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The Delta Delta

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HONOR ROLL

The following brothers have donated to the Re-Colonization Fund since the publication of our Fall 2021 *Delta Delta*:

Founder:	Trey McMahon, ΔΔ1190	John Frankola ΔΔ1437
	David Cotterill, ΔΔ739	Lane Kintigh, ΔΔ1156
Legion of Honor:	Eric Ashman, ΔΔ1075	Kent Kirby, ΔΔ840
	William Hibler, ΔΔ721	Edward Kmit, ΔΔ816
	Robert Nelson, ΔΔ916	Robert Steventon, ΔΔ880
Knights:	Alfred D'Angelo, ΔΔ938	William Reilly, ΔΔ845
	Samuel Griffiths, ΔΔ697	Other: Thomas Armstrong, ΔΔ1041

Due to the generous support of our alumni and friends, the Re-Colonization Fund now stands at **\$25,152**. Many thanks to all for their continuing support.

REUNION SCHEDULED — REGISTER NOW!!!

The Delta Delta Alumni Chapter will host a reunion in State College on July 22- 24, 2022.

The weekend will kick-off with a reception and dinner hosted by **Jim Shincovich, ΔΔ860**, and his wife Susan at their home on E. Fairmont Ave., beginning at 6:30 PM, Friday, July 22. A limited selection of wine and soft drinks will be provided. The dinner will be prepared by former Executive Chef Richard Wallace. Chef Wallace was the chapter house cook for three years.

Saturday morning is open to allow participants to shop, site see, and/or have lunch at their leisure. Golf is another possibility with a morning tee-time at one of the many courses in the area. **Brother Nelson, ΔΔ916**, can assist.

Saturday afternoon includes a choice of events:

- A campus tour with a drive-by of the chapter house and stops at the Nittany Lion Shrine, the Berkey Creamery, the WE ARE Statue, the All Sports Museum, and the Arboretum. Transportation will be provided with pick-up and drop-off at the Hyatt Hotel. An optional drop-off at the Palmer Museum of Art on the return will be available.
- A tour and wine tasting at Mount Nittany Vineyard & Winery (www.mtnittanywinery.com) with light snacks. Transportation will be provided from and to the Hyatt Hotel.

Saturday evening will feature a group dinner at the newly remodeled Tavern Restaurant (The Tavern Restaurant | State College, PA). A representative of the General Fraternity (aka "National") has offered to attend to answers questions concerning re-colonization.

A continental breakfast is planned for Sunday morning with times and location to be determined.

The cost is \$50.00 per person and includes all events except the Saturday dinner. A block of 10 rooms has been reserved at the Hyatt Hotel (corner of West Beaver Ave. and Fraser St.) in downtown State College.

Registration is now open via our web site, (Delta Delta) Reunion Weekend 2022 – Sigma Nu Penn State (sigma-nu-psu.org). The registration deadline is April 1, 2022. This site includes additional reunion information including instructions for reserving a room at the Hyatt.

If you have any questions, concerns or need assistance, please contact **Brother Nelson, ΔΔ916**, at nelsonnittany@aol.com, (H) 814-278-8575, or (C) 703-244-7493.

CHAPTER HISTORY – THE 1948 COTTON BOWL

This article is an extension of an article in the spring 2021 *Delta Delta*. Please use the following web path for the earlier article: sigma-nu-psu.org >> News and Events >> The Delta Delta >> Spring 2021



The full-size photo with team signatures is posted in the remodeled Apple Tree Bar at the Tavern Restaurant. **Third Row:** Starting second from left: **Larry Joe, ΔΔ540**; **Joe Colone, ΔΔ530**; **Wally Triplett** Third Row Seventh from Left: **John Potsklan, ΔΔ524** **Harold Saunders, ΔΔ493**, is not pictured.

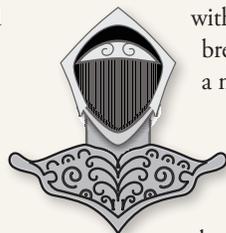
BLUE-WHITE GAME 2022

April 23rd is the date. **Brother Nelson, ΔΔ916**, plans to tailgate in the grass lot adjacent to the north end zone (Parking Lot 17) beginning when the lots open at 8:00 AM. Text him at 703-244-7493 for his exact location if you'd like to stop by and share a beverage and/or a Delta Delta memory.

ALUMNI NEWS

Perry Russom, son of Lynn and **Ernie Russom, ΔΔ1014**, has joined CNBC as a news correspondent for "The News with Shepard Smith." The Emmy award-winning journalist joined CNBC from NBC10 and NECN in Boston, where he spent five years as a general assignment reporter and most recently as a weekend anchor.

Don Bain, ΔΔ817, reports, that due to the pandemic his Novi Choralaires singing group was put into "mothballs" until September and then started up



with masks. He notes, "It's literally breathtaking to sing while wearing a mask." Some of you may recall Brother Bain, and his first wife Elaine (deceased) led the brotherhood in Sigma Nu songs after several homecoming meals.

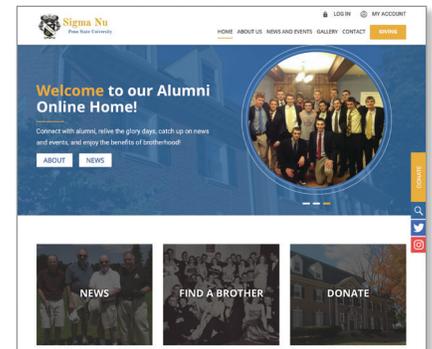
Please submit your update/news using the attached form on the next page or at the redesigned web site:

sigma-nu-psu.org >> News and Events >> Share Alumni News.

ZOOMING WITH YOUR CLASSMATES

If you'd like to have a Zoom reunion with your class mates, **Brother Nelson, ΔΔ916**, can arrange at no cost to the participants. All he needs to know are names and e-mail addresses. Contact him to discuss and schedule..

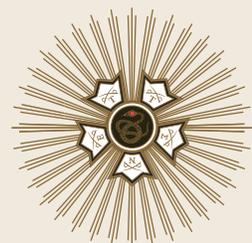
REDESIGNED WEBSITE



Our new web site is up and running: www.sigma-nu-psu.org. We still have work to do but all future news, event notices, etc. will be posted at this new site. The old site will not be maintained. We extend our sincere appreciation to **Brother Paul Lambert, ΔΔ1265**, for hosting the old domain name for many years.

ANNUAL REPORT

The joint Annual Report of the Property Association and Alumni Chapter for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2021, has been issued to the General Fraternity (a.k.a. National) and the alumni officers, directors, and advisors. If you'd like a copy, please contact Brother Nelson at nelsonnittany@aol.com.



REMEMBERING WHEN

Editor's Note: In the following reprinted articles, initiate numbers have been added in italics.

From the 1963 *La Vie*:

“Along with the other social events that kept the term system blues away from Sigma Nu was the annual formal dance called The White Star which was held on Mil Ball Week-end. In the Spring a major task confronted the brothers as they slaved over a float to enter in the Spring week parade. Among those that plan dances and build floats the fraternity can boast of a number of outstanding athletes wearing the Sigma Nu pin such as **Joe Galardi, ΔΔ786**, **Dave Hayes, ΔΔ785**, and **Chuck Sieminski, ΔΔ775**, of the Lion football squad. Another brother, **Jim Burke, ΔΔ776**, is the secretary of the Inter-Fraternity Council. Each summer Sigma Nu does a service to the speech department by renting their chapter house to the speech clinic. They use it for therapy in which children from all over the country participate.”

The accompanying chapter photo includes Mrs. Shetrone, presumably the house mother, and an unnamed dog. **Brother Don Bain, ΔΔ817**, reports that the dog's name was Shaun.

From the September 19, 1988 edition of *The Collegian*:

“Sigma Nu Fraternity acquired 10-year-old Esther as part of a divorce settlement six years ago. Even though she didn't require much care, neither party wanted her and Sigma Nu members thought Esther would be a great addition to their house at 340 N. Burrowes Road -- a 15-foot, 115 lb. addition.

No, Esther isn't the estranged child of a bitter custody case. She is a Burmese python and the official Sigma Nu mascot.

“Our symbol is the serpent,” said **Lane Kintigh, ΔΔ1156**, a member of Sigma Nu and Esther's roommate. “When the divorced couple asked us if we wanted her, we of course accepted.

Kintigh has since become well acquainted with Esther's habits. He said he can tell what type of mood she is in by the tension of her muscles.

“The room is more hers than mine. It has traditionally been the snake room. I had seniority in the house, so I decided to move in this year and take care of her,” Kintigh said.

Esther lives in a large, three-foot by six-foot tank. She eats once every two weeks and lives mostly on a diet of chicken -- but not the kind of chicken you purchase by the bucket with a few biscuits on the side.

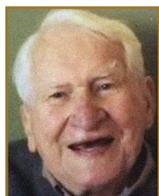
Kintigh said most Sigma Nu brothers who live in the house enjoy having Esther around, but he admits a few people are afraid of the snake.

“I don't mind (Esther) in the house as long as she's on the second floor and I'm on the third,” said member **Scott McMullen, ΔΔ1204**, “You never know what kind of mood she's in -- she doesn't wag her tail or anything like that.”

What was the Sigma Nu house like in your era? What were some of the big events? Favorite memories or funny stories? We welcome your memories to share in this space in future newsletters. Send all responses to nelsonnittany@aol.com.

IN MEMORIAM

We mourn the passing to the Chapter Eternal of the following Knights of the Legion of Honor.

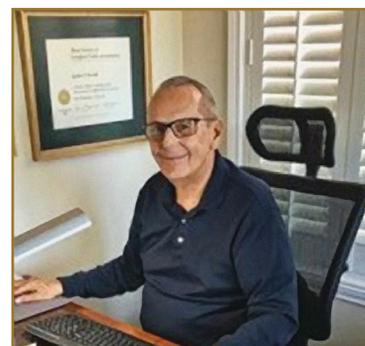


Perry Roy Jr.

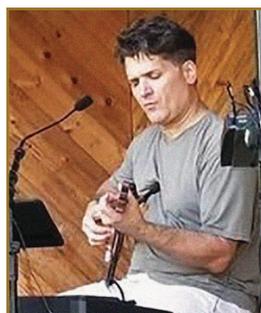
Emile Pierre “Perry” Roy Jr., ΔΔ473, age 97, of State College, passed on September 8, 2021. He was a proud legacy member of our fraternity; his father having been ΔΔ141.



The latest issue of the *Penn Stater* reports the passing of **Gerald J Horvath, ΔΔ778**, of San Antonio, TX, on September 19, 2021.



Gerald Horvath



Dennis Donald Peters, ΔΔ1164, age 57, of State College, passed on Friday, November 26, 2021. Dennis earned his bachelor's degree in electrical engineering from Penn State University in 1987. He worked as an IT Consultant for Penn State.

Dennis Peters

We are also sad to report the passing of **Leslie George Weston, ΔΔ815**, September, 19, 2021, who lived in Tulsa, OK, and **John N. Miller, ΔΔ702**, of Cary NC, on September 25, 2021. Both were reported in the *Penn Stater*. Neither an obituary nor photo could be found for either brother.

RECENT IMPROVEMENTS AND MAJOR MAINTENANCE



In accordance with our Capital Improvement Plan, we had the three chimneys inspected in March 2021. To save the cost of a lift, the mason used a drone to thoroughly photograph the condition of each. To our surprise, the cap on the dining room chimney was missing, thereby allowing an obstruction-free path to the elements and vermin. We had the cap replaced. The mason recommended repointing of the living room and dining room chimneys and removal of the chimney on the kitchen extension for a total cost of \$10,200. We had the living room chimney repointed in 2013 at a cost of about \$4,000 so this assessment was disturbing. We've been trying to get a second opinion but masons serving Centre County are scarce and booked a year in advance.



The residents complained of bats flying inside the house. Our pest control contractor found numerous small holes and likely entry points along the roof line. Removal of the bats and repairs cost about \$2,800, including the installation of a bat box/house on the south exterior wall.

The vinyl plank flooring in the bedroom hallways that was installed by our tenant's contractor in 2019 developed separations between the flooring planks in multiple locations. After some delay, the contractor corrected the problem by installing additional expansion strips.

The door to the south fire tower from the basement was replaced at a cost of \$2,200. The frame, hinges & door had rusted beyond repair. Supply issues delayed this repair by about six months and was finally completed during the recent holiday break. Our tenant has arranged to have the lines for the parking lot spaces to be repainted at the tenant's expense.

Share your story!



Tell us and your brothers about what's new in your life? Job? Children? Grandchildren? Fantastic voyage or vacation? We'd all love to hear about it! If you need more space, include a separate sheet with your donation and return it in the enclosed #9 envelope.

Yes! I want to support Delta Delta's Re-Colonization!

Please accept my contribution of:

- Founder (\$500 and above)
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 White Rose (\$75-\$99.99)
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My check is enclosed payable to **Delta Delta Property Association** online at <https://sigma-nu-psu.org/ways-to-give>

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