

The Alpha Delta Phi International Leadership Conferences

Each year, The Alpha Delta Phi International conducts leadership conferences for the undergraduate officers of every chapter. Typically, these conferences are held at three or four chapters to which other chapters are invited to send two or three of their current officers. The 2005-2006 Leadership Conferences, conducted by Chapter Service Consultant Brother Warren Wills, ADEL '04, were held at the California Chapter, Rochester Chapter, and Kenyon Chapter. Chapter officers from every chapter are invited to attend.

Among the subjects covered are: Recruitment, New Member Education, Literary Programming, Philanthropic Programming, Budgeting, Academics, Alumni Relations Public/University Relations, and other topics pertaining to Chapter Operations. Increasing emphasis is being placed on Alpha Delt's literary traditions, academic performance, and social responsibilities.

These day-long Leadership Conferences are designed to augment and reinforce information provided at the Annual Convention to help our undergraduate chapter officers excel in leadership of their chapters, and to successfully and safely manage their chapter operations. The conferences are an important element of the range of services provided by The Alpha Delta Phi International to each chapter and are supported by alumni contributions to The Alpha Delta Phi Annual Fund Appeal.



Brothers in attendance at Mid-American Leadership Conference, held February 10-11, at our Kenyon Chapter. From top left to bottom right: Joshua Freedholm, K '08; Alexander S. L. Lord, K '08; Jared Kowis, P '08; Ed Pursell, K '07 (President, Kenyon Chapter); Tim Purtell, WIS '08; Steve Hands, K '06; Jeff Koch, K '08; (Bottom Row) Peter Case, K '08; Adam Hribar, K '06; Christian "Clock" Glason, K '08; John Skubel, K '07; David Hibler, WIS '07 (President of Wisconsin Chapter).



At left, the original ADEL Lodge at Kenyon, the oldest fraternity structure in North America (1860) alongside the new Ganter Price Hall, constructed in 2003.

The Alpha Delta Phi Ranks Seventh In Academics Nationwide

The National Interfraternity Conference (NIC), an association of the 69 major national fraternities, has released the results of its first annual survey of grade point averages (GPAs) of its member organizations. The survey was conducted on over 1,000 campuses in the U.S. (only) and ADEL was ranked seventh out of 69 NIC fraternities for the

2004-2005 academic year. Our overall GPA was 3.02; first place was 3.138 so we are very close to the top.

As part of the NIC Standards agenda, "NIC member fraternities are required to maintain an annual cumulative GPA of at least 2.5 for each chapter or at or above each campus' all-men's average." This is great news for Alpha Delta

Phi and shows that we are leaders academically as we work to reclaim our traditional literary leadership.

Bill Millard, ILL '80
Executive Director
The Alpha Delta Phi

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sports, and extracurricular activities. Recruitment of new members is increasing and we are regularly approached by young men from excellent colleges and universities to form new chapters or recolonize previous chapters.

Our continued success is dependent upon the support of many committed alumni like you. Together, we've made significant strides

these last two years in re-energizing our fraternity. But we can't rest on our laurels now. We have a responsibility to continue working diligently to perpetuate what meant, and continues to mean, so much to each of us. Your Board of Governors gratefully thanks all of you who have donated in the past, and we ask you all to once again contribute to our beloved fraternity. Please join with us so that young men can continue to derive the benefits from

membership in The Alpha Delta Phi that we all enjoyed. XAIPE.

Fraternally yours,

Jonathan C. Vick, HAM '64
President, The Alpha Delta Phi

Chapter Updates

Editors Note: All chapters were invited to submit chapter updates. Those below reflect updates received by press time.

Adelphos Chapter (Founded 1987)

Much progress has been made at our chapter at Chapman University over the last year. Last fall we netted seven strong brothers (bringing our current membership to 17) and this semester we currently have five more, surpassing our recent one-year high of 11. We are currently planning our 50th Anniversary as a Chapman fraternity, hoping to fundraise enough money through our alumni to make a down payment on our first house. The literary program continues to grow with a scholarship program taking shape for the fall and guest lectures starting, as we speak. Philanthropic activities we organized included an on-campus blood drive and restarting our *Noise for the Needy* benefit concert this spring. Socially, the chapter is stronger than it has been in years with a number of sorority exchanges and yet another successful year of larger social functions (Super Bowl and Dis-Orientation). The house GPA stands at roughly 3.2 and continues to climb. Lastly, our biggest strides have been in creating a new alumni board, including a revamped dues structure and a newly incorporated alumni association. Having yet another successful Super Bowl celebration with our alumni, and our financial challenges of the past beginning to fall behind us, the Adelphos Chapter is once again becoming a force at Chapman University and has established itself at the International level.

Warren Wills, ADEL '04
Chapter Service Consultant

California Chapter (Founded 1908)

The California Chapter, one of last year's Most Improved Chapters, is staying above the status quo of years past. We currently have 23 active brothers after initiating four in the fall. We will have five more in training this spring who will be initiated the first week of April. Regarding intramurals, we have a basketball team and the potential for a better season is high with a new lineup and more practice. Our literary program is diverse, including dinners with professors from the university, a comedy improvisation night, live jazz band performance by the UC Berkeley Jazz Ensemble (with which a brother is affiliated), and successful results from our essay contest. Among the numerous brother- and pledge-only events was a great dinner in downtown San Francisco at Bubba Gump's restaurant. Our overall social scene is thriving despite an ongoing alcohol ban by the university. A chapter GPA around 3.4 has been maintained by the brothers. Plans for a few of our graduating seniors include graduate school, various positions in sports marketing, computer programming, and

teaching. We had a great alumni turnout for our "Big Game Banquet" for the 108th Cal vs. Stanford "Big Game." Our alumni treated the brothers to a fun afternoon in downtown San Francisco before the Big Game, which Cal won over arch-rival Stanford.

Joseph Ponticello, CAL '08, Vice President.



MANUS MULTAE COR UNUM
MANY HANDS ONE HEART

"Therefore let me counsel thee to be faithful to thyself. Inspect the motives of thy actions. Cherish every noble and virtuous sentiment, and scorn the very thought of a mean or dishonorable action. Speak what thou believest. Abhor all dissembling and always practice entire truthfulness. So shalt thou never fear the face of man, and shall evermore be at peace with thy conscience and thy God. Let thy voice ever be heard on the side of liberty and human rights, and hate every sort of oppression with all thy heart. Make no compromise with injustice, and defend the injured and oppressed even at the peril of thy life."

Samuel Eells, 1810-1842

Chicago Chapter (Founded 1896)

Our Chicago Chapter continues to thrive with a current membership of 30 active brothers, with four recent initiates in February and eight more expected in the spring. They have been very active in on-campus athletics, participating in a flag football league, martial arts clubs, indoor and outdoor soccer leagues, and intramural broomball. In literary pursuits, the brothers had a literary competition in the fall, weekly readings from historical chapter logs, and quarterly guest lectures by university faculty. Socially, the Chicago brothers are at a height not seen in many years, regularly hosting two cocktail socials (with sororities or by invitation) and two larger social events per quarter. In the wake of Hurricane Katrina's devastation last fall, the brothers held a philanthropic social, raising over \$1,000, which was donated to the AmeriCares relief effort. Over the past two years, the alumni have raised over \$400,000 towards the \$800,000

recently spent on renovating their house and they are deeply grateful for the continued support from their alumni brothers. Lastly, the chapter has seen quite a bit of success from its immediate graduates, including brothers who are now studying at Albert Einstein, Mount Sinai, Harvard, and at the University of London's Warburg Institute.

Jeremy Hetzel, CHI '06, President.

Hamilton Chapter (Founded 1832)

The Hamilton Chapter is enjoying an excellent year with strong undergraduate and alumni leadership. The chapter started out the year with 56 active brothers and has added 19 pledges to be initiated this spring, bringing total membership to 75, the highest in many years. AΔΦ is by far the strongest private society at Hamilton due to its literary, academic, and social leadership.

The Hamilton Chapter serves as the ultimate example of a brotherhood that grows stronger due to the belief in Alpha Delta Phi values and principles, in spite of not having a chapter house. The chapter has regular meetings and dinners in college-provided and private meeting rooms and recently prevailed upon the college to have monthly dinners in our old chapter house. The chapter's strong literary program includes a guest speaker program, regular talks delivered by brothers, and entries (and winners) in the AΔΦ Annual Literary Competition. On April 22, 2006, the chapter will hold its Annual Awards Dinner to recognize brothers who have excelled in public affairs, academics, citizenship, literary efforts, and public speaking. All alumni are cordially invited. For more information, please contact Brother Nick Sarro-Waite at nicholas.sarrowaite@lehman.com. The undergraduate brothers are grateful to their alumni brothers for their ongoing support.

Jon Vick, HAM '64
President, The Alpha Delta Phi

Illinois Chapter (Founded 1911)

The past year at Illinois has been a big turn around from the previous few years. This past fall, we initiated 11 new brothers, bringing our current total to 54. We continue to hold one of the fraternity's longest-running literary competitions, which is open to all U of I students. The largest philanthropy we hold each year, "Moosehead", raises money for a battered women's shelter in Chicago and is also one of the largest social events on campus. The biggest issue facing us last fall was our financial situation. Mike Drwal, ILL '06, and Dan Arwady, ILL '08, worked over the summer and into the fall semester to revamp our entire financial system. At the end of this spring semester, all our debts will be paid off and we will have a surplus to work with. Recently,

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many repairs have been made to the house. In the past year, we have repaired our leaky roof, installed new exterior lighting, fixed some leaking pipes, and currently are repairing water damage to our Chapter Room. I believe that the inner workings of the house have created a strong groundwork for our chapter to continue to grow, and we thank all the alumni that have helped make this happen.

Mike Drwal, ILL '06, President.

Kenyon Chapter (Founded 1858)

The Kenyon Chapter currently has 32 active brothers. During the fall semester we initiated two upperclassmen and this spring are instructing four freshmen. Our spring initiation, scheduled for April 1, falls on the same weekend Kenyon hosts the Board of Governors spring meeting. Brandon Balthrop, K '08, continues to be a leader on both the indoor and spring track teams and Anthony Masterson, K '08, is quickly becoming one of the best relievers on the Kenyon baseball team. While continuing our freshman literary competition and Great Teaching Award, Literary Chair Phil Babcock, K '08, has started a Monday night literary society open to the entire campus.

The chapter has also begun a late-night coffee shop called *Afterhours*, a place to gather after the closing of Gambier's sole coffee shop. All proceeds are donated to New Directions, a battered women's shelter located in Mt. Vernon. The chapter improved its overall GPA over the fall semester and the brothers hope to continue along that route. Additionally, the chapter has the only member of Greek Life with a 4.00 GPA, Curtis Shonkweiler, K '06, who is also a recent inductee into Phi Beta Kappa. February saw the chapter play host to the Mid-American Leadership Conference where we picked up a few pointers from our brothers at the Peninsular and Wisconsin Chapters.

Ed Pursell, K '07, President.

Minnesota Chapter (Founded 1892)

The MINN Chapter has 20 active members and expects to add 10 new members by April initiation. The chapter has revitalized its literary program with the "Lecture Series" where brothers give weekly 15-minute presentations. The chapter house is in great shape and is usually full, due to "Live-in scholarships" that subsidize the cost of living in the house. In February, the chapter hosted a large number of alumni for Founders Day. (See picture below.) Academically, the chapter is very strong and ranked sixth out of 22 fraternities with a 3.01 GPA, above the All-Men's average of 2.96 and All-Fraternity GPA of 2.93. The chapter ranks #1 in new member GPA with 3.30! Socially active, the chapter hosted a fall

"Sweetheart Competition" and a "Lady Phi" competition, and regularly holds Monday night formals. Charitable events include a car smash and ice cream social, and we're planning a blood drive for the American Red Cross. The chapter rounds out its activities with active participation in intramural hockey, soccer, and broomball competitions. We thank our alumni for their support and participation.

Steve Ehrfruth, MN'06, President

Union Chapter (Founded 1859)

After initiating nine new brothers this term, the Union Chapter currently stands at 27 active brothers. Many improvements in the past six months have made the chapter house a more livable space. The Chapter Room renovation has revived the spirit of our historical roots as a literary society. A wall was put up, separating the Chapter Room from the hallway in the basement, and the door of our previous chapter room now serves as the entrance to the room. The original murals from the old room, generously restored by the alumni, are proudly hanging in the new Chapter Room. We have our annual literary competition, open to submissions from all students, up and running again. We've enlisted the help of two English faculty members for the judging of the competition. The brotherhood actively joined in the relief efforts for those affected by Hurricane Katrina in the fall, raising nearly \$500 from members throughout the Union community. In the winter term, the brotherhood decided to take full advantage of Union's new campus-wide television station by filming an informational video, properly addressing campus fire safety regulations. We are also in the process of finishing up our chapter's first undergraduate newsletter in many years, an accomplishment that makes us proud.

Price Williams, UN '07, President

Wisconsin Chapter (founded 1902)

We have 40 members right now which includes 15 pledges recruited over the year. Our chapter actively participates in intramural sports with teams in dodgeball (undefeated two time champions), basketball, volleyball, softball, floor hockey, football, and ice hockey. We have a scholarship program that offers a \$2,000 live-in scholarship to subsidize the cost of living in the chapter house for incoming freshmen. Our philanthropy, "Softball on Ice," was just held for the 26th consecutive year. We had a great turnout and the event was very successful. Socially, we have two or three parties a semester that are open to everyone on campus, and these are widely anticipated and enjoyed. Academically, last year our house GPA was a 3.3, putting us above the all-Greek, All-Mens, All-Campus, and All-Fraternity averages. We were the 3rd highest-ranked fraternity, and placed 7th overall, including the sororities. Our annual alumni banquet, known as "Steak and Lowenbrau" (held this year on April 1) is always popular. Our doors are always open to brothers from other chapters and especially to our alumni, whenever they are in town.

Dave Hibler, WI '06, President

Washington Chapter (Founded 1921)

The Washington Chapter, with over 1,400 alumni (our largest Alpha Delt Alumni Chapter), continues to move forward with its re-colonization effort. They are exploring the viability of reactivating the active chapter in the fall of 2007. If you would like to be a part of this effort please e-mail either Brother Brad Furber at bradf@softwareonline.com, or contact Brother Jonathan Roberts at jonro@ignitionpartners.com.

Below: Alumni of The Alpha Delta Phi from all over America gather at the Minnesota Chapter for Founders Day, in February 2006.



Miami Adds Fundraising Campaign To Long History of Superlatives

The Miami Chapter is proud of its heritage as “the first fraternity west of the Alleghenies, the first fraternity on Miami’s campus, and the BEST fraternity on Miami’s campus.” These days, Alpha Delta Phi’s second chapter—which inspired the founding of Beta Theta Pi, Sigma Chi and Phi Delta Theta—is adding to its distinguished history with a \$500,000 fundraising campaign to restore the undergraduate chapter.

After years of strength, the chapter declined steeply after 2000. Damage to the house and dwindling membership caused alumni to close the chapter in 2004. But the undergraduate slide was only one cause of the collapse—another was decades of minimal alumni involvement. “Our chapter has never had a strong tradition of keeping alumni connected with the chapter or each other,” said Stefan Davis, MI ’71. “That’s the main lesson we learned: for an undergraduate chapter to weather natural ups and downs, alumni support is vital.”

Now, a core group of Miamians is working hard to build the chapter’s alumni network—and is receiving strong support in return. *Many Hands, One Heart: The Campaign to Restore Miami’s Alpha Delta Phi* is led by a steering committee of 20 men from all eras. The \$500,000 campaign has used a major gift model to raise more than \$300,000 since it started in 2003. By personally cultivating and soliciting donor prospects, volunteers have attracted some impressive gifts—including

three of more than \$25,000. More than \$225,000 has been raised from just 25 major donors.

The funds are being used to renovate the old chapter mansion at 22 South Campus. A new roof, rebuilt porch, foundation work, and a historically accurate paint scheme have been completed so far, and interior work is under way. Contributions will also fund scholarships and a chapter advisor position. Miami alumni and the **International** will begin rushing a new group of undergraduates in Spring 2006.

Because of the campaign’s success, Miami won the **International’s** award for the Most Improved Alumni Association at this summer’s convention.

The steering committee has used many techniques to reassure alumni and maximize giving. A recolonization prospectus details how the chapter will prevent another decline.

Gifts of more than \$5,000 are partially tax deductible when made through the Samuel Eells Literary and Educational Foundation. Donors can pay off pledges over three years.

Major donors can “purchase” rooms that will be named in their honor. Finally, donors are assured that if the effort fails, the house will be sold and they will be repaid a portion of their contribution out of the proceeds. Davis is certain that won’t be necessary. “The response of our alumni has been truly inspiring,” he said.



The Miami Chapter House

Brothers seeking additional information should contact campaign coordinator Doug Diefenbach, MI ’80, by e-mail at dougdiefenbach@comcast.net or visit the campaign’s official web page at www.miamialum.org/chapter.asp. (True to its tradition, the chapter is the *first* fraternity to be hosted on Miami University’s website.)

Johns Hopkins Is On The Move

The Baltimore Adelphic Literary Society, Inc. (BALSJ), the real estate arm of the Johns Hopkins Chapter, bought a new chapter house for the chapter during March, 2005. The new building is located at 3209 North Charles Street, immediately next door to the University’s Steinwald Alumni House, directly across the street from the main entrance to the campus and around the corner from the chapter’s home of the past 25 years, 5 East 33 Street. The purchase brought to a close a three-year saga that started when a local developer approached BALSJ with an offer to purchase 5 East 33rd Street in conjunction with a major real estate development in the rapidly gentrifying Charles Village neighborhood. BALSJ expressed a willingness to relocate if the chapter were offered fee simple ownership of a building that matched or exceeded the facilities

that were located on 33rd Street.

The chapter’s new home is a 26-unit 1930s-vintage apartment building with most

apartments configured as two-bedroom units; all the units have balconies, and several have terraces overlooking the campus as well. As used by the chapter, the building can accommodate 56 undergrads; the house includes a two-bedroom unit that is occupied by the chapter’s first housemother, features a small presidential suite and has a still-to-be-renovated suite reserved for visiting alumni. The undergraduate brothers converted one of the storage rooms in the basement into a bar and dance floor. The basement also contains a secure room that serves as an archive for the chapter. A three-bedroom unit on the second floor is being converted into a brother’s suite (television lounge, billiards room and computer room / library). The building’s ballroom, complete with marble fireplace and original paneling, is being converted into a formal chapter room.



The Johns Hopkins Chapter House

Literary Accomplishments By Writers Of The Alpha Delta Phi

Tunnell's Boys

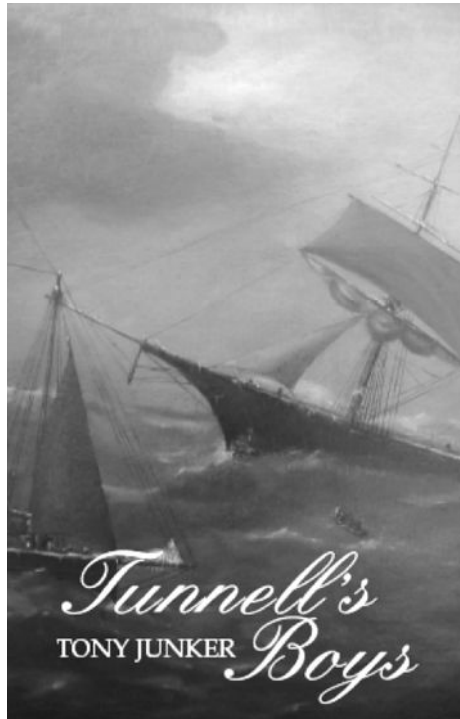
An award-winning sea novel by a Brother

Brother Tony Junker, MID '59, was born and raised in Brooklyn, New York, went on to earn a BA from Wesleyan University, a bachelor of architecture from MIT, and masters in architecture and city planning degrees at Penn, where he studied with the internationally famous architect, Louis I. Kahn.

Tony has had an interest in history and fiction since his early years in school, and was especially encouraged by an outstanding English teacher. Growing up close to the sea and around boats, led to a strong connection to the sea and leanings toward nautical literature. As an active sailor, the concept of *Tunnell's Boys* developed from an experience setting into harbor in Lewes Delaware in a storm, where Tony discovered the coastal pilots serving Delaware Bay.

As a Wesleyan freshman, Tony recognized that The Alpha Delta Phi was a good match for him due to the more serious and literary orientation of the group, not to mention the diverse, culturally rich, and offbeat quality of the Brothers. He recalled with pleasure the AΔΦ author series, where

the house brought luminaries like Robert Penn Warren and W.H. Auden to dine with the brothers and chat over coffee after their living room lectures. These experiences



helped launch Tony into the arts, and contributed to a lifelong interest in--even obsession for--creative cultural pursuits. As an award winning architect, and now a published author of historical nautical fiction, Tony has certainly proven that his creative juices continue to flow.

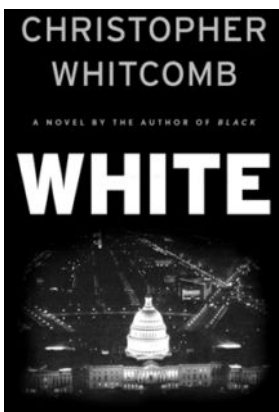
Tunnell's Boys is set in 1898, in the middle of the Spanish-American war, recreating a colorful historical era: 19th Century Quaker Philadelphia. As a Quaker, and lover of boats, specifically wooden sailing craft, the book is truly an extension of the man. (For the historians in our mix, other than Teddy Roosevelt, how many Alpha Deltas served in the Spanish-American war?)

As a newly published author, Tony encourages Brothers from all eras and interests to follow your passions and reach for your dreams, but remember to set your sights on a goal and stay with it to completion. With the current print-on-demand technology, self publishing is experiencing a renaissance that recalls such precedents as Mark Twain, James Joyce, John Grisham, and Ben Franklin to name a few. Tony can be reached at ljunker@aol.com, and *Tunnell's Boys* can be previewed at www.tonyjunker.com.

Kenneth E Growney, COR '82

RECENT BOOKS by Hamilton Alpha Deltas

Christopher Whitcomb, HAM '81, has penned *White: A Novel* (New York: Little, Brown, 2005).



Special Agent Jeremy Walker, first introduced in *Black*, published in 2004, makes a return appearance in this second thriller by a former member of the FBI and veteran of its Hostage Rescue Team. Fast-paced and absorbingly

suspenseful, it is a tale of terrorist plots, vast in scope, and reaching into the highest levels of government.

Henry Hutson, HAM '69, is a co-author of *Leadership in Nonprofit Organizations* (Thousand Oaks, California: Sage, 2005). Described as "a must have for anyone with either a personal or professional interest

in organizational leadership," this highly sophisticated work does not address the customarily emphasized subject of *corporate* leadership, but rather, explains the role of leadership in the ever-expanding field of nonprofit organizations. Combining theory and a review of pertinent literature with case studies of exemplary leadership, it stresses the importance of individual strengths and flexibility of approach, as well as the importance of "alignment," the dynamic relationship between organization and leader.

The co-author, who has a wealth of experience derived from the corporate human resources field, is a consultant on leadership and organization whose practice focuses on the human ride of strategic change.



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