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Happy New Year

Hello, ΔY Alumni. I hope you all are doing well. I wanted to take this opportunity to tell you a little about myself and update you on the Alumni Chapter. I moved to Omaha, Nebraska four years ago, after living in California and Nevada for twelve years. There were some definite adjustments, but overall it has been a positive move for everyone in our family and provided some great opportunities. One of those opportunities has been for me to rekindle my involvement with the ΔY Alumni Chapter and Undergraduate Chapter. Initially acting as a Director on the Alumni Corporation and now as the President of the Alumni Chapter, I am excited to reinvigorate our alumni and work with our undergraduates.

The Alumni Chapter has set goals to provide each of our Alumni with the best service possible. We hope to continue to grow and improve upon events and communication. I personally hope that over the coming year we can reconnect with many of our 700+ Alumni.

The use of Facebook to connect with brothers and other friends from WIU has been a welcomed treat. If you have not taken time to connect with us on Facebook, please do. You can find us at "Alumni of Delta Upsilon - Western Illinois University". The Alumni Chapter uses this page to communicate events, newsletters, and to share photos. If you have any photos to share, please send them to Dave Behnke at brandon22n@aol.com; please include any information regarding people in the picture or what event is captured.

In January, the Alumni Chapter welcomed over sixty brothers to our Alumni Chapter Social in Naperville, Illinois. It was exciting to have representatives spanning each of our four decades present. At our event, we shared a great deal of information regarding the Alumni

Chapter, Financial Support Needed and Critical Repairs needed for the Chapter House. The Alumni Chapter started a voluntary twenty-five dollar annual dues for each Alumni member. With these dues, the Alumni Chapter hopes to cover the cost of printing and events. However, we have several projects requiring a bit more financially. You can pay your twenty-five dollar dues and make any additional donations on www.wiudu.com just use the Donate Now link.

Two of the most pressing items are a need to repair the roof and the other is the new Illinois housing requirement requiring the installation of a fire sprinkler system (by January 1, 2019). To accomplish just these two projects alone will require around \$50,000.

If you were unable to join us in Naperville, our next event will be Alumni Weekend on April 21 – 23, 2017 in Macomb. In July, we will have our annual Work Weekend (July 7-9). If you, family or friends who wish to volunteer to help with Clearing out the brush and debris behind the tool shed, maintain the back woods, along with redoing the front landscaping around the sign in order to make the front of the house more inviting please get in contact with Matt Dickerson (md3815@yahoo.com). We have had some great fun at Work Weekends and look forward to having all the help we can get.

Our connection through Delta Upsilon is a unique and special one and one that makes us a part of something larger than each of us individually. I am hoping to continue to see more activity on our Facebook page and to have strong attendance at our events in Macomb and at events near the Chicago area. If you have any questions, please feel free to call me at 702-672-7252 or e-mail me at jwford323@sbcglobal.net

Cheers! - *Justin Ford '95*

Alumni Donate Christmas Tree



Celebrating the end of the Fall semester several alumni donated funds for the purchase of a seven foot Christmas tree and decorations. Thank you to Dave Behnke '97, Matt Dickerson '16, Justin Ford '95, Dave Maguire, SIU '73, Bruce Peterson '74 and Lee Smith '15.

January Alumni Gathering in Naperville



Saturday, January 7th over sixty alumni and friends gathered in Naperville, Illinois to celebrate the New Year. If you were unable to attend this year's Chicago area event watch for other opportunities in the Summer 2017 newsletter another Chicagoland event will be announced.

Join the Good Times at the 43rd Anniversary Celebration

April 21 – 23, 2017 in Macomb will be the gathering of alumni to celebrate the anniversary of the Installation of the Western Illinois Chapter back on April 27, 1974. Contact Justin Ford at 702-672-7252 or e-mail jwford323@sbcglobal.net with questions.



This year Alumni Weekend T-shirts are available for purchase. The navy blue shirt with white letters is on sale for \$18.00 and come in sizes S, M, L, XL, XXL, and XXXL. If you would like the shirt mailed to you there is an additional charge of \$5.00 for shipping and postage. Orders can be placed by going to on www.wiudu.com the Donate Now link. Make sure you indicate the number and sizes you wish to purchase. Last day to purchase a shirt is April 1, 2017.

Costs for the weekend's events are as follows:

Golf	\$23.00 per person – 18 holes and cart
Lunch and Dinner	\$30.00
T-Shirt	\$18.00
Total	\$71.00 per person

Please make your reservation ahead of time so golf tee times can be set and food can be ordered. Once again reservations can be made by going to www.wiudu.com and use the Donate Now link.

Friday, April 21

7:00 to 10:00 p.m. Meet and Greet (Hosted by Undergraduates) @ Chapter House

Saturday, April 22

9:00 a.m. Golf Outing @ Gold Hill Golf Course in Colchester, Illinois

Noon Lunch @ Chapter House (Catered Event)

Keep Up With Your Brothers

- 1:00 p.m. Separate Alumni Chapter (Algonquin Room) & Alumni Corporations Meetings (Chicago Room) @ University Union
- 3:30 p.m. Annual Alumni vs. Undergraduates Softball Game @ Vince Grady Softball Fields (Remember to bring your glove & bat.)
- 6:30 p.m. Social Hour @ Chapter House
- 7:00 p.m. Cook-out @ Chapter House (Catered Event)

Hampton Inn

Block of 12 rooms each with Two Queen Beds for \$114 per night. Group Name: "Alumni Chapter of Delta Upsilon"
1631 E Jackson St.
Macomb, IL 61455
309-837-6000

Quality Inn

Block of 12 rooms each with Two Queen Beds for \$89 per night. Group Name: "Alumni Chapter of Delta Upsilon"
1646 N Lafayette St.
Macomb, IL 61455
309-837-2220

Best Western Plus

1655 E Jackson St.
Macomb, IL 61455
309-836-6700

Super 8

313 University Ave
Macomb, IL 61455
309-836-8888

University Union Hotel

1 University Circle
Macomb, IL 61455
309-298-1941

Macomb Inn

1400 N. Lafayette St
Macomb, IL 61455
309-833-5511

WIU Conference Services

1 University Circle
Macomb, IL 61455

UHDS-Conferences@wiu.edu

309-298-3000



David Abernathy '83 - Vice President & General Counsel at Laclede Gas Company/Alabama Gas Company, St. Louis, Missouri. Dave has been with Laclede Gas Company since 2004.

Andrew Armstrong '10 - In November 2015 became the Ore Control and Geotechnical Geologist/Engineer for Silver Standard Resources Inc. at the Marigold Mine, Elko, Nevada.

William R. Bolger '95 - Is a payroll specialist with Medline Industries, Inc. in Mundelein, IL.

Travis A. Busen '04 - Has been the Lead Data Architect at Caterpillar Inc. in Peoria, IL for the past two years. Travis has been with Caterpillar since 2005.

Jake F. Castanza '11 - In June 2016 was named Executive Director of Project First Rate, Rockford, Illinois.

Mitchell S. Clark '13 - Since June 2013 is a Private Investigator with G4S Secure Integration working in the Chicago Area. G4S is a leading provider of security solutions internationally.

Daniel F. Colbert '91 - BI Team Manager at Forecast5 Analytics, Naperville, IL. Responsible for the design and architecture of the analytics platform used by Forecast5 Analytics. Specifically responsible for data acquisition, ETL processes, data architecture, data quality, and data visualization for a Software-as-a-Service (SAAS) product marketed to school districts and municipalities. Lead a team of developers as we build and implement business intelligence, data warehousing, and analytics products for the company. Specific responsibilities include the design and maintenance of application databases in SQL Server and Postgres; visual design using Tableau desktop with end-user presentation implemented via Tableau server; all responsibilities regarding data ETL using SQL Server Integration Services (SSIS).

Andrew T. Czerniak '96 - December 2016 graduated with a Master's Degree from Lewis University.

Tim R. Engstrom '93 - In February 2016 became the Group Vice President, Distributions Operations, Walgreens. Tim is also an adjunct professor in the Supply Chain Management Master's Program at

Elmhurst College. The Engstrom's reside in Naperville, IL.

Nathan W. Fox '09 - Is Vice President of Marketing and Sales, Decker Manufacturing Co. in Keokuk, Iowa. He continues to serve as a Captain in the US Army, Company Commander for the 485th EN Vertical Construction Company. He and his wife Elizabeth reside in Keokuk, Iowa.

Steven G. Green '04 - After graduating from Western, Steve went on to obtain his Juris Doctor, Law from Western Michigan in 2010 and is presently getting a Master of Laws (LLM), Procurement Law from The George Washington School of Law. Since October 2015 he is the Unit Chief, Policy and Analysis, U.S. Department of Justice.

Jeffrey I. Greeman '79 – Recently became the Director Inflight Regulatory Training for United Airlines.

Derek M. Hiland '98 - In November 2016 become the Director of the Planning, Zoning, Building and Economic Development Department with DeKalb County in Sycamore, Illinois. Prior to his new position he was a planner with the City of DeKalb.

Garret A. Hill '05 - Public Policy Director, Champaign County Illinois Chamber of Commerce.

Stephen M. Jones '87 - In April became Materials Manager, Mondelēz International, Rockford, Illinois. Responsibilities include local scheduling, ordering of materials to meet production, shipping and receiving. Steve and his wife Deb recently moved to Rockford from Appleton, Wisconsin. Their son Eric is a student at Western Illinois University and is chapter president of the ΣAE Fraternity.

Ronald G. Kalish '91 - In February 2016 became Customer Success Director at HireVue located in Florida. Ron resides in Winter Garden, Florida.

Eric W. Mobeck '97 - Has been a Sales Representative with American Woodmark (Timberlake) **since 2010. The Mobeck's, Eric, Cyndi and three boys live in Algonquin, IL.**



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.

Daniel A. Pieper '07 - Continuous Improvement Specialist at Midwest Industrial Rubber working in the Greater Chicago Area. Dano has been with the company since 2010 and lives in Schaumburg, IL.

Michael E. Porritt '97 - Since June 2016 is the Director of Advisory Services – Toronto, Canada Office with the Scion Group.

John C. Sanders, III '93 - In February 2016 became the Project Manager for TEKsystems on assignment at State Farm Bank.

Timothy J. Sica '95 - Has been the Sales Director in the Community Hospital Market working in the Greater Seattle, Washington area since 2012. Dorothy and Tim and their three children live in Covington, Washington.

Scott K. Soltis '94 - Has been the Executive Director of Global Security for Allergan since 2010. Allergan plc (AGN), one of the largest S&P 100 Growth Pharma Companies, headquartered in Dublin, Ireland, is a unique, global pharmaceutical company and a leader in a new industry model. Scott, Heather and their two children reside in Hacketstown, New Jersey.

Scott A. Whitsitt '98 - Sales Manager, State Farm Insurance in the Dallas/Fort Worth area. He resides in Wylie, Texas.

Shawn M. Wochner '01 Is an Admissions Representative at the College of DuPage.

Kyle Wroblewski '09 - In August Kyle became the Director of Personal Training for Plus One Health Management, Inc. in Chicago.



Undergraduate Community Service

During the Fall semester the undergraduate membership totaled 564.75 hours of community service for the campus and community or an average of just over twenty hours per member.



ΔY 's Nik Breslin Graduates with High Honors



Six students participating in Western Illinois University's Fall 2016 Undergraduate Commencement Ceremonies December 17, 2016 in Macomb received the highest recognition from their colleges for their overall academic excellence by being named a College Scholar.

Nicholas Breslin '16, graduated with a bachelor's degree in physics, with highest academic distinction, Summa Cum Laude. He is also the Physics Departmental Scholar and an Honors Scholar. While at Western, Breslin was named an honorable mention award winner in the prestigious Barry Goldwater Scholarship and Excellence in Education Program, one of only nine college students in Illinois named honorable mention award winners. He is part of the University's Centennial Honors College Hall of Fame, and he was recognized for having the top oral presentation in physics at the Illinois State Academy of Science conference. He earned first place in WIU's 2015 Physics Research Day contest and has served as a resident assistant for a floor of honors students in Thompson Hall. Breslin was also a senior research fellow for The Presidents Institute at Western, served as treasurer for the Blue Key Honor Society. Nick served the chapter as Vice President of Member Education.

After graduation from Western, Breslin plans to seek a doctoral degree in condensed matter physics and become a university professor.

Order of Omega Taps Past Chapter President for Membership



ΔY Graduate Assistant, Nathan Bettenhausen (Advisor to Order of Omega at Western) was happy to induct former chapter president Tyler Dudek '16 into the Order of Omega.

100th Pledge Class Initiation



Eight associate members of the ΔY 100th Pledge Class were initiated on Sunday, November 13th in the University Union. Steve Hacker '75 a member of the first ΛTB pledge class gave the Initiation Charge.

“The Founders Reunion”

Calling all alumni from the Classes 1973 – 1977 the annual reunion will be held on Saturday, July 15 at the home of Tom Kaster in Plainfield, Illinois. Particular information will be forwarded in the future.

Help Find Missing Fraternity Brothers

Out of 700 initiated members to the Western Illinois Chapter 58 are missing. If you know the following members contact information please forward it to Dave Maguire at dmaguire@macomb.com.

Arthur P. Anderson '89
 W. Brian Beal '82
 Benjamin J. Benson '92
 Jeffrey L. Bucher '76
 Wayland Chan '75
 Scott B. Clark '80
 Michael S. Estes '00
 Sean M. Flinn '93
 Walter J. Gibe '74
 Stanley W. Hardy '74
 William H. Holcomb '74
 Jarrel Johnson '08
 Michel D. Joyce '79
 Charles E. Leefers '77
 Larry A. Loitz '76
 Mark J. Matthews '93
 Scott R. Nichols '75
 Ralph A. Perez '94
 James C. Pierce '81
 Arthur E. Prince '76
 Thomas Rodebaugh '04
 William D. Rouch '91
 Ryan M. Schmidt '10
 Sterling E. Shafer '81
 Brian B. Stillwell '82
 Scott Swanson '85
 Timothy C. Tracz '05
 Michael G. West '80
 Cory L. Wingerter '03

Darrell W. Andre '85
 Bruce A. Beling '77
 Robert M. Boden '74
 William R. Cameron '90
 Michael A. Chezum '08
 William L. Cotter '79
 William G. Fleming '78
 Joseph E. Furlong '84
 Keith B. Ginsburg '81
 Scott D. Hartwig '81
 Steve H. Husted '97
 Erwin R. Jones III '75
 Raul Lara '11
 Dennis R. Lingbeck '80
 Kenneth Lukaszek '88
 Timothy P. Maxwell '84
 Nic Perez '10
 Derrill S. Peters '91
 Eugene Powell '86
 David M. Rissman '92
 Tyson A. Rogers '98
 John R. Ryan '84
 Andrew J. Scogin '73
 Brian J. Silldorff '93
 Gregory B. Stroupe '80
 John E. Thoman '08
 Earl R. West '85
 Jeffry D. Wilson '88
 Steven J. Zoubek '79

Calendar of Upcoming Events

Saturday, April 22, 2017	43 rd Anniversary & Alumni Chapter/Corporation Meetings @ 1:00pm in Union
Saturday, July 8, 2017	Alumni Work Weekend & Alumni Corporation Meeting @ 5:00 in Union

August 3- 6, 2017

ΔY Leadership Institute in Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Saturday, September 30, 2017

WIU Homecoming
 10:30 a.m. Parade
 Noon Alumni Chapter Meeting
 3:00 p.m. Football Game

April 26 – 28, 2019

ΔY 45th Anniversary Celebration – add to your calendar!

Alumni Work Weekend – In Macomb

Brothers, I would like to formally invite you to the annual ΔY Work Weekend. This is a great time and opportunity to work side by side with each other to improve our chapter house. This year the work weekend will be Friday July 7th thru Sunday July 9th.

We have quite a few projects in mind that we would like to accomplish. Clearing out the brush and debris behind the tool shed, maintain the back woods, along with redoing the front landscaping around the sign in order to make the front of the house more inviting. We would also like to make interior improvements to the house. These include repairing floor tile at the top of the main stairs, as this is a safety issue, and repairing the baseboard around the house as it is peeling away from the wall.

With this being said we are looking for any tools, such as weed eaters or chain saws, that can be used or anyone with specific skill sets, such as masonry or carpentry, they would like to utilize. I look forward to being able to meet everyone and get to working on improving our chapter house

Contact me by cell phone, 309-635-9754, or email md3815@yahoo.com if you will be able to attend or would like to bring any tools/skill sets so we can get a list of tools and material along with a head count. Please try to do this by June 1st.

Your time, effort, and/or donations would be greatly appreciated to make this a very successful weekend for all. The last few work weekends have been

very successful thanks to Brother Ford and others for their hard work so let's keep the trend going. I look forward to meeting and working on improving our chapter house with each one of you.

Fraternally - *Matt Dickerson '16*

Reminder When Ordering Pizza

Many alumni have asked if the Undergraduate Chapter is once again taking part in the Papa John's Pizza Discount and Fundraising. The answer is yes! Remember it is not limited to the Macomb area. This fund raiser works anywhere in the Papa John's region which extends across the state and up to Chicago area. They get a 40% discount and the chapter gets 10%.

Alumni Update Information Form

Name: (Mr. Dr.) _____

Address: _____

City: _____

State: _____ Zip: _____

Mobile Phone: _____

Home Phone: _____

Email: _____

Graduation Year: _____

Employer: _____

Position/Title: _____

Preferred Method of Communication:

Email Home Phone

Cell Phone Mail

Social Media (please specify account)

Spouse: _____

Children: _____

News: _____

Remember follow the WIU – DU Alumni Chapter at:



<https://www.facebook.com/wiudu>

You can follow the WIU - DU Undergraduate Chapter at:



<https://.facebook.com/WIUdeltau>

You can also follow the WIU - DU Undergraduate Chapter on Instagram at:



Username – deltauwiu

Password - upotheke

Alumni Contribution Form

First Name: _____

Last Name _____

Amount Enclosed _____

I would like to make the following contribution to the Western Illinois Delta Upsilon Alumni.

_____ \$25.00 Annual Alumni Dues

In addition I would like to donate the following amount to the following:

_____ I would like to donate \$ _____ to the Famighette Scholarship Fund

_____ I would like to donate \$ _____ to the Alumni Chapter

_____ I would like to donate \$ _____ to the Alumni Corporation

_____ I would like to donate \$ _____ to the Undergraduate RLA Fund (Regional Leadership Academy)

Mail these forms and your check to: Western Illinois Delta Upsilon Alumni, Post Office Box 32, Macomb, Illinois 61455. Remember you can also donate online (WIUDU.com)

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