

BETA PHI CRIER

THE OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY ■ SPRING 2022

A MESSAGE FROM OUR NEW PRESIDENT

I am both honored and humbled to be writing to you today as the House Association president. My predecessor and beloved Beta Phi alumnus, **Paul Falkenbach '80**, left big shoes to fill. As many of you are aware, Paul entered Chapter Eternal on Sunday, January 16, 2022. Seven months prior, Paul challenged me to pick up my corner of the flag and take the reigns as president of the Association.

Spring is in the air, and you know what that means! Spring break, Greek Week, and graduation are all upon us. The chapter and Shelter are more alive than ever. With COVID seemingly behind us

and mandates lifted, activities are in full force. If you haven't visited the Shelter or the surrounding campus area, you will be amazed by all the changes. Amongst these changes, the Shelter remains a prominent house on 15th Avenue.

As the academic year comes to a close, the Association also concludes its first year without Ohio State as its property manager. We elected to hire Fraternity Managers Association, which is local to Ohio State and owned by fraternities and sororities. Alongside COVID, this was the largest change and challenge the chapter and Association had to overcome this year. With

our dedicated volunteers and outstanding chapter, we have overcome both these obstacles.

In closing, as Paul challenged me to pick up my corner of the flag, I do the same to you. The Association is always looking for volunteers to better serve the chapter and Shelter. If interested, do not hesitate to reach out. I am looking forward to seeing you all at Founder's Day.

Fraternally,
Kyle Huff '07
President, Beta Phi of
Delta Tau Delta House Association

PAY IT FORWARD

Remembering Paul Falkenbach '80

The Beta Phi Chapter of Delta Tau Delta is a special place for many reasons. First and foremost are the men who made it what it is today. One of those men was **Paul Falkenbach '80**. His dedication of time, treasure, and talent to Delta Tau Delta cannot be overstated.

Paul was born July 29, 1957, in Columbus, Ohio, and was one of four siblings. He graduated from Upper Arlington High School in 1975. Having traveled to Iceland in the fall after graduation, Paul enrolled at The Ohio State University in 1976. He joined Beta Phi in the spring of that year and was initiated in November. Paul quickly became a very involved member. During his time as an undergraduate, Paul held various positions, including social chairman and president. He was very active in The Ohio State University Interfraternity Council, initially serving as the scarlet representative. He eventually rose to chief justice of the organization.

After graduating, Paul was hired by Miller Brewing Company as a college marketing



Paul Falkenbach '80 and his family.

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Paul Falkenbach '80 attending an Ohio State football game with his wife and daughter.

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representative. He progressed as a salesman with various companies, where he won awards such as audio salesman of the year for the Panasonic Company in 1991 and 1992. In 1997, Paul was hired by National Sign Systems Cityscapes International and became the vice president of sales and marketing. He was involved in projects such as the new Ohio State stadium scoreboard logo and the Schottenstein Center Value City Arena illuminated hanging Block "O"s at all four entries.

Paul was very active with Saint Agatha Catholic Church in Upper Arlington, Ohio. He held many positions in the Knights of Columbus Council, and as Grand Knight of the council, he received their highest award as a member of the Star Council in July 2021.

Paul lived with his wife, Melissa, in Norwich Township, Ohio, and had two daughters, Erin and Sarah Grace. Paul and Melissa married in August 1992.

Despite all these accomplishments and commitments, Paul always found ways to pay it forward to Beta Phi. He was truly one of the men who continued to build the Shelter into what it is today. He became a chapter advisor just four years after graduation, followed by service on the Alumni Supervisory Council as its chairman in 1991. In 2014, Paul was elected to the Beta Phi Chapter of Delta Tau Delta House Association. He was elected its president in 2016 and held that position until his recent retirement in 2021. Paul was also a member of the Beta Phi Education Foundation since 2016. For all that Paul accomplished for Beta Phi, he

TRAINING BETA PHI'S NEXT LEADERS

As we are closing up the capital campaign, we are setting sights on our next initiative. In 2021, the Delta Tau Delta Education Foundation created the Paul Falkenbach Endowed Fund to recognize Paul's efforts to develop and inspire young Deltas. This fund will support the PresX and Catalyst annual programs for undergraduate Deltas across the country. We've already received leadership gifts from Bill McCloy, Chris Beem, Buck Byrne, and even Paul himself. We look forward to sharing more information on how you can get involved this fall.

gained praise from alumni and undergraduates alike. Paul was awarded Beta Phi's Wall of Fame membership on December 10, 2021, at our annual Christmas luncheon. Paul is a prime example of why many are proud to say, "It's great to be a Delt."

Tragically, we lost Paul earlier this year after a short but vigorous battle against cancer. While the Beta Phi Chapter, Beta Phi House Corporation, and International Delta Tau Delta Fraternity will miss Paul dearly, we will never forget and will always be thankful for the countless contributions that Paul made over his lifetime.

Written by **Ethan Tyler Garee '23**, **Caden Geoffrey Phillips '23**, **Edward Joseph Ziegler '23**, and **Millard "Buck" Byrne '66**.

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WELCOME, NEW BETA PHI BROTHERS!

Landon Adelstein
Oak Park, Ill.

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(Brother **John Blevins '21**)

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Mason, Ohio
(Dad, Delta Chi)

Keatten Smith
San Diego, Calif.

Thanasi Tsigas
Rocky River, Ohio

Drew Young
Cincinnati, Ohio

**Legacy; relation in parentheses*

EFFORT FROM ALL CLASSES

Collegians Make Delt Proud

Beta Phi has certainly adapted over the past few semesters, and that could not be represented better than the participation across all classes. The perfect example is our spring executive board containing sophomores, juniors, and a senior member. **Jack Berrow '22**, **Juanma Ponce '23**, and I all returned to our roles for a second term to support the chapter during this transition period. Recruitment Chairmen **Nate Sidloski '24** and **Jake Collins '24** did a phenomenal job during the spring recruitment season and welcomed the Beta Sigma class of 46 members. Guide **Kwab Ayesu-Offei '24** and New Member Educator **Ben Mewhinney '23** have done an excellent job as well, teaching our new members the traditions and expectations that accompany becoming a Delt.

The chapter continues to excel in the classroom, with Academic Chairman **Hudson Davis '23** providing every resource possible for members to stay on top of school while bolstering the chapter GPA. **Jack Berrow '22** has worked closely with Philanthropy Chairman **John Lundstedt '24** to find small opportunities for members to contribute to

JDRF. Our larger events to round out the semester include a Walking Taco event with Kappa Delta on April 14, and an NFL Draft raffle two weeks later on April 28. Jack has also coordinated with alumni to plan Founder's Day at the Ohio Union at 6 p.m. on April 21. Community Service Chairman **Luke Miller '24** has also continued what his predecessor, **Andrew Conover '23**, began in encouraging members to donate their time to the Mid-Ohio Food Bank.

The chapter would like to thank the National Office, the House Corporation, and the Alumni Supervisory Committee for supporting our vision as a chapter and providing resources in a time of need. I would also like to specifically thank ASC Chairman **Evan Webb '15** for the countless time he has put into not only helping me, but also Beta Phi as a whole this spring. We are working hard to better ourselves while making 67 E. 15th the best it can be for who comes next.

Fraternally,
Ethan Garee '23
President, Beta Phi



Chapter officers, accompanied by Chapter Advisor **Evan Webb '15** and Northern Division President **Jeff Pelletier '94**, at the 2022 Northern Division Conference in South Bend, Indiana.



Junior Agyapong '23, Justin Nitschke '23, and Alex Roth '24 enjoying the holidays!



A group of Delts taking on Fort Lauderdale for a relaxing spring break

WHY DID YOU JOIN BETA PHI?

"To create better morals for myself, create strong bonds among similar people, and create achievable goals with the help of connections and opportunities from the fraternity." –**Josh Dudek**

"I heard about the fraternity through current members and decided to check it out. After meeting all the active members and having conversations, my interest grew and made me realize that joining Delt was more than a great idea." –**Sean Levonaitis**

"It is a great group of guys who I know will bring out the best version of me." –**Cole Hoekstra**

"I showed up to the last recruitment event and everyone was very welcoming; they actually had real conversations with me, and **Carl Conley '23** sold me after we talked for an hour at Susie Cues." –**Scott Lou**

"Nobody from my hometown was in Delt, and right when I walked in, people came up to me and wanted to know about me. The place felt like a home immediately, and a lot of the guys had a similar major as me (health science pre-dental), so I thought if I ever needed advice, the older guys would help a lot." –**Zach Baldwin**

SAVE THE DATE!

Join Us for These Upcoming Events

GOLF CLASSIC AND DINNER

Friday, September 2

The 28th Annual Delta Tau Delta Peter R. Peirce and John W. Galbreath Memorial Scholarship Golf Classic and Dinner

Dinner costs \$55, while dinner and golf combined is \$150.

The schedule is as follows:

First tee time: 9:30 a.m.

at The Golf Club of Dublin

Social hour: 5:30 p.m.

Dinner: 7 p.m.

both at the Scioto Country Club

FOOTBALL GAME

On Labor Day weekend, following our Golf Classic and Dinner, The Ohio State University begins the football season against Notre Dame. We hope to see you for the game on **Saturday, September 3!**

CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON

Friday, December 9, at 11 a.m.

39th Annual Christmas Luncheon at the Scioto Country Club

This year's fee will be \$35 per attendee.

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ALUMNI UPDATE

CHAPTER ETERNAL

Randy Wright '58 – June 29, 2021

Paul Falkenbach '80 – January 16, 2021

ALUMNI NEWS

Jim Oshust '58 lives in Millcreek, Utah, and recently published *The Faultless Imperfection* and *Voices Unheard, Words Unspoken*. His books are available on Amazon. Email: oshust.j@aol.com

Charles Lang '68 is a retired airline pilot, and both of his children work in the airline industry. Lindsey is a senior HR director with Southwest Airlines, while C.J. is a captain for Delta in Atlanta. Charles spends time between Santa Rosa Beach and his home in Plano, Texas. Email: chicenmarty@gmail.com

Craig Phillips '72 is a retired educator of blind and visually impaired individuals. He lives in Lake Saint Louis, Mo. Email: 1700cleep@gmail.com

Patrick Flannery '84 celebrated the birth of his new grandson, Jackson Spaeth, on September 14. Patrick resides in West Chester, Ohio. Email: drpatfla@aol.com

Joseph Reed '92 is doing well in Lewis Center, Ohio. He has been in banking for 32 years since graduating college. He and his wife have an 18-year-old senior in high school and a 15-year-old sophomore. "Crazy how time flies. Now I'm going back to college all over!" Email: joeclark332004@yahoo.com

WHAT THREE WORDS WOULD YOU USE TO DESCRIBE BETA PHI CHAPTER?

- "Comradeship, mutual ease, a family away from home." –**Jim Oshust '58**
- "Proud, memories, brotherhood." –**Carl Wick '63**
- "Trust, friendship, leadership." –**Larry Brown '64**
- "Brotherhood, loyalty, friendships." –**Joseph Reed '92**

WHAT ARE SOME OF YOUR FAVORITE MEMORIES WITH DELTA TAU DELTA?

- "The friendships I will always cherish... and those no longer with us." –**Jim Oshust '58**
- "DTD was a wonderful home away from home." –**Carl Wick '63**