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Message From the Alumni Board President

There has been a lot of concern about the status of the Delta Chapter, so I wanted to update you directly in this issue of the *Scarlet Zete*. In 2009, after a series of relatively minor incidents, the Chapter was suspended by International Headquarters. Taken separately, these incidents would not have resulted in suspension. Unfortunately, they occurred in quick succession over a short period of time, causing concern that the Chapter had become an insurance risk. At the same time, the Rutgers dean of fraternities and sororities derecognized the Delta Chapter. During this period of suspension by IHQ, the alumni board conducted a membership review and increased its attention on monitoring and mentoring the active brotherhood (I will expand upon this later). In January 2011, members of the alumni board met with the IHQ Disciplinary Committee, and the Delta Chapter was

reinstated with probationary terms. The Deltas will be complying with those terms until this November, when it is expected that the Chapter will be fully reinstated. At that time, new members will be initiated in a ceremony conducted by actives, alumni, and members of IHQ.

During the suspension period the Alumni Board worked closely with the actives to prepare them for reinstatement. Each active brother was interviewed by the Board to ensure they were committed to the values of the Chapter. Several individuals were determined to be out of step with the positive direction the brotherhood was heading and had their leases terminated and forced them to go inactive. The Board continues to work closely with the actives to improve all aspects of the brotherhood and to restore many of the traditions that have been neglected
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Michael Davidson's Memory Preserved

On February 26, friends and family of the late Michael Davidson '07 gathered at the Delta Chapter to once again recognize two brothers who came from a single-parent household and currently live in the house for their service to the Delta Chapter. This year's award ceremony was held the same day as our Parent's Day. We felt that it was important to encourage parents to join the house in honoring these two remarkable brothers and the many academic scholars from the previous semester. This year's Michael Davidson Scholars were Eric Albora and Derek Rindner, who received awards of \$1,500 each. Present were members of Eric's family, including his mother, Carol Albora, and two of his brothers, Robert and John; Derek's mother, Paula Rindner, was also there. This scholarship would not be possible if it was not for all of the friends and family of Michael Davidson '07, who have given generously to and supported the efforts of the Michael Allen Davison 9/11 Foundation. "We're

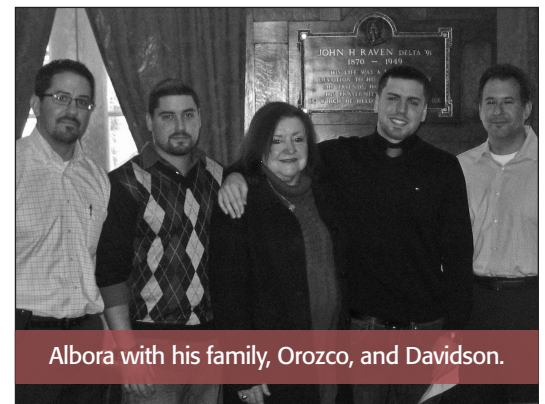
hoping to make the fund self-perpetuating within the next couple of years, a benefit to everyone at the Delta Chapter. We won't stop there; we'll continue to find ways to assist. Like the spirit of our lost brother, we want to give back," shares Mike Orozco '99.

On behalf of the Delta Chapter of Zeta Psi, we thank you! Michael Davidson, a successful trader and future partner of Cantor Fitzgerald, who died on September 11, 2001. Once again, Jeffrey Davidson, Michael's older brother and president of the foundation, and Michael Orozco, a former president of the alumni board and a partner at Bailey & Orozco in Newark, New Jersey, returned to the Chapter House to present the awards and meet the Davidson Scholars.

Editors Note: We believe of all the Zetes around the world, Michael Davidson was one of a very few who lost their lives on September 11, 2011.



Rindner with his mother, Orozco, Davidson.



Albora with his family, Orozco, and Davidson.

See for Yourself! Progress on Renovations has Been Impressive

Given the limited funds this year that we could dedicate towards renovations, this summer the Chapter was able to retile the third-floor bathroom, dramatically improving the appearance of the walls, functionality, and cleanliness of the bathroom. The Chapter also purchased the grand arched window along the driveway in the Bum Room, the remaining French doors along the front of the house, and refinished the main bar area (including the bar's front wall with the WWII plaque in the middle of it), and a few more minor items. All of this was accomplished for around \$25,000. Thanks to Brother Frank "Bones" DiLeo, we were able to refresh the main floor by painting the interior of the house, including the hallway, Matthew's Dining Room, and kitchen with a very small investment. Due to the funds we saved with Frank's painting, we were able to stretch our dollars further and refinish the floors in the card room (formerly the poolroom) and the Matthews Dining Room. We are planning to do this on a regular basis in order to maintain the beauty, and hopefully the life, of the floors.

In the card room, we have installed new carpeting and added tables we were able to get inexpensively from Borders. This should allow the active brothers to use the room for studying and cards again. With fall upon us, our contractor will no longer need to spend the majority of his days fixing air conditioning units and will be able to help us finish the open projects we still have. Lastly, as part of our regular upkeep and cleaning prior to the start of the academic year, we had the Bum Room carpet and all runners cleaned and deodorized; we also fulfilled our yearly service requirement of our sprinkler system and installed new smoke and fire detectors in the Chapter Room. We should be all ready for our annual fire and safety inspections with the City of New Brunswick.

Unfortunately, all campaign renovation plans, except emergency projects, are on hold until the giving from you, our alumni, improves, we reach re-accreditation with IHQ (November), and then complete the academic year in June. As a result of the "cleaning house" of our brothers who were not willing to be on board with our new philosophy, we have 24 brothers living in the house, falling short of our minimum operating number of 25 and our target number of 30. Therefore, for all these reasons, we currently are unable to afford any new renovation projects.

Once we get through these two hurdles, it is our plan to replace the windows that are in the



Chapter retiled the third-floor bathroom.

card room, completely renovate the girl's bathroom on the second floor, and convert the apartment into a lounge to be used during parties. The the substandard room in the basement is no longer needed due to the numbers living in the house.

One of the largest projects looming on the horizon will be the kitchen. As this is one of the largest and most overdue projects in the house, I will devote more time to it in the next issue of the *Scarlet Zete*. Additionally, we hope to renovate the Chapter Room, which brothers stopped using regularly after access to the roof was sealed to comply with insurance and safety requirements. While this is a project dear to our hearts, we believe it will strengthen the brotherhood's connection to its rich past and traditions—it must be low on our list of priorities in renovating the house. Other projects, such as energy-saving repairs and upgrades, which will improve the day-to-day operations of our house, must come first. The renovation of the Chapter Room would be an ideal project for a pledge class or group of generous alumni brothers to undertake.

When the third floor was last renovated, we had hoped to complete the installation of central air. The heating system that was installed to service the third floor was designed to have a complementing central air system. While we are working to purchase a new window air conditioner for each private sleeping room, the addition of a dedicated central air system to that floor will provide a comfortable temperature in the warm hallway and save on electric costs, while also allowing brothers to leave their doors open. We hope these open doors will facilitate more informal interactions between brothers.

Whenever extra funds are available—thanks to the generosity of you, our alumni—we try to



Walls look great from all angles!

renovate one or two of the private sleeping rooms. In recognition of a generous gift (usually between \$5,000 and \$10,000, depending on the size of the room), we can name the rooms in honor of the donor, or in the honor or memory of someone specified by the donor (other brothers, friends, or family members). Each room renovation consists of gutting the room, upgrading the electric, laying a new wood floor, installing new windows and walls, and the addition of a plaque proudly displayed in a place of honor.

As you can see, while our Chapter is running as efficiently as possible and the house looks good, especially to visiting parents and alumni during Homecoming, Reunion, or alumni meetings, there are still many improvements to be made. The projects I've mentioned comprise our current "to do" list. Some of the items will have a greater impact on house operations and the budget than others, but it is difficult to prioritize those projects above others while we don't have the funds available to accomplish any of the projects. As funds become available, we will evaluate the needs of the brotherhood and Chapter House to prioritize projects. If there is a project that you or your fellow brothers would like to see completed, we will restrict your giving to that specific end, while prioritizing and reallocating funds as needed. As always, on behalf of the alumni board and the active brotherhood of the Delta Chapter of Zeta Psi Fraternity, THANK YOU for supporting our efforts to renovate our Chapter House, improve the environment in which our active brothers live, and the beauty of our house for years to come.

Most Appreciatively,
Don Broderick '71

Treasurer and Physical Plant Manager

Gift Planning Information

Please remember your Delta Chapter in your estate planning by way of naming the alumni association as a beneficiary in your bequest, life insurance, charitable gift annuity, or trust planning. The official name is the Alumni Association of the Delta Chapter of Zeta Psi Fraternity of North America, Inc. For more information, please contact Mike Andrulis at (609) 332-6051 or andrulism@alumni.rutgers.edu. Thank you for remembering your Delta Chapter and 18 College Avenue!

President's Message: Moving Forward Into the Future!

Some people claim change is a bad thing. Some are afraid because they can't handle the outcome. Well, for the Delta Chapter of Zeta Psi, change has been necessary, and it has been occurring slowly over the past two years. I believe we are turning the corner, and the only outcome that we can accept is success. In April 2009, we were four weeks from being fully reinstated when one irresponsible act led to our derecognition by IHQ. After two years of suspension and retooling our active chapter, as the active Phi I focused on moving forward into our

new future. The fall semester is upon us, and we have been working together, the actives and alumni, to put together new programs that we believe will bring success to our fraternity. We have fought through this adversity during the past two years and are ready to be seen as the second oldest Zeta Psi Chapter in the nation. I used the word "fought" carefully, as people would continue to fight for a cause they truly believe in. As with any war or battle, we must all unify in our spirit and dedication to our fraternity and step up to the plate as men. The next

few months will be very exciting times as we leverage the new ideas and energy from the convention and the enduring traditions from our chapter and fraternity, and approach the coming year head-on. For success we must act as a binding force, a brotherhood as you might put it; come November, we are looking forward to the Delta Chapter being recognized by IHQ.

In Tau Kappa Phi
Henry Coslow '12
President

Many Thanks to our Brother, Jim Terlizzi '86!

The Delta Chapter, like all Greek organizations, is depends upon the generosity of its alumni to sustain and grow. Delta alumni have a long history of supporting the house, even in tough economic times. In this and future issues of the *Scarlet Zete*, we will recognize our alumni donors, whose generosity continues to make a difference. In this issue, the Delta Chapter salutes Jim Terlizzi '86. Jim has been one of the Delta's most generous alumni for many years. As an undergraduate, Jim held the position of treasurer for the Chapter and was regularly involved in important discussions among the brotherhood or with members of the alumni association.

"As a younger brother in the house, Jim was a brother you looked up to and listened to when he had an opinion to share," recalls Mike Andrulis '88, now a member of the alumni association. "He was one of the most respected brothers in the house." Mike recalls how Jim, shortly after graduating, led a major fundraising effort. When the quiet phase of the current campaign for the Chapter began back in 2001, we turned to Jim for his advice and to make sure we had his input and support for this important effort. His recent generosity enabled us to begin the complete renovation of the bar, including



the repair of the retaining wall along the front of the house, which is now in progress. We are installing new walls that will seal and cover the existing, crumbling stonework, reshaping the bar to restore it to the efficient and popular design of the 1960s, installing flat screen TVs, replacing the perimeter benches, and purchasing

bar stools. We are also opening the wall between the apartment and the bar, converting the apartment to a lounge with its own large screen TV and couches. This project would not have been possible without Brother Terlizzi's gift, and he has our sincere appreciation.

Jim Terlizzi serves as chief executive officer of Peach Holdings Inc. and Peachtree Settlement Funding. In 1998, Jim left Singer Asset Finance Company to become Peachtree's CEO. Previously, Jim was a partner in a law firm in New Jersey. He earned his undergraduate degree in economics in 1986 and his J.D. from Rutgers University Law School (Newark) in 1989.

Like Jim, you, too, can make a difference! Our campaign to renovate the Chapter house continues. We are in the process of renovating every room in the house, from basement to roof. The rooms that we have completed look amazing. However, due to budgeting limitations, we have been able to complete only one room each year, on average. With your support, we can accelerate and finish these projects. Please consider a gift to the Chapter this year. Donations can be sent to the Alumni Association of the Delta Chapter of Zeta Psi Fraternity, P.O. Box 1462 Highland Park, NJ 08904.

Message From the Alumni Board President *(continued from cover)*

or forgotten over the past decade or so. The partnership between the actives and alumni is now stronger than it has been in many years. While fraternity life at any chapter in any school is cyclical, having good periods and mediocre periods, we believe the Delta Chapter is on a strong upswing.

As I mentioned, we are currently not recognized by the university. At this time, we do not plan to apply for recognition for several reasons. The primary benefit to recognition was the university's willingness to withhold transcripts from active brothers upon graduation, preventing them from graduating or leaving without paying their rent or board. However, the monetary cost of recognition has become exorbitant, and the regulations (in our opinions) have become

ridiculous. For example, a freshman can join the football, baseball, basketball, or other sports team, be required to attend daily practices and games, and travel all over the country, missing classes and study time during the school year. However, that same freshman cannot join a recognized fraternity. Under these restrictions many of us might never have become Zetes! We have discussed this issue with IHQ, and they shared that the trend across the country is for fraternities to no longer seek university recognition.

There have been many important improvements made to the house recently. Work is underway to completely renovate the bar area. The wall of the former apartment has been opened up and will be converted to an off-the-bar lounge

area, complete with sofas with a flat-screen television. Additional televisions will be installed around the bar. We hope to finish the project this fall, or as soon as funding is available. The remaining French doors have been purchased and will be installed in the front of the house, along with a new arch window in the Bum Room. The Delta Alumni Board invites all Delta Zetes to return to the house for a visit. We are confident you will be impressed with the house that you see, and the brothers you will meet.

In Tau Kappa Phi,
Mark Smith '83
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the



UPCOMING EVENTS

Reunion for brothers of class years ending in "2" and "7"

SATURDAY, MAY 12, 2012

Save the date from the next Reunion. We welcome you back to the Chapter House for breakfast before the Reunion parade.

Alumni Association Listing

Please contact Mark Smith '83 via email at callmps@aol.com, or by phone at (973) 931-2028, to become more involved, or share your ideas and concerns.

alumni officers

President: Mark Smith '83

Vice President: Mike Andrulis '88

Treasurer: Don Broderick '71

Secretary: VACANT

Trustee: Carl Burns '64

Trustee: Charles "Chuck" Little '67

Trustee: Frank DiLeo '00

Trustee: Tom Deamus '07

Alumni Board Meetings

Alumni board meetings are held after dinner, normally on the third Thursday of each month. Please contact a member of the alumni board to confirm the meeting time.



Facebook is now on the Banks! "Like" the Delta Chapter of Zeta Psi on Facebook to receive updates and invitations from the alumni association of the Delta Chapter.

Thank You to the Regular Donors who Supported the Delta for 2010-'11

Is it the economy? We hope so. Back in New Brunswick it has been a rebuilding year for the Delta active brotherhood, and I hope that you will reaffirm our efforts by making your first donation early in this academic year, or if you have already made your gift since July 1, the start of our fiscal year, hopefully you can make another donation to support our efforts! Your ongoing annual support enables the alumni association to reward us, the active brothers, when we do well academically, with scholarships and important funding to attend regional and national leadership seminars like the Leadership Training Institute (LTI) and Annual Convention. I just returned from the 164th Annual Convention, which was held just up the Turnpike in Jersey City. It was a tremendously valuable experience for me to talk shop with other Phis and tell our

story to interested brothers from other chapters.

Additionally, I learned a lot from the sessions, especially in the areas of ritual, leading my chapter, and risk management. In the past, the Delta was recognized by the IHQ and asked to host two of the regional LTIs. When your support is especially generous, the alumni association is able to fund additional capital projects or replace items around the house that are worn-out or obsolete, projects not normally covered by room and board. Your donations, whether they are designated to directly fund us, Chapter House, or invested with IHQ as part of the Delta Endowment, truly make a difference in whether or not brothers can dedicate more time to their academics, recruiting new brothers, or on the general improvement of the Chapter. THANK YOU for your continuing support.

..... delta alumni association

HONOR ROLL OF DONORS

Delta Founder's Society (\$500-\$999)

Stanley J. Andrews '72
Michael Andrulis '88
Donald R. Broderick '71
Carl W. Burns '64
Frank A. DiLeo '00
Charles L. Little '67
Mark P. Smith '83

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... thanking those who supported the Delta Chapter in 2010-'11

Zetes Inspire Young Athletes One Blue Mesh-Jersey at a Time

Tri-town Little League team names are usually local business' that have been sponsoring teams for over 10 years. Roma's Pizzeria, Bob's Men Shop, and Mike's Automotive have been common team names that the players don't even pay attention to anymore. Most 10-year olds couldn't even pronounce "Zeta Psi" correctly, let alone know where the name came from until the brothers of the Delta Chapter showed up to one of their games. We all left from Rutgers wearing our Zeta Psi blue mesh-jerseys, and when we walked up to the game to sit with our fans, one could tell that we made an impression on the players. They all began to take notice that we are the ones who

sponsored their team, an important bond similar to being part of a brotherhood.

After the game, a few kids came up to us and asked what Zeta Psi is; all we could say was that we are a club or a team just like them, and we hoped that they would play as a team regardless of winning or losing. The players and parents really enjoyed seeing a group of college students make the long trip up from Rutgers-New Brunswick just to watch a little league baseball game. It showed everyone that we weren't just some sponsor that sends a check and receives a plaque at the end of the year. We Delta Zetes take pride in everything we do, so going to show our support in person

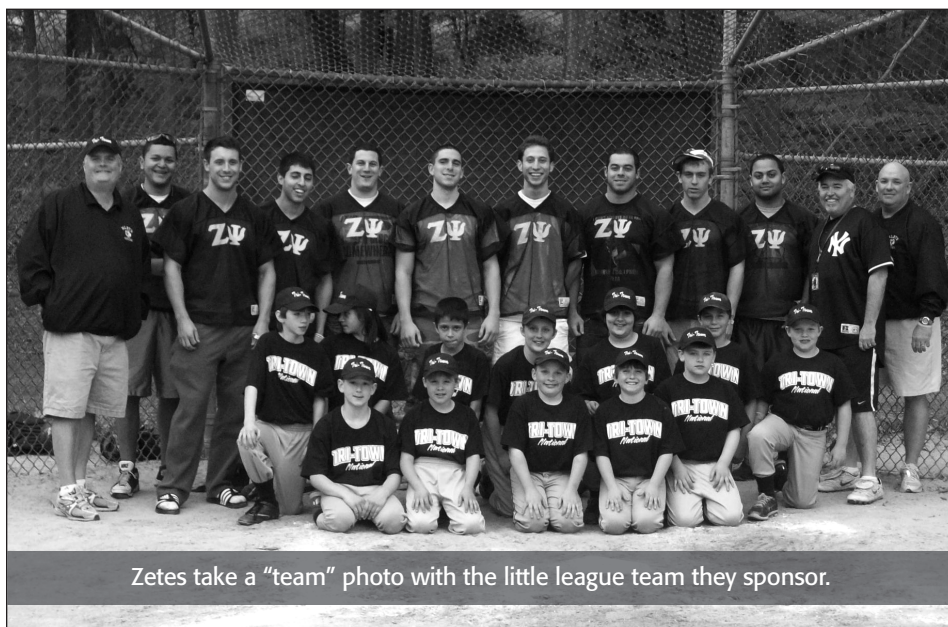
was no different. After the game, we had a bar-becue at my parent's house in town and were able to talk to the player's parents about our brotherhood. We also got the chance to interact with the players. Overall, it was a great experience, and I know that the players and parents will not forget the year their children played for Zeta Psi.

Always in TKPhi
Sean Meehan '11

P.S. I am proud to share with the alumni that our team won the championship by a score of 5-1!



Zetes congratulate a young baseball player on the home plate.



Zetes take a "team" photo with the little league team they sponsor.

Chapter is off to a Great Start in Planning for a Better Year at Rutgers

I hope that you will make a difference in the lives of each and every active brother by making your first (or an additional gift if you've already made your first) to this year's annual appeal! Your donation of \$125, \$250, \$500, \$1,000, or more will help increase our scholarship money and academic rewards, enable us to attend a leadership conference in 2011-2012, and improve the quality of life in the house. If you would like to send your donation directly to the Delta Chapter, please send your contributions in the enclosed envelope to the Delta Alumni Association of Zeta Psi. If you would like to make a tax-deductible donation to the renovation efforts, you can do so by sending your donation of \$1,000 or more to the Delta Endowment Fund, c/o Zeta Psi Educational Foundation, 15 South Henry Street, Pearl River, New York, 10965.

Come back to your house on the Hill, your Chapter House at 18 College Avenue, the oldest operating, soon-to-be-recognized chapter within Zeta Psi Fraternity. Thank you in advance for your support. I look forward to seeing you at the Chapter House for dinner or an alumni board meeting soon (alumni board meetings are normally the third Thursday of the month)!

In Tau Kappa Phi,
Henry Coslow '12
President

delta alumni news & notes

Now retired, **Frank Howard Lloyd Jr. '47** took an interesting path to becoming a teacher at Matawan High School and earning the New Jersey Teacher of the Year award. He was drafted for the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers as a private, shortly thereafter earning the rank of corporal. He was sent to Office Candidate School and became a lieutenant of engineers. He served in Italy and was preparing for a tour in the Pacific when the atomic bomb was dropped. Frank was released as a captain in March 1946.

"Private to captain! Not bad for a non-engineer." Frank then re-entered Rutgers and went on to earn a master's degree in 1949. After 62 years of teaching, he retired. Frank writes, "It was

the Zete Brothers who helped me develop the background—and backbone—to do all this." (167 Main. St., Matawan, NJ 07747)

"Bobbie MacWhinney ... and I were married upon graduation (June 30, 1951)," writes **William H. "Bill" Schneidewind Jr. '51**. "We are now celebrating our 60th year of marriage with two children and seven grandchildren." Bill has been employed by John Hancock Financial Services for 58 years. Write to 3150 Peachtree Rd., Apt. 558,

Atlanta, GA 30319; or send email to Bill at whsbms@gmail.com.

"Glad to hear of progress getting the house back on track," writes **Robert O. Fleckenstein '55**. (44 Pomander Walk, Ridgewood, NJ 07450; rofleck@aol.com)

Update your address books for **Alfred W. "Al" Mitlehner '56**, who now lives at 66 Ashlor Village Dr., Wallingford, CT 06492.

Now you can send email to **Lawrence J. "Larry" Larsen '57** at ljlarsen@aol.com. For snail mail, continue writing to 26A Clover Ln., #5, Randolph, NJ 07869.

Alan G. White '68 has a new email address: awhite@bonnerkiernan.com. Send snail mail to 73 Johnson Ave., Bloomfield, NJ 07003.

Mark Fields '83, president of Ford's Americas operations, was inducted into the Rutgers University Hall of Distinguished Alumni. Fellow Delta Zetes **Chuck Jenny**, **Mark Smith**, and **Mike Zevit** (all from the class of '83) attended as Mark's guests. (51 Berbeley Sq., London W1J 5BB, London; mfields@ford.com)

Brothers can get in touch with **John T. "Neon" Holder '86**, now the director of sales at East Stryker Medical, by writing to 6 Greenwood Dr., Orchard Park, NY 14127; or by emailing him at jth1163@yahoo.com.

Kenneth S. "Eagle" Brodsky '87 now works for OppenheimerFunds. Catch up with him at 1 York Pl., North Caldwell, NJ 07006; email him at kenbrodsky@aol.com.

Reconnect with Brother **Todd L. Redpath '90** by writing to 105 Dove Ln., Centreville, MD 21617. Send email to him at toddredpath@aol.com.

Email **Christopher H. Clasen '96** at chrisclosen@yahoo.com to catch up. Write to 211 North End Ave., Apt. 23C, New York, NY 10282.

Stay in touch with **James M. "Jim" DeSanti '02**, who now works for Plaza Construction, by writing to 14 Atlas Rd., Basking Ridge, NJ 07920. Brothers can email James at jimmy1923@gmail.com.

"Began employment on New Year's Day (January 1, 2011)," writes **William A. "B-Rod" Rodriguez '08**. William now works for the Tinton Falls Police Department. (80 10th St., Toms River, NJ 08753; rodriguez.william.a@gmail.com)

"It was the Zete Brothers who helped me develop the background—and backbone—to do all this."



Mike Orazco '99 with Frank DiLeo '00 at the Michael Davidson '07 Scholarship awards.

deceased

We regret to announce the deaths of the following alumni:

Robert S. Hopkins Jr. '35

Leon E. Eastmond '36
December 13, 2010

James M. Belcher Jr. '42

Charles F. Ormsbee Jr. '61
January 27, 2010

Edward A. Sharpless '51
July 13, 2010