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DELTA XI CHAPTER — DELTA TAU DELTA FRATERNITY
UNIVERSITY OF NORTH DAKOTA

Independence Through Empowerment

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At Courage Center, we measure progress in inches and in miles. We look for growth in physical strength as well as in spirit. We celebrate individual milestones and team victories.

Through the years, Courage Center has progressed and grown a lot too. Our programs and services have changed as the needs of our clients have changed. We offer a broad spectrum of services because our clients' needs are diverse. But while our clients' needs are diverse, we still maintain one mission: To help people with disabilities realize their goals and achieve their full potential.

The sky's the limit

Kevin Sullivan was accustomed to soaring with eagles. He never dreamed he'd have to re-learn to drive a car.

Mobility was just one of the issues facing Kevin Sullivan, 31, after he injured his spinal cord in a diving accident six years ago. After his initial rehabilitation, the former commercial pilot came to Courage Center to develop the skills he needed to live independently.

Finding accessible housing, finishing school, and getting a job were Kevin's major concerns, but he didn't want his options limited due to lack of mobility.

Because of his disability, Kevin thought it would be awhile before he'd learn to drive again. But setting high expectations is the norm at Courage Center, and the staff en-

couraged him to try within a few months of his accident. Through Courage Center's Driver Education program, he got behind the wheel right away and eventually bought a specially-equipped van. "I thought it would be at least two or three years before I'd be driving," he said, "but they push you to move on to these things."

For Kevin, opportunity did, indeed, depend on mobility. Having his own transportation allowed him to get back to his first love: flying. In 1987 he started a flight school in La Crosse, Wisconsin, and early this year he founded American Flight Instruction at a suburban Minneapolis

airport. He's logged 50 flying hours and his five-year-old van has 130,000 miles on it!

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Kevin Sullivan

National Housing Picture

Delta Xi's Chapter housing is among the best managed and well kept of all 126 chapters of Delta Tau Delta. That conclusion has been drawn by Bruce Gjovig '74 who was appointed by International President Dave Nagel to serve as a seven-member National Housing Committee for the Fraternity. "North Dakota's chapter housing is serving as an example for the rest of the Fraternity, and alumni involvement and participation since the 1970s is the key," Gjovig said. Surprisingly, the last new chapter house to be built in Delta Tau Delta was for Delta Xi in 1979.

The National Housing Committee has met several times to study and recommend ways to improve the quality of chapter housing, to find innovative ways to finance new shelters and renovate tired ones, to revitalize house corporations with new volunteers, and to address other housing issues to prepare for residential housing for the year 2000 and beyond.

The Problem

Throughout the 1970s and 1980s, all fraternities have had difficulty keeping their housing stock up to quality standards. Costs have skyrocketed, with renovations often exceeding the original cost of the building. Nationals have loaned out all the money they have available, with more chapters waiting for available funds. Local House Corporations have kept rents low because of student finances, often not having reserve funds to keep the chapter house up. Two-thirds of the nation's 6,000 chapter houses were built before WWII, and they are getting tired and worn out from thousands of teenagers living, eating, sleeping and playing. Alumni oversight — and thus property management — has suffered since the Viet Nam war, as fewer volunteers have been called on to do more, and too much. As many as 20% of house corps do not meet or function.

The Opportunity

Many of the other 65 national Fraternities were contacted to find out how they are addressing the problems of quality, competitive hous-

ing. It appears that Delta Tau Delta is once again taking the lead. The National Housing Committee is preparing materials for House Corporations and Chapters to be better property managers (checklists, manuals, newsletters, educational programming, etc.) Dave Nagel is exploring an initiative to encourage more alumni volunteers to get involved with the Fraternity, providing valuable experience to young Delts, mentoring them on sound business and operating practice. Innovative finance mechanisms are being explored including expansions of 501(c)3 educational foundations (like North Dakota), general partnerships and alumni investment pools.

Why Chapter Housing?

The Fraternity experience provides leadership development, team skills, social training, and helps form significant relationships — all with or without a shelter. Taking

care and pride in a building is just more work, and more things to go wrong. Right? Competitive and quality chapter housing can enhance the Fraternity development experience, provide a place for meaningful experiences, help attract new members, and provide a "home away from home". A significant number of fraternity members come from divorced families, and many are from dysfunctional homes. The brothers become "family" with all the good that implies, providing the support, encouragement, acceptance, and positive relationships young men of promise and potential need to be successful. More than ever before, the Fraternity is needed to provide an environment for growth and development. Safe, healthy, quality housing is very much a part of that environment as is our family home.

Delta Tau Delta Educational Foundation News

by Neil W. Fleming '65, President

This has been a transitional year for the Delta Tau Delta Education Foundation as emphasis has been shifted to the development of a long range program. The Foundation last October made changes in its organizational structure which will better enable it to meet the future needs of Delta Xi of Delta Tau Delta.

Under the leadership of Robert Muhs, a leadership academy is being developed. Plans for this will be discussed at our Homecoming meeting. Under the leadership of Joel Medd and inspired by Scottie Cranna the parking lot behind the Shelter and the alley has been paved. The next project for the committee will be the paving of the parking lot across the alley.

The major gifts under the leadership of Bruce Gjovig continues to be a vital part of our fund raising efforts together with the annual sustaining drive headed by Lew Schoeneman.

A committee headed by John

Bos will be reviewing the criteria and the amount of all the scholarships and awards in an effort to keep up with the changing times. The goal for 1991-1992 is to increase scholarships by \$5,000 annually.

On my visit to the Chapter House on September 13th I was advised that there were 25 new pledges. As you can see, we alumni need to hustle to keep up with the undergraduate chapter. I would encourage as many of you alumni as possible to attend Homecoming 1991. Many of you know that Tom Clifford, who is a personal friend of many of us, will be retiring at the end of the school year as President of the University. It would be a good chance for all of you to come back and view the many changes in the Chapter House as well as say thank you to Tom Clifford.

The Educational Foundation Annual Meeting and Board of Directors Meeting will be held October 19th at 9:00 a.m. in the Chapter House. I hope to see many of you back for Homecoming.

The Times They are a Changing

There is a quote which says that the only thing which is constant is change itself. One of the best examples of this is the Fraternity. In the early 1970s acceptable behavior on campuses and in fraternities changed drastically. In the 90's it is changing again.

I am writing to all alumni and parents to ask your cooperation and help as Delta Tau Delta and Delta Xi Chapter at North Dakota move into a new era. The Fraternity has recently enacted Chapter Responsibilities Legislation. A copy of this was included in a previous newsletter. I will quickly highlight the important points.

1. All possession and use of alcohol must comply with the law.
2. No purchase of alcohol with Chapter funds (no slush funds either and no bulk containers ie. kegs or party balls).
3. No sale of alcohol by DTD (in any fashion).
4. No illegal drugs.
5. Parties are for members and invited guests only. (Specific written individual invitation required).
6. No alcohol at any rush function.
7. No alcohol at any pledge or initiation activity.
8. No alcohol related sponsors or co-sponsors.

The policy also addresses Hazing, Abusive Behavior and Property Management.

If things are different when you visit the chapter we ask your understanding and cooperation in complying with the new policy. If you have any questions or concerns about this please contact me, Tom Hanson Chapter Advisor, 1916 University Ave., Grand Forks, ND 58203 (701) 772-0259.

New Members

The men of Delta Tau Delta would like to congratulate and introduce to you the ten pledges of the spring of '91 that became active members this fall. They are:

NAME	HOMETOWN	MAJOR
Hunter Bass	Anchorage, AK	Aviation
Ron Denny	Brooklyn Center, MN	Aviation
Chuck Gibbons	MidWest City, OK	Pre Med
William Kehoe	Minneapolis, MN	Mathematics
Dave Lee	Williston, ND	Accounting
Brian Lukasezck	Apple Valley, MN	Aviation
Robert Pflipsen	Bismarck, ND	Aviation
Jeff Rowley	Post Falls, ID	Aviation
Steve Sullivan	Duluth, MN	Aviation
Mark Tebelius	Eden Prairie, MN	Undecided

Fall Rush '91 went well this semester considering this year's low enrollment at UND, and the smaller number of rushees this semester. The chapter has thus far pledged 25 new men. New fall pledges include:

NAME	HOMETOWN	MAJOR
Steve Klostermeier	Dewitt, NB	Aviation
Steven Frankeburger	Des Moines, IA	Aviation
Chris Homen	WhiteBear Lake, MN	Aviation
Herman Scholten	Oak Harbor, WA	Aviation
Nick Tomlin	Albuquerque, NM	Aviation
Gennaro Labella	Brooklyn, NY	Aviation
Jason Peterson	Emmons, MN	Aviation
Mike Livingston	Apple Valley, MN	Aviation
Randy Polenski	Brandon, MB	Athletic Training
Barry Ellinger	Mt. Pleasant, MI	Aviation
Eric Mortan	Grand Forks, ND	Undecided
David Kindrat	Brandon, MB	Undecided
Arron Karow	Bloomington, MN	Aviation
Scott Mayer	Rugby, ND	Accounting
Rodney Anderson	Edmore, ND	Criminal Justice
Tyler Johnson	Austin, TX	Psychology
Craig Ward	Duluth, MN	Civil Engineer
William Swanson	WhiteBear Lake, MN	Aviation
Dan Stewart	Grand Forks, ND	Undecided
Randy Wilson	Plecentia, CA	Aviation
Brent Olsen	Fargo, ND	Business
Jeff Hull	Eagen, MN	Aviation
Dereck Adams	WhiteBear Lake, MN	Aviation
Ted Walters	Grand Forks, ND	Education
Darin McCombs	Grand Forks, ND	Aviation

1991 Chapter Officers

President:
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External Vice President:
Recording Secretary:
Corresponding:
Treasurer:

Jon Furman
William Dolny
Micheal O'Brien
Tim Duffy
Shawn Nezerka
Curt Merdin

4th on Campus in Academics

Last spring the Delts came in 4th of 16 fraternities in academics. This continues an upward trend that started a couple of years ago.

The fall semester is shaping up to be a good one, especially with the recent increases in the Beta Chi scholarships. Now anyone achieving a perfect 4.0 will receive \$500, anyone above a 3.5 will receive \$250. All members of the Delta Xi chapter of Delta Tau Delta will be shooting for the big money this semester. With scholarships of \$500 you would be a fool not to.

One of my major goals I hope to accomplish this semester is putting together a file system of all the professors on campus. This file system would include information on the professors likes, how does the professor test, what kind of questions can I expect from this professor, etc. This would enable my fellow brothers to actually know the professor before they even meet him or her. As a result higher grades will be obtained and the Delts will reach their academic potential.

Fraternally,



Karl D. Kjeldsen, Director of Academic Affairs

President's Report

Dear Brothers,

This past summer and fall have been a busy and productive time as our upward push continues. Our current membership is now at 75. The chapter has moved its academic position to #4 on campus of 16 fraternities. Morale is stable and positive.

The goals for the future focus on sustainable improvement in several areas. Two areas for the greatest effort are academics and campus involvement. We will make every effort to overcome and adapt to the challenges offered to us.

On behalf of the chapter we wish to thank all active alumni, for without your help and support we would not have been able to progress this far. We also wish to thank Scotty Cranna for his fund driving effort that resulted in the partial paving of the parking lot. May the tradition of excellence continue.

Fraternally Yours,
Jon D. Furman, President

Public Relations Report

Last spring's 2nd Annual Special Olympics "Vegas Night" fundraiser with the Alpha Chi Omega Sorority was a reported success and we are looking forward to a repeat this year. We also had the opportunity to help out St. Michael's Catholic Church by volunteering time to pick up kids from the local grade schools and bring them to their church for a couple of months. During the summer Delta Xi helped out with security for the Band PC Quest at the YMCA and was able to help out again this fall. Currently, we are looking forward to expanding the Faculty Appreciation Award program which we gave away to Gordon Henry at last spring's Sweetheart Formal.

Fraternally,
Marc Tebelius, Public Relations

Social Report

The social calendar for the Delts this fall should make the semester bearable. We started off with a bang with a killer activation party for our spring semester pledges. Since then we've had an exchange with the Delta Gamma's and had our annual Woodsy party. The rest of the semester should be as exciting, we have several more exchanges lined up along with various other social events. All of our social activities are being held out of the house to conform to our new alcohol policy and reduce liability. The policy calls for no "open parties", no one under the age of 21 may drink alcohol, and no chapter funds can be used to purchase alcohol. Otherwise, its business as usual at Delta Xi, as we have fun on weekends. I hope to see you all at homecoming.

Fraternally,
Steve Mattson, Social Chair

Our Shelter

We have had a great start this year with the many improvements that were made this summer to our Shelter. We were fortunate enough to receive adequate donations to pave behind the chapter's house and alley. We would like to thank all of the alumni who made donations of both their time and money to help us complete this project. We are also happy with our new Brotherhood Room that was completed over the summer. The Shelter now has a room where we can relax with our fellow brothers and share each others company.

Recently, the garage and the downstairs hall were painted and the results are great. We have received new blinds for the library which were greatly needed. We are anticipating a great year and hope to continue with improvements to the Shelter.

Fraternally,
Greg Jarrell, House and Grounds

Finance Report

The fall semester of '91 is looking very bright from the financial point of the house. We currently have over 75 members which is up 20% from last spring. The increase in membership will help us overcome the financial burden of renting places off campus to hold social events. We have also been able to place more appetizing food on our brother's plates. With the extra income the house is getting a computer which will be a great asset to the treasurer. The computer will cut down operating time because its speed will be greater than the one currently being used. I'm looking forward to a successful semester.

Fraternally,
Curt Merdin, Treasurer

Is College Worth It?

Yes, at least in terms of income. In 1989, the median pay for men with a high school diploma working full-time was \$27,330. However for college graduates it was \$40,160. Over 40 years of working, that is an increase of earnings of over \$510,000 (in 1989 dollars). The US Census data did not calculate what the added value for the fraternity experience would be, but one can speculate it would be substantially more. Consider that although Greeks are less than 2% of the adult population, and that 2% accounts for over 80% of the corporate, educational and government leaders and CEOs, and a majority of the people listed in Who's Who. Both college and fraternity experiences are an investment that has great earnings potential, as well as improving quality of life.



'91 Fall Pledge Class

Homecoming Calendar

Friday, October 18

- 4:00-6:00 p.m. Open House at the Shelter
- 6:30 p.m. Alumni/Parents Social Hour
- 9:00 p.m. Pep Rally and Fireworks Show

Saturday, October 19

- 8:30 a.m. Continental Breakfast — Shelter
- 9:00 a.m. Educational Foundation Meeting — Shelter
- 10:00 a.m. Homecoming Parade
- 10:30 a.m. House Corp Meeting — Shelter
- 11:45 a.m. Luncheon — Shelter
- 1:00 p.m. Football Game — UND vs. St. Cloud State Huskies
- 1:00-5:00 p.m. Open House — Shelter
- 6:00 p.m. Alumni Reunion and Award Banquet — Town House
- 9:00 p.m. Pledge Princess Ball
- 9:00 p.m. All Alumni Party — Civic Auditorium

Sunday, October 20

- 10:30 a.m. Brunch for Alumni and Parents — Shelter

For any questions regarding Homecoming activities, please call Alumni Relations Chairman, Hunter Bass or Robert Pflipsen at (701) 775-7234 or 775-4467.



WHEN IT COMES TO ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE, WE CAN CITE YOU CHAPTER AND VERSE.

As the very first verse of the Delt Creed will attest, Delta Tau Delta is a fraternity that has its priorities in order.

"I believe in Delta Tau Delta for the education of youth and the inspiration of maturity, so that I may better learn and live the truth."

First and foremost, we see ourselves as an academic body, the purpose of which is to bring each and every Delt to his full academic potential by providing a positive and supportive learning environment that both fosters and rewards academic performance.

Of course, actions speak louder than words, and few fraternity academic programs are as comprehensive as ours. We publish two newsletters, conduct conference sessions on education

throughout the year, and provide chapter consultation, individual counseling and motivational incentives.

We develop and follow a master plan for each chapter to ensure appropriate recognition for high achievers, assistance and support for low achievers, and special rewards for top scholars.

We closely monitor the academic quality of our 124 chapters, annually rank each chapter within its geographic division, and are pleased to report that the vast majority maintains a chapter grade point average higher than the all men's average.

At Delta Tau Delta, academic performance isn't just a priority, it's our top priority, and we fully intend to see that every Delt has every opportunity to make the most of his college education.



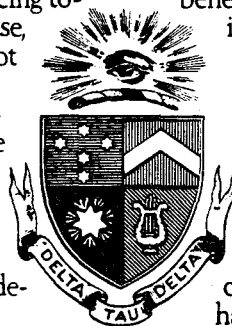
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IT MAY COME AS A SURPRISE, BUT ONE OF THE MOST ACTIVE ORGANIZATIONS IN THE FIGHT AGAINST ALCOHOL ABUSE, DATE RAPE AND HAZING IS A FRATERNITY.

Delta Tau Delta is dedicated to dealing with many of the critical issues facing today's college students. Alcohol abuse, date rape and hazing simply cannot be tolerated.

As a result, we have instituted a comprehensive alcohol abuse education program among our 124 chapters.

We abhor date rape, believe in the worth of every individual, and have committed ourselves to the development of moral character.



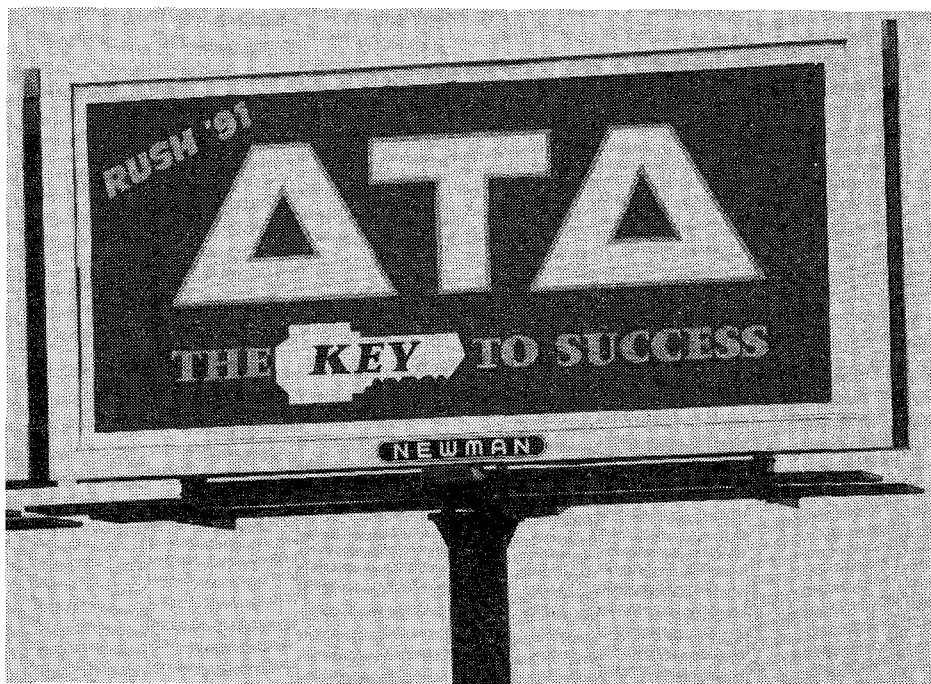
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We find hazing unthinkable, see no benefit whatsoever in the violation of an individual's physical well-being or personal dignity, and have taken steps to ensure that no Delt chapter engages in the practice.

Those may be strong words, especially when you consider that they come from a fraternity.

At Delta Tau Delta, however, those are words to which we are thoroughly committed, and to which we have dedicated ourselves and our efforts.

Billboard on I-29 During Formal Rush



*Lynelle Jo Miller
and*

*Anthony Marvin Mayer
were united in marriage
August 31, 1991 at 5:00 p.m.
in the presence of family members
at the Ashley Baptist Church,
Ashley, North Dakota.*

*We ask you to share in the joy
of our unity.
You are welcome at our home anytime.*

*Our new address is:
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Love, Lynelle and Tony



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