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Alpha Delta Gamma National Fraternity

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National Council Update:

- The Council met in Orlando Florida Martin Luther King weekend. Meetings were terrific and many ideas about the future were discussed. At least one representative hopes to make it to every chapter at some point this school year. If you did not receive a visit last semester, the hope is to visit this semester.

Convention Notes:

When: August 12-15, 2009

Where: Milwaukee, Wisconsin

Cost: Delegate Fees are \$150 with an Early Bird Discount of \$125 if paid before May 1, 2009

www.adgconvention.com/convention

The Baby Boom of Alpha Delta Gamma

Alpha Delta Gamma is experiencing a major boom that many people have not seen in recent years. As new chapters are established, the amount of men who get to be a part of the greatest brotherhood there is grows. However, it is not just through new chapters that we gain new brothers. The new brothers stem from our current actives and their abilities to recruit these worthy men. Amazingly certain chapters have always been great at recruiting and gaining substantial amount of men. Lambda Chapter consistently brings in about twenty new brothers a year. Kudos to you guys on your consistent success. More amazing than the consistency of Lambda Chapter is the big boom from other chapters.

This past semester, Alpha Delta Gamma grew like it has been seeking to for so many

years. Across the nation chapters were making substantial increases in their chapter sizes through recruitment. Alpha Chapter pinned six, Beta Chapter pinned nineteen, Zeta Chapter pinned two, Kappa Chapter pinned seven, Xi Chapter pinned three, Rho Chapter pinned five, Psi Chapter pinned eighteen, and Alpha Epsilon Chapter pinned four. These numbers are absolutely terrific. If we combine these with the success at other chapters, like Zeta Chapter last year (eleven), we are hitting our "Baby Boom."

The National Council is taking note of how well each of the chapters are doing in this department. The hard work and dedication of the actives does not go unnoticed. As a council, we encourage each chapter that needs advice with recruitment to contact another chapter that has ei-

ther flourished recruitment success and for those that have flourished to contact chapters that have been struggling. We are all in this together and every chapter wants to see every other chapter succeed and prosper. Good luck in your continued recruitment; 24-7-365!



Convention 2009 - Milwaukee, Wisconsin

2009 marks the 85th year of Alpha Delta Gamma National Fraternity. As brothers, we are always celebrating our existence and thanking the men who came before us.

On August 12-15, 2009 Wayne S. Palmer-ball will be hosting the National Convention in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. This marks a very special time in the minds and hearts of many brothers as Wayne has been so influential for all of us for so long. He has wanted to host a Convention in Milwaukee for years and

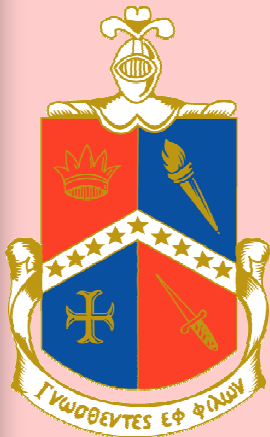
now that dream is becoming a reality.

Possible activities for this year's convention: Many brothers from chapters that have defunct over the years in attendance, attempt at the largest congregation of alumni ever, Brewers game at Miller Park, tour of Miller Brewery, a trip to St. Josephat Basilica (the Basilica to which Harry Quadracci (Iota) donated \$4,000,000 for the renovation), an ADGEF alumni barbecue at my house, a visit to Marquette Univer-

sity (past home of PI Chapter), a trip to Bradford Beach (yes, Milwaukee has an amazing beach in summer), and of course.. Irish Fest, the largest Irish Festival in America.

Also, Wayne will have on display all of his ADG history paraphernalia, brothers bringing paraphernalia from their chapters, and the new History Book.

It is obvious that Wayne has really pulled out all the stops for this great 85th Celebration.



“This is your fraternity, too; never forget that.”

Active Spotlight—Gregory Michael Carr

Born: September 2, 1988

From: Los Angeles, California

Pledged: Lambda Chapter in Spring 2007

Pledge Father: Kevin Entzminger

Year in School: Junior

Chapter Position: Vice President of Internal Affairs

College Major: Studio Arts: - Multi-media Design Motion Emphasis

Career Goals: Web Designer, Web Animation, Graphic Designer

Favorite ADG Memory: The fun, wild, and never forgetful trips to Mexico for the Chapter Formals.

President’s Address

Brothers,

It seems hard to believe that a semester has gone by already. Perhaps that is a cliché, but it still rings true. I suppose I should say that these past few months have been chaotic and busy, which is true. The other truth, though, is that in the past few months, we have been all over the country witnessing Alphas making great strides. True, there have been some setbacks, but overall, I am happy to report that the overall health of the fraternity is quite good.

I sincerely hope that your holidays were as fruitful and blessed as mine. It seems as if the season is over just as soon as it began, and the next thing we know, the Spring semester has started up again. Keep in mind, though, that we often profess to keep the season with us throughout the year. I challenge everyone to do so for the rest of 2009. While the economic outlook of our country looks bleak, the news is not all

grim. Keep your heads above the water, and I guarantee you we will all prevail until things turn around again. In the meantime, I have some good news to share.

Beta and Psi both saw incredible numbers this past Fall; be sure to pick their brains as to what was working so well for them.

York Colony has completed all but one of the Milestones required for active membership; tell your chapter presidents to keep an eye out for the e-mail entreating your chapter to vote on their chapter status!

Plans have been progressing very well and we are looking forward to seeing the first ever Spring Leadership Conference in February in Washington, DC from the 20th through the 22nd. If you have not yet made your plans, be sure and do so now!

The Council has made about half of the chapter visits last semester, so if we have not

yet had the pleasure of seeing you at your school, be on the lookout; we are on the way!

Thank you also to everyone for all of your hard work thus far. ADG would not thrive without efforts on all fronts, not just from the Council, but from the alumni and actives. This is your fraternity, too; never forget that. Take ownership in it, treat it with respect and pride, help it to flourish, and above all, keep your brothers in mind at all times.

Ad Dei Gloriam

Fraternally,

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Alumnus Spotlight—Frank Michael Bonadonna

Born : August 30, 1983

From: Shirley, New York

Pledged: Kappa Chapter in Fall of 2003

Pledge Father : Timothy Baker

College Major: Double Major in Philosophy (pre-law) and Politics (pre-law)

Career: Special Agent, U.S. Department of Commerce, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

Future Career Plans: May pursue other opportunities in Federal Law Enforcement

Lives: Juneau, Alaska

Favorite ADG Memory: Traveling from Kappa Chapter in Washington D.C. to Rho Chapter in Northern Kentucky for the Spring Leadership Conference in 2004. Spending an eighteen hour round trip in a van with 8 brothers, and sharing a hotel room with even more is an experience that will never be forgotten. We had the opportunity to meet brothers from other chapters like Guillermo Aguero and Caleb Finch, whom we had never even heard of before and based upon our mutual faith and beliefs in fraternalism, began friendships that exist to this day.



Alpha Epsilon Chapter Update by: Curt Ellison EVP of Alpha Epsilon

Alpha Delta Gamma's newest chapter, located down in La-Grange, Georgia, has many exciting things happening this upcoming semester. Not only are two new fundraising events taking place, but this spring is sure to promise many fulfillments to the Five S's that our brotherhood holds dear.

Our first and primary fundraiser is a "battle of the bands" type event featuring numerous local bands. We are in the process of planning this event now and hope to have the show sometime in March. Not only will the revenue financially assist our chapter, but we will also donate some of the funds to Habitat for Humanity—our philanthropy. The second fundraiser we are planning is

a "taste of the town" event, where multiple restaurants and shops will come to the college and give away free samples to those who purchase tickets. We hope these two events will bring money to our chapter, and further expand our reputation on campus.

Alpha Epsilon chapter also has spring rush coming up, during the week of February 9th. We have many probable candidates, and are ready to expand the personnel of our chapter. The success of our recent theme parties has brought much positive attention to our fraternity. Our upcoming parties this spring includes: Rockers and Roadies, White Trash Bash, and Margaritaville. Last year our Margaritaville

party was without a doubt the most vivacious party on campus.

In addition to our social agenda, our brotherhood also meets once every two weeks for "brother night". These nights usually include the fraternity going out to eat at a restaurant, and having good times as a brotherhood. Hopefully this semester will create a stronger, and more close-knit group of men within Alpha Epsilon chapter.

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**Alpha Delta Gamma
National Fraternity**

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brother is like a city walled."*

Alpha Delta Gamma National Prayer

*O, Eternal Father, in whose love all men are brothers,
bless our Fraternity. Establish in our hearts the virtues of
sacred honor, faith-inspired courage, loyal fidelity to the
ideals of brotherly helpfulness within this fraternity, and
organized helpfulness to the world of men around us.*

*Strengthen our devotion to these sacred ideals through
mutual encouragement and good example. Help us to
learn the fundamental truth of our holy that a brother
who is helped by a brother is like a city walled.*

*In a world which is torn apart by fraternal strife, make us
a holy and powerful influence through peace and union of
hearts, so that we may become, in the eyes of men about
us, a living embodiment of the truth that Christ came to
teach: That they all may be one, as Thou, Father, in Me
and I in Thee, that they all may be one in Us.*

Through Christ Our Lord, Amen

