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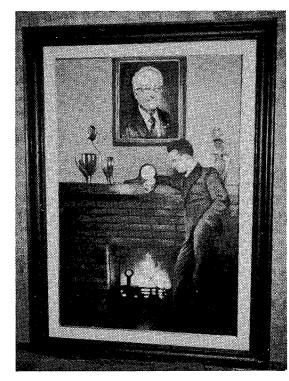


George Allen Acclaimed

George Allen Appreciation Day was held on October 3 of Homecoming to a crowd of 180. Ordean Dahl '34 was master of ceremonies and paid tribute to George's distinguished service to Delta Tau Delta, his generosity and his warm hearted nature for all Delts. A roving microphone allowed many of his contemporaries and more recent Delts to show their appreciation for Brother Allen's good deeds, and what his fraternal efforts have meant to them. It was a sentimental evening filled with laughter.

The evening was culminated with the unveiling of an oil portrait of George from a photograph of him in 1935 before the Delt Shelter fireplace. Above the mantel is a portrait of George as he is today after fifty years of loyalty, service and dedication. The oil portrait was done by artist Pat Tupa of Grand Forks, a friend of many of the Delts in the 1970's. Looking at the portrait, you sense that George is contemplating what he may do and become in 1935, and feel the warm smile from accomplishment and service from the more recent pose. Brother Allen's portrait hangs in the Shelter living room as a tribute, but more importantly as a source of motivation and inspiration for generations of Delts to come.

Brother Allen responded with his usual warmth and candor, remembering his many friendships and good moments from the fraternity affiliation. He also left the chapter and the alumni with a message from Justice Oliver Wendell Holmes on "meeting trouble as a friend". George quoted, "Oh, you young people... you think you've discovered trouble. If you want to live without trouble, you'll have to die young! For if one thing's sure, it's that it's always been with us and always will be. Terrifying, (continued on page 2)



Legacies

John Carmean — grandfather, Ole Jensen '30 Ryan Lokken — grandfather, Wendell Lokken '34 Rob Ramsey — brother, Scott Ramsey John Bos — father, Thomas Bos Dave Ulmen — father, Tom Ulmen Tim Peirce — father, Jack Peirce Lee Imsland — uncle, Bruce Gjovig



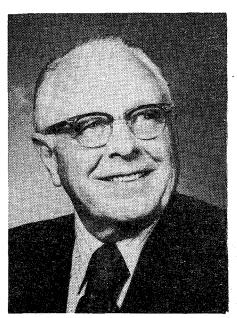
George Allen

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you think? Rubbish! It's never fazed me...been almost grateful for it at times...makes us one with every human being in the world...and unless we touch others, we're out of touch with life. You might as well be dead as stop growing and if you're unwilling to feel, yes, feel, deeply, you're only half alive."

He quoted Holmes further, "If I had a formula for by-passing trouble, I wouldn't pass it around. Wouldn't be doing anybody a favor. Trouble creates a capacity to handle it. I don't say embrace trouble. That's as bad as treating it as an enemy. But I do say, meet it as a friend, for you'll see a lot of it and had better be on speaking terms with it. Have faith...and do the needful." Thank you George for inspiring us once again.

Memorial for Merritt Welch



Merritt Lee Welch

To honor and remember Merritt Welch in perpetuity for his 60 years of dedicated service to the Fraternity, the Delta Tau Delta Educational Foundation is establishing the Merritt Welch Memorial Endowment. Merritt was a fraternal great, and always a leader in the Fraternity. The National Fraternity recognized his service, loyalty and dedication by presenting him with the Distinguished Service Chapter Award in October 1986. He is one of 300 to be so honored in our Fraternity's 130-year history with over 140,000 initiates. He was a visionary leader who gave his best to leave a foundation upon which others could build. He had a special affection for youth; wanting to help them grow and develop into leaders and good citizens. We are very proud that he was a Delt, and many of us are beneficiaries of his talents.

Interest earned from the endowment will annually fund one or two speakers of national stature on the University of North Dakota campus, and at the chapter house. Over the years the chapter has been visited with such luminaries as Justice Thomas C. Clark, Attorney Melvin Belli, and baseball's Branch Rickey — all who left a lasting favorable impression upon our members. In the last few years we have hosted Otto Silha (Chairman of Cowles Media and Minneapolis Star and Tribune), Rhodes Scholar Clay Jenkinson as Thomas Jefferson (in character), investment banker Harold Bangert '28, and counsel for the U.S. Senate Judiciary Committee, Robert Feidler '71. All visited on campus before faculty and student groups under Delt sponsorship, and visited with the chapter in the living room with lively discussion. That is an educational experience that is long remembered, and most motivating to young men of promise.

We know that we need to beef up that speakers program, and it is appropriate it should be done in Merritt's memory and honor. A \$2,000 annual budget would cover the transportation, housing, promotion, and speakers fee for a major speaker each semester. Our goal is a \$25,000 to \$30,000 endowment. To initiate the Welch Speakers Program, the Fraternity has invited U.S. Supreme Court Justice William Brennan to make an address on campus next spring or next fall. The UND Law School and Grand Forks County Bar Association are also interested in hosting the Justice should he accept our invitation. An invitation has been extended to Edward King, Dean of Student Affairs at Bradley University who is one of the finest speakers on fraternity ritual in the country. A committee chaired by William Tipton '85 of Minneapolis has been established to see to the details of the speakers program.

The fund drive has been initated with \$1,300 in memorials received after Merritt's passing in July. We hope that each of you will consider participating not only to honor, remember and perpetuate Merritt Welch's legacy, but to support the speakers program for UND and Delta Tau Delta. A year-end mailing will be going to alumni in December, and we hope you will consider participating generously.

Meet A Delt Leader

Joel Medd graduated from the University of North Dakota in 1969 with a undergraduate degree in Political Science and a minor in Spanish.

Upon graduation, Joel was commissioned as a 2nd Lt. through the Army ROTC program, where he stood out and earned the Distinquished Military Student Award. Joel served in Military Intelligence in Panama from 1970-71 and then in Vietnam from 1971-72. Because of Joel's endless dedication and service, he was awarded the Vietnam Cross of Galantry and the Bronze Star.

In 1972, Joel returned to UND to pursue his dreams in a career of law. Joel was heavily involved in his studies, serving on the board of directors of the UND Law Review, and also performing as one of the student directors of the Legal Aid Association.

Upon graduation from law school, Joel was given the Charles E. Dahl Award for constructive leadership in law school.

With such distinguished merits, Joel was appointed county judge of Benson County, Minnewaukan, making him the youngest county judge of North Dakota. Joel was very active in Minnewaukan, serving as chairman of the Park Board and being a Boy Scout leader.

During Joel's final year at Minnewaukan, Joel also filled in as Williston County Judge for 8 months, serving 2 counties at the same time.

In 1979, Joel was appointed district judge of Grand Forks by Governor Art Link. In 1980 Joel was officially elected by the public, and reelected in 1986. In 1985 Joel was the Commander of the Disabled American Vets of 1200 members. To honor his service, they awarded Joel with the DAV outstanding member of Chapter 2. Joel also served on the United Way Board of Directors from 1984-86.

Along with the office as Grand Forks District Judge, Joel is currently active as vice-president of the Grand Forks Missionary and the president of South Forks Lions Club. Of course, not to forget that he is now serving his second year as president of Delta Xi House Corporation.

Joel lived in Delta Xi for 3 good years from 1966-69 and was very active, especially in intermural sports. He misses old friends and says that without Delta Xi, that glorious bridge, many rivers might be impossible to cross.

We of Delta Tau Delta would like to express our deep appreciation for your helping hand and dedication to the chapter. Thanks Joel.

New Computer

The house has its second computer! As soon as the Educational Foundation bought the first computer three years ago, it was clear from the hours of use that we would need another one soon. Almost half of all classes are using the computer. Finding time when the computer was not in use was getting harder and harder to do with usage up to 18 hours each day. The only problems were how to get the money and to anticipate how computers might change in the future. The first problem was solved by donations from the parents of the undergraduates and the alumni. Especially helpful was George Allen who matched the total amount of what the parents gave. The amount of two thousand dollars was enough to get a new computer, boost the old computer's memory to 640k and get some new software to add to our collection. The second problem was solved by realizing that within the next few years most new students will be bringing computers from home. So what we needed was a computer that could store all the software programs we have, and will be getting in the future. The new computer is an IBM clone with a 30 meg hard drive, which should be enough memory space to store all of the programs that the house will ever get. It has 640k of memory and is graphics capable.

The next step is to get software programs that will help us in our school work. The programs we have right now are: Lotus, I-7, Volkswriter, Microsoft Word, Perfect Writer, P.C. Write, WordPerfect, Print Master, Wordproof, and Dbase III +. We do have others but need to get documentation for them. These are: Symphonie, Diagram Master, Autocad and Norton Utilities. If you have the documentation, any new programs, or have heard about any programs that you feel would be good for the house, feel free to contact the house or send copies.

David Ulmen, Vice-President

How Grand, a Piano!



This fall the Education Foundation provided funding to purchase a very well used baby grand piano from the University. It was in sad shape and needs alot of work but the price was right, \$75. We then got approval to sell the current piano that sits in the living room now. We recently got an estimate on how much it would cost to get it fixed and tuned. The repairman's estimate came in at \$350, which should be easily covered by the sale of the old piano. Those of us that are interested are going to be in charge of cleaning it up, and if we choose, to strip the finish, fill in the marks and refinish it. It is quite a project but it will be a beautiful addition to our living room when completed. The piano is a Kimball and has very good tone and brightness. For all the abuse it took when it was in a dorm it plays quite well. The project should be complete by the end of the spring semester unless there is a problem getting parts.

Three Delts enjoy tickling the ivories to provide entertainment to the chapter and their guests. Others entertain themselves but it is a great addition to the Fraternity.

Paul Reed Chad Erickson Committee Chairmen

Prominent Delts from North Dakota

Chester Fritz, UND largest benefactor and international financier and a world leading trader of silver and gold (Washington)

Thomas Campbell, world's largest wheat farmer at Hardin, MT and Albuquerque, NM, inventor of petroleum jelly and mechanized farm equipment, and UND's first Engineering graduate in 1904. (Campbell House Musuem on Belmont Road) (Cornell)

Frank White, Treasurer of the United States and Governor of North Dakota from 1901-1905, first member of the State Board of Higher Education. (Illinois)

Merlin Dewing '56, '58, Vice Chairman of Auditing, KPMG Peat Marwick Main, the largest of the "Big 8" accounting firms, and the largest professional service firm in the world with annual fees in excess of \$2 billion.

Arlo Levi '55, Vice President and Corporate Secretary for 3M Company of St. Paul which has annual sales in excess of \$9 billion

Harold Bangert '28, Attorney, Chairman of the Board of American Life Companies, The Statesman Insurance Group and Investment Banker. One of the originators of Employee Stock Ownership Plans (ESOPs)

Merritt Welch '29, President and Chairman of the Board of Implement Dealers Mutual Insurance Company, Director of several national Insurance Companies including the Statesman Group

Gerald Movius '31, President of the Motion Picture Association of America, and Executive Officer for the United States Chamber of Commerce

Edward X. Hallenberg '36, retired Vice President of Westinghouse Laboratories

Don Hiestand '40, retired Vice President of Westinghouse Personnel

Ordean Dahl '34, retired Chairman of the Board, Fairway Foods, and Chairman of the Board of the Litchville State Bank

Monroe Berg '22, First Director of Systems for the IRS, developed the computer systems for tax administration for the IRS. Consulted with foreign nations, Beta Chi founder

Stanley Moe '32, founder of Daniel, Mann, Johnson and Mendenhall, one of the world's largest architectural, planning and engineering firms. Designed the prototype Space Shuttle and Titan I ground support and launching facilities

Bruce Rutherford '28, retired President of Macleods, Ltd of Canada with 239 retail stores, affiliated with Gamble Skogmo Corporation

Tracy Roberts '31, Chairman of a chain of Savings and Loans in Colorado, one of the founders of the U.S. Air Force Academy

Eugene Hough '22, Vice-President of Union Electric Company of St. Louis, inventor with 12 patents, Beta Chi Founder

Dr. Roscoe Lokken '29, past president of Valley City State College

Lyle Lund '40, President and General Manager of Minnkota Power Cooperative, one of the most advanced RECs in the nation.

Many, many presidents of companies and professional firms.



Prominent Alumni of Delta Tau Delta

A few of the most distinguished alumni of Delta Tau Delta are presented here for your reading pleasure. Many have been prominent and famous in early days, but would be unknown today to most people, so have not been listed.

Government and Public Service:

Thomas C. Clark, Justice of the United States Supreme Court

William J. Brennan, Justice of the United States Supreme Court

Henry A. Wallace, Vice-President of the United States Alben Barkley, Vice-President of the United States

Frank White, Treasurer of the United States, Governor of North Dakota

Rueben Askew, Former Governor of Florida, Keynote Speaker at Democratic National Convention, 1972

Tim Johnson, (D-SD), United States Congressman, 1987-Bill Richardson, (D-NM), United States Congressman,

Don J. Pease, (D-OH), United States Congressman, 1977-Thomas R. Carper, (D-DE), United States Congressman, 1983-

Champ Clark, (D-MO), one of the country's most famous Speakers of the U.S. House of Representatives, Woodrow Wilson won the endorsement for President over Clark in 1912

James Blanchard, Governor of Michigan, 1981-

Hank Brown, (R-CO), United States Congressman, 1981-Llewellyn E. Thompson, Jr., former Ambassador to Russia

James A. Jerome, Justice of the Federal Court of Canada

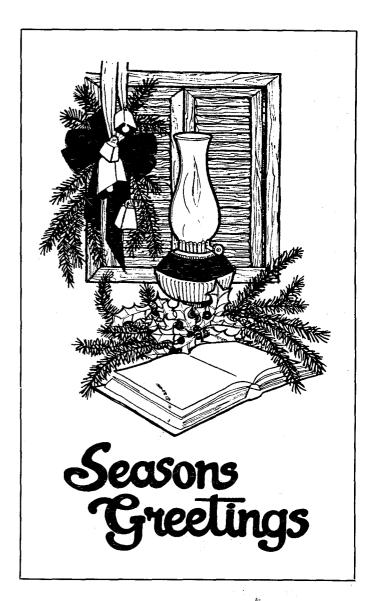
Edgar Theodore Keller '39 passes away

Brother Edgar T. Keller '39 of Scranton ND, passed away on July 19, 1987. Brother Keller had been battling severe emphysema for many years. Brother Jos. "Vince" Reuter, class of '41, has informed us of this sad news.

Brother Keller was born April 1, 1920 in Cochran, Wisconsin to Edgar and Meta Keller. He grew up in Scranton, North Dakota and attended the University of North Dakota. He entered the U.S. Navy in 1941 and was a pilot until retiring in 1963 with the rank of commander. Ted married Mary Ellen Edgar on February 21, 1948. He was a member of St. Andrew's Lutheran Church. Ted died at Villa View Hospital and is survived by three daughters: Rita Lister, Joan Fisher, and Nikki Livsay; four grand-children: Douglas Lister, Hilari Livsay, Jerimiah Livsay, and Shaun Livsay; one sister-in-law; and by many friends. He was preceded in death by his parents, brother and his wife. May God bless his memory among us.

P.S. All of Ted's three surviving daughters live in the San Diego area. If you should wish to send a message of condolence, the elder daughter is: Ms. Rita Lister, 8662 Lake Ashmore Drive #181, San Diego, CA 92119.





Lost Alumni with Hometowns

Walter Block'22 Thompson, ND	Oscar Huber'49 Beulah, ND
Obert Brunsvold'34 Ray, ND	Bennie A. Johnson
Robert Ceronsky, Jr	Mark V. La France
Elmer Cornwell	Richard McConnell'53 Pembina, ND
Brett Dale	Clarence McGee
William Falvey30 Geneso, NY	Orville Medus'31 Northwood, ND
Robert Geisler'86 Bloomington, MN	David Schwiegert'72 Stanton, ND
Leo Grattan	Maynard Stardig'29 Ambrose, ND

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Leon Steinberg Minot, ND	••••	• • • • • •	'66
Arthur Sudehall Portal, ND	• • • • • • •	· • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	'74
John Thelander Thief River Falls,			'43
Henry E. Thompse Tioga, ND	on		'64
Harry Trenholme	· legio.		'30

If you have any information on the whereabouts of these alumni, please send a note to: Alumni Relations Chairman, Delta Tau Delta, 2700 University Avenue, Grand Forks, ND 58201.

Conesus, NY

President's Report

December 1, 1987

The Fall Semester has moved along quickly. It's hard to believe it has been 4 months since we first arrived here for fall rush and beginning of classes. Some of us are already hitting the books heavily in preparation for final exams.

A recent development in the area of academics is the effective use of the dining room for study tables from 7:00 to 11:00. Each weeknight evening at that time it is expected to be quiet and for study use only. An officer of the house is present at all times.

Officer elections were held just before Thanksgiving break. Congratulations go out to the upcoming officers of 1988. Newly elected were: president — Scott Stordahl, internal vice-president — John Carmean, external vice-president — Jason Williams, Treasurer — Mark Hoffman, academic affairs — Dave Ulman, recording secretary — Robb Turner, corresponding secretary — Mike Christenson, sergeant at arms — Ryan Lokken.

Current committees are planning ahead to next semester and arranging future activities. New committee chairmen will be appointed shortly.

semester. As my term approaches its end, I realize what a valuable and enjoyable experience it has been for me. I hope to make the transition of office as smooth as possible.

The undergraduate chapter plans to return after

The undergraduate chapter plans to return after Christmas break on Monday, January 11 to prepare the house for spring rush. Already we have a list of 30 rushes we are working on to become pledges. This extensive list can be attributed to the successful rush we had this fall.

The weekend of December 5 the newly elected and current officers will have an officer retreat at Tom Hanson's

Change of office will take place January 18th next

home. The meeting will help assure a smooth officer tran-

sition and set goals for the upcoming month.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. Fraternally,

John D. Bos, President



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