



Delta Delta Data

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Alumni and undergraduate brothers gathered in front of the Chapter House prior to the 8th Annual Brotherhood Dinner.

Herrmann Honored At Annual Brotherhood Event

"Having a chance to receive my Significant Sig award in front of so many of my brothers was very special" remarked Mark Herrmann '81. And for the seventy alumni and undergraduates present seeing a very humble Brother Herrmann receive this honor from Bob DeMoss '50, another member of Delta Delta's long lineage of All American quarterbacks, made the 8th Annual Brotherhood dinner a very exciting and special event. In presenting Mark's Significant Sig certificate, medal and pin, Brother DeMoss reminisced about how he "took a shot" for the good of Purdue and Brother Herrmann prior to the Wisconsin game in 1980. Apparently Mark had injured his thumb on his throwing hand and was unable to

hold a football well enough to play. At that time no one knew if taking a pain killing shot in his bad thumb would allow him to play. So for the good of Purdue and the Delta Delta chapter, Brother DeMoss had them shoot his hand up with the pain-killer and after a thorough assessment, Mark and the coaches decided to give Mark the shot and have him play. Mark ended up throwing for over 350 yards in the game on his way to leading the nation in total offense that year. Mark ended his Purdue career as it's all time passing leader and finished 5th in the Heisman balloting his senior year. Mark had a eleven-year NFL career and today does the radio play-by-play announcing for the Indianapolis Colts.

Other brothers in attendance also spoke of Mark's humility and willingness to take part in numerous charity events and service projects. Mark, himself, spoke about how important Sigma Chi had been in providing balance to his college career, along with the special friendships he formed during his Delta Delta days.

This year's event attracted over 20 local alumni comprised of both Delta Delta brothers and Sigs from other chapters. Those in attendance, along with a great evening of fellowship, also had the opportunity to take part in a brief ritualistic chapter meeting. As always having
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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.

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Consul's Corner Travis Bonnell '01

Brothers, as I am writing, the mighty Purdue Boilermakers men's basketball team just completed their quest for the Final Four and the brothers at Delta Delta had a great time following the Boilers this season.

I would like to thank all the alumni who participated in our 3rd annual Brotherhood dinner. It was a very enjoyable evening of brotherhood and conversation. Thanks to Justin Lotak, '02, for his time and dedication in making the dinner spectacular.

Currently the Purdue Greek system is participating in the Habitat for Humanity program. Our goal is to build a "Greek House" with the time, effort and funds coming from all Purdue fraternities and sororities. We would like to thank brother Krach, '79, for his gracious donation of \$10,000. With this donation Delta Delta was able to give \$12,000 in the effort.

In late February, we completed our 13th consecutive year of the 5th and 6th grade West Lafayette Parks and Recreation basketball program. It was once again a big success and a lot of fun! Currently on campus, we have participated in many philanthropic events including where we finished in 1st place in the Anchor Splash, Ivy Man, and Bowl-A-Rama.

I am proud to announce that Dean Seeger, '02 and Jamal Mustafa '02, will be the first ever Delta Delta representative at this summer's Horizons Program. Horizons is a leadership retreat, held in Colorado and sponsored by Sigma Chi for a select

group of individuals. Way to go Brothers Seeger and Mustafa!

Dave Charney, '01, and Steve Schouten, '01, were pleased to be big contributors on this year's Big Ten championship water polo team. Mark Hoffman, '01, and Jason Bezy, '02, are gearing up this year's cart team for another great Grand Prix.

On March 3, 2000, Chris Cottingham, '01, retired Army Airborne, requested that an American Flag be flown over the White House in honor of the 125th anniversary of the Delta Delta chapter. It will soon be on display in the chapter library.

It is hard to believe that I am already three months into my office as consul. I learn more and more each day and enjoy almost every minute of it. I am honored to represent the fine gentlemen of the Delta Delta chapter. I would like to thank the many individuals for all your support and comments. Keep them coming. I look forward to seeing many of you at this summer's 125th Anniversary celebration. I am always proud to be a Sigma Chi.

Brotherhood Dinner continued...

a chance to relive our ritual and to once again be reminded of what makes Sigma Chi special, made the evening complete.

Special thanks go to Jason Lotak, Alumni Relations Chairman, for coordinating this event, and to Nancy and the kitchen crew for preparing and hosting a great meal.

“Close to the Old Days” Andrew Wesdorp ‘00

During my time as Consul of Delta Delta last year, I had the opportunity to receive many pieces of correspondence. One particular Delta Delta brother, John Noble McConnell, ΔΔ’36, and myself developed a sort of “Sig Pen Pal” correspondence over the year, and now I have the privilege of passing some of his remarkable experiences along to you. All of the following information comes directly from him to me, and now to you. Enjoy!

Many people do not know that Chase Osborn entered into pledgeship at Delta Delta in 1880, but left school before his initiation. He returned to Purdue in 1930 or 1931, and was initiated at the age of about 70-75. His “road trip” was only a walk in the front yard, and when asked if he found the White Cross, his response was yes! When asked to please hand it over, he said, “I can’t because it has been in my heart for over 50 years, and is with me every day of my life.” Needless to say the large group of Sigs gathered for his initiation were stunned.

Significant Sig John T. McCutcheon seems like a distant legend—one of those dynamic Sigs who came along many generations ago. Brother McConnell brought me much closer to Brother McCutcheon, when he began correspondence with me. You may remember the famous McCutcheon “Chalkworks” drawings that were found at Delta Delta, and now rest comfortably inside the library at Stewart Center on campus. This story now goes deeper. Brother McConnell was at the house when the drawings were found, and he helped discover them in the storage

space inside the North stairwell. A letter written from McConnell to the *Purdue Perspective* last year tells the tale....

“In cleaning out an old storage room at the house in the fall of 1935, we found the roll of drawings that were long forgotten. They were unsigned, but I knew they had to be by McCutcheon. I was off to a weekend in Evanston the next Friday and carried the roll with me. From the south side of Chicago, I phoned Mrs. McCutcheon, who was cordial as usual and agreed I could stop by their Lake Shore Drive apartment when John would be home. We had a great time laughing about the cartoons, which McCutcheon agreed to sign. Our local Sigma Chi alumni had these framed for presentation and within a year or two, they were given to Purdue for all to enjoy.”

Brother McConnell has also sent me a copy of the original loan agreement with the Library, which contains the titles and lease requirements of Purdue. He recently sent me a small book on McCutcheon, published by the Tippecanoe Cty. Historical Association in 1974, as well as a *Sig Chicagan* Grand Chapter newsletter from 9-3-35, containing many more Delta Delta memories.

The chapter is deeply appreciative of Brother McConnell’s continued interest in our long, remarkable history.

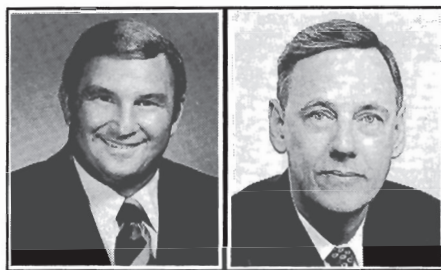


Bob DeMoss '50 (R) congratulates Mark Herrmann on his Significant Sig Award.

Class of 2003 continued...

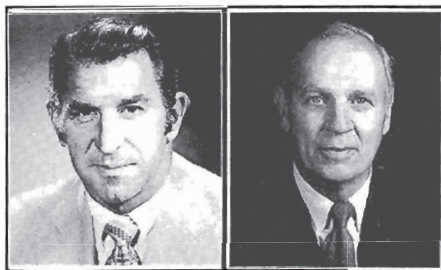
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Delta Delta of Sigma Chi 125th Anniversary Celebration



Stram

Sergesketter



Weiger

Menke



Harreld

Burrell

Excitement is building as the word is quickly spreading about Delta Delta's 125th Anniversary Celebration. As of the first week of April we have received over 100 entries spanning eight decades from 1937 to 2001 and hailing from 18 different states. In addition we have received 30 sponsorships from a wide range of brothers. These have included businesses, pledge classes, memorials for deceased brothers and even one from Team 3 basketball.

Heisman candidate Drew Brees '01 will join Delta Delta's long football heritage by participating with Bob Demoss, Hank Stram, Jim Everett, Mark Herrmann and Bart Burrell. Purdue coach Joe Tiller and Athletic Director Morgan Burke will also join us for cocktails Friday evening. At the Anniversary Dinner International Balfour winner Keith Krach '79 will serve as Master of Ceremonies and Father Joe Noonan '85, a Catholic priest, will give the invocation.

Prepayment is required. Due to the commitments to the golf courses and Purdue Union for the banquet it is imperative that we receive **payment prior to May 15**. After this an additional \$25.00 will be added to the fees for each event. A 125th Anniversary Registration Form accompanies this newsletter. Please contact Jeff McKean via email at jlmckean@aol.com with any questions on this weekend's events.

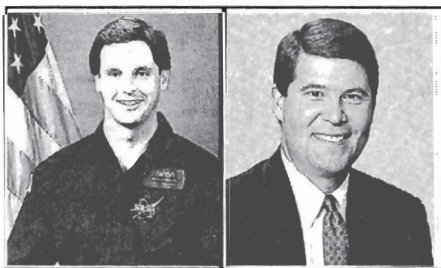
Additional sponsorships are needed to help defray the costs of this celebration. The extra contributions that many of you have given are also greatly appreciated. Please contact Lee Sterry at lee.sterry@polymerland.com if you would like to be an event sponsor.

Pledge class coordinators for several classes are still needed. If you have not been contacted, send Jeff McKean an email and he will send you your class list. You will not want to miss this historic event.

Special mementos and awards will be presented at the 125th Anniversary banquet Friday night. Past Grand Consul Dick Hester will present Allen Menke '44 with the Order of Constantine for his service to Sigma Chi. We have also had a couple brothers contact us and state that they would like to make special presentations to the chapter. One is an historic relic that has not been displayed in the chapter house since the Great Fire of 1960. Any brother who would like to bring back a special memory is welcome.

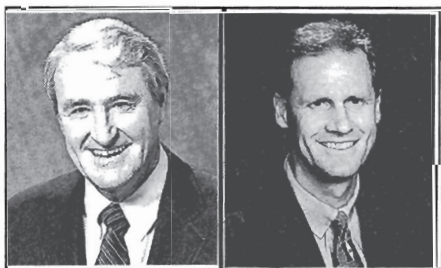
125th Anniversary Directory

By now all Delta Delta Sigs should have received a form to update your personal information for our 125th Anniversary Directory which will be published later this year. Please return this form with a small contribution. Any funds collected over and above the cost of the directory will go to the chapter. For further information contact Phil Steele at psteele@laf.cioe.com.



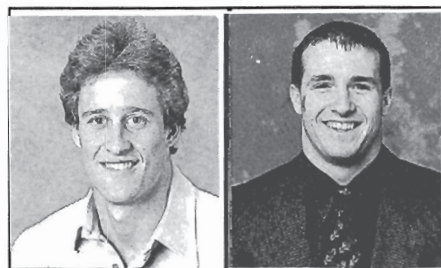
Harbaugh

Krach



DeMoss

Herrmann



Everett

Brees



Delta Delta Chapter of Sigma Chi Fraternity 125th Anniversary Celebration Registration Form

Delta Delta of Sigma Chi 125th Anniversary Celebration Schedule of Events

June 8, 2000 – Thursday

Arrival of Significant Sigs and undergraduates participating in workshops

June 9, 2000 – Friday

10:00 a.m.

Significant Sig undergraduate workshops

Other activities:

Pledge class reunions and gatherings

Practice round free times available at Eugene courses

Boatmaker Special Campus Tours

5:00 p.m.

Cocktail Reception honoring Significant Sigs at Purdue Memorial Union. Special guests Purdue football coach Joe Heller and Athletic Director Morgan Burke

6:00 p.m.

125th Anniversary Celebration Dinner at Purdue Memorial Union. Master of Ceremonies Mark Krack, AFA CEO and International Ballon Award winner

E invocation by Father Joe Nugent '85

Order of Constantine presentation to Allen Menka '94

7:45 p.m.

Adjourn to Harry's Chocolate Shoppe

June 10, 2000 – Saturday

9:00 a.m.

Boatmaker Special Campus Tours

Airplane Tours of Campus

10:30 a.m.

Delta Delta "Open House" and Historical Presentations

11:30 a.m.

Lunch at the Chapter House

1:00 p.m.

Organization of toursoines and practice at courses

1:30 p.m.

Shotgun Start at Kampen and Ackerman Golf courses Reunion

Pavilion Gathering Place at Golf Complex

6:30 p.m.

Catered Steak Dinner "On the Lawn Under the Big Top" at the Chapter House

7:45 p.m.

Presentation of Awards

June 11, 2000 – Sunday

10:00 a.m.

Continental Breakfast at the Chapter House

Delta Delta 125th Anniversary Celebration Entry Form

Name: _____ Class: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____

Requested courses:

1) _____ Email: _____
2) _____ Email: _____
3) _____ Email: _____

Count me in! I plan to attend: _____
125th Celebration Dinner, Friday, June 9
Golf Scramble, Saturday, June 10
Dinner at the House, Saturday, June 10

I want to sponsor a hole at the golf outing. My \$100 payment is enclosed.
(Sponsor Chairman is Lee Sterry at lee.sterry@polymerland.com or 317-252-2798)

I have included an additional contribution to help defray event expenses:

Prepayment is required! Make checks payable to Delta Delta Alumni. Discounted rate until May 15, 2000: \$100 for Celebration Weekend with golf, \$65.00 for Celebration Weekend without golf. (After May 15, 2000, the costs will be \$125.00 and \$75.00, respectively.) Send payment to:

Jeff McKean
11320 Echo Ridge Lane
Indianapolis, IN 46236

Event Payment: _____
Sponsorship (opt.): _____
Contribution (opt.): _____
Total Payment: \$ _____

We are also accepting credit card payments with Visa or Mastercard. You can email your information to JMCKEAN@AOL.COM or complete the following and mail to the above address.

Visa or Mastercard (circle) _____ Card # _____
Expiration Date: _____ Signature: _____

Hotel Information

We have made arrangements for discounted hotel accommodations at the following:

Purdue Memorial Union: Our block of rooms is sold out! 1-800-320-6291
Hampton Inn: (Owned by Jim Dora '88) 1-765-447-1600, \$69 rate, confirm # 87832123
University Inn: 1-765-463-5511, \$65 (single) \$70 (double) *Under Sigma Chi Celebration
Travel Lodge: 1-765-743-9661, \$38 (single) \$48 (double) *Under Sigma Chi Celebration

Plan to spend a couple of nights?

Send your entry today. Because of the magnitude of this event, we need to receive entries and payments early so that the appropriate planning can occur. We need to sign contracts or make reservations for golf, dinners, receptions, caterers, tours, prizes, and a variety of other items. We need quickly get a good estimate of the number of participants. For instance, we need a minimum of 225 golfers to be able to reserve both the Kampen and Ackerman golf courses. Don't wait to talk to your pledge brothers to see if they will be attending. They will be there. We will all be there. It will be a great time for everyone - guaranteed. Thank you in advance for helping to make this a great event.

Alumni In The News . . Alumni In The News . . Alumni In The News

'61 **George F. Busch** now resides at 1115 River Place Blvd, Waukesha, WI 53189.

'74 **Doug Meadows** is a Product Manager, Area Sales Manager for DuPont Agricultural Products in Lakewood, CO. Doug can be reached at 4941 Westridge Dr., Fort Collins, CO 80526.

'77 **Steve Sturman** has moved to a farm at 4520 Liberty Rd, Delaware County, Ohio 43015 with his wife, Paula, and two children. He would like to encourage his pledge brothers to stop by to help him rebuild his barn and reminisce.

'77 **Neil Keiller**, the long lost PB, can now be found at 611 N. Park Ave, Apt 414, Indianapolis, IN 46204.

'79 **Scott Sperling** is managing director of the Thomas H. Lee Co. and was recently named to the board of trustees of Simmons College in Boston. Scott can be reached, by brothers visiting Bos-

ton, at 4 Moore Rd. Wayland, MA 01778.

'79 **Thomas Schuler** completed his Forestry Service courses at Purdue and has moved to his current assignment in West Virginia. Tom now calls home 242 Terrace Ave, Elkins, WV 26241.

'83 **Eric Heeke** is back in the US after 2 ½ years in France. His family of five is now living at 3828 Jimmy Place NE, Hickory, NC 28601. He is currently a technology manager with Alcatel Telecommunications Cable in the optical fiber business.

'90 **Shaun Bonwell** moved his family to Michigan where he purchased a CPA firm, Goren, Bonwell and Kelley, PC. His is currently residing at 1441 Lakeside Ct., Wixom, MI 48393.

'92 **J. Theodore Smith** is in his second year as an attorney for Vorys, Sater, Seymour and Pease LLP. Ted and his wife have a son, J. Gar-

rison Smith, born May 9, 1999. The Smith's call home 5449 Haverhill Dr., Dublin, OH 43017.

'93 **Tom Schorr** and his wife Jill have relocated to 601 Carver Pond Lane, Waxhaw, NC 28173. Tom is an IT/Manufacturing Operations Consultant with RSM McGladrey.

'94 **Don Fesko** was married to Katie Grubb on August 14th and is living at 6605 Summer Place Dr. W2B, Granger, IN 46530.

'99 **John Wolff** a member of our most recent alumni class has relocated to 1125 Westfield Ct. W. Apt E, Indianapolis, IN 46220. All Delta Delta '99ers are welcome.

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All honor to their names . .

'35 **Robert S. Tuttle**, Sun City AZ, 3/10/99.

'38 **Walton H. Craig**, Winnetka, IL, 8/10/99.

Joseph E. Fouts, Delphi, IN

YOUR CLASSMATES WANT NEWS FROM YOU! Please use this form to pass along current news about yourself, your family, or other chapter members you have seen or heard from. Feel free to include a photo. What's News? Engagements, Weddings, Births, Deaths, New Jobs, New Homes, Promotions, Fraternity Functions.

NAME: _____ ClassYear _____

ADDRESS: _____

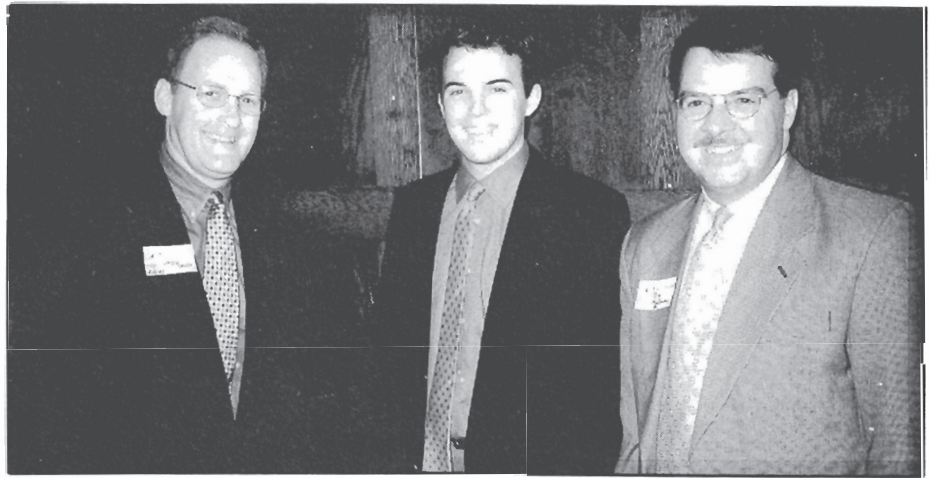
E-MAIL ADDRESS: _____

Please return to: Signa Chi, c/o Chapter Editor, 202 Littleton Street, West Lafayette, IN 47906.

1962 Balfour Winner Reflects on Delta Delta

Eric Helt '62 on a visit to Delta Delta a few years ago at Homecoming noticed that the 1962 Indiana Province Balfour Award which was awarded to Eric was looking tattered as it hung on the card room (now computer room) wall. His wife encouraged him to take it with him and refurbish it. So earlier this semester Eric sent the chapter the certificate and noted, "I have had it at home, but realized that it really belonged to the house. While it looks like an award which I won as an individual, it is really an award that was more specific to time, place and circumstance and hence belongs to the Chapter and not me." Today Eric's recognition hangs in the Senior Wing hallway with a number of other items that represent Delta Delta's accomplishments and history.

Eric also noted that "for so many like me, our days at Purdue and as active members of the Chapter were among the best of our lives. Of course being the "best of our lives" is not something you know until



Brothers (L-R) Jay Smith '83, Clayton Force '02 and Jim MacDonald '81 at this year's Brotherhood Dinner.

Class of 2003 Joins Ranks of Delta Delta

The Class of 2003 was initiated into the ranks of Sigma Chi on March 4. These new brothers are a welcome addition to our chapter.

Through the generosity of Tom Hall '81 the chapter acquired a number of new ritualistic items to

you get older." Today Eric and his soon-to-be wife, Kathy, farm organically on their homestead located at 7955 Horn Rd., Gambier, OH 43022. Thanks Brother Helt for you thoughtfulness.

replace several that had been in use for many, many years. Thank you Brother Hall for your gift to future generations of Sigma Chis.

The Class of 2003 is . . .

Thomas Jordan Andrew
Lafayette, IN
Ronald Lee Bodie Jr.
St. John, IN
Jeffrey Scott Brown
Valparaiso, IN
Peter James Carroll
La Grange, IL

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