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Chapter News

Congratulations to our active members for achieving a 3.2366 GPA for the spring 2009 semester, ranking them 10th among 48 IFC fraternities. This is also higher than the All-Fraternity (3.1167), All-Undergraduate (3.0900) and All-Male (3.0200) averages.

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SHELTER UPDATE**Major Improvements Made to Beta Upsilon House after Fire Damage*****We're Looking for Memorabilia to Fill our Alumni Room***

By Tom Kostelny, Alumni Relations Chairman

After a fire damaged much of the house earlier last March, massive renovations were made to the Shelter. Active members are now living with new bathrooms and showers, newly painted and repaired hallways and doors and a new roof, just to name a few. We greatly appreciate the help of the workers who put the house back together, the tireless work of our House Corporation Director, **Matt Wilson**, and all the alumni who helped out as well. Live-in members worked on landscaping improvements and finished a new floor to the basement.

While the structure of the house has been vastly improved, there is still more to be done. We are going to now focus on furnishing and decorating the first floor. If you would like to donate something that you think would be a fit in our alumni room such as an old intramural trophy or pictures of Delts from your era, drop it off or mail it to us we will gladly display

them in our alumni room, which is on the west side of the first floor of the Shelter that is used by members for studying (pictured here).

Find more pictures of the recent Shelter improvements in the Photo Albums at www.illinidelts-alumni.com.

**Clash of the Titans**

We all know that the Delt bonds last long after graduation. But the similarities that these alumni recently found that they share are pretty impressive!

Todd Herges '86 and **Dave Wells '88** squared off this summer as opposing managers in a Little League game near Champaign. Todd's team traveled from Kearney, Nebraska for



a triple header against teams from his native Champaign. At game time, both Wells and Herges were surprised to discover that their teams shared a common name (Titans) and wore virtually identical uniforms (orange and blue, of course). To top it off, their sons Rob Herges and Noah Wells both wear number 34 jerseys.

Do you have stories like this to share from your recent reunions with BU alumni? Share them with us at www.illinidelts-alumni.com. If you haven't reunited with brothers lately, reconnect with them using the online directory on our web site.

ANNUAL FUND

Annual Fund Donors on the Rise...Are YOU Among Them?

Despite a slow start to the 2009-10 giving year (well, at least compared to this time last year), we are pleased to report that the number of alumni making contributions to our annual fund was at an all-time high at the end of 2008-09. Last year, 92 donors contributed to the annual fund, compared with 78 the year before.

We'd like to especially thank the alumni who made their first-ever contributions since September 1, 2008. They include:

Robert V. Clapp	1950
Russell M. Young	1968

John A. Strom II	1975
Jay J. Marr	1983
Brian N. Debatin	1995
Timothy Ashe	2005
Erik Larson	2006
Bob M. Aldendifer	1982
Guy R. Youman	1985
Douglas Geiger	1992

We are on a mission to add 110 alumni to our Honor Roll this year before the giving year ends August 31, 2010. Will you be among them? See below for how you can add your name to the list.

2009-10 Annual Fund Donors

2009 Goal:
110
Donors to Date:
32



2009-10 HONOR ROLL OF DONORS

This Issue of our Newsletter Brought to You By...

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Classes of	1957-1960
James P. Staes	1960

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Calvin W. Vogel	1949
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Fred Warrick	1958
Bruce J. Quayle	1960
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Dennis S. Tierney	1968
Howard R. Holiday	1972
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Patrick M. Meehan	1967
Gary A. Beckman	1969
Larry L. Lewton	1972
Matt Wilson	1989
Steven Potter	2000

Other

Guy R. Youman	1985
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*Reflects gifts received as of
November 19, 2009.*

Add Your Name to the List!

There are three ways to make a contribution:

- ✓ Online at www.illinidelts-alumni.com.
- ✓ By calling 800-975-6699.
- ✓ By mailing a check payable to "Delta Tau Delta" and mail it to the return address on this newsletter.

EMAIL

WHAT?!? We're Missing Email Addresses for 67% of You?

Welcome to the 21st century, guys. We know that more than 368 of you have email addresses that you use on a daily basis. Please update your email address with us so that we can keep you in the loop throughout the year.

Having a high percentage of email addresses is a critical advantage to our alumni association. Why? It saves us money on paper and printing, it enables us to

communicate with you more frequently, and, if you choose, your email address will be available to other Beta Upsilon alumni through our password-protected online directory.

Oh yeah, and we promise not to SPAM you – ever!

We'd like to thank our alumni volunteers who recently helped us to obtain more than 140 of our lost email addresses.

For those of you who just received your first issue of our e-Letter, we hope that you take advantage of this monthly opportunity to reconnect with BU and the friends you met there.

If you haven't been receiving our monthly e-Letter, update your email address at www.illinidelts-alumni.com or by emailing feedback@affinityconnection.com.

John Gleeson '68

(412 N Hickory, Arlington, IL 60004; johng12490@yahoo.com) Several '68 Delts gathered in San Jose in the spring. Hosts Lucky Somers and Dennis Mesic treated us to golf, some touring and lots of merriment. The photo shows **Dennis Mesic, Dennis Heydanek, John Conrad, Don Rowley** and **Lucky Somers**. The ladies (not shown) were a delight as always: Sue Mesic, Jane Heydanek, Jody Rowley and Barb Somers.

Hope all BU Delts are well and finding ways to get together once in a while. It sure is a lot of fun.



'80s

Thomas Novy '80

(P.O. Box 52025, Phoenix, AZ 85072; tom.novy@srpnet.com) I am a Beta Upsilon Delt from U of I, class of 1980. My son is a Delt from Northern Arizona University (Theta Omega) class of 2007. We played in and took 1st place in a National father-son baseball tournament a year ago last Fall here in AZ. Jake is a catcher and I play center field. Good memories; at Illinois, we were an "orange" or small fraternity but petitioned up to the "blue" or large division in football & softball. Even so, my brothers and I took 1st place in the pledge football tournament in 1978 and in softball 1980. Many of us worked and all of us drank at Kam's which was run by another Delt, Mel. I still have my "staff" sweater, "Kam's, Home of the Drinking Illini."

Kevin Helmich '89

(118 Old South Drive, Crestview, FL 32536; helmich@destin-law.com) It's been a busy year for me. I am once again single, but that is a good thing. I adopted a little girl from Guatemala last year. Her name is Carmen and she is now 2 years old. She is a joy, and is doing absolutely wonderful. I have 10 year old twins - Michael and Morgan. Both are in

5th grade. Both are straight A students and in the gifted program. Michael ran on the cross country team this year. Although the team was 5th through 8th grade, he finished 3rd for the team at the final meet. He was also in the top third of all runners at the final county wide invitational meet (most of the runners were in 7th or 8th grade). Morgan was one of only a few 5th graders to make the volleyball team (which also went all the way to 8th grade), and she started for the "JV." I am definitely a proud father.

I continue to run my own law firm. My areas of practice are corporate and Wills, Trusts and Estates. Most days, I love my job.

Good memories from my days at the Delt house are too numerous to write them all down. Some of my favorites... Trying to swim at Anchor Splash a couple of weeks after breaking my shoulder (that didn't work out so well). Where the Hell is Caner? Watching the Flying Illini come back to beat Syracuse on a 2 inch, portable TV in the parking lot while waiting to leave for Spring Break in South Padre. Spring Break in South Padre with **Joe Moyer, Tom "Sammy" Dressler** and **Sean Dunn**. Watching **Dave Dillon** and **Matt Wilson** sing Bon Jovi at the top of their lungs in the middle of an exchange.

'90s

Grant S. Hamilton III '90

(1207 Swisher Rd., Iowa City, IA 52245-1592; granthamilton@mac.com) Sara (Delt Queen '88, '89) and I have an amazing 6-year-old daughter, Jane, who learned how to ski last winter. Sara is spearheading several community improvement projects here in Iowa City. I have been expanding my second career as a photographer and had photography exhibitions in Seattle, (<http://designcommission.com/granthamilton/>), Vienna, Berlin, Barcelona (www.polanoir.com/standard?artistid=886), and Iowa City. Last year, I was interviewed on joshsphear.com, a "daily source of inspiration for marketers, brand managers, advertising executives." Also, I was honored to be included in a list of "99 Remarkable Photographer's Portfolios" (<http://digital-photography-school.com/blog/99-remarkable-photographers-portfolios/>)." The day job doing facial plastic and reconstructive surgery at the University of Iowa is going well too.

I stay in close contact with **Dave Ford '91** and argue about politics nearly every day with **Matt Wilson '90** and **Scott Casey '90**.

'00s

Scott Barenbrugge '01

(1N591 Glenrise Avenue, Glen Ellyn, IL 60137; sbarenbrugge@gmail.com) My wife Courtney and I celebrated the birth of our daughter, Elle Marie, on September 5, 2009.

We Need Your News!

This is an alumni NEWSletter, after all! So please submit your news, updates, stories, memories and photos for publication in the next issue of *Beta Upsilon Booster*.

Ideas include:

- Memories (and photos!) from your fraternity days.
- Updates on recent reunions you've had with Delt brothers (or details of upcoming ones).
- Stories of how Delt has made an impact on your life.

You can upload your submissions at www.illinidelts-alumni.com or email them to content@affinityconnection.com (DTD at Illinois).

ALUMNI EVENTS

Brothers Young and Old(er) Reunite at Homecoming 2009

By Tom Kostelny, Alumni Relations Chairman

For Homecoming, the weekend of October 10th, more than 30 alumni from the '58-'62 era and their spouses came to the house for a small get together on Friday night, just one of the numerous events over the course of the weekend. It was great to finally have everyone back at our newly renovated house.

On behalf of the active members, I would like to thank Jim and Diane Staes for all their help leading up to and during the entire weekend, as well as the rest of the alumni who made it to Champaign. We were also glad to see lots of guys from the recent graduating years around the house

that weekend as well. We hope everyone enjoyed themselves, and we look forward to doing something similar in the near future.

You can find more Homecoming photos and submit your own at www.illinidelts-alumni.com.



Cheering on the Illini...



Reunion group in front of the new Delt fireplace.



Ed and Bev Delong, Dave Sattem, Larry Moore, Marcie and Bernie Wall at the Friday evening reception at the Delt Shelter.

Inside: The story of a '60s reunion!



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