

# Today is a **GREAT** day to be a Theta Delt

#### **OMICRION TRITON TO RETURN**



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The return of the dormant Omicron Triton Charge is happening. The interest group on the University of Rhode Island campus is being led by Luke Jones, whose father was a member of the Charge before it went dormant. This group has grown from an original 21 members to approximately 40+. Their cumulative GPA is 3.28 and most of the group are freshmen. The Grand Lodge has granted them Expansion (Colony) Status and they are working on completing all of the requirements to become Chartered. Feel free to reach out to Luke at <a href="mailto:lryanj178@gmail.com">lryanj178@gmail.com</a> and offer them your support and well wishes as they move forward in the process to become re-chartered.

# EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS NOW BEING ACCEPTED



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Please do not miss this opportunity. There are several \$1,847 scholarships available directly from the Educational Foundation and one \$1,000 Porter Scholarship for a science major (chemistry preferred but not required). Additionally, three \$4,000 Davenport Scholarships are available for Juniors and Seniors. Visit tdxscholars.org to start the process. All scholarships use the same application and the same application process. One application covers all three opportunities.

- 1. Visit tdxscholars.org and fill out the application
- 2. Submit a cover letter
- 3. Submit transcripts
- 4. Ask two people to write letters of support to be sent to cfo@tdx.org
- 5. Sit back and relax

#### CONVENTION



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The 175th Convention is not that far away. Mark your calendar to join Theta Delts from across the U.S. and Canada as we meet at Union College, in Schenectady, NY to celebrate this landmark event. More information about this great event will be in forthcoming newsletters. Save the date: **August 4-7**, **2022**.

In the meantime, now is the time to begin to think about running for one of two Undergraduate Member At-Large positions of the Grand Lodge (UMGL). Current and past UMGLs will be more than happy to share their experiences as board members with you. Contact <a href="mailto:glstaff@tdx.org">glstaff@tdx.org</a> for more information. Applications for these two positions will be available next month and a link will be provided in the May newsletter.

#### DOUG FLUTIE Jr. FOUNDATION FOR AUTISM



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Johnson & Wales had a "Dodgebrawl Tournament" on Saturday, February 26th. You can find their fundraising page here. They raised \$2,447.75 on the QGiv platform – the Omicron Triton expansion group took 1st place in the tournament.

Some more recent and upcoming events are:

- Sigma Deuteron (Wisconsin) 3 v 3 basketball tournament (Minerva's Madness) on April 23rd.
  - Event page
- Iota Triton (UMass Dartmouth) Dodgeball Tournament on April 16th
- Beta Deuteron (Iowa State) has a TDX Tailgate in late April
  - Event page
- Mu Triton (UNC Greensboro) Philanthropy Week April 18-22
  - Bingo boards through social media on April 19th
  - Elotes sale on April 20th
  - Fundraiser event at local restaurant on April 21st
  - Rock sit/paint a rock on April 22nd
- Xi (Hobart and William Smith) Philanthropy Week in late April
  - Lighting a building up blue
  - Spike Ball tournament

Please contact Tia Dawson with information about your fundraising event. She is with the Flutie Foundation and will help you with setting it up. Her email is <a href="mailto:tdawson@flutiefoundation.org">tdawson@flutiefoundation.org</a> and cell is 508-808-2575.

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## CUSTOMIZED TRAINING FOR MyTDX.ORG



If any Charge, executive board, or officer needs MyTDX.org training or support, contact Rick Wood at <a href="mailto:rwoo@tdx.org">rwoo@tdx.org</a> to set up a customized workshop. This newsletter was created and sent using MyTDX.org!

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### SPECTEMUR AGENDO SHOUTOUTS



- Joe Castellano, Tau Tetraton '22 Support for Ukraine
- Shane McGuffin, Tau Tetraton '23 Secretary IFC and VP Fraternity Sorority Leadership

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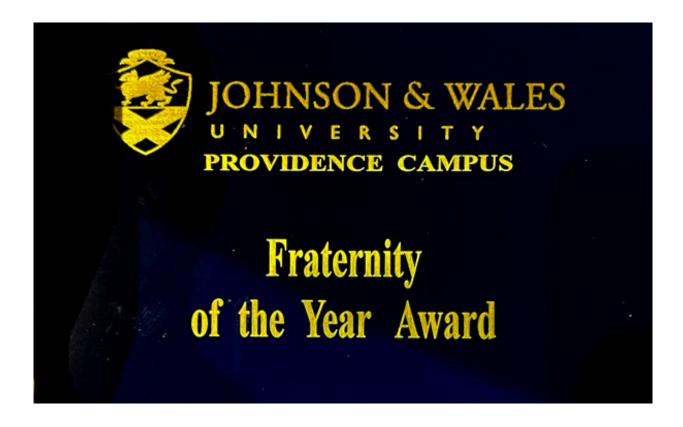
## **CHARGE SPOTLIGHT**



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While Tau Tetraton is among the newest Charges of Theta Delta Chi, having been Chartered in 2014, they are among the most decorated fraternities on their campus. They have been named Fraternity of the Year for the past 3 years and are showing no signs of slowing down. The majority of the brothers of this Charge are in the culinary program at Johnson & Wales University (JWU), and within that program, most of them will be receiving a BA degree with aspirations to become chefs. JWU has one of the most demanding culinary programs in the nation, if not the world, and our brothers are currently working in some of the best restaurants in America.

Tau Tetraton has developed a very strong presence on the campus for its work with the Flutie Foundation and before that, with Autism Speaks. Their primary fundraiser is a DodgeBrawl tournament which is held annually. A second fundraiser they hold is called TDX Live which is held in the JWU auditorium and live-streamed on various social media platforms. During this event, the brothers take on live challenges for money which is again donated to the Flutie Foundation.



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Service is another major component of being a brother at JWU. The Charge participates in the Wildcat Food Rescue program. Every Wednesday, the brothers meet in the culinary program building and package up over 150 lbs. of food and delivering it to the homeless. Another service project they participate in is called: Rescuing Leftover Cuisine which delivers food from a food pantry directly to the homes of those in need. JWU also conducts an annual blood drive and TDX is instrumental in recruiting participants for this event.

While the Charge is not large, they are consistent and driven. On April 19, 2022, the Tau Triton Charge of Theta Delta Chi won Fraternity of the year on the Johnson & Wales campus for the THIRD YEAR IN A ROW! They embrace the values of the Preamble through improving themselves intellectually, morally, and socially. Currently, this Charge of 20 brothers has a cumulative GPA of 3.5. They are well deserving of our praise and a hearty toast to Minerva!

# EXCEPTIONAL BROTHERS DOING EXCEPTIONAL THINGS



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For all of our NASCAR, INDY, and Gran Prix enthusiasts, Theta Delta Chi is represented by a major star on the auto racing circuit, **Mark Donohue, Zeta** '59. Bro. Donohue graduated from Brown University with a degree in mechanical engineering. He began his racing career in 1967 and raced for Ford Motor Company and Roger Penske. In 1972, Donohue won the Indy 500. He was known as "Captain Nice," and was also known for his ability to set up his race car as well as drive it into the Winner's Circle. In 1975 he died as a result of a racing accident during the Austrian Grand Prix.

"Donohue chronicled his entire racing career in the book, The Unfair Advantage (co-written with noted motorsports and engineering journalist Paul Van Valkenburgh). The book documents his career from his first races to his final full season of racing the year before he was killed. This was not merely a celebrity autobiography, but a detailed, step-by-step record of the engineering approach he took to getting the absolutely highest performance from every car he drove."

Mark Donohue has numerous wins under his belt in NASCAR, Formula One, Indy 500, and Daytona. He was inducted into the <u>International Motorsport Hall of Fame</u> in 1990, <u>The Motorsports Hall of Fame of America</u> in 1990, and the <u>Sports Car Club of America Hall of Fame</u> in 2006.

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If you would like to submit ideas for articles, comment on current articles or submit an article for publication in this newsletter, please contact Dr. Richard "Rick" Wood, Educational Consultant for Theta Delta Chi at <a href="mailto:rwood@tdx.org">rwood@tdx.org</a>.

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