

CHAPTER NEWS

Delta Delta Returns 61!

Sixty-one brothers returned to the Delta Delta Chapter this fall led by legacy **Alexander Ross, ΔΔ1569**. Rush set a goal of 20 new Knights of the Legion of Honor. Our cook, Richard Wallace, returns for his third year of preparing culinary delights. Alumni met with the chapter leadership on August 28 to kick-off the new academic year.

UPDATE YOUR INFO

We have nearly 100 “lost,” Alumni Brothers in Our Database.

If this is the first time you are seeing a few of the articles in this edition of The Delta Delta, it may mean we do not have a valid email address on file for you. We don't want you to miss out on Chapter News, so if you do not currently receive our monthly e-communications, please email our editor at **alumninews@affinityconnection.com** and update your contact information today!

The Delta Delta



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CHAPTER HOUSE IMPROVEMENTS

Times Are Changing at Delta Delta

By Capt. Robert Nelson '72

Significant improvements have been made to the Chapter House in the past year. The university needed to install a new natural gas line across the front lawn. In exchange for granting access, the university



major projects. The first is the renovation of the two main bathrooms. Outside of repairs, these bathrooms have remained in their current state since the house was rebuilt following the fire. We should

re-landscaped the entire property including: re-seeding and watering the lawn, planting new trees, replacing the brick walkway, installing a new metal post and chain fence along the north end of the property, removing weeds, old shrubs, and ivy from the north & south sides, grounding out three elm tree stumps, and re-mulching most of the shrub beds, all at no cost to us. Using funds from the capital campaign, we installed whole-house wireless internet service, replaced the century old steam-heated hot water system with one fueled by natural gas and replaced nine windows on the first floor. The hot water system replacement was aided by a donation from Brother **Jonathan Stavinski, ΔΔ1382**. For more information on these projects, please refer to the Property Association's Annual Report. If you would like to view the report in full, you may do so at www.sigmanu-psu.org. From there, click the “News,” tab on the top of the page where you will be directed to a listing of published news articles on the site. Look for “Property Association Publishes Annual Report.”

The Property Association is developing plans and obtaining cost estimates for two

have an estimate for this project later this fall but the total cost is expected to be in the range of \$120,000. After soliciting and receiving input from the alumni last fall, we are examining two options for the House Mother's Suite: (1) demolition and conversion to an uncovered patio;



and (2) retaining the roof and converting to a covered patio. An architect has prepared design estimates for both options. Additional borrowing will be required to fund these projects if approved by our Board of Directors.

IN MEMORIA

Delta Delta Sends Regards to the Family and Friends of Our Brother

Our thoughts are with the family and friends of Brother **John B. Brokenshire, 70**, of Harveys Lake, who passed away this past spring at Geisinger Wyoming Valley Medical Center, Plains Township.



John was born on July 27, 1945, a son of the late Samuel and Elizabeth Culp Brokenshire. He was a 1963 graduate of Forty Fort High School.

John obtained a bachelor's degree in Accounting in 1967 from Penn State University and his M.B.A. from Fairleigh Dickinson University in 1977. He was self-employed as a C.P.A. at John B. Brokenshire, C.P.A.

John was a member of the Northeast Pleasure Riders Motorcycle Club, the Gold Wing Road Riders Association and the Delancey Scotsmans Single Malt Scotch

Tasting Club. He also served as the treasurer of Warden Place Improvement Association. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his sister, Joan Brokenshire Miller; and brother, Bud Brokenshire.

Surviving are his ex-wife and close friend, Judith Ney Brokenshire; sons, John Brokenshire Jr. and his wife, Amanda, North Carolina; and James Brokenshire, Harveys Lake, and his fiancée, Rose Ann Caffrey, Edwardsville; brothers, Robert Brokenshire, Dickson City; Bruce Myers and his wife, Cheryl, Dallas; and Richard Myers and his wife, Janice, Virginia; sister, Pamela Myers Bernoski and her husband, Dan, New Jersey; two grandsons, Bryan Brokenshire, Beaumont; Matthew Caffrey, Wilkes-Barre; two great-grandsons; sisters-in-law, Jane Ney Aritz and her husband, Frank, Swoyersville; Lori Ney Grablick and her husband, Joseph, Wyoming; nieces and nephews; and his best friend, Lake Snow Brokenshire, his yellow Lab.

Obit Courtesy of legacy.com

DATE SET FOR 2017 BLUE-WHITE GAME!

Mark your calendars for April 22, 2017!

That's the date that Penn State has set for Blue-White weekend, a date

that has emerged as a harbinger of spring, an unofficial spring reunion, and the celebration of a new year of football. It's also a chance to return to State College and reunite with Sigma Nu!

"Blue-White Weekend is a tremendous illustration of the Penn State community coming together all across campus," said Director of Athletics Sandy Barbour. "Blue-White is a great example of Athletics serving as a conduit for our Penn State family connectedness."

But all this togetherness comes at a cost... Penn State reports an excess of \$500,000 to ensure an enjoyable, safe and successful game day. Facility preparations, security, traffic/parking, game day staffing and



portable lighting and toilets are among the areas of greatest expense.

In light of this, here are the changes you'll need to know for the upcoming year:

- Car Parking Change at 2017 Blue-White Game to Address Portion of Expenses;
- No Changes for Season Ticket Holders with Season Parking

Season ticket holders – no charge. Their Blue-White Game parking will be in the preferred lots adjacent to the stadium. Season ticket holders with season car parking will receive a 2017 Blue-White parking permit when they receive their 2016 season tickets this summer.

For full details, visit www.happyvalley.com today!



Take a Trip Down Memory Lane! Facebook Page Serves Up PSU Nostalgia

5,000-plus members have spoken – their memories like digital doors to the past. The Skeller, "case studies," Jams in the 80's, Harry the Skeller Rat, all are memories not soon forgotten by even the eldest PSU alum.

With the return of the legendary "case of rocks," at the Skeller, we invite you to visit Facebook and search "I went to Penn State When the Skeller Still Had Ponies," and let the memories come flooding back. Join the over five thousand strong already on the page and reminisce with the people who know what it truly means to be a Penn Stater and even submit your own photos, comments, and memories!



CONGRATULATIONS!

Members of 1966 Football Team Honored

Brother **Robert C. Yowell, ΔΔ883**, was one of the 1966 football team players honored at halftime of the Temple game on September 17, the 50th anniversary of Joe Paterno's first victory as a head coach. Also on the team but not present at the ceremony was **Richard J. (Dick) Holzer, III, ΔΔ829**. Congratulations to Brothers Holzer and Yowell!



DELTA DELTA IN THE COMMUNITY

We're Keeping Busy in Happy Valley!

The Delta Delta Chapter of Sigma Nu participates in and hosts philanthropic events throughout the year, including THON, the world's largest student-run philanthropy. Each year the Delta Delta Chapter hosts Grilled Cheese for Cheese that benefits the Michael J. Delo scholarship fund and the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society. The event is held in memory of deceased brother Michael Delo who passed away from leukemia in 2007. Apart from hosting philanthropies, the brothers of the Delta Delta Chapter participate in and support various philanthropies run by other Greek organizations such as the Zeta Spikes, Volleyball Tournament, Delta Gamma Anchor Splash, and the Theta Chi K.I.C.K.S Soccer Tournament.

The Delta Delta Chapter of the Sigma



Nu Fraternity participates in various community service projects throughout the year and during the summer. Logging several thousand community service hours a year is not uncommon for the brothers of the Delta Delta Chapter. The brotherhood

participates in the cleaning up of Fourth Fest, as well as Greek Sweep and the Homecoming Day of Service, all of which are initiatives taken to help clean up State College. The Brothers also participate in hosting blood drives for the American Red Cross Blood Cup in which Penn State competes against Michigan State to see who can donate the most blood. Sigma Nu has helped Penn State defeat Michigan State the last two years. The Chapter also participated in the State Service Day, which promoted community service on the same day as State Patty's Day.

In the fall semester the house partakes in Greek-or-Treat and the Holiday Lights Tour, two community outreach events aimed at connecting Greeks with the State College community.

Summer Reunion

Thank You To Those Who Attended The Alumni Dinner!

By Bob. (Nellie) Nelson '72, President, Delta Delta Property Association

A small group of seven attended the dinner in June this summer. The meal, cooked in our kitchen and served family style, consisted of roast pork lion with homemade BBQ sauce, baked mac & cheese, corn on the cob, fresh garden salad with homemade tomato-dill dressing, and dinner rolls. Dessert

featured brownie sundaes.

Those of you that were there- spread the word to your Alumni Brothers to keep their calendars open for next year's dinner! We want to see even more of you!





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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Delta Delta Enjoying Prosperous Times

By Michael Cline '11

The Delta Delta chapter has been enjoying a great fall so far. Following the fall kickoff appeal letter, we have received a solid amount of donations; however, with upcoming renovations, more donations are needed. The active chapter enjoyed a fun homecoming with Orchesis, and the Alumni dinner was fantastic. It was great to see so many alumni back at their home away from home.

Unfortunately, we have lost a few of our proud members, and we hold their friends and family in our hearts. We hope they know the extended family they have in Sigma Nu will always remember their legacy.

The house has enjoyed some upgrades, with the replaced windows, new water heating system, and new landscaping. The house mother suite project is progressing.

On an unrelated note, THON is quickly approaching. This dance marathon is something the Active Chapter and Alumni feel strongly about supporting. With the cancellation of several canning trips, Alumni support is needed more this year than any other year previously. Please help the active chapter raise as much money as possible to continue their progress of being more involved with more dancers and volunteers in THON.

The fall semester will shortly be coming to a close. With the start of the spring semester come many more events that the Alumni are encouraged to be involved with. These activities include Grilled Cheese for Cheese, the annual Work Weekend, and Snakes weekend. Grilled Cheese for Cheese is a fundraiser to raise money for the Michael James "Cheese" Delo memorial scholarship. Alumni are encouraged to come, support, and spread the word for the Chapters own philanthropic endeavor. We hope more Alumni than ever will return for the annual work weekend, where we all help make the Chapter House a better place. It is a great time to reconnect with friends and brothers, meet new Alumni, and reminisce about the good times you had in the Chapter. Snakes weekend is an invitation for alumni to come and socialize with the active chapter and fellow alumni while enjoying great spring weather. It is always a blast with the various yard games and socializing.

The Delta Delta chapter of Sigma Nu wishes all members Active and Alumni to have a great Thanksgiving, Holiday Season, and New Year. We hope to see you all throughout the activities this coming spring. Thank you to those that have donated thus far, as always your gifts are greatly appreciated and are improving this terrific Brotherhood.