



# Delta Upsilon News

## Western Illinois Chapter

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### Planning For The Future

In Fall of 1989 our Chapter moved in the existing Fraternity House at 620 West Elting Street. The distressed property with almost 4 acres of land was purchase for \$59,000 and required an additional \$200,000.00 in renovations, improvements and furnishings. That Fall with 24 people living in the house and a total chapter membership of 70 initiates and pledges, we began a 25 year history in our new Fraternity House.

Since that time, there have been a few improvements and minor renovations, but the physical plant has remained unchanged since we started in 1989 and continues to be a structure design of a house of the 1960s. We make no qualms in acknowledging there have been a couple of bumps along the way but we have turned the corner.

The chapter membership is rebuilding, they will have more members living in the house this fall than the last several years and they have plan to succeed. Our Alumni Corporation has also been working to put the physical plant back on the right path and with some hard work we have a clear path for the future.

That being said, it does not address the issues of a Fraternity House designed in the 1960s that must now provide a good living and learning environment for today college student. Just like are all aware that we need to constantly improve our homes or business and the Fraternity is not any different. That brings us to where we go from here.

Our plan for the future in simple terms is to raise \$40,000 for the 40<sup>th</sup>.



Charter Members attending 40th Anniversary Celebration

### A Few Words From The Corporation President

Let me start by thanking all the alumni that attended the 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary. It was great to see old faces I hadn't seen in years and meet new alumni for the first time. We had a great time golfing, reminiscing and reliving our days at Western. A big thank you to the undergraduate and alumni chapters for all the hard work they did in putting the 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary together. I look forward to seeing many of the same alumni as well as those that couldn't attend the 40<sup>th</sup> in the coming years at homecoming, alumni weekends and alumni chapter events.

There has been a recent leadership change to the Alumni Corporation that I would like to address. Brother Dillon Caplinger resigned his position as Alumni Corporation president effect May 5<sup>th</sup> due to a family matter. I want to thank brother Caplinger for his service and wish him and his family well. At that time I assumed the duties of the president until such time as the Alumni Corporation board can meet

and appoint a new president. This leadership change will not affect any of the work the corporation is currently undertaking.

Throughout Delta Upsilon's time at Western the chapter has faced challenges. Whether it was membership levels, conditions of the house or the status with the university we banded together, as brothers, and worked through the challenge.

For those of you who attended the alumni meeting held during the 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary you heard that the corporation, and by extension the undergraduate chapter, is in a period of financial instability. The corporation board has been working to implement strategies to address these financial concerns, but we need the help of our alumni base. That help can be offering to serve on a committee, attending the alumni work weekend or contributing monetarily. No contribution is too small.

During the alumni meeting several committees were formed. They included a communication, finance, fundraising and nomination committee. Each committee has their specific goals and is working toward achieving them. If you would like to join one of these committees please contact a corporation board member.

The undergraduates have been working hard to increase their membership and rebuild the chapter. It is now our time, as alumni, to step up and offer our support. With your help we can make Delta Upsilon one of the strongest organizations on campus and ensure that we last another forty years.

*Sean M. Kraus, 05*



## Summer 2014 Alumni Work Weekend

All alumni are invited to return to Macomb the weekend of July 11, 12 and 13, 2014 to continue the tradition of working on the chapter house and grounds. This year we will be taking on some painting, landscaping, and scrubbing, electrical and plumbing projects. Bring your tools and paint brushes for a much needed renovation weekend. Saturday evening all are welcome to attend the Alumni Corporation Meeting at 6:00 p.m. and evening dinner. For addition information contact Bruce Peterson at [petersob@marietta.edu](mailto:petersob@marietta.edu).

## Announcing WIU Chicago Homecoming

In addition to the traditional WIU Homecoming, scheduled this year for October 4 in Macomb, our Fighting Leathernecks take on the Northwestern Wildcats Saturday, September 20 in Evanston, IL.

Join the members of Delta Upsilon when the WIU Leathernecks take on the Northwestern Wildcats. The day will begin with a three hour unlimited food buffet pregame social at the Canal Shores Golf Course (1030 Central Street, Evanston, Illinois) under the big tent on Central Street within walking distance of Ryan Field. Game time has not yet been determined. For more information go to: [http://www.wiu.edu/wiucalendar/index.sphp?control=view&id=25936&calendars\[\]=2](http://www.wiu.edu/wiucalendar/index.sphp?control=view&id=25936&calendars[]=2)

## Other Upcoming DU Dates:

Alumni Summer Work Weekend: July 11 – 13, 2014 (Alumni Corporation Meeting July 12 at 6:00 p.m. in Chapter House)

ΔY Leadership Institute July 31 – August 3, 2014, Kansas City, Missouri

WIU Homecoming: October 3 - 5, 2014 (Alumni Chapter and Corporation Meetings, October 4 at 1:00 p.m. in Chapter House)

Third Annual Fallen Soldier 5k - October 18, 2014 at 8:30 a.m.

Alumni Corporation Meeting: January 17, 2015 at 1:00 p.m. in Chapter House

Alumni Summer Work Weekend and Alumni Corporation Meeting: July 2015

2015 WIU Homecoming October 2 – 4, 2015 (Alumni Chapter and Corporation Meetings, October 3 at 1:00 p.m. in Chapter House)

41<sup>st</sup> Founders Day Celebration April 24 – 26, 2015 (Alumni Corporation Meeting at 1:00 p.m. in Chapter House)

## Alumni Up Date

**J. Lance Alloway '93**, is Senior Associate Director of Development at The Carter Center, Atlanta Georgia. Leads fundraising efforts for many of the Center's Peace Programs including elections, good governance, human rights, transparency, media, and conflict resolution. Engages with current and prospective donors to identify shared project interest and secure support. Lance and his wife Hope and two kids live in Tucker, Georgia.

**Samuel Annable '11**, is Assistant General Manager of Ticket Sales, Division of Intercollegiate Athletics, University of Illinois thru Collegiate Consulting. Prior to joining the Collegiate Consulting he was an Account Executive with the Peoria Chiefs baseball team.

**Dr. Pete Blair '94**, is an Associate Professor of Criminal Justice and Assistant Director, Center

for Geospatial Intelligence and Investigations at Texas State University, San Marcos, Texas.

**David Bremer '90**, is the Director of Spa and Fitness at the Ritz-Carlton, Key Biscayne, Florida. Dave and his wife Kimberlee live in Pompano Beach, Florida.

**Mark D. Bresnahan '03**, is the Associate Director, College of Motion Picture Arts, The Florida State University in West Palm Beach, Florida

**Jake F. Castanza '11**, is currently the Executive Assistant to the CEO & President of the YMCA of Rock River Valley, Rockford, Illinois

**David Dziekan '93**, recently took a position with Integrity Technology Solutions, Bloomington, Illinois. Dave and his wife Aimee also resides in Bloomington.

**Joshua M. Feagans '02**, has been a partner with the law firm of Griffin Williams, LLP, Geneva, Illinois since last November. Josh and his wife Katie live in St. Charles, Illinois

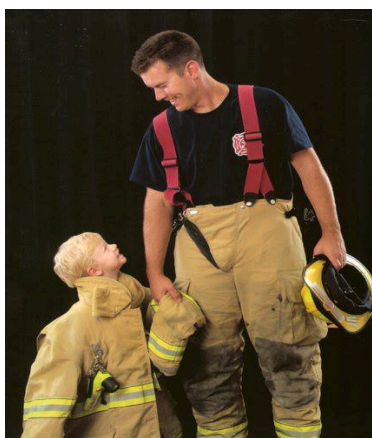
**Brandon Harvey '01**, runs a health and fitness center in McHenry, Illinois

**Patrick J. Kaler '94**, in January became the new President and CEO of Buffalo Niagara Convention & Visitors Bureau, Buffalo, New York. Prior taking the position in Buffalo, Patrick was the President and CEO of the Loudoun Convention & Visitors Association, Loudoun County, Va.

**Edgard Mata '07**, recently became Supervisor of Payroll Analysis at Celergo, LLC in Deerfield, Illinois. Prior to his new position he was Senior International Client Account Manger with Celergo.

**Justyn Miller '10**, has accepted a position with Boone County as Assistant to the County Manager. Boone County is located immediately East of Rockford, Illinois. He began his position at the end of April. Justyn recently received his Masters of Public Administration from Northern Illinois University.

**Keith Ozsvath '95**, music educator at Batavia Public School District, part time firefighter



**F. Scott Padgett '96**, joined the CBS Channel 11 Storm Team in Dallas/Forth Worth in September 2013 from sunny Miami, Florida. Scott is both a member of the National Weather Association and the American Meteorological Society. In 2006, he was awarded the Seal of Approval of the American Meteorological Society. Scott is also an Emmy Award nominated meteorologist bringing more than 17 years of forecasting and broadcasting experience to North Texas.

**Mike N. Pamperin '01**, is a Project Engineer with Ames Construction, Inc., Burnsville, Minnesota. Mike and his wife Amara are living in La Crosse, Wisconsin for the next three years as Mike's firm is the Construction Manager General Contractor Contracting team for the Winona bridge project.

## Alumni Organizations

**Alumni Corporation:** The Alumni Corporation is the legal entity which owns the property at 620 West Elting. It is responsible for the operation of the chapter house. This includes paying the mortgage, property taxes, property insurance and maintenance of the house. The corporation sets the rental rate to which each undergraduate pays to live in the house. The corporation also sets the opening and closing dates for the chapter house. The operating budget for the corporation is separate from that of the alumni chapter.

President: Sean M. Kraus, '05  
Vice President: Vacant  
Secretary: Keith G. Hill, '04  
Treasurer: Dave Maguire, SILL '73  
Assistant Treasurer: Derek L. Gorsuch, '12  
Director: Jacques' N. Avery, '08  
Director: Thomas J. Kaster Jr., '74  
Director: Patrick C. "Chuck" Mooney, '74  
Chapter President: Eric R. Leiterman, '16  
Chapter Vice President of Finance: Joshua D. Zumarraga, '15

**Alumni Chapter:** Responsible for all alumni activities. These may include but is not limited to anniversaries, alumni weekend, homecoming and alumni events held outside of Macomb. The alumni chapter handles communications and mailings as well as the alumni website. Since the alumni chapter has no formal income it is responsible for fundraising its operating budget.

President: Keith G. Hill, '04  
Vice President: Justin D. Hall '05  
Secretary: Vacant  
Treasurer: Dave Maguire, SILL '73

Alumni Advisory Council: Their primary responsibility is to offer guidance to the undergraduate chapter. The council is made up of alumni and university faculty members.

Dr. Thomas J. Cody, Faculty Adviser  
LTC Michael C. Cumbie, USA-Ret., Faculty Adviser  
Dave Maguire, SILL, 73  
Justin M. Wilson, Graduate Assistant and House Director

## Undergraduate Chapter President

Greek Week activities kept the chapter busy this Spring Semester. This year we won 1<sup>st</sup> place overall in Greek Week, 1<sup>st</sup> place in Spirit, and 1<sup>st</sup> place in Theme. Our partners were: Sigma Sigma Sigma, Sigma Alpha Epsilon and Theta Chi.

The spirit category of Greek Week is based off of the team who had the most support at each event. Obviously only a few members of each team can participate in any given event so points are awarded for the amount of members who show up to watch events.

The theme category is based on how well we incorporate the theme of Greek Week into each of our events. The theme of this year's Greek Week was 90's Nickelodeon shows with each team being a different show from the era. We were team Rocket Power.

The chapter also won first place in intramural battleships. I know what you're thinking; it's not the board game. Battleships is played in the rec center pool with teams of three in a canoe paddling around and throwing buckets of water at other teams canoes until one team is left floating.

On April 15<sup>th</sup> we held a philanthropy event to benefit ΔΥ's Global Service Initiative. The event was called the Amazing Race and teams of four competed in a race around campus where they had to go from event to

event and complete various tasks such as hit a target with a giant slingshot, flip a tractor tire, etc. much like a small version of the TV show of the same name. The chapter raised \$225.00 with that event.

*Eric Leiterman, '15*

## Current Undergraduate Membership

Nicholas Breslin	Galesburg, IL
Joel Carachure	Elgin, IL
Tyler Courtney	Lake In The Hills, IL
Tyler Czarnecki	Homewood, IL
Sean Dowling	Shorewood, IL
Tyler Dudek	Burr Ridge, IL
Joseph Fegan	Avon, IL
James Hobson	Decatur, IL
Jonathan Hunter	Schaumburg, IL
Eric Leiterman	Shorewood, IL
Jacob, Lichtenwalter	Chicago, IL
Collin McQuilkin	Fairview, IL
Damian Medina	Rockford, IL
Lee Smith	Willowbrook, IL
Logan White	Rockford, IL
Lukasz Wozny	Chicago, IL
Zachary Zubka	Hoffman Estates, IL
Joshua Zumarrage	Chicago, IL

## 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Fallen Soldier 5k

October 18, 2014 at 8:30 a.m. will mark the third annual event. This year there is an opportunity for those who cannot make it to Macomb on race day to run it virtually. Meaning that they would register and then Run/Walk 5k in their hometown and then we will mail them the t-shirt and race medal.

The event is designed as a fundraiser for the Fallen Soldier's Scholarship Fund in honor of two WIU alumni who were killed in the line of duty, Capt. Derek Dobogai and Lt. Col. Robert Baldwin, '93. Rob, who earned a bachelor's degree in industrial technology from WIU in 1993, was killed Sept. 21, 2010 when his



Blackhawk UH-60 helicopter carrying international troops crashed during combat operations in the Zabul province of Afghanistan.

Money raised from the 5k Run/Walk is directed toward the WIU Fallen Soldiers Scholarship Fund, which supports veterans and service members currently enrolled at Western.

## **Alumni Fund Raising Activities**

Since January 2013, brothers and friends of the Western Illinois chapter have donated to the alumni chapter to support the 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration, chapter house renovations and the publication/ mailing of the *Delta Upsilon Chapter News*.

### **The Delta Upsilon Famighette Trust Fund**

A Trust Fund established to fund scholarships and educational grants for members of the Chapter.

Bruce E. Peterson '74  
Thomas J. Kaster '74  
Patrick "Chuck" Mooney '74

### **40th Anniversary Celebration**

Several alumni members made individual contributions or underwrote part activities of the 40th Anniversary Celebration.

Antonio Asevedo '96  
Thomas Kaster '74  
George and Peggy Lyon '  
Gary and Mary Richter '75  
Kevin Chierek '08  
Thomas Feldman '02  
Justin Ford '95  
Richard Jurgens '75  
Ryan Mason '11  
Kyle Thomas '01

### **Alumni Corporation – Bridge Replacement**

Jacques Avery '08  
Jesse Goodpasture '08



Garret Hill '07  
Keith Hill '04  
Mike Kowols '06  
Sean Kraus '05  
Joseph Mongelluzzo '05  
Shawn Wochner '01

### **Alumni Corporation – General Contributions**

Patrick Doyle '91  
Bruce Peterson '74  
Thomas J. Kaster '74  
Dave Maguire, SILL '73

### **40 for the 40<sup>th</sup> Campaign Contributions Received**

Anthony Ashenhurst '76  
Rodney Carlson '74  
Matthew Egan '12  
Alan Hill '80  
George and Peggy Lyon '73  
Gary and Mary Richter '75  
Dr. Richard Norlin '75

### **40 for the 40<sup>th</sup> Campaign Pledges**

Sean Diven '00  
Justin Ford '95  
Steven Hacker '75  
Brandon Harvey '01  
Garret Hill '07  
Keith Hill '04  
Paul Jaeckle '00  
Richard and Alayne Jurgens '75  
Patrick "Chuck" Mooney '74  
Michael Pamperin '01  
Douglas Turner '03

### **Donations to the Undergraduate Chapter**

Jan Klein '11

# Western Illinois University – Delta Upsilon Fraternity Alumni Update Information Form

Name: (Mr. Dr.) \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 City: \_\_\_\_\_  
 State: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mobile Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
 E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Graduation Year: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Employer: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Position/Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Preferred Method of Communication:

- Email
- Home phone
- Cell phone
- Mail \_\_\_\_\_
- Social media (please specify account)

Spouse: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Children: \_\_\_\_\_

Comments: \_\_\_\_\_  
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**If you are interested in getting involved with the Western Illinois University - Delta Upsilon Alumni Association, please indicate your areas of interest below:**

- Alumni Chapter Board
- Corporation Board
- Newsletter Committee
- Scholarship Committee
- Property Committee
- Social Committee

Send Correspondence to: Delta Upsilon Alumni Association, Post Office Box 32, Macomb, Illinois 61455

## Pledge Card 40 for the 40<sup>th</sup>

Friendships are important! Our Delta Upsilon fraternity at Western Illinois University is important! Let's perpetuate both of them, but so other young men may share in the fellowship offered by Delta Upsilon. For the 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary please donate in order that the Alumni Corporation can reach their goal of \$40,000. Make your check payable to Delta Upsilon Alumni Association.

Please return this page with your contribution and biographical information.



