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HOUSE IMPROVEMENTS

Since the beginning of the 2014 school year the undergraduates and Alumni Corporation have been hard at work making improvements to the fraternity house. Through contribution from the 40 for the 40^{th} campaign and additional donations we have been able to complete the following house improvements to date:

- Installing a new dishwasher
- Upgrading the house internet/WIFI
- Contracting an electrician to fix outlets, the doorbell, exhaust fans and other electrical issues
- Repaired internal doors and door jambs

We are currently in the works with a landscaper to make outside beautification improvements. This will include trimming the trees, removing and replanting bushes and generally cleaning up the yard.

The corporation has also prioritized several repairs when additional funds through donations become available:

- Creating two new Delta Upsilon signs to be placed atop the fraternity house. One set of letters would be placed on the Southeast corner facing Elting while the other set would be placed on the North side of the house facing the university.
- Replacing all exterior doors. This is both for esthetic as well as security reasons
- Repair and/or replace damaged and broken windows throughout the house

Along with the prioritized repairs, the Corporation has outlined the work to be done during Alumni Work Weekend held the weekend of July $10-12^{\rm th}$. We will focus on de-cluttering and making enhancements to the interior of the house. Further details will be worked out as the date approaches.

AROUND THE CORNER—UP COMING EVENT

WIU Graduation, May 16, 2015

Alumni Work weekend, July 10-12, 2015 Corporation Meeting

DU Leadership Institute, Atlanta, GA, July 31-August 2, 2015

WIU Fall Semester Begins, August 24, 2015

Western vs. University of Illinois Football Game, Champaign, IL, September 12, 2015

2015 WIU Homecoming, Oct. 2-4, 2015 Corporation Meeting

The Four Founding Principles

Advancement of Justice
Promotion of Friendship
Development of Character
Diffusion of Liberal Culture

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SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST

- Visit the website: www.wiudu.com
- 2014—2015 Alumni Dues: \$20

RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE 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: Frank Garcia, '04

Secretary: David Behnke, '97

Treasurer: Dave Maguire, SILL '73

Assistant Treasurer: Derek L.

Gorsuch, '12

Director: Justin Ford, '95

Director: Thomas J. Kaster Jr., '74

Director: Keith Hill, '04

Director: Bill Hipkins, '94

Director: Paul Jaeckle, '99

Director: Shawn Miner, 'oo

Chapter President: Tyler Dudek,

'16

Chapter Vice President of Finance: Jacob Lichenwalter, '16 IT'S YOUR TIME TO SHINE—GET INVOLVED

Once a DU, always a DU. This is a phrase each alumnus has embodied throughout their fraternal life. As collegiate members we were in the 'getting' business; as post-collegiate members we should be in the 'giving' business. Giving comes in many forms. From serving on the Alumni Chapter or Corporation board to volunteering for one of the committees.

Our traditions and beliefs are what make Delta Upsilon such a strong fraternity. Giving back can be as simple as visiting the fraternity to impart your knowledge and wisdom so those traditions don't fade.

For those 'handy' individuals the house always needs work done. Bring your skills to the work weekend in July and help improve the house. If you don't have the time or inclination to make it out to Macomb you can still give by donating.

Donation allow us to purchase to necessary materials to improve the house. They help offset the cost for alumni events such as alumni weekend and homecoming. We also use donations to help the undergraduates attend educational event like the Regional Leadership Academy.

I hope you will join me, by getting involved, to continue our mission of Building Better Men of High Ideals for generations to come.

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A WORD FROM THE PRESIDENT

As we move through the second quarter of the year the corporation has been working hard to improve the fraternity house and bridge the longstanding void in communication between the alumni and undergraduates. In an effort to promote collaboration and openness Undergraduate President Tyler Dudek and I have begun monthly phone calls. While we exchange information on our respective positions it is also allowing me to connect with Tyler. Through these talks I am gaining a better understanding of how the corporation can help the undergraduates.

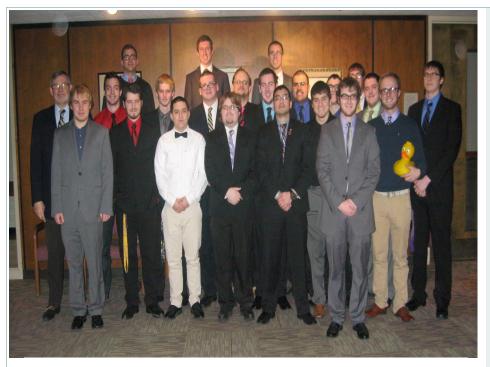
A key responsibility of the Alumni Corporation is maintaining the viability of the fraternity house. It's not feasible for the board members to be around the house 24/7. To help be our eyes and ears in the day to day operations the corporation hires a graduate assistant. After two years as the house graduate assistant Justin Wilson will be graduating this spring. I would like to thank Justin for his service and wish him all the best in his future endeavors.

In early March, Chapter advisors Dave Maguire and Dr. Tom Cody along with Undergraduate President Tyler Dudek began the process of interviewing for a new graduate assistant. The selection committee had ten outstanding candidates to choose from. In the end, George Theotokatos from St. Louis University was select as the new graduate assistant. He will begin this fall.

Another key responsibility of the corporation is to sustain financial stability. I am happy to report that the corporation has been running in the black since the end of the third quarter 2014. This has allowed the board to allocate funds for immediate house repairs. We are also coming together, in strategic meetings, to plan the next five years of the corporation.

In all, these are exciting times for the chapter. The undergraduates are continuing to recruit hard and raise their numbers. The Alumni Corporation is making improvements to the fraternity house and the Alumni Chapter has several events planned throughout the year. I encourage you to get involved by making it down to the house or attending our upcoming events.

Sean Kraus '05



Formal Chapter, Spring 2015

THE UNDERGRADUATE PERPECTIVE

The undergrads have had a busy and successful spring semester. At the end of the fall semester the undergraduates initiated 11 new members into the fraternity. Of those 11 new members, 4 of the new members went on and were elected into executive board positions. The brothers are looking to initiating their newest associate member Jacob Poffenberger this semester during alumni weekend.

This past February the executive board attended the Regional Leadership Academy (RLA) held in Schaumburg, IL. We had a great time, and the entire executive board feels we learned a lot. We are excited to implement what we learned into our positions. Benton Winscott, our VP of Recruitment, is pumped and excited to start planning more events for the chapter and recruiting the best men that we can find. Lee Smith attended the Advisors Academy and has many great ideas that he has brought back to the chapter. He is working with both the executive board and advisors to implement and help the chapter succeed even more.

Tyler Dudek

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WHAT IS THE ADVISO-RY COUNCEL

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 Advisor

Dave Maguire, SILL, 73 Justin M. Wilson, Graduate Assistant and House Director



THE 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: Tony Asevedo '96

Vice President: Justin D. Hall '05

Secretary: Vacant

Treasurer: Dave Maguire, SILL '73

KEEPING UP WITH YOUR BROTHERS

Samuel Annable '11 - has taken a job as the Director of Ticket Sales with the Boise Hawks Baseball Club, a minor league baseball team in Boise, Idaho affiliated with the Colorado Rockies MLB organization

David Bremer '90 - is the New Business Development Manager for Thalgo USA

Mark D. Bresnahan '03, - recently took the position of Director of Procurement, Palm Beach Atlantic University, West Palm Beach, Florida

Jason D. Christensen '92, - in September '14 became Executive Director of the Douglas County Educational Foundation, Castle Rock, Colorado

James M. Dexter '06 - in June '14 became a police officer with the Lisle Police Department

Michael J. Kowols '06 – recently took a position as Web Developer at Strategic Account Management Association Andrew M. Mullen '05, - is now working as a Commercial Underwriter at Bank of the West in the Denver, Colorado area

Tom Polaski '80 - retired from Hononegah in 2013 after 33 years of teaching social studies, coaching football and track

Ryan M. Schmidt '10 – Has taken a new position with Homeland Security working in the Washington, DC area

Chris Sewalish '07 – January 2013 became the Assistant Director Assistant Director for Residence Life a the University of Kansas, Lawrence, Kansas



Basketball Friday, Spring 2015

2015 SPRING GRADUATES

Tyler Courtney, Law Enforcement & Justice Administration

Robert Hauptmann, Law Enforcement & Justice Administration

James Hobson, Law Enforcement & Justice Administration

Jon Hunter, Law Enforcement & Justice Administration

Eric Leiterman, Recreation, Parks & Tourism Administration

Lee Smith, Law Enforcement & Justice Administration

Lukasz Wozny, Law Enforcement & Justice Administration

Zak Zubka, Theatre

Josh Zumarraga, Law Enforcement & Justice Administration



CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE FRATERNITY

ALUMNI DUES

Jason Altenbern '94 Erik Aschemann '02 Antonio Asevedo '96 David Behnke '97 Mark Blakey '05 Anthony Brown '89 Bruce Bruegger '75 Rodney Carlson '92 Matthew Egan '12 Justin Ford '95 Francisco Garcia '04 James Gordon '90 Derek Gorsuch '12 Justin Hall '05 Derek Hiland '98 Bill Hipkins '94

Paul Jaeckle '99 Nezar Kassem '95 Thomas Kaster '74 Kent Kaufmann '79 Ian Klein '08 Michael Kowols '06 Sean Kraus '05 Steven La Buda '88 Riley Landmeier '10 Dan Pieper '07 Dave Maguire '73 Justyn Miller ' Michael Pamperin '01 Bruce Peterson '74 Kyle Thomas '01 Brian Yocks '94



GENERAL DONATIONS

David Behnke '97 Mark Blakey '05 Matthew Egan '12 Paul Jaeckle '99 Richard Jurgens '75 Nezar Kassem '95 Thomas Kaster '74 Kent Kaufmann '79 Michael Kowols '06 Steven La Buda '88 Michael Pamperin '01 Kyle Thomas '01 Brian Yocks '94

SCHOLARSHIP FUND

James Gordon '90 Derek Gorsuch '12



Amount Raised Since the 40th Anniversary: \$4,205

CONTRIBUTING TO DELTA UPSILON

The voluntary alumni dues for the 2014-2015 alumni year are set at \$20.00 per alumnus. I hope you find this to be a modest individual contribution that will go a long way in supporting a cherished cause.

Alumni dues are used by the association to offset general operational costs such as:

Newsletters and general communications Homecoming and other designated Alumni weekends Other Social Alumni Events

Additional contributions are welcome. If you would like to contribute above your \$20 alumni dues please indicate how the remaining funds should be distributed (i.e. scholarship fund, general fund, ect.)

There are two ways to submit make a contribution:

Physical Mail (submit a check)	Western Illinois Delta Upsilon Alumni Post Office Box 32 Macomb, Illinois 61566-0032
Online Payment (WIU DU Website)	http://wiudu.com/alumni-dues/ (online example provided)

2014-2015 Annual Alumni Dues Contribution Form

Alumni Dues Information First Name: Last Name: Amount Pledged: Check #: Date:

Update Conf	tact Information
Primary Phone:	
Primary Email:	
Best Address:	
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Mail form and check to: Western Illinois Delta Upsilon Alumni, Post Office Box 32, Macomb, Illinois 61566-0032

This will remain on file as record of your contribution

*Please be sure that all information is clearly printed so that we may properly honor your contribution.