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President’s Column

Welcome to the first edition of The Delt Letter

Welcome alumni, friends and family to The Delt Letter. This is the first edition of this publication; we are going to be sending one out to each of you every two months.

I know that we haven’t talked to a lot of you in quite a while, so I would like to give everyone a little progress report on how the chapter is doing.

The Epsilon Xi chapter currently is a small but uprising chapter. We currently have 15 actives, one holdover and two very active pledges. The chapter is still challenged to overcome some bumpy roads from the past; including financial integrity, retention and housing. The chapter is working extremely hard and using its talents to continue the tradition of Delta Tau Delta. Our chapter has the strengths, the Brotherhood and the willingness to work toward success.

My brothers and I have been working hard to find different ways to recruit, last semester we were the first fraternity on campus to start holding structured informal rush events at the end of the semester. The three day event was held at the end of November. It went well and we are also planning another rush for the end of this month. I would ask that anyone that has a rush recommendation for a prospective Delt send that information to me.

We have also been very involved inside the Greek world at Western. We have competed in a lot of our fellow Greeks philanthropies. Also, Epsilon Xi participated in Big Brothers/Big Sisters Bowl For Kids Sake and is setting up an Adopt-A-School program. We are planning to participate in other community service events this year. Likewise, we are also planning a Foot Fetish soccer tournament for April to benefit the American Cancer Society.

My brothers here at Epsilon Xi are also working hard to stay involved in campus activities. We have members that are involved in the lacrosse team, Young Republicans, campus radio, College Heights Herald (campus paper) and the Institute of Electronical/Electrical Engineers.

At our recent chapter retreat, we set goals for both our executive board and our chapter. Some of these goals include working on financial integrity, alumni relations, retention, grades and fundraising. But, one of the biggest goals is our rush goal. We would like to double in size by this time next year. My brothers and I are going to work very hard to achieve this and we are confident that we will.

That is a quick glimpse at where our chapter is right now. We are working hard to improve our chapter as a whole in many different areas. I would like to ask all of our alumni to help out in some way if it is possible. The first way you could really help out is filling out the information card found at the bottom of Page 3. We hope to make a detailed alumni directory for both our use and yours. I’d really appreciate it if everyone could send in his information.

Well, I hope you enjoy The Delt Letter, if you have any comments/suggestion, please send them to me at The Shelter or e-mail them to me at wkudelts@hotmail.com.

Fraternally,

Phillip Clark

Know of any potential rushees?

If so, we would love to hear from you. Send information to wkudelts@hotmail.com

We are planning an informal rush for March 30-April 1.
‘The Delt Letter’ introduced by Epsilon Xi

The Brothers of Epsilon Xi are proud to announce the introduction of The Delt Letter, a monthly publication produced for alumni, friends and family. “Our goal with The Delt Letter is to try and connect all alumni back to the undergraduate chapter here at WKU,” said president Phil Clark. “And also to provide a forum for alumni to connect with each other.”

The Delt Letter will be a great source for alumni to stay in contact with the Epsilon Xi chapter and keep up to date on the chapters activities, past, present and future.

The Delt Letter will be sent out bi-monthly and will feature a column from the president, articles on the chapters activities and also many alumni notes and articles. The Delt Letter will also be an excellent source for alumni to keep in contact with each other. We are welcome to guest columns from all alumni.

Epsilon Xi Alumni News & Notes

Thompson recently wed
Kelly Thompson, Bowling Green, Ky. was married to Victoria Golden March 12, 2005 in Bowling Green. The wedding took place at the Fountain Square Park in downtown Bowling Green. All the brothers of Epsilon Xi would like to congratulate Kelly and Victoria and would like to wish them the best in their future endeavors.

Delt vs. Delt

Steve Smiley (Todd County High School) and D.G. Sherrill (Allen County High School) met in competition in a high school basketball game this past February.

D.G. Sherrill won the battle of the two Epsilon Xi Alumni and proceeded to take his team from Scottsville, Ky., to the regional semifinals. Congratulations to both Steve and D.G. for their hard work and coaching success.

Alumni Advisor Team

The Alumni Advisor Team of Derek Olive, Steve Robertson and D.G. Sherrill met with the active chapter in January to help set goals and share their thoughts on the present past and future of the Epsilon Xi Chapter. We have partnered together and our goal is to get the chapter back to a Hugh Shields Chapter. If you are interested in becoming a part of the Advisor Team, please contact Derek Olive at 270-779-6268.

2006 Karnea

If you are interested in attending this national conference please contact Derek Olive. He plans on attending the conference and his personal goal is to have ten Alumni to attend the conference to represent Epsilon Xi. This is going to be a very large Karnea in that it is in Indianapolis which is very near Fischers, the national headquarters of Delta Tau Delta.

Alumni Births

Matthew and Jamie Williams recently gave birth to a baby girl. Her name is Rylie Claire Williams. We wish the best of luck to Matt and Jamie.

Allen Knoop and Maggie Hedges recently gave birth to a baby girl. Her name is Eva Grace Knoop.

Trio attends Southern Division conference

Three newly elected officers of Epsilon Xi recently attended the Southern Division Conference of Delta Tau Delta. Phil Clark, Pres., Nate Renschler, Treas. and Paul Newton, Sec., all attended the conference. The three were also aided in attending by the Combst-Woeste Fund in conjunction with the Educational Foundation. We would like to express our thanks to Craig Combest and Tom Woeste for their fund and their contribution to Epsilon Xi.

The event, which took place February 24-27, was attended by over 200 undergraduate members from the Southern Division.

The three attended sessions on all aspects of the fraternity from recruitment to managing accounts online. They also were able to see Ritual performed perfectly by our brothers from the Delta Delta chapter at University of Tennessee and Theta Eta chapter at University of South Carolina.

This gave the group a chance to see what other chapters around the division were doing and also gave the group a better idea of what being a Delt really means.

The group came back to Bowling Green with many new ideas as well as a better understanding of our fraternity on a national level.
Homecoming Notes

This is our first communication since Homecoming earlier this school year. We would like to extend a special note of thanks of those who attended this past year. We got to see a lot of alumni faces we have not seen in several years.

For those of you who attended, do you remember the Delt Raffle? The winner was …. Steve Robertson, Bowling Green. He won $2000 and was generous enough to give $1000 back to the chapter. Thank you to everyone who helped make the raffle as successful as it was.

We would like to commend and extend a special thank you to Jim Shain. After his visit this year at homecoming, he contributed $3300 to the Epsilon Xi Chapter. Those funds went in assisting to help the Housing Mortgage.

Homecoming was a great success this year, and we look forward to seeing everyone next year as well.

Brothers keeping busy in Spring

This semester has been a very busy one for Epsilon Xi. Along with school, the brothers have been very active in various other activities on campus.

First and foremost, the group is working hard to prepare for the upcoming rush we are planning later this month. There are a few details to be worked out, but we know that this event will be a success.

Another major event we are preparing for is Greek Week. This year Greek Week is going to be starting Saturday, April 9. We are going to be joining other greeks from WKU in a big event to help clean up Bowling Green.

The week after Greek Week is the Foot Fetish soccer tournament. We are hosting Foot Fetish and hope it will be a huge success as it has been in the past.

We have also been participating in other fraternities and sororities events. We placed 3rd at SAE Dodgeball and also recently played in the Phi Mu kickball tournament. We also have four brothers in training for the ΣX boxing tournament which is being held in April.

We Need YOUR Help!!!

No, not money, but information about YOU. In our effort to better reach out to alumni, we would like to have a vast directory of information on all alumni from Epsilon Xi. This will also be a great way for you to keep in touch with your classmates you've lost touch with, or have lost touch with you.

Please either print and mail to the Shelter or answer in an e-mail and send to wkudelts@hotmail.com:

Name_____________________________  Role Number______   Graduated________  Year Pledged_______
Home Phone_______________  Work Phone________________ Email address_______________________
When was the last time you attended Homecoming _________
Were you ever an officer at Epsilon Xi? If so what positions(s) did you hold?______________________________
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What activities/clubs/sports did you participate in at Western?_______________________________________
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The Delt Letter is published by the brothers of Delta Tau Delta at Western Kentucky University for alumni, friends and family.

Please take a minute to read through our publication. Also, please update your former classmates on your life since leaving Western Kentucky University. The interest is two-way; just as you are interested in their busy lives, they are also interested in yours.

Alumni news, photographs, change of address notices and suggestions/comments should be sent to The Delt Letter , c/o Paul Newton/Phil Clark, 1260 Kenton, Bowling Green, KY 42101, or send to wkudelts@hotmail.com

Thanks!