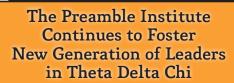


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PGL Letter

From Rick Wood, Gamma Triton '73 (Michigan State)

eing part of Theta Delta Chi, a brotherhood founded on mutual esteem and dependence, means being part of an organization with a set of values that are displayed to an audience greater than just the 22,000 living alumni of our proud organization. As I have come to know many of the undergraduate and alumni members of our organization over the past 40 years, the benefit of living these values has become more and more apparent.

We have so many alumni who give freely and willingly to their local Charges to help provide values-based leadership mentoring. Among those are Gamma Deuteron (Michigan) and Upsilon Deuteron (Wabash). At both charges, alumni have stepped up to the plate to mentor and provide support for the perpetuation of our values. At both of these Charges, the alumni have literally provided on site coaching and mentoring of undergraduates in the management of their house, budgeting and other brotherhood issues. These alumni lead by example in providing advice and guidance without interfering in the day to day issues.

On the undergraduate front, the brothers at Lambda Triton (Rutgers) and Beta (Cornell) have provided examples of what our values mean in the world beyond the local Charge House. They, again, are living the values articulated by our founders. The brothers at Rutgers have provided a valuable service to the autism community through the BrosUniteD program, while the brothers at Cornell literally saved the life of an

undergraduate on their campus who had been beaten. In both cases, they show what it means to be a Theta Delt and what "mutual esteem and dependence" means, not just within our brotherhood, but in our relationship with our community.

As we move into a new era of the fraternity, an era where the Preamble Institute rivals the annual Convention in its importance, the Charitos Society is re-uniting brothers around the country, and the fraternity is expanding its membership into long dormant charges and establishing new ones, our values-centered living takes center stage. Theta Delts around the country are a beacon of excellence that many can envy. When asked, please become a living example of what it means to be a member of Theta Delta Chi. Provide the most valuable thing we all have, our time.

To help in making this happen, we have established the Director of Development as a full-time Central Fraternity Office position. My predecessor, Eric Kelley, the 63rd President of the Grand Lodge, has assumed this role and is coordinating numerous Charitos events around the country. In addition to organizing, he will also be actively engaging alumni in developing stronger alumni organizations to help support our local Charges. Please consider attending a Charitos event in your area to re-connect with old friends and network with new ones, or better yet, consider becoming a mentor for a Charge or finding other ways to improve your community through a commitment to the values that we hold dear.

I am honored and humbled to serve as the 64th President of the Grand Lodge and can say with confidence that if we continue our dedication to the ideals that our founders set forward in 1847, as alumni and as undergraduates, the benefits that our organization can bring to those around us is limitless.

Sail away, sail away, sail away!

We are excited to announce the first ever overseas Charitos Event! Brothers will be spending 11 nights exploring Southern France in April 2014 on a 45 person private river ship with their friends and families. After three nights in Paris, we will sail from Macon to Arles on the Rhône River, with a final night in Nice on the French Riviera to top it off. The package includes most meals and tours as well as lodging and will cost between \$3-\$4K per person (plus airfare). In addition, 10% of your trip cost will be donated back to the Educational Foundation in your name. This is by far the most exciting way to give VGDues to date!

Space is limited so please contact Eric Kelley at **ekelley@tdx.org** with your interest.

New Charterings

Theta Delta Chi welcomes one revived and one completely new Charge into the fold this spring. Tau Tetraton (first of the "tetratons") is expected to receive its charter at ceremonies at the CFO on March 16th. Tau Tetraton is located at Johnson and Wales University in Providence, Rhode Island, and will benefit from proximity both to the CFO and to our Zeta Charge at Brown University.

Xi Triton, briefly active at SUNY Albany in the late 1990s, returns stronger than before with a 50-man group that is expected to receive its charter in or near Albany, NY on April 6th. Xi Triton's small but loyal body of alumni has been deeply engaged in the process that has led to their Charge's big comeback.

Contact Mike Houlihan at mhoulihan@tdx.org for more information.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Midwinter Meetings and Tau Tetraton Chartering March 16, 2013 CFO, Boston

Xi Triton Chartering
April 6, 2013
Albany area; venue to be announced

Convention 2013

August 7-10

University of Washington Campus and the Deca Hotel, Seattle. Xi Deuts will rally to celebrate the Charge's 100th anniversary. See pages 10-11 in this issue.

Gamma Deuts Rally

After fifteen years "in the wilderness," the Gamma Deuteron Charge at the University of Michigan has repossessed and reoccupied their landmark property at 700 South State Street in Ann Arbor. Last October 13, they celebrated with a huge reunion crowd at Homecoming (pictured).



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SOCIETY?

By Director of Development Eric Kelley, Sigma Triton '04 (Penn State)

If you're a regular reader of *The Shield* or if you visit our website, you've probably seen the name *Charitos Society* tossed around once or twice. In this issue as well, you can see that we've recognized the 103 current members of the Society as well as those Xi Deuteron and Gamma Deuteron brothers who are recognized as members by virtue of their extraordinary support of their Charges' capital campaigns. As we recognize these names of brothers who have made the decision to give over and above what is expected, you may wonder be left wondering what really the Charitos Society is all about?

When we run our annual VG Dues campaign, which is imperative for the long term viability of our organization, we are focused on supporting our undergraduate men because the alumni who came before us did the same, so that we had the resources to be successful. We give with that same purpose in mind, so that our men have access to scholarships and grants and can attend programs such as the Preamble Institute, which is essentially a gift from alumni who are "paying it forward." As a fraternity, many of you have

heard the paradigm that Theta Delta Chi is "not just four years, but for life." I believe we have a lot of opportunity to improve what we do in living this value. And this is where the Charitos Society will become a game-changer for us.

The goal for the Charitos Society is to have an active regional alumni association in every major metropolitan area across North America. These alumni associations will provide intellectual, philanthropic and social opportunities for brothers and their families after graduation. As recent graduates leave their familiar campuses for new cities, we will provide an opportunity for mentoring and networking. And we will ensure that Theta Delta Chi provides a meaningful experience for all of our members after graduation, outside the walls of the Charge house. I believe that because we are a small, selective fraternity, it will be easier to share this dream with our membership and keep beating the drum about the advantages of active alumni involvement within Theta Delta Chi. If we build a collaborative idea about what this experience looks like, we will not just be successful, but

we will also have the opportunity to be a leader in the fraternal community when it comes to alumni development and engagement.

Recognition in the Charitos Society is awarded to those brothers who pledge to support the Theta Delta Chi Educational Foundation at an elevated level annually. The initiative of what the Charitos Society hopes to accomplish will benefit the entirety of the brotherhood. But to strengthen our alumni network on a larger scale, which involves additional investment, we needed these brothers to make this pledge to go over and above what is asked of them in terms of financial support.

I look forward to renewing the bonds of brotherhood with those men whom I was blessed to meet during my four years as Director of Expansion and to forging new friendships with those brothers whom I had not met personally. I thank the members of the Charitos Society for going well above their brotherly duty and supporting a dream that I believe will benefit all of us and our families.

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Welcome to the Charitos Society

The Charitos Society of Theta Delta Chi would like to recognize the following men from Gamma Deuteron (University of Michigan) and Xi Deuteron (University of Washington) as members of its ranks for 2012 thanks to their support of their local capital campaigns at Charitos level giving.

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Brothers from the Denver area gathered for lunch on January 19th before exploring the Becoming Van Gogh exhibition at the Denver Art Museum: (center) Wallace Moore, Kappa '54; (left to right) Tod Stenger, Sigma Triton '93, Justin Hopson, Sigma Triton '92, Elizabeth Yarnell, Eta '91, Eric Davila, Psi Deuteron '91, Charles Jackson, Eta '59, Mike Normann, Epsilon Triton '95, Eric Kelley, Sigma Triton '04, Robert Marchbank '82, Mike Marso, Sigma Triton '12, Rich Manzer, Beta Deuteron '88.



Brothers from the Charlotte, NC area gathered for dinner on January 10th (left to right): Robert Hallman, Epsilon '82, Alex Koch, Nu '10, Mark Nelson, Gamma Deuteron '78, Jim MacCrea, Beta Deuteron '04, Matt Conley, Rho Proteron '10, James Butler, Rho Proteron '10, Eric Kelley, Sigma Triton '04, Kyle Schustak. Beta '10.

Charitos in Minneapolis

The Guthrie Theatre along the Mississippi River in Minneapolis hosted 18 brothers and spouses from Charges at Iowa State University, University of Minnesota, University of Wisconsin, and Northwestern University on December 15, 2012. This Charitos Society underwritten event included a private back stage tour, dinner, and a performance of the Italian comedy — "The Servant of Two Masters". The back stage tour won rave reviews while the brotherhood and camaraderie during dinner gave proof that our fraternity is founded on mutual esteem that spans Charges and generations. The performance could be described using a wide variety of adjectives - timeless, humorous, confusing, contemporary, risqué, and playfully crude all at the same time!! All of the brothers and their spouses had a wonderful time and we are already looking forward to a Spring 2013 Minneapolis event, most likely a private suite and tour at a Minnesota Twins baseball game based on the dinner conversation.

In the Bonds, TODD KRUSE, Beta Deuteron '88

Charitos in Tacoma

Tacoma opened its car doors and revved its engines for Charitos!

A crisp cool sunny January day greeted 43 guests who lunched and toured at the LeMay Car Museum in Tacoma Washington. Our group spanned several charges and generations from the 50's to the newly graduated. The group mingled and dined at the Harmon Brewery and Eatery, then rode the Tacoma Link light rail a few blocks to the new LeMay Car Museum.

Inside we found 250 plus cars of all models, years, and history greeting us as we strolled through the museum's four levels. We saw over 110 years of automotive marvels in superb condition. Guided tours gave us background stories on the owners, manufacturing, and features of the cars. Some of us tested our skills on the high speed slot car tack, or the 3-D and pneumatic racing simulators.

We had a great afternoon seeing old friends and making new ones and we're looking forward to this summer and the 166th Convention in Seattle.

In the Bonds,

TY FENTON, Xi Deuteron '75

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A Theta Delt for Life

With this issue of The Shield we kick off the 2013 Voluntary Graduate Dues campaign.

lumni support enables the Foundation to realize its mission to promote education and brotherhood for each new generation of undergraduate Theta Delts, affording them the opportunity to enjoy the rewards, responsibilities and pleasures of fraternity membership.

This year we have expanded our grants program to assist Charges that hold philanthropic events supporting Autism Speaks, and The Preamble Institute continues to be more successful year after year. We are making a difference because alumni have shown the generosity to ensure that today's undergraduates have even more advantages than we did.

Sincere fraternal thanks to our loyal and generous alumni listed in the Honor Roll of Giving for honoring their pledge to lifelong support of a "friendship founded on mutual esteem and dependence."

Contributions to the Educational Foundation are tax deductible in the United States and support scholarships, grants and loans to our charges in need, fraternity publications, alumni associations/house corporations, and undergraduate leadership training workshops.

CHECKS SHOULD BE MADE PAYABLE TO: "Theta Delta Chi Educational Foundation, Inc." and mailed in the envelope in this issue to 214 Lewis Wharf, Boston, MA 02110. You can also give electronically by going to www.TDX.org, selecting the link to VG Dues, and filling in the amount of your gift and credit card information. Many brothers have also enjoyed the new option to set recurring monthly donations to make supporting the foundation even easier.

To all of you who gave in 2012 and all of you who will join their ranks in 2013 we thank you. Our fraternity is flourishing because of your dedication to the Old Lady.

ERIC KELLEY, Sigma Triton '04 (Penn State) Director of Development



Recognizing our Donors

"One Hundred Percenters" are donors who have made at least one gift for each year since earning a baccalaureate degree and are listed in **boldface**. If you have never paid VG Dues or are a lapsed donor interested in learning how you can become a 100%er (donor credit for every year since graduation), please let us know. We have devised a reasonably painless and affordable method for those who would like to catch up on those missing years.

- Drop a note to Eric Kelley c/o TDX, 214 Lewis Wharf, Boston, MA 02110 or
- email Eric at ekelley@tdx.org. or
- check the appropriate box on the VG Dues reply envelope in this issue.

Theta Delta Chi is pleased to honor alumni who loyally support the Educational Foundation with membership in the following **cumulative giving** clubs:

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All past and future gifts of cash, securities and other tangible property on record will be credited toward membership in these giving clubs. Active donors with contributions at these levels will receive annual recognition in *The Shield*. Thank you for your continued generosity, which is vital to the development of today's and tomorrow's Theta Delts.

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"For me, Fraternity's not just about the guys you knew during your years in school. This is a lifetime pursuit," Betts explained. "(Since disbanding), I've met brothers coming out of the woodwork, coming back to make sure we succeed in the future. This really means a lot to me because look how much it means to these guys. They've got a wife and kids and they still find the time to come back and support Rho Triton."

John Harding '81 agrees. "I've met people like Taylor (Early) and Mike "Moondawg" Mullins '92, who I would not know if it weren't for Rho Triton, people in your life maybe 20 to 30 years younger who you want to know more about," Harding said. "I met (Mullins) some 20 or 30 years later and he had stories about me I hadn't heard myself. That connection... you can't replace that."

Just think of it. Since going "inactive," Rho Triton has published trimesterly newsletters, adopted philanthropies, revitalized scholarships, and launched a blistering social agenda aside from magnifying their already intimidating presence court side.

If you didn't know any better, you might think Rho Triton was still up and kickin'. But you do, and they are.

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Theta Delta Chi & Autism Speaks U

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In November 2011 Theta Delta Chi adopted Autism Speaks U as its official international philanthropy. Charges across the country support the mission of Autism Speaks through awareness and fundraising events, as well as peer-mentoring buddy programs for individuals on the autism spectrum.

ll Theta Delta Chi Charges work directly with Autism Speaks U, an initiative of Autism Speaks that supports college students in their awareness, advocacy and fundraising efforts. Since its inaugural event in 2006, Autism Speaks U events and student organized Walk Now for Autism Speaks teams have raised over \$1.5 million! For more information, visit AutismSpeaks.org/U.

About Autism Speaks

Autism Speaks is North America's leading autism science and advocacy organization. Their goal is to change the future for all those affected by autism spectrum disorders. The four pillars of Autism Speaks mission are:

- To raise awareness about autism;
- To fund research into the causes, prevention, more effective treatments and a cure for autism;
- To advocate for the needs of individuals with autism and their families;
- To provide information and tools for people with autism as well as their parents and families.

They aim to bring the autism community together as one strong voice in order to take action to address this urgent public health crisis.



Members of the Xi Charge at Hobart and William Smith Colleges recruited over 75 participants to play in the tournament. The Charge claimed it was their most successful philanthropy event yet!



Autism Awareness Month & Light It Up Blue

Q: Why is April important?

A: April is Autism Awareness Month and Autism Speaks kicks off the month with its Light It Up Blue Campaign on April 2!

Q: What is Light It Up Blue?

A: Autism Speaks created Light It Up Blue as a way for people around the world to celebrate World Autism Awareness Day on April 2. Iconic buildings, landmarks and schools across the country will turn their lights blue in honor of World Autism Awareness Day.

Q: Who should Charges contact on campus to light up buildings blue?

A: Start by downloading the Participation Letter Template at http://bit.ly/liublettertemplate. Modify the letter with your school's information, bring to the Student Activities Office and ask them to Light It Up Blue! They will work with you directly or point you in the right direction. If the there is an Autism Speaks U and/or Alpha Xi Delta chapter work together to light it up blue.

- Q: If my campus is unable to light up a building blue on April 2, but can later in the month, can we still participate?
- A: ABSOLUTELY! April is Autism Awareness Month, and the school can light up a building, statue, monument, etc. any time throughout the month.
- Q: How can my campus "literally" light up a building blue?
- A: The school's facilities manager will be able to discuss what lighting options are available. Generally the school can change the white light bulbs to blue ones or place a blue gel or filter over the existing lights, inexpensively.



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Theta Delta Chi's Signature Event: Autism Speaks U DodgeBrawl DodgeB

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Autism Speaks U DodgeBrawl was specifically created for Theta Delta Chi Charges to host annually with at least one sorority of their choosing and any additional Greek organizations and student clubs. This tournament allows Charges across the U.S. and Canada to come together and raise autism awareness on campus while supporting their international philantropy, Autism Speaks U!

Throughout the tournament, teams compete to earn points and ultimately become the Autism Speaks U DodgeBrawl winner.

Members of the Nu Triton Charge at Virginia Tech worked with their campus' Autism Speaks U chapter to raise over \$2,600 and recruit more than 29 teams to participate in the tournament.





Members of the **Eta** Deuteron Charge at Stanford University partnered with Kappa Alpha Theta to raise over \$2,900 and recruit over 200 participants to play in the tournament.

Has your Charge started planning their 2013 tournament? Visit http://bit.ly/PBPWJy to get started and download the step by step planning guide.

In Fall 2012, Charges at Hobart and William Smith Colleges, Binghamton University, Penn State, Stanford University and Virginia Tech hosted their first Autism Speaks U DodgeBrawl Tournament.





chapter and Delta Phi Epsilon.

What YOU Have Helped Autism Speaks Fund

Every dollar Theta Delta Chi raises, helps make a difference to the families and individuals affected by autism. Since 2005, your tireless efforts have helped Autism Speaks fund the following:

million

32 States with Autism insurance

Studies & **Clinical Trials** in areas of sleep disturbances, improve social skills, and effective medical and behavioral treatments

17 Autism Treatment Network sites across North America

Million

Q: How can my Charge participate in Light It Up Blue and **Autism Awareness Month?**

- A: Check out these seven EASY ways to participate and help raise autism awareness throughout April.
 - 1. Light up a building on campus and stand out front to distribute fact cards on why it's "blue!"
 - 2. Decorate your school's mascot or statue in blue swag.
 - 3. Illuminate your fraternity house and invite other Greek Life Organizations to also light up their house blue.
 - 4. Plan a "wear all blue day" for the Charge and invite all students and faculty members to participate.
 - 5. Host a fundraiser on campus or in the community (ex: blue bagel eating contest, spare change campaign, BBQ, restaurant night, etc.).
 - 6. Have the school place Autism Awareness Ads on their campus TVs and new stations, or post signs all over campus.
 - 7. Table on campus and distribute autism awareness materials (reach out to your local Autism Speaks contact for items!).



To receive Light It Up Blue materials, email autismspeaksu@autismspeaks.org to confirm your Charge's participation!

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166TH CONVENTION

Seattle Beckons as Xi Deuteron Turns 100

Theta Delts and their spouses, partners, and friends will converge on Seattle August 7-10 (Wednesday through Saturday) for the 166th Convention, honoring the Centennial of our University of Washington Charge.

busy calendar (see Convention Schedule, p. 12) will include two events especially designed to bring the Xi Deuts back from all corners of the globe: an opening Reception at the Charge House on Wednesday evening and the Grand Banquet at the renowned Museum of Flight on Saturday.

The Xi Deuteron House Corporation is co-sponsoring these events with the Grand Lodge and has leased most of the space of the Museum for Saturday afternoon and evening, so attendees can do a full tour of the exhibits prior to the evening's festivities.

A major highlight for out-of-towners will be a Dinner Cruise on Thursday 08/08/13 on the Lady Mary, departing from downtown Seattle for Blake Island, where we will disembark for an historic tour and full salmon dinner, prior to returning to Seattle.

The Omega Service will take place Friday morning under the direction of the Rev. Kevin Beder, Xi Deut '76, and will honor not only all who have passed into Omega since the last Convention, but also all Xi Deuterons who have entered Omega since the founding of the Charge.

Alumni may take advantage of our room block at the Deca Hotel (see registration instructions p. 11), which is within walking distance of the Charge House and the meeting and daytime dining venues. Undergraduate delegates will be housed in North Campus dormitories.

Full registration will include debit cards for use for breakfast and lunch for Thursday, Friday, and Saturday at McMahon Hall's dining facility. Meetings will be held in North Campus university facilities.

Friday evening has been left open for Convention attendees to take advantage of some of Seattle's many attractions; many will be heading to Safeco Field to watch the Seattle Mariners play the Milwaukee Brewers.

Xi Deut at 100

In addition to hosting the 166th Convention, Xi Deuteron will hold its 100th Anniversary Celebration starting with the Wednesday welcoming reception at the Charge House. The house and parking lot will be transformed into a European-style street cafe with gourmet food truck, including the 2011 Good Morning America "Best Food Truck in the USA," Marination Mobile. The house and Charge Room will be open for tours where Brothers can see our collection of Ritual trophies, and locals can time warp to the '70s disco shirts and 80's hair in our old composite

The highlight for Xi Deuts will be the Centennial Reunion on Saturday at the magnificent Museum of Flight at Boeing Field. Early birds can tour the museum starting at 4:00pm; at 6:00pm all will gather next to the Great Gallery for mementos and exhibits of 100 years of Xi Deuteron, founded in 1913. Rekindle the fires of friendship, share true and just slightly embellished stories, and reconnect with Brothers you haven't seen in years in an unmatched setting of aviation history from the first Boeing biplane to the Space Shuttle. At 8:00, we'll dine next to the SR-71 Blackbird at the culmination of Convention week, the Grand Banquet. Don't miss this once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to celebrate Xi Deut's past and toast its future!

166TH CONVENTION

166th Convention Registration at www.tdxconvention.org

Undergraduate delegates: Do not register at the TDX website. You receive a full package and your Charge is directly invoiced

HOTEL:

THE DECA HOTEL, 4507 Brooklyn Avenue NE, Seattle, WA 98105, a few blocks from the Xi Deut House, is the Convention Hotel for alumni (Undergrad Delegates will be housed in campus facilities) and is offering rooms at \$159 per night. Book directly with them at 1 (800) 899-0251, or by fax to 1 (206) 545-2103, or by e-mail reservations@hoteldeca.com, no later than July 15, 2013, to take advantage of this rate. When you book, mention "Theta Delta Chi event."

I. FULL REGISTRATIONS:

A. Non-delegate Undergraduates (includes delegation 2013):

OPTION I: includes on-campus lodging (4 nights) as well as all sponsored meals and events: Wednesday Charge House reception food; Thursday, Friday, Saturday, and Sunday breakfasts (McMahon Hall); Thursday, Friday, Saturday, and Sunday lunches (McMahon Hall); Thursday dinner cruise to Blake Island with transportation to/from pier; PGL Reception & Grand Banquet Saturday with transportation to/ from Museum of Flight: \$500 to June 1, \$550 afterwards.

OPTION II: Register as Alumni delegations 2009-13 (below).

- **Alumni** (includes all sponsored meals, events, and transportation. but no lodging)
 - Alumni delegations 2009-2013: \$300 to June 1; \$350 afterwards
 - All other alumni delegations: \$400 to June 1; \$450 afterwards

II. REUNION PACKAGE (open to all!)

(includes Wednesday Charge House Reception and Saturday Grand Banquet; no transportation is included)

- Undergraduates and Alumni delegations 2009-2013: \$115 to June 1; \$130 afterwards
- 4. All other alumni delegations: \$125 to June 1; \$140 afterwards

III. A LA CARTE (event tickets only no transportation included)

Wednesday Charge House reception (host food, cash bar):

\$30.00; \$35 after June 1

Thursday evening dinner cruise: 10. \$100; \$125 after June 1

Saturday Grand Banquet

Non-delegate Undergraduates and Alumni, delegations 2009-2013:

11. \$95; \$105 after June 1

All other alumni delegations:

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166TH CONVENTION SCHEDULE 2013

DECA HOTEL, 4507 BROOKLYN AVE NE; XI DEUTERON CHARGE HOUSE, 4532 19TH AVE NE; and various other campus and city venues.

(Subject to change—check www.tdx.org prior to Convention)

August 7 (Wednesday)

4-7 PM Arrival and Registration at Xi Deuteron

Charge House

7-9 PM *Reception at Xi Deuteron Charge House,

host food and cash bar

August 8 (Thursday)

7-10 AM *Breakfast McMahon Cafeteria

8 AM Golf Tournament *venue to be announced* 9 AM Nominating Committee Meeting *Deca Hotel*,

Presidential Suite

10 AM Grand Lodge Meeting Deca Hotel,

Presidential Suite

12-1 PM *Lunch McMahon Cafeteria

1-3 PM First General Business Session venue

to be announced

3:15 - 4 PM Founders' Corporation Annual Meetings

venue to be announced

5:15 PM Buses depart from Charge House for Pier 55-56 6:30-10:30 PM *Dinner Cruise on the *Lady Mary*, embark starting

6:00 PM at pier 55-56.

August 9 (Friday)

7-10 AM *Breakfast McMahon Cafeteria

10-11 AM *Omega Service, venue to be announced

11 AM-1 PM *Lunch McMahon Cafeteria

1-5 PM Second General Business Session venue

to be announced

Evening Open. Recommended: Baseball, Seattle Mariners

vs. Milwaukee Brewers, Safeco Field

August 10 (Saturday)

7-8:30 AM *Breakfast McMahon Cafeteria

9 AM-noon Third General Business Session venue

to be announced

12-12:30 PM New Grand Lodge Meeting 12:30-1:30 PM *Lunch McMahon Cafeteria

2-4 PM Minerva Session Required for undergraduate

delegate; venue to be announced

2-5 PM Educational Foundation Annual Meeting

venue to be announced

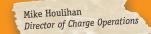
5:15 PM Buses depart from Deca Hotel for

Museum of Flight

7:00-10 PM PGL's Reception (cash bar) and *Grand Banquet

Museum of Flight

2013 Preamble Institute





The Preamble Institute, Theta Delta Chi's premiere leadership program, receives its name from the Preamble of our fraternity, a sacred document that espouses the chief values and principles of our brotherhood. The Grand Lodge and the Educational Foundation believe that these concepts are paramount and invaluable to the success of our fraternity, and have committed both the time and finances to see that this program continues to grow each year.

PI is an intense weekend of training and educational sessions for undergraduate leaders within Theta Delta Chi. It gives participants a setting to define and improve leadership skills, to fully understand Theta Delta Chi values and ritual, and to develop values-based plans of action for their Charges.

PI is held once a year and is typically hosted by an active Charge. This year, PI was hosted by Delta Deuteron at the University of California, Berkeley, January 18-21. The weekend kicked off Friday evening with a barbeque on the front terrace of the Delta Deuteron Charge house which provided an informal environment for participants to meet and speak with other participants, program facilitators, and Delta Deuteron undergraduates. After dinner, there was a quick introduction to the program and preview on what was to be expected over the next two days.

The night ended early to accommodate the jet-lagged participants who had an active two days ahead of them.

Saturday was a long day consisting of nearly 14 hours of programming. Participants took part in several different types of sessions including everything from team building exercises to group discussions on leadership and integrity. The highlight of the evening consisted of a mock initiation where participants were able to witness the proper way to initiate our members according to the Book of Rituals.

On Sunday morning, participants attended an information session hosted by *Autism Speaks*, where they were introduced to the effects of autism and what Autism Speaks does to support families with autistic children. Autism Speaks was recently named Theta Delta Chi's official philanthropy. Local families with autistic children were in attendance and a panel discussion was held where PI participants were able to learn about autism first-hand from those affected by it. It was certainly an eye-opening experience for everyone involved. After the panel, the participants and the families enjoyed lunch and the great weather together at the Delta Deuteron house.

After another afternoon full of additional sessions, participants and facilitators joined Bay Area Theta Delta Chi alumni at a Berkeley restaurant for a culminating dinner. Cyd Zeigler, Jr., Eta Deuteron '95 (Stanford), a distinguished commentator and author in the field of sexuality and sports, was in attendance to share some of his experiences and stories related to the fraternity's values that were discussed so heavily throughout the weekend.

On Monday, all of the delegates traveled back to their respective Charges to bestow upon their brothers the plethora of knowledge gained from the program. It is no doubt that each attendee left PI with a stronger commitment to Theta Delta Chi and a strong network of fraternal peers to aid them in the future.

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Don't Tell Them They Don't Have a Charter

By Paul Stankevich, Rho Triton '93 (Virginia Commonwealth University)



It was heartbreaking... to say the least.

Only a few months after being initiated, Nick Betts '12 saw the Rho Triton Charge at Virginia Commonwealth University (VCU), turn in their charter and fold.

"It was a really sad experience," Nick recalls. "During pledging they tell you to never give up, no matter what. You put in a whole semester to join and next thing you know, you learn you're not gonna carry on."

After eight years of operating without university recognition, the Charge was threatened with a lifetime ban from VCU, the choice was clear... send the Charge underground forever or surrender the charter as a first step towards regaining university recognition. In TDC's interest of long term viability at VCU, the undergraduates active in April 2009 voted to surrender the charter held since November 1, 1970.

So, after almost 40 years of being a dominant presence on the VCU campus, Rho Triton — Theta Delta Chi's Fine Southern Charge — was relegated to "inactive" status. The rush calendar was scrapped and mixers were canceled. No charter, no Charge. Sorry boys, it's over. The gig's up.

But somebody forgot to tell the alumni.

Barely missing a beat after disbanding, dedicated alumni from each of Rho Triton's four decades resolved to finish what Nick and his fellow undergrads started. The Rho Triton Alumni Association was formalized later in 2009 proving crucial in keeping the brotherhood together.

"Our primary focus is reestablishing our Fine Southern Charge of Theta Delta Chi," current Alumni President, Taylor Early '92, affirms. "Once we made the decision, it was either band together or fall apart. We had to keep it positive to stay together."

With the Alumni Association afoot and officers elected, it was back to business.

Philanthropy Chair Blake Gordon '98 set off prowling for a good cause, first adopting and helping raise \$4,200 for the Juvenile Diabetes Foundation. More recently, the alumni were inspired to refocus future philanthropy efforts on StillEasierThanChemo.com. "This is a venture my oldest daughter, Briana Kirby, is doing for VCU's Massey Cancer Center to honor her mother, and My Girl", shared Wiley Easter '80 whose wife lost her battle to cancer in August of this past year. Briana is running 12 half marathons in 12 months in honor of her mother benefitting VCU's Massey Cancer Center. "Cindy was a big part of Rho Triton back in the 'old days' and even though we haven't participated in events we do have some very fond memories."

The Alumni Association Board continued actively promoting and fundraising for the \$2,000 yearly scholarship fund started in 2001 and named for Rob Slimak (Omega 2008) as an endowment for future Rho Triton actives.

Trolling for timely gossip and hard hitting news, Steve Hedberg (1994) and Early re-activated "The Rho Triton Trend," the long defunct newsletter.

And Social Chair Todd Clark '03 pulled out his ratty TDC sweatshirt and commenced to organize a veritable smorgasbord of lighthearted fraternal occasions. The Family Day Barbecue, Founders Day Soiree, Brotherhood Thanksgiving, the Ralph Edward Davis Golf Tournament and couples dinners have all been on the fraternal docket.

"This is a social fraternity, right? So we're gonna keep it social, very social," Clark quipped. "With a few cool events, not only do our board members turn out, but people which we only see maybe every couple years... a lot of different people from a lot of different places in life. This has really helped keep us together as an active brotherhood."

And of course... VCU Rams Basketball.

For decades, VCU hoops have been the rallying point for Rho Tritons past and present. During the Ram's dizzying 2011 run to the NCAA Final Four, better than 50 brothers traveled to see the squad consecutively sucker punch five of the NCAA's best teams.

Living the moment, Bill Schwartz '85 didn't hesitate to stir the pot during VCU's 2011 NCAA bracket busting bonanza and 2012 tourney. Through his company, Vector Media, Bill dispatched a double-decker VCU Rams bus - with TDC clearly displayed - to make the rounds around Times Square, NYC. Photos of the bus went viral among Rams fans even appearing in the Washington Post and the local Richmond TV news. VCU President Michael Rao sent Bill a letter of appreciation after the Final Four.

Sidestepping an unnecessary choice between Brothers, family and hoops, Edward "Big Ed Mustapha" Macejka '91 added his own splash of flavor in February 2012. Edward wed his ravishing bride Kelly in VCU's Siegel Center only minutes before the Rams began an unsightly pummeling of rival George Mason. To finish the picture, Pastor Kory Houser '95 resurfaced for the first time in years to preside over the ceremony witnessed by better than 60 Brothers and their families.

Never to be outdone, Brother Schwartz and Dan Oshinskie '85 placed an electronic banner court side welcoming VCU basketball fans in the name of Theta Delta Chi Fraternity throughout each home game.



Currently 21 Rho Triton alumni from the 70's, 80's, 90's and 00's are VCU men's basketball season ticket holders and Ram Athletic Fund contributors. Brian Haug '01 and his comely wife Jessica have secured one of the two Siegel Center skyboxes guaranteeing many a toast to The Old Lady before every game.

"Our tradition of unparalleled Ram Spirit is bringing positive attention to Theta Delta Chi with our VCU administrators," Nate Poe '00 , former Alumni Association President said. "This is part of our effort to let the University know — in no uncertain terms — the value and support Rho Triton brings to the school."

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