Australian Dental Association Presidents
Br Neil D. Hewson 2008-10 left and Br William J. O’Reilly 2006-8
Br Hewson is newly elected Speaker of the General Assembly of the FDI World Dental Federation. See Victorian report p. 21
Paris Historian Claude Wawerka, PGME 1993, with GM Bertrand de Beaupuis at the 82nd Anniversary of the Paris Chapter

Bro Michel Venot presenting Bro John Wazney with the “Distinguished Delt Award” for his services to the Cleveland and Lambda Chapters
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REPORT OF THE 127th ANNUAL MEETING

Our 127th Annual Meeting was held in Savannah, GA, October 6-9, 2011. Our host hotel was the Hyatt Regency Hotel. I offer my personal thanks to the hotel’s fine staff for all their hard work. They made our meeting very memorable.

Official Delegates to the meeting included our Undergraduate Deputies, Graduate Representatives, Past Supreme Grand Masters, Educational Foundation Trustees and a student contingent from a variety of chapters including Student Delegates from five of the coming year’s ARM Regions.

The European Brothers were well represented by their ECC Grand Master Frédéric de Beule of Belgium as well as their ever present Scribe Peter Blenkinsopp. Br Martin Suthers, the Australian/New Zealand Coordinator, attended as Representative of the chapters “Down Under”.

As the majority of you have not had the pleasure of being present at one of our Annual Meetings, I would like to inform you of those individuals who were recognized for their efforts this year.

Our Undergraduate and Graduate Chapters are required to have representation at our meeting. These individuals are designated as Deputies and Representatives respectively.

This year Certificates of Service were awarded to eleven hard working members. They are:

**Representatives:**
- **5 Years**
  - Mark R. Dickerson — Canada Chapter
  - Michel G. Venot — Cleveland Chapter
  - Christopher M. Johnson — Twin Cities Chapter
- **10 Years**
  - Joseph J. Baytosh, Jr. — Youngstown Chapter
- **20 Years**
  - Rodney H. Mitchell — New South Wales Chapter
- **25 Years**
  - Hugh P. Champagne — New Orleans Chapter
- **35 Years**
  - Jean-Daniel Aye — Paris Chapter

Our Undergraduate Chapters also are involved in an annual competition in two areas: Membership Recruitment and Community Service. This year that competition resulted in the following chapters being recognized for their performance. They are:

- Membership Recruitment Award — Pi Chapter
- Community Service Award — Omicron Omicron Chapter

Our Supreme Historian recognizes the outstanding writers of Chapter Letters to DESMOS with the awarding of the Kermit Knudtzon Award. This year’s awards went to three excellent choices. They are:

**Graduate:**
- Egidio Gene Farone — New York Chapter

**Undergraduate:**
- Bart P. Johnson — Theta Chapter
- Kathleen A. Jones — Xi Chapter

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The highest recognition that our Fraternity can offer is in the form of our Distinguished Service Decree and our Meritorious Service Awards. These were presented at the Awards Banquet held on Sunday evening. This year’s outstanding recipients were:

**Meritorious Service Award**
- Peter T. Blenkinsopp — London Chapter
- George W. Sferra, Jr. — New York Chapter
- Jean-Pierre Kermanac’h — Paris Chapter

**Distinguished Service Decree**
- Anthony J. Celino — New Orleans Chapter
- Thomas C. Lakars — Chicago Chapter
- James S. Tinkle — Oregon Chapter
- San Francisco Chapter
- Randal W. Rowland — Bruce C. Justman — At-Large Chapter

As you can see it was an active and productive meeting. The above people are a sampling of our dedicated membership. It is our goal to get more of our Brothers and Sisters involved. Contact your local chapters or call Central Office at 1-800-DELT SIG.

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A NOTE TO OUR DEPUTIES AND REPRESENTATIVES!!

Your Chapter Reports and Fees are due in Central Office by January 20, 2012 and February 15, 2012 respectively. Deputies should also file their Deputy’s Report by January 20th and provide a detailed description of their chapter’s community service efforts for consideration by the Supreme Council in earning the Community Service Award.

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Dear Brothers and Sisters of Delta Sigma Delta,

Season Greetings! This time of year most of us are busy with patients, family, and friends. All are very important to us and their well-being keeps us especially occupied. It is usually so busy we often don’t have the opportunity to reflect on our earthly time and the many occurrences that shape our existence. I am as guilty as anyone for not paying attention to that old adage, “Nobody will say on their deathbed: ‘I wish I had spent more time in the office’”.

Elena and I had a very busy 2011, especially the last 4 months of the year. On a sad note my mother moved to Florida and immediately became sick. After lingering for a few months she passed away in August. She lived an independent full life of 86 years, which took her from a small town in Georgia to spend a few years in Europe with my father in the 50’s (where they had me in Italy) and then back to the US. We do miss her particularly at this time of year. At the same time this was occurring, we were expanding our office. Those of you who have dealt with contractors and construction projects know the difficulties we went through. Like a baby’s birth I’m sure that the pain of construction will fade with time as we enjoy the new creation. The office is now 50% larger, but the construction took forever June – December. And even though it is still not finished we are happy with the way it looks. Some advice to our student members, remember not to pay the bill in full until you are satisfied. In my case they will be back to finish, as I still owe them some money. The office is quite large by San Francisco Standards – 4 operatories two of which are spacious surgical ops. We have created an additional space for lectures, which will accommodate 25 people comfortably. So now our Continuing Education Program, which has been on hiatus, will start again in 2012. Our usual courses include Management of Office Emergencies, two California Board of Dentistry required courses - Infection Control and the California Dental Practice Act, and an extensive range of periodontal/implant therapy specific topics. In addition to the lecture space we also have a teaching clinical facility now with which we will soon offer Oral Conscious Sedation and subsequently IV (Parenteral) Conscious Sedation and a formal yearlong course in Dental Implantology. The next Zeta Chapter’s Spring Symposium will likely be held here until we outgrow the facilities. Watch Desmos for an announcement.

As some of you know, the past three months have also been difficult for me with health issues. Remember to stay hydrated! In September I had a particularly nasty renal stone, which sent me to the ER on two occasions and made us cancel patients for ten days due to the stone and its sequelae. Everyone, remember to hydrate! In early October I was able to get clearance to attend the Supreme Chapter Meeting in Savannah, GA. This was an excellent meeting. Brother Robert and Linda Carson are
to be congratulated on it. It was at this meeting in Savannah where the office of Supreme Grand Master were transferred from Brother Robert Carson to me. Upon returning to San Francisco, we were still dealing with the construction and running the practice. It became apparent that a surgical intervention was necessary for a long-standing abdominal hernia. After interviewing a couple of recommended surgeons, the surgery was performed on the Monday prior to Thanksgiving. Our Thanksgiving was a bit different this year. However after three nights in the hospital, things have continued to heal well and I am regaining my stamina. Unfortunately I missed both the New York and Cleveland Graduate Chapters meetings. I plan to attend next year if they will have me.

While all of the above was taking place, we also moved in October. We bought a new flat one block behind our office building. Anyone who has had to deal with the banks lately knows that this is not an easy task to accomplish. But we did and it is over. So now I have realized that dream of walking to the office. No more driving. It is fantastic. Except we still need to unpack and buy more furniture.

As I complete this report I am presently in Italy. We just arrived and are fighting jet-lag. Traveling to Europe from the west coast is not easy. Those extra three hours make a huge difference. We look forward to enjoying the holidays with Elena’s family and hope to make some short trips into the area. Christmas day we will have a wonderful meal at Brezza in Barolo. (http://www.brezza.it/). Brezza is a winery that has a hotel and restaurant. We have been going there often, 2-3 times a year for many years now. The hotel has a meeting facility and one of my dreams is to have a fall CE meeting there some September around harvest time. We would have lectures in the mornings and the afternoons would be free to roam the area, visit wineries and the numerous small villages of the Langhe area of the Piedmonte Region (http://selectitaly.com/sec_langhe.php?page=intro). So watch Brezza.it to enjoy next year if they will have me.

Dr George R. Zehak elected Treasurer of the Chicago Dental Society

Brother George Zehak, a 1977 graduate of Rho Chapter at the University of Illinois in Chicago, began on January his term as Treasurer of the Chicago Dental Society. He will serve on the executive board for five years through the presidency in 2016. Br George was active in the West Side Branch of the CDS and served in all offices including president in 2001. As the Director of the West Side Branch from 2002-2005, he worked with all nine branch directors and the five member executive board. During 2011, Br George was chair of the Chicago Dental Society Foundation, the CDS philanthropic arm supporting many local organizations that promote oral health of the citizens of city and state communities. Br George was the general chairman of the 2010 CDS Midwinter Meeting, one of the largest national dental meetings, attended by over 30,000 people involved in dentistry. The CDS was organized in 1864 and held its first midwinter meeting February 1, 1865. The CDS has 4200 regular members who live in Cook, Lake and DuPage Counties of metropolitan Chicago, and 3200 associate members in outside counties of Illinois and other states.

Brother George Zehak lives with his wife Maria and their three children in Oak Brook, Illinois, and he practices general dentistry in Berwyn, a suburb just west of Chicago. As a CDS officer, he is eager to work on improving access to oral health care for the underserved and impoverished in our communities. Congratulations to our Brother George Zehak for his dedicated service in organized dentistry and for the great honor of his election! Many thanks to you, Brother George, and best wishes for great joy and fulfillment in your leadership of the Chicago Dental Society!
The Christmas season does not begin until the first Saturday in December, the annual Cleveland Graduate Chapter Christmas Party. Let the holiday season begin!

Every year Bro Michel Venot hosts a dinner and wine party at his home the Friday before the party. Supreme Grand Master Randy Rowland was invited to join the festivities and was looking forward to it, but his health issues prevented him from joining us. While that was a disappointment, we were still able to enjoy a good Amish meal with some of Bro Michel's fine French wine. The Cleveland Graduate Chapter wishes SGM Rowland a speedy recovery and return to health.

This year ventured to a new venue: The House of Blues in downtown Cleveland. Around 60 members and guests came together to enjoy fellowship and food in the heart of Cleveland's entertainment district. While it is good to see the old friends come together for this event, it was great to see new faces of people that I have never met. Our chapter is enjoying growth so sometimes it is good to say that there are people that I do not recognize.

At every Christmas Party we present the Distinguished Delt Award. This year's recipient was Bro John Wazney. John is a Past Grand Master and has been very active in helping the dental students of Lambda Chapter. His wife Marion is a local oral surgeon and daughter Erica is also a member of the Cleveland Chapter. When John

Delta Sigma Delta graduates in the Badger state are excited to learn that Marquette Dental School is moving forward with plans for the design and construction of a 40,000 square foot expansion. The total cost of the project is projected to be $16 million. The state of Wisconsin is providing $8 million in matching funds if Marquette can raise the additional $8 million. The overall project objective is to expand access to oral health care and ensure a steady supply of clinically proficient dentists for years to come. As of January 2010 approximately 61% of dentists practicing in Wisconsin were Marquette alumni. Last year Marquette received 2,700 applications for admission. 80 dental students are accepted each year.

Marquette plans to build for the future with a much needed faculty and student research lab, 10 faculty offices and 13 faculty operatories. There is a national shortage of dental faculty. Dedicated research space along with faculty practice operatories will position Marquette to attract and retain world class dental educators.

The dental student preclinical simulation lab will expand capacity to 104 state of the art simulation units. Each simulator is equipped with computer technology, enabling delivery of dental education in a clinic-like setting. The proposed changes will allow Marquette to accommodate up to 20 additional students in each class.

Doctor Bill Lobb, Marquette Dental School Dean, said, “We hope you at Delta Sigma Delta Badger Chapter will join with other alumni and friends in sharing our vision and participate in this opportunity to invest in a great dental school --- Wisconsin’s Dental School --- and in the future of dentistry at Marquette.”

Explosion plan for Marquette Dental School
is not in the office, his feet are off the ground as his passion is flying his own airplane.

Not only was the venue new, but so was the entertainment, sorta. Bro Tom Letterman has entertained us with his band NiteLife for many years. His new venture is an acoustic group that is called Fireside. Hopefully this is a start of a new tradition.

As the year concludes I would like to thank Grand Master Jim DeVengencie on a wonderful year. Bro Jim changed some things up this year with venues and schedules. It is always risky to change things, but it worked out very well. Thanks for the great year Jim. But all of this means that the bar is set high for Worthy Master Craig Shimizu as he takes over in January. In case you are wondering how to get active in the Cleveland Grad Chapter, contact me at jerry.kolosionek@case.edu

Friday dinner in honor of SGM Rowland at home of Bro Michel Venot on right

Dr Alison Wren and Worthy Master Craig Shimizu

Dr & Mrs Tom McCune with Grand Master Jim DeVengencie

Bro Ron Berschig, Bro Eric Berschig, Bro Mario Pavicic, Karen Kolosionek, Bro Jerry Kolosionek enjoying festivities
As you read in the last issue of DESMOS, the Detroit Graduate Chapter (DGC) is very rich in history, chartered in 1895 as the first graduate chapter of DSD in the world. The DGC was founded by both Alpha and Beta graduates. The majority of its members when first founded were graduates of Alpha Chapter. Since then, the chapter has been mostly comprised of both University of Michigan School of Dentistry and University of Detroit (and later named the University of Detroit-Mercy) School of Dentistry Pi Pi graduates. The DGC has been very supportive of both dental schools and its undergraduate DSD members over the years.

In 1989, the Wolverine Graduate Chapter was chartered with 41 members who were graduates of the University of Michigan School of Dentistry. The Wolverine Chapter was created to accommodate School of Dentistry graduates not living in the Detroit area. It was founded in Ann Arbor, but welcomed members from other Universities (one member was a graduate of Ohio State University, Mu Mu Chapter). Unlike the grounded DGC, the Wolverine Chapter floundered as many of its members did not reside in Ann Arbor proper, and it was difficult to maintain communication and commitment among its membership. The leadership was unsuccessful in keeping the chapter going and made the difficult decision to deem the chapter inactive. The chapter folded and some of the members once again began attending the DGC meetings. Today, the Wolverine Chapter remains inactive while the DGC continues to be the only Michigan chapter to hold meetings and maintain membership.

A few members from both the Wolverine Chapter and the Detroit Chapter have been integral in the support of the undergraduate Alpha and Pi Pi Chapters. In 1987 when Dr Leo Klausner became Deputy of Alpha, he realized the importance of graduate member involvement during the undergraduates' years in dental school. He believed that not only was contact with graduates in and of itself important, but if there was to be a transition into graduate chapters, undergraduate members needed to be exposed to graduate chapter members and activities in order to establish relationships for the future. Brother Klausner began inviting graduate members and all DSD alumni to Alpha Chapter functions (initiations, social functions, senior send-offs). He attended DGC meetings with regularity to report on Alpha Chapter activities and to extend invitations to DGC members. Eventually Brother Klausner was able to get undergraduates to attend the DGC CE dinner meetings as guests. Both the graduates and undergraduates found these gatherings to be informative, enjoyable and rewarding. Dr Steve Soehren, Pi Pi Deputy at the time, did the same on behalf of the Pi Pi Chapter and its students. The networking, professional fellowship and bonds began to form between the graduate members and undergraduate members. Some would call this organized dentistry and mentorship of brothers and sisters at its best. This forum also helped to establish a better working relationship between the Pi Pi and Alpha Chapters.

Following the new format of the DGC CE dinner meetings, DGC members in return began to routinely attend Alpha Chapter and Pi Pi Chapter events. Several graduate members also attended the ARM’s primarily hosted by the Pi Pi and Alpha Chapters. A few graduate members, including Brothers Dave Thompson, Don Rumon, and Horace Floyd, perennially attended out
of state ARMs and their presence was much appreciated by Pi Pi and Alpha members. In the mid 1990’s by stressing the importance of graduate financial support for the undergraduates, Brother Klausner proposed offering financial support for the annual meetings. The Deputies of Pi Pi during the 90’s also agreed and followed suit. The Pi Pi Deputy position changed hands in the 90’s, from Brother Steve Soehren to Brother Randy Rowland and then to Sister Linda Dobis (1998), but the philosophy of keeping strong relationships continued. In fact, Dr Dobis came full circle as she attended DGC meetings as a student and then came back to be Deputy of Pi Pi, supporting the relationship between graduate and undergraduate. In 2010, the Alpha Deputy position changed hands as well, from Brother Leo Klausner (of 23+ years) to me. The DGC, to this day, continues to support the travel of undergraduates either to the MidEastern ARM or DSD Annual Meeting. In return of the financial support, the students give a presentation to the DGC members on what they did at the meeting, what they got out of attending and what they will bring back to their respective chapters. Sister Linda Dobis and I are very appreciative of the DGC’s continued invaluable support for the Pi Pi and Alpha students.

I thank Brothers Leo Klausner and Rocco Ciccone and Sister Linda Dobis for sharing their historical information about the DGC with me.

As always, we welcome you to our next Detroit Graduate Chapter meeting. If you are interested in learning more about the Detroit Graduate Chapter and its meetings or membership, please contact Br Rocco Ciccone (Grand Master) at a4n6dds@yahoo.com or Br Dan Edwards (Historian) at dedwards@umich.edu Our 3-4 meetings per year are held at various restaurants in the Greater Detroit Metro area. Our continued goal is to boost membership and participation amongst all DSD alum for 2012, so please join us. Happy New Year Brothers and Sisters!

NEXT MEETING: Tuesday, February 28, 2012 @ 7pm, Da Edoardo’s at 19767 Mack Avenue in Grosse Pointe. Please e-mail Br Rocco Ciccone to confirm a4n6dds@yahoo.com

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HOLLAND CHAPTER

Hans de Vries, Historian

The 81st Anniversary Meeting of the Holland Graduate Chapter, Friday, October 14th, 2011, The Hague, the Netherlands

Grand Master Frits Barendrecht invited all Brothers to come over to The Hague and celebrate this Anniversary. Forty four Brothers from the Holland Chapter and sixteen Brothers from foreign Chapters were able to join him, most of them together with their Ladies.

What a beautiful weekend it was indeed! Absolutely perfect weather conditions with a very pleasant Program. The hotels were carefully chosen: all of them situated in the city centre, small and beautiful. The golfers started with a day at the Royal Haagsche Golf and Country Club (“The Haagsche”). This Golf Club was founded in 1893 in The Hague and moved to its current location in Wassenaar, shortly after the 2nd World War. It is the oldest golf club in the Netherlands and very nicely situated in an exposed coastal dune landscape. No need to say that with the sun shining it even was a success when some balls were lost in the rough. Four excellent golf players could be honored. The Torrance Cup was won by Peter Bolhuis and second was Haakon Kuit. The Leatherman Cup was won by Andrew McDonald and second was Philippe Docky. At the end of the day there was a reception in the Audient room and the Garden room at the Spaansche Hof for the brothers and ladies. This small palace has a long history starting in 1469 as a host for many people all around the world including French, Danish, English and Spanish Ambassadors and was therefore the perfect spot to meet all our foreign brothers and their ladies. The
meeting took place in the Ballroom were the large group of brothers enjoyed a perfect dinner and lovely wines, one of them a splendid Rosso di Montalcino, which our wine loving Grandmaster had carefully chosen for us. The ladies enjoyed a cooking course at Kookstudio Franse Stap, situated at the Lange Voorhout, a beautiful square in the historical centre. Proprietor Eric-Jan Fransen organized a diner where the ladies all worked together in the kitchen resulting in a dinner all of them will remember. The kitchen atmosphere was so pleasant and convivial that the ladies were reminded that cooking doesn't have to be war all the time! Afterwards the brothers and ladies went to their hotels and enjoyed a good night's rest, although some succeeded in staying at the hotel bars a little longer.

Saturday morning we visited the Mesdag Museum. The outing was focused on the famous “Haagsche School”, a group of Dutch painters, starting from 1875, particularly Willem Mesdag. Just walking a few minutes took us to this museum and the Panorama Mesdag. This magnificent painting gives you the illusion of standing at the top of a dune in Scheveningen, looking to the village, the beach and the sea in 1881. It was a very nice experience, but perhaps even better was the lunch at restaurant the Seinpost, which is now located at the top of the mentioned dune. The view changed dramatically but the waves of the North Sea did not. The delicious lunch was highly appreciated and again also because of

The painting “the Panorama Mesdag” from a very short distance at a tour for the brothers and ladies

All brothers after meeting at the Spaansche Hof
the perfect location and warm atmosphere. In the evening several brothers and ladies met at Frits’ home where an informal walking dinner was served. The ladies Suzanne, Nelly, Gea and Emy helped Frits and his children preparing this delicious dinner and Frits opened a number of exquisite wines.

Sixty Brothers and their Ladies meeting in the Hague was obviously a success because of their presence but in particular because of the support of Brothers Walter, Michael, Geert-Jan, Dolf, Rob and his lady Carly.

For Frits and the brothers it was a weekend during which the presence of his wife Ada could be felt although she passed away last year. Frits and Ada planned this anniversary together and as Frits later stated, she was looking down from one of the scarce clouds in the sky. And we all concluded Frits and Ada did a perfect job!

Dolf de Lange presents to Andrew Macdonald the Leatherman Cup

NEW YORK CHAPTER

Robert P. Iovino, Historian

Major activities this past fall centered on the celebration of our NY Chapter’s 105th Anniversary meeting presided over by Grand Master Sebastian Lentini. Mid-November in New York is typically delightful as its native residents can detect the underlying bustle in the city beginning to perceptively quicken as the city makes its annual preparations for the holiday season. The timing of our anniversary meeting, typically held the week prior to Thanksgiving, has helped make it over the years a preferred fraternal travel destination for many of our out-of-town and European brothers. The venue for this year’s meeting, held in the heart of Manhattan at 51st Street and Fifth Ave, was at the private clubhouse of The Woman’s Republican Club, which only added to the festivities.

This November, despite the European sovereign debt crisis, the international character of our anniversary meeting was preserved by a slightly smaller but enthusiastic group of European brothers and their guests who attended. We were honored to have Grand Master Mats Winderud of the Scandinavian Chapter attend his sixth NY Anniversary meeting. We were also honored by the presence of Grand Master Paddy McCullagh and Br Gus Ghani from the London Chapter. Also the NY Graduate Chapter was especially honored to have a large contingent from the Holland Chapter, included Grand Master Fritz Barendrecht with Brothers Dirk Bitterman, Johan Cosse, Henk Donker, Coen Kuit (making his first trip to the USA), Jaap Lankhof, Geert-Jan Schutte and Peter Gits, to round out the number of distinguished international guests attending. Baton Rouge Graduate Chapter Grand Master Gardner Wade’s presence was also greatly appreciated.

That such a large Dutch contingent was kind enough to journey to the island their nation long ago first settled, a place author Russell Shorto appropriately coined the "Island in the Center of the World," was an occasion for much spirited debate, toasting, gifts and celebration. Historically, Peter Stuyvesant and the Dutch welcomed all who had something positive to contribute to settle in New Amsterdam; the English during their tenure were wise enough to maintain this Dutch New World open door policy. Today New York City, as a result of their combined foresight, thrives as the finest example of a vibrant melting-pot metropolis in the world!

Second day anniversary activities continued as many Brothers and guests enjoyed a wonderful docent-led private tour of the historic New York State National Guard 7th Regiment’s Armory on Park Ave and 67th Street. Dating to the mid-nineteenth
century the armory was initially lavishly decorated by the elite and prosperous residents of midtown Manhattan. The original decorations commissioned from Tiffany and other notable tradesmen of the day are largely intact and currently undergoing extensive professional conservation. The armory tour was a nice homecoming as many NY Delts fondly remembered the generous food and libations enjoyed there during many years of chapter meetings conducted in the armory itself, prior to being displaced by its ongoing renovation. The upper floor dinning hall once utilized by the fraternity now serves as part of a woman's homeless shelter and the bulk of the armory is being converted into a center of the arts for the city.

After the armory tour, in keeping with the international spirit of the meeting, a splendid lunch immediately followed at NY’s finest brasserie L’Absinthe on East 67th Street. Dinner and dancing was enjoyed latter that evening at the New York Athletic Club on Central Park South.

Accompanying photos were taken by our Junior Page Br Peter Pruden.

These pleasant fraternal memories will hopefully in some way enable all those who attended to weather better the coming depths of winter as they collectively await the return of spring to their fine cities. I hope this report finds all Brother Delts well and enjoying a healthy and prosperous start to the New Year.
NSW CHAPTER

Peter J. Tyas, Historian

Dangar Burne Oration Meeting

The annual Dangar Burne Oration Meeting was held at Sydney University on Thursday 27th October with 30 members in attendance. After the minutes of the previous meeting were accepted, a lively discussion ensued from “matters arising” with regard to the Initiation Ritual. Many members felt a change was needed in the procedure and many speakers voiced their opinions in glowing terms. The end result - the next initiations in May will be conducted as per normal, with further investigation into revising the procedure to be carried out.

GM Dennis Bau sadly reported the passing of Br Peter Kaleski - a very valued member of the Fraternity. Br David Wheatley presented a Eulogy for Professor Cam Graham, who was mentioned in my last Report.

On a brighter note I am pleased to report that PGM Angus Kingon won the coveted Harry Moxham Golf Trophy at the Annual Australian Dental Association (NSW Branch) Golf Day with 40 Stableford points! I do not want to take away the glory associated with this achievement but I think he needs to have a Handicap adjustment! Another good piece of news was the awarding of a Distinguished Service Award to Br Dan Vickers from the Australasian Society of Orthodontists. Well done Dan.

The highlight of the night was the presentation of the Dangar Burne Oration by PGM Paul Nicholls. It was a highly entertaining and thought-provoking dissertation entitled, Change-Back to the Future - Everything Old is New Again. Paul covered a vast range of subjects: Amalgam and its return to favour (even in Sweden where the controversy first began) and its comparison with composite (with all its failings). Paul had attended the Dental Association Conference in Brisbane earlier in the year and was most impressed with the lectures regarding amalgam given by Dr Julian Fisher and Professor Gottfried Schmaltz from the World Health Organisation. And his other topics: History and Politics, Religion, Global Finance, Australian Navy (Paul is in the Australian Navy Reserve), Climate, Health, Women, Our Daily Lives

All these (sometimes very contentious subjects!) were covered in 25 minutes! Paul received a standing ovation (only kidding). He did, however, receive appreciative applause from the members as the Oration gave us many things to think about in the future. It certainly kept the Fellows awake (well most of them). It was a pity that there was no Question Time afterwards but we did not have an extra 4-5 hours to spend on it!! PGM Philip Kinsella presented the Critique for the Oration in a masterful and complimentary manner.

It was wonderful to see some of our Country Brethren in attendance: Alec Noble from Tamworth, Phil Crocker from Tumut and Syd Dobbin from Yass. Br Syd proposed an inspiring Toast to the Fraternity at the Dinner following the Meeting.

Australasian Coordinator

PGM Martin Suthers presented an illuminating report on his visit to Savannah for the Supreme Chapter Meeting and included some of the issues facing the Fraternity today. He also mentioned that the cost of producing Desmos has been reduced quite substantially over the past year.

The Annual Sports Day was held the next day at the magnificent Elanora Country Club. It was organised as usual by PGM Stephen Daymond, who not only arranged the day but was the superb chef for our barbecue at night. Congratulations Stephen! The weather was kind to the participants and although
our numbers were low this year, the enthusiasm was high. Our Tennis champion Phil Crocker was unable to stay to receive his award. The golf winner was none other than our Oration presenter—Paul Nicholls with 33 points (a little more realistic than 40 points Angus?). The recipient of the “Breadboard” for the lowest number of points was—ME! -AGAIN! Have now won? this “much sought-after prize” twice in a row. Oh well, at least I have won something in golf. I now intend to defend my trophy with great vigour in the years to come! I want to be able to win and have my name engraved on the board more times that PGM Martin Suthers, who has the honour of “winning” the Breadboard 4 times (so far).

After the Presentation by GM Dennis (who is neither a golfer nor tennis player) 20 Brothers and partners enjoyed a most delightful evening starting with champagne and canapés in the garden of the Club overlooking the magnificent view of the ocean. We then sat down to a delicious meal of salmon, succulent steak and gourmet sausages cooked by Stephen accompanied by tasty salads with fine wines to compliment the food. This induced great fellowship at the table especially as the night progressed. A fine way to finish the day!

Christmas Luncheon Meeting
The Annual Christmas luncheon was held on Saturday 26th November at Sails Restaurant situated on the waterfront at McMahons Point in our magnificent Sydney Harbour. The Restaurant had very large windows giving guests a panoramic view of our Harbour Bridge with the Sydney Opera House in the background—a truly wonderful sight in brilliant sunshine (although the morning had heavy rain which thankfully cleared up by lunchtime!) Forty two Brothers and partners attended and enjoyed great fellowship and delicious food and wine. Congratulations to GM Dennis and his lovely wife Lena for organizing this event. Dennis and Lena also arranged for a string trio to perform endearing classical music throughout the day, including one member of the group who normally plays in the Boston Symphony Orchestra!

The Loyal Toast was proposed by PGM Stephen Daymond: The Queen had recently visited our shores and presented, as usual, as a very gracious lady and had warm receptions wherever she and Prince Philip went on their tour and so the Toast was particularly meaningful.

PGM Angus Kingon proposed the toast to “The Ladies” and my dear wife Anne replied on their behalf. She alluded to her marriage to an absolutely wonderful husband who is a great example to others as a caring and thoughtful man. Actually, Anne did not say any of that but I am sure she was thinking about it!!! GM Dennis thanked everyone for coming, especially our country brethren from Cooma (Tony and Carol Slater), Tumut (Phil and Pam Crocker), Yass (Syd and Trish Dobbin) and Orange (Ed and Sue Furze). Br Ed is a previous “winner” of the golf “breadboard” and will challenge me next year to try to win it back! I shall have to play even more badly than this year to retain it! All these country towns are about a 5 -7 hour drive from Sydney.

As M.C. I had the task of keeping the luncheon running smoothly and was pleasantly surprised when every time I stood up to introduce a speaker an instant hush descended upon the room—I suspect that the presence of our wives contributed to the decorum displayed by the Brothers. It is always much more difficult for me at our regular meetings but I “soldier on” regardless.

To finish the day I called upon PGM Peter Benson to relate a few more of his “true stories” and he succeeded in, as usual, causing great ripples of laughter to emanate from the guests. He will usually use me as a target for some of his jokes so I am glad that I am of some help! He is one blessed with a phenomenal memory for stories and anecdotes and this helped to bring the Luncheon a cheerful and enjoyable end.

I should lastly like to mention Br Rob Watson from Manly—a seaside and harbourside suburb of Sydney. Manly’s unique position on the North side of Sydney Harbour on a narrow neck of land between the Harbour and the ocean (Tasman Sea) gives the best of both worlds—Harbour pleasures and sand and surf. The local newspaper—The Manly Daily—runs the Community Father of the Year Awards and this year Rob was the honoured recipient. He had been nominated by his children and it was a well-deserved recognition because as well as being a great father, he has, for the past 25 years, been an honorary Volunteer Dentist for the Cerebral Palsy Alliance (for-
The official meeting was followed, as usual, by a reception and a gastronomically delightful dinner together with the Ladies in a medieval castle neighbouring the Chapter room.

Following the requisite toasts, a presentation was made of the first edition of a “Blue Book” recording the History of the Paris Chapter since its creation in 1929. Two years of considerable research with compilation of documents and numerous articles published in past Desmos were necessary for the Historian with the assistance of the GM and several devoted Past GMs of the Paris Chapter to provide to our GM Bertrand de Beaupuis the completion of our special book with meritorious Pride.

Saturday, May 7th, was the cultural tour portion of our meeting, the details of which have been already well reported in the V117 No2 of Desmos by Egidio Farone, Historian of NY Chapter, and I will quote his words with acknowledgment and pleasure for his talented description:

“Saturday found the attendees touring the restored Chateau Cormatin constructed in the early seventeenth century. A delightful lunch followed after which a tour of Grand Master Beaupuis’ family vineyard was conducted. To the delight of everyone, a sampling of the vineyard’s impressive products was provided. The meeting culminated with a garden reception and farewell dinner at the country home of Brother Bertrand. The camaraderie was so complete that it was well past midnight by the time the company parted after many tokens of thanks were exchanged to Brother Bertrand, their gracious hostess Yveline and indeed the entire Paris Chapter”.

With the great success of this anniversary meeting, we the Officers and Brothers of the Paris Chapter congratulate especially both GM Bertrand de Beaupuis and his wife Yveline, hosts of the Paris Anniversary.
Yveline, who spent a tremendous amount of time preparing and organizing such an outstanding and convivial gathering.

Their actions in the true spirit of fraternal camaraderie emphasize our need for the preservation of Harmony through constant consideration between Brothers. Each meeting reinforces, therefore, our need for giving or offering a helping hand in order to tolerate with serenity this current challenging time of disorders throughout the entire world.

We thank you, GM Bertrand and Yveline, for your exemplary dedication to Delta Sigma Delta, for your continuing kindness and modesty that is directly aligned with our Brotherhood.

QUEENSLAND CHAPTER
L. Peter Ryan, Historian

It had been a busy weekend for the Queensland Delts. On the Friday night the Ernest James Goddard Oration was presented by the Queensland Branch of the Australian Dental Association to honour the memory of the founder of the Dental Faculty at the University of Queensland. Fittingly it was held on the University campus in the Schonell Theatre and included among the guests were representatives from the other two dental faculties from Griffith University and James Cook University. Goddard was not himself a dentist but a Professor of Biology and following the establishment of the Dental Faculty he proceeded to set up the Medical Faculty.

In the steps of the first Orator, our own Professor Sidney Lumb in 1964, have followed a series of most distinguished successors with a sprinkling of Knights and Dames of the Realm, one of whom was the Governor-General of Australia and others with stellar careers in the sciences. This year’s Orator fell neatly into that distinguished category. Professor Ken Donald AO has had a widely diverse career with excellence stamped on every new twist and turn. Essentially he is a pathologist but his superb organizational skills have earned him accolades at all levels culminating on the award of Officer in the Order of Australia, one of the highest it is possible to achieve. He was also a Wallaby. That means he played Rugby Union Football for Australia against all the world teams that compete, which includes, many will be surprised to hear, the United States of America. He went on to later manage the team. He brushed with Dentistry when he presented a paper to the Lord Mayor’s Taskforce on Fluoridation, which naturally he strongly supported with cogent and logical argument. As this was not the message the Lord Mayor wished to hear he quickly absented himself from the meeting. The Oration’s title was “Student to Practitioner in a Complex Health System”. He provided a printed sheet of dot points he would make
and the first one was “Be aware of your limitations”, followed by an explanation of how to turn a student into a practitioner.

Bringing this entertaining and instructive performance to fruition was the especial responsibility of Brother Robert McCray. He was not alone. PGM Derek Lewis was the Marshall and introduced the speakers, Brother Professor Ian Meyers, Immediate Past President of the Association, read the Proem and Brother Lloyd Wong and his quartet sang the national anthem so mellifluously as to arouse the envy of barber shops from far and wide.

The very next day saw the October meeting held on a rain-threatened evening with our local Marco Polo, PGM Alex Moule reporting again on one of his exotic journeyings, this time to the kingdom of Kuwait, one of the smallest of the Middle Eastern countries but with limitless wealth some of which was applied to a very elaborate and highly functional Dental School. Brother Alex was most impressed with the way the School was structured and run. Not only did it lack for nothing but its system of imparting knowledge from having each clinical student provided with a dental assistant to having a generalist supervisor in charge of his own clinic to provide a holistic approach to patient treatment was one to emulate. Coming on top of Professor Donald’s oration the previous evening it provided a thoughtful conclusion to the question of student education.

Hedonism is endemic in the Queensland Chapter and never more so than at the annual Christmas Party. The attendance was higher than at the previous night’s ADA Annual Dinner which in itself had its numbers boosted by Chapter members come to see PGM Colin Rendell honoured with Life Membership of the ADA. Brother Colin’s extended tenure as Australasian Co-ordinator has attracted numerous accolades from the Fraternity but equally he had contributed extensively to the Australian Dental Association as was pointed out at the Annual Meeting by Brothers Rick Olive and Eddie Street before Brother Ian Meyers, as Immediate Past President announced a unanimous vote in favour and presented him with a commemorative plaque to a standing ovation.

The Christmas cheer was vocally dispensed by Brother Lloyd Wong’s barbershop quartet. Fittingly, the quartet from four differing ethnic groups, Swedish, Italian, Australian and Chinese “sang from the same song sheet” in perfect harmony. The ubiquitous Brother Colin Rendell and spouse Glenys again concocted a devious quiz with such questions as to who was the new Italian Prime Minister. Brother Len Boulton and I demonstrated why we had not been invited to membership of the barbershop quartet but the highlight of the evening was the attendance of Mrs Betty Dingle in fond remembrance of her late husband ‘Mo’ and gracefully reprising her standout performance as ruthless judge of the Worst Necktie Competition which was won in a canter by Brother Alex Moule with quite the most revolting creation that the mind of man could devise. The prize for the dullest creation was humbly accepted by Master John Muller with an exhibit that the judge opined could be put to better use in the kitchen.

Grand Master John Rowell wished all a Happy Christmas as we departed celebrating a grand finale to a most successful year.
Try the new Vortex Color Changing Toothpaste!

Our St Louis Brother Howard W. Wright, DMD, a 1983 graduate of Upsilon Chapter at Washington University, invented the Vortex Color Changing Toothpaste, a new product to captivate youngsters into brushing longer as they watch the optical change in color to purple toothpaste! The toothpaste formulation is unique due to absence of the common foaming agent, sodium lauryl sulfate. Without heavy foaming, brushing is easier and fun for youngsters while the toothpaste adheres more closely to the tooth surfaces for enhanced fluoride uptake into incipient enamel lesions is supported by research. The new formulation is FDA approved. You can get more information and see a video of the toothpaste at work by visiting the Wright Toothpaste, Inc. website: www.vortextoothpaste.com

Dr Howard Wright can be reached by email at vortex@vortextoothpaste.com Congratulations to Brother Wright for his novel product and its advantages for oral health care!

Our graduates have enjoyed a few opportunities for fraternalism since my last newsletter. One event was not sponsored by the Delts but was a fundraiser for the second annual Jamaican Dental Mission dinner and silent auction. It was brought to my attention that this mission trip over the SIU spring break is hugely popular with the students, and the Delts are well-represented. Recent grads and faculty showed up in all their fancy regalia at the Preservation Hall in the Soulard neighborhood of St Louis to support this great cause. Some had participated in this volunteer dental experience as students and now return as financial contributors.

The Fall CE event, “Medical Emergencies in the Dental Office” given by local oral surgeon Alan Harvey, was held at St Louis University in the Quentin Ringenberg Memorial Lecture Hall. Nostalgic Delts will remember what a great Delt Quentin was and should be comforted to know he remains well-respected at the orthodontic school he helped establish.

The graduate chapter has experienced somewhat of a baby boom in the last year or so, with more on the way. Graduates from Southern Illinois University of the years 2006 to 2011 have had or will have additions to their families very soon. Dr Jocelyn Freeman just gave birth to Cooper Patrick, Dr Peggy McGinnis-Chandra welcomed her first son, and Drs Laura Capati and Nicole Elger will have family additions this Spring. I am extremely happy for these fine ladies whom I’ve come to know over the years, and I hope they can make time in their busy schedules to participate in a few of our CE events and social activities.

Upcoming events include the Holiday Party at Flamingo Bowl, Alpha Kappa initiation dinner and ceremony (one of our most popular), the Central Annual Regional Meeting at SIU SDM, and the winter dinner and seminar at Kemoll’s at the Top of the Met. New Delt Dr Sophia Bednarski will talk about her experience as one of the Academy of General Dentistry’s Ambassadors on Dental Health in China.

It has been one of the greatest challenges of the St Louis Graduate Chapter and the Alpha Kappa Chapter to merge
Members of the Victorian Chapter continue to receive recognition of their talents both nationally and internationally. PGM Neil Hewson, immediate past President of the ADA, was elected as Speaker of the General Assembly of the FDI World Dental Federation at its recent annual World Dental Parliament in Mexico City on 16 Sept 2011 for a three year term. As Speaker, Bro. Neil will preside over all meetings of the General Assembly to ensure the smooth running of proceedings and to facilitate delegate participation in discussion on world-wide oral health issues. He will also, as Speaker, be a member of the FDI Council, participating in executive decisions that ensure the FDI remains relevant. Bro. Neil is only the second Australian to have been elected to this position.

Bro. Neil is also notable in Frat. and ADA circles for his keen interest (one rejects the word “obsession”) in all manner of Constitutions. As Speaker, Bro. Neil will play a key role in reviewing Constitutions relating to FDI matters, and there were reports of an evangelical gleam in Bro. Neil’s eye as this aspect of his role was mentioned at our October meeting.

The Federal Minister for Health and Ageing, the Hon. Nicola Roxon, MP, announced recently that Bro. Mark Bowman has been appointed a member of the National Lead Clinicians Group and will represent oral health professionals in the prioritisation and implementation of clinical standards. Among other matters, the Group will advise on opportunities to improve the quality, effectiveness and efficiency of the Australian Health System. Bro. Mark is currently a Councillor of the ADA Federal Council and the Victorian Branch Council as well as President of the Australian Society of Periodontology.

And in the academic sphere, Associate Professor Michael McCullough has been appointed a full Professor in his Department of Oral Medicine at the University of Melbourne. The appointment constitutes appropriate recognition by the Faculty and the University of Michael’s outstanding achievements and is all the more noteworthy due the number of outstanding applicants competing for a small number of places.

On a sadder note, we have to report the recent death of PGM Stan Kings. It is
extremely difficult to write a précis of Stan King’s achievements. Lengthy obituaries in the Federal and Victorian News Bulletins have outlined the extensive scope of his career, but so much more could have been added. His influence on the dental profession was remarkable through his service in the ADA at State and Federal level and with the Council of the Royal Australasian College of Dental Surgeons. Bro. Stan was a member of the Fraternity for forty two years, having been initiated in 1969 and serving as Grand Master of the Victorian Chapter in 1987-88. Stan and his twin brother Eric, who was Grand Master in 1986-87, had the rare ability of inspiring those who worked with them and of engendering a cooperative spirit among disparate members of committees. Both twins took a mischievous delight in confusing people as to their true identity. However, to the cognoscenti, the secret was in the parting of the hair. Vale Stan.

The Guest Speaker at our October meeting was Dr Lynden Smibert, Chair of General Medical Practice Victoria, and of the Inner East Melbourne Medicare Local. Dr Smibert spoke on the history of the accreditation of general medical practices in Victoria. At present, 90% of rural practices and 70% of urban practices are accredited, with standards set by the College of General Practitioners. An interesting discussion ensued, involving, among others, certain Frat. members who have been involved in establishing an accreditation scheme for dental practice and who appear to have been deeply affected by the experience. The discussion incorporated a number of enlightening (and non-attributable) remarks concerning the deficiencies of various bureaucracies.

The Fraternity social night was held at the Kew Boat House on the magnificent Yarra River. The Yarra has been unjustly pilloried over the years, particularly by the denizens of a State immediately to our north, who believe that a semi-enclosed pond of salt water spanned by an elaborate coat-hanger constitutes one of the natural wonders of the world. However, on the night of November 18, the Yarra was not at its most picturesque, recent heavy rain having brought in a certain amount of excellent Victorian topsoil. The old jibe that the Yarra was the only river in Australia that flowed upside down was unfortunately apt, though local loyalty forbade such mention. The evening, hosted by GM David Curnow and his lovely wife Jan (with the evening arranged and organised by Jan) was a great success, with Delts and partners mixing freely as the night unfolded. GM David made one of his shortest speeches on record (possibly under instructions) wishing all present a happy and safe festive season and a New Year of promise and achievement.
The Annual General Meeting of the Western Australian Chapter was held on Friday 4 November 2011. The following Office Bearers were elected for 2012:

- Grand Master, Bro David Booth
- Immediate Past Grand Master, Bro Max Trott
- Worthy Master, Bro Dick Cook
- Scribe, Bro Colin O’Brien
- Senior Page, Bro Dennis Gregory
- Junior Page, Bro Peter Munt Tyler
- Treasurer, Br John Italiano
- Historian, Bro Brian Atkinson

At the time of writing (22 November 2011), Past Grand Master Bro Ian Newnham, is busy planning his retirement from specialist periodontics practice, effective 15 December 2011. Bro Newnham graduated with BDSc from the University of Western Australia (UWA) Dental School in 1971. He completed his Master of Dental Science degree (MDSc) in 1979, and his Fellowship (FRACDS) (Periodontics) in 2000. He was awarded Fellowship of the International College of Dentists in 2003. As well as enjoying a very successful career in specialist practice, Bro Ian has also made a major contribution to teaching periodontology, in both full time and part time capacities. He taught part time at the UWA Dental School from 1976 to 1980, and also worked at the Perth Dental Hospital in 1980 as Senior Registrar, Periodontics. Bro Ian then, in 1981, taught full time as Senior Lecturer in periodontology at the University of Witwatersrand Dental School in Johannesburg South Africa. From 1982 to 1986 Bro Ian was full time Senior Lecturer at the UWA Dental School. From 1987 until 2009 Bro Ian continued to teach periodontology part time at the UWA Dental School. Before embarking on post graduate studies, Bro Ian worked as a staff dentist at the State Government clinic at the inland country town of Boulder in 1972 and 1973, and then travelled to the United Kingdom and worked in private dental practice during 1974 and 1975. Bro Ian has held numerous appointments, including Federal President of the Australian Society of Periodontology, and Consultant Periodontist for the Royal Australian Army. He has also served on numerous committees, including the Higher Degrees Committee (Dental Faculty) at the University of Western Australia, and the Ethics Review Committee at the Perth Dental Hospital. Bro Ian also participated in a research project that studied the impact of periodontal treatment on pregnancy outcomes. In 1998 Bro Ian received the Professor KJG Sutherland Award for his presentation to the Dental Study Group of Western Australia, of which he served as President in 1991.

Bro Ian is looking forward to continuing his farming activities in the south west region of Western Australia. Twenty years ago he commenced farming cattle at the southwest country town of Margaret River. He commenced with cows, buffalo, and deer. For the past 17 years he has limited the farm to cows, and now runs a herd of about 30 cows. Bro Ian is also a very keen sailor, and crews for a fellow retired dentist on a 36 foot Swanson craft. In June 2012 Bro Ian and his wife Anne are embarking on a trip to Paris, following which Anne will return home. Bro Ian will then be joined by fellow dental health aid team (CHAT) volunteer, retired orthodontist, Bro Peter Dillon, and they will proceed to Spitsbergen in the Arctic Circle to play with the Polar Bears – not something that appealed to the wives! When Bro Ian returns he and Anne will be kept very busy by their grandchildren – currently 7 grandchildren under the age of 4.

At the time of writing Grand Master elect, Bro David Booth and his Christian dental health aid team (CHAT), have left on another volunteer dental treatment visit to Vietnam. (Refer original article, Desmos 2008, Vol 114, No 2, pgs 10-13). The CHAT team comprised 13 volunteers that includes 3 dentists from Western Australia (including Bro David), and 4 support staff; and one dentist from Canberra and 5 support staff. They will provide a variety of treatment to a community in Binh Phuoc Province and will have returned to Australia by 27 November 2011.

Bro Simon Shanahan’s equal health team (Refer original article, Desmos 2011, vol 117, No 2, pgs 8-10) completed their 3rd voluntary visit of two weeks for 2011 to East Timor in September 2011. The team comprised 2 dentists and 2 dental nurses. The East Timorese people have limited...
access to three-year trained ‘dental nurses’. The emphasis during these visits is for the Equal Health Team to assist in developing the skills of the ‘dental nurses’ and providing a shared skills arrangement. A lot of tooth extractions are required, but there is also emphasis on assisting local ‘dental nurses’ to provide simple atraumatic restorations. Three similar visits to East Timor are planned for 2012.

Equal Health will also be sending a multidisciplinary team of 60 personnel from around Australia to the ‘Annual India Camp’ in India in February 2012. About half of these will be from Western Australia. And about 15 of the 60 will be dental personnel. They will be providing dental treatment in Kolkata (formerly Calcutta), the capital of the northern state of West Bengal; and also Chennai (formerly Madras), the capital of the southern state of Tamil Nadu. The people in the areas visited are very poor. Many of those helped have never seen a dentist. Dental caries is rampant. Many patients require the removal of retained roots – all that remains from decayed teeth. Major periodontal problems are widespread.

The proposed next visit of Jan and Bro John Owen’s voluntary Kimberley Dental Team (refer original article, Desmos 2010, Vol 115, No. 4, pgs 8-10), for February 2012, has been deferred to until April 2012. The construction of the magnificent large mobile truck/clinic being built in suburban Perth, referred to in the previous issue of Desmos, for use in the remote north west, is a little behind schedule. It is expected to be completed in time for the April 2012 visit. The truck will be a dual cab vehicle seating six persons. It also will have accommodation for two people. This truck/clinic is being funded by the Federal Government through the Kimberley Aboriginal Medical Services Council. The Dental Services arm of the State Health Dept will be assisting with the supply and installation of equipment. The Kimberley Dental Team plans to give the truck/clinic a trial run in the city by assisting Bro Dennis Gregory’s next ‘Dental Rescue Day’ to be held in April 2012, again at Russell Square in the city. The truck/clinic will then be taken up to the remote Kimberley region where it will be used to take dental care to a vast area of disadvantaged communities in this desolate part of the world.

The Kimberley Oral Health Project Co-ordinator, referred to in an earlier issue of Desmos, to formalise the arrangement between the Kimberley Aboriginal Medical Services Council and the State Government Dental Service, is proceeding.

Bro Dennis Gregory’s National Dental Foundation (WA), (refer original article, Desmos 2010, Vol 116, No 2, pgs 8-9), held another ‘Dental Rescue Day’ on 16 Sept 2011. This was held in Perth City at Russell Square. Three volunteer dentists and three volunteer dental nurses provided emergency and other dental treatment to disadvantaged
persons identified by various charitable organisations. 43 people were treated in a mobile dental clinic on loan from the State Government Dental Service. Another ‘Dental Rescue Day’ was held on 15 October 2011 in private practise rooms made available by a private dentist in the southern suburban location of Rockingham, about 45 kilometres south of Perth City. Three volunteer dentists and six volunteer dental nurses provided dental treatment to about another 50 disadvantaged persons. Another ‘Dental Rescue Day’ is being planned for April 2012 to be held again in Russell Square in Perth City. Two ‘Homeless Connect Days’ (refer original article), were held in conjunction with the Perth City Council (Local government). Both were held in Russell Square in the city, one on 5 August 2011, and the 2nd one on 16 November 2011. These days are multipurpose days, with the Council providing free clothing, showering facilities, haircuts etc. Teams of 6 dentists and 7 dental nurses provided pain relief, tooth extractions, minor restorations, and aesthetic restorations for in excess of 60 disadvantaged patients each day, and sessions ran from about 9.00am to 3.30pm. The date of the next ‘Homeless Connect Day’ has not yet been determined.

More good news about the prize winning heifer calf Frangipani – the offspring of the Dexter cow, a requested Christmas present from Bro Albert Tan to his partner Libby, and following the breeding of the cow with a champion bull. Readers will recall that Frangipani won the title of Champion Heifer Calf (under 9 months) in the Annual Dexter Breed Show in the southwest country town of Brunswick. Next stop was to be the major Perth Royal Show in September 2011 and entry into the Junior Heifer class (over 12 months). At the Perth Royal Show Frangipani was awarded the title of Reserve Junior Champion (female). Frangipani will continue to be known as a heifer until she has a calf. She will then be known as a cow.

Tyler elect, Bro Brian Koch, has just completed a very productive and successful two year term as president of the Western Australian Branch of the Australian Dental Association (ADAWA). The continuing and expanding bureaucratic government involvement and intrusion into almost everything, including dentistry, is making the task of office bearers in professional and other organisations more frustrating, more time consuming, and more difficult. Dentistry in Western Australia is indebted to quality of work and leadership shown by Bro Brian Koch over the past 2 years.

A feature article will appear in the next issue of Desmos covering the resolution of conflict and complaints between dentists and patients in Western Australia. In earlier times patients had very little available to them to assist in a balanced resolution of complaints against dentists.

The Australian Dental Association (Western Australian Branch) attempted to assist, but were often accused of bias in favour of the dentist. Subsequently government got involved, and not surprisingly, the outcome was clumsy, ineffective, and simply did not work. In more recent times a Dental Cases Panel has been developed, and has evolved as a highly effective approach to investigating complaints by patients against dentists. This initiative has been funded by Medical Defence of Australia National Insurance Australia Pty Ltd. The panel comprises 8 highly qualified, highly ethical dentists. Delta Sigma Delta brothers have been central to the development of this highly successful approach in which patients can be and are confident of receiving a fair and unbiased resolution. The panel is very conscious of the importance of balance between the rights of dentists, the rights of patients, and the reputation of the profession. Bro Peter McKerracher, Bro Rob Bower, Bro Ron Townsend and Bro Terry Pitsikis have been major contributors to the development and implementation of this initiative.

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ALPHA CHAPTER

University of Michigan

Michael Wygant, Historian

As the autumn leaves fell on University of Michigan campus, Alpha Chapter was hard at work with recruiting efforts to maintain our excellent chapter. Our hard work was rewarded with a cornucopia full of 28 new pledges to help give a well-needed infusion into our chapter numbers for next year.

Some highlights of the fall included our annual pre-Halloween pumpkin carving bash that featured some ghoulish creations as well as providing members with some much needed R and R from the busy semester. We also hosted Alpha Chapter’s annual Halloween party, which has become a fall tradition right up there with trick or treating. As usual, it did not disappoint as record numbers turned up donning their favorite costumes to dance the night away with the dental school band Bench 78.

As you all know, the University of Michigan is home to Alpha Chapter, and one of the last remaining chapters to still have a house that is rich with tradition. Simply walking through the house is a testament to all that Delta Sigma Delta has evolved into over the years. Not only does it provide a place for current dental students to live, but it also houses over a hundred years of DSD memorabilia and tradition. We are currently in a dark time with the finances of the house, as the city has ensured that we make costly upgrades to the house to keep it up to code. At this time we are in danger of losing the house and all of the tradition that goes with it. I would like to call on all alumni to consider making a small donation so that we may be able to keep this important piece of history. Please contact your graduate representative if you are able to help us out. This is the flagship chapter of DSD and the house is simply too important to the history of DSD to be lost!
Look out everybody! Mu Mu Chapter is on the up and up! After a long dry spell of inactivity, things have significantly changed inside the D-mansion these past two years. With the help of several generous alum donations coupled with our parking lot revenue, we have taken on several projects, tackling much-needed remodeling of our fraternity house. As well as changing the infrastructure, we are taking great strides in changing our image as well and what we are all about. This means becoming a more balanced fraternity and focusing on social, academic and service aspects. We extend our appreciation to our brothers and sisters of the Lambda Chapter at Case Western Reserve University for their hospitality in hosting the Annual Regional Meeting this year. We greatly anticipate our turn in hosting the event - in 2013 - and are using that ARM as a goal of having our chapter completely revitalized. By doing so we will have all of our expectations that we had originally envisioned become realized by that point in time.

Our latest project we tackled was replacing an old worn-out living room floor with ceramic tiling. Over 800 square feet of tile, sloppy cement, sweat and hard work paid off for a classier look to a room used for many of our social and professional events. Special thanks to members Judson Burns and Jonathon Krogg for heading this project, as well as the many others who gave their time to help out. Our current focus includes bringing the lab room up to speed and organizing several dinner & learn events through a few of our sponsors.

Since summer, we have seen our numbers grow quite steadily. Our most recent induction ceremony concluded with a Thanksgiving pot-luck. Some very clever and unique dishes were brought to the event, and of course, a big succulent turkey roast. As the fall term draws to a close, Mu Mu will be engaged in a few more recent traditions, including a White Elephant Christmas gift exchange as well as a Christmas party. Last year we had an Ugly Sweater themed party. As another year ushers in, new expectations and new goals are to be had. I believe the most important thing we can take away from our involvement in Delta Sigma Delta are the steps we will take to better ourselves.
and the community, both on a professional and personal level. If nothing else is taken away from our experience with Delta Sigma Delta, it is the friendships we have made that will have a lasting impact on the rest of our lives. In the words of our alma mater, “Time and change will surely show, how firm thy friendship. Ohio.”

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**CHI CHI CHAPTER**

West Virginia University
Jennifer L. Gawthrop, Historian

Hello from Morgantown! The temperatures are supposed to be dropping, but we are still enjoying some fabulous weather as we head into the snowy season.

This fall has been a busy semester for our Chi Chi Chapter. As always, we continue to focus our philanthropic efforts at the Ronald McDonald House, by preparing home-cooked meals for families of patients of our local hospitals at least once a month. But this year we are also reviving the task of “Cleaning up Morgantown.” Our Chi Chi Chapter has adopted three streets around town to clean up as needed. We have held many successful events including a few events to recruit new members into our brotherhood, such as Ronald McDonald House and tooth ID practice test.

As always, Dr Bryan Dye and Dr Lora Graves graciously opened up their home to hold our Annual Wine & Cheese social. Our members brought appetizers and our alumni supplied the wine, allowing for a fun night for current members and prospective members to mingle. It was quite a success with a large group of first years in attendance. We hope that all of them will join us for inductions on December 2, 2011, as we attempt to top last year’s largest group of inductees at Chi Chi.

In October, a few of our brothers dressed up and volunteered at Trunk-or-Treat, providing the children of Morgantown with a safer environment to trick-or-treat, eliminating the need to go door-to-door. Many organizations around the area park in the...
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As always - Let’s Go Mountaineers!! Oh and Let it SNOW!!

**XI CHAPTER**

*Indiana University*

*Kathleen A. Jones, Historian*

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We have continued to stay busy with multiple brotherhood activities and philanthropies. At the end of October we hosted our semiannual DSD Blood Drive. All of the donation time slots were filled up for

L-R Erin Miller, Pamela McDonald, Amanda Boustany, Doyoung Choi, Travis Tomblyn, Lisa Painter, Jacqueline Stump & Jennifer Gawthrop enjoying wine at our Annual Wine & Cheese Social

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Officers Nick Geisler, Katie Hungate, and Laura Hinds throw up their best DSD coliseum parking lot and hand out candy from their “trunk.” Our members had to limit their goodies to one piece per child and still gave out over 1000 pieces of candy!

’Tis the season to put a smile on a child’s face and our Grand Master Savannah Reynolds has made it possible to do just that. She organized a new opportunity to donate children’s activity items such as coloring books and crayons, toys, socks and more to Monongalia General Hospital’s Pediatric Unit. She is also looking into our chapter’s possible involvement in a Christmas Shoe Box drive in association with Ronald McDonald house as we have in the past.

We are looking forward to continued success in all of our chapter’s endeavors and we’d like to wish everyone a wonderful and happy holiday season.

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the entire day. Thanks to all the dental students, faculty, staff and DSD members who gave for a great cause!!

As the year comes to a close, we say goodbye to another great group of officers. Thanks to everyone who has held positions over the last two years and for all of your hard work in making the Xi Chapter of Delta Sigma Delta an awesome organization to be a part of! Congrats to our newly elected officers: Grand Master- Kevin Flannagan, Worthy Masters- Mike Dyriw and Phil Watkins, Scribe- Lauren Mummert, Treasurer- Tyler Frounfelter, Senior Page- Nick Giesler, Junior Page- Jillian Hodge, Tyler- Evan Robbins, Historian- Maggie Schweighoffer, 2015 Rep- John Lambert, 2014 Rep- Brian Rochford, Webmaster- Borzou Ouranos, Social Chair- Haley Frame.

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Congrats to new initiates! Back L-R Drake Oversen, Dane Mishler, Brad Wisowaty, Greg Hopkins, Jonathan Lambert, Quanzet Freeman, Wesley Frame, Andrew Watkins, Rocky Anderson. Middle row L-R Lindsey DeSantis, Marissa Kendra, Christina Dean, Jane Beckwith, Virginia Young. Front row Erada Noor, Bryant Burkett

Xi officers having fun at initiation back row Brian Rochford, Ryan Hungate, Bob Love, Kevin Flannagan, Ross Reid, Mike Dyriw, front row Laura Hinds, Katie Hungate, Katie Jones, Nick Geisler

Fall semester proved to be a busy, yet exciting time for the Delts of the Rho Chapter! We were busy recruiting new members to join the chapter with numerous academic and social events. Initial recruiting events included a barbeque and bonfire, help with tooth wax-ups, a mock anatomy practical, and a mock tooth identification exam. Many new dental students showed up to the mock anatomy practical and tooth identification exam to become familiar with the format of these new exams. We had great participation from new and current members and thank everyone who participated!

Our Scribe Aneeqa Malik was also kind enough to host a barbeque and bonfire at her house. New students had a chance to meet current members, eat burgers and hot dogs, and of course, make s’mores over the bonfire! We are thrilled with the way these academic and social recruiting events

L-R Mike Hoppe, Scott Fleming, Greg Cygan, and Jon Striebel dressed as the music video “Whip It” for the apartment crawl

RHO CHAPTER
University of Illinois at Chicago
Claire T. Sheehan, Historian

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turned out. Our chapter held a pledge ceremony at the dental school, and we followed it with food and drinks at a local restaurant. The Rho members are very happy with the new pledges and their enthusiasm for the fraternity.

The fall would not be the same without our yearly apartment crawl. This year’s theme was dress as your favorite music video or rock star. We thank our generous members, Dustin Goetz, Worthy Master Doug Lee, Pledge JD Langefeld, Scott Vanderwaal, Mike Kostal, Ben Youel, who opened their apartments to the chapter. Everyone brought out their inner rock star and we had members dress as Lady Gaga, Beyonce, the Spice Girls, Lil’ Wayne, Katy Perry, Ke$ha, Run DMC, Elvis, LMFAO “Party Rock” video, and the Beastie Boys to name a few. Can you imagine the scene – and the Fun?!

Despite the cold and snowy weather that is sure to come in the next few weeks, we still have many events planned to keep us bundled up inside! Delts are looking forward to sponsoring a family in need for the holidays, initiation ceremony, the DSD-Central A.R.M at the end of January, and a Valentines Day party.

We wish everyone a safe and wonderful holiday season!

Nothing signifies the holiday season has arrived more than a bright, cheerful twenty foot Christmas tree in the lobby of MUSoD. Even though this semester seemed to fly by, the Eta Eta Chapter still found time to all get together and have some fun.

Carrying on the tradition, DSD kicked off fall semester with the annual DSD Wax 'n' Relax, an event where students interested in the fraternity are able to come meet the members, learn some awesome waxing tips and most importantly get free pizza. And as always, the students who wax up the coolest figures got prizes. Following Wax 'n' Relax, the Eta Eta Chapter hosted fall initiation where eleven new members where officially inducted into the fraternity.

With a new force of DSD’s eager to go, we immediately started to fundraise and organize events. Our fall fundraiser included selling Univex safety goggles school wide, which was a huge hit because these glasses are approved for clinic use and extremely comfortable, and who doesn’t want to be comfortable in clinic! Later during the semester we formed a team within our chapter to participate in the Milwaukee Jingle Bell Run, which is a walk/ run held at the Milwaukee Public Zoo in November to raise money and awareness about Alzheimer’s disease. In the midst of this busy semester we still made sure to find
time to bond as a chapter through monthly meetings and occasional outings for drinks and appetizers with Dr. Geoffrey Mykleby, an alumnus and great friend of the Eta Eta Chapter.

Eta Eta Chapter will celebrate the end of the fall semester and get an early start to the holidays by having a holiday party after finals have concluded. It is safe to say that the Eta Eta had a great fall semester and is looking forward to many fun spring events, which include the annual ARM meeting and the walking taco fundraiser. The MUSoD wishes all DSD chapters a happy holiday season.

**Jingle Bell Run**

L-R Heather Carlson, Jenn Sinnen, Anna Harmeling, Julia Kluever, and Malorie Bohnert

**Mutant ninja turtle a student waxed during Wax ‘n’ Relax**

**ALPHA KAPPA CHAPTER**

*Southern Illinois University*

*Sara E. Hunter,* Historian

The Alpha Kappas brought out hay bales, cowboy hats, and boots for our western-themed rush party this year. We had a great turn out and look forward to initiating our new members. In October, we carved pumpkins that were donated to a local nursing home, hosted a Halloween Happy Hour, and volunteered at Give Kids A Smile in Saint Louis. And of course we can’t forget the excitement and celebration in the area when the Cardinals won the World Series! In November, our Delta Sigma Delta chapter co-hosted a Trivia Night fundraiser at

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**Fourth year AK members at our western-themed Rush Party**

L-R Sara Hunter, Meagan Graul, Kevin Kemarly, Krista Weimerskirch, and Anna Trzcinska
Alton Sports Tap with two other dental fraternities at our school. A great job was done by Alpha Kappa member, Kevin Kemarly, who emceed the event. At the end of the month our members gathered together like a family for our yearly Thanksgiving dinner party. The company was good and the food was delicious!

Dr Jane Otto, Jordan Bell, and Peter Lotowski volunteer at Give Kids A Smile at St Louis University

Pumpkins carved by AK members were donated to local nursing home

In January, the Alpha Kappa Chapter will be hosting Central ARM and we look forward to having our fellow Delta Sigma Delta members in the region visit us! We are busy making plans to host this event and will be checking out some fun spots in both Alton, IL and St Louis, MO. In the meantime, good luck on finals and Happy Holidays!

Alpha Kappa Thanksgiving dinner party
It has been a busy fall for the Theta chapter. Things got off to a quick start, with the first week of school being our rush week. The rush week was filled with activities including happy hour at Sally’s, an evening of bowling, and of course, the Hogger. Once again this year, one of our members who used to be a hog farmer got the pig for us and was in charge of roasting it. A new activity at the Hogger this year was the first annual brew-off. Junior member Brock Tidstrom brewed two delicious five gallon batches of beer, and so did Ryan Mueller and I. Members were encouraged to sample all four beers and vote for their favorite. It was a big draw, and the drinks went fast. We were out of all four of the home brews in less than two hours! After all the votes were tallied, the Oktoberfest brew by Ryan and me was the winner. Hopefully this will become a Hogger tradition. This year also marked the return of live music to the party. We had a band that played outside for a few hours. What a great evening of socializing, good music, dancing, and of course, our famous dental chair shots!

We had another great year when it came to recruiting new members; we initiated fifteen new members – ten from the first year class and five from the second year class. We had a delicious dinner at Bucca di Beppo, followed by the initiation ceremony. After the ceremony, everyone went downtown to Whiskey Park for an evening out on the town. A great time was had by all!

This fall, we have continued to support Second Harvest Heartland by volunteering at their food distribution center. Second Harvest is the largest hunger relief organization in the Upper Midwest. Second Harvest Heartland distributes more than 51 million pounds of food and grocery products annually to nearly 1,000 food shelves,
September has been a busy month for the Gamma Gamma Chapter. The fraternity has been working towards providing more academic and philanthropic events for our members. A Wax and Relax was hosted for the D1s on Tuesday, September 14th. Pizza and pop were provided for members while D1s worked on their waxing projects. The fraternity looks forward to helping current members in their preclinical courses in the future. This will be done through discussions with current faculty and the Office of Student Affairs. The Chapter has decided to limit help from upperclassmen to those members who have achieved academic success in the past. As a fraternity we also encourage our members to seek additional help from faculty and the Simulation Clinic Supervisor.

Philanthropy Chair Ali Bassler (D3) is working hard to extend our efforts in philanthropy. The fraternity has adopted a highway and plans to make a trip out to provide litter removal this Fall before inclement weather hits the area. Other planned events include a trip to the Iowa Mission Of Mercy this November, a trip to Cedar Rapids Free Clinic in early winter, a meal at the Ronald McDonald House, and the production of educational materials for any student group’s use at the college. Nick Barnard (D3) will be working to head up the efforts to organize the scheduling of the Iowa City Free Clinic as more of the third year members progress through the required rotations to provide care.

As the Iowa Hawkeyes wrapped up another home football season, our tailgating activities concluded. The Gamma Gamma Chapter hosted tailgates for all but two home games for the Hawkeyes this season. The tailgates brought back alums and dentists from around the area to reminisce on old times and reach out to younger students. We look forward to the next football season and hope to reach out to more of our brother and sister Delts.

The Gamma Gamma Chapter also entered a team to participate in the First Annual Bean’s Balls Dodgeball Tournament held at the Fieldhouse on October 3rd. The $30 entry fee was paid for by the fraternity and proceeds went to benefit the Iowa City Shelter House. The team was made up...
of Evan Pluym (D1), Adam Shroyer (D1), Brad Adams (D1), Peter Blough (D3), Jarod Johnson (D3), Ben Jorgensen (D4).

The team dropped the first game in a best of three series to the Juggernauts. During the first game Team DSD was unable to knock out any of the team members of the Juggernauts. Rallying behind Ben Jorgensen’s herculean performance in the second game, Team DSD was able to even the match at 1-1 and avoid elimination. The final game came down to a one on one duel between the Juggernauts’ team captain and Peter Blough. Blough was able to use a ball to pop the opponents throw up in the air and make a diving catch. Blough stated, “I thought I had a clean catch, and I wasn’t sure what all the commotion was about. I guess there was something they needed to look at. I think in the end they made the correct call.” It was unclear whether Blough dropped the ball (which would result in a win for the Juggernauts) or did indeed pop the ball up. After a lengthy discussion between the officials it was found that Blough did pop up the ball giving the win and advancement to Team DSD.

Despite the valiant efforts of Adam Shroyer and Brad Adams Team DSD was unable to get past The Cowboys and Indians. Team DSD quickly dropped the first game only to even the match up after the second game. The team was exhausted due to the quick turnaround between games, and eventually dropped the match, and moved to the consolation bracket. The consolation bracket proved to be just as tough for Team DSD as Evan Pluym was placed in a two on one with the match tied at 1-1. Pluym was able to knock out both of the opponents, but it was ruled that only one would leave the game due to a violation of holding multiple balls at once. The opponent then returned a rocket that Pluym was unable to control and the night ended for Team DSD.

Coach Dr Bruce Justman was interviewed after the tournament and stated, “I think our guys came out hungry tonight. We were just out matched and the balls didn’t always bounce our way. It is tough to send a senior off like this, but I think Ben was happy with the effort he put forth tonight. We’ll get our young guys back at it in the gym and try to work a few things out for next year.”

More recently this fall the Gamma Gamma Chapter hosted its annual Halloween Party. The party took place at the Fraternity house located on 20 Valley Ave. Members decorated the house with scares and spooks, most notably was the Fraternity’s new inhabitant Webby, a green spider who laid down an abyss of cobwebs on the porch. The party came to an end with the costume contest, which was won by Chris Hartman, Eric Snyder, and Nate Feldman for their rendition of the Cy-Hawk Trophy. The group used silver spray paint to emboss themselves as the family that was briefly a part of Hawkeye History. The group won a $20 gift certificate to The Nickelodeon located on the Coralville strip.

Gamma Gamma members made the trip to Sioux City, IA for the Iowa Mission of Mercy. The fraternity provided hotel rooms at the Stoney Creek Inn, and gave first years a chance to participate in a community dentistry event. D1s Adam Shroyer and Meghan Hash were able to fill in and assist senior and junior Delts when shortages were present. The fraternity also initiated 21 new members on Friday November 4th. The ceremony was followed by a celebration at the house. In the spirit of St. Nick, the fraternity solicited a donation from Ultradent Products Inc. to aid first years in the preclinical laboratory. Ultradent gave a generous gift of 20 sets of composite polishing cups (Jiffy Cups) and brushes. These brushes and cups are included in the clinical composite polishing kits. The fraternity would like to thank Ultradent Representative Vicki Drent for her willingness to make a donation. A charitable donation was also made to purchase toothpaste tube squeezers for the first year members. The fraternity is selling the squeezers as a fundraiser for meals at the Ronald McDonald House.
Waxing: the word has never seemed so daunting. Whether in terms of chest hairs or teeth, waxing is an intimidating prospect. While it’s one of the hundreds of new skills you acquire in dental school, there’s something about waxing up a crown that is inexplicably menacing. We’ve all been there - you’re assigned a tooth for the first time and you’re like a deer in headlights. How do you even begin to make this blob of wax even begin to look like a tooth?

At the University of Colorado, underclassmen need not fear the terror of waxing. The Alpha Delta Chapter has undertaken the task of assisting the incoming dental class with waxing projects every Tuesday night. By demonstrating techniques that go into making a tooth that is no bigger than the size of a fingernail, freshmen are able to save precious hours as they make the often-difficult transition into dental school. Upperclassmen also use Waxing Nights as an opportunity to keep sharp their knowledge of tooth morphology and occlusion. Overall, these evenings have proven to be fun and valuable experiences where members get to know one another and help each other out. Even in the inaugural year for these evenings, Waxing Nights seem to be well on their way to becoming a tradition for incoming classes.
Greetings from the Mu Chapter in Boston! It has been quite an exciting start to the school year as we welcomed the incoming D’15 class to Tufts and transitioned into the new UG dental clinic on the second floor!

Delts have been quite busy this term recruiting new members! We participated in the Tufts annual Student Activities Fair, hosted several DSD info sessions over lunch, and held evening rush events. Upper classmen also helped to host several DSD wax-up help sessions for first year students and a facebow workshop for the third years. We also held our annual DSD fleece jacket and blanket sale at the end of September to fundraise for our activities throughout the upcoming year. The fleece sale was much anticipated by our fellow classmates and faculty, and it proved a great success as usual.

Initiation was held in early November, followed by a lovely cocktail reception at the Archstone to celebrate with our newest members! Welcome new initiates: Craig Goliber, Jeong Chul Go, Sarah Shin, Timothy Nguyen, Saleh Al-Kharsa, and Mark Paolucci. Congratulations! We are so excited that you joined our chapter and look forward to a great school year with our fellow Delts!
Hello Delts, Fall has been a busy time for Upsilon Upsilon. The return to school and the anticipation of our new building has changed the new routine. We began the year with a potluck dinner hosted by Br Ashley Porter where Delts could show off their culinary skills. We concluded rush with our annual Halloween pledge party on Franklin Street. We finished the year off with a tacky sweater party. In addition, we are sponsoring a food drive for TABLE, a local afterschool program.

Upsilon Upsilon Chapter continues to outdo itself each year with great rush class. This year we will initiate fifteen new enthusiastic members. Upperclassmen have been working hard to instill the traditions of community service, fundraising, and brotherhood within the new members. We are very excited that the new pledge class has decided to take on a project where they will organize babysitting for members of the faculty who want to volunteer their time at one of the free clinics in the Chapel Hill area. Upsilon Upsilon would like to officially extend a warm welcome to our new initiates: Julia Byron, Gabe Duncan, Sara Emam, Devin Geeson, Dan Hostrander, Ashton Jeffreys, Alex Keen, Dom Medina, Shalise Montgomery, Ashley Morgenstern, Katie Payne, Jessica Peele, Blaire Warren, Marc Weber.

Zeta Chapter

University of California at San Francisco

Renee Chow, Historian

Zeta Chapter kicked off the new school year with several activities to welcome back our members and foster fraternal bonding. We opened with a joint potluck with the entering D1 class, a night out on the town, and a fraternity bowling night. Maintaining a work-play balance, we also held study sessions in various subjects to prepare the new D1’s for their upcoming challenges. For example, since tooth waxing was foreign to most of the D1 class, we hosted a tutorial to share our techniques and methods. Ready to help colleagues in need, many Zeta upperclassmen came out to provide one-on-one tutorials.

The first year class was not alone in receiving guidance – our Zeta seniors and alumni came out to speak at our specialty night where they shared how they became interested in their fields and what they did to enhance their applications. We are proud to have active Zeta members represented in every specialty!
In addition to the support given to our fellow fraternity members, the Zeta Chapter also provided a night of service to the community with the UCSF Community Dental Clinic. Eleven of our members volunteered to provide free services including dental cleanings, comprehensive oral exams, root canals, restorations and extractions. Patients left the clinic grateful for the care they received from our members.

Through the events mentioned above we nurtured existing friendships and forged new ones as well. After getting to know the Zeta Chapter, 18 members of the D1 class pledged to Delta Sigma Delta. We welcomed our new members with open arms, and celebrated their entry to the fraternity with an initiation dinner at the Technique Restaurant at Le Cordon Bleu College of Culinary Arts. As we enjoyed the creative dishes served by the culinary students, pledges were introduced to their big sibs and new fraternity family. We look forward to future adventures with our members new and old!
**CHI CHAPTER**

*University of Southern California*

Christopher Chan, Historian

It is fall semester and the Delts of Chi Chapter kicked off the new academic year with a scare! We organized our annual Delt Pumpkin Carving for a ghoulishly good time. Members traded in their handpieces for knives and carved the most haunting of pumpkins to scare away the spirits that pray upon the Delt house. Even Omega Omega Delts of UCLA joined in the frightening festivities by offering to carve a few pumpkins themselves. Among the many designs were the obvious tooth, delta sigma delta Greek letters, and a suicidal pumpkin. Joel Olmos even donned an apron to cook everyone pumpkin pies with the leftover seeds.

After utilizing their creative juices to carve pumpkins, Chi Chapter found a way to unwind by organizing the biggest party of the year – Delt Halloween Party. Students from over four different dental schools attended and flaunted their wicked costumes. We played games of beer pong, ate bacon wrapped hotdogs, and danced to Michael Jackson’s “Thriller.” Grand Master Austin Booruffi even dressed up as a banana and let others peel away. The party lived up to all its hype and was a grand success. Chi Chapter invites all to join us next year.

Alas, our chapter also had to say farewell for winter break to visit our family and friends. But not without a massive Thanksgiving Dinner first! We dressed to impress and brought our families to share in the Chi Chapter tradition of showing all that we are grateful for this holiday season. Members cooked over ten turkeys and brought diverse dishes from an array of cultural backgrounds. There were even the special Chi Chapter “Tuna Patty Delts.” In the end, we all sat around the fireplace and sang Christmas carols. It truly was a momentous and joyous occasion for us. Chi Chapter wants to thank you all for a wonderful year and wish all the Delts around the world a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Ho ho ho…

**PSI CHAPTER**

*Oregon Health & Science University*

Stephanie M. Troglin, Historian

As always, a new school year means new members and memories for those of us involved with the Psi Chapter. Our rush week was packed with fun events, which started off with a lunch-and-learn, where people were able to enjoy some food while the grand master spoke about what it means to be a Delt.

Since recruitment took place in October, we embraced the holiday spirit and screened a scary movie, “The Dentist,” at the Student Center. We also indulged our sweet tooth with a variety of ice cream. Another event included an office visit to Delt grad member Dr Aaron Tinkle. He was incredibly gracious and invited our current and potential members for food and drink while he answered questions about working in his private practice.

The highlight of the week, however, was our bowling event at the Valley Lanes. We had a huge turn out where people stayed for hours mingling, bowling and just getting to know one another. The week ended with a fun beer-tasting event at the John Ross, which also enjoyed a large turnout. This comes as no surprise, though, as the Northwest is known for some tasty microbrews. Overall, recruitment was a great success as we welcomed 22 new initiates with an initiation celebration at Casa Colima.

Following recruitment and initiation, Delt members were able to make an impact in their community by volunteering at the Oregon Food Bank. Twenty two Delts, including Dr James Tinkle from the Grad Chapter, were able to package 10,097 pounds of food. Delts contributed by sorting food, taping and washing packages, working the conveyor, boxing and scaling packages, and moving boxes and pallets. This work will provide over 7,750 meals for people in need in the local area.
Other events that Delts have been able to participate in include another lunch-and-learn with O’Brien Dental Lab, where Mike Wilson gave a presentation on digital photography and shade selection.

But all work and no play make dentists dull friends. Delts also found time to break away and spend time with each other outside of school by taking a tour of Oregon’s wine country, which offered a great way to get away and time to catch up with one another.

Overall, it’s been another busy term for the Psi Chapter, and we’re looking forward to many more opportunities to learn with and get to know one another.

L-R Kristen Ho, Jessica Kloenne, Michelle Nguyen busily packing at Oregon Food Bank

Psi Delts pleased with rush event

 ALPHA NU CHAPTER

Arizona School of Dentistry & Oral Health

Bao K. Huynh, Historian

Alpha Nu Chapter has been busy and is excited for the 2012 year. Fourth year students are eager to graduate and begin a new journey in their lives! Congratulations to all the fourth years that got placed into residencies! Third year students are preparing for their elected external rotation sites around the country. Second year students are transitioning into the clinic floor and are getting excited to treat their first patients. First year students are heading into sim-clinic and learning the basics of operative dentistry.

Tim Tran, Thaddeus Heidlebaugh, and Christine Le attended Supreme Chapter Annual Meeting in Savannah, Georgia. The three-days conference gave them the opportunity to meet fellow brothers and sisters across the nation, including Brother Tom Lakars, DESMOS editor. By attending the Supreme Chapter Meeting in Savannah, our Alpha Nu representatives gained a great appreciation for our fraternity as well as a chance to build new and lasting friendships.

We were proud to take part in the Oral Health Fair at the United Methodist Outreach Ministries (UMOM) New Days Center. This event took place in mid-October and our chapter provided free screenings and oral hygiene instructions to the homeless in the Phoenix, Arizona area. Over 100 children and mothers were served. Alpha Nu Chapter is committed to community service and continues to set goals to help our community.

Alpha Nu Chapter happy hour events are held monthly to build and strengthen relationships within the fraternity. Our
annual Halloween party is another successful event bringing members together for a night of fun. We look forward to finishing this school year stronger with more events and fundraisers.

Christine Le, Thaddeus Heidlebaugh, Tim Tran with Tom Lakars at the Supreme Chapter Conference in Savannah, Georgia

Alpha Nu’s Halloween party L-R Mark Williams, Thaddeus Heidlebaugh, Robert Sparks, Gabrielle Prado, Jeff Polzin, and Tim Tran

The Zeta Zeta Chapter here in New Orleans has had a very busy but exciting start to our 2011 school year! We decided to kick off the school year by hosting a “Meet and Greet” for the new incoming freshman, so that they could stop by, relax a little after a long school day, and get to know about our fraternity and what we have to offer them as a member. We also held our initiation ceremony in September, and we would like to congratulate our newly initiated members!

One of the major goals of our fraternity this year is to give back to our community, especially since there are so many areas around New Orleans that still need help after the devastation that followed Hurricane Katrina. Our officers organized a weekend in October to help with Habitat for Humanity and we are so proud of our members that took the time to give a help-
ing hand to a family who was in need. We are also in the process of organizing a group of members to go to our local health clinics in our area and volunteer once a month.

As we all know, school can be tough and frustrating at times, so we decided to have some fun and host a bowling party at one of our local bowling alleys. Members of the fraternity enjoyed hours of bowling, live music, and catered food, which was a lot of fun and we plan on making it an annual party for all of our members. Plans for the Southern Annual Regional Meeting are also underway. We are so excited to be given the opportunity to host the meeting this year, not to mention that it will be around the same time as Mardi Gras! We will be notifying the schools in our region very soon to give exact dates and times of the meeting, as well as an invite to our fraternity’s annual Mardi Gras party!

GM Daniel Bove and WM Katie Evans will dig into the cake after initiation ceremony

Zeta Zeta Delts worked hard on building a new house for one lucky family in New Orleans! L-R back row Talisa Sebourn, Jimmy Nelson, Daniel Bove, Sarah Bihm, Katie Evans, Kristen Knecht, Samir Hamdan, Joseph Huff, Julia Cheuk, and Khanh Luong L-R front row Spencer Gordy, Derek Peek, and Sean Sebourn

New initiates and current members assembled in September. Congratulations to our new members!
Dr. Jon M. “Jack” Presley, 87, died October 8th at the Maplewood Park Place retirement community in Bethesda, Maryland. He had congestive heart failure, said his daughter Carol Ann Presley.

Brother Presley was a 1946 graduate of Georgetown University School of Dentistry, where he was initiated into the Alpha Alpha Chapter of Delta Sigma Delta Fraternity in 1944. He served as Assistant Deputy from 1953 to 1957. He was a charter member of the Greater Washington Graduate Chapter and held all its offices, including the SGM Representative from 1968 until late 1979.

Brother Presley served as chairman of the Local Arrangements Committee for the 1974 Supreme Chapter meeting in Williamsburg, Virginia. He was also chairman of the Insurance Committee and the Constitution and Bylaws Committee, and was a past president of the Council of Graduate Chapters.

In October 1979, during the 95th Annual Meeting in Houston, Jon was elected to the office of Supreme Worthy Master, and in October 1980, at the 96th Annual Meeting in Cancun, Mexico, he was elevated to the office of Supreme Grand Master.

As a Past SGM, he served many years on the Supreme Council as chairman of the Life Membership Fund from 1996 through 2003 and then continued as a fund trustee until his passing.

Immediately after his graduation in 1946, Br Presley entered military service as a Dental Surgeon, 5th Cavalry Regiment, 1st Cavalry Division, and was on duty with the occupation forces in Japan until 1949.

Following his discharge, he entered private practice in general dentistry in Washington, D.C., and practiced 50 years until his retirement in 1999.

Br Presley was a member, officer, and committee chairman of numerous dental organizations – local, state, and national. Civic groups benefited from his industrious work. He was a member of the Masonic Lodge, the American Legion, the Middlesex Beach Association, and the Summer Citizens Association. Jon had been captain of ushers at his church – All Saints Episcopal Church in Chevy Chase – since 1956.

Br Jon enjoyed sailing, fishing, and golfing. He was an avid Redskins football fan since 1937.

A family man in the truest sense, Jon married Marjorie V. Monroe in 1946 and they have two daughters, Joan-Marie Evans of Cocoa Beach, FL, and Carol Ann Presley of Stowe, Vermont. He is survived by his wife, two daughters, four grandchildren and two great-grandchildren, whom he dearly loved.

**BROTHERS BEYOND AS OF DECEMBER 2011**

| Boyer, Lea M | '42 Epsilon | 2/10 |
| De Paull, Rockne L | '58 Eta Eta | |
| Desprez-Curely, Gilles | '94 Paris | 12/11 |
| Guise, Roadley B | '75 New Zealand | |
| Harbeck, John C | '63 Rho | 10/11 |
| Helfrich, Stewart W | '49 Pi Pi | 1/11 |
| Israel, George C | '53 Theta Theta | 10/11 |
| Keesling, George R | '55 Xi | 5/11 |
| Lewandowski, Richard J | '59 Omicron | 9/10 |
| Meffert, Roland M | '56 Eta Eta | |
| Mitchell, Hollis E | '54 Epsilon Epsilon | |
| Mongrain, Robert M | '52 Eta Eta | |
| Presley, Jon M | PGM 1981 | '44 Alpha Alpha | 10/11 |
| Probst, Emil N | '45 Pi Pi | 5/09 |
| Repass, Robert P | '55 Theta Theta | 9/11 |
| Roles, Ralph E | '53 Theta Theta | 10/11 |
| Schneider, Carl F | '69 Twin Cities | 7/07 |
| Schnidt, Adolph K | '62 Pi | 4/10 |
| Simley, Donald O | '45 Eta Eta | |
| Skelding, Gregory C | '80 Eta Eta | |
| Smith, James W | '45 Eta Eta | |
| Smith, Mehlin B | '76 Rho | 11/11 |
| Steil, William G | '56 Eta Eta | 12/10 |
| Wight, Edwin V | '45 Alpha | 9/11 |

“And so to you we raise a silent glass
Pledging ourselves to keep your memory bright,
And pray we too, when comes our time to pass,
May look with fearless eyes into the night.”

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**DESMOS of Delta Sigma Delta**
Gamma Gamma’s Peter Blough D3 is assisted by Meghan Hash D1 at Iowa Mission Of Mercy

Alpha Nu’s L-R Margo Rainey, Khourshid Naim, Tim Tran, Christine Le, Erin Aying, Rita Hung, Riley Sturgill volunteering at the United Methodist Outreach Ministries New Days Centers
Psi fellows at the Oregon Food Bank, and with all smiles sorting food are Michelle Nguyen, Marcus Uchida, Christine Nguyen.