

BETA TAU BLASTER

Delta Tau Delta Fraternity at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln

Spring 201

Brothers Commit More Than \$1 Million

to Beta Tau Excellence Campaign



CLASS LEADERS ENCOURAGE 100% PARTICIPATION

e are happy to announce the capital campaign for Beta Tau has made excellent strides over the course of the last several months, and we have raised more than \$1,061,200 toward our goal of \$1.5 million. From our dedicated undergraduate members committing more than \$50,000 to our class leaders engaging in a grassroots effort to encourage broad-based support from their pledge brothers, we are forever grateful to each and

every one of you who has helped us get this far. Some have given in honor of cherished brothers, or housefather Tom Rutz '65 and former cook Deanna Schultz, while others have given simply in the hope that the next generation of Delts has the same opportunity for brother-hood and growth that we had.

We are at a critical development stage and must make every effort to reach our \$1.5 million goal. We are asking every brother to make a pledge or contribution, no matter the size.

Many fraternities at the University of Nebraska have already completed or are currently renovating their facilities. However, with your help, we know that we can surpass the competition and have one of the finest Greek facilities UNL has to offer. We are in the early stages of the design process, working with Carlson West Povondra Architects to create the blueprints for our renovated Shelter. Desired renovations include a total overhaul of the basement, installation of central heat/air and fire sprinklers, renovation of the houseparent suite, the addition of numerous upper classman suites with private bathrooms and personal study and sleeping spaces, and much more. However, the scope of the project will ultimately depend on the success of the campaign in the coming months. Thus, we are at a critical development stage and must make every effort to reach our \$1.5 million goal as quickly as possible.

Delta Tau Delta is certainly blessed to have the support of so many devoted brothers. To date, 169 individuals have made gifts and pledges. While this certainly is a great number by itself, we have to believe we can do much better given that we have more than 1,260 living actives and alumni! We are asking every brother to make a pledge or contribution, no matter the size. Spreading your gift of \$500, \$1,000, \$2,500 or \$5,000 over five years results in a

manageable payment of \$100, \$200, \$500, or \$1,000 per year and makes a significant difference in the overall project.

We understand that there is no end to the worthy causes deserving your support. However, we are asking you to give this project due consideration—if you have not yet pledged

your support, please take a moment to reflect on how your experience at Beta Tau impacted your life and remember the lifelong friendships formed there. Now is your opportunity to play a major role in the success of this project!

Fraternally,
Paul Engler '47
Honorary Campaign Chairman

Alex Wolf '00 House Corporation President (402) 343-3862 alexander.wolf@koleyjessen.com

THANK YOU, LOYAL BROTHERS, FOR CONTRIBUTING \$1,061,200

e are deeply grateful to the brothers who have pledged \$1,061,200 to A Commitment to Beta Tau Excellence: Honoring Our Past ~ Securing Our Future. This generosity demonstrates that these alumni and undergraduates recognize the importance of ensuring the future of the Beta Tau Chapter.

Commitments are still needed from our alumni to achieve our goal and complete this major project. If an error has been made in recording your gift, we sincerely apologize. Please contact our campaign coordinator with corrections at (785) 843-1661.

Robert Manley Society (\$100,000 and above) Stuckey Family Gift

Harold Stuckey '58
Michael Stuckey '80
Robert Stuckey '81
John Stuckey '86
Edward T. Robinson III '75

Founders Society (\$50,000 to \$99,999) Emanuel Family Gift Nicholas A. Emanuel '76 Francis Emanuel '78 James Emanuel '79 Stigge Brothers Byron Stigge '64 Russell Stigge '66 Wolf Family Gift

Arden D. Wolf '28 John A. Wolf '60 Thomas E. Wolf '62

Thomas A. Wolf '93 Alexander J. Wolf '99

Paul F. Engler '47 Brian C. Hamilton '68

1894 Society

(\$40,000 to \$49,999) Tomsen Family Gift Charles K. Tomsen '53 C. Andy Tomsen '78 Gunnar N. Tomsen '98 Nicholas A. Tomsen '03

Leadership Society (\$30,000 to \$39,999)

Beta Tau Society (\$20,000 to \$29,999) Ebers Family Gift Jerry A. Ebers '60 James C. Ebers '63 Ensz Family Gift Gary R. Ensz '69 Robert B. Ensz '65 James H. Ensz '63 **Eveland Family Gift** Al Eveland '73 Scott Eveland '77 Hove Family Gift Andrew C. Hove '53 Peter C. Hove '80 Dr. Thomas A. Graul '82 Meyer Family Gift Peter C. Meyer '78 Spencer T. Meyer '05 Olson Family Gift David C. Olson '52 Samuel P. Olson '55 In memory of Carl W. Olson '26 Sutter Family Gift Lanson Sutter '78

Delta Shelter Society (\$15,000 to \$19,999) William C. Schwartzkopf '70

Andrew Sutter '04

Roger D. Sack '54

Husker Society (\$10,000 to \$14,999) Michael C. Tooley '55 James Loach '67,

Epsilon Omega '67

Dale D. Hallock '68 Bryan S. Gustafson '76 Daniel L. Lindstrom '79

Jeff Strohmyer '79 Mark A. Hartman, M.D. '83 Scott Samway '91

Carson G. Wright '94 Patrick Hastings '99 Brent R. Stricklett '03

Henry N. German '04 Matt J. Dinsdale '05

The Good Delt Society (\$5,000 to \$9,999)

Allen Family Gift
Fred E. Allen III '52
Fred E. Allen IV '80
Charles H. Allen '84
John T. Allen '06

Tito Millan '50 Robert W. Hasebroock '51 Ted Simonson '52 In memory of Richard "Sim" Simonson '49 Benjamin Neff '54

John W. Madden III '56 Homer M. Buell '68 Robert C. Fricke '74

Michael P. Ripp '76 Rob Downing '86 Travis Wright '98

Michael Zoerb '02 Mitch Anderson '02

Nathan R. McIntire '02 Andrew J. Grondek '04

Royal Purple & Gold Society

(\$2,500 to \$4,999) Emerson Family Gift Larry C. Emerson '73 Cliff L. Emerson '73

Brien E. Hendrickson '52 Jenkins Family Gift Dean Jenkins '53

Gene E. Lightner '51

Mike Jenkins '83 Carter Jenkins '90

Donald G. Erway '54 Richard H. Bond '55

Richard J. Hove '57 Richard A. Miller '64 James M. Williams '65

Vernon R. Broders '71 Gary L. Settje '71

In memory of Thomas Rutz '65

Mark D. Goodrich, D.V.M. '75 Col. Michael D.

Eisenhauer, M.D. '82 Mitch Grady '85

Jim Saalfeld '86 Douglas M. Carr '87

Mark D. Drake '92 Jason E. Grennan '92

Jeremy R. Ferguson '96

Brock R. LaSure, M.D. '96 David Kavanaugh '98 Philip C. McCormick '01 Kaylee and Adam J. Stahr '00

Dan S. Schwarzlander '03 Noah M. McClain '04 Kirk S. Ramsey '04

Brotherhood Society

(\$1,000 to \$2,499) Ryan D. Caldwell, *Theta Kappa* '98 George W. Regan '52

Richard L. Grant '53 Robert W. Serr '53 Richard G. Geier '54

In memory of
Rae Geier

James D. Murphy '56 Donald E. Cross '59 Hal Hoppe '59

Leslie C. Hellbusch '65 William G. Tooley '65 Dan W. Peterson '66

William Kramer '68
Bob Bergeson, D.D.S. '69

G. Lee Glenn '70 C. John Guenzel '72

Mike Baldwin '73

Mark A. Stadler '77 Robert S. Woodruff '78 Joseph Stone '81

Bryce G. Johnson '85 Christopher A. Pippert '85

Chris Neil '86 Douglas J. Shonka '86 Eric F. Marsh '88

David Zauha '88 Jason Pinkall '90

Travis W. Brandt '94 Daniel S. Neil '94

Kris S. Flammang '95
In memory of

Blake Nedrow '95 Ryan Stowe '96

Brendan J. Gustafson '98 Nicklaus Hansen '98 Thomas C. Maloley '98
Brian J. Schenk '98
Luke M. Francis '00
John D. Marshall '00
Robert A. Soukup '00
Matthew S. Ellis '01

Matthew S. Ellis '01 Kyle J. Hammond '06 Scott W. Robinson '06

Samuel M. Romohr '06 Paul J. Bauer '07 Nicholas Carlson '07

Nicholas Carlson '07 Calvin D. Drey '07

Jordan T. Emanuel '07 Daniel T. Gill '07

Christopher A. Himes '07 Matthew E. Isham '07

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Reed J. Janousek '07

Andrew Keithley '07

Tyler Sadlo '07 Grant R. Sitzman '07

Jesse M. Smith '07 Robert H. Swanson '07

Alex G. Young '07 Brandon Akert '08

Sean Bjordal '08

Ryan Bones '08 Ryan Brown '08

Ryan Clark '08

Brian Elsasser '08 Cole Grams '08

Nick Grams '08 Tanner Hohlen '08

Derek Jess '08

Alex Spanel '08 Thomas Stadler '08

Zach Weiderspon '08 Nico Bohm '09

Daniel Grossman '09

Kyle Hampton '09 Darr Jenkins '09

Andrew LaGrone '09

Cale Neverve '09

Matthew Robinson '09

Collin McWain '09

CAMPAIGN STATUS AT-A-GLANCE

As of March 11, 2011

GOAL \$1.5 MILLION

PLEDGES TO DATE \$1,061,200

NUMBER OF CONTRIBUTORS
169

NUMBER OF ACTIVE ALUMNI 1,265

How Committed Is Your Class?

ou entered as a class. You left as a class. Now, give as a class. Below shows the percentage each initiation class has contributed to Beta Tau's capital campaign. Secure your class legacy by making a gift today.

Alumni Class to Beat: 1953 with 28% Undergraduate Class to Beat: 2008 with 45%

1947	12%	1970	5%	1994	10%
1948	7%	1971	13%	1996	10%
1950	10%	1972	4%	1997	3%
1951	17%	1973	20%	1998	18%
1952	16%	1974	5%	1999	3%
1953	28%	1975	6%	2000	10%
1954	12%	1976	14%	2001	17%
1955	13%	1977	7%	2002	7%
1956	13%	1978	19%	2003	9%
1957	8%	1979	9%	2004	20%
1958	9%	1980	3%	2005	3%
1959	7%	1981	7%	2006	11%
1960	6%	1982	4%	2007	34%
1961	4%	1983	3%	2008	45%
1963	18%	1985	9%	2009	28%
1964	8%	1986	14%	2010	25%
1965	25%	1987	3%		
1966	7%	1988	6%	*Initiation classes	
1967	6%	1990	4%	not listed have 0%	
1968	17%	1991	3%	participa	ation.
1969	15%	1992	3%		

Your Class Leaders

he men below have committed to assisting you with your decision to support A Commitment to Beta Tau Excellence: Honoring Our Past ~ Securing Our Future. Please contact them with your questions and thoughts regarding this project as we value your input. If your class does not yet have a class leader and you are interested in serving in that role, please contact our campaign coordinator at (785) 843-1661.

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FUTURE SUCCESS OF BETA TAU PROMPTS-Brian Hamilton '68 to Give

ousing memories and deeply felt lessons greet Brian Hamilton '68 as he thinks back to his time as a Delt at Nebraska. Following the lead of his brother, Bruce Bullock '64, and the positive experience he had as a Delt, Brian joined the men of Beta Tau. "I have many fond memories of the Shelter, and without it my life would have been completely different."

His memories of undergraduate days encompass pledge sneaks, pinnings, serenading sororities, and food fights. But at a deeper level, Brian says, "you get the best friends you will ever have. Studying hard and fighting for a degree make life much easier to get through, but the key to becoming successful is great friends and working hard."

His appreciation for this time in life led Brian to consider the campaign for Beta Tau. "We were all beneficiaries of Delts that came prior to us and it's time for our era to step up and do the same for the future success of the Delt Shelter. This rebuilding plan has been well thought out and will address safety concerns like fire sprinklers that must be installed. The heating and air-conditioning systems are 40 years old and new equipment will be more efficient and provide long-term savings. Our pledge training taught us to be team players, and if everyone makes a gift, however large or small, it will make the drive successful."

Brian and his wife, Carey (a Pi Phi from Nebraska he met through **John Beardmore '69**), make their home in Grand Island and Omaha, Nebraska, and have two daughters and four grandchildren. They have been in

the automobile business for almost 30 years and own four dealerships in Kearney and Bellevue. Brian can be reached at bchchev@aol.com.

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HOLDING THE
SHELTER IN TRUST

Why I Gave
Bill Schwartzkopf '70



"Attending UNL was the best fit for me as an undergraduate," shared Bill Schwartzkopf '70 (son of Ed Schwartzkopf '46). "During recruitment, I found an organization that matched my interests. Beta Tau was a good mix of social and academic personalities with diverse backgrounds. Joining the Fraternity was a stepping stone in my development as a young man. It was a rite of passage that demonstrated to me that leadership is not directing or ordering people, but inspiring others to take action."

Bill continued to evolve and mature as he completed his degrees in electrical engineering and law. He was employed in the construction industry for several years and subsequently shifted into a career providing consulting and expert witness services internationally. Bill's loyalties remain with the Fraternity and the brothers of Beta Tau. These fraternal ties led him to the

decision to support the chapter's efforts to update the Shelter.

"As an undergraduate, I received the benefits of living in a Shelter built and maintained by dedicated alumni. Now it is my turn to give current and future undergraduates the same benefits and allow them to hold the Shelter in trust for future Delt members. Improving the Shelter will create a better living and learning environment and make it easier to attract and retain high-quality members. I have seen how the chapter has grown and succeeded through the years. I urge all alumni to support this campaign."

Bill lives in Westminster, Colorado, with his wife, Michelle, an Alpha Chi Omega. They have two children, Stephanie (also an $AX\Omega$) and Scott. Bill enjoys skiing and the chance to be a cowboy on the family's ranch in Wyoming. He can be contacted at bills@sageconsulting.com.

ALUMNI NEWS

CHAPTER ETERNAL

Lee Phelps Jr. '46 of Stockton, Kan., entered Chapter Eternal on March 16, 2010, at his home. He was 86 years old. Lee served in the U.S. Navy during World War II and spent his working life as a pharmacist. He and his wife of 63 years, Ruth, owned and operated Phelps Card and Gift. Lee is survived by his children: Craig, Jan, Mary, and Kay; 12 grand-children; and four great-grandchildren.

Hal K. Mardis, M.D. '52 passed on to Chapter Eternal on February 28, 2010. He practiced urology in Omaha, Neb., and is survived by his wife, Barbara; son, Mike; daughters, Anne and Jeanne; stepson, Kristopher; and three grandchildren.

Albert "Ed" McClure Jr. '52 entered Chapter Eternal on August 4, 2010. He and his wife, Hope, were married in 1955 and farmed in Blue Springs, Neb. Ed served in the U.S. Army and was a member of the Episcopal Church, Anderson Post #25, and the Honor Guard. His hobbies included aviation, traveling, and listening to the news and to Rush Limbaugh.

Alan L. Thober '54 of Beatrice, Neb., passed on to Chapter Eternal on December 14, 2010. He was a sheep rancher and served in the U.S. Army. Alan is survived by his wife, Linda; children: Kristy, Jennifer, and Jeff; and four grandchildren.

Richard Hoth '72 entered Chapter Eternal on April 3, 2010, at his home in Pahrump, Nev., after battling cancer. He graduated from Nebraska School of Pharmacy and was a long-term employee of Smith's Pharmacy. Dick's passions were for golf and spending time with family and friends. He is survived by his wife, Nancy; stepchildren, Ben and Katy; grandsons: Ben, Jacob, and Isaac; and father, Herman.

ALUMNI UPDATE

Ralph "Whitie" Reed '38 reports that, at the age of 95, he received the McDowell Village Theater's Oscar for Outstanding Performance for his role as Costello in their production of *Abbott & Costello*.

Paul E. Cook '52 and his wife, Barbara, have been married for 50 years. They have eight children, all within a one-hour trip. The



couple sings in their church choir, and Barbara sings in a country/gospel trio and does photography while Paul sings with a barbershop chorus and gardens.

Dean Jenkins '53 is very busy and feeling great. He plays a lot of golf and spends a lot of time in the cattle business and with the Nebraska Customers' Association. E-mail: dean.jenkins@cox.net

Richard G. Geier '54 shares that Beta Tau active Jon Geier '09 is his grandson. Richard and his wife, Rae, met in the Beta Tau parking lot in 1954. E-mail: rgeier@neb.vr.com

Parker L. Shipley '55 reports that in May 2010 he was elected president of the board of directors for the Mountain Brook Village Players Association, a live theater company in Gold Canyon, Ariz., where he spends the winter with his wife, Velma. He says that he always wanted to try acting and finally did in 2009.

Tom K. Sheldon '58 retired in 2000 and relocated to Alacha, Fla. He and his wife, Laurie, live on five acres close to Gainesville and follow Gator football and basketball. Tom enjoys playing golf several times a week.

Bruce C. Rauscher, D.D.S. '66 has been married to his wife, Ann, for nearly 40 years. They live in Lincoln and enjoy their three grandchildren. Bruce practices general dentistry and races a '56 Corvette.

Michael H. Grosse '69 is the owner of International Adventures Unlimited. He and

his wife, Danielle, live in Gunnison, Colo., and have four children: Joey, Jason, Justin, and Jordan. E-mail: intadvun@gunnison.com

Michael D. Jenkins '83 is an engineer at AT&T and his wife, Edlyn, works for British Petroleum in Hong Kong, China.

Mark R. Valenta '88 has lived in Las Vegas for 22 years. He attends the College World Series every summer and one or two football games in Lincoln each fall. He visits the Shelter every time he is in town.

Mark A. Johnson '90 has been an elementary school principal for several years. He speaks nationally as an educational consultant and is the co-creator of The Number One Position, a philosophy on teaching and raising children. E-mail: mark@tnop.net

James J. Eickhoff '92 moved with his family from Los Angeles to Nashville so that he could take the position of sales director for the southeast region of 3M Unitek Orthodontics. James and his wife, Kari, have three children: Jentry, Jake, and Warner.

David J. Maloley, D.D.S. '94 moved to Vail Valley, Colo., and opened Vail Valley Dental Care in December 2009. He and his wife, Karah, had their first child, Bennett, on May 5, 2010. E-mail: davidmaloleydds@aol.com

Chad B. Mariska '95 moved to Tulsa, Okla., and would love to know if anyone is in the area. E-mail: cmariska@yahoo.com

Seth T. Krivohlavek '96 and his wife, Molly, teach in the Elkhorn, Neb., public school district. They have both been fortunate to coach state championship teams and individuals. Their greatest blessing came when Molly gave birth to their son, Kellen.

Aaron T. Bals '01 graduated from the University of Oregon School of Law in May 2008. He resides in Portland and works for a firm specializing in litigation, appeals, administrative law, and public law.

Justin P. Tomka '02 earned his master's degree in architectural engineering. He lives in Scottsdale, Ariz., with three members of Sigma Alpha Epsilon's 2002 pledge class. E-mail: jptomka@hotmail.com

Save the Date

Alumni Golf Tournament Saturday, May 14

11 a.m.

18 Holes at Tiburon Golf Club in Omaha RSVP to Adam Stahr '01 at nebraskadelts@gmail.com

Fall Alumni Reunion

Friday and Saturday, September 16-17

Friday

All-Era Alumni Banquet Saturday

Alumni Tailgate - Nebraska vs. Washington

More Details to Follow

Undergraduates Set New Performance Standards

Stewardship of Shelter a Top Priority

n behalf of the chapter, we are extremely excited for the future of Beta Tau! The support that we have seen from our fantastic alumni in connection with the *Commitment to Beta Tau Excellence: Honoring Our Past ~ Securing Our Future* campaign is awe inspiring.

Undergraduates' Financial Commitment

Determined to do our part, members have pledged nearly \$50,000 to the campaign. Coming from college students, who have little income, I can attest that this is truly a significant commitment. Moreover, many of these pledges are from juniors and seniors that will never get to live in the Shelter once it is renovated. This shows the confidence that the undergraduates have as Delt continues to be a standard-bearer on campus and among our international Fraternity.

Physical Needs of the Shelter

In our opinion, the renovations could not come at a better time. In the last several years we have seen an increase in the number of problems with the basic infrastructure of the house (e.g., electrical, plumbing, etc.) due primarily to normal wear and tear and components of the Shelter approaching the end of their useful life. Moreover, some of the house's features are outdated and have lost some of their functionality. The proposed renovations will be designed to address these issues, not to mention add essential creature comforts like central heat and air conditioning, as well as the safety benefits of a fire sprinkler system. Simply put, these renovations will make the Shelter a



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place where actives and pledges alike will be excited to live and will allow us to be even more competitive in recruitment.

Raised Scholarship Standards

The prospect of this renovation has led us to dream bigger in all aspects of undergraduate life, including academics. We recently raised our standards for a minimum G.P.A. a full half-point above the international Fraternity's standards. We are also implementing new programs to promote academic improvement and success. This year we are introducing the Bob Foehlinger Scholarship (\$1,000), which will be awarded to an incoming freshman who shows academic achievement, outstanding involvement, and a well-rounded lifestyle that is emblematic of the type of Delt that **Bob Foehlinger '01** was, and we should all aspire to be.

Fraternal Recognition

The hard work of Beta Tau was recognized at the Western Plains Division Conference held in Kansas City at the end of January. The chapter received its 25th Court of Honor Award for being a top 20 chapter, and former chapter President **Drew Keithley '07** was recognized as Outstanding Chapter President.

New Household Procedures

In order to prepare for the renovations, we are working closely with the House Corporation to develop policies and procedures that will ensure the Shelter is properly maintained and cared for. For example, together we have developed a formal room check-in and check-out procedure to increase accountability in a place where so many are changing rooms each semester. We understand that we are stewards whose responsibility will be to keep the newly renovated house in good condition for generations of Delts.



Fraternally,

Brian Elsasser '08

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