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The Delta Delta

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HONOR ROLL

Effective July 31, the following brothers have donated to the Re-Colonization Fund since the publication of our spring 2023 Delta Delta.

Founder Paul Delp, ΔΔ832

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William Longworth, ΔΔ1547

Due to the generous support of our alumni and friends, the Re-Colonization Fund now stands at \$33,415. Many thanks to all for their continuing support.

2024 ALUMNI REUNION BEING CONSIDERED

Save the dates, July 19 & 20, 2024. A block of rooms would be reserved at the Hyatt on West Beaver. Events being considered: (1) welcome reception on Friday @ Federal Taphouse (same building as Hyatt (appetizers included); (2) campus tour(s) on Saturday afternoon with transportation provided (possible – Old Main, All Sports Museum;

new Palmer Museum of Art (opens spring 2024), Arboretum); & Saturday dinner at local restaurant (separate checks). Registration would be on-line with a fee TBD. If you're interested, please e-mail **Brother Nelson, ΔΔ916**, at nelsonnittany@aol.com. Otherwise, watch for an e-mail announcement for final itinerary & registration instructions.

RE-COLONIZATION PLANS FOR DELTA DELTA

In consultation with the General Fraternity (aka, "National") we've finalized a detailed Re-Colonization Plan with a Timeline/Schedule. If you'd like a copy, contact **Brother Nelson** at nelsonnittany@aol.com. Key activities this fiscal year include:

- Meeting with the Director, Office of Fraternity and Sorority Life, to discuss university requirements for re-colonization;
- Continued networking;
- Developing Frequently Asked Questions

(and answers) (FAQs) to support Alumni Advisory Board (AAB) recruitment;

- Determining the support needed from our new alumni relations contractor, Elevate IMS; and
- Beginning of AAB solicitation/recruitment preparations.

Details of the three phases of re-colonization can be found at sigma-nu-psu.org>>[About Us](#)>>[Recolonization](#).

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HOMECOMING 2023 & OTHER TAILGATES

The annual Homecoming game will be October 14 against the Minutemen of the University of Massachusetts. Kick-off is scheduled for 3:30. **Brother Nelson** will host BYOB tailgate at his reserved space (#9432) in Lot 31 beginning at approximately 10:00 AM. His space is about 50 yards east of Medlar Field along the 3rd base line, as extended. He'll have a white EZ Up canopy and fly a PSU logo flag

over a VA Tech flag. The complete university schedule can be found at <https://homecoming.psu.edu>.

Brother Nelson has invited alumni and members of the University of Delaware Delta Kappa Sigma Nu colony to his tailgate on September 9. Kick-off for this game is noon. All are welcome.

HOMECOMING FLOATS

Delta Delta had a long reputation of imaginative and creative homecoming floats. Here's sample from the 1990's and 2000's. If you have photos of other floats, please send them to **Brother Nelson** at nelsonnittany@aol.com, along with any details or related info, for retention in our on-line chapter history.



Fall 2005 with Society of Women Engineers



2008



2004



2010



Don Bain, ΔΔ817, & late wife Elaine circa 90's



Don & Elaine, Date Unknown



2017 Hercules

IN MEMORIAM

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

Joseph Anthony Ames Jr., 57, ΔΔ1154, passed away on March 4, 2022, at Paoli Hospital, Paoli, PA. Joe is survived by his wife Joanne (Oppermann) Ames; and two sons. Joe was a faithful husband, devoted father, loyal brother and friend, and a true American patriot. One of his friends described him as “larger than life,” and that he was. He was a vibrant man who shared his gifts and talents with the people around him and made a big difference in his small part of the world. He always spoke fondly of his days at Sigma Nu in 1986-87 and remained close with his brothers John “Bear” Kuhn and Jim Bogart. Bear and Jim are godfathers to his two sons.

Brother Richard L. (Dick) Butterfield, 79, ΔΔ769, grew up in Montclair, NJ. He was involved in sports during his elementary and junior high school years, but it was not until high school that he developed into a good football player as a tackle, particularly on offense. In his senior year, he blossomed into an excellent tackle on a great offensive unit, which paced Montclair to a 9-0 record and the overall New Jersey state championship. Dick was named to the All-Essex County first team and earned a scholarship to Penn State, where he was a four-year member of the football team. After college, he joined the U.S. Marine Corps, and was an infantry officer, serving in Vietnam. Upon his discharge, Dick returned to Montclair, but wound up in Atlanta, Ga., where he spent most of his adult life.

Rev. Stuart S. Dunlap, Jr., 96, ΔΔ549, of Lancaster, passed away peacefully on July 12, 2022. A graduate of Penn State University, he received his B.S. in Industrial Engineering in 1950. While at Penn State, he met Patricia Anne Templin of Ephrata, and they were married to on August 25, 1951. Stuart started his engineering career with Armstrong World Industries in Lancaster and was transferred to Jackson, Mississippi, and Pittsburgh, PA where he earned an M.B.A. Following 14 years with Armstrong, he was employed by the Pennsylvania Railroad in Philadelphia and with Alan Wood Steel in Conshohocken, PA. In the fall of 1972, Stuart felt a definite call to the ministry. With his family of six, he studied theology in England for two years before finishing with a Master of Divinity from Princeton Theological Seminary in 1978, with his wife receiving the same. In 1980, Stuart and Patricia were the first clergy couple to be ordained as Presbyterian ministers in the Philadelphia Presbytery.

Robert Alan King Welch, ΔΔ733, passed away on May 4th, 2022 at the age of 83. After graduating from Penn State University, he spent two years serving in the Navy. After his service, he attended the University of Virginia Law School. Upon graduation, he joined General Electric in the human resource department. Bob then moved his family to the West coast to join TRW (now Northrop Grumman). After several other corporate positions at Davis Walker, Ducommon, and Mattel, he finished out his career as a consultant in executive services for

various companies including Eddy Associates and The Wentworth Company. Bob is survived by his wife of nearly 59 years, Patricia Elizabeth Welch (Schmidt), two children and one granddaughter.

Samuel S. Steele, ΔΔ904, of Hershey left us for a new adventure on Tuesday, May 30,

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Recent Improvements and Major Maintenance

- Replaced the main roof in its entirety at a cost of \$50,000. See pictures on our group Facebook page, “Sigma Nu Delta Delta Chapter – The Pennsylvania State University.”
- Replaced 25 feet of the main sewer drain line through two walls.
- Our tenant had the south basement floor stripped and waxed

The Association maintains a Capital Improvement Plan/Projection through 2028. There are no capital improvements planned for the 23 – 24 fiscal year. The budget includes a contingency of \$5,000 for emergent needs. A copy of the Plan will be provided upon request.

WHAT'S HAPNIN? – SUBMIT YOUR ALUMNI NEWS

Share your story!



Please submit your update/news using the attached form or at the redesigned web site: sigma-nu-psu.org >> News and Events >> Share Alumni News.

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.

IN MEMORIAM

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2023 following a short battle with pancreatic cancer. He was the loving husband of Joan N. (Pehowic) Steele for over 54 years. He graduated from Penn State University in 1971 where he was a member of Sigma Nu fraternity. Sam was retired from Dauphin County Technical School where he taught and subbed for 49 years, and was an advocate for vocational and technical education. His passions were traveling with his wife, his family, friends, Penn State wrestling and trips to Disney. Sam had a great sense of humor and loved to tell people he was 7th grade twist champion. Sam is survived by his loving wife, Joan; his sister and his two grandchildren. Sam was preceded in death by his son, Sean C. Steele.

John D. Fraser, 93, ΔΔ645, a sales and graphic arts executive died November 8, 2022. He graduated from Lower Merion HS and Penn State University in 1953. Jack began his advertising career with CBS in Philadelphia, PA at WCAU radio in 1953. In 1962, he managed the Pittsburgh office of TV Guide magazine.

He moved to KYW TV in Philadelphia as an account executive in 1965. In 1966, he joined Hoedt Studios, a graphic arts studio. In 1991, he established ASAP Studios until his retirement in his late 80's. Jack was a longtime member of Overbrook Golf Club and Sigma Nu. He is survived by many cherished friends and members of the Fraser and Devern families.

Dr. Gary W. Lyons, 88, ΔΔ674, passed away peacefully on February 11, 2023. Dr. Lyons was preceded in death by the love of his life, his wife Darlene, sweethearts since childhood, Dr. Lyons was a leader in his professional field of medicine. A proud graduate of Pennsylvania State University, he continued his education earning his M.D. from University of Pittsburgh Medical School and his PhD from University of Minnesota Graduate School. Dr. Lyons was recruited by Saint Vincent Health Center to build the hospital's first open-heart surgery program, and in 1971 he moved his family to Erie Pennsylvania to begin his career where he became Chief of Thoracic and Cardiovascular Surgery. Dr. Lyons holds both Alumni Fellow and Penn State Distinguished Alumnus

designations. In 2017, he received Penn State Behrend's College of Distinguished Alumni Award. He will be remembered for so many things, but his love for Darlene trumps all. His heart was irreparably broken when she passed. He yearned to be with her again. His heart is whole once more.

Richard Esser Yoder, Sr., ΔΔ478, died peacefully at age 99 on September 28, 2022 in Naples, Florida. He was born in Kutztown, Pennsylvania, Dick attended Penn State University, where he was known as "Dutch". He interrupted his college years to serve in the Pacific in the U.S. Navy but re-enrolled and graduated with a degree in Industrial Engineering in 1947. A few months before graduation he met fellow student Jane Frances Whitby, and they were married in August 1947. They were married for over 68 years at the time of her death. He worked for nearly all of his over 40-year career for what is now AstraZeneca. They had five children who all survive him. He is survived by 11 grandchildren and 15 great-grandchildren.

ANNUAL ALUMNI REPORT

The joint annual report of the Delta Delta Alumni Chapter and Delta Delta Property Association of Sigma Nu Fraternity was issued on July 23, 2023. The report is posted for registered users on our

web site at www.sigma-nu-psu.org>>news and events>>annual report. Alternately, you can request a copy by sending an e-mail to nelsonnittany@aol.com.

ANNUAL ALUMNI MEETING

The joint annual meeting of the Property Association and Alumni Chapter, required by our bylaws, will be held by telephone conference and Zoom™ beginning at **7:00**

PM EDT on **October 8**. Agenda topics include officer and director elections (see the listing on our web site using the Alumni tab), financial status, plans for the year, and

a brief report by **Brother Nelson**. A meeting report will be prepared and distributed.



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Total amount \$ _____

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