

Happy Days At Alpha Delt: Brother Ben Stein, COL '66

For my livelihood, I spend a large part of every month on the road, staying in strange hotels, trying to get to sleep before an early morning speech the next day. I often cannot sleep, so I seek to soothe my little brain by making a gratitude list of people to whom I owe a special debt of gratefulness. Very high on the list always comes a man named Stuart Reynolds and another named Larry Lissitzyn, and I would like to tell you why.

In September of 1962, after a dinner at an Italian restaurant called Mamma Leone's, my parents bid farewell to me and I went to my dorm room at Furnald Hall, Columbia College, to start my life as a freshman at that fine school. I was miserable there from day one. My roommate was an unfriendly, sarcastic boy from Brooklyn whose friends were clannish and mostly even more unfriendly. My next roommate was a genius, but wildly disorganized and hard to live with.

The classes were superb, but I had a hard time making friends after a childhood in a Maryland suburb where I had known everyone I went to school with for most of their lives. The boys at Columbia—it was all boys then—were smart, but not friendly. Plus, they were competitive and always looking over their shoulders.

So, after three years of having dates and parties and dances every weekend in my home town, and after a lifetime of having dinner with my family or with neighbors, I was by myself in the pitiful dining hall or at the college snack bar while whatever social life there was went on without me.

In a word, I was lonely.

Fraternity rush came at the beginning of sophomore year. I went to several houses. I was made welcome at all of the Jewish fraternities, mainly one for well-to-do Jewish boys—although I was not really well to do—called ZBT, another for more middle class Jews, named SAM, and also at a mostly Gentile house called Psi U. The two most prestigious houses on campus, by far, were St. Anthony Hall or St. A, and Alpha Delta Phi, or AD. I did not think I had a prayer of getting into either house, so I didn't even go to their rushes. Plus, St. A was said to absolutely bar Jews, and

so that was another problem. AD Phi was said to be for snobby preppies, and since I was a lowly public school boy, I thought it was not worth my time to even investigate it. I pledged Psi U, but did not like the athletic atmosphere and dropped out of the pledge process very soon.

I was prepared to be a lonely independent, or more likely, to transfer to another school where people might be more friendly. I applied for transfer to Yale and to Williams, was accepted at both, and prepared to go to Yale.

But I was uneasy about leaving New York, which I had come to love. I was a movie fanatic in those days and often saw four movies a week. Easy in Manhattan, not so easy in New Haven. Plus, I had a fantasy that I would some day have a Broadway chorus girl as my girl friend. Again, far fetched in New York but impossible in the Elm City.

Then, a miracle came into my life—in the person of Stuart Arthur Reynolds, class of '62 at St. Mark's School, Framingham, Massachusetts, and neighbor of mine at Furnald Hall. Stuart was a member of the AD Phi, and he thought he could get me in. He was a cheery, witty fellow with Lincolnesque features and an astonishing grasp of history. He also knew all about my father, a famous economist, and seemed to hold me in high esteem for that as well as seeing in me some personality traits that the boys from Erasmus Hall High School in Brooklyn did not see.

Stuart taught me how to tie a bow tie, taught me how to greet the brothers at AD the right way (I don't recall what it was) and, next thing I knew, I was rushing at 526 W. 114th Street, home of AD.

It was awe inspiring. The paneled hallway with the photos of old AD's from the 19th century, whom we referred to as the Brooks Brothers, the pool room with its paneling and

sculling oars. The lavishly furnished living room and drinking room with their fire places. The spiffily dressed boys with their J. Press clothes, their frayed collars, and their stunning self confidence. Plus the parties with the beautiful girls in their silk dresses and the bands and the dancing and the drinking.

I wanted in. I wanted in in the worst way.

So, I worked at it. I memorized names and faces. I said "please" and "thank you." I was respectful—not a stretch because I loved the place.

Then one very, very, very happy night, Stuart Reynolds appeared at my dorm room door with a bid. I was happy. No, more than happy. Ecstatic. I would not transfer. I would stay and be at AD Phi.

The pledge process had its "issues" as we now say.

I did not like cleaning up the toilets after a party, when the bathrooms smelled of, well, you know. I did not like being locked in a closet for 24 hours. (Although Clay Maitland, whose closet it was, made it all quite pleasant by chatting with me and assuring me I would soon get out—even though I didn't.) I did not like other parts of the initiation ritual involving a glass of vinegar and sugared bread (to be a brother of the Alpha Delta Phi, you must take the bitter with the sweet—DRINK, DRINK, DRINK, all on our knees. EAT. EAT, EAT, still on our knees).

I did love the fake kidnaping and having to walk though Grand Central Station with my pledge paddle, and I really liked the initiation party—black tie, of course, which was the dress for many of our parties.

Probably the single most memorable moment of the pledging was when I was scrubbing the front steps of the house and Larry Lissitzyn, our very handsome brother, walked out after elections. I asked him who had won the prior night's election for

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Robert G. McKelvey, MID '59, Receives Top AD Honor

Brother Robert G. McKelvey has been awarded the Alpha Delta Phi Award, the highest award granted by the fraternity, for outstanding service to the fraternity since his days as an undergraduate at Wesleyan University, Middletown, Connecticut.

Brother McKelvey graduated from Wesleyan University in 1959 with high honors, and was elected to Phi Beta Kappa in his junior year. He won the Weller Prize for the highest academic average in his class. He served as president of the student body, an officer of his class and as a three-year member of the Honor System Committee.

After graduating from Wesleyan, Bob attended Merton College at Oxford University as a Rhodes Scholar from 1959-1961 and was a senior scholar at St. Antony's College 1961-1962. He was awarded a BA and an MA degree by Oxford. He served as a lecturer and tutor at Oxford University, as a political officer in the United States Department of State, and as assistant and associate director of the International Fellows Program, and as assistant to the associate dean in the School of International Affairs of Columbia University. He has completed all of his work for a PhD from Columbia except for the dissertation.

While an undergraduate at Wesleyan, Bob was a member and an officer of the Middletown Chapter of Alpha Delta Phi

Fraternity. He was a member of the Board of Governors of the Alpha Delta Phi International Fraternity from 1974 to 1982, serving first as vice president and then president of the fraternity. He served on the board of governors of the Alpha Delta Phi Society, and was president of the society from 1992 to 2001.

He has served as a director of the Samuel Eells Literary and Educational Foundation since 1977 and was its vice president for most of that time.

Bob has also served as a trustee of Wesleyan University for 15 years, including five years as vice chairman of the board of trustees. He is president and chairman of the George McKelvey Company, Inc., an investment advisory firm founded by his family in 1960.

Bob currently serves as an officer and trustee of a

number of other philanthropic organizations including the Association of American Rhodes Scholars, of which he is vice-president, The Adelpic Literary Society of Wesleyan University, The Adelpic Educational Fund, The Merton College Charitable Corporation, an historic building foundation, a foundation supporting animal welfare, and the Dawkins Family Foundation.

Throughout his entire career, Bob has distinguished himself by his wisdom, moderation and dedication to the betterment of Alpha Delta Phi.



Br. Robert G. McKelvey, MID '59

The Meaning Of "Xaipe"

Two Kenyon brothers comment on the meaning of the Greek word, *Χαίπε*.

A literal translation of *xaipe* is "Hail." *Xaipe* is a Greek salute, typically used among soldiers, meaning "Hail"*. Kenyon traditionally sings *Xaipe* down middle path after a Lodge meeting, but uses the marching tune, not Tannenbaum.

XAIPE,
Bob Price, K '58

* *Cornell Chapter History of The Phi*, 2006, p.197

In Greek, *Χαίπε* is the imperative of the verb *Chairō*, meaning literally, "be happy" or "rejoice." It's the standard way the ancient Greeks greeted each other—everybody, not just soldiers, so far as I know—so it's used commonly as "hello."

XAIPE,
Robert E. Bennett, K '64
Professor of Classics
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New Chapter Service Consultant For Alpha Delta Phi International

The Alpha Delta Phi would like to welcome the new Chapter Service Consultant, Br. Steve Ehrfurth, MINN '06. Br. Ehrfurth graduated from the University of Minnesota with a degree in urban studies and political science this past May. He is originally from Green Bay, Wisconsin. During his time in college, he held many positions within the Minnesota Chapter including president, vice president, recruitment chairman, and house manager. Although he graduated this past spring, Steve is still actively involved with his chapter where he serves on the Minnesota Alumni Board and keeps in close contact with the current chapter leadership. At the Annual Convention this past August in Boston, Steve

was awarded the Order of the Sword and Spear—the highest honor an undergraduate brother can receive. As for Steve's work with the International, he has already been on the road traveling to different chapters, meeting school administrators, and providing services to chapters in need. The majority of his time in the past few months has been spent at Miami University in Oxford, Ohio, where he is assisting the alumni with the recolonization process. Brother Ehrfurth can be reached anytime by e-mail at ehrf0001@umn.edu or, by phone, at (847) 687-7630.

In photo, Ken Growney, COR '82, l., awards Steve Ehrfurth, MINN '06, r.



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President. He said, matter of factly, "I did," zipped up his bomber jacket, and went off to wherever Presidents of chapters of AD go on a Sunday morning. No one I have ever seen looked more sure of himself. (Brother Larry went on to be a major Marine hero in Vietnam and a successful lawyer.)

There was no brother of our chapter I did not like. Not one. Grant van Allen Roberts, half Jewish himself, used to tease me about being Jewish, but it was in a good natured way. One night at dinner, we ran out of pork chops before I got served. "Where's mine?" I asked.

"You didn't get one because you're Jewish," Grant said.

"Then I guess you get half a piece," I answered, to general hilarity.

Grant died very prematurely about fifteen years ago. I miss him keenly and am still in touch with his beautiful widow, Lucy. But as I say, I liked all of the brothers. Clay Maitland, Clem Sweeney, Rudy von Bernath, Chuck Hamilton, Charlie Hughes, Mott Green, Radford Carter West, Henry Milgrom, Barry Solomon, Greg Markel, of course, Stuart Reynolds, Hilton Bancroft Clark, Gordon Harriss, Tom Bolton, Larry Dent, and Bob Menefee—I loved them all.

I loved going to the house for lunch. I loved playing pool there in the afternoons after class. I loved the dinners made by our beloved chef, Mr. Hanson.

Most of all, however, I loved two things: one, a feeling of belonging to the coolest group on campus, and two, the parties. I had a home. The best home I had ever had.

We knew we were the hippest, the best dressed, had the best times, had the parties that were most in demand.

But those parties, oh, those parties. Black bands playing. We brothers and our dates drinking, drinking, drinking, smoking, smoking, smoking, dancing until we were exhausted, then heading off at one in the morning for The King Cole Bar at the St. Regis or the

Tower Suite at The Time Life building or The Top of the Sixes or, on rare but glorious occasions, the Stork Club.

We were happy kids. We had our nest and our brothers and our girls and we were sure we would live forever in fun, as the Bob Dylan song says. Two close friends from high school, then at GWU and U. Va., Joel Block and Billy Farhood, would come up to New York for the parties, and then we would zoom around Manhattan in Billy's car at two in the morning, drunk as lords, happy as larks.

But it got better. In 1965, Larry Lissitzyn's beautiful girlfriend, Susan Sgarlat, soon to be his wife, introduced me to a tall, willowy girl at Barnard by the name of Mary Just. We dated heavily, fell in love, and I had a girlfriend who was truly devoted to me for the first time in my life. I can remember the afternoons I spent with her as the happiest times of my life up until then, and I still thank God for her. If it had not been for Mary, I am not sure I would have ever "gotten" what love is.

I owe AD for Mary in a huge way. If I had not had the self confidence that I got from the fellowship of AD, I would not have had the self confidence that Mary loved so much. I am sure if I had been an independent or a brother at another house, Mary would not have been in my life in the crucial way she was.

Plus, I owe AD for helping me get into Yale Law School. If I had not been so happy and so full of certainty in myself because of AD, I would probably not have gotten the great grades and LSAT's that got me in.

How I remember those parties, though. I would get roaring drunk and sing "Leader of the Pack" in my monotoned voice and the brothers would sing along and cheer and beg me to do it again, and I would. And, yes, I would sometimes be sick after those parties, but it was worth every moment.

Don't get me wrong. Columbia was great in many ways. I had the best senior year roommate anyone could ever want in Arthur Best. I had great teachers, especially Lowell Harriss

for economics, Robert Brustein for drama, and Professor Rothstein for Eastern European history. And I saw a lot of great movies.

But the centerpiece of it all was AD. If it had not been for AD, I am not sure what would have become of me. There surely would have been no Mary Just, and she was everything. We broke up long ago and she has a great life and I have the most wonderful wifey in history, the world's most beautiful woman, Alex Denman. I still believe it was the self confidence of AD that allowed me to pursue someone as ridiculously beautiful as my wife.

So, I owe AD much of my life. I am long past the partying phase and I have not had a drink in almost eighteen years. And now I spend many nights alone in hotel rooms trying to sleep. But as I do, I often listen to a Bob Dylan song about friends in a room laughing and singing and thinking it would go on forever. And, in a way, it does. I am still a man largely shaped by AD. I will have those memories forever. Larry Lissitzyn and I are still close buds and brothers and I hear from others from those days occasionally, especially Charlie Hughes and Tom Sanford. (I have lost track of Stuart Reynolds, whom I love with all my heart and if anyone knows where he is, please let me know.) But it's not the same. On Saturday nights now there is catching up with the *Wall Street Journal* and *Barron's* and writing my next speech. No parties, no drinking, no dancing, no Stork Club. Sad. "Ten thousand dollars, at the drop of a hat, I'd give it all gladly, if our lives could be like that," sings Bob Dylan in his song, wishing his days with his youthful friends could last, and that's the way I feel about AD. And maybe it does go on. When we were initiated, we were told that "...these bonds are not severed even by death."

I hope it's true.

XAIPE,

Ben Stein, COL '66

174th Alpha Delt Convention In Boston — A Huge Success

In August 2006, 75 undergraduate and alumni delegate brothers from 30 chapters and affiliates convened in Boston to celebrate the 174th anniversary of the fraternity, to conduct annual leadership training, and to hold a celebratory banquet. Some highlights of the convention included the following:

Br. Sam Eells, WMS '57, was Honorary Chairman, and represented the Williams Chapter, founded in 1851.

Br. Robert McKelvey, MID '59 (Wesleyan University), was granted the fraternity's highest award, the Alpha Delta Phi Award, for his decades of exceptional service to the fraternity.

Br. Ben Stein, COL '66 (Columbia University), was awarded the Samuel Eells Award for his many humorous and serious literary and artistic achievements.

Bros. David Faxon, HAM '67, and Roger Faxon, JH '70, were awarded Samuel Eells Awards for eminence in their professional worlds, David's as a cardiologist, Roger's as an entertainment executive.

Br. Robert Ludlum, MID '51, was awarded the Samuel Eells Award, posthumously, in recognition of his work as a remarkable fiction author.

New affiliates were welcomed at leading universities: Northeastern University, Brandeis

University, Duke University, and UNH.

Miami and Washington Chapter alumni announced chapter recolonization kickoffs.

Br. Steve Ehrfurth, MINN '06, was welcomed as our new chapter service consultant, replacing Br. Warren Wills, ADEL '04, who committed two arduous years of invaluable service and many miles to the fraternity.

All who attended had a worthwhile, stimulating, and memorable experience. Plans are now being made for the **175th anniversary and annual convention to be held at Hamilton College, August 2-5, 2007.** Mark your calendars!



ADP Honorary Chairman Br. Samuel Eells, Jr., WMS '57, and President Br. Jon Vick, HAM '64, presenting portrait of founder Samuel Eells, HAM 1832, to MIT Chapter on the occasion of their 30th anniversary.

Read a new article by Br. Paul Wickstrom, P '70, concerning Br. Joshua Chamberlain, BDN 1852, Governor of Maine, President of Bowdoin College, and Congressional Medal of Honor recipient (Gettysburg).

See our website:

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Joshua Chamberlain

174th Convention Awards

Alpha Delta Phi Award

Robert G. McKelvey, MID '59 (Wesleyan University)

Samuel Eells Awards

J. Robert Ludlum, MID '51
Jeremy Benjamin Stein, COL '66
David P. Faxon, HAM '67
Roger C. Faxon, JH '70

Board of Governors Award

Peter D. Shore, UN '77
John (Jay) Flynn II, MASS '85 (Announced)
Peter Luiso, NEZ Affiliate '04 (Northeastern U.)

E.O. Blackman Chapter Excellence Award

British Columbia

Most Improved Chapters

Peninsular (U. of Michigan); Illinois

Andrew Onderdonk Alumni Association Excellence Award

Cornell Alumni Association

Most Improved Alumni Association

Johns Hopkins

Robert G. McKelvey Award for Academic Excellence

Amherst Affiliate

Chapter Newsletter Award

Cornell

Chapter Service Consultant Awards

Presidents of the Year

Nicholas Black, JH '06
Daniel Eagan, JH '06

Outstanding Chapter Recruitment

Johns Hopkins

Outstanding Chapter Philanthropy

British Columbia

Outstanding Literary Program

Rochester

Found Brothers Award

Phi Kappa (Trinity College)

MANUS MULTAE COR UNUM MANY HANDS, ONE HEART



Let me counsel you to be faithful to yourself.
Inspect the motives of your actions.
Speak what you believe.
Always practice entire truthfulness.
Let your voice ever be heard on the side of liberty and human rights, and hate every sort of oppression.
Make no compromise with injustice, and defend the injured and oppressed even at the peril of your life.

Samuel Eells, 1810-1842

174th Alpha Delt Convention 2006

Photos thanks to Br. Roger Deschner, CHI '77, and Br. Phil Ballard, COR '00



Br. Peter Shore, UN '77, receiving Board of Governors Award from Br. Mark Larson, WIS '75, MINN '01, in recognition of many years of dedicated and outstanding service to the Union Chapter and to the fraternity.



Warren Wills ADEL '04, congratulates Ben Graham, BC '07, and Steve Graham, BC '93, winners of the E.O. Blackman Chapter Excellence Award for Best Chapter.



Jonathan Hartmann, ILL '07, and Tom Livingston, ILL '89, receiving one of the Most Improved Chapter Awards.



Br. Ed Donahue, JH '68, congratulates Br. Jay Flynn, MA '85, for receiving the BOG Award for his outstanding expansion efforts to four new campuses.



Bros. Doug Bond, COR '66, Jamil Karmali, COR '09, and Philip Ballard, COR '00 receiving awards for Best Alumni Association and Best Newsletter.

Seward Scholarships

Seward Scholarships Awards Chairman:
Larry R. Seidel, CHI '71

2006 Seward Scholarship Winners:

Steve Jacobs, CAL '08
Patrick Kavanagh, COR '07
Kevin Barmish, COR '07
Paul Berg, COL '08
John Shekitka, COL '07
Scott Bierbryer, JH '08

All received a \$600 Scholarship



Alpha Delta Phi Literary Awards 2006

Literary Awards Chairman: T. Quincy McDonald, VIR '96

Literary Competition Winners:

Grand Prize - \$1,000

Michael Nelson, PEN '08
"The Greatest that Ever Lived"

Fiction:

1st Place: Zachary Jones, COR '06
"Wings Like Bees, Claws Like Angels"

2nd Place: Alec Immerman, R '05
"Sorority Soup"

Nonfiction:

1st Place: Martin Estevao, S '07
"The Black Mesa Conflict"

2nd Place: Matthew Dong, BRN '07
"The Magic School Bus"

3rd Place: Christopher Warren, HAM '07
"Kant's Enlightenment and the Spread of Environmental Degradation"

Poetry:

1st Place: Vanessa Schneider, COL '07
"Making Space"

2nd Place: Andrew Gerba, JH '08
"Just Another Sunday Morning"

3rd Place: Katherine Jovin, BRN '07
"Request"

Photography:

1st Place: Sam Hillier, WIS '06
"Lonely Fisherman"

2nd Place: Alexander Pearlman, R '07
"Islas flotas"

3rd Place: John Komarek, MINN '07
"Video"

1st place winners receive \$100
2nd place winners receive \$50
3rd place winners receive \$25

From The President: Our Shared Goals And Accomplishments Make Us Proud To Be Alpha Delta Phi Alumni

Dear Fellow Alpha Delt,

Welcome to this year's fall issue of *XAIPE*! I am pleased to report that The Alpha Delta Phi is strong and growing, and accomplishing its goal of providing an environment that stimulates the development of future leaders. My sincere hope is that you will find these articles both interesting and informative.

Please take some time to read the wonderful story of how ADP helped to shape the life of writer/lawyer/economist/actor **Br. Ben Stein, COL '66**. Read about our expansion to four new campuses, and our recolonization at our Miami and Washington Chapters. Read about author and fellow Alpha Delt brother **John Lubetkin, UN '60**, and his book *Jay Cooke's Gamble*, about the Northern Pacific Railroad, the Sioux, and the panic of 1873. Also, peruse the Convention summary and see what fine work our undergraduates and alumni are doing and being recognized for—everything from recognition of writer **Robert Ludlum, MID '51**, and American Rhodes Scholar Association Secretary **Robert McKelvey, MID '59**, to awarding of many literary awards for undergraduate works.

With your help, we continue to make significant advances in our initiatives to make ADP more relevant on each of our campuses and to create an environment that facilitates our founder's goal of "developing the **whole being**: moral, social, and intellectual." Our efforts focus on these three attributes, each of

which strengthens our chapters and integrates each chapter with its community and host institution:

1. Moral leadership: Our members are philanthropic leaders, and each chapter is judged on its philanthropic efforts and is expected to espouse socially important causes, from teaching inner-city kids to raising money for battered women's shelters.

2. Social leadership: Our members are social leaders, and our chapters recruit campus leaders. Recruitment of new members is increasing and we are regularly being approached by young men from leading institutions to form or recolonize new chapters.

3. Intellectual leadership: We are making excellent progress in reclaiming our literary leadership through freshmen writing competitions, the annual ADP Literary Competition, sponsored speakers, and chapter literary readings. Our goal of being a leading academic fraternity is bearing fruit: the North-American Interfraternity Council (NIC) in February reported that academically, ADP ranked 7th out of 69 with a GPA of 3.02.

In addition, we are constantly working to make sure that we get the most out of every dollar you give. To this end, I am pleased to announce that, as of July 1, 2006, **all alumni contributions will be tax-deductible**. Your contributions will be

received by, and acknowledged by, the Samuel Eells Literary and Educational Foundation (SELEF). One hundred percent of the funds donated to SELEF are used for leadership development and operational training that are provided to every chapter. This closer working relationship with SELEF allows us to reflect more accurately how our money is used, and allows alumni to rightfully claim a tax deduction for their contributions to our fraternity.

Our continuing success is a result of the efforts of many committed alumni, working together, towards a common goal. Some give financially, some give of their time, and some give both. No matter how you choose to give, we should all feel proud of the significant strides we are making in energizing our fraternity. This publication is, in part, a celebration of who we are and what we are doing together.

As a member of our fraternity, I hope you read this issue of *XAIPE* with the same sense of pride that we have in putting it together for you.



Jon Vick, HAM '64

Fraternally yours,

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

Planned Giving Opportunities For Alpha Delt

Chapters and the International may soon be able to raise a great deal more money from alumni, given the work of a special International committee on planned giving. New information to be distributed by the International will help Alpha Delt fundraisers talk to donor prospects about bequests, gift annuities, and other giving vehicles that can greatly benefit both the donor and the fraternity.

The Planned Giving concept has been under study for more than a year and has received significant impetus following the appointment in April 2006 of a Planned Giving Committee, members listed below. The committee members are brothers who have knowledge and expertise in this field and have expressed a strong desire to contribute to this effort.

This program is designed to be an addition and complement to the other various annual giving solicitations that will continue to be offered to the membership. Articles in future

issues of *XAIPE* will provide information and ideas illustrating how aspects of this concept might be useful in the personal financial planning of many brothers.

Studies of philanthropic behavior indicate that the most significant motivation to make a gift is the individual's involvement and commitment to the purpose and programs of an organization. Major strides have been made by Alpha Delta Phi in fostering closer ties with all members of the fraternity through *XAIPE*, letters, e-mail, phone-athon, alumni organizations, websites, literary positioning, literary contests, Conventions and other forms of communication.

The timing of this announcement is particularly significant in view of the ability of members to use the financial leverage offered by gifting to the Samuel Eells Literary and Educational Foundation (SELEF), a 501(c)(3) Organization.

Use of SELEF as the avenue for Planned Gifts offers many possible tax advantages,

since the gifts may be income- and/or estate tax-deductible for U.S. brothers.

If you would like to have details, on a confidential basis, of how Planned Giving opportunities might be of help to you and to Alpha Delta Phi, please call or write to the Committee at Alpha Delta Phi Headquarters:

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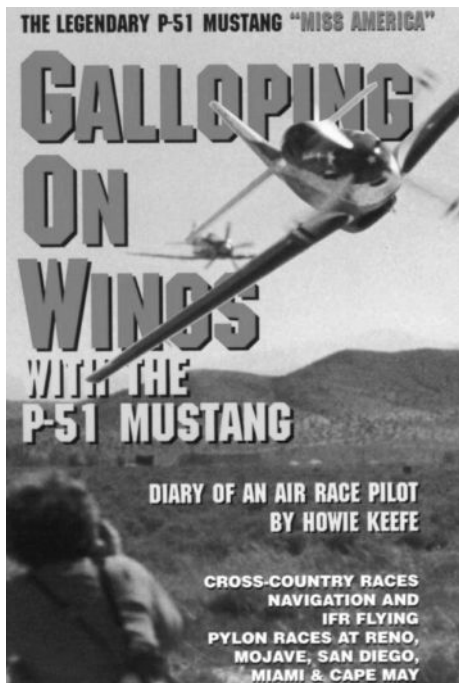
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Literary Accomplishments By Writers Of The Alpha Delta Phi



Galloping on Wings With the P-51 Mustang by Howie Keefe, HAM '42

America's most famous fighter of World War II—the P-51 Mustang—is well known for its wide-ranging exploits during World War II and Korea, but its post-military history is extraordinarily well captured by our fellow Alpha Delt, Howie Keefe, HAM '42, in his 2001 book, *Galloping on Wings*.

While thousands of these extraordinary aircraft were reduced to raw aluminum by the late 1950s and early 1960s, the military sold many for civilian use. To do so, each was re-registered as either “experimental” or “limited” category, demilitarized and converted, with more modern radios, often a small “jump” seat behind the pilot, and additional in-wing fuel tanks for longer range (in place of the gun bays). One company in Florida made a name for itself converting Mustangs and adding a second set of controls for training.



Howie Keefe, HAM '42

These Mustangs were fast, inexpensive, high-performance aircraft without peer in the pre-jet civilian market. Of these, a small number became racers and helped spur the rebirth of unlimited Air Racing in the United States in 1964.

Howie Keefe, a pre-eminent pilot and racer, tells the story of one of these aircraft (“Miss America”) and shares with the reader the joys, challenges, ironies and first-person stories that everyone can enjoy.

As one of Alpha Delt's other Reno racers, I enthusiastically recommend this great book.

Reviewed by Fred Telling, HAM '72

Jay Cooke's Gamble by M. John Lubetkin, UN '60

It's rare that the first paragraph of any book opens with a story of petty larceny from one of our chapter houses, but *Jay Cooke's Gamble* does just that and is one of the reasons that this well crafted, thoroughly documented narrative is so intriguing.

Jay Cooke's Gamble is an in-depth look at an important facet of American and western history, the first attempt at the construction of the Northern Pacific Railroad, and the personalities and motivations that led to its failure. The author, M. John Lubetkin, UN '60, has chosen his subject well.

Railroads in the 19th century were akin to computers today. They made communication and transportation faster and easier with far-reaching consequences for all aspects of life. The investment required to construct them represented a significant economic stimulus. And, they were potentially enormously profitable, not least because of

the extensive land grants that accompanied the rights of way.

The cast of characters associated with the venture reads like a Who's Who of prominent figures of the time, including Jay Cooke (the “financier of the Civil War”), Sitting Bull, General Custer, generals from both sides in the Civil War, and President Grant's nephew, not to mention assorted governors, Congressmen and politicians.

The book is meticulously researched. While some of the events have been the subject of previous scholarship, Brother Lubetkin brings to light much new information, obtained from letters, manuscripts, and other sources, that has not been published before.

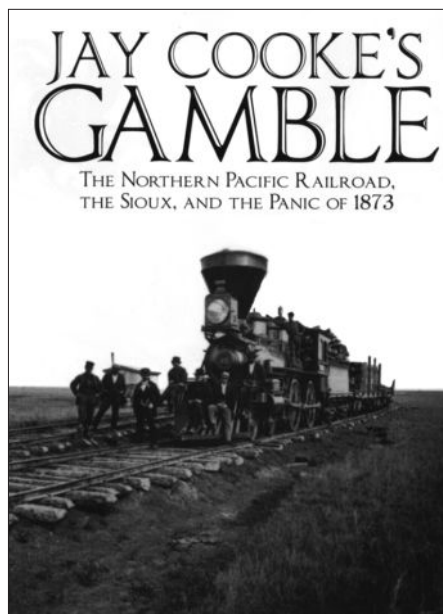
The book also provides diverting detail on the development of the steam locomotive, a comparison of alternative transportation systems in the mid-19th century, the effect of European illnesses on

native American populations, and the evolution of land surveying tools and techniques.

This is a high-quality book with scores of pictures and over a dozen excellent maps that

help explain the action. This book makes a significant contribution to the history of the United States and the West. It is scholarship of a high order, but manages to make the story available and interesting to the general reader.

Reviewed by Paul M. Baltay, UN '62



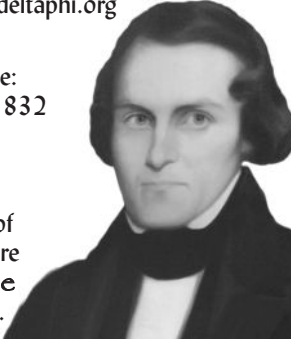
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News From Our Recolonizing Chapters

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

Miami Chapter (Founded 1835)

Miami Chapter Recolonizing In Renovated House

For two full years, the 1880's-vintage Alpha Delt mansion at Miami University has stood dark and empty—but no more. In late August, three graduate advisors moved into the partially renovated house—the first stage of the long-sought reestablishment of the fraternity's second chapter.

Miami Alpha Delt alumni have been working hard to restart the undergraduate chapter ever since the house was closed in 2003. To date, alumni have donated more than \$400,000 toward the extensive renovations. They've also contributed hundreds of man-hours toward renovation work and, now, toward undergraduate rush. Informal recruiting activities began in early September, with the help of International Chapter Service Consultant Steve Ehrfurth and a team of Miami alumni recruited and led by Rocco Manzo '86.

"Our location, the promise of a renovated house, and our heritage as Miami's oldest fraternity have attracted a lot of quality undergrads—including several great legacies," said Manzo. Manzo lives in Pittsburgh but visits Oxford regularly as an active member of Miami's alumni association. "When I graduated, I really thought I'd seen the last of rush," said Manzo, "but I'm glad to do whatever I can for the cause."

The grad students who moved into the house in August will provide organizational

assistance to the new chapter and make it possible for the new brothers to use the house for meetings and functions. Informal rush will be conducted throughout the fall, and formal rush in January. The new recruits will move into the renovated house in August 2007.

Many Hands, One Heart, the chapter's alumni fundraising campaign, continues to raise funds with urgency. "The level of renovation we need will cost at least \$500,000," said Stefan Davis '72, who chairs the chapter corporation board. "But alumni support has been so strong, we're confident of success."

"For months, we've had a banner on the front of the house that says 'Reopening 2006-2007,'" said Manzo. "It's great to see it so close to happening."

Washington Chapter (Founded 1921)

Washington Chapter Holds Class Reunions and Plans Recolonization

The Pacific Northwest Alumni of Alpha Delta Phi hosted a well-attended alumni reception on May 3 at the Broadmoor Country Club, and the classes of 1956 and 1986 celebrated their 50-year and 20-year reunions, respectively, on September 22 and 23. The tugboat carrying our '86 brothers was seen on a nationally televised broadcast of the UW/UCLA football game, in which our beloved Dawgs came back from a 16 to zip half-time deficit to defeat the Bruins 29-19. Troll a Steve...and Bow Down To Washington.

Our handsome English Tudor chapter house continues to be rented out as a boarding house this fall (at about break-even). Thanks to the efforts of numerous dedicated and loyal alumni,

our Recolonization Task Force, chaired by Bob Davis, has successfully secured financial commitments to proceed with our plan to recolonize our undergraduate chapter in fall 2007.

Needed: A Chapter Consultant For The Pacific Northwest

The Pacific Northwest Alumni of Alpha Delta Phi wants to hire a charismatic, results-oriented leader to help recolonize its undergraduate chapter at the University of Washington. The successful candidate will have a track record of leadership, including experience as a rush chair, international field representative, or high ranking chapter officer, preferably including responsibility for executing one or more fraternity chapter recolonization or expansion campaigns.

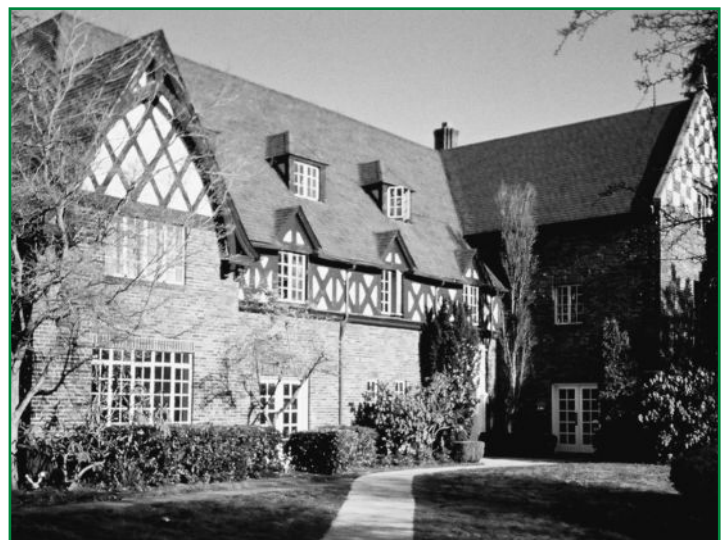
Required: Demonstrated initiative, networking, self-management, recruiting, leadership, teamwork and organizational savvy. Strongly Preferred: Database and direct marketing knowledge and experience. Twelve month initial term commencing as early as January 1, 2007, renewable for an additional 12-month term for a job well done.

Compensation will consist of a full ride undergraduate or graduate tuition scholarship to the University of Washington (up to \$22,000 per year for non-residents), suite room and board, a \$500/month stipend/salary, management of a mutually agreeable recruiting budget, and access through our distinguished alumni network to career job interviews with virtually any major corporation or firm in the Pacific Northwest.

Send cover letter and resume to the attention of Mike Self at mike@lakeunioncap.com. Please send an e-mail copy (cc) to Brad Furber at bradfurber@yahoo.com.



Preparing to recolonize the historic Miami Chapter, from l. to r., Bros. Doug Thompson '91, Dave Steiner '91, Tim Rupp '91, and Ted Sullivan '91.



The Washington Chapter House