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TAU FACES MILLENNIUM WITH NEW BOARD MEMBERS, HOUSE IMPROVEMENTS

IMPROVEMENTS IMPRESSIVE, BUT MORE TO BE DONE

By Fred Taylor '59, Tau Company President

I am asking all of you to welcome aboard the two new members of the Board of Tau Company: J. Roger Kent '60, corporate executive with Procter & Gamble, has been very helpful to the chapter for years and has now joined us to help "officially." Wayne Irish was undergraduate president in 1983-84, worked closely with the chapter after his graduation and is now teaching vocational agricultural education in Coudersport, Pa. — and is still involved in the family potato farming business.

Before I get into the update, let me thank all of our alumni who have made contributions to our ongoing chapter house improvement project. With your help we have been able to have the kitchen floor (which was caving in) replaced and the plumbing fixed. We were also able to fix up the guest restroom with new fixtures and new flooring. The major project for the

summer was to have all the hardwood floors on the first floor sanded and refinished. We had it done in high-grade finish material, so we hope it will be good for many years.

That being done, we still have to work on improving the aesthetics of the property. During the last two rush sessions, I understand that the rushees and their parents had concerns about the appearance of the commons area — read that furniture, tables, etc. This has been an ongoing problem, as I noted in an earlier *Tau Tales*. If Tau wants to continue to attract the undergraduates of the quality we now have, we MUST move forward with a "furnishings program." Right now, we are financially stable and can continue to do "business as usual," but we are not yet in the position to commit to a major furnishings program. Again, I am asking any alumni who have the appropriate contacts to help the chapter get a good

deal on furniture, drapes, rugs, tables, etc. Please contact me if you can help.

I am happy to announce that our Academic Adviser Art (Doc) Goldschmidt is back on campus from his research sabbatical in the Middle East. He is back in stride doing his usual good job with the undergraduates.

Chapter Adviser Lewis Watt has been doing an excellent job working with the undergraduates, even over the summer! Lewis has not only been our contact with the undergraduates, but he has also been the liaison with our contractor and has done a great job wearing both hats.

The chapter has done well. The chapter consultant from National made two extended visits with Tau in the last eight months and has given Tau chapter a positive evaluation. I feel confident that this will continue.

In closing — EARLY ALERT — Homecoming is November 6, PSU vs Minnesota. We hope you can attend.

UNDERGRADUATES FOCUS ON SCHOLARSHIP, ATHLETICS AND PHILANTHROPY

By Jason Glenn '98, Outgoing Chapter President

Tau chapter of Delta Tau Delta continues to excel in scholarship, athletics and philanthropy at Penn State. In addition, many renovations and improvements have been made to the Delt Shelter over the last year, and plans are currently being made for future improvements.

The Penn State Delts once again had a stellar academic performance during the spring semester 1998. Tau chapter's average GPA was significantly higher than the all-men's average, and we were highly ranked among the other fraternities at Penn State. This is the fourth semester in a row that we beat the all-men's average, and I am confident that we will continue to do so in the semesters to come.

Athletics continue to be a strong point for Tau chapter. We finished second overall of the 54 fraternities that compete in intramural sports. This is a drop from our previous year's ranking of number one, so we are working hard to regain the number one position.

Dance Marathon takes place in February, and Tau chapter, along with Chi Omega sorority, is out in full force raising money for it. We raised \$40,000 last year and hope to surpass that amount this year.

Numerous improvements were made to the Delt Shelter over the summer of 1998. Parts of the kitchen floor were repaired and

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BEQUESTS IMPORTANT TO TAU CHAPTER

Brothers who have included Tau chapter of Delta Tau Delta in their estate plans have made a thoughtful gesture toward the fraternity and have established a method for supporting the organization in the future.

Tau chapter of Delta Tau Delta can't provide legal counsel, advanced technical support, complicated trust agreements or a thorough knowledge of tax laws like our alma mater; we can, however, promote the idea that a simple bequest — putting Tau chapter of Delta Tau Delta in your will — is a method of supporting the fraternity in a significant way.

For example, did you know that Tau chapter of Delta Tau Delta can be included in your will with only a minimal amount of wording? All that is necessary

is that the language include the correct legal name and address of the fraternity.

A simple example of an outright bequest would be: "I give, devise, and bequeath to Tau Chapter of Delta Tau Delta Fraternity located in State College, Pennsylvania, the sum of _____ dollars (or, ___ percent of my estate) (to be used for general purposes, to establish a scholarship, for house renovations, etc.)"

A portion of your residuary estate — whatever is left after specific bequests have been paid — can also be designated to Tau chapter of Delta Tau Delta. Sample wording to do this would be: "All the rest, residue, and remainder of my estate, both real and personal property of whatever and wheresoever situated, which I may own or have the right to dispose of at the time of

my death, I give, devise, and bequeath to Tau Chapter of Delta Tau Delta Fraternity, located in State College, Pennsylvania, (to be used for _____)."

Using this sample language can greatly reduce the potential for legal disputes during probate. This language can be shared with your attorney should you be interested in providing for Tau chapter of Delta Tau Delta in your estate plans.

We encourage you to contact us if you have any questions. And, of course, it is important that you consult with your attorney or financial adviser.

To those of you who have already provided for Tau chapter of Delta Tau Delta in your estate plans, you have made a very important commitment to your fraternity. We appreciate your generosity.

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the roof over the kitchen was replaced. The downstairs bathrooms were also remodeled. Plans are currently being made for more improvements. These plans include refinishing the wood floors and replacing the front and back doors on the first floor.

Tau chapter is a respected fraternity at Penn State. With continued strong performance and strong leadership, our chapter will continue to be respected. I am confident that Tau chapter will be able to maintain the same level of excellence in the future.

HOUSE IMPROVEMENTS LIFT SPIRITS OF TAU CHAPTER

By Chris Bilinski '00, House Manager

Everyone at the Delt Shelter is excited about the improvements that have been made to the house, and we are eagerly awaiting the next round of improvements. Many minor repairs as well as major projects have been undertaken this year and will be continuing throughout the spring 1999 semester. Last summer, Chalse Ulsh Contractors started on a long list of repairs and improvements to the house. They began by replacing the leaky roof over the kitchen and library. They also refinished the kitchen floor, which was in dire need of attention. After all that was done, they finished the summer renovations with some electrical work in the library and replaced the ceiling there as well. We undergraduate brothers greatly appreciated the improvements when we returned to begin the fall semester.

During the winter break of 1998-99, the contractors refinished the hardwood floors in the Chapter Room and in the foyer. Our long-term plans are to have a new roof installed on the entire house this summer, a project that is badly needed.

Sophomore Blair Stoehr will be assuming the responsibilities of house manager next semester. He is very excited about working with our Housing Corporation and our alumni to see that our house remains one of the top fraternities on campus.

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Edwin E. Kauffman '38 (523 Ann Dr., Westminster, MD 21157) reports that his brother, **Jack Kauffman '39**, can be reached at P.O. Box 2843, Arlington, VT 05250.

Albert J. Murphy Jr. '38 (7362 Country Club Rd., Butler, PA 16001) enjoyed watching the mortgage burn at the chapter's 125th anniversary celebration in October 1997. He attended Karnea in Kansas City earlier this year.

Instead of moving farther south in their retirement, **Francis C. Schwenk '49** and his wife have relocated from Maryland to 943 Middle St., Bath, ME 04530. They are rebuilding a 150-year-old village house and having a great time doing it.

Eleanor and **Jerry A. Eberhart Jr. '51** live at 13 Charleston St., #A, Wellsboro, PA 16901. Jerry, who has lost most of

his vision due to retinitis pigmentosa, received his first guide dog in December 1997. The black Labrador retriever, Raider, was provided by Guiding Eyes for the Blind.

Robert K. Keiser '51 (3167 Linden Rd., Apt. 504, Rocky River, OH 44116) and his wife have been married 45 years and have a son. Unfortunately Bob, who is retired, has lost much of his sight due to macular degeneration.

Since his retirement five years ago, **William F. Snyder III '51** (3087 Pinewood St., Orange, CA 92865) has been consulting and serving as executive director of the Anaheim/Orange County Hotel/Motel Assoc. Once or twice a year, he returns to Penn State to lecture in the hotel school.

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William A. Webb Jr. '51 (3511 57th Avenue Dr. W., Bradenton, FL 34210) enjoys getting together with his Delt brothers. (See photos on facing page.)

As a certified emergency medical technician, **William C. Gourley Jr. '52** (643 W. Lautrec Ct., Thousand Oaks, CA 91360; gourland5@aol.com) volunteers in the emergency room at Los Robles Regional Hospital. He also enjoys hiking in the Sierras.

Jack J. Trexler '52 and his wife are retired and living at 11 Central Pl., Palm Coast, FL 32137.

Howard R. Moore '54 (1316 Sandpiper Dr., State College, PA 16801) is teaching Political Science 473, a course in constitutional law at Penn State this fall. Brothers can call him at 814-234-8965.

"I have nothing but good memories of my Tau Delt years," writes **Richard T. Pearson '54** (13 Witlow Dr., Mount Holly, NJ 08060). "I loved the weekend parties, particularly the 'big' weekends." Since retiring in 1990, Dick has worked part time with petroleum companies and traveled to 36 countries. He and his wife have vacationed in many parts of the world and are now enjoying Elderhostels in the States.

Mary and **John D. Pine '54** (51 Stubbs Dr., Trotwood, OH 45426; davemary@aol.com) traveled by car to Mount Rushmore, Yellowstone, Yosemite and Grand Canyon National Parks in the fall of 1997 and toured Eastern Europe this past June. In July, they vacationed in Cape Cod.

Retired airline pilot **Norwood N. Nelson Jr. '55** (The Seasons, P.O. Box 2510, New London, NH 03257) is still

involved with flying and is also into restoring classic and antique aircraft. He sends greetings to all.

Richard O. Olson '55 (418 Calle De Arboles, Redondo Beach, CA 90277; swede0111@aol), an insurance broker with Richard Olson Insurance, completed his 43rd marathon at Big Sur, Calif., earlier this year. After the event, "Swede" had lunch with **Joe Malone '56**. He also enjoyed a bike ride along the beach with **Bob Rauch '54**.

After 20 years of human resource consulting and another 20 in corporate personnel work, **Joseph G. Malone '56** (19599 Northampton Dr., Saratoga, CA 95070; jmalone934@aol.com) moved his office to his home last year. He sees **Bob Busch '51** and **Swede Olson '55** on occasion.

James N. Quinn '57 (3520 Burning Bush Rd., Bloomfield Hills, MI 48301), CEO of B&K Corp., spent Easter with his three children and four grandchildren. He tells us: "The four years at Delta Tau Delta provided some of the finest memories of my life. What an experience!"

"If any of my classmates are coming down 'Texas-way,' give me a call (817-795-1101)!" notes **Robert J. Koch '58** (2808 Burlwood Dr., Dalworthington Gardens, TX 76016). He would also enjoy receiving e-mail (rjkoch@flash.net) from his contemporaries. Bob was looking forward to a visit from **Norm Williamson '61** and his wife in September.



Charles Abbey '59

After 18 years, **Charles W. Abbey '59** has retired from the Winston-Salem/Forsyth County Schools, where he taught ROTC at the R.J. Reynolds High School. Previously, he had served in the Army for 20 years. "Abs" and his wife, Nancy, live at 3626 Tanglebrook Tr., Clemmons, NC 27012.

When he wrote in June, **William C. Meyer '59** (11500 E. Calle Del Valle, Tucson, AZ 85749; wcmeyer@mail.hoc.com) was in the process of relocating from Arizona to Jackson, Miss., to become director of southeast operations at Raytheon Systems Co.

Earl E. Kohlhaas '60 (88 Margaret Dr., Mechanicsburg, PA 17055), the owner of Kohlhaas Service Center, has been inducted into the Pennsylvania Sports Hall of Fame for his football accomplishments.

After a long stint at Oracle Corp., **Jack W. Crosby '61** (1509 Snughill Ct., Vienna, VA 22182; jcrosby@altasoft.com) has joined a start-up company, Alta Software, as vice president of operations. Now that their two sons are in college, Jack and Stephany are enjoying a quieter home life.

David B. Mooney '61 (694 Highpoint Dr., West Chester, PA 19382) is a business director at DuPont. He notes that **Alan Hubbell '86** has joined his unit at the company.

Since retiring from 3M Co., **Dennis B. Byrne '62** (156 Old Ford Dr., Camp Hill, PA 17011; bbyrne@EZOnline.com) is busier than ever as a volunteer with the Dauphin County Historical Society and the Alliance for the Mentally Ill. He and Barbara have two grandchildren. Dennis sees "**Bud**" **Kohlhaas '60** and **Fred Taylor '59** frequently in Harrisburg and would enjoy hearing from other Taus.

Thomas R. Hayes '63, head lacrosse coach at Rutgers, has a new address: 316 Greenfield Rd., Bridgewater, NJ 08807; rulax@aol.com). As president of the International Lacrosse Federation, Thomas presided over the 1998 World championships in July in Baltimore. He was inducted into the Long Island Lacrosse Hall of Fame, and with 231 wins, his record ranks #3 for all-time coaching wins for Division I coaches.

He and Gretchen, his wife of 35 years, have four grandchildren.

John L. O'Donnell '63 has sold his business, O'Donnell-Haas Inc., and moved with wife Connie from the suburbs of Cleveland, Ohio, to 3 Button Bush Ln., Savannah, GA 31411. Brothers on the Internet can contact him at codonl414@aol.com.

John F. Ungar '64 (216 Frederick St., San Francisco, CA 94117) reports that he and his partners sold their business last year, and since then he has been catching up on projects around the house, traveling and doing volunteer work. Among other things, he volunteers by helping capture and band hawks for the Golden Gate Raptor Observatory. John also reports having had a delightful dinner with **Jim Vandergrift '64** and **Barry Fertterolf '64** in the last year.

James B. Vandergrift '64 (c/o Hanna Rubber Co., 1511 Baltimore Ave., Kansas City, MO 64108) spends the winters in Palm Beach, Fla. You can reach him by phone there at 561-655-4126. He traveled to Monaco, Cannes and St. Tropez this past July and took a tour of Prince Rainer's Auto Museum.

Attorney and real estate broker **Timothy J. McFadden '69** (22615 S.E. 48th Pl., Issaquah, WA 98029) has formed a new company offering real estate and legal services to wireless communication companies. He would love to hear from others of his era via e-mail at tim@comsites.com.

James D. King '78 (1441 E. Lamp-lighter Ln., North Wales, PA 19454; kingjim@bloomberg.net) works with **Terry Morris '77** at Investors Trust Co. Terry oversees client stock investments, while James manages bond portfolios.

Our condolences to **David R. St. Aubin '80** (4373 N. Amberwick Ln., Moorpark, CA 93021; dstaubin@rain.org) on the loss of his wife of 15 years, Cynthia, in February 1998.

BROTHERHOOD LASTS A LIFETIME!



Howie Moore '54, left, visits with Krebs Myton '53 and Arnie Cole '57 and their wives at the Citrus Bowl on January 1.



Jim Guerdon '54 met Bill and others at Stormin's in Venice, Fla., to watch Penn State football via satellite.

Tom Grifferty '51 and Bill Webb '51 visit aboard Tom's boat at Punta Gorda, Fla., in January 1998.



Thank you to **William A. Webb Jr. '51** for sending these photos.

After accepting the position of project manager at Business Resource Group in the Golden State, **Donald L. Hardy '80** sold or gave away most of his possessions, packed his dogs in the car and headed across the country from Pennsylvania. Once he reached his destination, he bought a 38-foot cutter-rigged sailboat and moved aboard with his pets. You can get in touch with Donald at his new address: P.O. Box 641031, San Jose, CA 95164; donaldhardy@yahoo.com.

Serving in the Air Force, **Robert J. Staib '81** (88 Fort Warren Ave., #B, Cheyenne, WY 82001; staib.robert@warren.af.mil) has been promoted to the rank of lieutenant colonel and is commander of a 380-person squadron at F.E. Warren Air Force Base. He plans to move in the summer of 1999. In August, Bob hooked up with **Ben Margerum '82** for some golf. The two hadn't seen each other in a long while, but the friendship rekindled instantly. They had a great time.

Planning consultant **Robert F. Guentter Jr. '82** of RFG Associates Inc., writes that he was remarried in June 1998. He

and his wife, Amy, live at 2724 Martin Rd., Zanesville, OH 43701 (e-mail: RFGAssociates@msmisp.com). Robert's firm specializes in community and economic development consulting.

Donald R. Hoak Jr. '82 (118 Coralberry Dr., Beaver Falls, PA 15010; hoakfam@usaor.net) has received a senior reactor operator's license from the Nuclear Regulatory Commission for his work as a shift supervisor at Beaver Valley Power Station. He and his family are settling into their new home in Chippewa Township.

With his new job as food and beverage director at the Sheraton Long Island, **Thomas E. Hughsted '82** has relocated to 276 Cedar Ave., Patchogue, NY 11772. E-mail for him can be sent to thughsted@aol.com. Thomas would enjoy hearing from brothers in the area. He had a good time at Karnea in Kansas City.

Erin and **Ben R. Margerum '82** moved back to the Keystone State last spring. You can drop them a line at 2613 Alessandro Blvd., Harrisburg, PA 17110.

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Paul S. Dillman '83, who moved from Virginia to 112 Carolina Dr., Papillion, NE 68133 (e-mail: dillps@msn.com), was selected for promotion to commander and awarded the Meritorious Service Medal.

Attorney **Andrew J. Stern '83** (1441 Rene Rd., Villanova, PA 19085; ajs@tortlaw.com) won a \$15 million jury verdict in December 1997. He and Gwen have three young children. Their newest addition, daughter Jennifer, is 1.

Thomas J. Donnelly '84 (985 Abby Ridge Ct., Kissimmee, FL 34747) is a restaurant server at Walt Disney World Resort. In June 1997, he and Lisa McClure were married at the Disney Wedding Pavilion. Big brother **Tom Foster '84**, little brother **John Naglee '85** and **Eric Jarvis '85** and **Joe Kunkel '84** attended. In April 1998, "T.D." and his wife were involved in the opening day of Disney Animal Kingdom. While helping with the filming of a "World of Disney" episode featuring the new park, the couple spent the day with the show's host, actor Drew Carey. At one point, Drew, a Delt from Kent State, slipped T.D. the fraternity handshake.

Garry D. Hennis '84 writes that he and his son Garrett, age 8, just relocated to Allentown and look forward to hearing from brothers and friends. Garry is a vice president with the Lutheran Services Northeast in Topton, Pa. He and Garrett live at 5729 Snowy Orchid Ln., Allentown, PA 18104 (e-mail: hennisg@lsn.org).

Brian S. Miller '84 (29 Stonewood Pl., Catasauqua, PA 18032), a district manager for Cascade Disability Management, has obtained certification as a disability analyst in Pennsylvania. In July 1997, he welcomed the arrival of his first child

and son, Nathaniel, who weighed little more than a pound at birth and spent three-and-a-half months in the hospital. When Brian wrote this past summer, he reported that Nathaniel is healthy with the exception of being blind in one eye. "We feel extremely lucky and fortunate."

John M. Thorsen '86 (134 Hill St., Mountville, PA 17554) is a project manager at Warfel Construction Co. He and his wife have two children.

Robert L. Martin '87 (3701 Daystar Dr., Doylestown, PA 18901; robert_security_martin@colpal.com), a security manager at Colgate-Palmolive Co., sends greetings to **Alan Hubbell '86**, **Evan Whittle '87** and **Allan Figas '87**.

Lisa and **Amedeo J. Scalone '87** (4623 Carroll St., Pittsburgh, PA 15224; jscalone@fore.com) were expecting the birth of their first child and daughter in August 1998. "Scooter," a global logistics planner at Fore Systems Inc., would like to hear from **Frank McNamara '87**, **Paul Bush '88**, **Kevin Forrest '87**, **Scott Carpenter '87** and others of his era.

When he wrote last spring, **Ted Walker '87** (4152 Kittatinny Dr., Mechanicsburg, PA 17055) reported: "Heading to Aruba for our honeymoon in July. Planning to return home, contemplate whether or not to get a dog and enjoy a dual-income, no-kids lifestyle for a while."

Todd Monroe Hand '89 has moved to 11 Duxbury Rd., Wellesley, MA 02116 (e-mail: thand@yankeegroup.com). He is now director of hiring at the Yankke Group in Boston. "On September 13, 1998, I finished the first half of the Iron-Man Triathlon in 5 hours 9 minutes."

Brian R. Ernst '92 (13 Highland Pl., Greenwich, CT 06831; brian_ernst@time-inc.com) is an associate marketing manager with Time/Warner. He writes: "It feels good to know that all the hard work and time that we put into the

fraternity as undergrads is still being carried out. The legacy of being a Delt is one that I am very proud of."

After more than six years at Penn State, **Peter A. Cheplick '95** (15 St. Andrews Pl., Apt. 5G, Yonkers, NY 10705; pcheplick@culturfs.com) has earned both his bachelor's and master's degrees. Now in the "real world," he is working in the Big Apple as a research scientist at Cultor Food Science.

Tim Grantz '95 (536 Fifth Ave., Ford City, PA 16226), a retail sales assistant at Dollar Bank, sends greetings to all alumni and undergraduate brothers. He and Bethany Obman were planning to be married in September 1998, and Tim had asked **Mike Bauer '95** to serve as best man.

At Aetna U.S. Healthcare, **Christopher S. Reiter '95** (2266 Washington St., #8, San Francisco, CA 94115; reitercs@aetna.com), has been promoted to sales manager for the San Francisco Bay area, so he has relocated to the West Coast. Christopher informs us that **Bill Klaus '95** was planning to be married in September 1998.

Since publication of our last issue, we have learned of the death of **T. Herbert Hamilton '28** (12/4/97), **H. Carl Brandt '34** (12/13/97), **John L. McCray '40** and **Steven Zinno '96** (4/25/98). Delta Tau Delta mourns their passing and extends condolences to their families and friends.

THANK YOU TO ...

these brothers, whose checks were in the mail when we acknowledged our 1997-98 contributors:

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