

## A Commitment to Beta Tau Excellence: Honoring Our Past ~ Securing Our Future

### CONSTRUCTION BEGINS—JOIN DELT'S EFFORTS TODAY

#### WORK BEGINS AT THE SHELTER

The action is starting at 715 N. 16th Street, with Phase 1 of the construction project well underway. Demolition has been completed on the third floor and the west half of the second floor, and the new suite-styled rooms are beginning to take shape. It is remarkable for both undergraduates and alumni to see the changes at the Shelter. With work progressing, you can clearly see the impact that each donated dollar is having. The labor, equipment, and materials that are transforming the Shelter are possible because of your financial support.

#### TOUR THE CONSTRUCTION SITE—APRIL 14TH, 2012

While the photos in this letter give a glimpse into the progress that is being made, we invite you to visit the Shelter yourself for a guided tour on Saturday, April 14 immediately before the Red-White spring football game. While the game time has yet to be announced, tours will be taking place during the two-hour window prior to kick-off. For example, if kick-off is set for 1 p.m., the tours will run from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

#### SPIRIT OF GIVING AMONG ALUMNI

There is a culture of generosity steeply engrained in our alumni base. Indeed, it is this culture of giving back that has helped Beta Tau become what is today—a leader of men at the University of Nebraska – Lincoln, and a standard-bearer among the nearly 125 Delt Chapters across the Nation. From the recent graduate who stretched his budget to pledge \$1,000, to our lead donors making six-figure gifts, the contributions have been numerous and varied. However, one thing is clear—all of the support is extremely meaningful, with each alumni giving back in their own way. Seeing our alumni rally behind this project has been truly awe-inspiring. You

fully met the challenge put forth by two of our generous alumni last fall in connection with the 2 to 1 matching program. With this progress, we have raised \$1,266,526 to date for the Shelter's necessary renovations and are only \$233,474 from our \$1.5 million fundraising goal.

#### THE NEED HAS NEVER BEEN GREATER

Now, more than ever, it is clear that completion of the project and long-term financial viability of Beta Tau hinge on fully achieving our fundraising goal. With construction under way, we are encountering new and unexpected issues that continue to increase the overall cost of the project. For example, the removal of the old flooring revealed additional asbestos that must be abated, and the fire marshal is requiring that the house's fire alarm system be completely replaced. These are necessary improvements that will no doubt improve the overall long-term health and safety of the undergraduates. However, these added costs increase the risk that we will have to compromise on other highly desirable aspects of the project if we do not fully meet our fundraising goal.

#### OPPORTUNITIES STILL REMAIN

If you have not made a contribution or pledge to this momentous project, we urge you to do so at this time. If you have already made a pledge, please consider stretching your commitment by adding an extra year. Simply indicate your support by filling out the enclosed pledge form. You can help us complete this project and ensure the future for generations of Delt brothers.

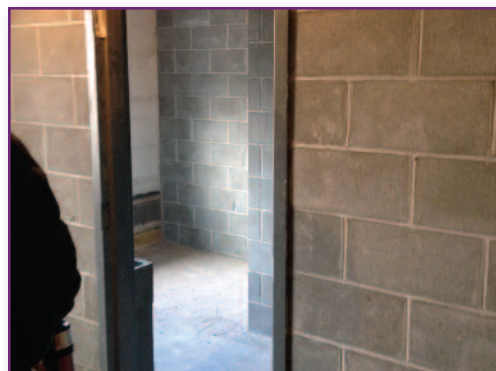
Fraternally,  
**Alex Wolf '00**  
House Corporation President  
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*All of the walls and ceilings in Sophomore Hall have been removed to make room for new suite-style units, fire sprinklers, and central heat and air conditioning.*



*Masonry work progresses on the third floor for the suite-styled rooms. Many projects remain and your gift will help to see this renovation through to the end.*



*This view from the main room of a new suite looks into one of the private bedrooms. The concrete block walls promote durability, sound insulation, and fire-safety.*

## Alumnus Never Imagined How Influential Beta Tau Experience Would Be

### Donor Testimonial—Rob Downing '86



**Rob Downing '86** always knew he wanted to be in a fraternity, and once he met the brothers of Beta Tau during recruitment, he knew it was where he belonged. As a Delt, Rob expected he would make friends and become more involved on campus, but he never predicted just how much the experience would influence his life.

“My fraternity experience was invaluable,” Rob said. “I did not realize at the time how important it was or the impact it would have on me even as an adult. I can relate with so many things that happened during my experience and apply them today in my everyday life.”

Because Rob's experience helped shape the man he is today, he feels it's important to give back to Beta Tau so that future brothers can have the same opportunities he had.

“I owe the fraternity a lot more than I could ever afford to support it financially,” Rob said. “Supporting the fraternity, particularly the Beta Tau house campaign, ensures that we can provide a solid collegiate fraternal experience to future members and keep the vitality of our chapter on campus alive.”

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## 2012 Upcoming Events

Shelter Construction Tour  
Saturday, April 14

Two hours prior to the Red-White Spring Game  
See the progress that has been made and  
what is coming next.

RSVP to [nebraskadelts@gmail.com](mailto:nebraskadelts@gmail.com)

Alumni Golf Outing  
Saturday, May 12 - 11 a.m.  
Tiburon Golf Club  
Omaha, Nebraska

RSVP to [nebraskadelts@gmail.com](mailto:nebraskadelts@gmail.com)

Annual Alumni Weekend  
And House Rededication  
September 28-29  
Nebraska vs. Wisconsin

# THANK YOU, LOYAL BROTHERS, FOR CONTRIBUTING \$1,266,526

We are deeply grateful to the brothers who have pledged \$1,266,526 to A Commitment to Beta Tau Excellence: Honoring Our Past ~ Securing Our Future. Below you will find a listing of donors by initiation year. If a year is not listed, we have not received a commitment from anyone in that class.

How many donors does your class have? Reconnect with your brothers and work to see every member of your class on this list. All donors contributing a minimum of \$1,000 will be recognized on a plaque to be displayed in the Shelter. If an error has been made in recording your gift, we sincerely apologize. Please contact our campaign coordinator with corrections at (785) 843-1661.

**1942**  
Warren E. Van Norman

**1943**  
J. W. Purtzer

**1947**  
Paul F. Engler  
Charles L. Tremain

**1948**  
Melvin B. Engler  
Harold H. Hatch Jr.

**1950**  
Tito Millan  
John T. Warren

**1951**  
Robert E. Decker  
Robert W. Hasebroock  
Gene E. Lightner

**1952**  
Fred E. Allen  
Brien E. Hendrickson  
David C. Olson  
George W. Regan  
Ted Simonson

**1953**  
Ronald W. Danek  
Richard L. Grant  
Richard T. Hill  
Andrew C. Hove  
Dean Jenkins  
Jack A. Parris  
Robert W. Serr  
Charles K. Tomsen  
Richard C. Tooley

**1954**  
Donald G. Erway  
Leonard Lindgren  
Benjamin Neff  
Roger D. Sack  
Adam "Dick" Trupp  
Richard W. Walker

**1955**  
Richard H. Bond  
Jack Clark  
Harry F. Dingman Jr.  
Samuel P. Olson  
Parker L. Shipley  
Michael C. Tooley

**1956**  
Richard G. Arneson  
Roger K. Krhounek  
John W. Madden III  
James D. Murphy

**1957**  
Richard J. Hove  
Guy L. Schottler

**1959**  
Donald E. Cross  
Hal Hoppe  
Harold Stuckey

**1960**  
Jerry A. Ebers  
Ronald C. Moyer  
Dave C. Wohlforth  
John A. Wolf

**1961**  
John P. Martin  
Thomas L. Nystrom  
Cornelius "Jim" Scanlon  
Joe R. Sweeney

**1963**  
Gerald D. Bailey  
James C. Ebers  
James H. Ensiz  
George C. Rozmarin  
Donald L. Walton  
Thomas E. Wolf

**1964**  
Bruce A. Bullock  
Richard G. Geier  
Richard A. Miller  
John E. Mullens  
Byron Stigge  
Wallace C. Weekes

**1965**  
Bruce A. Christensen  
Robert B. Ensiz  
Leslie C. Hellbusch  
William G. Tooley  
James M. Williams

**1966**  
David M. Minette  
Dan W. Peterson  
Mark R. Spurgin  
Russell Stigge

**1967**  
James Loach, *Epsilon Omega*  
Steven H. Nootz

**1968**  
Edward L. Brandt  
Homer M. Buell  
Dale D. Hallock  
Brian C. Hamilton  
William Kramer

**1969**  
Chuck Balduff  
Bob Bergeson, D.D.S.  
Gary R. Ensiz  
Larry L. Loomis  
Steve J. Rogers  
Dean G. Winchell

**1970**  
G. Lee Glenn  
William C. Schwartzkopf

**1971**  
Vernon R. Broders  
Gary L. Settje

**1972**  
C. John Guenzel  
Mike McGinn

**1973**  
Mike Baldwin  
Cliff L. Emerson  
Larry C. Emerson  
Al Eveland  
James R. Minarick  
Thomas S. Tremain

**1974**  
Robert C. Fricke  
John Salistian

**1975**  
Mark D. Goodrich, D.V.M.  
Rob Robinson

**1976**  
Jon C. Baumann, D.D.S.  
David C. Bunkers  
Nicholas A. Emanuel  
Bryan S. Gustafson  
Michael P. Ripp  
Daniel L. Torson

**1977**  
Scott Eveland  
Mark A. Stadler

**1978**  
Francis Emanuel  
Peter C. Meyer  
Lanson Sutter  
Andy Tomsen  
Robert S. Woodruff  
Dr. Terry Zuerlein

**1979**  
James Emanuel  
Daniel L. Lindstrom  
Jeff Strohmeyer

**1980**  
Fred E. Allen IV  
Peter C. Hove  
Mark Pitner  
Michael Stuckey

**1981**  
Timothy J. Engelbert  
Joseph Stone  
Robert Stuckey

**1982**  
Col. Michael D. Eisenhauer, M.D.  
Dr. Thomas A. Graul

**1983**  
David A. Engelbert  
Mark A. Hartman, M.D.  
Jay A. Hamill  
Mike Jenkins  
Tim G. Petersen

**1984**  
Charles H. Allen  
Alan E. Engelbert  
Dan J. Hofmeister Jr.

**1985**  
Mitch Grady  
Bryce G. Johnson  
Christopher A. Pippert  
Bryan J. Valencia

**1986**  
Dave Dannehl  
Rob Downing  
Chris Neil  
Jim Saalfeld  
Douglas J. Shonka  
John Stuckey

**1987**  
Scott E. Arneson  
Douglas M. Carr

**1988**  
Patrick J. Engelbert  
Eric F. Marsh

Mark A. McDonald  
David Zauha

**1990**  
Carter Jenkins  
Jason Pinkall

**1991**  
Gale M. Luther  
Scott Samway

**1992**  
Mark D. Drake  
Jason E. Grennan  
John Owen

**1994**  
Matthew J. Bailey  
Travis W. Brandt  
John D. Hain  
Kirk Kliver  
Jeffrey A. Knox  
David J. Maloley, D.D.S.  
Daniel S. Neil  
Mark A. Roth  
Kris Van Meter  
Thomas A. Wolf, M.D.  
Carson G. Wright

**1995**  
Kris S. Fammang  
Chad B. Mariska  
Leon Thomas  
Kristopher M. Volker

**1996**  
Jason J. Carpenter  
Jeremy R. Ferguson  
Patrick J. Fischer  
Brock R. LaSure, M.D.  
Damon L. Nelson  
Ryan Stowe

**1997**  
Timothy M. Kelly  
Cory J. Ostermeyer

**1998**  
Ryan D. Caldwell, *Theta Kappa*  
Brendan J. Gustafson  
Nicklaus Hansen  
David Kavanaugh  
Thomas C. Maloley  
Brian J. Schenk  
Gunnar N. Tomsen  
Travis Wright

**1999**  
Bradley J. Carpenter  
Patrick Hastings  
Nick Reynolds

**2000**  
Seth A. Carlson  
Andy S. Danielson  
Charles R. Fraass  
Luke M. Francis  
Nathan D. Gilson  
Nathan M. Green  
John D. Marshall  
John J. Meuret  
Hagen D. Schafer  
Robert A. Soukup  
Alexander J. Wolf

**2001**  
Aaron T. Bals  
Matthew S. Ellis

## CAMPAIGN STATUS AT-A-GLANCE

As of March 7, 2012

Goal  
**\$1.5 Million**

Pledges to Date  
**\$1,266,526**

Number of Contributors  
**254**

### Classes with the Highest Participation

**1953 – 66%**

**1954 – 50%**

**1965 – 45%**

Craig B. Goodrich  
Kyle R. Koehler  
Matt C. Larson  
Aaron J. Martens  
Philip C. McCormick  
David P. Offner  
Adam Stahr  
Michael Zoerb

**2002**  
Mitch Anderson  
Nathan R. McIntire

**2003**  
Dan S. Schwarzlander  
Brent R. Stricklett  
Nicholas A. Tomsen

**2004**  
Chad D. Doerneman  
Henry N. German  
Andrew J. Grondek  
Noah M. McClain  
Kirk S. Ramsey  
Andrew Sutter

**2005**  
Matt J. Dinsdale  
Spencer T. Meyer

**2006**  
John T. Allen  
Jacob E. Bachman  
Kyle J. Hammond  
Christopher A. Himes  
Scott Robinson  
Samuel M. Romohr

**2007**  
Paul J. Bauer  
Nicholas Carlson  
Calvin D. Drey  
Jordan T. Emanuel  
Daniel T. Gill  
Ryan A. Heimbuch  
Matthew E. Isham  
Reed J. Janousek  
Andrew Keithley  
Tyler Sadlo

Grant R. Sitzman  
Jesse M. Smith  
Robert H. Swanson  
Alex G. Young

**2008**  
Brandon Akert  
Sean Bjordal  
Ryan Bones  
Ryan Brown  
Ryan Clark  
Brian Elsasser  
Cole Grams  
Nick Grams  
Tanner Hohlen  
Derek Jess  
Alex Spanel  
Thomas Stadler  
Zach Weiderspon

**2009**  
Nico Bohm  
Daniel Grossman  
Kyle Hampton  
Darr Jenkins  
Brian Jerina  
Matthew Kaefer  
Andrew LaGrone  
Nikolas Lenz  
Kyle Lierman  
Collin McWain  
Cale Neverve  
Louis Oliverous  
Matt Robinson

**2010**  
Samuel M. Peshek  
Michael Pitner

**2011**  
Stephen Allen  
Kenny Edwards  
Jordan Kugler  
George Lee  
Tyler Pettit

## Donor Testimonial: Rob Downing '86

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*"Just making a contribution is paying it forward for other Delt brothers to share the experience."*

"It's the members who make a chapter successful, but the chapter house is a symbol of our membership. Upgrading the chapter house can enhance our membership via our ability to recruit new members, enhance our overall membership involvement, and provide an environment for alumni to come back to."

For those who may be hesitant to give back, Rob urges them to think about the instant bond they shared with their brothers and how it made them feel. He also wants them to know that every little bit helps. "It shouldn't matter how

much you can contribute to the campaign," Rob said. "Just making a contribution is paying it forward for other Delt brothers to share the experience."

Rob and his wife, Aimee, live in Mooresville, North Carolina, with their children, Connor, 9, and Claire, 6. Rob works for KB Racing as a crew chief on an NHRA Pro Stock racing team. In his free time, Rob likes to spend time with his family and restore old cars. He can be reached at rdowning\_kbracing@windstream.net.