

THE BATHTUB Xi Delta's Alumni Newsletter



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- New Facebook group for Xi Delta Alumni

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Who says Rushing isn't fun?

Fall 2008 has come and gone for brothers at the Xi Delta Chapter. Long ago during our first rush meeting our Alpha gave the chapter a powerful and inspiring Powerpoint presentation on how to rush and get quality men. With that done, the guys were ready to talk up the freshmen and show them how great of a time we have here as brothers of the Chi Phi fraternity.

Although Tropical Storm Fay gave us a headache by flooding our yard; hence constricting the events we could hold at our house, we held our ground and still pulled off a great rush involving: motorcycles, crab bakes, poker, wiffleball, bowling and the infamous tour! We handed out a good number of bids and had 17 new members yearning to be taught the ways of Chi Phi. With meetings underway, we are on our way to

hopefully initiate 12 new members.

By the way, there is a new facebook group, for those who are into facebook, called the 'Chi Phi Alumni, Xi Delta Chapter'. There will be updates on the New Member education process, and important dates and discussion topics

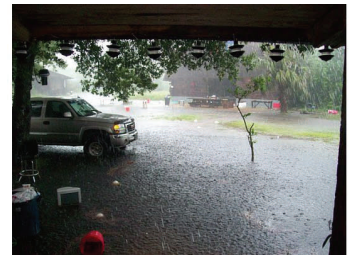
I would like to invite and encourage all alumni who are in town or will be passing by to please make it out to either one of the meetings or just stop by and talk to these new guys. The words you say will definitely influence their perspectives on our chapter. We want them to grow as men, as well as know where Xi Delta should be heading in the next few years.

Just to give a heads-up as well, the chapter and I will be



Rush event: Get Crabs from the Brothers of Chi Phi

- The house flooded by TS Fay



Xi Delta has HIGHEST Fraternity GPA on campus

Academic achievement? Huh?! Well perhaps back in the day we weren't as strong in this area in our organization; however, over the last few semesters, the brothers have been working hard to all improve our GPAs. With the scholarship chairmen

implementing stricter scholarship policies, we have been able to raise almost everyone's GPA above a 2.5. This along with the brother's who have been consistently achieving above a 3.0 has raised our Chapter GPA to a 2.9, the highest fraternity GPA

at the FIT campus! This result was actually second in Greek standards, as Alpha Phi had an average 3.0 GPA. I believe a round of clicks goes to all the brothers for working extra hard these last few semesters. Not only are we gentlemen, we are scholars!



Above: Toys 4 Tots

Below: Beach clean up



'A new program to be implemented to excite incoming members is the new 'actives 4 actives' scholarships'

Big on Philanthropy

The brothers at the chapter have been trying really hard this semester to get more involved with the community. Recently, campus has been mandating the new freshmen that take University Experience, a one credit class, to have done at least 5-10 hours of community service during the semester. Trying to find things to do poses a challenge usually as it is hard to get a group of us up and going at the same time. However, we have successfully helped out with the special

Olympics the beginning of the semester, then, we did a food drive up at the Kennedy Space center alongside Brevard Sharing Center.

In the last month or so of the fall semester, we managed to put together a beach clean prior to thanksgiving by bicentennial. This worked out very well as the actives found out later that the alumni in the area were thinking about using that part of the beach for a thanksgiving dinner/ bonfire. I suppose it was a win-win situation.

In my opinion, the most fun community service that Xi Delta is involved in is the biker's Toys 4 Tots. In the first week of December, there is a Toys 4 Tots fest wherein a number of bikers from around the area, approximately 3000 or so show up to this, donate a toy as an entrance fee. We come in as helpers that put these toys in to trucks that go to donating centers. This year two of the guys rode up with their own motorcycles and each donated \$30 worth, and helped out as

XDSF and Other Scholarship News

This semester two of our brothers, Victor Conde and John Henson both received scholarships from the Xi Delta Scholarship Foundation of over \$250 for academic use based on merit and academic achievement. The XDSF has been awarding the brothers for their achievements over the past few semesters. It's been a great method to boost the brother's desire to perform well at school—that is what we are

here for in the first place anyway! We would like to thank the alumni brothers that make such a great opportunity a possibility. Brothers Sunny Handa, Jon Eveland, Dan Diolosa, and Jeff Holleran have been great with helping out the chapter through the foundation.

In other scholarship news, the active brothers are formulating a new program to be implanted sometime in the

spring of 2009 and continue on if successful. It is a program that will be dedicated for actives by actives. Basically actives will be able to create scholarship opportunities for the newer members and pledges. This will be obviously in smaller amounts but will create a greater bond between younger and older brothers, and will encourage new members to join as they see these great academic opportunities.



Words from John Eveland

The bonds payments were issued on Jan 7th of this year, very early by your XDSF treasurer's standards (only six days late). Four bonds were purchased back for a total of \$4,000 and two bonds were donated by Mr. Dan Diolosa for a total of \$2,000 (clicks please!). That leaves 19

bonds left to purchase, which on a typical schedule of four per semester, could take up to 2-1/2 more years.

However, we are pursuing an aggressive bond donation campaign right now that could reduce that down and get us free and clear of this bond program forever! Nobody

would be happier than me, trust me. That would free up the rent money at the house for needed improvements, which we all know would be a nice thing for us and the actives. As for scholarships, this year (2008) we issued only two scholarships, which were all we had received applications for.. (cont'd pg 4)

Our 40th Anniversary!

Xi Delta is now 40 years old! It has been an amazing year, and an amazing 40 years at that. The actives had a blast as 40 alumni showed up and told many of us stories of the 'good ol' times'. There were special appearances such as Brother Richard Simmons, our first alumni advisor showing up on the morning of the 15th to tell us how the first few years were, then he went over to the golf course to talk to some of the younger alumni. We had Brother Bob Coleman from the

70's that provided some awesome stories and pictures involving planes landing on the beach by our old house, and raids on the Pike house. Brother Robert Rokobauer also showed up, one of our founding fathers, and gave a heart-felt speech at our dinner.

All in all our 40th anniversary was a blast, it was a great reflection on how our chapter is—alive and well! On behalf of the chapter, I would really like to thank all those alumni who showed up, and to the people

who helped set up this grand event. For those who missed it, you were truly missed and I hope you get to make it to our 40th alumni weekend!

As some of you already know, we have been trying to do a fundraising campaign to fix the house's driveway. At the bottom of this page there is a list of the alumni who have already donated to the cause. We would like you all to know that we are all grateful for your generosity. I know Brother Ziglar challenges ... (cont'd on



Brother Bob Coleman and his wife—'72
He provided some great stories and pics!

Calendar of Events

Major events to note down are found in this section. Notably, school will start back up on January 12th. We will commence our spring rush around that time. If anyone would like or know anyone that would like to sponsor us this semester please contact our rush chair, Joshua Weil and contact him. We would like to thank Brother Handa and Boatshed Florida for being one

of our sponsors for our fall rush.

Well it's still our 40th anniversary sort of so we should still be in a celebrating mood. We will begin the driveway construction in May once we collect our goal of \$9500. We are already at \$5000 pledged donations.

Our theme for Alumni Weekend is Skinners and Skinny Dippers This will be held

on April 3rd and 4th.

We will also be having a chapter retreat late January. If any alumni in the area would like to participate, please contact Joshua Weil through the website xdaa.org and he will tell you the details.

Lastly, Happy New Year to all of you. Xi Delta hopes that you all have a successful 2009!

-Alumni Weekend

-Rush

-Retreat

The 40 of Donations

Thank you to all who donated on the 40th for the driveway renovations:

- Dave Morgan
- Alex Smith
- Brian LaJoie
- Clifton Windsor

- Todd Rausch
- Bob Coleman
- Gavin Fahnestock
- Neil Barr
- Robert Rokobauer
- Jordan Charla

- Tj wyand
- Ed Freihofer
- Spiros Bourtis
- Andy Chrest
- John Novak
- Ben Hausman



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Editor's note:

First off guys, if you want to donate, please go to www.omegafi.com/

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It won't be too hard to donate, it's all electronic!

I would also like to congratulate of the graduates for Fall 2008—Dave Skoog, Matthew Hopkins, and Jason Coffman. Good luck with all your endeavours and please keep in touch... remember that Chi Phi is a life time commitment!

I hope to see you soon!

The 40th has been an important date for me. It shows that we have survived for 40 years here as Xi Delta and that we will continue to do so for many years to come!

I look forward to the actives for actives program that the brothers have started up. Hopefully it will be successful and create a stronger brotherhood.

Happy new year to everyone... 2009 will be a great year I hope for you and for us! Alumni weekend, as a reminder, is in April so come out and lets party it up!

Finally, if you haven't joined the Alumni facebook group, please do so. It's a great tool to keep in touch and find old friends that we haven't seen in a while! It's under 'Chi Phi Alumni, Xi Delta Chapter'.

I'll see you next issue!

Fraternally,

Brother Ismael Cremer



John Eveland's note continued...

and John Henson both received \$500 scholarships (round of clicks again)! Thanks guys for your service to the brotherhood and these are well deserved (I think). Sorry so late, but I have two kids and a drinking problem. What do you expect? Please be sure to get the actives to file those applications early this year so we can process these for the Fall 2009

semester. On time I promise.

Hope everyone is doing well and I'll be sure to report on the progress of the donation campaign mid-year. If I left anyone out or didn't give proper recognition, too bad, I'm not your mother.

In the Bonds,

John A. Eveland, Treasurer
Xi Delta Scholarship Foundation
of Chi Phi, Inc.

Xi Delta's 40th continued

The alumni and says that he will match it to \$1000.

The event was a great time. The actives and alumni had a lot of fun. It was a great turn out for golf in the morning, and for the evening event. Dinner was great, the masseuses were great, and so were the conversations the brothers had all through the night.

The brothers at Xi delta will look forward to see you for alumni weekend! April 3-4... come out for Skinners and Skinny Dippers!



One of the pictures given from the 70's

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