



# Delta Delta Data

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## DELTA DELTA, PURDUE WIN BIG AT 1997 HOMECOMING

A great turnout, a great football game and great weather helped make Homecoming '97 a fantastic success. Led by the reunion classes of 1945-49, 1957, 1977 and 1987 Delta Delta hosted one of the largest groups to return for a Homecoming event in the past few years.

Celebrating their 50<sup>th</sup> reunion together were the Classes of 1944 to 1949. They had a successful reunion dinner on Friday night as Significant Sigs Allen C. Menke '44 and Ralph Weiger '49 made keynote remarks to their group of classmates and spouses. During their visit all the brothers had a great time discussing the similarities and differences between the chapter house in the 1940's and the present. Thanks for sharing your memories of Delta Delta with us.

The Class of '77 returned in force sporting 20 year reunion sweatshirts. They met Friday night in Indianapolis and on Saturday, they too, hosted a dinner. Led by past Consul Steve Sturman '77 this group roasted fellow pledge brothers as they reminisced about their Delta Delta days.

The classes of '57 and '87 also had good showings as they congregated at 202 Littleton Street to meet with pledge brothers from past years.

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**Delta Delta Leadership Training Workshop attendees included L-R, front: Mark Miles and Trent Bonnell; L-R, back: Scott Anderson, Jay Andrew, Keith Krach, Mark Clark, Nick Stallard and Phil Steele.**

## 50th Leadership Training Workshop Led By Delta Delta Sigs

This past summer, the 1997 Leadership Training Workshop celebrated its 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary in Manhattan, Kansas. This year's workshop was an enjoyable and learning experience. Keith Krach '79 was Chairman of the 1997 Leadership Training Workshop. Also, assisting Keith at LTW from the Delta Delta chapter was undergraduate representative, James Cole '98.

This year, along with Keith and James, seven undergraduates and chapter advisor Phil Steele '77 represented the Delta Delta chapter. Those who attended the 1997 LTW were Pro Consul Trent Bonnell '99, Rush Chairman Jay Andrew '98, Magister Scott Anderson '98, and Treasurer Mark Miles '98. Mark Clark '00 and Nick Stallard '00 also attended the 1997 LTW in the Emerging Leaders program, which they both found very beneficial.

Drew Watson '98, past consul, also attended the workshop as a featured guest. Drew's band, Gift Horse, provided us with Friday night's live music entertainment.

A new twist came about at this year's leadership workshop. The Leadership Training Board developed a concept different from the past workshops. They implemented a new "Vision Quest," which allows for the whole chapter to get involved and set chapter goals, not just individual goals. This concept evolves around a compass, which points to the individual, chapter, campus and community, and the international fraternity. Goals are to be set for each of the four categories. Then, obstacles are to be thought out and a path is to be constructed on how to get to that particular goal and overcome each obstacle. Jay Andrew

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## THE SIGMA CHI CREED

I believe in fairness, decency, and good manners. I will endeavor to retain the spirit of youth. I will try to make my college, the Sigma Chi Fraternity, and my own chapter more honored by all men and women and more beloved and honestly respected by our own brothers. I say these words in all sincerity that Sigma Chi has given me favor and distinction; that I will endeavor to so build myself and so conduct myself that I will ever be a credit to our Fraternity.

## CHAPTER OFFICERS

|                                      |                        |
|--------------------------------------|------------------------|
| <b>Consul:</b>                       | <b>Brian Craig</b>     |
| <b>Pro Consul:</b>                   | <b>Trent Bonnell</b>   |
| <b>Annotator:</b>                    | <b>David Woodruff</b>  |
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## Consul's Corner . . . . Brian Craig △△ '98

I am proud to report that we are off to a great fall semester at the Delta Delta Chapter. We began the year by returning from the LTW workshop with our fifth consecutive Petersen Award and a fourth place position in the Ross Publications award balloting.

Our International Sweetheart Metta visited Purdue in time to help promote our Derby Days activities and rush, which were both highly successful as we raised \$2000 for the Children's Miracle Network and pledged 27 new members. We are very pleased with our new class and expect great things from them in the future. Rush Chairmen Jay Andrew and Drew Watson should be commended for their great job.

So far we could not ask for a better football season with our football pairing, Chi Omega. The Boilers are doing great in football and brother Jim Niedrach is getting lots of playing time by being the starting center. I can't wait to go to a bowl game. Those of you who attended the Homecoming game were able to see our impressive Boilers.

Thanks to all of you who were able to visit for Homecoming. Brother Mark Clark did an excellent job preparing for Homecoming and Brother Mark Weil cooked all morning preparing lunch. It was nice to meet all of the alumni and especially the classes of 1987, 1977, 1957, and 1944-49. Trent Bonnell '99, Mark Clark '00, and myself enjoyed attending your dinners. The stories of your college days here at Purdue were entertaining.

Please take note of the flyer in the Delta Delta Data. Brother Brad Nihls has worked hard as our computer chairman to update our

computer system. He has prepared a short statement concerning his plans and costs. Please feel free to respond and provide us with some comments or possible support regarding this expansion.

Take care and I hope to meet more of you at next year's Homecoming.

### *Homecoming ..... continued*

Special recognition also went to newly selected Significant Sig Keith Krach '79 who received his plaque prior to the football game.

The House Corporation conducted its annual meeting and reported on the past year's activities. Over the summer \$30,000 was spent on house repairs and upgrades. This included recarpeting the Library and stairs; refinishing the walls and ceiling in the Junior wing; painting the Great Hall and balcony; refinishing the Great Hall and dining room floors; new lighting in the kitchen; and doing major plumbing repairs in the Ladies Head. The Parent's Club has also been active as they painted the kitchen and Ladies powder room, and replaced the the water fountain and purchased new couches for the Great Hall. Consul Brian Craig gave a chapter update and Brad Nihls '99 presented an idea for wiring the chapter house for internet access.

All the brothers enjoyed the Purdue-Wisconsin game and watching starting center Jim Niedrach '99 lead Purdue to a convincing 45-20 win. Many Alumni returned to the house to celebrate the win and one alum was overheard to say, "So what do you guys do around here when you win?!". For those who stuck around, they got a chance to see.



# REUNION CLASSES HIGHLIGHT HOMECOMING '97





## Mark Herrmann Joins Purdue Hall of Fame

Former All-American quarterback Mark Herrmann ΔΔ'80 was inducted into the Purdue Athletic Hall of Fame in September. Mark came to Purdue as the throwing portion of the Carmel Connection, which included Bart Burrell ΔΔ'80, who continued to be Mark's favorite receiver during their playing days from 1977 to 1980. During this period Mark led the team to a 33-13-1 record. Mark finished his career as Purdue's career passing leader. Mark earned Big Ten MVP, first team All Big Ten, and All-American honors his senior season. In addition he was the Most Valuable Player in three consecutive bowl games, the 1978 Peach, 1979 Bluebonnet and the 1980 Liberty.

Upon graduation Mark was chosen as one of the top picks in the 1980 NFL draft. During his eleven year career he played for the Denver Broncos, San Diego Chargers, Los Angeles Rams and Indianapolis Colts.

Mark, who now resides in Indianapolis with his wife, Susie, and their three children, participates in the annual Delta Delta Alumni Golf outing and states, "that he benefited from his days at Delta Delta because it was important to get the whole college experience – athletic, social and academic." Mark stays close to Purdue football and this fall was the guest speaker at the Annual Purdue Football Kickoff Luncheon where he told the players to trust the new system, forget about the past, and begin now to make their own tradition of winning. Now we know why the Boilermakers are doing so well this year.

All the brothers at Delta Delta are proud of Mark's accomplishments and we wish him the best.



**Keith Krach**

## Krach '79 Chosen As Delta Delta's 24<sup>th</sup> Significant Sig

Keith Krach '79 was honored at Grand Chapter this summer as Delta Delta's 24<sup>th</sup> Significant Sig. Keith's certificate and picture join a distinguished group that began with George Ade, John T. McCutcheon and Booth Tarkington and also includes Gerald Hines, Ralph Weiger, Hank Stram, Chuck Weaver, Bruce Harrel and 14 other alumni who have made their mark in their professional field.

Keith was recognized for his record of successful leadership in the fields of computer technology and robotics where he has created new companies to pioneer the development of innovative software products. He is current Chief Executive Officer of Ariba Technologies, after serving as Chief Operating Officer of Rasna Corporation, a successful mechanical design automation software company.

Brother Krach began his career after graduating from Purdue and Harvard's Business school with General Motors and their robotics group. As a founding team member of GMF Robotics, Keith served as general manager, national sales manager and the youngest Vice President of any GM operating division.

Keith who runs his companies as very close knit groups, states that the "ideals of Sigma Chi and the lessons learned at Delta Delta have been by far the biggest contributors to anything that I have achieved in my professional career". As the 1979 International Balfour Award winner, Keith is still very active with our international Sigma Chi organization. He has served for the past three years as head of the Leadership Training Board which conducts the Leadership Training Workshop each summer. Keith also is a regular visitor to Delta Delta and has had a chance to meet many of the undergraduate brothers where he continues to exemplify the ideals of our fraternity and sets an example for each of us to follow.

Congratulations Brother Krach and we wish you continued success.

## *Workshop continued . . .*

'98 stated, "This year's workshop was very interesting and different. I learned a lot about different rush techniques. We need to set goals as a chapter, find our path, and then follow through."

The 1997 Leadership Training Workshop provided us with a memorable and beneficial experience. This past semester we implemented this new concept into our own chapter for the first time. We held a brother planning retreat at an off-site facility where we had a chance to discuss Delta Delta's vision for the future and how we could reach it. Everybody seemed responsive, developed great ideas and formed lofty goals. The chapter knows our direction, our "vision", and how we are going to accomplish our individual and chapter goals. All we have to do now is go do it!

# ALUMNI NEWS ... ALUMNI NEWS ... ALUMNI NEWS

## Ben Howe '44 Enters Chapter Eternal

Ben Howe '44 joined the Chapter Eternal on April 19. He followed his brother Richard Howe '42 to Purdue and was a roommate of Hank Stram. He resided at the time of his death in Asheville, NC.

'73 **Richard P. Kuntz** has a new address, c/o Space Labs Medical, Inc. 15200 NE 40th St. P.O. Box Redmond, WA 98073-9713.

'75 **Carl Grotnes** and his family have moved. Their new address is 120 Green Fall Pointe, Atlanta, GA 30350.

'82 **David Steele** just celebrated the 1<sup>st</sup> birthday of his daughter Julia at the same time he and his wife Yang Sook moved into a new home at 2050 Vanderbilt Pl., Lawrenceville, GA 30044.

'83 **Norman Bafunno III** address has changed to 8340 Remington Drive, Evansville, IN 47711. He welcomes any correspondence.

'88 **Robert J. Harrington** was recently promoted to Senior Manager and Director of Consulting Services for McGladrey and Pullen, LLP, a

major international CPA and consulting firm. As part of his promotion, he transferred to San Diego where he and his wife, Katherine, are expecting a new child sometime in November.

His new address is 11767 Scripps Cape Vista Pointe, San Diego, CA 92131. His new e-mail is Robert\_Harrington@rsmi.com.

'91 **Ronald J. Carpinella II** has recently started a new job with Relevant Knowledge as a Regional Sales Manager-Major Accounts. His address is 5501 Glenridge Dr. #510, Atlanta, GA 30342.

'95 **Gavin K. Philipps** recently completed a six month float around the world as part of his duties as second lieutenant in the U.S. Marines. He is now stationed at Camp Pendleton in California. His new address is 4651 Telescope Ave, Carlsbad, CA 92008.



**Delta Delta brothers L-R: Bill Canfield, Bob DeMoss and Ralph Weiger attended the 50th Anniversary gathering of Purdue's 1947 football team. The team was honored at halftime of the Ball State game on September 20.**

### CHAPTER ETERNAL

All honor to their names...

'39 **William E. Ash**, Oxford, MI 2-20-97.

'44 **Ben R. Howe**, Asheville, NC 4-19-97.

### *We Need to Hear From You!*

The Delta Delta chapter welcomes any and all correspondence. Send any news updates on births, moves, promotions, honors, reunions to Delta Delta c/o the Chapter Editors at 202 Littleton St., West Lafayette, IN 47906.

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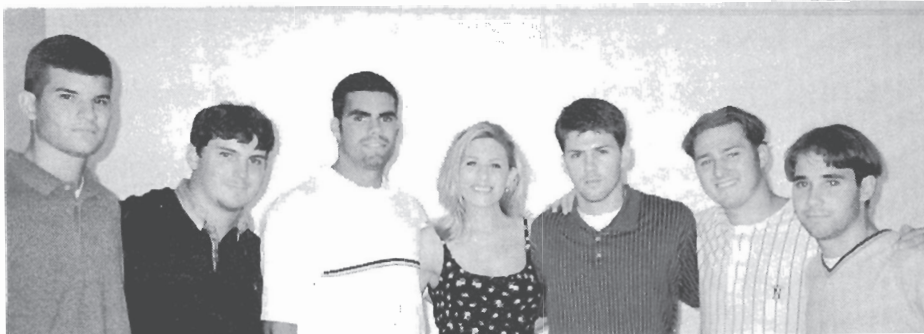


### *Sigma Chi's International Sweetheart Visits Delta Delta*

The men of Delta Delta were honored at the beginning of the fall semester when International Sweetheart Metta Grokenberger, a senior at UCLA, visited Purdue and our chapter. Following her visit she sent the brothers this letter that described her visit and impressions of Delta Delta.

Dear Undergraduate and Alumni Brothers of Delta Delta Chapter,

I want to take this opportunity to thank you for the wonderful experience you gave me through visiting the campus of Purdue University and meeting the brothers of Delta Delta chapter. My visit to Delta Delta chapter will always have a very special place in my heart, not only because it was my first official chapter visit as your International Sweetheart, but also because of the great displays of devotion and commitment I witnessed through the actions of the officers, brothers, and alumni I had the good fortune of meeting. It is ironic that when arriving at Delta Delta I was unsure of what to expect, yet when leaving Delta Delta I took with me the highest of expectations for the chapters I



**International Sigma Chi Sweetheart Metta received a formal invitation to visit Purdue this fall from brothers L-R: Anderson, Clark, Andrew, Bonnell, Stallard and Miles.**

would visit in the future.

During the four days I visited Delta Delta, I was able to witness firsthand the noble principles and high ideals of Sigma Chi, living and breathing within the brothers of Delta Delta Chapter, exemplified through their actions and character. I found embodied within these brothers not only a commitment to one another, but also to bettering the fraternity, their campus, and the community at large. It was easy to see why Delta Delta chapter stands as a leader in one of the largest and most vital fraternal systems in the Greek world.

I was fortunate to be able to participate in Delta Delta's Rush and Derby Days during my stay. The time and effort they devoted to the philanthropic pursuit of raising

money for the Children's Miracle Network brought honor to Sigma Chi, Purdue University, and the Greek system at large, as a testament to the positive contribution Greeks are making in their communities. For these and many other reasons, I was proud to speak on their behalf during the opening rush event about the Jordan Standard and the Spirit of Sigma Chi. I also took great pride in speaking on their behalf to the women of sorority row during Derby Days about the spirit of philanthropy and positive public relations for the Greek community.

I will never forget the kindness and respect I was treated with, as well as the pride I felt in being your Sweetheart. Good luck and best wishes for your continued success.

### *Alumni Relations*

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