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**◄ reetings** fellow Undergraduate Brothers  ${old J}$  and Alumni Brothers! It has taken a much less time to get this newsletter out, and we hope to keep them quarterly from now on. We have fully recognized that our alumni are, and always have been, one of the most important components of our fraternity. We have focused on reconnecting with our graduated brothers for the past few months now, and will be doing much more this summer.

This year, we've placed emphasis on improving the the eternal bond between the Brothers of our Delta Sigma Phi chapter by strengthening brotherhood among our active brothers, as well as our Alumni. We have also been working to create opportunities for ourselves so that we may recruit men of superior status in the upcoming Fall 2016 semester. We have been actively working to improve the quality of brotherhood through diverse avenues, including: growing the committee system we just reestablished, refurbishing the cosmetic condition of the house, delegating responsibilities and maintaining accountability, and finally reestablishing connections with all of our alumni. We have restructured our quarterly report! Starting with bringing the old name back to the new newsletter! The "Gamma Eye" and the contents within are broken into six components:



Thomas Entwit/ Editor

Delta Sigma Phi Chapter house is looking better and better. The new letters add some well needed flare to the houses curb apeal thanks to the Dream Girl of 2015.

Youth Update, Intel from ACB, The Reno, Boy tuns into Man, Originality Continues, and Sailor's Spotlight.

**REAL GO GETTERS** 

NEW ALUMNI FUNDRAISING CO-COORDINATORS



Eric Pickett

Donations (Facebook Link, Checks, Cornhole Tourney, \$110): \$6880.85 Pledged But Not Yet Donated: \$1500 Unspecified Pledges Yet to Be Donated: 7

We are always looking for volunteers and are still looking for help with creating the database. The roles and responsibilities involved are helping contact members and continuously updating alumni Address, Phone, email, Occupation. Doesn't have to be an era, just your pledge class helps.

ACB Fundraising Cordinator

Pledge Class - 1978 Chandler, Arizona

#### Mil DeSilva

ACB Fundraising-Coordinator

Pledge Class 2004

Meridian, Idaho



By: Eric Picket & Mil DeSilva

 $\mathbf{T}$  t all began with a post on April 4th. To date **I** we have had more Alumni interaction than we ever had in the previous years. Within a month together as a brotherhood we have accomplished so much, but there is so much more work to do. Let us take this start and move forward together. Let us continue to build our chapter one alumni at a time. As we have said before it will takes us all to keep the Castle standing for the years to come.

Eric and I will continue to man this front till 2020, by then we hope to have a strong alumni organization built to where others can take on our effort. Our short-term goal is to continue to provide the resources for the current members to succeed and have a strong rush. Our long term goal is to celebrate a new Castle (Green Mansion) for the Gamma Iota 70th anniversary.

As summer comes upon us and our schedules get busy with vacations, family, camping, and other events, please don't forget a donation can be made anytime by going to legfi.com/ fundraisers/179.

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## YOUTH UPDATE VICE PRESIDENTIAL UPDATE

The 2015-2016 academic year was a rollercoaster for Gamma Iota. We started the year slowly, facing some tough challenges. However, in true Delta Sig fashion, we pushed past those challenges and turned the year around. By the end of our first semester, our grades were improved from last year's house GPA, and our reputation on campus continued to rise. Our participation in campus events and philanthropies was very strong this year, and every active member surpassed our community service requirements. Even with low membership numbers, Delta Sig maintains a commanding presence here at UI.

People often ask me why I joined Delta Sig. My family was hesitant to support my decision to participate in Rush Week after being accepted to the University of Idaho. All they knew about Greek Life was what they were shown in the media, and their perception of fraternities was fairly negative.

I went through recruitment coming into the Fall 2014 semester with a 2.7 GPA from High School, and next to no extracurricular involvement. I chose to sign a bid card with Delta Sigma Phi after talking to members, and seeing their passion for the chapter. During my pledgship, the members taught me what it meant to be a Better Man. They pushed me to strive for excellence and work diligently toward my goals. Since I went through initiation, I have held the titles of Rush Chair, Risk Manager, and Vice President. I am currently on the Dean's list, and I have a huge network of professional connections that have put me a step above most other college students. I owe it all to Delta Sig, and to the men who have come before me. I am in debt to this fraternity. We all are. Without Delta Sig, I wouldn't be on a path to success, and I will do everything in my power to ensure that our posterity has every opportunity that I received from our beloved establishment. Rest easy knowing that our efforts in cultivating Better Men is paying off, and that the word of YITBOS is not being diluted by individuals unworthy of the honor.

> Y.I.T.B.O.S. Devin Leatham



Delaney Fulton/Dream Girl Left to Right: Trevor Van-Dissel, Delaney Fulton, & Devin Leatham at Pi Beta Phi's Philanthropy.

Since joining the Executive Board in mid-March, I've had the honor to work on an extended team of brothers towards building a better future for Gamma Iota. We have a great executive board with eight new eager E-Board officers to build upon the past year of work, and a strong sense of duty. Yet building the brotherhood is a difficult, fulltime job. Without connection to our alumni base, their guidance, mentorship, and their experience, we won't accomplish the vision we've set. E-Board members are taking their roles and development as leaders seriously, learning the ins and outs of each position and working together to find creative solutions to



### TREASURY UPDATE

responsibility so far has consisted of truly understanding the poor financial state of the Chapter, and working to ensure a better future for Gamma Iota; a future where we keep our letters on our beloved Chapter house.

To ensure that better future, our entire Brotherhood is focused on keeping our beloved letters on our Chapter house, by making improvements to our operations, and the physical house for Fall 2016. We contracted for new, efficient commercial laundry equipment to reduce our operating cost, retiring our contract with the Hainsworth Laundry, which was a contract that Gamma Iota had been renewing in five-year periods since the original agreement in 1988. We've also transitioned to a new cooking service to further reduce operating cost in what is one of the largest Chapter costs. Greek House Chefs will debut as our selected cook service during Rush, offering a higher quality of food service than our previous private provider and with less cost, leveraging their size to offer efficiencies. We've cancelled our outdated financial service and have partnered with Legacy Financial (LegFi) with help from our Delta Sig National representative. This streamlined online platform facilitates collecting house bills and online donations for fundraising campaigns. Soon we'll implement a fully automated budget on Legfi, providing improved tracking of our income, expenses, and collecting outstanding member balances. These small changes will add up, but we're also undertaking the larger more complex projects that will improve our ability to recruit new members and gain momentum. This summer we've worked diligently with the Alumni Control Board (ACB) to fundraise for major physical plant remodel projects. We funded a major repair to the sundeck surface through our operating budget (which comes from member house bills). The previous sundeck issues were compounding in the dining room, which has had ongoing

structural issues for years due to poor initial construction and wear and tear. E-Board is excited to announce we'll be contracting the dining room remodel in the following weeks, with an estimated completion before formal Rush in August. A sincere thank you to all of our alumni brothers who have generously donated and invested their money and time; we're humbled that you trust us with your hard-earned resources and still feel a strong connection to the Chapter. Our vision isn't possible without continuity between the active members leading the Chapter, and the continued support of our alumni base.

To ensure our vision continues with leadership change, we've updated the E-Board election and transition process. Providing each brother a solid footing when they succeed us will ultimately provide the brotherhood a stable foundation to continually build upon. Beginning this past semester we elected the first Executive Board under our changed process where elections are held in the fall, and the officers transitioning in the spring. In addition, we're undertaking a detailed documentation process, building handbooks for each E-Board officer position. This was a collective decision of our members to adopt a best practice in use with most fraternities on campus, and one step towards a better future. I am so excited to see what else we can be achieve beyond our accomplishments throughout the past year. We've set high expectations for ourselves for Rush by recruiting a large enough pledge class to continue the Gamma Iota Brotherhood, and fund our future. We're incredibly excited to continue building the bond with our alumni brothers, and to be a part of something bigger, and to not be victims to a few low points in the Chapter's history. Thank you for your continued support!

Shelley DuRette/Parent Thomas Enwit and Corey McConkey at the Idaho Capital steps, holding the Bike to Boise donation check for our benafactors, the Hope House.

YITBOS Thomas Entwit

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## <u>Update Continued</u>

ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

- \$5269 most money raised by alumni in decades.
- 402 members on Facebook- increased by 50+ within a month
- 2 Gamma Eyes
- 1 Alumni event
- Delta Sig email list
- Instagram and Twitter accounts.
- Secure Electronic Account for donation

### THINGS TO COME

- Creation of Presidents Group
- Events in the works, brotherhood golf event, Hawks Game, Bowling, happy hours, Saturday social
- Regional Alumni ambassadors

If anyone has any questions, need clarification about our fundraising efforts, or want to provide us with your information please feel free to contact send an email to dspgammaiota1@ gmail.com

## A YITBOS and THANK YOU to everyone, Mil DeSilva or Eric Pickett.

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## ALL GAMMA IOTA PRESIDENTS

By: Eric Pickett Gamma Iota Chapter Presidents Group. Our ACB President Beau Brazier has requested that we form this group as part of our overall fundraising effort and also to combine some of our best leaders to focus on the immediate and long terms needs of the chapter. To date 13 of our brothers have accepted the challenge with dozens more yet to respond. We are looking forward to the wise counsel to come from this group.



# <u>INTEL FROM ACB</u>

First Annual Alumni Corn Hole Tournament



Mill DeSilva/Alumni

Listed From Left to Right Alumni Bottom and Middle Rows Bottom: Sean (Paris) Foster, Bryan Stokes, John Shriver, Beau Brazier, Luke Fulkerson, Dave Rickard, Juan Horvath, Sam Mauk

Middle: Max Abel, Aaron Wu, Alex Donnelley, Mil DeSilva, Andrew Yates, Mike Guho, Justin Fullmer

Top: Name, Nick Fuller, Roman Carlson, Thomas Entwit, Johnny Shields, Devin Leatham, Joe Uberuaga, Michael Bivens

By: Mill DeSilva

The first Alumni Cornhole Tourney we had was a great turn out. We had 15 alumni and 9 current members show up. Some of the current members made a day trip out of it. The years ranged from 1980-2016. The weather was slightly on the wet side, but the quote of the day came from an alumni "Since when did we let a little rain

stop us from having fun. Anyone ever been to dry a Sailors Ball?" With that in mind everyone attempted the pursuit of the first ever cornhole championship, taken by Mike Guho and Bryan Stokes. Young and Alumni were able to remanence and history and a better understanding of Delta Sigma Phi brotherhood across the ages was developed.

## A Special Thanks To...

### OUR ALUMNI DONORS

We give the thanks to all the alumni who have showed their support they have shown to all of us undergraduate brothers. This last year was a rough one but our future looks good with all of the donations we have recieveid so far this summer. We will be able to do some much needed work to our decaying dining room, hopefully enough to get It has taken a much less time to get this newsletter out, and we hope to keep them quarterly from now on.. For Family, For Life Long Friendships, and For the Best Brothers we could ask for, THANK YOU.

## STAY INFORMED! WEBSITE UPDATE

### <u>vvEDSITE</u>

By: Nick Fuller

We now have a fully re-designed Delta Sigma Phi website. I used my knowledge of technology to create a completely responsive design for the website, meaning when you open our website on your phone or on your computer, the website will scale appropriately to fit the size of the screen. The website features a new blog on the homepage of that will display new and current events. It is also being optimized to try to maximize our page ranking with google so that we will soon be on the first search page when you look up Delta Sigma Phi. Have a look at the new website here:

Mill DeSilva/Alumni

First annual alumni cornhole tournament champions. Featuring first, second, and third place teams.



Names of donors are in alphabetical order.

Max Abel (PC 2010), Tony Agenbroad (PC 2010), Cody Butler (PC 2008), Jake Carlson (PC 2009), Kerry S. Carney, Keith Crocker (PC 1979, Mil DeSilva (PC 2004), David Doucette (PC 1981), Sean Foster (PC 2007), Mark Harris, John Heffner (PC 1981), Chris Lokken (PC 2005), Jason Meunier (PC 1998), Larry Moyer, Eric Pickett (PC 1978), Martin Presnell, Mathew Reifer (PC 1980), Jeff Sakoi (PC 1978), Christopher Satre (PC 2008), L.J. Shriver (PC 1980), Eric Stoddard (PC 1977), Bryan M. Stokes (PC 2006), Randy Terashima (PC 1979), Steven Virtue (PC 1974), John Windju (Snap 1988), Aaron Wolfe, Aaron Wu (PC 2011)

### http://www.deltasigvandals.org/

Any comments or recommendations for changes are welcome.



## THE RENO - THE BIG PROJECT A COSMETIC RE-MODEL FOR SUSTAINABILITY OF MEMBERSHIP

By: Devin Leatham

We have split the cosmetic improvement projects into four separate packages so that the renovation process can be a bit more manageable and adapted to a long term strategy. The packages and the projects contained within them are ranked in order of their importance, based off of the level of impact that each project would have. All project proposals have been established with frugality being a major factor.

### **ITEM ONE: THE DINNING ROOOM**

### WHAT THE UNDERGRAD BROTHERS WILL DO:

- Remove all existing furniture
- Remove all ceiling tiles
- Dispose of all garbage and clean area
- Remove existing Peacocks & Kitchen Doors
- Sand down entire floor
- 40 grit, followed by 120 grit

#### WHAT THE CONTRACTORS PURPOSED:

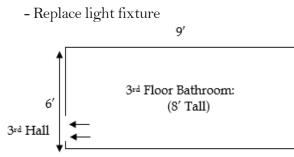
- Rewire ceiling for 30 new can lights (LED?)
- Tear out existing casings excluding existing wains coatings
- Refurbish hardwood floor throughout entire room
- Replace both sets of existing hardwood with new S.C. doors
- Doors to kitchen to be spring loaded dual hinge for safety going in and out of kitchen
- Hang, tape, texture new drywall ceiling
- Re-trim and paint
- 2 Custom serving tables: 1 at 14'x3' and 1 at 8'x3' both with drawers for length of tables.
- Deck of tables to be 12"x12" granite with matching wood self-edge

SUMMATION OF ITEM ONE: This is the first item in package one to be completed. This means that the in house members have determined it is the area of the house that needs to be renovated the most. The reason for this is because it is simply the largest eyesore in the house. The leak in the ceiling has caused a lot of the ceiling tiles to rot and fall, and it has caused six of the eight florescent lights to go out. The floors are damaged from traffic, moving tables and chairs, as well as several half-hearted repair attempts. I will try to provide some pictures that do this monstrosity justice.

### **ITEM TWO: THE BATHROOMS SECOND FLOOR BATHROOM:**

### WHAT THE CONTRACTORS PURPOSE TO DO:

- Remove Sink, toilet, urinal
- Grind and refloat walls and ceiling
- Texture and paint
- New divider for Urinal



### **BASEMENT FLOOR BATHROOM:**

WHAT THE UNDERGRAD BROTHERS WILL DO:

- Remove Sink
- Remove document Cabinet

WHAT THE CONTRACTORS PURPOSE TO DO:

- Grind walls, re-float imperial coating, texture
- New flooring
- Trim, casings, and baseboard
- New light fixture

SUMMATION OF ITEM TWO: The bathrooms have been grouped together to form the 2nd project in order of importance. The reason behind this is that while other improvement projects in the house can be performed by undergraduates and people without experience in renovation, aspects of this project are beyond the scope of most 18-22 year olds. The condition of our bathrooms is something that cannot be fixed simply by a deep clean. We have had a lot of problems to certain fixtures in the house (i.e. toilets that won't reliably flush, sinks that leak, and faucets with valve issues). The odor in 2nd head is permanent as it comes from cracks in the floor that absorbed overflowing water from the urinal. And we currently don't have doors on the front of the stalls. Basement head has had problems with mold on the wall next to the toilet which can be repaired by grinding and refloating. We have excluded girls head because it is in relatively good condition. We know that having good bathrooms is not a huge attraction for a potential new member but the bathrooms we have now are a huge deterrence.

### **ITEM THREE: FLOORING Second & Third Floor:**

### WHAT THE UNDERGRAD BROTHERS WILL DO:

- Remove and dispose of all existing flooring. - Scraping and sanding to our best judgment. - Dispose of waist.
- WHAT THE CONTRACTORS PURPOSE TO DO:

- 4. High Quality Laminate using latex sealing on joints to create water resistance
- 5. New Baseboards
- \*\*\* SUGGESTED \*\*\*
  - Refinishing the stone flooring in the peacocks through an acid treatment and re-grout.

SUMMATION OF ITEM THREE: This is the 3rd item on the list because poor condition of the carpet in the common areas of the house gives the house an overall dirty feeling. Shampooing the carpets helps but the wear is too severe to restore them to an adequate state. The flooring will be a major component in improving the overall quality of the house.

#### **ITEM FOUR: DOORS & DOORFRAMES**

#### WHAT THE UNDERGRAD BROTHERS WILL DO:

- Remove existing Door, and Dispose of them
- Remove existing messed up door frames
  - Because of continuous fixing door, adjusting location for the hinges, almost all doorframes and trim need to go.

#### WHAT THE CONTRACTORS PURPOSE TO DO:

- Doing a uniformed and properly trimmed door jamb
- Installing Solid core interior doors to be used

SUMMATION OF ITEM FOUR: This is the 4th item on the list because nearly every door in the house is a different size or has been jammed improperly. The type of door, trim, door handle, and threshold is different for nearly every door in the house which makes replacing them extremely difficult. Hollow core doors would be cheaper, but the ones we installed during work week all have cracks or holes in them now from moving furniture, leaning against them, even shutting/opening them roughly. Missing or broken doors make our home look ragged and in disrepair.

### **ITEM FIVE: SLEEPING PORCH**

- WHAT THE UNDERGRAD BROTHERS WILL DO:
  - Remove all existing furniture on the porch
  - Remove all staples from the floors, walls, and ceiling.
  - Sand down the darken areas on the porch flooring.

### WHAT THE CONTRACTORS PURPOSE TO DO:

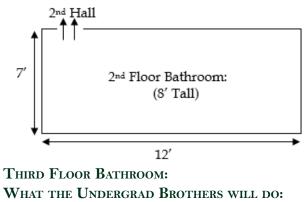
- Refinishing floors Sanding and sealing
- Install Trim, casings, and baseboards
- Walls will not be refinished, but will be

#### What the Undergrad Brothers will do:

- Removal of light fixtures, flooring, mirror, stalls, and sink/cabinet

### What the Contractors Purpose to do:

- New stalls installed with space underneath to mop and sweep
- New sink and urinal, leaving existing toilets in place
- New single sink, vanity, and flooring



- Remove existing urinal divider

- Finish cleaning up floors, and lay new carpet
- Preferably carpet squares so we can replace worn-out squares in the center without replacing the low trafficked squares on the edges

### **STAIRS FLOORING:**

### WHAT THE UNDERGRAD BROTHERS WILL DO:

- Remove all existing flooring, Dispose of it, and scrape and sand below flooring as needed.

### WHAT THE CONTRACTORS PURPOSE TO DO:

- New Carpet in turret stairway including landings
- 1st landing in turret stairway to be rebuilt due to water damage \*\*\* AFOREMENTIONED \*\*\*

- 1. Dining Room Flooring to be refinished
- 2. Bathroom Flooring replaced (2nd, 3rd, and basement)
- 3. Basement

#### repainted

SUMMATION OF ITEM FIVE: This is the 5th item on our list because a sleeping porch is an area of high scrutiny for freshmen coming in for recruitment. That area serves essentially as the bedroom for freshmen, as well as sophomores. The area is not necessarily in poor condition, but should be refurbished as it is a big selling point to the freshmen.

### SIDE NOTE:

Keep in mind that we are not neglecting the house by letting these issues get this bad. A lot of these issues stem from undergrads doing what they could to improve a certain aspect of the house, but lacking the know-how, tools, resources, or funding. With our numbers as low as they are we do not have the funds to repair the house through our own means, which is the reason we have looked to alumni donations to subsidize the process.

## THE RENO - THE LITTLE PROJECTS PROJECTS COMPLETED AND IN PROGRESS





Delta Sigma Phi has been a project ground like no other. So far we have started and in the midst of all the projects you can see here. We have been deep cleaning everyting with a special focus on the kitchen, for the new cook service we hired to come in August 22nd. We have also been working on yard maintenance to maintain the surroundings of the house, keeping our grass greener for rush and to add curb apeal to the Pyramid for when rush week comes. Thanks to our

alumni, and our hard work, we will be getting everthing we hoped for finished up before work week, so we can keep a focus on decorating at that time.





# BOY TURNS INTO MAN

"AAAAYY - A man be a very fine man, a very fine man may be (Say What?). But a finer man he's sure to become if he joins a faternity (Hell Ya!). He may past the test of the second, but the very best say I-I-I, and wear a'pon there chest, The Emblem of Delta Sigma Phi (Boom Boom). The Emblem of Delta Sigma Phi (Boom Boom)." - Gamma Iota

### <u>Alumni Spotlight</u>

By: Mill DeSilva

**T**his weeks Alumni Spotlight, a new/old colum we have chosen to bring back to life, is on:

By: Corey McConkey

evin Leatham has been selected as this quarter's Undergrad Spotlight, not only for his exceptional performance as an executive board member, but also because of his unmatched dedication to the house's progression, be it cosmetically or recruitment-wise. A member of PC '14, Devin came to the University of Idaho from his hometown of Idaho Falls to study Sociology at the beginning of Fall 2014. During his freshman year, Devin was a standout pledge and member, taking on the responsibilities of Recruitment Chair, landing a place on Executive Board as Risk Manager, and at the end of the year receiving the Pledge of the Year award. During his run as recruitment chair during summer 2015, he personally met with over 70 recent high school graduates. Throughout his sophomore year Devin continued his efforts to better himself along with the Fraternity. Towards the end of his term as recruitment chair he was offered the opportunity to fly to Brookston, Indiana and attend the annual Bruce J. Loewenberg Summit, a three-day training program for recruitment chairs and new member educators. Although he had a fear of flying in planes and had successfully avoided them until that point, he decided to overcome his fear in order to take advantage of such an incredible opportunity. As an Executive Board member, Devin has always gone above and beyond what was expected of him as well as picking up the slack of others when needed. In the most recent elections,

### <u>Undegraduate Spotlight</u>

Devin was elected Vice-President, earning another well-deserved term on E-Board. Because of his dedication and hard work, at this year's award ceremony he was named Man of the Year.

Thomas Entwit/ Editor

As a result of his constant dedication and progressive vision for the house, he is a trusted and well-respected voice among undergrad and alumni members. Although he is well respected and diligent, it would be inaccurate to define Devin as someone who is always serious. In fact, he is one of the most hilarious people I've ever met and just like many great Gamma Iota men before him, he knows how to have a great f\*\*\*ing time. I won't go into any detail in order to keep it PG but let's just say there's a reason he's called the "Sauce Boss". One of my favorite things about Devin is his ability to provide comedic relief when a problem occurs while simultaneously doing what he can to fix the problem. Devin Leatham is someone who constantly strives to better himself, while pushing the people around him to do the same. Someone you can count on to help you no matter what the situation is. Someone who cares deeply about Delta Sigma Phi and shows it through their everyday actions. Someone who can find the positive in most situations. Someone who is willing to work hard to achieve what they want. Someone many describe as an incredible friend. And someone I'm extremely proud to call my brother.

#### Shanaka DeSilva Age 26 PC 08

Shanaka DeSilva, an alumni of Delta Sigma Phi, finds himself on a new journey in Seattle, WA. The move to Seattle comes via his new opportunity with Amazon as financial analyst of their fixed assets. He and his dog Biggie will be living together with his pledge brother Sheridan Shayne. They are welcomed to Seattle by many of the Delta Sigs who currently live in the area.

Majoring in accounting and minor commnications studies, he received both his B.S in Business Studies and Master of Accountancy from University of Idaho. He graduated with a GPA average of 3.8 between both programs. He spent the last 3 years working for Deloitte and Touche (one of the Big Four accounting firms) where he raised to the ranks of Senior Auditor.

An outstanding Cheers to Shanaka DeSilva for representing the values of Delta Sig.

## ORIGINALITY CONTINUES

<u>Bike to Boise 2016</u>



Shelley DuRette / Parent

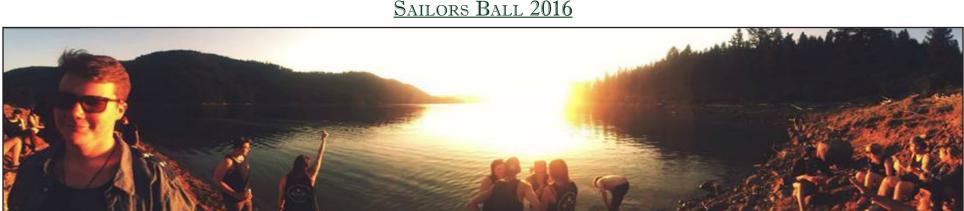
Delta Sigma Phi on the steps of the Boise Capitol Building with kids of The Hope House, our benifactor chosen by the chapters brothers this year. Thanks to the parents and press that was there for the check presentation, this is just one of the many photos taken on the steps with these amazing kids.

By: Joshua Bright

**B** ike to Boise in April of 2016 was an even larger success than the prior year and with less members. The 31 active brothers of Delta Sigma Phi the Gamma Iota chapter were able to raise \$4,250 for the Hope House, before the ceremony. Even more donations came pouring in at the alumni dinner held later in the evening the day of the ceremony, upwards of \$1,600. The

grand total of donations to the Hope House came out to nearly \$6,000, almost one grand more than the prior year. As Philanthropy chair for the term and chairman in charge of coordinating the Bike to Boise event, I had the pleasure of learning the behind the scenes work of our philanthropy. The deadlines were often times stressful to mesh with work and my school schedule and on top of

that, I'm not a huge fan of heckling brothers for money constantly. After experiencing the hours of hard work and amount of dedication spent to organizing Bike to Boise in conjunction with school and work, I believe next year this would be a more fit as a two-man job. However, the end payoff was worth the effort every member put into donating and braving the 300 mile ride.



Delta Sigma Phi Facebook Page

In 2013, Gamma Iota was very fortunate to find a suitably majestic camping spot located at Dworshak Reservoir positioned right on the lake. It has ever since been the setting in which we bask in the magic of Sailors Ball.Tyler Delay is taking in the view of the campsight on Sailors Ball 2016 when the true view is behind his head.

By: Tyler Delay

**The** popular question right around this time is "what're you doing now?" My best answer may be: "Well, right now I'm landscaping and have yet to use my degree, thanks."

tively attack the post-grad blues than to

Vandal undergrad and embrace what was next. The entire even would take pages to describe because it's like a dream, but there was a moment following the award ceremony (dream girl, man of the year, etc.) when I was standing back away from the crowd gathered under our shelter, dancing the night away, and I thought, "there are a ton of people here and I know all of them. Every single one." The support that Delta Sigma Phi has now goes unmatched and those who stand by our chapter are there because we rock. The men at 503 University Avenue know how to treat people and they know how to get things done. I look forward to seeing what the men can accomplish and am excited to be on the alumni side now to help in any way that I can.

B.S., I always thought that the college experience was about answering life's biggest questions and not being buried by more demanding ones. Never have I spent more time reflecting on my life and wondering "what the hell am I supposed to do now?" than I have since graduation. I spent my last semester as an undergrad with my folks in Nampa because I needed to fulfill my student teacher requirements to get the good ol' degree. Being away from Moscow only made graduating more sour because I was unable to participate in things like Bike to Boise, Carnation, lady's night at the Corner Club, and initiation. So I decided that there wasn't a better way to preemp-

drive to Moscow for one last Sailor's Ball. I anticipated the questions: "what've you been up to, man?" or "how's teaching going?" What I wasn't prepared for was: "how does it feel to be on your LAST Sailor's Ball?" OUCH. Who said this was my last Sailor's? Gawlee, I'm certain I heard that one at least a dozen times and it made me feel... old. I was more than ready to be done with school but nowhere near prepared to say goodbye to my friends, community and home in Moscow. However, I cannot say enough about how reassuring it is to see that the house I presided, slaved, and bled over is now in the hands of "better" men, as it should be. For the five years I've attended, Sailor's has been a camping trip to wrap up the semester and it acts as a last hoorah for those graduating. This year was my turn to accept the end of my era as an invincible

Cheers to the house and the big, bad triangle.

## THE CONCLUSION TO A GREAT YEAR Apparel Of 2016



**his** year, the Delta Sigma Phi, Gamma Iota Chapter, was really wanting to set the tone and have the best looking gear out on the Unviversity of Idaho's Campus. With the great resources of Cooper Berg's fauther, Canary LLC designed some of the sickest gear

out on the block. It was some fashion definitely no other fraternity or chapter of Delta Sigma Phi that we know of could match. Shown above and below are the majority of our appearl from the 2015-2016 School year. And a Special thanks goes out to Mr. Andy Berg for helping us "steal"

#### Cooper Berg/Canary LLC

the cheapest gear on greek row, while still having the most fashionable gear on the block. All of these designs were original and Cooper Berg was the man who helped desgin every last one of them besides our Bike to Boise shirt, which was made by Corey McConkey.



**C tarting** on the top of the three rows we Nhave from left to right: Our Moms Weekend Shirt, front and back, with a close up of the logo on the end of the top row then our Sailors Ball Jackets are Second, and finaly on the bottem of the far right of the top row

Sweetshirt's Logo. On the second row you will see our front and back of our rush jersy that we went with this year. Second on the second row you will see our Dads Weekend Sweat Shirt with bottle opener in the pocket (not shown in picture) and on the end of the

the bottem row you will find first our designs and for the bottom row. Then our Bike to Boise Design and our Sponsors (back of shirt), to the right of the shirt. And finaly the last shirt you will see is our carnation shirt for our dates with our formal shirt not depicted but the same

you will see a close up of our Dad's Weekend middle row is our Sailors Ball Tanks. Now On design was used on the pocket of a button up



# THE CONCLUSION TO A GREAT YEAR

### FINALLY

### A Letter From our Rush Chairs

#### By: Johnny Shields

Cummer Recruitment is going on right  $\mathcal{O}$ now, and every day our Rush Chairman in Boise, Johnny Shields, is striving to make connections with prospective University of Idaho students. Our first Recruitment event. Delta Sig Dunk-ball, went well with a turnout of 3 potential new members as well as our current ACB President Beau Brazier who demonstrated that our Alumni are staying actively involved with our Under Grad members. This July we will be hosting two barbecues and we welcome any Alumni to attend or contribute to the events. The first barbecue will be held July 2nd, from 5-9PM at Camel's Back Park in Boise. The second will be held July 16th, from 5-9PM at Settler's Park in Meridian to get a more central location for Potential Members

outside of Boise. Johnny would like to encourage any Graduated members available to attend these events and contact him if they can contribute with food items, but also to come and represent the greater culture we share as Brothers of the Gamma Iota Chapter and the longstanding relationships potential members can create as Delta Sigs.

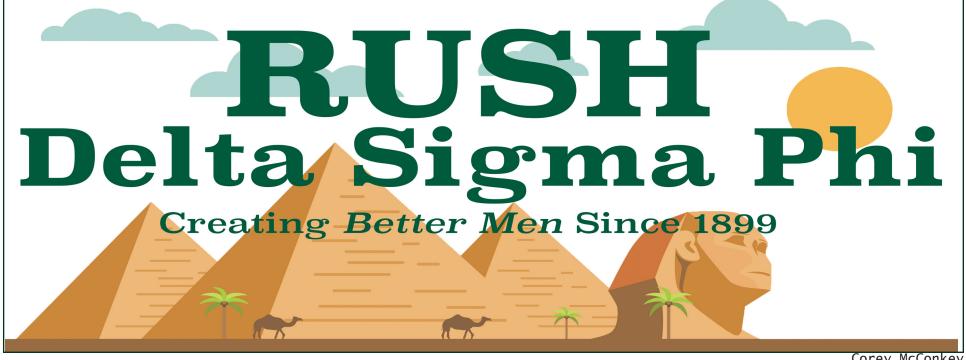
Our Rush Chairman Trevor Van Dissel, is working on much of the logistics and strategic plans we have for Fall Rush 2016 which begins on August 10th. As always the active members will work towards creating personal connections with potential new members and sell the character that our chapter holds, wielding our Motto "Better Men. Better Lives." Projected events during rush week

include Laser tag in the Pyramid, as well as catering from a local Grub truck in Moscow. Recruitment week will be concluded August 15th with our annual Bid-Day Campout where we get to know our new Pledges before school begins.

Any further contributions Alumni can make to recruitment are greatly welcomed by our Rush Chairmen Johnny Shields and Trevor Van Dissel.

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Corey McConkey

The most updated and recent design for our new rush banner updating the old 1980's style banner we currently still use. We hope to order it soon. Desgined by our very own brother, Corey McConkey.

## YEAR ENDING AWARDS

### WHAT WE'VE ALL BEEN WAITING FOR

Man of the Year - Devin Leatham

Most Improved Room - Country Club (Thomas Entwit & Corey McConkey)

Pledge of the Year – Chad Rosenkrance

Pledge Scholar of the Year - Michael Bivens

Scholar of the Year – Ty Urquhart

Out of House of the Year - Dom Perez

Dream Girl (2016-2017) – Cait Bowyer