

BETA PHI CRIER

THE OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY ■ FALL 2017

BETA PHI: DOORWAY OF OPPORTUNITY CAMPAIGN NEEDS YOUR HELP

Alumni Contributions Keep the Beta Phi Shelter Competitive



Brandon McCuen '17, Nathan Silverman '18, Ross George '18, Mike Callender '18, Will Widman '19, and Pat Gramza '18 join Beta Phi alumni Tom Calhoon '70 and U.S. Senator Tom Carper '68 at the Peter Peirce/John Galbreath Memorial Golf Classic Dinner.

Beta Phi is doing well. We recently hosted our grand opening celebration with more than 300 alumni and guests in attendance. It was so good to see those who visited the new Shelter. Some alumni indicated that they could not attend the celebration, but would like to visit the Shelter this fall for a tour. I'd be happy to accommodate any alumni who would like to see what the House Corporation has accomplished in the renovation and addition. Feel free to let me know and I'll set up a convenient time to see our outstanding Shelter.

As you know, we have received more than \$1,600,000 in donations over the last three years. Combined with our savings from years past and a loan from a very generous Beta Phi Delt, **Doug Baughman '82**, we were able to complete our \$4,200,000 project.

In July, we were approved by The Ohio State University Office of Student Life to be a STEP Program facility, which enables us to house sophomore members. We anticipate a full house of 69 members for the coming school year. Our rental rate is competitive to the new dorms and we look forward

to offering a great value to the Delts of the future. To remain competitive, we must continue our fundraising campaign.

Our *Beta Phi: Doorway of Opportunity* campaign's immediate goal is to raise the final \$400,000 to reach our goal. This will enable us to minimize our debt and keep our rent competitive.

Throughout the next few months, we will be reaching out to our Beta Phi alumni to ask for financial support. If you have given, please accept my sincere thanks for your donation. If you haven't, then we ask for that support now so we can achieve our goals and put Beta Phi on a firm footing for the future. I look forward to talking to you and please reach out if you would like take you a tour of the Shelter.

Fraternally,
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YOU CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE ON BETA PHI

Join Our List of Loyal Donors Today

We sincerely thank the 119 brothers who have donated \$1,678,416 to the *Beta Phi: Doorway of Opportunity* campaign. These alumni recognize the importance of ensuring the future of the Beta Phi Chapter and have demonstrated a sense of gratitude for their personal experience.

Commitments are still needed from the rest of our alumni to achieve our campaign goal and complete this major project. All donors contributing a minimum of \$2,500 or more to the campaign, over a five-year period, will be recognized on a plaque prominently displayed in the Shelter. If an error has been made in recording your gift, or your name has been mistakenly omitted or listed improperly, we sincerely apologize. Please advise our campaign coordinator at (785) 843-1661. Thank you!

Crescent Leaders (\$500,000 and above)

Grand Guardians
(\$250,000 to \$499,999)
Doug Baughman '82

Beta Phi Legends
(\$100,000 to \$249,999)
The Undergraduate
Chapter of Beta Phi
Frank C. Woodside III '66
William A. McCloy '82

Senior Guardians
(\$50,000 to \$99,999)
Thomas E. Workman '66
Eugene C. Thompson '70
In memory of
William J. Mackenbach '57

67 East 15th Shelter Society
(\$25,000 to \$49,999)
Millard B. "Buck" Byrne '66
James J. Ducey '66
Thomas R. Christman '68
In memory of
Lowell A. Christman
Dale Finkbine, D.D.S. '68
Jay Basil '69
Rick Jeremiah '69
Jim Tankersley '69
Larry Wynocker '69
Keith H. Brooks '70
In memory of
Peter Peirce '71
Thomas F. Calhoon II '70
James G. Clymer '70
In memory of
Bob and Kay Clymer
Vincent M. Doria '70
Michael H. Sause '70
W. Bruce Achenbach '71
Gary E. Hutchinson '71

Raymond Magorien '71
Robert A. Slack '71
Ron Vasko '73
Andrea and Ken Kujanek '82
William Rudolph '82
Scott J. Savage '83
In memory of
Jeff Kasper '88
Geoffrey Blossom '84
Dave Kent '85
Fritz J. Rudolph '85
R. Brian Stump '86
Christopher C. Beem '87
John T. Shave '89
In memory of
Alexander Dolhun '89
Christopher J. Mehling '90

T.C.F.P. Society
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Mark E. Snyder '86
Joel R. John '90

Purple, White, and Gold Society
(\$10,000 to \$14,999)
Robert D. Boos '64
Richard P. Cunningham '71
Bruce F. Rumpf '72
Britt R. Wadsworth '80
Jeffrey Hunt '83
Michael A. Campanelli '88
In honor of
Alex Dolhun '89
Eric A. Samuels '06

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(\$5,000 to \$9,999)
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Peter "Nelson" Scarff '11
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Charles Kohler '72

Terrance L. Roberts '72
James E. Daley '73
S. Gary Werkman '75
Paul Falkenbach '80
Mohammad A. Marandi '82
Dean J. Kiourtsis '84
Whitney T. Logan '84
Douglas J. Banbury '88
David K. Solacoff, M.D. '88
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Larry B. Fullen '61
Raymond I. Anderson '62
Carl Wick '63
Daniel J. Henning '65
Gary K. Witschy '65
Steven C. Mirick '66
William A. Evanko '67
Richard W. Gilmer '69
Steve Howell '69
In honor of
James Ervin '67
William B. Salt II, M.D. '69
Robert L. Moses '70
Roy M. Baker '71
In memory of
Thomas Ross '72
James R. Stahl, D.D.S. '71
Robert E. Fitzgerald '72
George Kun '72
Arthur Marziale, *Alpha* '79
David S. Dickerson '83
William F. Sullivan '84
Lane Newcome '07
Zachary M. Rossfeld '09
Howard W. Harcha III '12

The Good Delt Society
(\$1,000 to \$2,499)
Rupert "Twink" Starr,
Beta '46

Campaign Status At-a-Glance

As of November 6, 2017

Campaign Goal: \$2 Million

Total Commitments: \$1,678,416

Total Contributors: 119

Mailable Alumni: 1,083

Glenn Stitsinger '61
In honor of
David L. Stitsinger '66
E. William Lewis '62
Larry W. Brown '64
John C. Marshall '64
Edward R. Taylor '64
Robert L. Cowan '66
David N. Dixon '66
Dr. Mark E. Phillips '66
William J. Manby '67
Dr. William C. Betzhold '68
In memory of
Joseph M. Ferrara, M.D. '68
Thomas R. Carper '68
Denny Meadors '69
Link R. Murphy, M.D. '77
Scott M. Schafer '77
Barry T. Irwin '80
Ralph A. Kramer '85
Matt Vekasy '93

Others
(Up to \$999)
Howard H. Harcha Jr. '48
Thomas R. Franklin '53
Richard L. Johnson '53
Paul M. Shepard Jr. '54

Phil B. Hammond '59
George R. Miller '59
E. Willson Baker, D.D.S. '60
Robert Markey '64
Lawrence E. Chapanar '65
Thomas K. Diemer '65
In memory of
William E. Diemer '37
J. Gary Gensheimer '69
William H. Jacobson '71
Robert J. Ariss II '76
David D. Feusner '77
Matthew R. Gauerke '80
In memory of
William Scarff Jr. '80
Howard H. Harcha '79
Eric H. Schmidt '80
Scott T. Zalenski '85
Jeffrey R. Gomez '94

Leading the Blind

Craig Phillips '72 on His Rewarding Career with the Visually Impaired

Transferring to The Ohio State University, **Craig Phillips '72** came to the university knowing a few classmates from high school and wanting to find a way to shrink his environment from 50,000-plus students to a group of close friends. "The Delta Tau Delta community was an essential part of the collegiate experience for me. The combination of other brothers who were larger than life and the shared values made it a great place to be," he said. "I still keep in touch with brothers and our conversations pick up where we left them the last time."

Delta Tau Delta taught Craig some valuable lessons, like how to interact within a community of diverse people and although he was an "average" student, his enjoyment came from learning under excellent professors in his upper-level classes. Aside from academics, his OSU experience was filled with football and hockey games, hours at the Varsity Club drinking beer and eating great pizza, sitting on the Great Wall of Delta, and being transfixed by TBDBITL entrances and the intricacy of the band's performances.

Craig graduated from Ohio State with a degree in education and a major in comprehensive English education. Upon graduation, he taught English and coached football and track before joining the business world. When Craig turned 40, he lost his mother and began soul searching for a job he would enjoy again. On his "vision quest," he was led to Gaylen Kapperman, a professor at Northern Illinois University, who offered him a graduate assistant position and the opportunity to learn how to teach people who are blind and visually impaired. "I left the business world when the summer term started and was a student again in my early 40s. It was the best career decision I have ever made," he said. "I've never looked back."

After graduating from Northern Illinois, Craig was looking for a place with sun, water, beach, and far away from Illinois winter. Wanting to teach English and Braille at a residential school, two weeks later, Craig found a position at the Kansas State School for the Blind. "I called my wife and said, 'Rock Chalk, Jayhawk. We're moving to Kansas,'" Craig said. "I must admit, the Sky Pilot has a funny sense of humor. Kansas has lots of sun, no water or beach, and absolutely wonderful people. It was a good move."

Subsequently, his teaching there resulted in him being named as Outstanding Teacher of the Year by the Council of Principals of American Schools for the Blind and he was a finalist for Kansas Teacher of the Year. While he learned a lot, Craig knew there was more to know and returned to school at the University of Northern Colorado to become an orientation and mobility specialist—someone who teaches those with visual impairments the essential skills of safe, efficient, and graceful travel and how to establish their position in space without sight. Craig's experience teaching orientation and mobility resulted in him joining the staff at the Graduate School of Education at Missouri State University, where he combined teaching as an adjunct with his position in the Shawnee Mission School District. "I've been able to change lives for the better and meet a ton of interesting and courageous people in the process," he said. "I'm a happy camper."

Later, Craig's life came full circle and he returned to the Kansas State School for the Blind until his official retirement in January 2015. "Understand that the only place success comes before work is in the

dictionary," he advises. "Commencement is the beginning of the journey. Always under promise and over deliver."

Craig and his wife, Carol, live in Lake Saint Louis, Mo., and Craig enjoys fly fishing for trout in Colorado and playing on his classic Boston Whaler in Missouri. During the National Park Service's centennial celebration, Craig worked with the Tallgrass Prairie National Park to place electronic markers with locations and narrative information throughout the park. His role was to paint pictures with his words, tie in sounds and scents, and provide the visually impaired access to the prairie experience. "The very idea of being able to translate over 40 miles of trails and 10,000 acres of western tallgrass prairie into word pictures depicting the lay of the land, the habitats of the animals, the history of the area, and the sublime beauty of the land is audacious at best," he said. "I'm proud to leave my adopted state of Kansas something that is useful for the visitor who is non-sighted and sighted alike."

Additionally, Craig enjoys traveling, especially to Padre Island for the winter, golfing, and works a few days each week at the St. Louis Society for the Blind. "The passion to serve individuals with visual impairments remains. I'm a lucky fellow to get to do what I do." Craig can be reached at cleep1700@att.net or (636) 698-3253.

To read more about Craig Phillips '72 and his work with the Tallgrass Prairie National Park, visit <http://bit.ly/2ywEV7a>.

ALUMNI UPDATE

CHAPTER ETERNAL

James "Jim" G. Haywood '43 entered Chapter Eternal at the age of 95 on November 1, 2016. His adoring wife, Jerry, was at his side. Jim invested his time in the Worthington, Ohio, community, serving as superintendent of Sunday Schools at Worthington United Methodist, PTA president of Colonial Hills, Evening Street, and Worthington High Schools, and president of the Cardinal Boosters, which supported local athletics, from 1972-73. Jim loved tennis, golf, Little League baseball, and vacations on Hilton Head Island. He was a respected and loved friend, teammate, neighbor, and coworker, but his family, who loved him dearly, always took priority. Jim married his college sweetheart and love of his life, Jerry Virginia Stone, on June 2, 1944, and had four children and six grandchildren.

John C. Lattin '76 entered Chapter Eternal on December 31, 2016, after a long battle with Huntington's disease.

ALUMNI NEWS

Ryan J. Parks '10 is living in Thousand Oaks, Calif., pursuing his art career. He has been featured in art shows around Ventura, Calif., and has happy customers all over the world and support from his family and friends. He plans to continue this pursuit and ride out the adventure. E-mail: ryanjamesparks@gmail.com

A NOTE FROM TOM CARPER '68

Delaware Senator Delivers Speech at Grand Opening Ceremony

One of the enduring sources of joy in my life has come from returning to places where I've spent meaningful time as a child, student, naval flight officer, parent, husband, and as one of Delaware's elected leaders for some 40 years.

Earlier this fall, that joy came across me almost in waves as I had the good fortune to return again to Columbus and Ohio State, where I majored in economics as a Navy ROTC midshipman during the middle of the Vietnam War. In the years preceding this most recent return visit, I've been blessed with many opportunities to learn about leadership, first as a Boy Scout and, later, as a Civil Air Patrol cadet growing up in Virginia. I learned even more as a midshipman at OSU and, then, during more than 20 years of active and reserve duty as a naval flight officer and Navy P-3 aircraft mission commander.

Some of the most enduring leadership training that I received at Ohio State, though, was at 67 E. 15th Avenue, at the Shelter that Beta Phi Deltas have called home for decades. There, year in and year out, one chapter president after another provided leadership by example for pledges and active members alike. I admire many of those leaders to this day.

In early September, one of those former chapter presidents, **Tom Calhoon '70**, and **Buck Byrne '66**, my big brother, invited me to stand on the front steps of our beautifully renovated Shelter to welcome everyone and to share some thoughts about leadership and our fraternity's role in fostering it. The audience included alumni from all parts of America, as well as pledges and active members who now eat their meals where we once ate, sleep where we once slept, study where we once studied, and kindle friendships that can last a lifetime.

The best leaders that I've known, both at Ohio State and at many other places since then, were humble, not haughty. They possessed the heart of a servant and understood that a leader's job is to serve, not be served. Exemplary leaders lead by their example. For them, it's not do as I say, but do as I do. True leaders have the courage to stay out of step when everyone else is marching to the wrong tune. They surround themselves with the best people they can find. When their team does well, the leader gives credit to the team. And, when the team falls short, the leader takes the blame. Leaders build bridges, not walls. They unite people, not divide them. Leaders are aspirational. The appeal to people's better instincts. Perhaps Camus put it best when he said that leaders are purveyors of hope.

In the end, the best leaders always try to do what is right, not what is easy or expedient. They treat others the way they want to be treated. They focus on excellence in everything they do. There credo is, "If it isn't perfect, make it better." And, finally, when true leaders are convinced that they're right, they never give up.

More than ever, America needs those kinds of leaders today. We need them in every state, in our businesses, in our military, in our schools, in our hospitals, in our places of worship, and at all levels of government. Where will they come from? For generations, Delta Tau Delta has helped to prepare young men to lead. Our work is not done. In fact, if America's best days are truly ahead of us, our work has just begun.



2017 ALUMNI WEEKEND



***Above left:** Keith Steiner, Alpha '73, helps Bill McCloy '82 try on his new Delt green jacket for his generosity to the Fraternity. **Above Right:** Tom Calhoon '70 addresses the crowd during Beta Phi's successful Grand Opening Ceremony. **Below:** Buck Byrne '66 receives a gift for his dedication to the newly remodeled Shelter. Paul Falkenbach '80 does the honors while Mike Callender '18, Beta Phi President, and Sarah Perry, Beta Phi House Director hold the gift.*



BETA PHI BROTHERS THRIVE ON CAMPUS

MEMBERS REMAIN DETERMINED TO UPHOLD TRADITION OF SUCCESS

The Beta Phi Chapter has been busy throughout the past several months, focusing on our scholarly pursuits, contributions to the community, and commitment to leading lives of excellence. I hope to show you that we are campus leaders in academics, philanthropy, service, and social excellence in its broadest context. Although my words won't do complete justice, the men of Beta Phi are continuing the legacy of those who came before them by becoming the best men they can be.

Continued Academic Excellence

Per usual, Beta Phi continues to excel academically and remain a leader in the Greek community. We earned a 3.38 GPA for the spring semester, raising our cumulative GPA from a 3.42 to a 3.44. This puts us at fourth among all IFC organizations and it also ranks our GPA higher than both the average fraternity member and the average undergraduate student at The Ohio State University.

Beta Phi Raises More Than \$5,000 for JDRF

I'm proud to say our philanthropic efforts were especially successful this year. Led by our philanthropy chairman, **Michael Bougie '19**, and our external vice president, **Nathan Silverman '18**, the chapter raised more than \$5,000 for JDRF. This was in large part to our inaugural Dad's and Alumni Golf Outing that took place in April and featured Beta Phi Delts of past and present coming together along with our fathers for a fun and memorable weekend.

Brothers Earn Perfect Recruitment Retention Rate

Our former recruitment chairman, **Varun Jambunath '19**, was hard at work last spring building the future of our fraternity. He recruited 30 new members. As a testament to Varun and the chapter, the number of bids extended equated the number of bids accepted. Our current recruitment chairman, **Colin Lippincott '18**, also did a superb job this fall recruiting a class of 12 exceptional young men who we all felt embodied the values of a Delt.

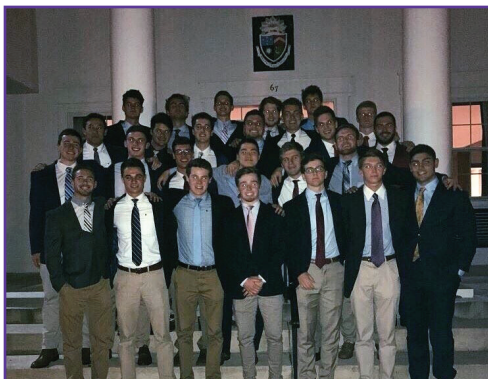
Bettering the Community

Last spring, we paired with Alpha Phi and Alpha Gamma Rho during Greek Week, giving us an exceptional opportunity to partake in social cookouts and other fun events to bring the Greek community closer together. **David Aslaner '19** has been active in organizing volunteer opportunities for the chapter,



Danny Rodgers '19, Nick Klepper '19, Kiel Pitzer '19, Patrick Martin '19, Patrick Pirrmann '18, Chris Waidelich '19, and Brett Whitford '18 celebrate a Buckeye victory over TTUN.

including volunteering at local soup kitchens and the Adopt-a-School program where Delts help underprivileged youth develop core reading and math skills. In October, we had the honor of attending a guest lecture in the Ohio Union hosted by former DEA agents Steve Murphy and Javier Pena, who are best known for taking down Pablo Escobar and the Medellin cartel. **Max Harendza '19** has also been instrumental in bringing in guest speakers to our chapter meetings, touching upon a variety of crucial topics including sexual assault awareness and prevention, mental health, and drug and alcohol abuse. Finally, **Will Widman '19, Nathan Silverman '18, Ross George '18, Cornell Blake '19, Pat Gramza '18, Turner Adornetto '18**, and I attended the Northern Division conference and accepted awards for excellence in ritual and academics.



The Beta Theta class on the front steps of the Shelter as newly initiated members.

Beta Phis Tackle Extracurricular Activities

This past year we saw a lot of our members take on huge leadership roles and innovative opportunities outside of the fraternity. **Nathan Silverman '18** founded and is the president of a consulting club, Tamid, which specializes in establishing connections with Israeli startup companies. Several Delts, including **Will Widman '19, Eric Schwartz '18**, and **Phil Silverman '19**, hold executive positions in the organization. **Kevin Keenan '19** is part of a group of Ohio State students promoting a new app called Allo, a messaging service provided by Google. Over the summer, **Michael Berthold '18** and his band, Clubhouse, played at the Firefly Music Festival, one of the largest music festivals in the world. Along with these impressive extracurricular involvements, our brothers continue to land incredible internships and full-time opportunities with industry leaders like Lockheed Martin, JP Morgan, General Electric, General Motors, the Big 4 accounting firms, RCB Bank, and Tesla.

Undergraduates Host Alumni, Parents

One of the true highlights of the year was our Alumni Rededication event that took place at our newly renovated Shelter. This event was a wonderful showcase of the hard work our alumni put in and the generous donations they made to our chapter, as the event was well attended by undergraduates, alumni, Ohio State faculty, and friends and family alike. The chapter also enjoyed the Parent's Weekend festivities that took place in late September, as we hosted a brunch at the Shelter with Alpha Phi's members and parents. The members of Beta Phi owe much of their fortune and success to our parents and alumni who care so deeply about us.

Thank You, Loyal Alumni

As a chapter, we have a host of accomplishments to be proud of. However, we recognize the constant need for improvement. We ask ourselves, can we do better? In the next year, we hope to continue to improve our GPA, find a larger role on organizations like IFC, and bring in quality men to shape our fraternity in the coming years. I'd like to once again thank all alumni for their tireless efforts and support and ask you to not hesitate to drop by the Shelter the next time you find yourself in the area.

Fraternally,
Michael Callender '18, Chapter President
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SAVE THE DATE

Annual Delta Tau Delta Central Ohio Alumni Christmas Luncheon

Friday, December 8, 2017

11 a.m. Social

12 p.m. Lunch at Scioto Country Club



\$30 due by Sunday, November 26
Payable to Delta Tau Delta Education
Foundation and mailed to:

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WELCOME, FALL 2017 NEW MEMBERS

Joseph Aziz '20
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James Albergo '20
Rockaway, N.Y.

Evan Conley '20
Perrysburg, Ohio

Joe Evans '20
Pepper Pike, Ohio

Alex Gabel '20
Columbus, Ohio

Ethan Luck '20
Wauconda, Ill.

Jake Mruzek '20
Waterville, Ohio

Alex Shank '20
North Olmsted, Ohio

Harrison von Bargaen '20
Liberty Township, Ohio

Thomas Wilimitis '20
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Jacob Winters '20
Columbus, Ohio

Jared Yant '20
Olmsted Falls, Ohio

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Director of Continued
Member Development
Max Harendza '19

New Member Educator
Nick Koehne '19

Senior Events Chairman
Tommy Hooker '18



David Setterlin '88, John T. Shave '89, Dale Weideling '87, and Paul "Butch" Harton '85 attended The Ohio State University Alumni Weekend. For more photos from the event, see page 4.



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