



SIGMA NU NEWS

DELTA ALPHA - DELTA ZETA ALUMNI CHAPTER at CASE WESTERN RESERVE UNIVERSITY

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Reunion attendees at Club Isabella. Seated in front, from left to right: Clark "Stoney" Heckert (ΔA 687), William Verdini (ΔA 704), Robert Vorthman (ΔA 707), and William Timmons (ΔA 691). Second row, standing: John Massie (ΔA 661), Joseph Craig (ΔA 697), Robert "Bucky" Bauder (ΔA 672), John Shields (ΔA 673), Frank "Skip" Berdan (ΔA 682), T. Barton Hubbard (ΔA 692), Thomas Szymanski (ΔA 664), Mark Frishberg (ΔA 676), Thomas Esselman (ΔA 686), Lawrence McCandlish (ΔA 671), Edward Gesdorf (ΔA 663), and Robert Lattie (ΔA 710). Standing in the back: Frank "Pancho" Steffey (ΔA 667), Frederick Gearhart (ΔA 713), Bruce Groberg (ΔA 722), William Causin (ΔA 723), James Waldorf (ΔA 721), William Feth (ΔA 688), Robert Folino (ΔA 681), Michael Meier (ΔA 677), Raymond Hookway (ΔA 695), Michael Hyrnick (ΔA 715), Terry Voress (ΔA 711), David Brezic (ΔA 666), and Thomas Thomas (ΔA 668). Photo by Michael Steinberg (ΔA 684).

Delta Alpha Reunites

The 1968± Reunion

James Waldorf (ΔA 721)

Thirty-one brothers and seventeen guests attended homecoming weekend, October 11 to 14. Delta Alpha Chapter of Sigma Nu was not just well-represented but had more attendees than all other fraternities combined.

The success can be attributed to lots of planning and a strong volunteer committee. Bart Hubbard and Jim Waldorf started planning early in the year, before CWRU had even finalized all the events. The national headquarters of Sigma Nu provided a listing of brothers initiated be-

tween 1965 and 1970, but the data had to be scrubbed quite a bit. Bart created a Facebook page, a Google Drive folder, and Gmail account (used like a bulletin board). Jim Waldorf agreed to handle the money, hotel bookings, and event registrations. With the goal of contacting every brother from 1968 and surrounding years, subcommittees were formed:

- A "Cleveland committee" handled the local restaurant plans and coordinated with CWRU and the Case Alumni Association (CAA): Ed-

Save the Date

Alumni Chapter Meeting

January 19, 2018 at 12 PM

Commencement BBQ

May 19, 2019

Homecoming Weekend

October 10-13, 2019

ward Gesdorf, John Shields, Robert Folino, and William Feth.

- "Phone Captains" agreed to chase down every brother from their class by phone or email, then scrub the list: Thomas Szymanski, Frank Steffey, Joseph Craig, and James Waldorf.

The Marriott Courtyard Univer-

sity Circle was selected as the Reunion HQ hotel, and 15 rooms were reserved. The lobby and bar area were used for registration and a "gathering space." We coordinated with CWRU to avoid conflicting events and developed this schedule:

- Thursday: Registration and informal meetings at HQ hotel.

- Each evening, a hospitality suite was opened from 8:30 PM to 11:30 PM.

Signup sheets were used for informal tours of the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame and the Cleveland Museum of Art.

- Friday was set aside for CWRU events, which included the CAA's Meritorious Service Award presented to Thomas Esselman, Ph.D. (AA 686) at the ThinkBox.

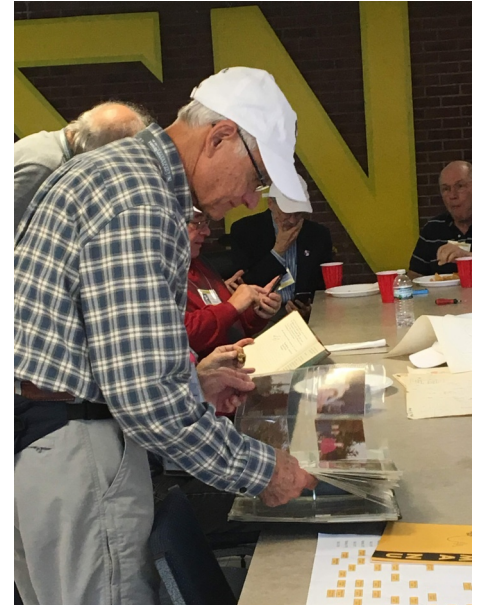
- Saturday morning, over a dozen brothers and guests braved the rain and toured Frederick Gearhart's sculpture garden. Others attended the parade, athletic games, and CWRU activities.

- Saturday afternoon, we toured the chapter house and had other "informal activities."

- Saturday evening, we had dinner at Club Isabella and toasted the Chapter Eternal with 50 year-old wine gifted by T-squared (Thomas Thomas).

- Sunday morning, we held a "good-bye breakfast" at the Michelson-Morley Restaurant, with James Paxton, M.D., M.B.A. (AA 1082, A 449, Q 66) presenting chapter history from his book Sigma Nu in Cleveland.

What stands out for me as a memory is the special bond of brotherhood created at Delta Alpha of Sigma Nu. No-one had a dorm reunion! No other fraternities organized as we did. That fraternal bond transcends time (50 years), distance, and vocation. Memories and conversations came easily. Some brothers fatter, some balder, and everyone older, still brothers. Party on!



Top left: Meritorious Service Award recipient Thomas Esselman with fellow Sigma Nus and CAA Silver Bowl recipient Thomas Kicher ('59, MS '62, PhD '65) after the awards presentations at ThinkBox. Top row, from left to right: James Waldorf, William Feth, Joseph Craig, William Causin, and Frank "Skip" Berdan. Second row: Frank "Pancho" Steffey, Frederick Gearhart, Terry Voress, Robert "Bucky" Bauder, and T. Barton Hubbard. Third row: John Shields, William Timmons, Mark Frishberg, Lawrence McCandlish, and Bruce Groberg. Fourth row: Robert Folino, Edward Gesdorf, William Verdini, John Massie, and Robert Lattie. Bottom row: Thomas Szymanski, Thomas Esselman, Thomas Kicher, and Thomas Thomas.

Top right: Bill Verdini and others taking a look at items from the chapter archive at the house. Photo: Bill Verdini.

Bottom: Mike and Bobbe Meier, center and left, among the reunion group at Club Isabella. Photo: Michael Steinberg.

Grand Chapter

David Lituchy (ΔA 1424) and
Kyle Jones (ΔA 1457),
Collegiate G.C. Delegates

At Grand Chapter this past summer, Delta Alpha Chapter was awarded its sixth overall (and third consecutive) Rock Chapter Award and had the highest GPA out of all eighteen Rock Chapters. Later, the Grand Chapter updated The Ritual and The Law to resolve inconsistent versions of The Five Objects of Sigma Nu, which now reflect the original objects that the founders wrote. Updated copies of The Ritual will be distributed to chapters.

House to Home Program

Joseph Dea (ΔA 1045),
House Corp. President

We applied to replace four items on the first floor which were still functional but aging.

First, the round card table (2007) will still be used elsewhere for studying, but was replaced in the living room with a very nice model by Howard Miller.

The foosball table (2002) was recently sold and replaced with a new Tornado tournament model.

The white refrigerator (2005) is supposed to be replaced with a similar model soon.

Lastly, the Superman statue, after many years of service patiently holding the pool table racks between games, finally met its demise. Superman's replacement is a six-foot suit of armor that had been on our wishlist for several years. The new knight is a fitting addition to our living room.

Stay Connected

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Website

sigmanucwru.org

Facebook Page

facebook.com/SigmaNuCWRU

Facebook Group

facebook.com/groups/deltaalphasigmanu

Spotlight: Recent Graduates

Andrew Moore ΔA 1401

After a month in Spain, I moved down south to work at ABB, Inc. in Cary, North Carolina (a suburb of Raleigh). ABB makes power and automation equipment for industrial, infrastructure, and commercial applications.

My first of three rotations focuses on marketing and communications for vertical industries like Food & Beverage and Transportation.

I will be moving again in April to my to-be-determined second rotation.



Colin Budka ΔA 1402

After graduating in May, I began a fellowship with Venture for America, a program that promotes entrepreneurship in upcoming cities like Cleveland.

After a month of training in Detroit, I moved to Birmingham, Alabama where I now work as an Operations Associate at a software startup.

I am enjoying the new city and would enjoy meeting any alumni in the area.



Derek Tang ΔA 1416

In August, I began working at the University of Pittsburgh Medical Center as a Research Specialist. My primary role is to acquire and analyze MRI images of individuals with a high risk of developing schizophrenia, to better understand how the condition influences the brain and vice versa. I am also currently applying to graduate schools for next spring.



Alumni Officers

House Corporation

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James Paxton.....ΔA 1082

John Szabo.....ΔA 1111

Kevin Moeller.....ΔA 1291

Alumni Chapter

Worthy Commander

Kevin Moeller.....ΔA 1291

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Worthy Marshal

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George Enwia.....ΔA 1406

Worthy Historian

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Grand Chapter Delegate

Joseph Dea.....ΔA 1045

Trustees

Michael Jaszczak....ΔA 0980

James Paxton.....ΔA 1082

John Szabo.....ΔA 1111

Alumni Advisory Board

Chair

Andrew Moore.....ΔA 1401

Chapter Advisor

Kevin Moeller.....ΔA 1291

Alumni Dues

Joseph Dea, Worthy Treasurer

Join the list of donors by heading over to sigmanucwru.org/alumni/dues, or by filling out the form on the last page.

2018-2019

As of December 28

Rock (\$250+)

ΔA 651 Parham, David
ΔA 808 Tamaru, Robert
ΔA 921 Wenz, Robert
ΔA 1092 Guy, J.J.
ΔA 1093 Widick, Joshua
ΔA 1216 Anderson, Donald

Legion of Honor (\$100+)

ΔA 1045 Dea, Joseph
ΔA 1082 Paxton, James
ΔA 1123 Lundberg, Andrew
ΔA 1161 Finnerty, Matthew
ΔA 1196 Kramp, David
ΔA 1257 Root, Matt
ΔA 1350 Beckman, Justin
ΔA 1378 Niedoba, Edward

Founder's Club (\$50+)

ΔA 1059 Bangerter, Matthew
ΔA 1291 Moeller, Kevin
ΔA 1317 Gerrick, Kenneth
ΔA 1326 Borsi, Jack
ΔA 1348 Pease, John

White Rose Society (\$25+)

ΔA 749 Brentin, Robert
ΔA 1045 Tangpricha, Vin
ΔA 1244 Rupe, Adam
ΔA 1368 Chaban, Ryan
ΔA 1372 Sagerer, Jeffrey
ΔA 1382 Xu, Alex
ΔA 1401 Moore, Andrew

*Average Donation: \$104.81
Total Donations: \$2,725.00*

2017-2018

July 1 to June 30

Rock (\$250+)

ΔA 930 Gero, James
ΔA 1082 Paxton, James
ΔA 1235 Gardner, Matthew

Legion of Honor (\$100+)

ΔA 1045 Dea, Joseph
ΔA 1111 Szabo, John
ΔA 1155 Kotwicki, John
ΔA 1257 Root, Matthew
ΔA 1316 Hayt, Brian

Founder's Club (\$50+)

ΔA 794 Weddell, James
ΔA 980 Jaszczak, Michael
ΔA 1310 Smith, William
ΔA 1326 Borsi, Jack
ΔA 1358 Sturzl, Marc
ΔA 1363 Oldham, Will
ΔA 1378 Niedoba, Ed

White Rose Society (\$25+)

ΔA 1287 Domitrovic, T Nick
ΔA 1291 Moeller, Kevin
ΔA 1302 Chadwick, Alexander
ΔA 1303 Hershberger, David
ΔA 1307 Barron, Nicholas
ΔA 1308 Glatt, Zachary
ΔA 1313 Cirbus, Brian
ΔA 1314 Thompson, Schuyler
ΔA 1352 Flowers, Lucas
ΔA 1369 Moore, Ben
ΔA 1384 Patrizi, Jim

*Average Donation: \$72.58
Total Donations: \$2,250.00*

ΔA 1280 Leveto, Andrew
ΔA 1292 Knox, Nathan
ΔA 1326 Borsi, Jack
ΔA 1348 Pease, John
ΔA 1349 Cook, Paul
ΔA 1350 Beckman, Justin
ΔA 1358 Sturzl, Marc

Founder's Club (\$50+)

ΔA 902 Messenger, William
ΔA 1251 Dotta, Andrew
ΔA 1278 Hamilton, Jared
ΔA 1282 Guengerich, Benjamin

White Rose Society (\$25+)

ΔA 996 Linville, Charles
ΔA 1236 Peyton, Geoffrey
ΔA 1287 Domitrovic, T Nick
ΔA 1291 Moeller, Kevin
ΔA 1302 Chadwick, Alexander
ΔA 1323 Holdren, Matthew
ΔA 1324 Benjamin, Dakota
ΔA 1333 Nevin, Timothy
ΔA 1352 Flowers, Lucas
ΔA 1356 Potter, Julian
ΔA 1378 Niedoba, Edward
ΔA 1382 Xu, Alex
ΔA 1417 Kaiser, Matthew

*Average Donation: \$64.73
Total Donations: \$2,136.00*

2016-2017

July 1 to June 30

Legion of Honor (\$100+)

ΔA 980 Jaszczak, Michael
ΔA 1045 Dea, Joseph
ΔA 1060 Kiehl, Christopher
ΔA 1111 Szabo, John
ΔA 1120 Currigan, Sean
ΔA 1155 Kotwicki, John
ΔA 1217 Heiser, Evan
ΔA 1252 Larson, Reid
ΔA 1257 Root, Matthew

2015-2016

July 1 to June 30

*Average Donation: \$82.11
Total Donations: \$5,255.00*

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Greek "Week"

*Christopher Buss (ΔA 1465),
Greek Week Chair*

Last year, after taking fourth place in Rope Pull; third in Pyramid; and first in Banner, Greek Sing, Coin Wars, Beach Ball Relay Race, and Obstacle Course; Sigma Nu closed out the year-long "Spartan Cup" competition in second place, just a few points behind Delta Chi. A notable high point of the year occurred during the first (and fastest) round of Rope Pull, in which Sigma Nu trenched Sigma Alpha Epsilon in just under two minutes.

Because the name "Spartan Cup" misrepresented the competition as having campus-wide participation, its committee renamed it this year to "Greek Games" to better represent it as a year-long competition for the Greek community. Additionally, with the announcement of the name change came the introduction of this year's theme, "Game Shows." So far this year, Sigma Nu donated more than any other fraternity to the Emergency Dues Fund, tied for third place with Zeta Beta Tau in Banner (behind Beta Theta Pi and Phi Delta Theta), and won second place in Greek Sing in a tragic loss to Delta Upsilon. With strong placements in all three events, Sigma Nu currently holds first place overall and proudly displays the "Greek Games" flag in the living room. Even with Phi Delta Theta returning from their hiatus last year, Sigma Nu remains a strong competitor that looks to continue its success throughout the year.

The Fall 2018 Candidate Class

Kieran Aulak (ΔA 1419), Marshal

This semester, we welcomed new Knights Julian Narvaez (ΔA 1470), Daniel Lee (ΔA 1471), James Tang (ΔA 1472), Jacob Hoshaw (ΔA 1473), Joel Linebach (ΔA 1474), Gavin Kiener (ΔA 1475), Fernando Rivera (ΔA 1476), Praanjal Das (ΔA 1477), and Guy Marino (ΔA 1478). It has been amazing to see the members of this candidate class grow and become a part of the chapter these the last few months. Candidates were present at more than half of our Ex-

ecutive Council meetings this semester, sharing their ideas, and three of them have been sworn into officer positions for next semester (Julian as Risk Reduction Officer, Gavin as Intramural Officer, and Daniel as Public Relations Officer). The candidates this semester have often been found around the house interacting with brothers, and growing ties of true and lasting friendship with them. I am very excited to see how this group of new Knights impact and lead the chapter in the years to come.

Commander's Corner

David Lituchy (ΔA 1424), E.C.

Delta Alpha has been statistically dominant on campus this year. Last semester, we had the third-best chapter GPA among 17 fraternities, and this semester we improved to first with an average GPA of 3.55. In terms of size, we're one of the largest on campus with 45 brothers and 9 candidates. We're only a few semesters away until we initiate ΔA 1500!

In the past couple semesters, we have completely updated LEAD, and now provide brothers with a substantive and defined LEAD program for their entire time as a collegiate member.

In terms of alumni involvement, the Alumni Advisory Board has been working with the active chapter to assist officers and provide oversight. One of the AAB advisors, and our previous house parent, Jack Borsi, lived in the house for two years. Jack moved out in May and now resides in Tremont. He has been succeeded by Lucas Flowers (ΔA 1352, A 621), who is also a AAB member. The chapter, all-around, is in a great place, and I'm proud to call myself a Sigma Nu. ETTEN.



Staff Box

*Andrew Cai
Alumni Relations Officer*

*Lucas Flowers
Worthy Recorder*

Spotlight: Collegiate Brothers

David Scannapieco ΔA 1440

I am David Scannapieco, the chapter's treasurer for 2018. I am a fifth-year undergraduate and first-year Masters' student studying materials science and engineering. My research encompasses the use of 3D printing technology (additive manufacturing) to fabricate advanced high-temperature metal alloys for space applications in partnership with NASA Glenn Research Center. In my spare time I enjoy distance running, and recently completed the Burning River 100-mile Relay with Brothers John Borsi (ΔA 1326), Ryan Curry (ΔA 1387), and Benjamin Szaferz (ΔA 1438). I also attempted the Columbus Marathon, but had to drop out at mile 19 due to an injury. My current goals are to get into a Ph.D. program and complete a proper marathon.

Jeremy Novak ΔA 1442

Though my closest friends and brothers know me as Jeremy, around campus, many know me by another name: DJ Hydra. Apart from writing overdramatic opening lines, music is one of my biggest passions and, over my five semesters at CWRU, I've loved being able to create and share it with the community through music production and DJing. Coming into college, I had no experience with DJing and was only starting to explore my passion with music production. It was only through opportunities I've had as a student at CWRU and through the support I've received from my brothers that I've been able to enrich my college experience through music. In fact, some of my favorite memories involving producing and DJing have also involved Sigma Nu. For one of the chapter's Open Mic Night brotherhood events, I made an EDM remix of a sample of a brother pouting and I know brothers will be there to support me at every DJ set I play. I'm thankful for the family I've found in Sigma Nu and for their appreciation of my filthy beats.

Directory, Dues, and News

Update your contact information, pay your dues, or send us news for the next newsletter here. You can also do all of this and more on the chapter website, at sigmanucwru.org/alumni.

Title	First Name	Middle	Last	Suffixes	Badge Number
Home Address		City	State	Zip	Email
Birth Date		Cell Phone		Home Phone	
Spouse		Family in Sigma Nu			
Major(s)				Graduation Year and Semester	
Minor(s)				Class at Initiation	
Extracurricular Activities					
Big Brother		Little Brother(s)			
Employer			Position		
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Work Cell		Work Phone			

☐ Enclosed is my contribution to the Alumni Chapter for the current academic year. Checks should be made payable to "Sigma Nu Fraternity Alumni Chapter."

☐ \$250+ Rock ☐ \$50+ Founder's Club
☐ \$100+ Legion of Honor ☐ \$25+ White Rose Society

☐ Enclosed is an additional \$35 to purchase my own copy of the history of *Sigma Nu in Cleveland (1899-2009)*, including shipping costs. Checks should be made payable to "Sigma Nu Fraternity Alumni Chapter."

Have additional information or news to include with the next newsletter? Write it here or on an attached sheet.

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