! Pictures are available at <http://www.anzwers.net/free/hlbernard>. Chris is currently a Program Manager in Information Systems with IBM Global Customer Offerings in White Plains, New York. Chris and family will be moving to Encinitas California (outside San Diego) in June of this year for a one-year temporary assignment.

### BAC Matches NJAC Challenge

Brooklyn Alumni Club President **Peter Gaudiuso** (center in photo) presented a check for \$500.20 to Foundation Chairman **Leon Panella** (left) and Foundation Treasurer **Jerry Smulski** (right). The BAC met the admirable challenge of the North Jersey Alumni Club. The NJAC challenged the rest of their alumni brethren to donate \$500 per club to the Foundation's Chapter Leadership Program. The BAC wishes to echo the NJAC's rallying cry and further challenge the Fraternity's Alumni Clubs to similarly give of themselves. The BAC is in the process of fundraising for a scholarship and further leadership programs.



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## Enjoy Alpha Phi Delta Support!

Being involved with Alpha Phi Delta is not only enjoyable, but an obligation. Whether you're an alumnus or undergraduate brother of the fraternity, you can benefit from attending your local alumni club. As an alumnus, you can meet brothers you've perhaps lost contact with over the past few years.

As an undergraduate, you can meet many influential brothers, perhaps in the same field of study of which you are attending school. Your alumni brothers can help with your career development challenges. They can tell you real life stories, not taught in school. Besides learning from your alumni brothers, you can have fun with them. Many of the clubs host dinner meetings, barbecues, baseball games, softball games, golf outings, volleyball games, cruises, plus many other fun-filled events.

Below is a listing of the active alumni clubs. Contact these brothers and get involved with your Fraternity during the upcoming summer months. If you live in an area that doesn't have an alumni club, please contact Central Office at 718-875-9897. They can help you.

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### *Alumni Clubs*

#### **Brooklyn Alumni Club**

Peter Gaudiuso 914 835-7335 GaudiP@bgfashion.com

#### **Columbus Alumni Club**

Albert A. Yannon 614 876-5944

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#### **Pittsburgh Alumni Club**

Rocco Muffi 412 276-6402 rmuffi@sgi.net

#### **Southern California Alumni Club**

Dr. Edward D'Orazio 310 861-9522

#### **Steubenville Alumni Club**

Richard Angelica 614 535-1830  
ic\_255@omalp1.omeresa.ohio.gov

#### **Youngstown Alumni Club**

Daniel Thomas Jr. 330 755-1891 dltjr@gateway.net

*Chapter Chatter (continued from page 12)*

### **DELTA RHO SUNY Oneonta**

On May 1<sup>st</sup>, the brothers of Delta Rho had the first formal in our chapter's history. This event took place in Lake George, New York. A great time was had by all.

The pinnacle of this event was not just getting away for the weekend, but rather it served as a key point in our chapter's history. In the four years that our chapter has existed, we have made tremendous strides. We currently have forty-two active brothers with about ten more brothers that have graduated. In addition, we have made a name for ourselves on campus as well as within Alpha Phi Delta.

All of these great things that have occurred can be attributed to the hard work and dedication of our chapter's founding fathers. With this being the last semester for many of these brothers, I thank them for everything they have done and promise to continue to keep this chapter healthy and prosperous. (*Submitted by Gregory Perelman, Delta Rho Chapter President.*)

### **Fraternal Longevity**

In a remarkable record for longevity, the 1934 pledge class of Eta Chapter will be celebrating the 65th anniversary of their induction into Alpha Phi Delta. What is remarkable is that all six pledge brothers remained in contact all these years, are still very much alive, and are willing and able to reunite.

On June 30, 1934, Tony Aguanno, Lou Mauriello, Al Messina, George Santangelo, Arthur Scotto and Joe Randazzo received the oath of brotherhood after a grueling ten-month pledge period. Dubbed the "Dauntless Six," the brothers are now in their 80s. On June 17, 1999, the brothers will reunite at Tony Aguanno's home in Englewood, New

## New Prospective Member Recommendation

Recruitment is the lifeblood of all Alpha Phi Delta chapters. If you know a young man who could benefit from the Alpha Phi Delta experience, we encourage you to fill out this form. The recommendation of legacies (the sons, brothers, nephews and grandsons of brothers) is an important aspect of the Alpha Phi Delta recruitment process.

Prospective's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address \_\_\_\_\_

City / State / Zip \_\_\_\_\_

College / University Attending \_\_\_\_\_ School Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Class \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_

*I understand that this is only a recommendation and membership into Alpha Phi Delta is entirely the decision of the individual chapter.*

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

Your chapter / year of initiation \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship to Prospective \_\_\_\_\_

**Please mail to : Alpha Phi Delta Fraternity, Central Office, 916 62nd Street, Brooklyn, NY 11219**

### Moving?

If your address is different than the mailing label, please notify our fraternity records department. Send the old label in with this clip out. Please send this to Central Office, 916 62nd Street, Brooklyn, NY 11219. Feel free to send any personal updates for The Kleos with this.

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