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OUR ITALIAN HERITAGE

Where Do We Go From Here?

BY EMIL IMBRO, PI 1967, VICE PRESIDENT OF CULTURAL AFFAIRS



My grandparents were Italian-Italians; my parents were Italian-Americans; I am an American of Italian ancestry, first generation on my father's side, born in the USA. My mother was born here just 5 months after her parents arrived.

As a young boy, I remember my grandmother. She was a fierce old woman with silver hair pulled back in a bun who always dressed in black and only spoke Italian but seemed to understand all of the English spoken in the room. She came to our house every Saturday I can remember, as grandpa passed before I was born and she was alone. She was the "queen mother" and sat at the head of the table at dinner and got to watch her shows in the evening on the only

black and white TV we had in the house. I really hated Lawrence Welk during that era.

She came to America in 1915 from Sicily, with my father, the eighth of nine children who was 4 years old. My grandfather had preceded her coming to America in 1912, with his two eldest sons. They worked in the needle trades until they earned enough to send for the rest of the family. They came to escape the harsh conditions that existed in Sicily at that time. They lived in an all-Italian world, first on Carmine Street in lower Manhattan then moved to 82nd Street and 19th Avenue, in the Bensonhurst section of Brooklyn. This is the neighborhood where I grew up in the 1950s.

I remember going shopping on Saturdays with my father. First to the grocery store, then to the pork store and to the bakery to buy Italian bread and cookies. I can remember the smell of fresh baked bread and how he would break off a piece to give to me to eat while it was still warm. The horse drawn fruit wagon going through the neighborhood and the man who came to the house to sharpen scissors. Then there was the milkman, the Larsens cake man and even a "jével" man, which I think was a bleach for washing clothes.

I also remember growing up in a neighborhood with aunts and uncles and many first cousins living within blocks of us and grandma. We grew up with holiday feasts where tables were added to the dining room table extending into the living room at grandma's house. The meal lasted all day long and ended with espresso, fruits and nuts and of course cannoli and cassata cream cake.

And in the evening, I always looked forward to a traditional Italian card game called, "Mercante in Fiera." We called it "salami." The elongated table was cleared of all the dishes except for the fruits and nuts and the cards were dealt. There were two identical decks. Each card had a picture of a food or animal or object with the name written in Italian on it. When all cards were dealt from the first deck, six cards were dealt from the second deck and placed face down in the center of the table with graduated amounts of money on each card. A family elder would then call out the names from the cards remaining, in Italian, of course. As your cards were called you gave them up, hoping that you would be left with one of the cards that matched one of those face down on the table with money on it. Meanwhile as the deck grew smaller those with cards remaining were hounded with offers to buy their cards and countered with propositions to sell them. What fun this was.

Where do we go from here? Grandma and grandpa are gone along with most of the aunts and uncles. My first cousins have spread around the country due to job changes and the greater geographic mobility that is part of today's world. We exchange Christmas cards but

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ON THE COVER:

Delta Rho Brothers at SUNY Oneonta are starting back! See this story and other inductions on pages 4 and 5. Cover photo by Michael Vanzo.

Membership is Eternal ...

BY ROBERT DEVITO, GAMMA IOTA 1985

Recent editions of *The Kleos* have touched upon the profound improvements we've had in the area of chapter leadership and education. As I write this during Holiday Season, with its spirit of love and good fellowship, I thought it appropriate to provide a glimpse of a special program that we, in the APD leadership, are using to promote and preserve the distinctive spirit of our Fraternity for future generations.

Among the newer initiatives we've launched is an event called "*Brotherhood for Life*." Though this program is still coming out of its pilot stages, it has clearly made its mark on the Fraternity. This is the first nationally run APD program to be exclusively geared towards pledges. A recent installment held at Manhattan College drew pledge classes and undergraduate brothers from all NYC and Hudson Valley chapters, in addition to all area colonies, and may very well have been the largest APD pledging event in history. The evening began with a very thorough multi-media walkthrough of the History of Alpha Phi Delta, presented by Joe Rahtelli PNP. It was followed by keynote addresses from several notable alumni and officers, and concluded with a festive dinner which was financed by the Alpha Phi Delta Foundation. It was a truly great event, and an excellent step towards building the fine character of men needed to lead our Fraternity into the future.

In contemplating the theme of the event: "*Brotherhood for Life*," I took a moment to reflect on that catchphrase that every brother, both near and far, can recollect:

"Membership in Alpha Phi Delta is eternal, and carries with it the obligation of permanent activity and support."

These are truly profound words. Though other fraternities make a claim



Robert Devito, President

of lifelong brotherhood, ours is one that is committed to making good on it, and has allowed it to define the very nature of our organization. The theme of lifelong brotherhood as family is seen in all that we do, from our National Conventions, to our Alumni Clubs, Associations and Reunions—down to the nature of our pledging. In truth, there are many fraternities in America that a prospective member joins with the intention of it being "that thing I did in college." Many of us have met men who use phrases like "when I was in my fraternity (pick a name ...)." This is not the way an APD man speaks. We train our pledges, from day one, to consider their membership "eternal," and to plan for the bonds they forge with one another to last a lifetime. This was one of the messages from our original Founding Fathers, who saw the creation of Alpha Phi Delta as something that could hold their friendships together—beyond college days.

And what is the alternative? The alternative would be an organization that, while perhaps fun, would be based upon building relationships with a pre-defined expiration date. Perhaps one of the greatest tragedies in life is the concept of the "disposable relationship." This is to say—a relationship that is close and vibrant one day, but nonetheless is allowed to fall away due to changes in

life, distance, or simple neglect. This is a sadness that affects almost everyone. It happens slowly, one day at a time, over the course of our lives and is often not realized until we consider it too late. If a young man joined a Fraternity with the expectation of this happening from the very beginning—how shallow and empty would that be? To take things a step further, when thinking of the unspeakable acts of hazing that some other fraternities commit in the name of "brotherhood," I often wonder how much of that is due to their "here today, gone tomorrow" outlook on their membership. If you "Google" Alpha Phi Delta and Hazing, this is a combination you simply do not find. For my part, I think I know one of the reasons why.

The NIC has provided us with statistics which prove that Alpha Phi Delta retains alumni members better than any other National Fraternity. Though even those formal statistics are a far cry from 100% activity, we've found numerous "pockets" of faithful brothers meeting informally across the entire country and beyond. The Fraternity is proud to be that "glue" which gives many of us the means ... and even the excuse, to stay in touch. As you celebrate the Holiday Season, why not make a New Year's resolution to reach out to that brother from years gone by? Please feel free to contact our Central Office if you require assistance in finding fellow alumni—we're always happy to help.

In closing, I'd like to personally thank our National Vice President Nick Franki, John Whyte, Joe Rahtelli PNP and Fr. Jim Lentini for all contributing to both the ongoing work effort, and the accumulated "intellectual capital" needed to run our ground breaking leadership and educational programs. In addition, I'd like to wish all of you, and your families, a happy and healthy New Year.

Take a short survey and give us your opinion of *The Kleos*.
<http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/37MSJXC>.

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Photo by Jake Carlson



Photo by Jim Miller



Beta Theta (Steubenville) initiated one new brother, Joseph Wilson, on November 6, 2010. The ceremony was performed by Assistant District Governor Jake Carlson. Jake and Joe are pictured with other undergraduates from the chapter.

Beta Rho Chapter at Gannon University celebrated a successful fall pledge class with the induction of three new brothers on November 6th.

Photo by Jeff Breen



Delta Xi (Seton Hall) welcomed six new brothers on November 14, 2010. Beta Omicron Class is made up of Brendan Laverty, Paul Lawrence, Nick Farallo, Gene Langan, Tom Feldmeier and Karlo Perez. The ceremony was presided over by Jeff Breen (Gamma Sigma 1989) and witnessed by Mike Galok (Delta Xi 1998), Frank Simon (Gamma Pi 1988), Glenn Small (Beta Xi 1976) and Len Cilli (Beta Xi 1973).

Photo by Jim Miller



Psi Chapter (Duquesne) celebrated a successful fall pledge class with the induction of four new brothers on November 6th. New brothers are Stephen Doore, Philip Botti, Andrew Direnzo, and Austin LeClair. Fall pledge classes have been rare since Duquesne instituted no pledging for freshmen a few years ago.

Photo by Jeff Breen



On Sunday, November 14, 2010, two young men were inducted into our **Gamma Pi Chapter at Ramapo**. Gamma Tau Class consists of Zack Peach and Daniel Stroud. Gamma Pi Alumni Association members Frank Simon and Jake Huff joined the NJAC's Jeff Breen, Len Cilli and Glenn Small in witnessing this event.

Photo by John Barbaro



Beta Sigma (St. Francis) held its fall induction on November 21st and brought in four new brothers. Alumni brothers present were John Barbaro, Ron Sme and Santo Barbarino, PNP.

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Gamma Xi colony (Southern Connecticut State) held its induction on November 14, 2010. The two newly inducted brothers are Brandon Feldman and Jack Taub. The ceremony was performed by Carlo Lucatino, Gamma Xi 1991, VP for Expansion Joseph Rahtelli, Beta Beta 1982, and Hudson Valley District Governor Brian Bollettieri, Gamma Iota 2007.

Photo by Joe Rahtelli



The brothers of **Delta Epsilon (John Jay)** welcomed ten brothers into their colony on November 21, 2010. The newly inducted brothers are Michael Brito, Everly Brown, Mateo Garica, Mohamed Mohamed, Ronwel Ocampo, Michael Orlando, Carlo Perez, Ryan Ramos, Terrell Scott and Marlon Zambrano. The ceremony was conducted by VP for Expansion Joseph Rahtelli, Beta Beta 1982, and NYC Assistant District Governor and project manager Sal Flagiello, Gamma Rho 2006. Undergraduates from Beta Beta and alumni were in attendance.

Undergraduate chapters: If you want to be included in *The Kleos*, please submit a high quality photo to Kleos@apd.org. Include a caption with the date of the event, a description of the event and names of brothers in the photo. Deadline for the June *Kleos* is April 1, 2011.

Photo by Jim Miller



Beta Omicron Chapter (Youngstown) initiated five new brothers November 14. Above Assistant District Governor Dan Thomas on left and District Governor Jim Miller, right.

Photo by Joe Rahtelli



On November 20, 2010, **Delta Nu at Eastern Connecticut State University** inducted six brothers in their colony. The new brothers are Mathew Christman, Douglas Goldberg, Erik Hazelton, Jermaine Ortiz, Michael Sinko and Brian Steiner. The ceremony was conducted by VP for Expansion Joseph Rahtelli, Beta Beta 1982. Several Delta Nu alumni and undergraduates from Gamma Xi were in attendance. Because of the passing of his grandmother, Brendan Levine was inducted in a separate ceremony.

Photo by Joe Rahtelli



On November 14, 2010, two brothers were inducted into **Beta Beta Chapter at Manhattan College**. Jeff Sorel and Eddie Morales' induction ceremony was conducted by Hudson Valley District Governor Brian Bollettieri, Gamma Iota 2007, VP for Expansion Joseph Rahtelli. Beta Beta 1982 and Andrew Cozzolino, Beta Beta 1987. The group celebrated by having dinner at a local establishment.

COVER STORY

Reactivation At SUNY Oneonta

On November 7, 2010, over thirty brothers attended the induction of the pledge group that will reactivate the Delta Rho colony at SUNY Oneonta. The induction ceremony was conducted by VP for Expansion Joseph Rahtelli. Beta Beta 1982.

The group was baptized with the support of Delta Theta, Beta Iota and Beta Beta (brothers from these chapters acted as godfathers and met with them throughout the pledge period) and Joseph Rahtelli II, Delta Theta 2007, acted as pledgemaster while continuing his own duties as chapter president (as he did the previous semester acting as the unofficial pledge master of the colony at Vassar).

This group organized in the early fall of 2009 and after researching many fraternities, Alexander Lubicich, colony president, contacted Alpha Phi Delta about colonization. Despite the long wait to pledge, the group contacted the university, petitioned and received campus recognition. It has been acting as an active fraternity on campus while waiting for its pledge



Delta Rho Pledge Class Fall 2010: Left to right: Joe Rahtelli II, Delta Theta 2007, (the group's pledgemaster), Mike Parinello, Ray Krisa, Tyler Grable, Alex Lubicich, David Graham, Michael Vanzo, Alex Stroh, Pete Donaghy and Tom Napoli

period to begin. Peter Donaghy, colony secretary, provided continuous communication within the group, with the university and the fraternity. During the pledge period, the group traveled over two hours each way to attend its weekly meetings at the Marist fraternity house. Throughout the pledge period, the boys also traveled to Utica and New York City to attend pledge events.

The fraternity is very excited about this group because they put forth the effort that most others would not have done. Because of this, they are an extremely stable colony and will not only become a chapter in the minimum time required but will probably become one of the top chapters in the fraternity in the very near future.

Federici Memorial Rededicated in 2010

On a beautiful sunny fall morning in Pittsburgh October 2nd, 25 alumni and 10 undergraduate brothers from Psi Chapter gathered to participate in the re-dedication of the Fathers Federici and Neihaus Memorial.

The original memorial was dedicated on October 14, 1972. Under the leadership of Leon Panella, President of the PAC at the time and undergraduate Tony Carfang, president of Psi Chapter at that time, more than \$10,000 was raised and the Fathers Federici/Neihaus Park was built on the campus of Duquesne University. These respected and beloved clerics served as spiritual advisors to Psi Chapter. Fr. Federici also served as National Chaplain for Alpha Phi Delta from 1950 until his untimely passing in 1968. The park consisted of a bronze memorial plaque on a cement pedestal, and several benches enclosed by block walls.

The park was part of the Duquesne campus for more than 30 years when it was demolished for expansion, and the bronze memorial vanished. Undaunted by the strange disappearance of the memorial,

tenacious Brother Panella finally located it, almost hidden under a tree in a remote area of the campus. It was then that he began his relentless efforts to have the university relocate the memorial to a more highly visible and appropriate location on campus. After countless meetings and discussions with university administrators, an acceptable site was identified and the relocation was accomplished.

Brother Panella was supported during the final stages of these negotiations by Brothers Rex Gatto and Dick Mellick, all of whom represented the Pittsburgh Alumni Club of Alpha Phi Delta Fraternity.

The re-dedication ceremony took place, including a special and very moving blessing by Brother Father Leonard Tuozzolo, Psi '61. Fr. "Tuz," as we know him, had celebrated the original dedication mass in 1972. Brief comments were offered by brothers Dan DeFelice, Dick Mellick and Rex Gatto and the group retired to a breakfast reception, generously sponsored by the university. (See related photo on page 13.)

—Submitted by Dick Mellick, Psi 1955



Beta Delta brothers Al DiBona, Sam Galasso, Mario DiGiuseppe and Ed Magliocco are pictured in Ireland in September 2010. In 2004, they visited the Normandy beaches. In 2008, they traveled to Sicily and Calabria and in 2009, they were in Budapest and Prague. Brother Nick D'Allesandro was with them in France, Brothers Joe Porto and John Cucinotta joined them in Sicily and Brother Fred Bovoso in Prague. All are members if the **Delaware Valley Alumni Club**.



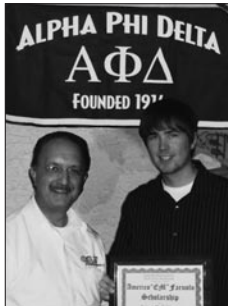
Photo by Leon Panella

PNP Carfang Honored by University

Anthony J. "Tony" Carfang, Psi 1968, PNP, was inducted into the Century Club by Duquesne University on September 9, 2010 as one its most distinguished alumni. Tony (front 4th from right) is a partner and founder of Treasury Strategies, Inc. He has served on Duquesne's Board of Directors since 2007 while residing in Evanston, Ill. Tony's celebration was witnessed by brothers of Alpha Phi Delta who gathered around him to take the group photo.

The North Jersey Alumni Club (NJAC) of Alpha Phi Delta celebrated its

fraternity's 96th Anniversary with a Founder's Day Dinner at Ill Amici's Ristorante in Linden, NJ with over 15 brothers and family members in attendance this past November 5th. In addition to enjoying the fine dining and brotherhood spanning 50 years, the NJAC awarded the first annual scholarship award in the memory of Americo "Em" Faruolo, a founding father of Alpha Phi Delta's undergraduate chapter at New Jersey Institute of Technology in 1952. Brother Faruolo passed away in 2008 at the age of 96. The inaugural scholarship was awarded to Brother Colin Power, a senior at Ramapo College, where he maintains a 3.53 grade point average (GPA) while earning a degree in Law and Society. He has served twice as his chapter's president. The NJAC is eagerly planning its participation in Alpha Phi Delta's Centennial celebration in 2014.



Video Inspiration

When New York Yankee star Mark Teixeira and his other Yankee teammates visited Walter Reed Medical Center a few months ago, he visited many "wounded warriors"—injured veterans home from the battlefields in Iraq. He became friendly with one vet in particular—US Army Specialist Brendan Marrocc, a 24-year-old from Staten Island who had both his arms and both his legs blown off. The only quadruple amputee to survive such an accident, Brendan's courage and resilience resulted in receiving the Annual Joe DiMaggio Award on November 16th in New York City. At this fundraiser, where the monies will go to the Wounded Warrior Organization, as well as to the Brendan Morocco Foundation, an inspirational video was shown starring Mark Teixeira, written and created (pro-bono) by Joe Nunziata, Beta Sigma 1976, of Nunziata Advertising. In the picture, Joe is in the sports coat directing Teixeira, right.



Photo by Tom Noschese

Chi Brothers Reunite After 40 Years

Chi brothers Jack Harris (Chi 67), Joe Joffino (Chi 68), Tom Noschese (Chi 68) and Mike Todaro (Chi 68), and their wives held a mini-reunion in Las Vegas on October 23, 2010. The brothers had not been together since their graduations from Penn State over 40 years ago. Joe, Tom and Mike were in the same pledge class and Jack was Mike's Big Brother. A fantastic time was had by all as they re-lived many fond memories. Brotherhood in Alpha Phi Delta is indeed eternal. Pictured from left to right Mike Todaro, Joe Joffino, Jack Harris and Tom Noschese.

—Submitted by Tom Noschese, Chi 1968



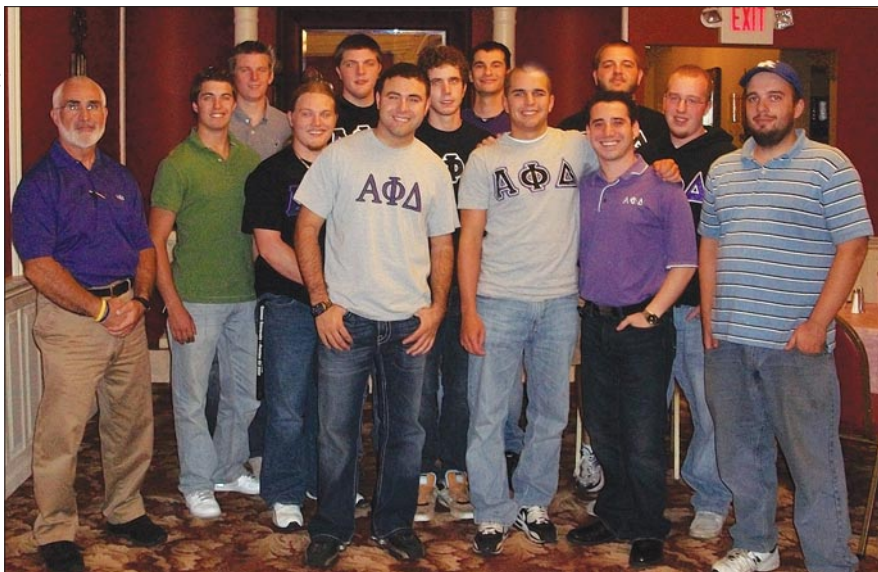
Photo by Ed Magliocco

The Garlic Open

On August 19, 2010, the annual Delaware Valley Alumni Club golf outing (The Garlic Open) was held at the Silver Springs Country club in Hellertown, Pa. It was organized by Brother Joe DeMento. Sixteen brothers and their friends played golf while another 14 came for the dinner and the Man of the Year ceremony that followed. Joe DeMento was recognized as the 2010 DVAC Man of the Year. Joe now lives in Venice, Fla., and was a member of the Silver Springs Country Club. Pictured is Joe giving golf trophies before the dinner.

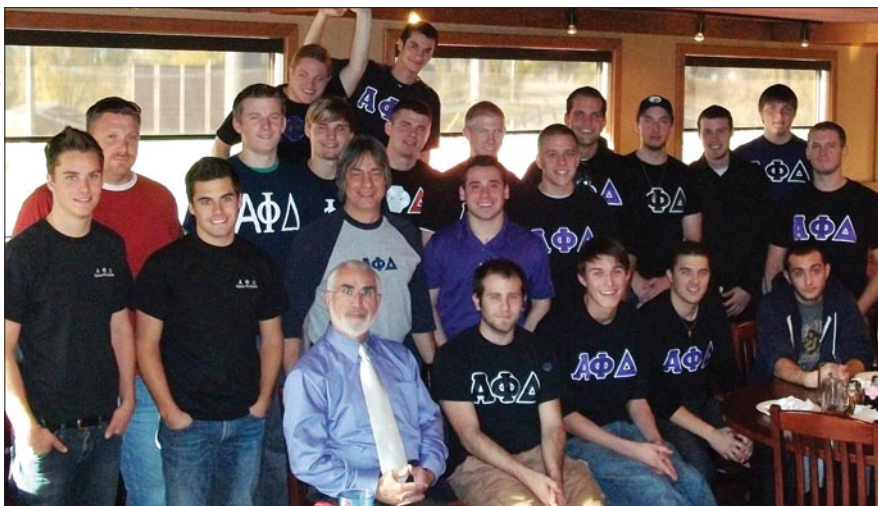
On October 15, 2010, the Connecticut Alumni Club had a gathering in Plantsville, Conn. and invited the brothers and pledges from the colonies at Gamma Xi, (Southern Conn. State Univ.), and Delta Nu, (Eastern Conn. State Univ.). Over forty alumni/undergraduate brothers and pledges were in attendance. For information about the Connecticut Alumni Club, contact Rod Ragucci at rragucci@sbcglobal.net.

Photo by Jim Miller



On Saturday September 11th, the **Midwestern District** held its kickoff meeting at Carini's Restaurant in Greenville, Pa. All chapters were represented by their president, pledgemaster and secretary along with Nick Bell who has agreed to be the Assistant District Governor. On the agenda were several organizational items as well as chapter reports. The chapters are in great shape. Round tables with the officers yielded positive ideas for the year, great ideas for rush and opportunities to build the district and the fraternity.

Photo by Jim Miller



The **Midwestern District** held its second district meeting November 13 in a Pittsburgh area restaurant. The Midwestern District encompasses western Pa. (Psi, Beta Rho) and eastern Ohio (Beta Omicron, Beta Theta).

Photo by Braheem Washington



Epsilon Beta (LaSalle) brothers attended a Philadelphia Phillies baseball game in 2010. Pictured: Matty Albi, Rick Simnor, Eric Mcleer, Kevin Mcfarlane, Peter Prusinowski, Sean Bogue, Braheem Washington, George Price, Marco Capone, Andrew Capone, Justin Rodgers, Tyler Lukridge, Nick Salmieri, R.J. Risch, Andrew Haley, Ivan Charmont.

Photo by Rob DiDonato



New York brothers first arriving at the Delta Chi house, being welcomed by the undergrad brothers.

ROAD TRIP!

Six brothers from New York made a road trip to Colorado to visit Delta Chi brothers at the University of Colorado. Rob Di Donato (Beta Sigma 2006), Eugene Di Donato (Beta Sigma 2008), Todd Cusato (Beta Sigma 2000), Chris Mancusi (Gamma Sigma 2002), and Mike Sirchio (Delta Psi 2002) worked in cooperation with the brothers in Colorado to come down for the school's annual homecoming football game vs. Texas Tech. Since they arrived October 22nd late in the evening, they relaxed at the house and awoke on the 23rd to an excellent football game in which the home team lost 23-20, unfortunately. On the 24th, before the brothers ventured back to New York, they visited Coors Stadium to see where the Rockies play as well as the Bronco's stadium.

Photo by Rob DiDonato



Brothers joking around before the homecoming game versus Texas Tech.

Photo by Jim Miller



Psi Chapter (Duquesne) sent 23 couples to the annual Pittsburgh Alumni Club Dinner Dance on October 18th at Nevillewood Country Club in Pittsburgh. The alumni club dinner dance is one of the hottest events of the semester for the undergrads with girls trying to get a date from a brother to attend the prestigious event.

ROAD TRIP!

After a seven and a half hour trip that included a fire on the New Jersey Turnpike and tossing around a football at every rest stop, Beta Sigma brothers Pete Piroso, Rob DiDonato, Mike Albano, Chris Stedman, Kevin Fernandez, James Garcia, Dominik Woloszyn, Kendall Cofell, Frank Caldarella, Nicolas Panebianco, Eugene DiDonato and Gamma Kappa brothers Areil Almonte, Andrey Yarosh finally made it to the Beta Omicron house (Youngstown State). After a good night's sleep, brothers partook in homecoming activities over the weekend which included a 31-28 victory for the school's football team. By Pete Piroso (Beta Sigma 2009). Pictured Pete Piroso and Mike Albano.

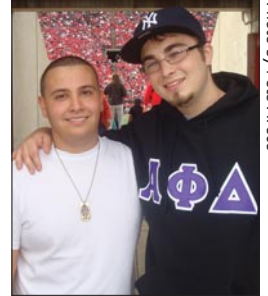


Photo by Pete Piroso

Photo by Alex Franki



Brotherhood for Life Meeting Breaks Attendance Record!

On Friday, October 22nd, the New York City, Hudson Valley and Expansion Districts converged to conduct a join Brotherhood for Life (B4L) meeting hosted by our alumni at our Beta Beta Chapter at Manhattan College. With 121 attendees representing 14 chapters, this has been the 8th and largest B4L event since its inception four years ago at a New York Alumni Club meeting.

The 50+ undergrads and 50 pledges were fed a diet of good fraternal experience from the key speakers: Rob DeVito, Nick Franki, Joe Rahtelli and Alex Franki and from the 20 alumni in attendance. They were also fed food that was cooked by National Vice President Nick Franki.

Many of the pledges have stated that the B4L meeting has given them a perspective of what it means to be a nationally active brother and that activity in Alpha Phi Delta goes beyond just their undergraduate years. It is a wonderful event that is very popular, and not just because of the food! These events have really helped to solidify the districts and it has spurred the North Jersey AC to host its own B4L every semester for their undergraduates as well. Hopefully these B4L events will become a National staple throughout our districts as a permanent part of the pledging process.



On December 2, 2010, the Psi pledge group, (23rd since reactivation), was inducted into Beta Iota Chapter at Utica College. From left to right, James Smith 2009, Cody White 2008, Jordan Santiago 2010, Chris Buchner 2010, Matt Rosenbaum 2010, Phil Hayes 2010, Chris Philpott 2009, Greg Failing 2009, Rob Mastrovito 2008, Mario Baggio Delta Theta 2010 and Luke Chacho Delta Theta 2010. The group celebrated by having dinner at Palermo's Restaurant after the ceremony.

Photo by Joe Rahtelli



Photo by Jim Joseph

The Hudson Valley District held their district pledge bowl on November 6, 2010 at Pace University-Pleasantville. In addition to the chapters, Delta Nu colony, (Eastern Conn. State University), was invited to participate. Over thirty brothers watched District Governor Brian Bollettieri, Gamma Iota 2007, preside over the competition that resulted in a tie for first place between Gamma Iota, Pace University-Pleasantville, and Delta Nu colony. With the result of a tie-breaker, Gamma Iota prevailed as the winner.

Scholarship Winners



Gina Lee DelGreco received the Fabrizio Family Scholarship and is shown accepting the check from Paul Fabrizio, who is also a scholarship trustee, and her uncle Rocco Muffi, Psi 1965.



Angela Russo is pictured with her father John Russo, Psi 1972, and PNP A. Joseph Creston. Angela was the recipient of the Creston Scholarship.



Justin Guerrieri, center, with his brother James Jr. (Delta Xi) and his father James Sr. Justin received the Dominic Mente Award.



Marc Iacovelli, Delta Theta, was the first recipient of the Vincent and James Muffolito Scholarship. In photo, Mike Iacovelli, Theta Beta (Marc's father), Marc, Vince and James Muffolito.



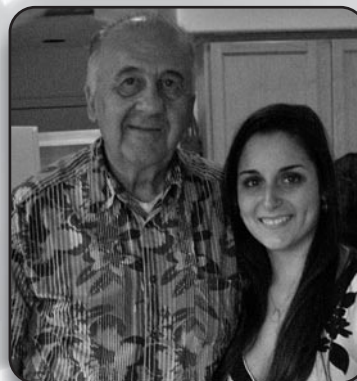
Emily Izzo was the initial recipient of the Paul Sciallo Award and received her award in a special presentation. Paul Sciallo II, Psi 1992, was a Pittsburgh Police Officer gunned down in the line of duty in 2009. Emily's father, grandfather and great grandfather are all members of APD. Pictured are Carl Izzo (Emily's grandfather), Emily, Cal Shipley who was the chairman who organized the fund, and Mr. and Mrs. Paul Sciallo, parents of Paul II.



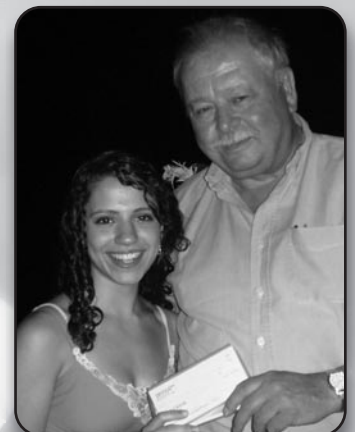
Barry Franks is pictured with his grandfather, Judge Joe Donofrio, Beta Omicron. Barry received the Frank Costanzo Award.



Mary Elliott won the new Richard Primiano Scholarship. Mary is pictured with her father Anthony Castellano, Beta Phi.



Nicole Salmen received the Southern California AC Award. She is pictured with her grandfather Eugene Benevenia, a founding member of Beta Pi Chapter at St. John's University in Queens.



Natalie Reizine was the recipient of the Ernest Colleti Award. She is pictured with Leon Panella, a director on the scholarship fund.



Luke Belsky with his father and sponsor, Rod Belsky, Psi 1971. Luke received the Pittsburgh Alumni Club Award.

Applications for the 2011 Alpha Phi Delta Scholarships must be submitted by May 31, 2011. Go to www.apdscholarship.org for more information and an application. Hard deadline is May 31st.

70th Annual NYC Christmas Dance

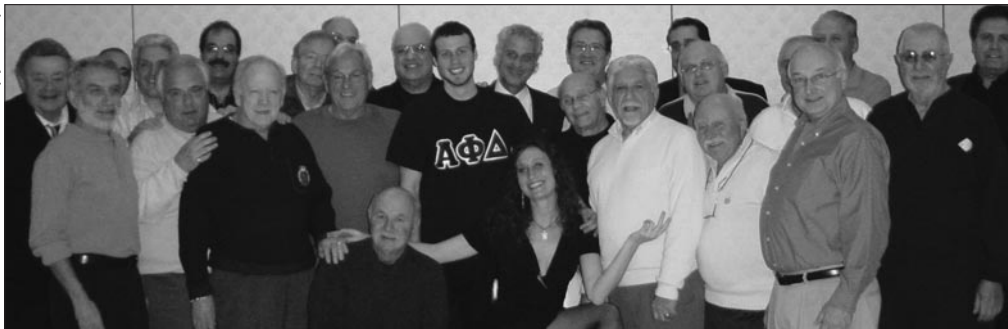


Christmas Dance photos by Gene Gemelli



On Saturday December 4th 2010, brothers from five different states gathered in Brooklyn, N.Y. at Gargiulo's Restaurant to celebrate the 70th Annual Alpha Phi Delta New York Christmas Dance. The dance is a New York tradition that dates back to the 1930s and is sponsored annually by the New York Alumni Club. Brothers from 19 different chapters and from seven decades were in attendance, the total attendance of 181 represents the largest dance in over 20 years. Pictured inset on the left are all Theta Beta brothers (NYU) and on the right are all Beta Beta brothers (Manhattan). Work is already in progress for our 2011 Christmas Dance which will be held on Saturday December 3rd 2011! Contact AlexFranki@aol.com for more information.

Photo by Joe Stacy



The Chicago Alumni Club held their annual Thanksgiving dinner party November 24th (the night before Thanksgiving per tradition). The group enjoyed one of their best gatherings in years and had a special guest (Alicia Formato, center). Alicia is the sister of Psi undergraduate Eric Formato and daughter of Matt Formato, both of whom were in attendance. Chicago AC president Joe Stacy turned over the gavel of president for 2011 to Sal Lombardi, Beta Mu 1962.

The North Jersey Alumni Club had a Date Night on Saturday, November 20, 2010. They enjoyed dinner and attended a performance of *Les Miserables* at the Paper Mill Playhouse in Millburn, NJ. Twelve brothers and guests attended.

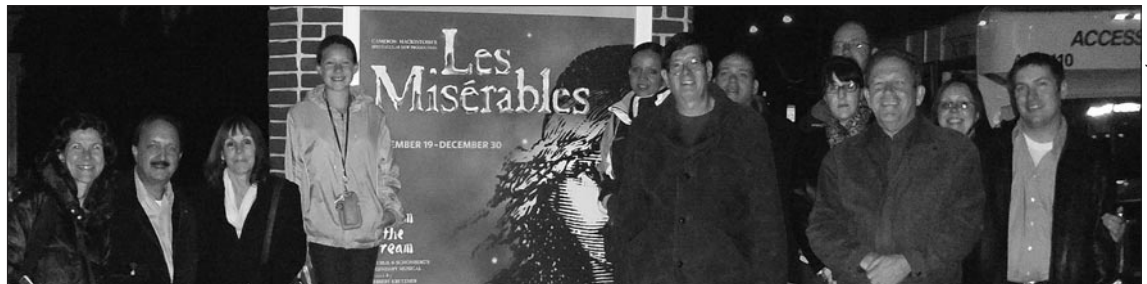


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APD Brothers and Their Families March in Columbus Day Parade

On Monday, October 11th, over 150 brothers, family and friends marched in the 66th Annual Columbus Day Parade in New York City. This was the second year in a row that Alpha Phi Delta, the Italian Heritage Fraternity, was represented in the world's largest celebration of Italian-American achievements and contributions to society. The parade was broadcast live on NBC-New York and was hosted by Comedian Joe Piscopo and the Grand Marshal was CNBC's Maria Bartiromo. Many thanks go to all who participated, especially our organizer, Brother John Barbaro, Beta Sigma 1993, who as Italian Culture Chairman of the New York Alumni Club,

coordinated our efforts with fantastic results. Our 2010 contingent represented a dramatic increase in participation from last year when our group numbered 35. This year we were also invited to attend the pre-parade solemn mass celebrated by His Excellency, Archbishop Timothy M. Dolan at St. Patrick's Cathedral.

For more information about our plans for next year's parade, which should include a float and an after party, please contact John at jbravo13@aol.com.

—Submitted by Alex Franki, Gamma Lambda 1990.

Hudson Valley District Meets

Photo by Joseph Rahtelli



On Sept. 24, 2010 the Lower Hudson Valley Alumni Club hosted the Hudson Valley district meeting in Elmsford, New York. Over thirty brothers attended the meeting where National President Robert DeVito, Beta Omega 1985, presented the Outstanding District Award to the district and District Governor Brian Bollettieri, Gamma Iota 2007. Dinner followed the conclusion of the meeting. For information about the Lower Hudson Valley Alumni Club, contact Joe Rahtelli at rahtelli@aol.com.

Photo by Leon Panella



Father Federici Memorial Rededicated

Psi Chapter alumni and undergraduates turned out in force for the rededication of the Fr. Federici Memorial at Duquesne University October 2, 2010. Federici was past national chaplain. See story on page 6.



Beta Xi Brothers Reunited

Alumni brothers from Alpha Phi Delta's Beta Xi Chapter who graduated Newark College of Engineering between 1954 and 1960 held an impromptu reunion along with their wives on October 9th for lunch and a tour of former military installations at Sandy Hook, New Jersey. Brother Carl DeFilippis, who volunteers his time to the National Park Service which operates the park, conducted the tour. The group photo shown was taken on top of a concrete gun battery which housed massive artillery guns during WWII that protected New York Harbor. Standing left to right are brothers (and wives) Murray Piazza, John Nardone, (Terry Nardone), Don Rizzo, (Angel Librizzi), (Gail Rizzo), (Judy Petoia), Sal Petoia, (Toni DeFilippis), Joseph Spampinato, (Judy Zichelli), Mike Zichelli, (Ann Tosato) and Piave Corradi. Kneeling in the front row are Carl DeFilippis, on the left, and Jerry Abondolo. The gathering brought brothers together who in some cases hadn't seen each other in over fifty years. Much appreciation is due brother DeFilippis for suggesting the event and for the great tour on what turned out to be an outstanding autumn day. —Submitted by Sal Petoia, Beta Xi '56

Foundation News

The Board of Directors of the Alpha Phi Delta Foundation is pleased to announce our newest member who joined the Foundation as a Director on July 1, 2010: Gary Van Schaften, Beta Lambda 1968.



Gary Van Schaften

Gary Van Schaften was inducted into Alpha Phi Delta, Beta Lambda Chapter at Saint Francis College in Loretto, Pa. in 1968. He served as Chapter Secretary and then as President. During these years, the chapter received Most Improved and Outstanding Chapter Awards. Gary was also named National Outstanding Undergraduate in 1970. Gary is a CPA and worked for 18 years at Arthur Andersen, where he served as a partner. In 1989, he joined Salomon Brothers as Director of Accounting. During the last 15 years Gary has been CFO of 3 different companies. Gary and his wife, Judy, also a graduate of SFC, reside in Wayne, New Jersey. They have four grown sons and twin granddaughters. He is an active member of the Knights of Columbus and volunteer President of the Diabetes Foundation of Northern New Jersey.

Gary will be adding his considerable experience to the Foundation by serving on the investment subcommittee and joined the following directors in serving the Foundation for the 2010-11 year:

Ross Alessandro, Psi 1995; Anthony Barbieri, Beta Beta 1959; Charles Fiore, Theta Beta 1973, Scholarship Chairman; Alex Franki, Gamma Lambda 1990, Foundation Chairman; Michael Iacovelli, Theta Beta 1981; Peter Gaudiuso, Theta Beta 1982, Treasurer; and Rick Trieste, Jr., Beta Beta 1982.

The board would like to thank all the talented and well-qualified brothers who were nominated and applied for Foundation Board positions. Every year we have retiring directors and a need for new brothers to step up and fulfill these worthwhile positions. If you would like to know more about serving as a director or would like to submit a name for consideration, please contact Foundation Chairman, Alex Franki at alex.franki@apdfoundation.org.

We also want to thank our outgoing directors: Frank Di Maria, Beta Eta 1992, and Anthony Falconite, Beta Eta 1987, for their years of service with the Alpha Phi Delta Foundation. Frank and Anthony have given of their time, talent and treasure to the Foundation, and they have helped to raise recognition of our work.

Is It All About Snooki?

By Ralph Annina, Beta Eta

In *The New York Times*, July 23, 2010 article by Cathy Horyn, "Snooki's Time",* Snooki is profiled as a model for Italian-American teenagers. She is brought up in an Italian home and she conveys television's image of the new Italian stereotypes. It is frightening to see that it is the highest rated cable show among young adults.

The generation of Tony Manero, the Fonz, Vinny Barbarino and Don Corleone have evolved into *Sopranos* and *Jersey Shore*. Now, Italian-Americans have newer stereotypes for being pre-judged. Unfortunately, Snooki's time takes away from the real Italian-American identity.

The mention of the east coast mentality of being brought up Italian as a negative thing makes me wonder if we are simple talking about the actress's upbringing. Our strong family values are defamed as not meeting the societal norms. To me it seems like she is from a dysfunctional family that would fit into any ethnic group but you increase viewership if they are Italians.

My concern is that young people believe the *Jersey Shore* episodes as how Italian-Americans really are. I have had students come to me in my Italian Language classroom saying "I like *Jersey Shore*, it is about Italians." The media is a powerful entity. I explained to my students that these are stereotypes and that Italian-Americans do go to college, contribute to society and celebrate their heritage in positive ways. It is an uphill battle because young people are only seeing this aspect in the media. This is not fair and definitely not balanced when compared to portrayals of other ethnic groups by the media.

These exaggerated images should be balanced with positive images. If television viewers used a scorecard marking "+" for Italians portrayed in a positive light and "-" for Italians portrayed in a negative light, one would have many more negatives. Try it for one week and you will see what I mean.

Not all Italian-American teenagers fit the actors and actresses that are smoking and drinking. The characters of Angelina, Jenni "J-Woww," Mike "The Situation," Nicole "Snooki," DJ Pauly D, Ronnie, Sammi "Sweetheart" and Vinny are insulting. They are portrayed as illiterate and as buffoons and superficial. But this sells and that is why *Jersey Shore* broke records for MTV. Now the next season will be filmed in Italy.

It is an up-hill battle fighting the media's portrayal of Italian-Americans. The fact is the people represented in these shows are few, maybe less than one percent of the age category portrayed. Most of my friends and neighbors in Brooklyn did not fit this category at all. They worked hard, studied hard and loved and respected their families and possessed a strong patriotism for our country.

We must convey to the public an awareness and consciousness that these are negative portrayals and not a true picture of Italian-American youth. Our fraternity of college-educated men of Italian-American heritage promoting the Italian-American heritage is in the forefront of condemning these television programs.

*Horyn, Cathy. "Snooki's Time." *New York Times* 23 July 2010: page 1. Newspaper Source Plus. EBSCO. Web. 29 Aug. 2010.



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really only get to see each other at a wedding or a wake, if our schedules allow us to make it there. Our children, the second generation born here know little of my first cousins and less of their children or second cousins. In many cases they do not even know who they are. They will grow up in different cities and only hear stories of the "old days" from their parents. They will never know the closeness of cousins and uncles and aunts that we knew growing up. They will shop in malls and supermarkets and marry other "medigahns," whose ancestors were Polish, Irish, German, whatever. Their Italian roots will slowly dissipate and be forgotten and eventually lost.

Thus, the result of this great American experiment we are a part of; the homogenization of different cultures into one. It is inevitable, and the mood is strong that the new immigrants, be they Chinese or Mexicans or Russians give up their ethnicity and foreign tongues and become Americans" and learn English as our parents were forced to do. That is the strength of America.

They probably won't, but their children will and most certainly their children. Yes, something is lost; ethnicity, but for the greater good. All we can do is try to keep it alive with our stories to the young and make an extra effort to gather whenever possible. Ethnicity, remembering from whence we came, makes our lives richer. Who knows, maybe one Christmas when families gather, our children can enjoy a game of "salami" with their aunts and uncles. . . and remember.

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Countdown to Centennial

BY JOHN J. RUSSO, PSI

Alpha Phi Delta will turn 100 years old in November 2014. While that is still four years away, the fraternity has already started planning for numerous activities to celebrate our gala event. In fact, some of the undergraduates pledging now are part of our centennial pledges, among those spending their undergraduate days in 2014.

Under the leadership of Anthony Carfang, Psi 1969, and Mike Iacovelli, Theta Beta 1982, a centennial committee has started planning anniversary activities. One of the first efforts involves finding as many "lost" brothers as possible and adding them back to our database. A "lost" brother is one whose address or email is no longer valid, and the fraternity is unable to contact him. Another activity is soliciting volunteers to help out on various subcommittees or teams.

Among the targeted events are:

- Compiling a Centennial Edition of the History of Alpha Phi Delta
- Publishing an online Directory of Brothers
- Networking events
- Regional Alumni Emeritus luncheons honoring 50 year brothers
- APD sponsored tours to Italy
- Chapter and Alumni Club expansion projects
- Recognizing all notable brothers throughout our history
- APD Centennial merchandise
- Capital Campaign to endow the next 100 years
- Outreach to other Italian-American organizations

The initial plan is to have a gala celebration at the 2014 Summer Convention and/or have a grand celebration in November 2014 at a location to be determined. In addition, the centennial committee would like to have every chapter (active or inactive) and every alumni entity plan an event to celebrate the centennial on or around November 5, 2014. To meet that goal, the committee is seeking volunteers from every chapter to organize an entity event. If you are interested in helping out, please contact Mike Iacovelli at Miakovelli@comcast.net.

We will try to keep you informed during our centennial countdown. For more information, check out the website <http://www.apdfoundation.org/centennial/index.html>.

Brothers, send your career changes, marriages, births and other life events to *The Kleos* at Kleos@apd.org. High resolution digital photos are also accepted via email.

SPECIAL OFFER



The Pittsburgh Ladies Auxiliary of Alpha Phi Delta is pleased to announce the availability of the fundraising cookbook *Home Grown Italian Recipes, A Legacy for Our Family and Friends*. Fraternity family and friends submitted approximately 500 of their favorite recipes to make this cookbook possible. Not only do these cookbooks have culinary secrets that have been passed down from one generation to the next but include some cherished memories. These heirloom cookbooks can be purchased for \$20 plus shipping and handling. Proceeds go to the endowment of a scholarship with the Alpha Phi Delta Foundation. To order your copy, please contact Karen Panella (724.865.7804) or twinkle@zoominternet.net. Your support will be greatly appreciated.

The ladies would like to thank everyone who has ordered a book and supported their efforts to endow a scholarship. They are pleased to report that they are halfway to their goal of \$10,000. The appeal in the last *Kleos* was so successful that Brother Leon Panella, Psi 1962, is offering to send one pound of his famed Italian soppressata (retail value \$20) to anyone who orders four cookbooks. He is also willing to travel to assist anyone who wants to make *soppressata* using his recipe in the book.

Louia Apicella, World War II Vet

Louis C. Apicella, *Eta 1949 (CCNY)*, passed away on September 13, 2010. Lou served in the U.S. Navy during World War II in the Pacific Theater of Operations aboard an aircraft carrier as a Radar Technician. He was an electrical engineer who worked for Grumman Aircraft on the design of the Lunar Expeditionary Module. He is survived by his wife of 58 years, Mary, and by three children and three grandchildren.

Paul Tucci, MD, World War II Vet

Paul Tucci, M.D., *Eta 1942 (CCNY)*, passed away October 18, 2010 after a two year battle with cancer. A graduate of New York University and New York Medical College, Tucci served as a navigator in the Army Air Corps during World War II. He was Professor Emeritus at New York Medical College (with over 50 years of service), Diplomate of the National Board of Examiners and the American Board of Urology, a Fellow of the American College of Surgeons, the New York Academy of Medicine, New York State Medical Society, Westchester County Medical Society, American Geriatric Society Academy of Medicine, The Societe Internationale d'Urologie and the Society of University Urologists.

Richard Curto, Business Owner



Richard A. Curto, *Chi 1942 (Penn State)*, passed away February 23, 2010 in Pittsburgh at the age of 86. As an undergraduate, Richard had been chapter president of Chi and graduated in 1949 with a degree in education. He had a career in sales and owned a business as a manufacturing representative. He is survived by his wife Gerry and brother Leo Curto, Chi 1949.



Psi Chapter (Duquesne University) had a memorial mass on November 6, 2010 for Psi Founder George Nesta, Psi 1929, who passed away in August 2010 at the age of 102. The mass was attended by George's family, Psi undergraduates and alumni and officials from the university.

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Scene from the well attended fraternity and family softball game which preceded the convention picnic in 2010.