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National Council Meets in Boston

The National Council convened at Medford City Hall on April 1st to conduct the business of the National fraternity. Sixty-five delegates from 22 chapters, six alumni clubs and two alumni associations elected a new Executive Vice President, voted on legislation, passed a budget and chartered an alumni club. A total of 125 brothers gathered in the Boston area.

The election for a new Executive Vice President saw current Vice President for Expansion, Richard Barnes, Beta Chi at SUNY Utica, defeat Robert J. Hartman, Beta Xi at NJIT, North Jersey District Governor. Thomas Carroll, National President, Chi at Penn State, was elected to an unprecedented third year as National President. Back

in April 1999, the National Council voted to change the term limits from two consecutive years to four for the National President and Executive Vice Presi-



The "tough" guys from Tufts University were the hosts for the April 1st meeting in Boston.

Photo by Stan Raffa

dent positions. This allowed Mr. Carroll to seek a third year as National President. The Undergraduate Coordinating Committee elected Thomas V. Quayle, Delta Zeta at St. Peters, as their Vice President for Undergraduate Affairs. Brother Quayle currently serves as the Delta Zeta Chapter President.

The National Council voted on two pieces of legislation. The first piece of legislation was to grant alumni associations the right to vote at the district

level. This legislation was turned down by the Council. The second legislation was to change the definition of a district to allow two entities, one of which must be an undergraduate chapter, to exist. This legislation was approved.

The National Council also granted a charter to the Chicago Alumni Club.

Overall, the atmosphere was positive and encouraging. The National Council was able to complete the business of the fraternity within one day. Historically, meetings were conducted in two days.

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APD Goes To Florida, Again

First there were the Professional Car Racers. Then came the Spring Breakers. Now comes the newest addition to the Daytona Beach scene, the Alpha Phi Delta alumni. Will the beach ever be the same again?

On April 8, 2000, Scott McMichael and Glenn Posniack from Jacksonville, Bob Rini from DeBary, and Zack Craver from Orlando, descended upon the Delta Pi chapter in Daytona Beach to help initiate their newest member, Ron Hernandez. Also in attendance were Dick Ombres from the South Florida Alumni Club and District Governor Vince Verdile.

The initiation went well, and afterwards the majority of those in attendance went to Mario's Restaurant in Ormond Beach, Florida to break bread and inaugurate the newest alumni group to come on the scene, the North/Central Florida Alumni Club (NCFAC).

The dinner meeting was extremely enjoyable, as there were many social interactions amongst both the alumni and undergrads. The group has planned to meet again at Mario's sometime in June. If there are any brothers who are interested in attending the June meeting and/or joining the NCFAC, they are encouraged to phone Scott McMichael at 904-744-0393 or e-mail him at scott.mcmichael@paxis4u.com.

This marks our second club to be formed in the State of Florida, and it looks like it will be as successful as its neighbor to the South. From all of us in the Sunshine State, I personally invite all of you to come on down and check us out. Ciao.

Article by Vincent Verdile, South Jersey (and Florida) District Governor



Seated (l to r): North / Central Florida Alumni Club Brothers: Bob Rini (Eta '51), Scott McMichael (Chi '94), Glenn Posniack (Delta Epsilon '91), Vince Verdile (Beta Phi '86), and Zack Craver (Beta Chi '93). Standing (l to r) Delta Pi brothers: Ron Hernandez, Chris Hokanson, Jon Stahlberger, Tom Simko, Scott Koppas, Brian Lemmon, Steve Davis, Chris Belcastro, Chad Rawls and Zack Campbell.

KLEOS OFF FOR SUMMER

With this issue, The Kleos published four issues in one school year for the first time since 1992. We hope you have enjoyed the resurgence and extra news. We will be taking the summer off and will be back in the fall with news from the summer convention in Las Vegas. If you have news to share with the fraternity, please send it to The Kleos (e-mail and address in box on left). The deadline for the fall issue will be September 1st. Look for us in your mailbox in October.

Expansion News

Loyola Founders Enjoy Dinner with Alumni

Five Loyola University students were initiated on March 17, 2000 at the home of Michael Caronti (Beta Theta '81). The five new brothers are the first initiated in Chicago since 1980. Thomas Carroll, National President, Rick Barnes, Vice President for Expansion, Todd Cusato, Vice President for Undergraduate Affairs, John Peter Curielli, Vice President for Cultural Affairs and Felipe Martinez, Executive Secretary performed the initiation ceremony (pictured on right). Undergraduate brother Keith Freibott (Gamma Nu '97) also assisted with the induction ceremony during his visit from New Jersey to Chicago.

On March 18, 2000, the parents of the Loyola brothers and the Chicago-land area alumni held an Installation Dinner for the Loyola brothers



(pictured below). The parents were proud of their sons' accomplishments and association with the fraternity, and expressed interest in supporting their sons' membership in Alpha Phi Delta.

The new brothers are Omar Barragan, Clifford Bridgeman, Gerald Napleton, Anthony Pavone, and Richard Sarna. *Photos taken by Felipe Martinez, Jr.*



EXPANSION EXPLOSION

Alpha Phi Delta Fraternity is experiencing an explosive expansion boom. There are currently four reactivations and two colonies in operation, with three interest groups on the horizon. On the alumni front, there are nearly half a dozen alumni club colonies in operation.

The four reactivations are, Alpha (Syracuse University), Delta (Polytechnic University), Sigma (Boston University) and Gamma Omicron (SUNY Stony Brook). The current colonies are Kean University (Union, NJ) and Loyola University (Chicago, IL). Interest groups exist at Northeastern University (Boston, MA), University of Indianapolis (Indianapolis, IN) and Western Illinois (Macomb, IL). The interest groups will begin their pledge program during the fall semester.

The active alumni club colonies are, Connecticut AC, North/Central Florida, South Florida and Staten Island. Several clubs will begin meeting during the summer months. These clubs are, Boston, Central West Virginia, Cleveland, Genesee Valley (NY) and National Capital.

If you're interested in starting or supporting an undergraduate colony, please contact Central Office. To support an alumni club colony, please contact Tony Castellano, VP for Alumni Affairs at (732) 473-1551.

2nd Annual National Golf Outing

The 2nd Annual National Golf Outing will be returning to the beautiful Westover Golf Club in Norristown, Pa. Friday October 6, 2000. The first tee time will be at 1:00. This is the start of the National Council weekend. Last year's inaugural tournament attracted 20 brothers. Plan to join us this year. The prices are \$65 for Alumni and \$45 for Undergrads for golf, cart and dinner. Dinner to follow at Michael's Bar Grill at the course. Choice of Chicken Cordon Bleu, Veal Scallopine, Prime Ribs, or Stuffed Flounder.

Reserve and send payment with dinner choice to: Joe Narciso, 136 Woodbine Circle, New Providence, NJ 07974. Phone (908)790-0203 home or (212)602-2263 work; (908)790-0498 fax, e-mail: joe.narciso@db.com.

Scholarship

PNP Creston Latest Sponsor

Another brother has joined the ranks of 'sponsors' of Alpha Phi Delta's growing Scholarship Fund. A. Joseph Creston, Past National President of the Fraternity (1976-78), was the latest to add his name to the growing list of sponsors, donating \$10,000, the interest of which will serve to "assist deserving students in making their ambition become a reality."

A. Joseph Creston was born on May 17, 1927. He attended Duquesne University and matriculated toward a BS Degree in Business Administration which he received in 1951. In 1949, he was initiated into Psi Chapter.

He possesses that rare quality capable of inspiring anyone he comes in contact with. He served as Fifth District Governor during which time his dedication to Alpha Phi Delta came to full fruition and became recognized on a national level. In 1975, he became a member of the Housing Committee. That same year he served on the Blue Ribbon Committee to restructure the constitution. Following his presidency, he was appointed by the expansion chairman to work with a group of students at Waynesburg College who were interested in forming a chapter. After many hours and 30 trips



**A. Joseph Creston
Past National President**

(Waynesburg is 70 miles from Pittsburgh), they were chartered on August 19, 1980. For the next four years, he served as their Alumnus Advisor. From 1984-86, he served as National Chaplain. From 1993-97, he served as a member of the Board of Trustees of the Scholarship Division.

Joe is the recipient of several awards in the Fraternity. Among them is the Outstanding Alumnus Award in 1973 which he shared with PNP Stanley W. Raffa.

After working 31 years with the Westinghouse Corporation, Joe retired in 1990. Confirmed "snowbirds," he and his wife Josephine (Josie) now spend nearly half their time at their winter home in Palm Harbor, near Tampa, Florida, and the other half at their home in Pittsburgh. In between there are trips to and from their son Dan and two daughters, Linda and Janice. They have four grandchildren.

The Crestons also travel a lot these days. This past summer, they visited Vienna, Salzburg, Prague, Budapest and saw Hitler's Eagle Nest in Germany. He has also been to Italy twice and vows to return. Both remain very active with Alpha Phi Delta. Last year he joined the Alumnus Emeritus Club which was established several years ago for brothers serving fifty years and up in the Fraternity. They meet at a special luncheon at the summer convention every year. We'll probably see him at the convention this year, to be held August 7-11 at New York New York Hotel, in Las Vegas.

"Not a bad life," he admits, "and we thank God for it."

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Article written by Stanley Raffa

Scholarship Eases Award Plans

The Scholarship Foundation's Board of Directors has made it a bit easier to invest in its program. A proposal was passed that the \$10,000 requirement for a "designated name" award, given in honor of a sponsor, must be entirely available to the Foundation for a year or more before it can be awarded, and now allows that the scholarship may be incremented for \$5,000 (instead of the previous \$10,000) received in that person's name (one year after receipt in proportion to the standard amount).

Accordingly, the Pittsburgh Alumni Club has already achieved that level; \$15,335 was recorded last June. Therefore, they will award 1 1/2 times the standard this August. Immediately behind them are three other sponsors who could reach their next level by June 30, 2000, for 2001 awards: Southern California, (raise \$530), Brother Camillus Casey (\$13,980, raise \$1,813) and John Pasta/LIAC (\$23,187, raise \$1,020). This could help diversify the awards.

Another proposal was passed: if a donor would like to contribute \$10,000 for a named award, plus donate an additional standard amount to be awarded in the current year, rather than wait until an award is made from the funds earnings, that would be permissible.

Carfang Doubles Scholarship

Anthony J. Carfang, PNP, has doubled his endowment for scholarship bringing his total from \$15,000 to \$20,000. In 2000 in accordance to new rules established by the Foundation, he will be giving one a half times the standard award. In 2001, it will be double the standard.

Anthony gave his money in increments (\$5,000 per year) during his 40s because he felt "it was still important to endow the scholarship while still young. Without that

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Alumni News



The brothers of the **Beta Sigma Alumni Association** and friends gathered together for a night at the track. If you're interested in participating or would like to join the Beta Sigma AA, please contact Philip Zito by e-mail at Fphilvin@aol.com, or by telephone at 718-326-9012.



Snow in Florida? Brother Sal Bologna, Beta Sigma '78, reports to the Kleos that they had a white Christmas in Florida. Sal is shown here with his wife Lisa and children Alex and Cathryn.



Members of the **Brooklyn Alumni Club** enjoyed a dinner out with their spouses at "Cucina" restaurant in the Park Slope section of Brooklyn. Seated left to right: Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Caldarella (Beta Sigma '76), Mr. and Mrs. Charles Fiore (Theta Beta '76), Mr. Frank Marino (Beta Sigma '77 – his wife standing behind him). Standing left to right: Dr. and Mrs. Robert Cucco (Theta Beta '76), Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Parmegiani (Beta Sigma '65).

(*CARFANG continued from page 4*)

discipline, there will always be a reason to put it off." He indicates that the first \$5,000 was the hardest.

The Board of Trustees, on behalf of all interested parties, wishes to thank both A. Joseph Creston and Anthony Carfang for their contributions to scholarship. They urge all brothers to participate in the program as sponsors (\$10,000) or donors (a lesser amount) to increase the value of the fund and help "make their ambition a reality." Send your tax deductible check to Alpha Phi Delta Foundation and mark it for "Scholarship" using the envelope in this issue.



New York Alumni Club Brunch: As part of their social calendar, twice a semester, the club members meet on a Sunday for brunch at TJ Bentley's in Bay Ridge, Brooklyn, NY. The members in the picture are: William Ubieta - Beta Eta, Manuel Rodriguez - Gamma Sigma, Nick Franki - Gamma Lambda, Phil Zito - Beta Sigma, Mike Young - Beta Eta, Alex Franki - Gamma Lambda, Vladimir Camacho - Beta Sigma, William Beuther - Beta Sigma, Mike Ceciliani - Theta Beta, Todd Cusato - Beta Sigma. Taking the picture is Felipe Martinez - Gamma Sigma.

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Thomas Carroll announced the next two Council meetings. The fall meeting will be hosted by Gamma Mu chapter at Stockton College of New Jersey on October 7, 2000, and the Spring meeting will convene in New York City on March 31, 2001.

Article submitted by Felipe Martinez.

Alumni Updates

Leonard S. Oddo, Beta Rho '67, was appointed to the State Board of Examiners of Nursing Home Administrators by Pennsylvania Governor Thomas Ridge. The appointment was confirmed by the state senate on February 8, 2000.

Robert Russo, Beta Sigma '64, writes: "I have been teaching in the Middle Country School District in Centereach, NY for the past 33 years. I have been advisor to the school newspaper for 30 years, former Executive Vice President of the Middle Country Teachers Association for 20 years, Director of the Middle Country Teachers Center for 14 years, Director of Ministries for the Assembly of God of Center Moriches for 5 years. I will be retiring from teaching this June and will become the principal of the Leonard E. Burket Christian School, a pre-K-12 private school in Center Moriches.

"My daughter Allison, an Executive Events Coordinator with Computer Associates, is getting married in August to Joseph Montesanto, an engineer with UL Labs. My son, Christopher works for 4DI as an electronic designer and has one child, Anthony who is almost three."

Don Burke, Psi '71, wrote to The Kleos professing to shed his long, lost brother status. "I am currently the Director of Music for the Norwich City School District (my alma mater, Norwich, NY). I also direct the high school wind ensemble, concert band, and all related small ensembles. This is my 26th year as a music educator, the past 19 in Norwich. Up until two years ago, I also directed a very active marching band and jazz ensemble program (both extracurricular groups), but I 'passed the baton' a few years ago to lighten my workload a bit.

"I live with my wife Jackie and my 18-year-old (college

bound) stepdaughter in a beautiful home with two acres just out of town. We are avid bikers and enjoy trying to stay young. It is a far cry from the days of my impetuous youth!

"I noticed in the KLEOS that Syracuse and Binghamton both have active chapters. I did part of my graduate work at SUNY Binghamton and have several colleagues at Syracuse University. If I haven't been ex-communicated(!) by the powers of APD for neglectful membership over the past quarter century, maybe I can pay the respective chapters a visit someday." The Fraternity would like to welcome Don back and invite him to visit any of our chapters.

Frank Gulotta (Beta '27) was honored by Newsday as one of the 100 people from the 20th century who influenced and shaped the way of life on Long Island, NY. Frank distinguished himself when he was elected as Nassau County district attorney in 1949. Before then, no Italian American ever was elected to any office countywide. As a district attorney, he pursued organized crime and set up the county's first racket bureau. In 1959, he was elected to the Supreme Court of New York and eventually became Presiding Justice of the Appellate Division. He retired in 1983 and died in 1989.

Frank was the son of parents who were born in Sicily. He served in World War II in Africa and Italy. After the war, he was appointed as military governor of a large part of occupied Italy. He was proud of his Italian heritage and constantly fought against the discrimination so often encountered. Through his effort, ethnic minorities were recognized for what they were and not from where they came.

(Article submitted by Joseph Randazzo).



These alumni are snowbirds enjoying a get-together and great time in Jupiter, Florida at Toojay's Deli this past winter. The occasion was Al and Dorothy Palazzo's return from a cruise to Mexico which was a Christmas present given to them by their son Vincent. From back left: Maria Raffa (Stan's sister), Dorothy Palazzo, Alice Oliva, Delli Fertita, Violet Coscarelli, and Bernice Palazzo. Front from right to left, Ed Palazzo (Al's brother), Dick Coscarelli, Joe Fertita, Dom Oliva, Al Palazzo and Stan Raffa.

Fifty Year Members Alumni Emeritus

Delta at Polytechnic Univ.

Charles J. Falco
Benedict J. Russo
Anthony V. Sorrentino

Epsilon at Buffalo

Charles J. Montante DDS
F. Armand Saiia

Zeta at R.P.I.

Norman P. Castello
Vartan Eghigian
George J. Fallati
Anthony J. Ferlazzo
Armand J. Laudadio Jr.
Peter R. Reda
Anthony D. Rugari
Raymond J. Weinaug Jr.

Eta at City College

Michael S. Antieri
Robert L. Mangieri Sr.

Theta at N.Y.U.

Michael DiDiego
Velio A. Marsocci
James A. Martucci

Mu at Cornell

Julio P. Cappiello
Augustine A. Fornataro
Joseph Ross Jr.

Xi at Ohio State

George J. Argie
William J. D'Alonzo DDS

Lewis J. DiRosario
Alfred R. Gallucci
Romeo D. Pallante
Anthony Tizzano
Albert A. Yannon

Pi at West Virginia

John Falbo
John U. Fazi DDS
Epifanio V. Iannello
Bernard J. Palma
John Signorelli
Frank Trotto Jr.

Rho at Carnegie Mellon

Bernard E. Speranza

Sigma at Boston U.

Angelo Borelli
Michael Eremita
William Vitagliano

Upsilon at Harvard

Anthony Balzebre
Cyrus A. Del Vecchio
William W. Monafo

Chi at Penn State

Joseph G. Arteritano Jr.
Michael B. Geronimo
Donald E. Nasoni
Robert E. Pascuzzi
Richard T. Pioli

Psi at Duquesne

Arthur B. DeConciliis
Joseph A. DeLuke

Joseph W. DeNardo
Joseph M. Lo Presti
Eugene W. Milie
Andrew Monda
Edward S. Napoleon
Ralph C. Petrilli
Joseph J. Romanello
Francis Stablow
Rocco Stio
Daniel V. Unico

Omega at Rochester

Victor A. Aspromonte
Peter Carrillo
Anthony J. DiVasto

Beta Beta at Manhattan

Anthony W. Annunziata
Paul F. Arnone
Cleto P. Caruso
Henry J. Cosenza
Samuel A. Donato
Michael J. Langellotti
Francis P. Pace
Alfonse R. Squittieri

Beta Delta at Temple

Anthony Caponey
Edward Magliocco
Anthony V. Marturano
Anthony Stracciolini

Theta Beta at N.Y.U.

R. Anthony Famulare Esq.
Anthony E. Mawad
Augustus Riviello
Louis Siracusano

Stephen C. Taglianetti
Frank Vinciguerra

Beta Eta at Brooklyn

Leonard Scalisi

Beta Theta at Steubenville

Gregory A. Calevero Sr.
Richard L. Farr
Joseph P. Quattrone Sr.
Justin A. Scarpone RPH
Carmine L. Serafini

Beta Iota at Utica

Allen T. Cacciarelli
Louis P. Ching
Carl Del Buono
Eugene Fiorentino
Anthony Laporte
Douglas Moran DDS
Anthony E. Nappi
Peter N. Poleo
Henry G. Talerico
Lawrence A. Trivieri

Beta Kappa at L.I.U.

Alfred Ancona
Michael L. Prisco

Beta Lambda at St. Francis

Robert Ciccola
Thomas J. Torsell
Albert Zafonte

Beta Mu at DePaul

James Berardi
Joseph D. Cece MD
Samuel A. La Susa
Vincent D. Pisani
Julio N. Tiritilli

Beta Xi at N.J.I.T.

Ettore A. Petrone

Beta Omicron at Youngstown

Daniel L. Rossi

PAC Honors Joseph D'Andrea

The Pittsburgh Alumni Club held its annual District Awards Dinner on April 6th. **Joseph F. D'Andrea**, Psi '52, was given the Adam DiVincenzo Award for community service. Fifty one guests were in attendance for the awards ceremony which was held at Churchill Country Club in Pittsburgh.

Joe has been President of the Pennsylvania State Teachers Association and has served as Honorary Consul of Italy in Pittsburgh since 1983. He is President and cofounder of American Italian Cultural Institute in Pittsburgh, NIAF Area Coordinator for Pittsburgh, President Pa. Education Association, on the Board of Directors National Education Assn. and on the Board of Trustees Western Pa. His-

torical Society.

Joe was born in Roccamandolfi, Italy and emigrated to the United States after WWII. He soon enrolled at Duquesne University and pledged Psi chapter in 1952.

Also honored at the event was **Jon P. Blanchette**, Psi '97, as the Outstanding Undergraduate of the District. Jon was President of Psi chapter in 1999 and has helped lead the chapter in its current resurgence (45 brothers strong this semester).

A third presentation was made in memory of deceased brothers Louis Minutello, Psi '47, and Sid Aurilio Psi '46, long time PAC members and deceased restaurateurs who hosted the PAC executive committee meetings



Rocco Muffi, President of the PAC, on right presenting Joe D'Andrea with his award plaque.

for over 30 years at Minutello's Restaurant. The award was accepted by Louis Minutello, Jr. (son of Lou and nephew of Sid), the current manager of Minutello's Restaurant. The PAC will be holding their annual dinner dance November 11 also at Churchill

Leadership Conference 2000

During the months of January and February, Central Office, with the support of the National Officers, District Governors and Foundation members, sponsored the 7th Annual Leadership Conference. The Leadership Conference Series is an educational seminar geared to the current chapter officers and members. Central Office assists the officers with setting goals, identifying problems within their chapters, solutions to these problems, pledging, recruitment, chapter management techniques, and a review of fraternity manuals and policies.

The Leadership Conference 2000 was attended by 125 brothers from 21 chapters. The Conferences were hosted in five geographic locations.

The Leadership Conference was developed by the Past Executive Secretary, James Lentini. This year's conference was designed by Central Office, in conjunction with the National President, Thomas Carroll, and Vice President for Undergraduate Affairs, Todd Cusato. An additional New Member Conference and Expansion Leadership Conference will take place in New York City during the month of May.

The Leadership Conference is sponsored by the Alpha Phi Delta Foundation. If you're interested in supporting the Leadership Conference Endowment with a tax deductible donation, please contact Leon Panella at (724) 758-6331, or via e-mail at panellaj@bellatlantic.net.

Article and photos submitted by Felipe R. Martinez, Jr., Executive Secretary.

Univ. of Penn.



The University of Pennsylvania Conference was conducted during the October 1999 National Council Meeting. Shown in picture at left are attendees at the National Council meeting in Philadelphia on October 8, 1999. A Leadership Conference for undergraduates was part of the weekend agenda.

New York City



Host: Beta Kappa at Long Island University—Brooklyn, New York. January 29, 2000.

Attendees: Beta Sigma — St. Francis College, Gamma Rho — Baruch College, Gamma Sigma — St. John's University (Staten Island), and Delta Epsilon — John Jay College.

North Jersey



Host: Beta Xi at North Jersey Institute of Technology — Newark, New Jersey. February 12, 2000.

Attendees: Gamma Mu — Stockton College, Gamma Nu — William Paterson, Gamma Pi — Ramapo College, Delta Zeta — St. Peter's College, and Delta Xi — Seton Hall University.

Hudson Valley



Host: Delta Theta at Marist College — Poughkeepsie, NY. February 26, 2000.

Attendees: Beta Iota — Utica College, Delta Iota — Kings College, Delta Nu — Eastern Conn. State University.

Western Penn.



Host: Psi at Duquesne University — Pittsburgh, Pa. February 19, 2000.

Attendees: Chi — Penn State University, Gamma Delta — Waynesburg College, and Pittsburgh Alumni Club

Psi chapter hosted the February 19th Leadership Conference for Western Pennsylvania. Executive Secretary Felipe Martinez, Jr. conducted the conference and was assisted by V. P. of Undergraduate Affairs Todd Cusato and National President Tom Carroll. Gamma Delta chapter from Waynesburg and Chi chapter from Penn State attended. Also on hand were Foundation Director Leon Panella and Kleos Editor John Russo. The conference ended with a private mass conducted by Father Sean Hogan of Duquesne. The officers were treated to a special Pittsburgh style Italian dinner Saturday evening at the Minutello Restaurant hosted by PAC alumnus Paul Fabrizio with the Pittsburgh Alumni Club.

Psi Chapter 1969 Reunion

Duquesne University's Psi chapter in 1969 was in the midst of one of its weakest eras in its then 40 year history. Founded in 1929, Psi historically has been one of National's strongest and most consistent chapters. But in the late 1960's, the chapter had only a dozen active brothers and was in debt to National. Recruiting pledges in the era of free love, Vietnam, protests, drugs, and Woodstock was a tough task.

In 1969, led by chapter president Bob Calabro, pledge-master Rex Gatto and district governor Joe Creston, the chapter was able to repay its debt to the National fraternity and find a strong pledge class with the 16-man fall '69 pledge class. After an enduring pledge period, these men were initiated as brothers and started the chapter back on the road to glory. The '69 pledge class became involved in the chapter, on campus, in National and with the local alumni. They set a standard for subsequent pledge classes. By 1971, the chapter was honored by National as its Most Improved Chapter and followed that up with the Outstanding Chapter Award in 1972. In addition, the Outstanding Undergraduate Award was presented to Ed Comas, Psi '69 (spring).

This self-confident pledge class of 16 deemed itself as one of the best pledge classes ever. Two of their members became National presidents of the Fraternity (Tony Carfang and Mike Zerega). All of them graduated, seven of them went on for master degrees, three of them became lawyers, two of them are CPAs, two of them earned MBAs, three became teachers, and one was a priest. Psi chapter rebounded in 1969 and has been continuously strong in the 30 years that have followed. With a record of achievements to support them, maybe they are one of the best classes ever.

After 31 years, Don Reddinger with the help of Vito DiSalvo, Psi '70, decided to organize a reunion for February 2000. And they invited all the brothers who were in school with them at that period — spanning eight years.

Held at an Italian restaurant in Pittsburgh, the reunion

By John J. Russo, Kleos Editor

was one heck of a party for good times and memories. Twenty-six Psi brothers attended — including the chapter president (Robert Calabro, Psi '67), the pledgemaster (Rex Gatto, Psi '67), the chaplain (Rev. Fr. Leonard Tuozzolo, Psi '61), one of the district governors (Paul Fabrizio, Psi '63), and seven of the 16 members of the 1969 pledge class.

While the group had aged over the years, the bond that was formed all those years ago was still present. It seems that basic personality traits are formed in youth and not changed by the passage of time and the paths of careers. As one attendee said, "If you closed your eyes and listened, you would have thought you were back at a fraternity meeting 30 years ago. The voices and personalities were as familiar as yesterday."

Rex Gatto wrote after the party: "Something in each of us is forever touched by that bond. I always felt that we as a group were a little different as an era. We turned Psi around. We generally graduated in four years. We are successful as a group, and we stick together to help others not as fortunate."

Former chapter president Bob Calabro commended the brothers in the group who kept the spirit of Alpha Phi Delta alive and became involved in National. "Just as Psi was rejuvenated in the late 60's by many of us, many of you were instrumental in rejuvenating National. By far, the latter task was a more significant undertaking and accomplishment!"

Claude Neidlinger, Psi '70, came the farthest to attend — from Minnesota. He wrote after returning home, "It is rare when we can step back to another time and find we can still capture the same feeling. Sunday's reunion matched all my expectations. Being

so far from Pittsburgh, you realize how much things change and if college and especially fraternity years were as good as we remember. Certainly the APD years were."

After the enjoyment of this reunion, the group would like to try it again next year rather than waiting another 31 years. They are hoping to entice some of their fellow classmates who missed this year to join them next year.



Attendees at the Psi '69 reunion: front, sitting from left, Rocco Muffi, Ron Ricci, Gary DiCroce, Bob Calabro. Middle, sitting from left: Sal Aloe, Don "Duck" Reddinger, Fr. Leonard Tuozzolo, Rex Gatto, Vito DiSalvo. Standing, from left: Paul Fabrizio, George Butler, Bob Valeriano, John Brown, Jim Giannetti, Tony Carfang, Jerry Smulski, John Russo, Rick Kimmins, Claude Neidlinger, Ed Comas, Mike Zerega, Sam LaBarbara.

Photo by Leon Panella.

Brothers In Music

When Vito DiSalvo and Greg Grenek first met during their fraternity college days at Duquesne University in 1972, little did they know that their bond of brotherhood in Alpha Phi Delta was the start of a lifelong relationship in music. Vito DiSalvo, as a college freshman in the school of music at Duquesne, pledged Alpha Phi Delta in the spring of 1970. Growing up in Pittsburgh, he was already an accomplished musician for his age, having started playing professionally in junior high school in 1965, forming a three-man band he named We Three. His talents were manifested in playing several instruments including the piano and accordion.

Greg Grenek was a year younger than Vito and entered the School of Music when he matriculated at Duquesne in 1970. Greg, hailing from Butler, a small town about 40 miles north of Pittsburgh, pledged Psi chapter in 1972 as a sophomore majoring on saxophone.

In the early 1970's, Psi chapter was a musical hotbed for a fraternity with over a dozen musicians in their membership. It was not unusual to see small groups of brothers playing and singing for fun and pleasure – including Vito and Greg along with other brothers who became accomplished musicians in their own right. The brothers also organized small bands to play at fraternity affairs and sorority mixers and choreographed pieces for the chapter to play in the annual "Greek Sing" events held each spring (a veritable talent show pitting fraternities and sororities against each other in musical competition).

Vito graduated from Duquesne University with a B.S. degree in Music Education. He then went on to receive his Masters Degree in Theory/Composition from the University of Miami in Coral Gables, Florida. Vito is also known for his work in the field

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of music education. In addition to serving as a clinician and resource person in the field of music technology, Vito also serves as Music Department Head for the West Mifflin (Pa.) Area School District where he also teaches music technology. He is a nationally



Greg Grenek (left) with Vito DiSalvo

acclaimed composer and arranger. His background includes involvement in concert bands, symphonic orchestras, jazz bands, and electronic and commercial music. He has performed on the accordion with many top vocalists including world renown tenor, Luciano Pavarotti. As the leader of We Three (the band actually has five members now), Vito plays accordion, piano, and synthesizers.

After graduating, Greg followed Vito to Miami where he remained until the early 1980's playing with some top musical groups. Upon his return from Miami, Greg joined Vito's We Three band as a vocalist, saxophonist, and clarinetist. In addition to playing for We Three, he still enjoys playing

jazz with Pittsburgh's Balcony Big Band. Greg is very much involved in commercial music and can be heard playing saxophone on many commercials produced in the Pittsburgh area.

Today, We Three is a premiere musical group, and one of the most sought after and recognized party and wedding dance bands in the tri-state areas of Pennsylvania, Ohio and West Virginia. They have performed at thousands of dinner-dances, weddings, private parties and festivals. The band covers contemporary and classical jazz, the musical periods of the 1930's and 40's Big Band Era, the 1950's Swing/Jitterbug Era, the music of the 60's, 70's, and 80's, to today's current pop music. Additionally, since the early 80's, We Three has specialized in ethnic and traditional dancing such as tangos, waltzes, polkas, czardas, meringues, rumbas, sambas, etc.

We Three is also a family affair managed by Vito's wife Lana under their business name of Mifflin Hills Music Co. Mifflin Hills Music Co., is also a record, production, publishing, and direct mail catalog company with its target market being Italians and Italian Americans. The band has recorded six Italian albums over the years and now have their own website. Their albums include *Bravo Italia!*, *Eh Cumpari!*, *Salute!*, *Champagne*, and *Buona Festa*, all available on cassette or CD. Their website also features other Italian artists such as Lou Monte and Filippo Voltaggio.

To sample the music of We Three, visit their website at www.mifflinhillsmusic.com. Their recordings are available at Italian specialty shops and wineries throughout the United States. They can also be ordered by calling Mifflin Hills Music Company's toll free number at 1-800-733-4838.

Meanwhile Vito and Greg are still playing together into the new century – a musical journey that began as undergraduate fraternity brothers over

Continuing Education — Sopressato 101

Sopressato 101 was not on the list of approved courses of study at Duquesne University. We are now offering the following Continuing Education Unit (CEU). After reading the lesson plan, please submit a signed affidavit to Leon J. Panella. You will receive a Certificate for three CEU's and be an official "Sopressato Maker."

Chapter 1.

FIND 5 to 20 Italian Americans willing to spend 10 to 12 hours together (without a fight).

Chapter 2.

INGREDIENTS – The main ingredients are pork butts and hams. The final mix contains 40% pork butt and 60% ham. Seasonings are paprika, black pepper, salt, cayenne pepper, red bell pepper paste and homemade red wine. And of course, large casings.

Chapter 3.

EQUIPMENT needed: Knives (very sharp), a grinder/stuffer (electric, if possible), string (to tie off the casings), large plastic containers (to mix all the ingredients in), Band Aids (there is always a slip or two), a couple of pins and a large table for cutting, mixing and stuffing.

Chapter 4.

AFTER all the students have assembled, the "Boss" (usually the oldest member) shall delegate a job to each student: i.e., cutting the pork, grinding the pork, cleaning the casings (this job is usually reserved for the youngest/newest member of the group), etc. Cleaning the casings involves washing them in salt water and turning them inside out. This must be done in a well-ventilated area.

The "Boss" has the *educated hand* when it comes to adding the condiments (this takes years of experience). No measuring spoons or cups are necessary. The *educated hand* comes into play, ½ handful of this, two handfuls of that, and finally the

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OBJECTIVES OF SOPRESSATO 101

1. Discuss who can take part in the making of the sopressato.
2. Explain the necessary ingredients and equipment needed to make the finished product.
3. Inform all the students of the required number of breaks* to be taken during the day (at least 3).
4. Proper storage and care of the sopressato.

*A **break** consists of a glass of wine or two and a little story from our past.

homemade WINE. Of course, all the students must taste the wine. Mixing together all the ingredients is next. After about 15 minutes of tossing and turning the mix, a sample is taken. (Refer to Chapter 5.)

BREAK.

Chapter 5.

A **SAMPLE** of the mix is taken to the kitchen where it is cooked. This cooked sample is then taken to the table (where all the workers have assembled) and tasted. This tasting also includes some roasted red peppers, an assortment of cheeses, eggplant parmesan, an assortment of olives, some sweet and hot pepper salads, lupini beans, fresh Italian Piatto bread, sopressato (the previous year's vintage), and homemade wine. (This meal is usually prepared by the wives). After this taste test is completed, the "Boss" shall determine if any more ingredients, i.e., cayenne pepper, are needed. If he gives the go ahead, we can continue. (Go to Chapter 6.)

Chapter 6.

STUFFING the casings takes us near the end of the lesson. All workers take turns, filling the stuffer, tying the casings off, weighing and pricking each sopressato with a pin (this aids in drying the meat) and dividing up the final product for each student.



The "sopressato makers" during a break in class. From left: Brother Paul Fabrizio, a helper, Brother Nick Clemente, Brother Ray "The Boss" Sasselli, a helper and Brother Leon Panella.

BREAK. Now after about ten hours of class, a toast is given to the Ladies who prepared the wonderful lunch and to our Forefathers for starting this tradition. After this, the cleanup begins.

Chapter 7.

HANGING the sopressato is the final job of the day. A fruit or wine cellar where the temperature is in the mid 40's and has some outside air circulating is a must. This brings us to the end of the lesson except for the person who has the privilege of storing the sopressato in his cellar. This individual has the responsibility to "TALK" to the sopressato every day. So after work or play each day, you have to make a trip to the wine cellar to check the sopressato and say "buono notte."

Now the hardest part is waiting about two months for the sopressato to dry. Come mid-March, take a few down, get some bread, cheese and homemade wine and "mangia."

Ray Sasselli (the Boss), Nick Clement, Angelo Nolfi, Mike Esoldo, Paul Fabrizio and Leon Panella (the host) attended the class of 2000. The

wives who graciously prepared the meal and pricked the sopressato were Pat Sasselli, Charlene Fabrizio and Karen Panella.

Please read the sidebar in the next column to participate next year.



An Offer You Can't Refuse

My wife, Karen, and I would like to extend an invitation to all for the first week of January 2001. A hands on class will be held at our home. For those who come and pass the course, you will go home "A Boss".

As a Foundation Board Member, I will send a "sopressato," a bottle of my homemade wine and the video "Our Contributions: The Italians in America" to the first 20 brothers who send a donation of \$250.00 or more to the Foundation. We as alumni have to remember the hard work our Forefathers did to educate us, and give us the opportunity to better ourselves. The Foundation directs its monies to Scholarship, Leadership, and The Kleos. With the financial help of our Alumni, we can help educate and guide the Undergraduates. Please take me up on my offer, and be one of the first 20 brothers to contribute \$250.00 or more and "Remember our Heritage".

Send your tax deductible contribution, made payable to Alpha Phi Delta Foundation, to:

*Leon Panella,
1027 Center Avenue,
Ellwood City, PA 16117;
Phone: (724) 758-6331,
Email: panellaj@bellatlantic.net*

Fraternity Visa Card Available

At present we have 485 brothers and friends using the Alpha Phi Delta Visa credit card. Since inception, the Foundation has collected from First Tennessee Bank just over \$23,000.00 in rebates from purchases made with our custom-designed card. These contributions are made to the Alpha Phi Delta Foundation, and there's no cost to you.

The more you use your APD credit card, the more you are helping us fund important programs now and in the future. The Foundation uses the money to fund "The Kleos" which reaches out to 10,000 Alpha Phi Delta men. It also funds "The Leadership Conferences" held by our National President and Secretary.

Let's not forget, NO ANNUAL FEE and LOW APR. First Tennessee

Bank also provides cardholders with a Premier Travel Club membership, at no extra charge. You'll enjoy the following discounts and special services to make traveling more enjoyable:

- ? 5% rebate on Travel Expenses
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For students, the Visa Classic handles emergency needs away from home, and that means peace of mind for parents and students alike. The card also helps keep track of routine expenses and allows students to establish the credit history they'll need after graduating.

The right card for Alumni, these Visa Classic and Gold Cards offer value and benefits that go beyond other cards. The travel discounts alone could save a family hundreds of dollars.

Apply right away (see ad on next page). If you have any questions about the program, please call Julie Brown at Coverdell and Company, the program management firm, at 1-800-787-8711 or Leon J Panella 1-724-758-6331.

Our Fraternity is on the move. Let's add a turbo-charger. Apply NOW.

Thank you.
*Leon J. Panella, Psi '62,
Foundation Chairman*

National Convention 2000 at Las Vegas

This is your final opportunity to join your brothers, friends and families for the 78th Annual National Convention at the New York-New York Hotel & Casino at Las Vegas Nevada on August 7 through 11, 2000. The New York-New York Hotel has replicas of New York City landmarks and a roller coaster that twists, loops and dives around through the property.

There are several nightclubs and plenty of popular New York eateries. Besides many of the amusements the New York-New York Hotel & Casino provides, there are several other nearby hotels, all within walking distance, with equally fun-filled activities.

The Fraternity will also arrange for several activities throughout the week so you may enjoy Las Vegas with brothers and families. If you are planning on attending the convention and have not paid yet, we will need



full payment at this time. Enclosed within this issue is a postage paid business reply envelope to include your payment within the envelope.

Airfare accommodations can be made through Litwack Travels. You can contact them at 800-777-6800. Request the Alpha Phi Delta Summer Convention deals. See you in Las Vegas!!!

Convention Pricing

Single Occupancy:

Monday – Friday	\$ 450.00
Tuesday – Friday	\$ 350.00

Group Rates:

Monday – Friday	
Double Occupancy	\$ 325.00
Triple Occupancy	\$ 300.00
Quad Occupancy	\$ 275.00

West Coast Special

Thursday – Friday	
Attend the Banquet, stay the night and Friday breakfast:	\$ 150.00

Price includes hotel room, breakfast (Tuesday thru Friday), Dinner (Monday and Tuesday), The Awards Banquet (Thursday), and the nightly hospitality suite. 50 year members will receive a free lunch on Thursday.

This will be your final opportunity to register for the convention!!

CREDIT CARD

Chi Chapter Announces “Moving On! 2000” Campaign

As many of you may know, Chi chapter won Alpha Phi Delta's most prestigious award — Outstanding Chapter Award — this past summer. Well, upon receiving this award the chapter decided it is time to “move on.” Therefore, the undergraduate brothers of Chi chapter are enthusiastically teaming up with its Housing Corporation and inviting all alumni to help the chapter with campaign “Moving On! 2000.”

We have come upon a very critical time when we must decide upon the future of Chi chapter. As Chi celebrated its 71-year anniversary (March) since its founding in 1929 and its 10-year anniversary (this coming November) since its reactivation in 1990, it is very important for all alumni to understand one of the most important long-term goals of the chapter — purchasing a house! At the moment, there are several nice houses available for sale. Unfortunately, the chapter's Housing Corporation does not currently have the funds to purchase or even make a down payment on a house. Purchasing a house will help to better insure that Chi chapter does not, once again, close.

In an attempt to finally reach this goal, Chi chapter is teaming up with the members of its Housing Corporation to immediately begin its largest and most aggressive campaign to raise funds for the Housing Corporation. Campaign “Moving On! 2000” is scheduled to last through Homecoming weekend — October 21, 2000. The overall goal of “Moving On! 2000” is to raise at least \$150,000. This is no small goal, and the only way “Moving On! 2000” will truly be a success is if each and every alumnus offers some sort of monetary support. So, please fill out the “Moving On! 2000”



Chi Chapter Relocation

This coming school year, Chi chapter will be moving to the center of Penn State's fraternity district. Located at 234 East Foster Avenue, the chapter's new house will be just 1 1/2 blocks from Fraternity Row. As with its current house, the chapter will be leasing its new house, though the Brothers of Chi are hoping to raise enough money through its Housing Corporation by Penn State's Homecoming this fall to finally purchase a house next year.

donation form, cut it out, and mail the form to the following address: Thomas J. Carroll, Attorney at Law, 506 Swede Street, Norristown, PA 19401

Thank you, in advance, for your continued support of Chi chapter, its Housing Corporation, and campaign “Moving On! 2000.”

Submitted by Shaun R. Foote, Chi '98,
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Chi Chapter's “Moving On! 2000”

YES! I wish to make a contribution to the Alpha Phi Delta at Penn State Housing Corporation.

- ? Housing Trustee \$1,000
 ? Housing Patron \$500
 ? Housing Sponsor \$250
 ? Sustaining Alumnus \$125
 ? Other \$_____

Please remit contribution as soon as possible.

Make checks payable to :

Alpha Phi Delta at Penn State Housing Corporation.

Full name:

Nickname:

Init. year

Address 1:

Address 2:

City:

State:

Zip:

Country:

Phone:

E-mail:

Comments:

? I wish that my identity NOT be published in conjunction with my contribution in any Alpha Phi Delta publication.
 (You MUST still fill out the gray form – for internal purposes.)



Alumni

Membership



As an alumnus “the obligation of permanent activity and support” continues. Now, it is time to ask our always generous alumni to help support our Fraternity. Your alumni dues will help the Fraternity meet necessary expenses, promote our educational programs, provide our chapters with needed supplies and training, and support our publications. You do all this and so much more. Alpha Phi Delta is grateful for your support! We are asking our alumni to support Alpha Phi Delta by choosing one of the alumni dues options below.

? **Option 1: Alumni Dues of \$30.00. You will receive:**

- A. A 2000 alumnus membership card which shows that you are in good standing with the Fraternity;
- B. All *Kleos* issues this coming year;
- C. Alumni chapter information;
- D. The privilege of good standing which allows you to belong to an alumni club/association;
- E. The placement of your name on an “alumni in good standing” list, published in the Winter 2000 *Kleos* issue.

? **Option 2: Life Membership at \$300.00.**

? **Option 3: Recent Graduate Life Membership at \$250.00. Both will receive:**

(The Recent Graduate Life Membership is for those brothers who have *graduated* within the last three years)

- A. A lifetime exemption from national alumni dues (we have 600 Life Members so far);
- B. A lifetime subscription to *The Kleos*;
- C. A Life Membership card (numbered) which places you in perpetual good standing;
- D. A fraternity pin (the badge of Alpha Phi Delta);
- E. A copy of our current Directory/Handbook (*Ecce Signum*);
- F. Alumni chapter information and placement of your name on an “alumni in good standing” list, published in the Winter 2000 *Kleos* issue;
- G. A lifetime subscription to *The Chapter Letter* (E-mail version).

Below you will find your address. Above your address, you will see a number. This number represents your unique Serial Number with the fraternity. The letters APD on the right side of your serial number indicates your *good standing* with the Fraternity. If the letters APD are not shown with your serial number, please take a minute to show your support by mailing your alumni dues or life membership with the enclosed postage paid envelope. Thank you!

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