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We Are Alpha Phi Delta

I have been a brother of Alpha Phi Delta for over 30 years and have been quite fortunate to meet and communicate with hundreds of brothers all over the country. We are a special group.

During the course of meeting other college alumni (not APD men) in business dealings, I have seldom met any Greek alumnus who still maintains contact with his fraternity. I believe the bond that was created in Alpha Phi Delta as undergraduates carries with many of us once we graduate. We are innately Alpha Phi Delta men.

I was a social chairman as an undergraduate. My wife still thinks I am a social chairman 30 years later as I love to get brothers together for gatherings. I see that in other brothers and other entities. Alumni groups in Philadelphia, Brooklyn, Long Island, Chicago, Pittsburgh, Youngstown, Steubenville, Florida, New Jersey among other cities still gather in the bond of Alpha Phi Delta. Evidently there is something special in many of us.

The contacts we made as undergrads carry with us as alumni. My best friends are fraternity brothers — and not just the brothers I shared my undergrad years with. I made collegiate acquaintances with professors and uni-

versity officials through my association with Alpha Phi Delta. I feel I am a better person for knowing such people. I also have gotten involved with activities in my community, partly because Alpha Phi Delta taught me that. I learned as an undergraduate that the more involved you are with an organization, the more you get out of it. I still believe that. We are what we were taught in college. We are Alpha Phi Delta. If you have been touched by other brothers, if you are still active in the fraternity or with other alumni, if you still are interested in reading The Kleos, you too are still Alpha Phi Delta.

John Russo, Kleos Editor'

Kleos Turns 75

The Kleos was first published in 1929 as The Magazine of Alpha Phi Delta. This issue marks the beginning of our 75th year of continuous publishing. We plan to highlight the Kleos' history in the next issue. If you have any special memories for the Kleos that you would like to share, please send them to The Kleos editor (see mail and e-mail information in the box on this page) by November 1st.



2003 conventioners at Niagara-on-the-Lake, Ontario, Canada.

Alumnus Profile—Judge Donofrio

Every fall for the past six years, retired Judge Joseph Donofrio (Beta Omicron '53), has hosted a lamb roast for the Youngstown Alumni Club at his home on Youngstown's West Side. Although the lamb is done just right and there is plenty of other delicious food to be had, it is his homemade pizza, baked in his backyard hearth oven, that the 45 or so brothers look forward to every year.

The care in preparation and his openness and generosity that goes into hosting one of YAC's premier events was the hallmark of Judge Donofrio's public life on the bench. Born in Pietrabbondante, Italy in 1925, Brother Donofrio came to the United States five years later and settled with his family on Youngstown's East Side, an area rich in Italian tradition. He was forced to go to work to help support his mother and brother at the age of 14 when his father, Antonio, was struck by a car and killed as he walked to work. He and his younger brother Gino worked various jobs when not attending classes at East High School to help pay the family's bills. Instead of playing ball with the other boys in the neighborhood, he spent his summers washing walls at the school. He took a job at the Isaly Dairy Company working the night shift cleaning stainless steel counters, scrubbing floors and doing dishes before heading to school in the morning. During his senior year he was hired by the Erie Railroad as a crew caller, where it was his job to put together the work crews for that day before heading off to classes.

Upon graduation from East High School on D-Day, June 6, 1944, he was drafted into the Army Air Corps. and served as a radio operator in the Pacific Theater. His time in the service enabled him to go to college on the G.I. Bill, something he never dreamed would be possible. Returning to his job at the railroad, he juggled his work schedule with his classes at Youngstown College.

While attending Youngstown College (later to grow into Youngstown State University) he learned that some of his close friends were forming a chapter of the National Italian fraternity, Alpha Phi Delta, on campus; and he grew very interested in joining it. "Being born in Italy, I was proud of my heritage and it gave me an opportunity to be associated with people of the same background and traditions," says Brother Donofrio. So, he went on to become a charter member of the Beta Omicron Chapter when it joined the Alpha

by Danny Thomas, Jr.,
Beta Omicron '74

Phi Delta family in March of 1953.

Brother Donofrio's excitement in graduating from college was tempered by the sadness of losing his older brother Gino to tuberculosis at the age of 28. Admitted to the bar in 1955, he began practicing law while still holding down his job at the railroad. In 1960, he was appointed as an Assistant City Prosecutor in Youngstown and it wasn't long before his skills were noticed by Youngstown's Mayor, Anthony B. Flask, also an APD alumnus. Mayor Flask appointed Brother Donofrio as the city's Chief Prosecutor. Brother Donofrio's reputation as a hard working, honest City Prosecutor spread throughout the area and he was asked by friends to run for a spot on the Municipal Court bench. He entered the race in 1965 and started an outstanding career on the bench by winning that election.

Early into his second term, Ohio Governor John Gilligan appointed Donofrio to fill the vacancy on the 7th District Court of Appeals in 1972. In 1989, he was elected as Chief Justice of the Ohio Court of Appeals Association. He retired from the Court of Appeals 21 years later on January 31, 1993, after being reelected to six-year terms in '74, '80, and '86. His oldest son, Gene, was elected to replace him on the bench.

Brother Donofrio never forgot his roots or where he came from and knew he was one of the fortunate ones who was able to further his education and make a better life for his family, which by now included his wife Angie, sons Gene and Anthony (an attorney in private practice), and daughters Joanne (who has a PhD in Special Ed.) and Judy (an R.N.). While serving on the bench in Youngstown's Municipal Court, Judge Donofrio took a great interest in those who were addicted to alcohol and other drugs.

He established the Court of Honor Class for the rehabilitation of indigent alcoholic offenders and was coordinator of the D.W.I. Counterattack Program of the Youngstown Municipal Court. Judge Donofrio was also the organizer, past chairman and board member of the Committee for Homeless Alcoholics. This committee established the first halfway house in Youngstown for alcoholics. That halfway house now bears his name, The Donofrio Home.

Community involvement and compassion come second nature to Judge Donofrio. He has been a past chairman and board member of the Mahoning County Mental Health and Retardation Board. Judge Donofrio was instrumental in es-

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Judge Joseph Donofrio

Theta Beta 2003: A Happy Reunion

Nineteen Theta Beta alumni who were active at New York University in the late 1940s and early 1950s enjoyed a reunion this past May 17th — the first in eleven years — at the Westchester Hills Golf Club in White Plains, New York. Wives were also happily in attendance.

by Paul Arleo, Theta Beta '47

1954-56. Albert Palazzo was President from 1974-76. In 1982, an exceptional year, Charles Fiore became V.P. for Good & Welfare, Neil Anastasio was named Editor of The Kleos, and after his stint as National President six years before, Al Palazzo became 3rd District Governor.



Jean and Thomas Ciampi,
Dr. Sam Farina

Inspiration for "Theta Beta 2003" came to brothers Ralph Ricci and Paul Arleo over lunch last fall. With support and encouragement from Marie Ricci and Jo Arleo, and with the help of brothers Dick Spolzino and Joe Miranda, the venue was re-

searched and chosen, the date selected, and invitations prepared and dispatched. Much of the venue search and conferencing was done over the internet.

The people in our group are in their mid-to-late seventies and are a mélange of teachers, lawyers, accountants, chemists, physicians, dentists and business executives. One of us is a former New York City parole officer. Until this reunion, some of us had not seen others in more than fifty years. So it was natural for organizers to wonder if such a variegated bunch would find it difficult to reconnect.



Dr. Salvatore Ambrosino
and Anthony Cascardi

There was no need to worry. Wearing badges to help match older faces to well-remembered names, we couldn't get enough of each other. It was, in spirit, as if no time had passed. The fraternal bond forged half a century ago proved to be as strong as ever.

What makes that bond timeless? We never shared a house. We all commuted from home. Nevertheless, for us and countless other brothers at NYU, membership in Theta Beta blessed us for life with pride in our Italian heritage, and with the acceptance and affection of "family."

Therein lies the pricelessness of the Theta Beta experience. It is so compelling that it inspired a number of our alumni to go on to distinguished National service. Brother Frank Cavallaro was President of Alpha Phi Delta from

Theta Beta was started by ten undergraduates in 1929 among them, the devoted and beloved erstwhile editor of The Kleos, Vincent Larcy, who continued to inspire whole new generations of brothers for many years until his passing.



Delly Fertitta, Nicholas Colasacco,
Joseph Fertitta

Active into the 1960's, the chapter subsequently fell dormant until it was reactivated through the efforts of Vincent Palazzo in 1971. (Guess whose son he is?) Vincent's younger brother, Albert Jr., followed four years later and helped sustain it into the 1980s. Though inactive again at the moment, Central Office has been in touch with NYU and is optimistic that the chapter can be reactivated once more. We hope it happens soon.

As for those of us on the slippery side of the hill, we are not waiting too long for our next reunion. "Theta Beta 2005" is already at the planning stage. On that point, any 1940-50s alumnus who did not receive an invitation to "Theta Beta 2003" should contact Ralph Ricci at 914-428-0992 (ralph.ricci@verizon.net) or Paul Arleo at 631-261-4721 (rarleo@optonline.net).

Though we did our best, we could not locate everyone in time for the mailing. We're also anxious to include those we missed in our new Theta Beta Alumni Directory, so please call or e-mail us today. !

Photographs by Ralph Ricci and Dick Spolzino.



Is There A Doctor In The House?

Six attended the reunion. Here, four of them share a moment during the cocktail hour. From left: Dr. Sam Farina, Dr. Sal and Ann Laraia, Dr. Dick Spolzino and Dr. Dom Orsomasro.



Theta Beta circa 1947

The Student Lounge, Washington Square College, New York University. Seated left to right: Paul Arleo, William Marino, Henry DiGiorgio, Ralph Ricci, Paul Tucci, Albert Palazzo, Frank Livelli. Standing left to right: Dominick Oliva, Alexander Simonetti, Frank Molfetto, Ovidio Mira, Paul Navarra, Frank Leanza, Carl Ascari, Dominick Orsomarso, Anthony Lombardo, Andrew Morrone, Joseph Fertitta.

Beta Omicron Celebrates 50th Year



Beta Omicron (Youngstown State University) and the Youngstown Alumni Club celebrated the 50th anniversary of Beta Omicron's founding with a lamb roast May 24th. The brothers are pictured in front of the new chapter fraternity house in Youngstown. Over 50 brothers attended the celebration.

Undergraduate Scrapbook



Delta and Gamma Sigma chapters held a joint induction in April.

Beta Eta Brooklyn College



Beta Eta brothers gathered at an alumni night event in March at Cousins Sport Bar. Forty brothers were in attendance, 20 of which were alumni. The oldest alumnus was from Beta Eta pledge class number 32. Last fall, pledge class number 60 was inducted.

Submitted by Paul Ekerling, Chapter President.

Beta Pi St. John's University

The following Beta Pi members were inducted into Gamma Sigma Alpha, a National Greek Academic Honor Society: Salvatore Davi, Robb Risani, Anthony Schembri, and James Ursini.

Beta Omicron Youngstown University



The seven new brothers of Beta Omicron stand tall with the brothers who attended their recent induction. District Governor Doug Sundo performed the initiation. The chapter is undergoing reactivation and has eleven brothers.



Another father and son legacy was added at Beta Omicron. Hank Pisciuneri (BO '67) and his son Pat (BO '03) hold the pledge paddle Brother Hank carried around when he pledged in 1967. *Pictures submitted by Danny Thomas, Jr.*

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Pi Chapter Reunion 2003

What an experience it is to meet with people after not seeing some brothers as long as 35 years as Pi Chapter (West Virginia University) enjoyed a reunion gathering the weekend of June 20 - 21st. To see the changes in people are not as outstanding as seeing those things that were instilled in us as we were ceremoniously inducted into the chapter years ago, yet live on in our daily lives. Reliving our youth with stories from old, yet making them sound as fresh as yesterday. When John May starts talking of the neverending games of Risk.

Or brother Rusty and Brun

by Doug Wiley,
Pi '69



John May, circa 1972.



Pi, Psi, and a few Lambda brothers with the Pi 1969 pledge class in the back row visiting the Pi house.

discuss induction nights and parties. Spas fondly remembers his old days in the house. But for the most part we enjoyed playing golf. On Friday afternoon even when a cold



Pi Reunion Attendees—2003.

Back: Doug Wiley, Walter Angelini, Ann Dinardi, Dan Esposito, Russ Harper. Front: Kathy Wiley, Linda Diddle Brown, Greg Brown, Mike Kirk, Duane Lane, Pete Dinardi. Not pictured: John May and Kevin Shane.

winded thunderstorm tried to dowse our spirits. We even saved an abandoned kitten from a surely dubious fate and found it a home a few days later.

Saturday morning we met with our mentor/House Mother, Brother Ann Dinardi. (Yes, our housemother was inducted as a brother!)

We talked of old times and great Italian feasts, football games and the Purple and White Ball, the house parties and the Road Trips. We remembered the chapter at Fairmont State and the fun we had with those brothers.

And we could not leave out the brothers from Psi and the Pittsburgh Alumni Club that helped get us back on our feet in 1969 by sending brothers down to help get the next recruiting class.

We finished off the weekend with superbly cooked steaks and marinated chicken breast, huge baked potatoes, and a great tossed salad (with Italian dressing of course). We then watched a slide show of old photos, some not so memorable for a few, but we had some great laughs. It ended on a very positive note of talk about reactivation and meeting again next year. Pi Chapter might not yet be dead — just hibernating.!



Dan Esposito then (1975) and now (2003).



Party with the brothers from Beta Tau, Fairmont State College.



Pi Pledge Class 1972



1972 group picture with National President Al Palazzo (center back) and House Mother Ann Dinardi (center front).

National Council Meeting April 2003

The 2003 convening of the National Council was held on April 5th in the Washington, D.C. area. Over 100 brothers were in attendance at the Crystal City Hyatt Regency in Arlington, Va. Just across the river from Washington.

The highlight of the weekend was the chartering of two new undergraduate chapters, Delta Chi Chapter at the University of Colorado and Delta Psi Chapter at Lynn University (see related pictures and captions at right). Both groups had representatives in attendance to receive their charter (no small feat since the Delta Chi brothers flew in from Colorado and the Delta Psi brothers flew from Florida). In addition to these two groups, our previously newest chapter from the University of Indianapolis, Delta Phi was also represented. An alumni association for Chi Chapter was also chartered at the meeting with 29 members.

Also flying in from the western half of the United States were some members of our new colony at the University of Northern Colorado (UNC). During the charter presentations, Philip Herman, president of the UNC Colony, spoke about the bond of brotherhood that he has witnessed at Colorado. "From the outside looking in, you cannot understand it. From the inside looking out, you cannot explain it." Perceptive words from a young man who is still a member of a colony. We expect to hear more good things from Philip and his fellow colonist brothers.

In other items, several undergraduate and alumni fees were increased to offset rising expenses. One of the biggest expenditure increases that the undergrads had to absorb was chapter liability insurance. This insurance has increased over 50% in the past two years. It is a necessary expense as many of our chapters would be unable to exist on their campuses without having insurance.

Annual elections were held at the end of the meeting. Rick Barnes and Manny Rodriguez were re-elected for another term in their respective positions of National President and National Vice President.

Expansion Consultant Awards were given to Vince Verdile for his work at Lynn University and to John DiFalco for his service at the University of Colorado.

In negative business, the National Council had to close one of our oldest chapters: Beta Beta at Manhattan College, has no brothers left on campus. †

*National Council notes
written by John Russo, Kleos Editor.*



Delta Chi Chapter was chartered at the University of Colorado. The chapter has 22 brothers and has been a colony for two years. John DiFalco, Beta Xi '62, furthest right in photo, was instrumental in guiding the group. John was able to present them with their charter. Included in the new group is John's son, Kevin, far left, who is the first president of the chapter. Holding the charter is National Vice President Manny Rodriguez, left, and National President Rick Barnes on right.



Delta Psi Chapter was chartered at Lynn University in Boca Raton, FL. The group was colonized in 2002 after forming in 2000. The group has 11 brothers and have been guided by Vice president of Financial Affairs J.P. Venanzi, far left, and Expansion Consultant Vince Verdile, 4th from left.



Three chapter charters (Delta Chi, Delta Psi and Delta Phi) were presented at the Washington, D.C. National Council meeting in 2003.



Tom Carroll, Past National President on right, receives an award from National Secretary Felipe Martinez for his work on expansion by reactivating Villanova University and working with a colony at La Salle University.



Some of the National Council attendees posed together after the dinner Saturday night. These brothers enjoyed a grand banquet and then were treated to an evening of entertainment provided by Dr. John Cerbone, Beta Sigma '79, who hypnotized a group of willing volunteers. While under hypnosis, the volunteers performed some acts that brought the audience to hysterical laughter all in good humor.



Chi Chapter Alumni Association was presented with its charter as a new alumni entity at the National Council meeting. Recent Past National President Tom Carroll, a Chi alumnus, flanks the group on the left while current National President Rick Barnes is on the right.



These brothers took time out from the Council meeting to pose for a picture.



Delta Phi Chapter at the University of Indianapolis, which was chartered in 2002, receives their official charter in Washington in 2003.



A tradition continued when members of the Brooklyn Alumni Club met members of the Pittsburgh Alumni Club for dinner on Friday night prior to the National Council meeting. The two groups first broke bread together at Penn State in 1999 and have continued meeting for dinner each year since. Brothers in the picture: from left bottom, Paul Fabrizio, Joe Narciso, Pete Gaudiuso; from top left, Doug Sundo, Sam Galasso, John Russo, Charlie Fiore, Mike Iacovelli, Cal Shipley.

Lentini Ordained

James S. "Jimmy" Lentini, Beta Sigma '81, was ordained into the priesthood on Saturday, May 24th at Saint Peter's Cathedral in Wilmington, Delaware. Several brothers were in attendance at Jimmy's ordination to the Priesthood of Jesus Christ. The mass was conducted by the Bishop of Wilmington, Rev. Michael Saltarelli.

Lentini was born on December 19, 1961, the second of three children born to Pasquale and Gloria Lentini of Brooklyn, N.Y. Jim graduated from high school in 1979, and then matriculated at St. Francis College of Brooklyn the same year. In 1981, Jim pledged Beta Sigma Chapter and was initiated in December 1981. During his undergraduate years, he served Beta Sigma as Secretary, Vice President and Chapter President.

Jim graduated in 1984 and immediately became a member of the Brooklyn Alumni Club and soon after was elected Secretary. In 1986, he was elected as Third District Governor. He became the first governor of the newly created Third District East in 1988. He has also served the Fraternity as Vice President for Expansion from 1988 to 1991, continuing an era of expansion for the Fraternity.

In 1991, Jim was elected Executive Vice President. In 1992, National President Joe Rossi appointed Jim as Executive Secretary for the Fraternity, a position he filled for six years. Under Jim's tenure as Executive Secretary, he computerized many of the tasks of Central Office and compiled an extensive fraternity data base. He also started the highly regarded Chapter Leadership Conferences in 1994.

In his previous career, Jim was an elementary school-teacher first in Brooklyn. He later moved to Dover, Delaware, where he also relocated Central Office during his term as Executive Secretary. In 1998, Jim left office and changed his career by entering the seminary to study for the priesthood.



Newly ordained priest James Lentini gives a blessing to Past National President Tom Carroll.



Celebrating James Lentini's ordination: front from left, Al Palazzo, Fr. Lentini, Garry Kosteck, Tom Carroll, PNP; back from left, Ron Sme, Manny Rodriguez, National Vice President, Felipe Martinez, National Secretary, Al Fafara, PNP, Todd Cusato.

Alumni News

Rich Maxon, Beta Chi '93, and his wife Lori announced the birth of a new son, Carter. Carter was born May 27th and came into the world at nine pounds two ounces.

Brian Clanton, Beta Chi '80, received a Lifetime Achievement Award on May 20th from New York State Senator Nancy Larraine Hoffmann. The award was given at the 23rd Annual Disabilities Awareness Day in the New York State Senate. Senator Hoffmann gave the award to Brother Clanton, who is hearing impaired. Brian lives in Rome, N.Y.

Major Steve Esposito, US Army, Beta Beta '78, writes from Iraq. "I am currently serving in Iraq, and I have been here since early April when the war began. Please pass my address to my APD brothers as well as put it in the Kleos. I would like to hear from you guys in the States. It would be great to hear from you and get mail from the states!!! Ciao. God Bless America!!" Steve Esposito MAJ, Armor, US Army. Steve's e-mail address is steven.g.esposito@us.army.mil.

Evan Sottosanti, Beta Eta '88, writes to The Kleos that there has been a little addition to his family. A son, Matthew Anthony, was born to him and his wife Nicole on May 22, 2003 at 7:06 p.m. He was 6 pounds 14 ounces and 20 inches. Evan believes that he will be part of the Alpha Phi Delta class of 2021. Evan is currently serving the Fraternity as Vice President of Expansion.

Brothers
Update your personal information.
Log onto www.apdscholarship.org.

Sundos Honored

The Pittsburgh Alumni Club held their annual award dinner April 11th and celebrated the 50th Anniversary of the Outstanding Alumnus Award. The night was a unique one in several ways as it was the first time that a father-son pair of brothers was honored. Doug Sundo, Psi '75, was presented with the Outstanding Alumnus Award for his service to the Pittsburgh Alumni Club. Doug has served as Vice President, and is currently serving as the PAC's President as well as handling District Governor duties for western Pennsylvania. Joining him in receiving an award was his son Michael, Psi 2000, who is graduating from Duquesne University and was given the Outstanding Undergraduate Award in the district. Michael served as treasurer of Psi.

The dinner was held at Churchill Country Club outside of Pittsburgh and was attended by over 75 men representing brothers from seven decades. The oldest brother on hand was Tony Scotti, Nu '42. The Pittsburgh Alumni Club's first Outstanding Alumnus Award (called Man of the Year) was first given out in 1953 to National Chaplain Fr. Sal Federici. The event has grown significantly since then in attendance and prestige. Also honored during the presentations was Fr. Sean Hogan, Vice President of Student Affairs at Duquesne University. Fr. Hogan, who is not brother, was honored for the support he has given to Psi Chapter and the alumni club for many years.

Doug Sundo was also the recipient of another first in the PAC award annals. He was the second recipient of the club's Outstanding Undergraduate Award in 1978 and is the first brother to have won both awards. †



Father and son award winners. Doug Sundo is on left with his son Michael proudly displaying their new awards.



Doug Sundo was honored at his award dinner with the presence of some of his Psi chapter classmates from circa 1975: from left Joe Clement, Matt Grana, Doug, Joe Bell, Tony Angiulli, Mark Belsky.

DVAC Awards



Recipients of awards from the DVAC from left: Vince Carosello, Sal Caniglia, Dr. Gino Papola, Al Angela, Fr. Al Cervella, Stan Raffa and Al Palazzo. The DVAC Man of the Year Banquet was held on April 25th. Al Angela received the 2003 Man of the Year Award and Fr. Al Cervella received the Community Service Award. The others received plaques for 50-year DVAC membership or were 50-year members of the fraternity and are current DVAC members.

Submitted by Ed Magliocco.



Christopher Neto, Gamma Nu '92, is proud to announce the birth of his son, Dante Rica (pictured with dad), on August 3, 2002. He was born at Monmouth Medical Center in Long Branch, NJ. Chris and his wife Robyn are very proud of their future Alpha Phi Delta especially since its their first child. Chris and his family are living in Freehold, New Jersey.

Brothers Eternal

Rev. Dr. John Paul Pro, Psi '48, passed away April 19th in Greensburg, Pa. John pledged at Psi chapter and graduated from Duquesne University. He earned his doctorate at Luther Rice Seminary and became a Baptist minister in 1953. He was a veteran of both World War II and the Korean War.

John was an active member of the Pittsburgh Alumni Club and had served as its chaplain for many years. He had retired as a Baptist minister in 1987 and was ordained as a priest of the Antioch Orthodox Church in 1989. He is survived by his wife Kitty and five children.

Frank Mancini, Psi '56, passed away April 13th. Frank worked for the Internal Revenue Service in Pittsburgh for 34 years. He was a lifelong member of the Pittsburgh Alumni Club and is survived by his wife Mary and two children.

Joseph J. Chirico, Rho '47, died on May 25th. Brother Chirico had worked as a registered professional engineer with the Allegheny County (Pa.) Health Department for 32 years. Prior to pledging Alpha Phi Delta at Carnegie Tech in Pittsburgh, Joe had served as a fighter pilot in World War II for the US Navy as a carrier-based combat team leader.

He was an avid golfer, bowler and traveler. He had recently written a travel book for children. Joe was 80 years old.

Paul Schiller, Delta Iota '92, died on March 18th.

Bruno G. Caputo, Beta Beta '55, died on January 21st. He was a retired executive of Grumman Corporation living in Cocoa Beach, Florida.

Dr. Mario P. Rocco, Beta Zeta '35, passed away May 7th at the age of 89 at his home in Kensington, Conn. He served as president of Beta

Zeta chapter from 1936-37 and graduated from Ohio University in 1938. He also earned his medical degree from Georgetown School of Medicine in 1941. Dr. Rocco served in the practice of medicine for 57 years. He is survived by his wife and two daughters.

Raymond Albanese, Delta '69, died unexpectedly on June 3rd. He is survived by his wife Linda and three children, J.J., Amanda, and Kristen. He was residing in Franklin Square, N.Y. Ray was 56 years old, and was a manager at Verizon. He earned a BS degree in Electrical Engineering from Polytechnic Institute of Brooklyn (now Polytechnic University).

Richard Ferricane, Delta '64, was a close friend of Ray's and wrote about him: "I've known Ray since the first grade and will always remember him as a good friend, a hard worker, and a person devoted to his family. He had a quiet inner strength, a great sense of humor and a great smile. He will be missed."

Long-Time District Governor Ernie Coletti Passes Away

Remembers Fraternity With Gift to Scholarship

Ernest Coletti, Mu '45, passed away in April in Utica, N.Y. Coletti, long-time Second District Governor (he held that position almost continuously from 1949 through much of the 1970s) was initiated into Mu Chapter at Cornell University. He received his A.B. Degree in 1946 from Cornell.

One of his early responsibilities was serving as president of Mu Chapter. In 1948, he undertook the task of activating a chapter at a newly formed institution, Utica College. His efforts came to fruition on April 9, 1949 with the initiation of 37 members and two faculty advisors as Beta Iota chapter.

In addition to his duties as Second District Governor, he also served as a trustee of the former National Housing

Committee back in the 1960s and 1970s.

Coletti was a World War II veteran and was employed with the Division of Employment for the State of New York from 1947 to 1959. In 1959, he was appointed by Governor Rockefeller as Assistant Industrial Commissioner of N.Y. State Department of Labor.

The Mohawk Valley Alumni Club (Utica area) honored their long-time District Governor by placing a \$20,000 Scholarship Award in his name in 1993. Ernie remembered the fraternity in his will and left \$10,000 additional funds for the Alpha Phi Delta Foundation, Scholarship Division. He is the first brother to leave a



Ernie Coletti

Pictured in 2000 for The History of Alpha Phi Delta

fully-endowed scholarship award in his last will and testament. With his gift added to the \$20,000 endowment already in his name, his award becomes the largest of the 22 awards in the scholarship division. †

Curielli's Corner

The Circle of Friendship, Love and Compassion

About a month ago, my wife Cathy and I found out that I would have to have my second open heart surgery in nine months; the last one being last May. I had two of my heart valves repaired, but unfortunately one of them did not hold. Due to the nature of the failure of the repair, it was decided that I would most likely have to have a mechanical valve put in.

Cathy and I decided that we should have at least one nice evening out before going back to the Mayo Clinic for testing and the necessary operation. One of our fraternity brothers, Frank Pisani, was performing locally. He had invited Cathy and I to come and see his show and we took him up on the offer. For those of you who can remember Jimmy Durante, Frank does a tribute to Jimmy Durante, which is quite spectacular, including chorus girls and some fine performers who replicate Jimmy Durante's old sidekicks.

After the performance we congratulated Frank on what a spectacular

job he had done. He asked how I was doing, and I mentioned to him that I was going to have one of my heart valves replaced; and he said that he would be praying for me. This was very much appreciated. What I didn't know he was going to do, and I found out later, was that he went on the Internet and contacted all of the brothers of the alumni chapter and requested them all to pray for me at 9:00 a.m. on the 10th of March (the date and approximate time of my surgery). This is the best example of fraternal friendship, love and compassion I could ever express to you, my fellow brothers.

When you are headed into major surgery with a high risk factor, and you know your brothers are out there praying for you, it truly makes a difference. I have to reflect back now over 30 years and think about the fact that almost every one of the guys who stood up for my wedding were fraternity brothers. Yes, they were there for another very important and solemn



John Peter Curielli
Vice President for Cultural Affairs

occasion in my life.

I can also look back just a few years ago, 15 or so, when financial matters weren't going so well for me. I remember sitting down with a dear fraternity brother who kept me from throwing in the towel and made me go that extra mile that helped turn the financial corner. I am sure that each of the brothers out there could recount hundreds of stories wherein the "Circle of Friendship, Love, and Compassion" has truly focused a spotlight on what Alpha Phi Delta is all about. †

Judge Donofrio

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establishing the Mental Health officer post in the Youngstown Police Department to screen and help mentally ill persons and those addicted to alcohol and other drugs in need of medical attention. He is also a member of the Catholic War Veterans, St. Stanislaus Post 1222; the Italian-American War Veterans Post 3; VFW Post 8841 and the Wolves Club. Brother Donofrio, a charter member of the Father Gallagher Council of the Knights of Columbus, was inducted into the Greater Youngstown Knights of Columbus Hall of Fame in 1992.

"Over the years, the Youngstown Alumni Club has proven to be a very important and enjoyable part of my life," comments Brother Donofrio. "I enjoy being with the brothers and the events that we have," he added. Several years ago when it seemed as if the Alumni Club was floundering, he and "Red" Nolfi (who was the President of that first class of APDs) were thinking of ways to keep the club going when Brother Donofrio said, "Look, we're all Italians, why don't we have a spaghetti dinner instead of just having a meeting and build from there?" Tasty Italian food (and plenty of it) has been

a part of every Alumni Club function ever since, and the group has continued to grow and flourish.

Brother Donofrio still enjoys the simple pleasures of life, golfing with his friends, working in his garden, picking fruit from his many trees, and being around his grandchildren. Although, ranking right up there is the look of delight on one his fraternity brothers' faces when he bites into one his hearth baked home-made pizzas. †

Scholarship Winners

Founders Award \$2100

*Honoring Carlo Vannicola,
Joseph DeGuglielmo
and Dr. Dominic Macedonia*
Meghan Kelley, Sacred Heart University
(*Daughter of late Brother Russell Pugh, Beta Xi*)

John Pasta / LIAC Award \$1750

Jodi Castello, New York State University, Oswego
(*Granddaughter of Brother Norman Castello, Zeta*)

Ernest Coletti Award \$1400

John Lallo, Lynn University
(*Delta Psi brother at Lynn University*)

Anthony J. Carfang Award \$1400

Teresa Rose Russo, University of Pittsburgh
(*Daughter of Brother John Russo, Psi Chapter*)

Stanley W. Raffa Award \$1400

Rachel Zarlengo, Loyola University of Chicago
(*Daughter of Brother John Zarlengo, Jr., Beta Theta*)

Pittsburgh Alumni Club Award \$1400

Valerie Fabbro, University of Texas at Austin
(*Granddaughter of the late Brother Michael Belardine*)

Bro. Camillus Casey Award \$1400

Jamie Bessich, Cornell University

Adam DiVincenzo Award \$700

Dana Farley, Edinboro University
(*Great niece of the late Brother Adam DiVincenzo, Psi*)

Ladies Auxiliary of Steubenville Award \$700

John Zarlengo III, Indiana University
(*Son of Brother John Zarlengo, Jr., Beta Theta*)

Carmelo and Carmela Giampiccolo Award \$700

Christopher Cerrone, New York University
(*Son of Brother Bernard Cerrone, Beta Pi*)

James and Theresa Giampiccolo Award \$700

Lauren M. Day, Bucknell University
(*Daughter of Brother Christopher Day, Beta Lambda*)

Eta Chapter / Armand DeRosa Award \$700

Christopher Mancusi, St. John's University
(*Brother of Gamma Sigma Chapter at St. John's*)

Frank Costanzo Award #1 \$700

Charity Boyle, University of Pittsburgh

Frank Costanzo Award #2 \$700

Carla Muffi, Duquesne University
(*Daughter of Brother Rocco Muffi, Psi*)

Frank Cavallaro Award \$700

Reggie Jackson, Lynn University
(*Delta Psi brother at Lynn University*)

Southern California Alumni Club Award \$700

Daniel Morrone, Eastern Connecticut State University
(*Delta Nu brother at Eastern Connecticut*)

APDRANY Award \$700

Anthony S. Valli, Queens College
(*Alumnus brother of Delta Kappa Chapter*)

Richard Rau Award \$700

Aaron Casselman, Life Chiropractic College
(*Alumnus brother of Delta Kappa Chapter*)

Steubenville Alumni Club Award \$700

Katherine A. Hamilton, University of Texas at Austin
(*Daughter of Brother Ted Hamilton, Beta Theta*)

New York Alumni Club Award \$700

Richard Levesque, Manhattan College
(*Beta Beta brother at Manhattan College*)

A. Joseph Creston Award \$700

Meredith Calfe, Bucknell University
(*Granddaughter of Brother Tony Iole, Psi*)

Alpha Phi Delta Award \$700

David Gombas, Lynn University
(*Delta Psi brother at Lynn University*)

Scholarship News

A message from Scholarship Chairman Charles Fiore, Theta Beta '73.

Twenty-two Alpha Phi Delta Scholarships are currently awarded on an annual basis. The amount of each award is based upon the income of the sponsoring fund. In order to support an award a fund must have a balance of at least \$10,000.00. Applicants are required to submit a college transcript along with a recommendation from a faculty member and a member of Alpha Phi Delta Fraternity. The Scholar-

ship Fund is a division of Alpha Phi Delta Foundation, Inc. a 501(c)(3) Charitable Corporation. Scholarship funds are managed and maintained separately from the general funds.

The Scholarship Trustees are Richard Angelica, Santo Barbarino, Anthony Carfang, Paul Fabrizio, Charles Fiore (Chairman), Richard Primiano (Treasurer), and Stanley Raffa. Scholarships are awarded based upon academic achievement, extra curricula activities, letters of recommendation and financial need. Beginning in 2004, scholarships will be awarded to brothers or relatives of brothers including, but not limited to, sons, daughters, spouses, grandchildren.

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Federici Honored

A posthumous honor was awarded to former National Chaplain Rev. Salvatore Federici. Duquesne University named one of their Greek awards in honor of Fr. Federici who was both a Greek himself and a priest of the Order of the Holy Ghost which runs Duquesne.

Ron Shidemantle, Director of Greek Life at Duquesne, presented the following resolution:

“Be it resolved, that due to his dedication and service to members of the Greek community at Duquesne University and his dedication within the national organization of his Brotherhood, the Greek community believes in honoring the Rev. Salvatore Federici for his service to the American Fraternity Movement.

“Be it further resolved, that the

Psi Chapter of Alpha Phi Delta Fraternity, under the leadership and advisement of the Rev. Salvatore Federici, and others throughout the long history of the chapter, has demonstrated continued success at recruitment efforts, which has therefore resulted in the Psi Chapter of Alpha Phi Delta Fraternity’s current status as the oldest existing chapter of a national fraternity at Duquesne University;

“Be it further resolved, that the Greek Community of Duquesne University honors the memory of this outstanding Fraternity Man with this resolution, and by establishing the Rev. Salvatore Federici Outstanding Recruitment Program Award, to be given annually at the Spring Greek Awards Banquet, in recognition of the active General Fraternity Chapter who



Fr. Salvatore Federici

excels in recruitment efforts, as established by the office of Greek Life, Honor Societies and Professional Organizations.”

The first award was given on April 21st and was attended by Psi Chapter along with seven members of the Pittsburgh Alumni Club. Chapter historian John Russo read a short biography on Fr. Federici (sidebar).!

Father Salvatore Federici was an active and beloved brother of Alpha Phi Delta. He actually pledged at Psi Chapter at Duquesne and was initiated on February 25, 1933 as an undergraduate. This was four years before he was ordained into the priesthood.

Farther Fed, as all the brothers of the fraternity affectionately called him after his ordination, was an outstanding baseball player and active in many sports. A dedicated, energetic person, he was as devoted to Alpha Phi Delta Fraternity as he was to his vocation. Particularly active with the undergraduates, he played basketball, football and baseball with them as well as wrestling, boxing and racing. The brothers always felt he was one of them even years later when he was an active priest and an advisor to the undergrads at Duquesne. He officiated at many brothers’ weddings and was a father-confessor to both young and old.

Fr. Fed graduated from Duquesne in 1934 and was ordained in Switzerland in 1937. He returned to the United States in 1940 where he was assigned to Duquesne University. In 1941, he went to Georgetown University for graduate work in history. He then returned to Duquesne to work on his thesis and received his PhD in History in 1945. At that time, he was head of the history department and director of admissions at Duquesne.

After his ordination and upon his return to Duquesne, he served as chaplain to Psi Chapter and later to our national fraternity from 1950 until his death in 1968. He attended Alpha Phi Delta’s national conventions annually and devoted his time to both the undergrads and the alumni.

Our fraternity was shocked to hear of Fr. Fed’s passing in 1968. He was only 58 years old when he suffered a heart attack and died ten days later. After his passing, the alumni and undergraduates of Psi Chapter wanted to honor their long-time friend and brother. With the help of many of our national brothers, both undergrads and alumni, an Alpha Phi Delta memorial was dedicated in 1972 to Father Federici and his successor at Duquesne, Fr. Niehaus. This memorial is still standing in its original spot between the Towers and St. Martins on the campus of Duquesne University. !

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Your donation to Alpha Phi Delta Scholarship will be preserved in perpetuity because only the income from your gift is used for scholarship awards. A gift made in 1973 has already funded awards totaling more than three times the initial gift.

While the scholarship fund has grown exponentially in the past twenty years, college costs have risen, while interest rates have dropped sharply. In order to make meaningful awards in the future, we need your support.

A donation of \$10,000 permanently endows your annual award on an annual basis. With your help we can reach our goal of a one million dollar scholarship fund by 2014, the one hundredth anniversary of Alpha Phi Delta Fraternity.

Send your donation of any amount to Anthony Carfang, 9248 Ridgeway Avenue Evanston, Ill. 60203, or visit us at www.apdscholarship.org .!

Scholarship News

Palazzo Retires After Lifetime of Service

Albert E. Palazzo recently retired from the Alpha Phi Delta's Scholarship Division where he had served as a trustee for the past 20 years. Al has had a long tenure of service to the fraternity.

Initiated into Theta Beta Chapter in 1946, he has been continuously active in the New York Alumni Club. He served as Chairman of the Third District Dance many times. He has also served six years as District Governor. He was recipient of National's Outstanding Alumnus Award in 1970.

Al was National Vice President from 1972-74 and National President from 1974-76. He wore out several cars during his thousands of miles of travels for the Fraternity in his four years as President and Vice President and thereafter. At each stop he would introduce himself as "Hello, I'm National; what can National do for you?" After a successful meeting, he would

leave with the roar of the undergraduates shouting: "Al's our Pal!" Such was the camaraderie developed throughout his administration.

After his terms expired, Al continued to serve the Fraternity. He was National Treasurer from 1976-1980 serving Central Office with his long-time traveling partner, Stan Raffa. He was an early trustee on the Alpha Phi Delta Foundation and recently gave up his post as trustee for the Scholarship Division.

Married to the former Theodora (Dotty) Costanzo (who has been as active in APD as long as he has), they have four children: Vincent, Albert Jr., Jerianne and Daniel. APD runs in the family. Vincent, the eldest, turned down a scholarship to Manhattan College and would reactivate his father's chapter at NYU. Albert Jr. also a graduate of NYU is a doctor (PhD) of history teaching in Australia. Daniel



Albert Palazzo

(Gamma Iota) is a lawyer, and daughter Jerianne is married to Artie Pizza, a brother from Beta Xi Chapter.

Al tried, and was largely successful, in closing a communications gap that existed between the undergraduates and alumni at that time. In doing that he would say, "It was fun!"

Article submitted by Stan Raffa.

Alpha Phi Delta Scholarship now has its own web page—www.apdscholarship.org.

Please visit this new site. In addition to listing information on the scholarship awards and the current recipients, it has a listing of all brothers of the fraternity. You may also make a donation using your credit card on-line. Please help the scholarship fund reach its goal of having one million dollars in assets by 2014—our 100th anniversary.

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