



Delta Upsilon News

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Brothers,

I would like to briefly inform you about the activities that have taken place over the past few months. It was through a lot of hard work and an exorbitant amount of paper work that the Alumni Corporation has finally refinanced the mortgage on the fraternity house. This refinance has enabled the Corporation to pay off outstanding debts, set up an escrow for future liabilities and maintain a mortgage payment that enables us to stay cash flow positive. I would like to give a big thank you to Brother Dave Maguire, SIU '73 for working with the bank to make this happen and to the rest of the board for supporting him in this endeavor.

Now that the Alumni Corporation is on solid ground once again this does not mean our work is done. At the 40th Anniversary the alumni voted to institute \$20 annual alumnus dues. The money will go to the Alumni Chapter and support communications, such as this newsletter, and offset the cost of events the Alumni Chapter holds. Brother Mark Blakey '05 has been working with Tony Asevedo '96 and the rest of the fundraising committee to implement the dues. Alumni can now visit the website: <http://wiudu.com/alumni-dues/> which has a link to pay the dues.

While the Corporation has been working

hard we also have found time for some fun. The Alumni Chapter held two events this past quarter. The first was the WIU Chicago Homecoming game against Northwestern held in Evanston, IL. Unfortunately, WIU couldn't pull out the victory, but the alumni who attended had a good time nonetheless. The second event was Western's Homecoming in October. Western faced the reigning three time FCS National Champion North Dakota State Bison. The Leatherneck's fought valiantly but ultimately fell 17-10.



Homecoming also corresponded with the annual Alumni Chapter and Corporation meeting. During this meeting a new Alumni Chapter as well as Corporation board was elected. I will remain the Alumni

Corporation president and Tony Asevedo will be the new Alumni Chapter President.

If you are looking to get involved, now is the time! Several committees have been formed and could use an extra hand. The committees include communication, facility services, fundraising and Alumni Chapter & Corporation nomination. To serve on a committee email via the website and we will get you in contact with the proper committee chairman.

One last comment, mark your calendar for the weekend of April 24– 26th, 2015. This will be alumni weekend held in Macomb. It may not be a milestone year, but it would be great to see everyone again.

Sean Kraus '05
Alumni Corporation President



Undergraduate News Update

Associate Members Fall 2014

Zachary W. Bussen	Genoa, Ill
Michael D. Davis	Washington, Ill
Matthew D. Dickerson	Peoria Heights, Ill
Ezra R. Fuerman	Fort Madison, IA
Lenin Gamero	Chicago Heights, Ill
Michael J. Genovese	Crystal Lake, Ill
Robert J. Hauptmann	Niles, Ill
Donald J. Losso	New Lenox, Ill
Jeffery D. Quick	Mapleton, Ill
Benton E. Winscott	North Aurora, Ill
Joshua R. Zwolski	North Aurora, Ill



Undergraduate Chapter President's Report

The Chapter has had a busy Fall Semester. Recruitment has yielded eleven new members, the largest pledge class the chapter has seen in several years! All the guys had a wonderful time participating in homecoming activities with our sorority pairing Alpha Sigma Alpha, as well as well as Tau Kappa Epsilon and Sigma Pi. We have been participating in a few of the sorority's philanthropy events including Alpha Sigma Tau's "Tau Challenge" and Delta Zeta's "Turtle Tug".

The third annual Fallen Soldiers 5k in honor of Brother LTC. Rob Baldwin was held on Saturday, October 18th. The event was a success with over 500 runners participating. The chapter members helped the University make this event successful by being a part of the planning, volunteering in the event as well as running in the race.

Members of Rob's family in attendance were: Gary and Cherie (parents), Danielle (wife), Rachel, Keegan, Meaghan and Patrick (children).

Alumni in attendance for the 5K: Steve, '97 and Stephanie Bravieri, Lt. Col. Mick and Jamie Cumbie (Chapter Advisor) William, '93 and Holly Harper-Kelly, Tom Vagasky, '93, Dan Wellman, '92, Dr. Brian, '94 and Karen Yocks (Jacob and Madison).

Undergraduates taking part were: Joel Carachure, Matthew Dickerson, Sean Dowling, Robert Ewing, Joseph Fegan, Robert Hauptmann, Eric Leiterman, Lee Smith and Joshua Zumarraga.

Dan Wellman was selected as the race starter. Dan works for the Illinois Department of Veterans Affairs and is currently serving as Vice President of the National Association of State Approving Agencies, Advocates for quality education and training programs for our nation's veterans.

Eric R Leiterman '15
Chapter President

Alumni Update – Where Are They Today?

Bruce Bruegger, '75

Retired and living in Tampa, Florida.

Bill Cameron, 90, Sales Representative

Living in Atlanta, GA in 2001 and is employed by Enplas, USA located in Marietta, GA for the past eight years. As a Sales Representative working in the automotive market. Bill is the father of two: Karsyn (8) and Cooper (6).

Kevin Chierek, '08

Morning/Noon meteorologist for WAND-TV Decatur, Illinois Married to Mary and have one son Simon.

Edward Ganzer, '93

Lives in Council Bluffs, Iowa is employed by Loves Travel Stops as a General Manager.

Dr. John A Kulig, 93

Chiropractic physician of southwest chiropractic rehab center in Oak lawn, Illinois. Married to Rhonda they have three children Brandon, Austin and Lauren

Mike Wagner '98 , Senior Sales Manager

In November of 2010 Mike rejoined the sales team at The Villas of Amelia Island Plantation.

Mike enjoys living on the island with his wife and two daughters. In his spare time, Mike enjoys playing golf, reading, cooking and spending time with his family.

Zachary "Zack" Wang '08, Highway Patrol Trooper in Missouri

The Meritorious Service Award was recently presented to Zachary. On September 20, 2013, Zachary stopped a suspected bank robber and was shot in the chest. Returning fire the suspect was struck and dropped his revolver. Further investigation revealed that this man was responsible for three additional robberies in the St. Louis, Missouri, area.

Trooper Zachary S. Wang bravery and strong desire to protect the citizens of the community prevented the robber from escaping and endangering the lives of others. He is a credit to himself and to the Missouri State Highway Patrol.

Mike Young, '74

Retired and married to Jill three children living in Bettendorf, Iowa



Alpha and Omega

David Jerome Majewski passed away unexpectedly Saturday, September 20, 2014. David pledged in the Spring of 1984 but did not initiate.

Andrew John "A.J." Fragola '08 of East Patchogue, New York. Brother Fragola succumbed to complications from his treatment for cancer on Monday October 27, 2014. A.J. was diagnosed with Stage III non-Hodgkin's lymphoma in March of 2013 and fought a courageous battle until his passing.

Andrew pledged Delta Upsilon Fraternity the Fall of 2003, initiating on February 14, 2004. A.J. was from Patchogue, New York. He came to WIU in part due to the University's 2002 National Bowling Championship Team. A.J. was a tremendous bowler and came to play on the Western team.

Work Weekends Summer 2014

Thanks to the following undergraduate and alumni members: Antonio Asevedo, '96, Jacques Avery, '08, Justin Ford, '95, Derek Gorsuch, '12, Derek Hiland, '98, Tom Kaster, '74, Sean Kraus, '05, Dave Maguire, SIU '73, Ryan Mason, '11, Bruce Peterson, '74, T.J. Rinaldi, '09, Tom Shogren, '76, Nicholas Bresliin, '17, Joel Carachure, '16, Lee Smith, '15, Logan White '16

Special thank you to Steve Roon, ΔΤΔ '76



Calendar of Upcoming Events

Alumni Corporation Meeting – January 17, 2015, Location: TBA

41st Founders Day Weekend – April 24 to 26, 2015, Macomb

WIU Purple and Gold Day – April 24, 2015
The one hundred fifteenth anniversary of WIU's founding.

Alumni Corporation Meeting – April 25, Macomb

Summer Work Weekend – July 10 to 12, 2015, Macomb

Alumni Corporation Meeting – July 11, Macomb

WIU Football vs. University of Illinois – September 19, Champaign. Look for ticket information and game time summer 2015.

Homecoming - October 2 to 4 , 2015, Macomb

Alumni Corporation Meeting and Alumni Chapter Meeting - October 3 at 1:00 pm

