

2012

March Alumni Newsletter



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Embry-Riddle Chapter of Delta Chi



Letter from the "E"

Dear Alumni Brothers,

My name is Gregory Smith and I am the chapter's new alumni secretary for the rest of the year. The previous secretary, Michael Noone, has unfortunately decided not to return to school and I was elected to be his replacement. I believe we should all thank Michael for what he accomplished as "E" during his brief tenure. As "E", Michael did an excellent job of organizing and planning the events for the 40th anniversary celebration and writing and editing a few of the past alumni newsletters. As the new "E", and a newer brother in general, I feel I should introduce myself. I am a second semester freshmen, Aerospace Engineering major. I was initiated in the fall of 2011 as part of the Gamma Mu pledge class. Born and raised in Baltimore, Maryland, the brothers of Delta Chi have become a sort of second family for me.

I plan on generally keeping the same format and look of the Alumni Newsletter, with a few minor changes. A perfect newsletter in my opinion has three articles: One feature article that goes into detail about what the chapter has been doing, will be doing, or has done recently, a second, shorter, article written by another undergraduate other than myself, allowing my fellow undergraduates to communicate with alumni as well, and a third article called the "Alumni Spotlight" that will detail the accomplishments of a single Alumnus both while he was an undergraduate and since he has left the University. I hope you enjoy my first Alumni Newsletter and I encourage you to help me make the newsletters the best they can be by providing me with some feedback.

Sincerely,

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Delta Chi Celebrates 40 Years!

By Gregory Smith, "E"

Spirits were high, old friendships re-kindled and the stresses of everyday life were nowhere to be found as a mass migration of Embry-Riddle Delta Chi alumni came back to Daytona Beach to celebrate the chapter's 40th anniversary. A plethora of undergraduates and alumni gathered together on the weekend of March 23rd for a celebration of friendship, character, justice, and everything else that we love about Delta Chi. The entire celebration was a roaring success and a perfect way to celebrate our chapter turning 40.

The celebration kicked off on Friday, March 23rd with a cocktail reception on the roof of the brand new Hagerdorne Aviation Complex Maintenance Building. The alumni and undergraduates in attendance were able to share with each other their experiences as members of Delta Chi. After the reception, most people took the celebration to O-pub, enjoying some cold refreshments and sharing even more stories and tall tales.

The next day began with the initiation of four new brothers, three of which were Pi Sigma Phi brothers. The chapter and I would like to welcome brothers Richard Cook, Frank Alexander, Ray Loehner and Hewitt DuPont into our lifelong Bond of Brotherhood. An alumni initiation ceremony was held shortly after. Brothers Christopher Cowan, John Mahon, Christian Wilder, Tim Hauenstein, Brandin Delano, James Zock, Jeff Hornyak, Robert Cramer, Robert Levins, Ken Wixon, Richard Cook, Ray Loehner, Frisco Cruz, Frank Alexander, Andrew Kirkwood, and Jacob Cross officially became proud alumni of our chapter.



New Initiates left to right: Ray Loehner, Hewitt DuPont, Richard Cook, Frank Alexander



Later that day, the chapter ceremonially ended an over 20 year long struggle to obtain a house on campus. Yes, brothers, on Saturday, March 24th the culmination of over six years of hard work between Brother John Mazur, Congressman John Mica, Brother Wally Tiedemann, Brother Ed Fusco, ERAU President Dr. John Johnson, and county councilwoman Joie Alexander led to an official ground breaking ceremony of an on campus chapter house! The ceremony, which was dampened by light rain showers, ended with the singing of the Bond Song. As Congressman John Mica said later that evening, "That was the first of many times the Bond Song will be sung on [that] ground".



Top left: Three potential designs for the outside of the new house!
 Top Right: Congressman Mica, John Mazur, Kenny McCoig and others break ground!
 Bottom: Congressman Mica and every Delta Chi in attendance sings to Bond Song!



On Saturday night everyone gathered one last time at the Halifax Yacht Club for dinner and speeches. Some of the events included A brief oral history of our chapter by Spence Price, a 1971 Embry-Riddle alumnus and Frederick Leonhardt, a 1971 UF alumnus, a keynote address by Congressman John Mica, presentations of scholarships and awards to undergraduate brothers, and a “handshake across time” initiated by Wally Tiedeman, Embry-Riddle 1977. The celebration once again ended with the singing of the Bond Song, with Delta Chi’s stretched wall to wall in the large dining hall.



Stretched wall to wall, the brothers of Delta Chi can always make room for the singing of the Bond Song!

As the chapter celebrated its 40th anniversary, many took the time to look back over the rich history of our chapter. We took the time to reflect on the history of how we were founded as a colony and eventually a chapter of Delta Chi. We reflected on the 40 years of memories, both good and bad, that shaped the lives of countless individuals. But most importantly, we now look forward, to the next 40 years where the Embry-Riddle chapter of Delta Chi will continue to grow, prosper, and share with others the brotherhood that we love so much! Vive La Delta Chi!



Introduction and Election

In the last Alumni Newsletter, former "E" Michael Noone gave a brief introduction and biography of every brother in our chapter. Every brother except for one, Spencer Maltagliati. I felt it was necessary to give him the introduction that he deserves.

By Spencer Maltagliati, "D"



Hello my name is Spencer Maltagliati and I am the newest addition to the Embry-Riddle Chapter of the Delta Chi Fraternity. I was actually initiated into Delta Chi during the fall of 2005 at the University of New

Haven. During my time at New Haven, I held the position of "E" on their executive board. From 2006-2010, I was enlisted on active duty in the United States Army. During that time, I was deployed to Iraq. I transferred to Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University at the beginning of this semester to study Air Traffic Control with a minor in Airport Management. Recently, I was elected to the position of "D" on our executive board after the former "D", Josh Graham resigned.

Alumni Spotlight

By Gregory Smith, "E"



This Weeks Alumni Spotlight is Christopher Hogan. Christopher, or just "Hogan" as many of the current undergraduates call him, was initiated in Fall of 2007 as a member of the Gamma Delta pledge class. During his 4 years as an undergraduate, Hogan served as both the

social co-chair and AMC of my pledge class, Gamma Mu. Hogan shared with me one of his fondest memories of being a brother of Delta Chi which took place during the 2010 Delta Chi National Convention in New Orleans, Louisiana. Hogan specifically remembers that the Embry-Riddle chapter had the most alumni attend that convention than any other chapter in the Nation. He loves how the ERAU alumni never lose touch with the chapter or the Fraternity and continually provide assistance and advice to their brothers.



Since graduating from Embry-Riddle Hogan has gone on to secure a position as a mechanical engineer working for Bechtel Power Corporation in Frederick, Maryland. With over 5000 employees working in Frederick alone, Hogan has actually met a few Delta Chi's during his first two months of employment. Right now, Hogan is a part of the BrightSource Energy team working to

create more efficient, cleaner, solar power. Like all of us, Hogan knows that joining Delta Chi was not just a four year commitment, but a lifelong Brotherhood. If you would like to contact Hogan to congratulate him on his job, ask him more information about what he is doing or just catch up and share some laughs, please email him at Hoganc16@gmail.com!

Be the next Alumni Spotlight! I'm always looking for Alumni news to report! If you have any important alumni announcements (marriages, births, promotions, or even deaths) or would like to be **featured as the next Alumni Spotlight** please contact me at the email and phone number listed below!

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Important Information!

- Our Website chair, Justin Beaupre has completely revamped the chapter's website. Some of his improvements are a new background, banner, pictures from the 40th celebration, and a new section dedicated to the Alumni Newsletter (both past and present). While website links will not actually work with the PDF format, know that the web address is www.ERAUdeltachi.com.
- During the 40th anniversary many of you may have seen the undergraduates wearing 40th anniversary polos. Any alumnus who wants a 40th anniversary polo can get one. There was a sign up sheet for the polos at the dinner however during the celebration I was unable to talk to a lot of alumni about it. The people that have signed up for one and paid already are listed below, but owe payment unless otherwise noted.

Alumni who have signed up:

Mike Harvey	JP Hunter	Mari Fauchee
Robert Argila	Jim Zock	Wally Tiedemann
Ken Wixon	Ryan Baird	Tim Hauenstein (paid)
Patrick Phelan	Brent Terwilliger (paid)	



If you do not see your name and want a polo please call or email out t-shirt chair, Alex Santini. He will need your first and last name, shirt size, and address (the polo will be shipped to your home). A polo costs \$40 and payment must be received through the paypal service at eraudeltachi.com. All information and payment is needed before April 13th.

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- As a chapter, we are looking into re-implementing an older system of “local alumni dues”. If the system is implemented, local alumni would have the option to pay these dues at the beginning of the semester and enjoy all of our brotherhood events (including events like the 40th celebration) for free.
- If Facebook or the ERAU Delta Chi website brought you here and you would much rather receive this newsletter by email, please contact me using any of the ways I have provided above! Additionally, if you are currently not a part of the ERAU Delta Chi facebook page and would like to be, contact me and I can get that set up for you!
- Always remember that this newsletter is for YOU and your fellow alumni. However there are still some alumni who may have lost touch with the Fraternity. If you know of any please send me their names, email addresses, phone numbers, or any way for me to contact them! Thank you!

-Executive Board Spring 2012

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