



BETA PHI CHAPTER OF DELTA TAU DELTA

# BETA PHI CRIER

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## BETA PHI REMAINS STRONG

### *Thank You to Everyone for Their Efforts*

**S**chool is back in session, activity at the Shelter is in high gear, and football is in the air. We are pleased to welcome back 63 fine undergraduates, now living in the Shelter this fall semester. Although still somewhat restricted compared to pre-COVID-19, I hear that everyone is enjoying their time at 67 E. 15th.

For those of you who haven't been back to the Shelter in a while, one would be amazed at how the surrounding landscape has certainly evolved. Thanks to multiple construction projects, the intersection of 15th and High has truly become the "Gateway to Campus" again, as it should be. Delta Tau Delta has never been more blessed to exist in its current location. The undergraduates welcome you to visit while you are in the area.

Although the pandemic has proven to be an operational and financial challenge, Beta Phi has weathered the storm and stands to return to normalcy very soon, with only minor impairments. As always, we owe a tremendous amount of gratitude to everyone who has contributed their time and efforts as members of the House Association as well as the leaders of the undergraduate chapter.

It is with mixed emotion that I inform you that I am stepping down as president of the Association after having served in the role for six years. I cannot be happier to introduce to you my successor, **Kyle Huff '07**, who has served admirably as our treasurer for the past 10 years. Kyle is a natural born leader and an integral part of the "refounding fathers" of our charter; we are extremely gratified to have him step into the role as House Association president for Beta Phi. I can assure you that we will remain a strong entity for years to come under Kyle's guidance. Kyle and his wife, Amanda, have two beautiful daughters, Hannah (6) and Samantha (3), and reside nearby in the Plain City area.

Please allow me at this time to acknowledge the leadership of our National Fraternity, the officers of the undergraduate chapter, and the many fine gentlemen who have served with me on our House Association over the past six years. Without these men and their ability to serve, my tenure would not have been successful. May I simply say thank you, and I love all of you.

Fraternally,

**Paul M. Falkenbach '80**

President, Beta Phi House Association of Delta Tau Delta

## DELTA TAU DELTA CONTINUES TO MAINTAIN GOALS

### Beta Phi Exceeds in Academics and Engagement



*Beta Phi brothers enjoy bowling together.*

**A**s we return to a more normal world, the chapter has picked up right where it left off when we were sent home in the spring of 2020. The transition from a predominately virtual world to more face-to-face interactions has been tremendous for the chapter culture.

Delt is proud of the Beta Pi class for its efforts this past spring—and the impacts are noticeable. Members have stepped up to fill roles that most their age would not consider participating in. Although holding a virtual recruitment last year presented new challenges, our recruitment chairmen, **Carl Conley '23** and **Hudson Davis '23**, excelled in preparing for the task and brought a great group of men to the chapter. The challenge of online member development was handled excellently by our guide, **Ben Nagy '23**, who took the lead.

As we returned to a more normal recruitment and education process this fall, there was plenty of engagement from brothers. Our newest

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*The Executive Board enjoyed a day of golfing! From left to right, Juanma Ponce '23, Ben Nagy '23, Ethan Garee '23, Caden Phillips '23, Jack Berrow '22, Joe Ziegler '23, and JD Folz '22.*



*Brothers Deji Elisha '23, Liam Whelan '24, and Luca Della Vella '24 all dressed up for a chapter event.*



*Mike Vakos '23, Pete Cogan '23, Chuck Rutherford '23, and Zander Johnston '23 enjoy a round of golf.*

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pledge class, Beta Rho, contains 12 members and continues to exemplify what it means to be a Delt. We look forward to these brothers leaving their mark on the chapter.

Beta Phi's academic prowess has not slowed down. We maintained a 3.65 GPA while being one of the largest chapters at Ohio State. Academic Chairman **Brooks Reiber '23** has continued to make study spaces and resources available to allow our brothers to achieve their academic goals. Our philanthropy chairman,

**Pete Cogan '23**, put a tremendous effort into planning a large in-person event in October as we returned to more traditional fundraising methods. Additionally, **Andrew Conover '23**, community service chairman, has continued to develop our relationship with the Mid-Ohio Food Bank, encouraging and promoting brothers to stay involved in the community.

Recent success of the chapter's visions and goals for both the distant and immediate future can largely be attributed to the hard work

of the executive board, administration, our chapter advisors, and the House Corporation. Everyone's support within Beta Phi is a testament to the great culture built at 67 E. 15th that continues to make strides when the right mindset is carried by all.

Fraternally,  
**Ethan Garee '23**  
 Chapter President



*Brothers enjoy spending time together.*

# CHAPTER OFFICERS

President  
**Ethan Garee '23**  
*Perrysburg, Ohio*  
 Chemical Engineering/Business

Treasurer  
**Juanma Ponce '23**  
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*Cincinnati, Ohio*  
 Pre-dental

External Vice President  
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*Cleveland, Ohio*  
 Health Sciences

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 Biology

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Guide  
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 Biology

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## Welcome, Beta Phi Brothers!

**Colby Applegate**  
*Boston, Mass.*

**Alex Covington**  
*Cincinnati, Ohio*

**Brody Ellis**  
*Pittsburgh, Pa.*

**Beau Fixari**  
*New Albany, Ohio*

**James Mandat**  
*Brecksville, Ohio*

**Alex Mills**  
*Hamilton, Ohio*

**Andrew Sapp**  
*Pittsburgh, Pa.*

**Emerson Schneeman**  
*Twinsburg, Ohio*

**Andrew Schodrof**  
*Chicago, Ill.*

**Ethan Silvis**  
*Medina, Ohio*

**Josh Vlasak**  
*Avon Lake, Ohio*

**Benton Wishart**  
*Powell, Ohio*

# Guiding Others

**Bill McCloy '82 Shares His Experience as a Member of the House Corporation**

Personal and professional growth comes from experiencing failure and success, and as a member of the House Corporation, **Bill McCloy '82** hopes to guide members of Beta Phi through these parts of life.

“As alumni, we always remind ourselves that we are providing support and direction to 17-22 year olds,” Bill said. “Often, we want to ‘tell’ the undergraduates what they should do, though we recognize that learning is an important part of collegiate life.”

Bill enjoys seeing Beta Phi flourish and continue to lead the OSU Greek system. He would like to see the chapter increase its membership diversity and strive for academic excellence. Other specific goals that he would like to see include a full house, full membership, top academics, and strong leadership. “I would also like to encourage all of my brothers to give back to the causes that are important to them.”



Bill looks back on his time at the Shelter with fondness. The chapter helped him succeed in his collegiate years and beyond. “My experience with Beta Phi prepared me for the real world. Through my association with Beta Phi, I worked for the president of the Ohio Senate and co-founded a campus magazine.”

Bill’s Delt experience also brought him lifelong friends and associates. He has many memories from his collegiate years, including recruitment, becoming pledge master, being a big brother and vice president of the Shelter, and competing in fraternity sports.

Bill took what he learned from Ohio State and Delta Tau Delta and brought it with him in his career. He had a fulfilling career as managing partner of McCloy Holdings, his real estate vehicle. He has many proud moments in his career, including building two businesses with a team of dedicated managers. “As in a college fraternity setting, putting together a team to win is a great experience.” Bill retired in 2018.

Family is the most precious part of Bill’s life. He enjoys spending time with his wife, Jenny, and four children: Annie, Sam, Olivia, and Mac. Sam has Down syndrome and has been an inspiration to the family to provide support through organizations dedicated to people with special needs. Their children have also developed empathy and compassion for those less fortunate. The family is in the beginnings of building a community in Cincinnati that provides housing and support for people with disabilities.

In his free time, Bill enjoys golfing, boating, business investing, and vacationing or skiing with his children. You can connect with him at [wam@mccloyholdings.com](mailto:wam@mccloyholdings.com).



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# RESEARCH PROVES THE FRATERNITY EXPERIENCE IS MORE RELEVANT TO TODAY'S COLLEGE STUDENTS THAN EVER BEFORE

Recent research on fraternities and sororities demonstrates how positive the impact of the Greek experience—and the Delta Tau Delta experience—is for undergraduates today. Both inside and outside the classroom, we are providing tangible value at the most important time of growth in their lives.



Membership **improves the learning gains** students make in the classroom, and members are **more academically engaged** than their peers.



These benefits are **even greater for first-year students** as they join fraternities and sororities and find community and belonging. This leads to **stronger retention and higher graduation rates** among Greek students than their peers.



Members are **more involved** in campus activities than other students, and Greek organizations **promote both personal development during and satisfaction in** their college experience.



As many college students experience stress, loneliness and depression, fraternities and sororities **offer critical connection and a sense of community**, and members report **higher levels of positive mental health** than their unaffiliated peers because of it.



Fraternities and sororities seek to enhance inclusivity, and our members actually report **higher levels of interaction with people different from themselves compared to unaffiliated students**.