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ALUMNI REPORT

Total Chapter Effort Brings Record Pledge Class

Twenty-Eight New Members Brings Total Membership to Almost 80 Brothers

By John Cornick '81, President, NC Beta Foundation, Inc.

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After losing around 20 members in the spring to graduation, the chapter faced a very important fall rush period. This fall's rush effort was led by **John Duckett**, **Myles Wynn**, **Brent Blonkvist**, **Michael Carbone**, **Will Teddy** and **David Paschal**. This group challenged and engaged each member of the fraternity to create a recruiting machine. What they achieved was a tremendous pledge class of over 28 new members bringing our total membership close to 80, plus six affiliates.

This year's pledge class includes 12 legacies. Nine new members hail from Charlotte. We have new members from Colorado, Georgia, Minnesota, New Jersey, New York, Tennessee, Texas, Virginia, Wisconsin, England and Scotland. This geographical diversity is very exciting and should give our chapter a recruiting edge for the next few years. Not only does this pledge class have geographical diversity, the class includes three Morehead Scholars, two Robertson Scholars, three football players and one lacrosse player. Our house can compete favorably with any house academically or on the athletic field.

The Beta Foundation and the chapter work

very hard together to create an environment that will be very attractive to new UNC students and their families. The house and food service meets or exceeds the University housing and food service. We continue to be the benefactor of a lot of alumni support, not only

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financially, but of alumni willing to give their time to continue the legacy that has thrived for 123 years. If there are any alumni who would like to get more involved, please contact me. The Beta Foundation needs new members who can lead and mentor the brothers for years to come.

Thanks again for your continued support. We greatly appreciate it!

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FALL 2008 PLEDGE CLASS

Kenneth Barshop

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Kenneth Coe '72

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Drew Cook '08

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Bill Cummings '07

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Kenny Haisfield

***Connell Hall**, son of **James Royer Hall Jr.** (Ole Miss)

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Paul Thomas Lundstrom
(Kansas)

Taylor Harper

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Jim Keaver (Arkansas)

Jake Klein

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Russell Martin

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Matt Miller

Teddy Mitchell

***Pierre Molster**, brother of
John Molster '08

David Moore

James Proffitt

Will Pryor

Taylor Smith

***Alex Urquhart**, son of
William Urquhart '71

Ryan Watts

***Jack Wigdale**, nephew of
John Mahoney (Denison)

***Al Williams**, son of **Al Williams**
and nephew of
Don Williams '84

Affiliates

Sean Burke

***Kenan Gay**, social affiliate of
Doug Gay

Tac Johnston

Mason McVerry

John Petrone

Mike Santangelo

*Legacy

TREASURER'S REPORT

Tax-Deductible Fund Established for Beta Chapter Alumni Donations

Renovation Improvements Completed at Chapter House

By Robert J. Page '51

This past year we have completed all of the major renovations that we needed to do to bring the house up to the standards that the alumni of the NC Beta House Corporation and the undergraduates wished for. We have completed the renovations of both bathrooms on the third and second floor and laid ceramic tile in both hallways with pictures of past athletic events of the UNC football and basketball teams. The dining room paneling is completed along with new pictures in the hallway leading downstairs to the dining room with pictures of past *Sports Illustrated* covers.

A new 72-inch TV has been installed in the Matthew Mason Lounge with a new cabinet so that the whole chapter and their dates can watch our No. 1 basketball team during away games. The size of the recent pledge class is a clear indication of why our top-notch facility has attracted so many students who want a fraternity that is in the 21st century.

Also this year we have embarked on establishing a new 501(c) (3) Corporation,

"BETA CHAPTER OF PDT, INC.," and all alumni contributions to this fund will be tax-deductible to those who give. We have not gotten approval yet but all donations given this year and succeeding years will be tax-deductible until we get our approval. If this is declined by the IRS, these funds will be given to an approved charity to preserve the

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deductibility of those contributions. To date the response has been excellent and we hope that this fund will be used in the future to ensure that Phi Delta Theta at Chapel Hill will be at the forefront of the Greek community at UNC.

CHAPTER REPORT

A Sixth-Ranked GPA, 28 New Members, and the Largest 5K in Campus History

By John Duckett, President

Our current chapter GPA is 3.166, higher than both the all-university and all-fraternity average. This puts us as sixth out of 22 fraternities and 18th out of 55 total men and women Greek houses.

The Beta Chapter house is the nicest on campus and many people comment that we have unbelievable facilities. After the renovations to the second and third floor bathrooms last summer, everything else is in great shape and no major work is planned for the upcoming year.

This semester we will be hosting the largest 5K in campus history, the Eve Carson 5K for Education. We are incredibly excited to team up with Pi Phi to raise money

for such a great cause.

The 28 new members and six affiliates are also currently participating in the New Member Challenge. This challenge combines academics and philanthropy by designing and implementing a Keep Carolina Clean campaign. The new members will be putting in 90 hours each week to clean up after football games and around campus. They worked with campus services to target the worst spots on campus to focus on. This pledge class is the largest amongst all fraternities on the UNC campus.

We are proud to have 12 legacies in our chapter from a mixture of Phi Delta Theta houses across the country.

2008-09 ANNUAL FUND

Honor Roll of Donors

The following alumni have helped us to get a great start to our giving year, raising \$6,440 as of October 13. Help us to continue this momentum as we continue into the 2008-09 giving year, which began September 1, by making a donation to the annual fund. You can do so online at www.uncphidelt.com or by calling 800-975-6699.

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Samuel B. Smith Jr. 1961

Reflects gifts received as of October 13.

OLD PHOTO ALBUM

Help Us Build our Chapter's Archives

If you have great pictures of your Phi Delt days or from a more recent reunion, please share them in our online photo albums. Your submissions may be chosen to appear in an upcoming issue of the *North Carolina Beta Data* or in our monthly e-Letter.



In this photo: The first Phi Delta Theta house at the University of North Carolina, which was occupied by our fraternity from 1900 through 1929.

ALUMNI UPDATE

Friends Formed at 304 S. Columbia Street are Friends for Life

By Steve Bell '67

I attended a wedding in June for **Copeland Cherry '04** and Collins Mann and there were 22 Phi Delt at the reception. My son and five other Phi Delt were groomsmen. I share this story because many of you had fraternity brothers in your wedding and this tradition continues. Friends formed at 304 S. Columbia Street will often be friends and business associates for life.

The Class of 1968 is a good example. This class of 23 had 17 brothers show up at a reunion in Pinehurst in early September. Every two years, this close pledge class gets together for a fun weekend telling old stories, playing golf and enjoying a few cocktails.

In late August, my son Durant and I hosted a nice cocktail party and dinner in Chapel Hill for about 13 legacy rushees and 15 brothers. The dinner was a great success! I shared a large picture of the Phi Delt at the Cherry wedding and talked about joining a fraternity that has consistently been in the top three or four fraternities at UNC for over 60 years. To my knowledge, no other fraternity at Carolina can make this claim.

I was very pleased to hear a few weeks after our dinner that we secured 28 pledges (16 from out of state) and six social affiliates...perhaps the largest class in decades. The quality of this group is strong with three Morehead Scholars, athletes, class leaders, etc. At least five of the pledges told me the physical condition of the house partially influenced their decision as did the legacy dinner.

Like me, many of you want your son, nephew or grandson to be a Phi Delt at Carolina. Visit the house when you can, make a small annual contribution to the Beta Foundation and I will do all I can to help create a great experience for your boys if they are accepted for admission to UNC.



ALUMNI UPDATES

'40s

Harry A. Haines '48

(119 Cherry Ln., Murfreesboro, TN 37130; hahaines@bellsouth.net) I will be interviewed and filmed by the Pryor Center at the University of Arkansas January 8, 2009. I was editor/publisher of the *Blytheville, Arkansas Courier News* from 1949 until 1983. My tenure was notable for being one of three state newspapers to oppose Gov. Orval Faubus and one of two to oppose the Vietnam War while supporting the Civil Rights Bill of 1964 and its subsequent amendments.

I was a thirteen-year member of the Arkansas Board of Education and a board member of Southern Newspaper Publishers Association. In 1971, I received a master's degree in political science at the University of Memphis. Last summer, I was a student in the summer graduate study School of Letters course at Sewanee.

Charles L. Wilson Jr. '48

(403 South Main St, P.O. Box 206, Robersonville, NC 27871; charlielw2@earthlink.net) Our grandson, Thomas Wilson, has had a great career as a football quarterback at Leesville Road School

in Raleigh, NC. He has now graduated and has a full scholarship for football at Elon University.

'50s

Robert Boyd '54

(The Cullen Center, 1727 Garden Ter., Charlotte, NC 28203; ty@tyboyd.com) This year we have had two weddings and one new grandchild is on the way. We live in Charlotte and love this city. All our children and eight grandchildren are in this zip code as well. There are lots of Phis hereabouts.

Pressly Millen Jr. '55

(448 Cedar Club Circle, Chapel Hill, NC 27517; press@cochill.net) Retired now to The Cedars of Chapel Hill, a place you go to retire when you get old. Love it!

Lemuel Woods Jr. '55

(PO Box 220, 181 Damnifino Street, Boca Grande, FL 33921) In March, I played golf here in Boca Grande, FL. with **Don Harley '54**, **Link Townshend '54** and **Sherwood Smith '56**. We had a great time.

James Martin Jr. '57

(122 North McDowell Street, P.O. Box 36331, Charlotte, NC 28236; jem@hbm-attys.com)

Several of us attended our 50th UNC class reunion in May 2007: "1957, the Class of Champions." Most of the 1957 National Championship team were there for the reunion dinner where **Woody Durham** was the MC. Those Phis attending included **Marion Griffin**, **Ed Sutton**, **Bob Collier**, **Jim Martin** and **Tom Brenner**. **George Holt** was also there as a representative of the class of 1958

'00s

Jay Everett '00

(1501 Maryland Ave., Charlotte, NC 28209; je@sbofoundation.com) My wife Morgan and I adopted a child from Russia three months ago. He's 2 years old and on the go non-stop. We plan to adopt more down the road.

David Eggleston '04

(1800 Eastwood Rd. #105, Wilmington, NC 28403; eggleston.david@gmail.com) A picture of me (left) and **Powell Baggett** at Copeland Cherry's wedding in May.

We were all in the pledge class that graduated in '04.



Friends formed at 304 S. Columbia Street are friends for life. See page 3 for more.



Record Pledge Class of 28 New Members Yields Active Membership of 80 Brothers...Details Inside!

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