

THE Scarlet Zete

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DELTA CHAPTER OF ZETA PSI • AT RUTGERS UNIVERSITY SINCE 1848



2003 Convention: Carl Burns '64 Awarded Volunteer Of The Year

The 156th Annual Convention of Zeta Psi Fraternity was a mouse-roaring success! This year's convention was held from August 13-16 at the Hilton Walt Disney World Resort.

The much enjoyed conference concluded with a silent auction, proceeds benefiting the Zete Kidz philanthropy, and the Grand Banquet on Saturday night. A highlight of the Grand Banquet was the award of the Henry Elliot, Eta '45, Volunteer of the Year Award for outstanding volunteer service during a convention year. Out of the forty-six chapters and hundreds of dedicated elders, this year's award honored our very own Carl Burns '64. Carl has taken the reins of the Delta and had dedicated countless days to not only improve the undergraduate leadership, the Chapter's operations, and also to co-chair the important \$750,000 capital campaign that will ensure a bright future for the Delta.

The conference offered many beneficial Leadership Training Institute programs for the actives and a new formalized slate of sessions for elders. Programs enjoyed by the actives ranged from Ritual and Recruitment and Alcohol Awareness to Time Management and Career Networking. Donny Lee, Phi, added that "the LTI was an invaluable experience. It will help us in our quest to add value to the Chapter and its programs. Interacting with Zetes from the other chapters clarified that we share the same goals of being the best fraternity while also providing a resource for exchanging ideas. This convention proved to be very successful in that it reinforced the fundamentals of leadership and brotherhood required for us to reach our goals." This year's convention also boasted a philanthropic event promoting Zete Kidz where actives and elders volunteered a few hours at two local Orlando youth programs.

At the close of an information-packed conference, loaded with beneficial interaction between the actives and elders from various chapters, and complemented by visits to Pleasure Island, Downtown Disney and the magical Disney parks, we sang the Farewell Ode and wished each other "peace, prosperity, and strength" until we reunite for the next conference to be held next summer in Toronto from August 11-15.



Donny Lee, Phi '04; Mike Andrulis '88; Carl Burns '64; Mike Menzella '03; and Matt Pass '06, House Manager.



Executive Director Rich Breeswine (l.) and Gamma Alpha Greg McElroy (r.) award Carl Burns '64 (center) the Henry Elliot Volunteer of the Year.

Mark your calendars for these upcoming Zete events!

Veterans Day

November 8, 4:00 p.m.

Come back and honor our Vietnam era veterans. All brothers are welcome. For more information, please contact Larry Fenton '64 (910/215-9930, vlfenton@nc.rr.com).

Homecoming 2003

October 18 versus Pittsburgh

This year the Scarlet Knights hope to cage the Panthers. Please visit the RU website for game time. Join us for our always popular Delta tailgate!

Pledges, Actives, & Alumni Delta Day

October 11

Return and meet the actives while giving back to your house during this memorable work project.

Alumni Association Officers, 2003-2004

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Carl Burns '64

(732/683-9725, cwburns@optonline.net)

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Frank Kneller '49

Bob Laudicina '73

Tom Means '97

Sal Taibi '93

Many thanks and much appreciation to our trustees who have completed their term on the Delta Alumni Association: *Doug Clark '84, Vince Mora '88, Frank Parrotto '79, and Jon Yedvab '87.* We look forward to your continued involvement with the chapter. The association encourages any elders to contact us if you are interested and able to help improve the Delta.



Trustees and new active officers at the annual meeting of the Delta Alumni Association in May. Left to right: Carl Burns '64, alumni board president; Mark Friedland, Sigma '05; Donny Lee, Phi '04; and Bob "Doc" Laudicina '63, trustee.

Undergraduate Officers of the Delta Chapter

Phi	Donny Lee '04
Alpha Phi	Greg Emond '05
Gamma	Doohee Cho '04
Sigma	Mark Friedland '05
Alpha Gamma	Kevin Mulleady '04
Alpha Sigma	Thomas Gillespie '06
Delta	Jonathan Groom '05
Sigma Rho	Peter Burke '05
Pledge Educator	Sean Mattis '04
House Manager	Matt Pass '06

Undergraduate Experiences Laid Foundation For Future: A Reflection

I walked into Zeta Psi for the very first time in 1959. Soon afterwards, I decided to pledge. After an arduous education program, I was initiated a brother. Zeta Psi was and still is a mix of young men from essentially middle-class backgrounds who believed that a Rutgers University education would lead them to a better life. Some struggled more than others to pay for that education. Almost all enjoyed traveling the many roads that led to a Rutgers education and to life at Zeta Psi.

Life at the fraternity offered an abundance of interactive experiences that would be difficult, if not impossible, to achieve if we were not part of that inner circle. These experiences provided me, and I can confidently say many if not all of us, a base for growing personally and intellectually. There are hundreds of daily experiences that you could not possibly have had without the Delta Chapter and Zeta Psi.

Just imagine the incredible sense of learn-

ing that is possible for those who are willing to visualize positive outcomes from these life-changing experiences. Examples of these positive outcomes may include training for an athletic competition, studying for a test, exceeding goals within your career, or overcoming obstacles within your personal life. Moreover, after imagining things that can be, then you can create what you need for success. I agree that fraternities are a place to socialize, to study, to call your own, and to develop your identity. More importantly, the Delta Chapter of Zeta Psi was and still is a place to break out, to grow your personal fortitude, and to see what potential you really do have. Interestingly enough, we all discovered that we have more potential than we ever thought, while all along there was the brotherhood to help you grow and overcome any obstacles.

Robert "Doc" Laudicina '63

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Undergraduate Reports... Undergraduate Reports... Undergraduate Reports...

Report from the Phi:

The past last year has been a challenging and trying time for the Delta Chapter of Zeta Psi. One might see this as a negative, but I for one do not. Hard times reveal the true character of a person. Here and now the brothers of the Delta Chapter will find out if we can live up to the reputation we have maintained since 1848. The past year showed promise with the addition of our new brothers and the growth of our younger brothers. While we did not obtain the usual number of pledges as we have in the past, we have clearly compensated with the quality of our new members. As the brotherhood and house go through significant changes, I see it moving in a positive direction.

As the new Phi I will try to pick up where our most recent Phi, Sean Mattis, left off. I am confident that we can exceed all expectations. The newly elected and returning officers are coming into this year with a revitalized attitude and a new strategy for our growth and continued excellence. Let us look to the future, and let our actions speak for themselves.

Honorably in Tau Kappa Phi,
Donny Lee '04, Phi

Report from the Gamma:

I would like to start by thanking my fellow brothers for recommending me and the alumni association for electing me to the treasurer position. I will do my best to serve the position and the chapter well.

Looking back on the spring semester, I was pleased by the many changes in the house and brotherhood. The house had fewer occupants than we would have liked, but as a result the brothers became a more unified group, and activities such as house cleanups and community service were attended by nearly the entire brotherhood. Another positive outcome was the desire of so many to commit to the leadership of the house, especially from the pledge class of fall 2002. The elected and appointed positions were contested and exemplified the desire for many to take a leadership role in the house and its activities. Although many of the new brothers were not voted into leadership positions, their voice and opinions have been heard and contributed greatly to the chapter and its functions. Ultimately, I hope by next academic year, they will capture most of the officer positions.

This coming year will be another year of growth and improvement. With luck, determination, and hard work, we should be able to continue adding high-quality brothers to the house while at the same time gaining leadership and guidance from the brothers we already have.

Honorably in Tau Kappa Phi,
Doohee Cho '04, Gamma

Report from the Alpha Gamma:

This will be my third semester as Alpha Gamma and my fourth year as a Zeta. During this time I have heard a lot of talk about what changes need to be made around the house, and for the first time I am seeing these words put into action. There have been many completed improvements to the house and still many yet to come. The list is almost endless of other small jobs that are on the drawing board to help bring the house back to condition worthy of being called "the mother chapter of Zeta Psi."

However, our progress does not stop with our physical improvements. The average GPA has been rising the past four semesters, and I believe it will continue to do so. We have improved our academic rank among other fraternities to go along with our irrefutable social standing. The brotherhood as a whole is stronger than I have ever seen. Every person is ready to go that extra mile to benefit a brother. Everyone is getting along well and working together to make a better living environment. The bonds that are being built now are sure to last a lifetime.

We are all looking forward to the fall semester to get back in the swing of things again. Many great ideas are being discussed

to have another successful fall rush. In addition, we have already started planning for Homecoming. Last year there was an amazing turnout from alumni, and we hope that more of you will be back this year. So, if you do not have plans for the weekend of October 18, put the chapter and Rutgers Homecoming on your calendar and see for yourself the many improvements throughout the house.

Honorably in Tau Kappa Phi,
Kevin Mulleady '04, Alpha Gamma

Report from the Sigma:

The spring semester has ended, and the fall semester is right around the corner. Here at the Delta house, we have gone through some difficult times, but as a chapter we have persevered. We had limited numbers and a growing need for more active participation. What I saw as a response to this adversity was our brotherhood pulling together to accomplish what our alumni leadership and we set out to do. With our number of in-house brothers increasing this fall, we should not have difficulty achieving our goals.

As the house's Sigma, I will do my best to keep this house moving forward. I will make sure that records will be kept for important functions that include our formal meetings, the bidding meeting, and initiation. I will also do my best to get the brotherhood to maintain a clean living environment. I can only see good things happening next semester, especially under our new Phi's leadership. It should be a fun and productive semester.

Honorably in Tau Kappa Phi,
Mark Friedland '05, Sigma

Rewarding Academic Achievement

As a way to promote and endorse academic excellence among our active brothers while encouraging them to reap all of the benefits of the residence experience at 18 College Avenue, the alumni association will be rewarding our brothers for both. All in-house brothers who earn a grade point average of:

- 3.00 or better will receive a \$150 credit
- 3.25 or better will receive a \$200 credit.

These credits will be applied toward room and board for their next semester.

These steps are the second stage of our academic leadership plan, started last fall with the addition of the Delta faculty advisor, *Tom Means '97*, who is a member of the Rutgers University faculty.

Moving? Be sure we have your new address so you don't miss a single issue of the newsletter!

Dave Cook '03 Named First Davidson Scholar

First, let me begin by thanking all of you who have given so generously to the Davidson Scholarship Fund. It shows how much Mike meant to all of us, and he would be proud of our accomplishments. Today, thanks to donations from alumni and relatives of Michael Davidson, the fund is now in excess of \$5,000.

I am pleased to announce that the Michael Davidson Scholarship Fund awarded its first scholarship to Dave Cook '03 in the spring of 2003. Michael Davidson, Delta '97, died on September 11, 2001. Mrs. Ellen Davidson, Michael's mother, and other family, friends, and Delta elders established a scholarship in Michael's memory. All applicants must come from a single-parent household and must live in the house. Michael was in such a position when he joined Zeta, and we believe that by



Vice President of Operations Mike Orozco '99 presents the first Davidson Scholarship to Dave Cook '03.

helping brothers in similar situations, we can reinforce the bonds of brotherhood and properly remember "Zucco."

Anyone interested in learning more about the Davidson Scholarship, please contact Mike Orozco (732/979-8832,

m_orozco_1999@yahoo.com). Donations can be made to the Zeta Psi Educational Foundation—Delta Endowment Fund. Indicate "Michael Davidson Scholarship" in the memo field and mail to Zeta Psi International Headquarters, 15 S. Henry St., Pearl River, NY 10965.

Mike Orozco '99

First Active And Alumni Delta Day A Success



Above: Actives relax after putting in a good day's work fixing up the house with the alumni. Front row, left to right: Peter Burke, Dan Sepe, Dave Cook.

Back row, left to right: Yuli Kotler, Mark Friedland, Brian Cohn, Jeremy Reed, and Kevin Mulleady.

Below: Gary Christ '67 caught with a paintbrush again!



Zeta Psi Educational Foundation Scholarship Awards

The Zeta Psi Educational Foundation awarded scholarships to five Rutgers Zetes.

The competitive awards are based on six criteria: academics, financial need, activities, biographical statement, references, and presentation. Zetes from chapters across North America submitted applications.

Congratulations to the following actives for their accomplishments:

Dave Cook '03
Joe Delorenzo '04

Sean Mattis '04
Kevin Mulleady '04

Yuli Kotler '05

Brother Reaps Benefits Of DC Internship

When I finished my undergraduate tenure at Rutgers University in the fall of 2002, I was at a crossroads in my life. Anticipating acceptance to law school in the fall, I was left with eight months to work or to take advantage of whatever other opportunities might come my way. Fortunately, I had remained in contact with close friend and Delta brother Philip Castrogiovanni '02. Phil had recently left for Washington, DC, in the late summer on a Zeta Psi/The Conservative Network Foundation (TCNF) scholarship to intern in the nation's capital. Understanding my situation, Phil put me in contact with the appropriate people, and I was extended the opportunity to join him in DC.

When I arrived in DC, I was introduced to Rear Admiral [Ret.] James J. Carey, Omega '60, who would serve as my supervisor and mentor. Admiral Carey explained to me the responsibilities and expectations that he had for me, then put me to work at the National Defense Committee. The NDC is a grassroots pro-military organization with emphasis on supporting a stronger defense and the election of more veterans to the United States Congress. My internship program allowed me to divide my time at the National Defense Committee and also at the Heritage Foundation. At Heritage I conducted policy research on specific topics assigned to me by the staff. Heritage was an excellent experi-

ence, because it allowed me indirect exposure to our nation's politics and government.

The experience I had down in Washington was truly memorable. The opportunity that Zeta Psi offers its undergraduates with a program such as the Washington Scholarship is truly unique. Through the vision and dedication of elder brethren such as Rear Admiral [Ret.] James J. Carey and Stephen Hartwell, Tau '36, I realized that brotherhood is not something that just remains in college, but something that is truly carried through life.

In Tau Kappa Phi,
Stefan J. Bieret '03

Delta Capital Campaign At Critical Juncture; Your Leadership Needed!

As the Delta Chapter moves toward its goal of becoming the premier fraternity at Rutgers in the 21st century, there remains an unfinished, but critical, element of that goal: the need to provide a chapter house that meets the standards of RU's best fraternity. In fact, following 87 years of proud service to undergraduate Zetas, the Delta chapter house is in desperate need of major renovation. Often referred to as the "mother of all chapters," our house is arguably the most physically prominent and well-constructed fraternal property in New Brunswick. In order to perpetuate the legacy of "Hub" Waldron, the alumni association took charge in the same manner as several other chapters at Rutgers and within Zeta Psi, and initiated a capital campaign.

The goal of \$750,000 was set in early 2001 based on research and the indications of generous alumni during the feasibility study conducted in late 2000. Unfortunately, two major events occurred that affected the timing—and, to date, the results—of the Delta Chapter Campaign: the tragic events of September 11 and the downturn in the economy. Despite these two major events,

the campaign got off to a quick start in early 2002. Dozens of multi-year campaign pledges were made at various levels ranging from \$5,000 to \$50,000.

Currently, we are approximately halfway toward our goal. Much progress has been made on the house thanks to the generosity of many elders and friends (see summary of recent campaign renovations on page five). The core campaign team has reached the stage where other elder brothers and friends are needed to ensure the campaign's success. Your leadership will be critical in approaching fellow members of your class and era as well as in the form of your own campaign pledge. Without this partnership among the elder brotherhood, the targeted house renovations may have to be curtailed, and the future of Delta Chapter may not be as bright.

A general call for support will be forthcoming this fall. In the meantime, please contact Carl Burns (cwburns@optonline.net, 732/683-9725) or Greg McElroy (McElroy174@aol.com, 845/735-3278) to make a difference at the Delta.

Campaign Executive Committee

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Frank Kneller '49

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Frank Parrotto '79

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Greg McElroy, Phi '70

William Scatchard '50
Robert Laudicina '63
Donald Broderick '71
George Christiansen '74

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Douglas Clark '84
Timothy Trankina '84

James Terlizzi '86
Michael Andrulis '88
Michael Orozco '99
Frank DiLeo '00

Alumni and actives gather on the front steps during Reunion Weekend in May. Front row, left to right: Alumni Association President Carl Burns '64, Nick Vinke '68, Cliff Van Vorhees '68, and Greg McElroy, campaign consultant. Back row, left to right: Franklin Kneller '49, Phi Donny Lee '04, Alan White '68, Frank DiLeo '00, and Sigma Mark Friedland '05.



Alumni Give Generously To Annual Appeal

Thank you! It was an impressive year for our annual appeal (see enclosed honor roll). The alumni association and the active brothers would like to thank all of the elders who made a gift this past fiscal year. We would like to recognize this year's most elder donor, *William Gardner '39*. Here is a summary of our results:

- revenue: \$15,435
- number of donors: 100
- average gift per donor: \$154.35
- number of donations: 133
- elder participation percentage: 10.93%

Era/Decade Gift Challenge:

- largest number of donations: 1960s (38)
- largest annual fund donation: 1960s (\$5,600)

We will work to surpass these results for the 2003-2004 Annual Fund that will end June 30, 2004. We hope you will be able to make a first donation or increase your gift from last year. Our goals are:

- revenue: \$19,500
- number of donors: 130
- elder participation: 15%

You make it all possible!

Your support is the inspiration that keeps us moving forward. Your generosity enables the alumni association to reward our actives with academic and service scholarships, send our undergraduate officers to seminars like the Grand Chapter's LTI, and to fund operations not covered by room, board, and fees. Please consider making a first gift or joining a higher giving category for the 2003-2004 Annual Fund.

We will be reaching out to you in the coming weeks and months. We look forward to updating you on all that the alumni association and the actives are accomplishing.

Your leadership is invaluable!

Alumni News & Notes

At the age of 80, F. HOWARD LLOYD JR. '42 is still teaching at Matawan High School. He makes his home at 167 Main St., Matawan, NJ 07747. CARL BURNS '64 writes of Howard, "His donation level gives him a bedroom to name (first at top of stairs) in honor of his brothers HAROLD JOHNSTON '41, JAMES EVERT '42 (on our Bum Room Plaques WWII), and G. GORDON BEHN '41, who couldn't serve because of asthma." Carl adds that Howard built the lawn in front of the house in 1940.

F. JOSEPH TRIGGS '54 is retired on the big island of Hawaii at the Mauna Lani Golf Resort. Write to him at 68-1399 Mauna Lani Dr., Kamuela, HI 96743, or at triggs@hawaii.rr.com.

Stay in touch with RONALD M. HEYMANN '56 at rheymann@bellsouth.net or at 4682 Carlton Dunes Dr., #1, Amelia Island, FL 32034.

Since 1996, WALTER WESOLOWSKI '58 has done part-time consulting work (fire protection engineering) for Schermer Engineering Corporation, a subsidiary of AON Corporation. He also does property loss control and fire protection consulting on his own and is a past president of the New Jersey Chapter of the Society of Fire Protection Engineers. He lives at 5287 Club Head Rd., Virginia Beach, VA 23455, and receives e-mail at waltwes1@yahoo.com.

J. LAWRENCE FENTON '64 is coordinating this year's Veteran's Day program at the Delta Chapter. All brothers are welcome. For more information, please contact Larry at 910/215-9930 or at vlfenton@nc.rr.com.

FRED H. KUMPF '65 took the oath of office as superior court judge in the state of New Jersey in January 2002. Drop him a line at pfkumpf@worldnet.att.net or at 1276 Sherlin Dr., Bridgewater, NJ 08807.

GERALD J. ANDREWS '72 has been on Wall Street for over 30 years. He has sat on

the board of directors of companies in the U.S., England, and Germany. Merrill Lynch invited him to join them in 1996. He is actively involved in managing assets and liabilities for both affluent individuals and companies. He does 30 to 35 public speaking engagements a year, including recent events for Mayor Bloomberg's office and the UN. Jerry's address is 363 Charlton Ave., South Orange, NJ 07079.

ROBERT E. BERG '76 reports that he has a new home and a new business. "Life is great!" He can be reached at 203 Dunellen Ave., Dunellen, NJ 08812; roberteberg@optonline.net.

JOSEPH CARR '76 works for Wachovia Securities and lives at 503 New York Blvd., Sea Girt, NJ 08750. When he wrote in the spring, his son had just finished his freshman year at the College of William and Mary in Williamsburg, Virginia. E-mail reaches Joe at jcarr@wachoviasec.com.

To find out what's been happening in the life of GARY G. SCHEMPP '76, visit his website at www.garygs1.com. The president and owner of All Seasons Pet Management Services, Gary can be reached at garygs1@yahoo.com or at 80 S. Route 47, Cape May Court House, NJ 08210-2040.

Contact PETER CERWIN '87 at 315 E. 72nd St., 3L, New York, NY 10021, or at peter.cerwin@db.com. Peter works for Deutsche Bank in New York.

JAMES D. TERLIZZI '89 makes his home at 908 Cypress Dr., Delray Beach, FL 33483. Send him e-mail at jterlizzi@lumpsum.com.

Please note this new address for ANTHONY B. CRESTI '92: 8 Bigham Trail, Park Ridge, NJ 07656 (anthony@cresti.com).

BRADLEY R. ZECHMAN '92 is the director of marketing for Lord Corporation in Cary, North Carolina. Drop him a line at brad.zechman@lord.com or at 100 Grattan Court, Morrisville, NC 27560.

FRANK M. DEBENEDETTO '93 was married to his fiancé, Debra, on May 23, 2003. The reception was in Spring Lake, New Jersey. Among those in attendance were MICHAEL J. PETERSON '93, MICHAEL MELLODY '94, ANTHONY MARTIN '94, CHRISTOPHER HEISER '93, CHRISTOPHER LINDSEY '93, and H. MICHAEL BYRNE '94. Best wishes can be sent to the newlyweds at 94 Banyan Blvd., Holmdel, NJ 07733; fmdb@planningalliance.com.

PAUL DA SILVA '93 recently celebrated his first anniversary as a partner in the law firm Da Silva & Pinho, LLC. He specializes in criminal defense and is a frequent guest commentator for Court TV in New York. He can be reached at paul@dasilvapinho.com or at 432 Manchester Dr., Nutley, NJ 07110.

DAVID T. DOERR '93, "a brother like no other," would like to hear from the old posse at his house at 4077 Statewood Rd., Atlanta, GA 30342 (macdoerrga@mac.com).

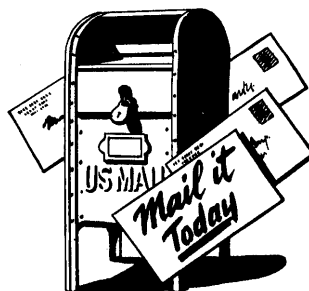
A distribution specialist for Nissan Motor Corporation, NICK J. ROTONDI '98 resides at 476 Heath Place, #29, Hackensack, NJ 07601. His e-mail address is nrotondi@yahoo.com.

CHRISTIAN A. SEBASTIANO '98 is engaged to be married in April 2004. Get in touch with him at chris_jinn@yahoo.com or at 124 Raymond Ave., Nutley, NJ 07110.

A third-year law student at Pace University School of Law, ERIC BASTERRECHEA '01 can be reached at 5 Lincoln Ave., Second Floor, West Harrison, NY 10604, or at erichasta@hotmail.com.

Your news is important!

Let us know what you're doing—where you've traveled, whom you've seen, how your family is prospering. Mail your news today to the address on page two.



DECEASED

We regret to report the death of the following alumni:

W. BURNHAM GARDNER '39
April 21, 2003

LOWELL H. HARPER '61

JAMES G. MURRAY '31
November 22, 2002

WILLIAM J. TRUEX '50
July 8, 2003