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Report From the Collegiate Chapter

Brothers,

Over the past year, the collegiate chapter has continued to improve, both with internal and external efforts. In the fall of 2018, we worked hard to recruit 14 outstanding candidates. They have quickly shown their drive and commitment to the chapter. We added 2 candidates in the winter of 2019, and 8 more in the spring of 2019. With 24 new candidates, we have found our sweet spot for yearly recruitment numbers and are confident that as we go into the 2019-2020 school year, we can again recruit the same number and quality of candidates. We had five members graduate in the spring of 2019, putting our total membership at 49. The total number of live-in members increased to 22 over the past year, and we will have 28 living in the chapter house for the 2019-2020 school year. We have been incredibly impressed with our newest members, and we are excited to take this momentum into the next academic year as we strive to reach at least 65 active chapter members.

In addition to our increasing membership numbers, we have succeeded in our philanthropic efforts. We placed among the top three chapters in multiple campus philanthropic events benefiting Prevent Child Abuse America (PCAA), Center Against Rape and Domestic Violence (CARDV), National Arthritis Foundation, Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA), and many other charitable organizations. Most excitingly, we placed first overall in Kappa Delta's Mock Rock (benefiting PCAA) for the second year in a row. As well as participating in other chapters' events, we also put on the very first The Amazing Snake Race — our own philanthropic event mirroring the show, "The Amazing Race" — bringing in donations for St. Jude Children's Research Hospital. Our event was incredibly popular for those who participated, and it will continue to be an annual event for our chapter.

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CALENDAR

**October 11-12, 2019
OSU Homecoming**

**Football game: Saturday, Oct. 12
Beavers vs. Utah ~ Time TBD**

The Collegiate Chapter will be organizing some type of event or activity. We will send out an e-mail blast via MailChimp when we have more information. If you are not subscribed, then please see details on how to do so in the article elsewhere in this newsletter.

Mid/Late April, 2020

**Annual Meeting and Joe Wood Memorial
Golf Tournament**

Date pending until Beaver Baseball Schedule is out. We held the 2019 Annual Meeting on April 27 and the JWMGT on April 28. We are focused on the weekend of April 25-26, 2020, but may change it if the Beavers are not playing at home. Again, updates will be sent out via MailChimp, so please sign up.

Mid/Late August, 2020

**Reunion, Golf Tournament and/or Other
Activity**

The dates of the event and details are pending.

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In addition, we won the All-University Sing competition with our team partners, Alpha Omicron Pi Sorority, beating 12 other teams!

Unlike last year, we have been on great standing with the University and Sigma Nu National Fraternity. We received the Gold Level Achievement for our previous year's relationship statement to the University. This is the OSU version of Sigma Nu's PEP, in which we were evaluated in different areas of our operations. Out of 100 percent we received 85 percent which was 1 percent below the highest score received for the past year.

Overall, this has been an incredible year for the collegiate chapter, and we are ready to take this chapter to the next level. We appreciate all the support from our alumni — without your help, we would not be able to continue existing as a chapter. The improvements to the chapter house have been amazing, and the current members are thrilled. Thank you to all the alumni who have given and are continuing to give support to the collegiate chapter.

— Seth Larch, '19-1428, Eminent Commander

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New Brothers of Delta Tau Chapter ~ 2019

1441	Carson Jeffrey Mowrer	Vancouver, WA
1442	Kiernan Leary Canavan	Rutland, VT
1443	Owen Case Ramsey	Hood River, OR
1444	Sean Patrick Horning	Mill City, OR
1445	Jackson James Carter	Danville, CA
1446	Brandon Christopher Fitzgerald	Danville, CA
1447	David Oshima Cronk	Beaverton, OR
1448	Alexander James Best	Lake Oswego, OR
1449	Simon Cesare Dalton	Shoreline, WA
1450	Nikolas Andreas Aepfelbacher	Portland, OR
1451	Nathan James Holliday	Klamath Falls, OR
1452	Moses Montgomery Meshell	Scappoose, OR
1453	Aidan Grant Hulting	Corvallis, OR

Delta Tau Alumni Chapter Report

The Delta Tau Alumni Chapter (DTAC) has had a busy year, along with some changes to its Board. On April 27, 2019, we held our annual meeting at the Chapter House in Corvallis. A tour of the house and the ongoing renovation work started the morning, followed by the annual meeting in the Chapter Room. Reports were given by the Delta Tau Housing Corporation (DTHC), the Delta Tau Alumni Advisory Board (DTAAB), and the Collegiate Chapter Eminent Commander, Seth Larch. Elections were held during the meeting because Coy Scroggins and Dan Hearn had decided to step down from their respective positions as Commander and Recorder of the DTAC. Tim Sipe was elected Commander and Scott Marshall is our new Recorder. Additional changes have been made to the appointed board members at the request of outgoing brothers and the consent of those newly appointed.

After our annual meeting, lunch was served at the Chapter House. Most attendees then went as a group to the OSU Baseball game that afternoon.

Other DTAC activities during the year include the Joe Wood Memorial Golf Tournament, the Bend Reunion and Golf Outing (covered in another article in this newsletter by Steve Langenberg), selection of recipients and awarding of

Scholastic Update

Academic Achievement: The men of Delta Tau received spring term notification from OSU that the Chapter has gone 11 straight terms above a 3:00 GPA. This accomplishment included approximately 40 affiliates living in and out of the Chapter House.

Awards and Incentives: The Delta Tau Alumni Chapter (DTAC) continues to award two \$1000 Scholarship checks each fall term. Applications are due on August 20 each year. A presentation is made at Academic Chapter Night in October each year.

The Langenberg Trust, along with matching funds from the Chapter, awards scholarship checks to Delta Tau undergrads who have the three best GPA's and the three most improved GPA's each term. Checks are awarded at the Academic Chapter Night.

New this academic year, 2019-2020: Two \$300 checks from the *Merv Vater [DT 718] Memorial Scholarship Fund* will be awarded in 2020 for the two brothers (initiate or candidate) who have received the Sigma Nu National Scholarship Keys for academic excellence. *To help perpetuate this wonderful award, please contact the DTAC Treasurer, Dick Pendergrass [DT 788], at www.heyoudude@aol.com or 503-577-6431.*

Mentorship/Internships: We have attempted for several years to connect alumni and undergrads with like professional interests, but haven't had much success until spring term 2019. With the excellent help of brother *Chris Ransmeier, DT 1424, Delta Tau Alumni Relations,* it all came together. Chris recruited eight alumni to come to the Chapter House for lunch and discussion time with undergrads. They gathered in small groups according to their interest in careers and professions. It was a great day, and alums and undergrads had an opportunity to establish informal communication channels for additional discussion or questions. Also using www.indeed.com, a website for undergrad internships, we have set up a 3-ring binder in the Chapter House Library collecting internship information that would be of interest to our brothers. This binder update is coordinated between the Alumni Scholastic Advisor and the Chapter Scholastic Committee Chairman.

— Steve Langenberg, DT 664, Alumni Scholastic Advisor

scholarships, production of this newsletter, and periodic e-mail updates to subscribed brothers.

If you would like to serve on a board or committee in the future, please contact me — we are always in need of new ideas! — Tim Sipe, DT 803, DTAC Commander

Delta Tau Alumni Chapter – Current Board Members

Commander: Tim Sipe, DT 803, timandcindysipe@comcast.net

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Chaplain: Vacant

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Sentinel: Matthew Starapoli, DT 1403,
opolisstarman@gmail.com

Member-at-Large: Steve Langenberg, DT 664,
silosu@yahoo.com

The Executive Committee: the above people, as well as Doug Eaton, President of the DTHC, and DTAAB Chairman Matt Camden.

DTHC: Spring and Summer '19 Projects and Status Update



Some results of the lighting project.

It has been a busy and productive time at 143 NW 10th these last three months. Pledge class members of '69 Steve Mawdsley and Doug Eaton installed a new security lighting system. We were helped by a few undergrads, which was great! The lighting adds safety and security, as well as highlighting the landscaping at the front of the house along 10th Street. Thanks to Daniel Hearn from pledge class '68, who made an unexpected donation for this project. This allowed us to avoid using DT Capital Campaign funds. The lighting, along with the ongoing landscaping service, has really enhanced the streetscape and neighborhood, which should help with recruitment.

A new steel-plated gate and fence were installed in June, replacing a broken chain-link fence. The improvement adds long-needed security to the dumpster area and backyard. The black color matches the new windows that are being installed. The DTHC also purchased two needed frost-free freezers for the pantry and a warming table for serving buffet style in the dining room (making our cook, Karen, much happier).

Meanwhile upstairs, Luna Construction Company has laid new durable LVT flooring and wainscot in the hallway on the north wing. Room 10 is being renovated, and we are also supplying new desks, chairs, dressers, and shelving to rooms 11 and 12, which were renovated last year. The new study room doors have digital programmable locks, which relieves the inventory and maintenance associated with metal keys. The current officers at the house had valuable input into what will work best for them in their study rooms. The sleeping porch is getting eight new double bunks and mattresses, replacing the triple bunks that have been there for decades. We will phase in more new bunks in years to come.

The undergraduates are expecting 30 members to live in the Chapter House this fall. Every room will be occupied — several with two men per room. Occupancy is increasing nicely and is very competitive with dormitories, apartments, and other fraternities. The DTHC is proud to provide healthier, safer, and more functional spaces to eat, sleep, and, of course, study.

We are staying within our budget and our operational finances are in good shape while we continue to build a replacement reserve fund. However, this does not alleviate our great need for additional renovation funds via the ongoing Capital Campaign. (See Dan Hearn's report below.) Collegiate Chapter members are happy to see all the improvements while taking part in moving out the old and installing the new.

Onward! — Doug Eaton, President, Delta Tau Housing Corporation



New gate for dumpster area and back yard.

DT Capital Campaign Update

Our Sigma Nu Delta Tau Chapter House at 143 N.10th Street, Corvallis, OR 97330, was the mailing address for many of us while attending Oregon State University. Long before computers, social media accounts, and e-mail, the mailroom near the front door entryway was a first stop when returning from afternoon classes. The mailroom also served as the phone room for family and friends to contact members and pledges. Times have indeed changed — cell phones, e-mail, social media accounts, express mail, and more.

A big thank-you to the many outright donations (large and small) and pledged commitments that have enabled the DT Housing Corporation to complete the highest priority renovations and upgrades to the Chapter House. We now have clean, sanitary, and fully functional bathrooms on the first, second, and third floors, and showers on the first and second floors. Before the 2019 fall term begins, the second-floor northeast corner hallway will be completely renovated, with new lighting, flooring, ceiling, pre-wiring for LAN, and walls. In addition, the northeast second floor will have three newly renovated study rooms, all with new flooring, lighting, walls, ceilings, doors, pre-wiring to LAN receptacles, and digital door locks. Even our ritual closet will be renovated.

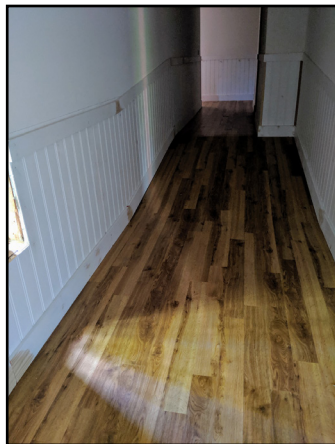
As mentioned in the last DT Capital Campaign update earlier this year, we are still short of our 1.0+ million-dollar goal, which is necessary to complete the desired renovations. Approximately \$450+k is still needed to meet that goal. Construction costs increase each year, so the earlier we can complete renovations and upgrades saves us money. However, the DT Housing Corporation intends to "whittle away" at study room renovations and upgrades each summer into the future. We hope, as you look at your financial condition this year, you

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Who can tell a story about the window this new one replaced and Brother Mike Humphreys?

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The second-floor north hallway, with new flooring and wainscot.

will remember our beloved DT Chapter House and what it provided you as a student at OSU — low rent, social life, help from brothers with academics, attributes for honorable living, development of good character traits, and much more. Please consider DT Chapter House renovations in your estate planning and your 2019 giving — stock securities are accepted. Join our \$25+K group of brothers, if you can.

We have a great group of undergraduates living in and out of the DT Chapter House. They are very focused young men with aspirations for becoming ethical leaders and graduating from OSU in four years. As DT alumni, the DT Alumni Chapter (DTAC), DT Housing Corporation (DTHC), and DT Alumni Advisory Board (DTAAB), all mentor and advise our DT Chapter undergraduates in our Fraternity teachings: *To believe in the Life of Love, to walk in the Way of Honor, to Serve in the Light of Truth, this is the Life, the Way, and the Light of Sigma Nu — this is the Creed of our Fraternity.* — D. Hearn, Chairman, DT Capital Campaign, 702-321-5150



New carpeting in Room 10.

Delta Tau Alumni Advisory Board: *Sigma Nu Risk Reduction Policy*

The Advisory Board continues to work with the Chapter as a resource to the undergraduate members when our experience can be used as valuable insight. Currently that group is comprised of Sigma Nu Alums: Nathan Sarles, Art Lovett, Chad Clausen, Mike Jones, Jake Owens, Paul Oyala, Steve Mawdsley, Sean Caudle, Wes Williams, and Steve Langenberg; along with our former house mother and great friend to the Chapter, Jessica Dahlgren.

A major update to the Risk Reduction policy went in to place August 1st, which does affect all Alumni as well in addition to the Chapter.

- The first substantive change provides clarification on an already existing expectation. The end of the preamble now includes, "Section I, A-H and K-Y apply to any event organized by persons, entities, and organizations covered by the general liability insurance policy of Sigma Nu Fraternity, Inc. (including, but not limited to, alumni advisory boards, alumni chapters, alumni clubs, house corporations, chapter educational foundations, and parent clubs)." This change explicitly makes clear that the Risk Reduction Policy applies to events organized by recognized Sigma Nu alumni entities.
- The second substantive change has already been adopted by numerous local Interfraternity Councils and/or host institutions — a prohibition on alcoholic beverages above 15% alcohol by volume (ABV) on chapter premises and at chapter events,

except when served by a licensed and insured third party vendor. The specific policy (Section I, Items G and H) is as follows: G. "The presence of alcoholic beverages above 15% alcohol by volume ("ABV") is prohibited on chapter premises, except when served by a licensed and insured third party vendor. H. The presence of alcoholic beverages above 15% alcohol by volume ("ABV") is prohibited at any chapter event, except when served by a licensed and insured third party vendor."

To summarize: All Sigma Nu Alumni events now are subject to Sigma Nu Risk Reduction policy, and failure to recognize can have negative reper-

cussion on both the Alumni and the Chapter. Part of that policy includes limiting access to alcoholic beverages over 15% ABV at all events. Keep in mind, alcohol products above 15% ABV can still be present if part of a licensed and insured third party vendor setup, but this will need to be the case moving forward in all Alumni events as well.

For questions on the new changes in Risk Reduction Policy, please contact Matt Camden, Advisory Board Chair, at matt.camden@audioipsolutions.com.

If interested in being a resource to undergraduate Chapter members as an Advisor, we would greatly appreciate your donation of time. Please contact Matt Camden to discuss how you can help.

Outstanding Service Recognition

The Chapter takes this opportunity to thank Brother **Daniel Hearn, DT 816**, outgoing Recorder, and to recognize the contribution of our recently deceased Brother, **Coy Scroggins, DT 799**. Both brothers were instrumental in the rebuilding of the Chapter and the Chapter House. They have spent unnumbered hours in the service of our fraternity, and Daniel continues to do so with his involvement in the DTHC. We offer a loud Delta Tau HooRah!

We also acknowledge the efforts of **Steve Langenberg, DT 664**, for the last few years. He has not only been the Chaplain, keeping track of Delta Tau alumni, but he has also coordinated two golf tournaments, *and* served on the DTHC and the Scholarship Committee. He is still active on the DTHC and Scholarship, so he is not fully retired, but he will be stepping away from organizing the golf tournaments. Another Delta Tau HooRah!!

— Tim Sipe, DT 803, Commander, Delta Tau Alumni Chapter

Chaplain's Column

Many of you probably didn't know the Delta Tau Alumni Chapter has had a Chaplain for the last two years. Hi, I'm Steve Langenberg, DT 664, and have been setting up the procedural aspects of the position since January 2017.

The position of Chaplain now has a regulation covering the responsibilities, including: Condolence letters signed by the Alumni Chapter Commander; Survivor Bereavement Check list; A Chapter Eternal data base and a Table for One Ceremony with Ceremonial Display, which is performed at the annual Alumni Chapter meeting in Corvallis at the Chapter House. I am stepping down from this position, and we are looking for a brother to take my place.

The Chaplain's position initially included "events coordination," which meant the setup and execution of the two Alumni Reunion/Scholarship golf tournaments: The Joe Wood Memorial, held at Diamond Wood Golf Course in Monroe, Oregon, and the Central Oregon Alumni Reunion/Golf Tournament held at River's Edge Golf Course in Bend, Oregon.

These responsibilities, plus being the Alumni Scholastic Advisor and Housing Corporation Board Member have become overwhelming. **Thanks to Trevor Baley, DT 1401, Tom Doverspike, DT 1398, Scott Marshall, DT 839, and Rob Nichols, DT 905, for taking over the golf tournaments.**

This brings me to my final thought, "Relevance of Being a Delta Tau Alumnus." During much of our lives, staying relevant is quite simple. As a child, you and your siblings were probably the most important thing around. As a parent, you were and are relevant to the support and care of your family members. As an employee, you keep up your skills and knowledge so you can continue to perform well and keep your job.

As we age, staying relevant becomes more difficult. Our adult children are launched successfully (thank heavens) with little need for intervention or help. As we retire from the workplace, our work skills quickly erode and our contact with the greater world can easily diminish.

How to stay relevant:

Stay Current: Keep current in global and local affairs; keep in contact with children, older neighbors, and your Delta Tau brothers; and learn new skill sets.

Stay Flexible: Keep both your body and mind in shape — don't discard something because it's new and different. Learn more about and use parts of the social media platform. Maintain your outward appearance — we are still judged on it as we age.

Stay Involved: Position yourself for advice and assistance and time spent in a worthwhile cause like, "Make Delta Tau Great Again and becoming a Rock Chapter." Stay in touch with older and younger generations. At age 81, I'm probably the oldest dude still volunteering. I have enjoyed the association of the younger alums almost 15 years my junior, and of course the undergrads, who could easily be my grandchildren.

Stay Changeable: Be open to change; it is going to occur. The way of life and the management of the Delta Tau Chapter House will not be today like it was in the 1950s through the 1980s and '90s. The 21st century has changed our culture dramatically.

If Love — Honor — Truth..... Excelling with Honor..... and being a part of the Legion of Honor is somewhere in your "Heart and Soul," then volunteer and be a part of it.

Remember: It's not about self; it's about Delta Tau and how we can develop young men for their personal and professional challenges ahead. — *Steve Langenberg*

Two DT Brothers Honored

Zack Buhlmann, DT 1406, has been selected as one of 10 Alpha Alumni Chapter Affiliate award recipients for the 2018-2019 year. This is a big deal because, to our knowledge, the only other Sigma Nu National Award winner from Delta Tau was **Joe Wood, DT 680**. The preamble to the list of recipients on Sigma Nu National's website reads: "*The Fraternity salutes those knights who demonstrate a genuine commitment to the ideals of the Legion of Honor and whose pattern of performance is a worthy example for others to follow.*"

Ever had a park named after you? Well, that is what happened to brother **Jay Pearson DT 865**. Jay had a 40-year career with the Parks and Recreation Department of the City of McMinnville, Oregon, and oversaw all the city-owned park facilities and recreation programs. During that time, he was instrumental in developing several new parks and many of the city's recreational programs. After his retirement, the City of McMinnville named its newest park the Jay Pearson Neighborhood Park to honor Jay's commitment and service. City Councilman Zack Geary stated in the McMinnville newspaper: "I grew up playing on all those playgrounds and actually played for Jay Pearson when he coached a baseball team and I can attest to his great depth of patience and compassion. He was an incredibly strong and positive role model for a lot of kids."

Congratulations to both Zack and Jay!

— *Jon Black, DT 856*

Brothers of 1973 Pledge Class Gathered for Homecoming 2018



Pledge Class of 1973 Together at Homecoming 2018

From left: Rich Brooks, Gary Gilmore, Mike Cosgrove, John Gold, Jeff Andrews, Craig McDow, Steve Daniels, Steve Warner, Mike Kutsch, Brad Carey, and Steve Pratt. Not pictured: Sterling Allen.

The Pledge Class of 1973 celebrated Homecoming Weekend in fall 2018. Twelve members of a pledge class of 20 were in attendance. Our pledge class challenges other pledge classes to top that percentage at a Sigma Nu event in 2019. Classmates came from California, Washington, Arizona, and Nevada. The crew gathered Friday night at a rental home and told stories over pizza and beer. Saturday morning we met for breakfast at the Peacock. Later, we toured the house and viewed the improvements. We found out we still have a lot in common after 45 years. The 1973 class has committed \$160,000 to the Delta Tau house remodeling project.

— *Sterling Allen, DT 920*



Alumni Reunion and Scholarship Golf: Fun for All Golfers and Non-Golfers!

Both of our 2019 golf events offered plenty of time for reconnecting and reminiscing with old and new friends!

JOE WOOD MEMORIAL TOURNAMENT:

This was the second year for the tournament, held the 28th of April, the day after the annual alumni meeting at the Chapter House in Corvallis. The venue this year was moved from Trysting Tree Golf Course in Corvallis to the Diamond Wood Golf Course in Monroe, Oregon. Thirty players — with a mix of alums, undergrads, and guests — had a great day in the sun with a scramble/shot gun start at 8:30 a.m. A buffet and prize presentation followed, with a perpetual trophy awarded to the winners: Dan Hearn DT 816, Jeff Andrews DT 917, and Ed Koellermeier DT 863. This tournament and the Central Oregon Alumni Reunion and Golf Tournament are providing ample funds to award two scholarships of \$1000 each in fall term 2019. *Special thanks to Brother Scott Campbell DT 985 and Silvies Valley*

Ranch for providing the grand prize for the raffle.

CENTRAL OREGON REGIONAL REUNION AND TOURNAMENT:

This is the 3rd year for the tournament and was held the 24th and 25th of August. In addition to activities that brothers organized on their own, the 24th included a Happy Hour and Buffet at Cascade Lakes Brewing Company. Thirty-three brothers and guests attended. The next morning, we had 39 participants in the scramble format/shot gun start golf tournament, followed by a buffet and award presentations. Some unique features of the tournament included: Hole-in-one car prize, beer tap on #16 tee, 50/50 raffle, and multiple prize bundles. Also, brothers with the lowest and highest Delta Tau Pin number each received



Buffet room set for Happy Hour at Cascade Lakes Brewery. Photographer Trevor Baley DT 1401 managed to fit everything in the picture!

a prize, along with the lady guest who traveled the farthest, and the player or non-player who traveled the farthest.

— Steve Langenberg DT664,
Alumni Chaplain & Golf Events

Alumni News Notes & Quotes

Denison M. Thomas, '43-396, 845 NE Crest Dr., Prineville, OR 97754, wrote: "Very gratifying to learn of the restorations and upgrades to our dear old chapter house. I had a rewarding career as a small-town family doc (40+ years) here in Prineville. My son, Gregory, and I attended the same medical school, OHSU. I am near 95 and a little gimpy here and there, but still mostly upright. Warmest regards."

Robert N. Terrall, '47-437, reports, "I am 94 years old, living alone. My wife, Vivian (Moose Jaw, Saskatchewan / Seattle University), died last year. I use a walker and seldom leave the house. I've

had a super life — married to Vivian 67 years, traveled a lot, lived in present home 59 years. I have good friends who are Sigma Nus from UCLA." Bob and Vivian had three children, Jeff (64), Bill (61), and Diane (59). Jeff, an alumnus of the U.S. Air Force Academy, retired from the service as a major. Diane, a Montana State alumna, is a member of the Volleyball Hall of Fame."

Bob's longtime home is at 6200 SW 45th Ave., Portland, OR 97221 (503-246-4013). He identifies himself as an "active Presbyterian," and points out that at least five OSU Sigma Nus attend his church, St. Andrew's, in Portland.

Stephen L. Langenberg, '57-664, reports, "For over three years, I have donated time, effort, and resources to help make the Sigma Nu Delta Tau organization great again. I serve on the Alumni Board, Housing Corporation Board, and Alumni Advisory Board. I organize golf events to raise money for Delta Tau undergraduate scholarships. We need other alumni to step up and help us with these challenging tasks. Please contact the new Alumni Chapter Commander, Tim Sipe, at www.timandcindysipe@comcast.net or 503-246-5981." Steve and his wife, Ginger (U of OR), reside

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at 3168 NW Quiet River Lane, Bend, OR 97622 (541-388-0358; 352-217-8080; silosu@yahoo.com). They are the parents of Marc (50), who serves as IT Director at McKesson Pharmaceutical, and Bret (49), a general surgeon. Steve belongs to the Military Officers' Association, the American Legion, the USAF MSC Association, River's Edge Golf Club, and the Delta Tau Alumni Chapter.

Thomas O. Carter, '59-681, and his wife, Susan (DG, U of OR), reside at 7640 SE 30th Ave., Portland, OR 97202. They are the parents of Julie (56) and TC (54). A "semi-retired attorney," Tom belongs to the Multnomah Athletic Club, the Riverside Golf and Country Club, and the Astoria Country Club. "Still golfing," he writes. "I played for OSU from 1957 to 1961. My handicap has gone from two (2002) to 13 (2018)!" He adds, "In 2018, I moved to a new office: 4504 SW Corbett Ave., Ste. 210C, Portland, OR 97239-6502."

Robert C. Johnson, '63-735, who is retired, reports that he volunteers at Crystal Cove State Park and PTSA-University High School. He also published a book, *Journey to California, a 1925 Auto Tour of the West*, on iTunes. Bob resides at 66 Pathstone, Irvine, CA 92603, with his wife Maryanne (UCLA). The family includes several children: Catherine (48), Diane (47), Chris (36), Connor (26), Anita (19), and Lars (17). Bob writes, "I am a founding member of Non Toxic Irvine/Non Toxic Neighborhoods. We assist cities, school districts, and HOAs in replacing toxic pesticides with organic options. Talent, Oregon, just adopted Organics First IPM-NTN. I assisted in this effort." Call Bob at 949-333-1482 or 951-239-6816, or send e-mail to bobc.johnson@icloud.com.

Thomas E. Mohr, '64-748, a retired pilot, writes that he likes to "spend time RVing and seeing the country." He and his wife, Bonnie, reside at 22988 Ruger Pl., NW, Poulsbo, WA 98370 (251-978-6709; fr8rplt@hotmail.com). They are the parents of Heather (47), Pat (45), and Holly (44). Tom adds that he and Bonnie "haven't done too much traveling in the last few years, due to Bonnie's two new knees and a new shoulder. All good now — hitting the road soon."

John R. Blake, '68-831, receives mail at PO Box 21299, Keizer, OR 97307, phone calls at 503-798-8329, and e-mail at johnrichard@gmail.com. "Brief Body Blake" and his wife, Lanora, are the parents of Kylee Pederson, Mitch Blake, and Molly Blake. John belongs to Keizer Rotary, the Oregon Association of Nurserymen, the OSU Alumni Association,

and the Delta Tau House Corporation. "I haven't retired yet," he comments. "The nursery is now a wedding venue hosting 40-50 weddings a summer."

Thomas K. Roberts, '70-854, has a son, Luke (34). Luke and his wife, Jessie, have two children, Nota (5) and August (nearly 3). Thomas observes that "It's hard to believe I have been retired 12 years. I attended my 50th high school reunion last summer in Lake Oswego. Took an RV trip last fall to Utah, Wyoming, South Dakota, and Montana to see national parks, Devil's Tower [National Monument], and Mount Rushmore. Also visited Wyoming and Montana work locations that I saw while still working." He was a senior resource engineer at PacifiCorp Energy (34 years). Thomas resides at 2623 S. Old Hickory Way, Boise, ID 83716 (541-224-3629; fly07.metolius@yahoo.com).

Carl R. Thornfeldt, '70-858, resides at 6931 Whitley Dr., Fruitland, ID 83619 (208-452-2433; 208-761-2967; drcarl@epionce.com), with his wife, Marlene (OSU '73). They are the parents of Trish (38) and Drew (35). "Horny Thorny" refers to himself as "1) dermatologist and 2) CEO of Episciences." He writes, "I am the inventor of Epionce, the premier skin aging treatment line in Asia five years in a row and runner-up in both Europe and the U.S. several times in the last five years. I published my 80th scientific journal article and filed my 25th U.S. patent. Episciences, Inc., based in Boise, founded by me to manufacture and market Epionce worldwide, opened a new 18,400 square foot manufacturing facility. A second member of my 1990 research team was a finalist for the Nobel Prize in chemistry. Three years ago, one member won the Nobel Prize in medicine. I direct research teams on three continents. After four years of several health problems (six heart attacks and two cancer episodes), I am able to be back in the saddle full time. I spend the little free time I have with my wife of 45 years and my two grandchildren."

Sterling C. Allen, '73-920, lives at 3331 Ranch Rd., Walla Walla, WA 99362 with his wife, Cheryl Heskety (AXΩ). "I have enjoyed attending the last two golf tournaments," he writes. "I encourage my brothers to attend the coming events this next year."

James H. Woolston-Smith, '76-965, and his wife, Tami, reside at 1209 Crosspointe Dr., Hebron, KY 41048. His family includes Leslie (38), James (32), Keith (31), and Tyler (24). "I don't get out to the Far West much anymore," he notes. "I travel every inch of the eastern U.S. Still follow the Beavers. Who would have thought we would win three national championships in base-

ball!! I have a picture of Mark Rees, Sterling Allen, Ross Peabody, and Bob Berwick in my office to remember the old days." "Worthless" is business development director for Volvo Trucks, North America, with responsibility for the eastern U.S. Send e-mail to james.woolston-smith@volvo.com or call him at 859-689-1112 or 336-609-3137.

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Our only way of distributing information between newsletters is with e-mail and social media. If you have not yet joined our Facebook group, please search for us on Facebook at "Sigma Nu Delta Tau Alumni Group." If you have difficulty joining the Facebook group, or you are interested in contributing to our social media communication efforts, please contact Matt Staropoli at opolisstarman@gmail.com.

Also, please visit the Chapter website, SigmaNuOSU.org. There is an alumni section on the website that you can access with the password "1917." Keeping the alumni section up to date has been challenging, and we are looking for volunteers to help. Contact Jon Black or Matt Staropoli if you have interest in helping out.

Delta Tau Remembers

Melvin S. Cummings, '40-310, died April 27, 2018, in Silverton, Oregon, at age 98. Many of Mel's Sigma Nu brothers became lifelong friends. In 1942, he graduated and began serving as a U.S. Army lieutenant in field artillery. After his service ended in 1945, he worked at the Oregon Department of Fish & Wildlife, first as a district biologist. He held several positions before retiring in 1979. Mel's wife, Alice, predeceased him, after 62 years of marriage. Survivors include his wife, Rosemarie; son, David, and grandson, Shaun.

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Thomas E. Cisco, '46-409, of La Jolla, California, died August 17, 2017. After serving in the U.S. Navy from 1944 to 1946, he attended Oregon State. He retired from Security Pacific National Bank in San Diego in 1983 as vice president and manager of the San Diego main office. He volunteered for a number of charitable organizations. Tom is survived by his wife of 55 years, Rita.

James R. Snook, '49-492, died August 29, 2018, at age 87. After serving in the U.S. Air Force in Japan (1952-1954), Jim returned to Oregon State, and completed a master's degree in geology in 1956. In 1959, he earned his PhD in the same field from the University of Washington. From 1960 to 1967, he worked as an exploration geologist; then he joined the geology faculty at Eastern Washington. Jim retired from teaching in 1997. In retirement, he worked with the Coast Guard Auxiliary, teaching water safety to boaters. Jim's wife, Janet Wilkinson Snook, died in 2015. Survivors include his sons, Jay, Jeff, and Joe; his daughter, Jennifer Laws; ten grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

Glen M. Kinney, '50-502, died in Bend, Oregon, on July 3, 2017, at age 90. He played basketball at Oregon State before graduating in 1951. Then Glen embarked on a lengthy career coaching basketball (boys and girls) in Oregon high schools, among them Bend, Redmond, La Pine, Sisters, Beaverton, and Joseph. His greatest success came during a run of 12 seasons at Corvallis High when he guided the boys' team to an overall record of 217-83. The CHS 1969-70 Spartans won the state championship with a perfect 26-0 record.

Richard B. Nichols, '50-511, died March 24, 2019, in Roseburg, Oregon. At OSU, he earned a degree in business with a minor in agriculture. He joined his family ranching business, and is credited with keeping the business afloat during the 1960s through the '90s, while many other historic ranches in the area went under. He served on numerous governmental and civic committees. In 2008, Dick received the Douglas County Livestock Association Pioneer Award and the Winston Chamber of Commerce First Citizen Award. He leaves behind his wife, Muriel (Mo); son, Rodney; grandchildren; and great-grandchildren.

David F. Smith, '50-513, of Corvallis, died March 11, 2019. In college, Dave had a summer roofing business, and he sold Wearever aluminum cookware to newly engaged sorority girls. As

a senior, he met Nita Lee Fitzsimmons ($\chi\Omega$), and they married in October 1952. Dave opened his insurance agency in 1965. When he retired in 1990, he had built one of the largest State Farm agencies in the state. Dave was also active in a number of community organizations, including First Presbyterian Church. In 2008, Nita died, 12 years after being diagnosed with breast cancer. In 2010, he married Midge. They lived in Corvallis and spent winters in Arizona. In addition to Midge, he is survived by his daughter, Vicky Hastings; his son, Mark; four grandchildren; and a great-grandson.

James R. Nierman, '51-530, died December 3, 2017. He last lived in Wimberley, Texas.

Frank T. Faha, '52-555, Col., U.S. Air Force (Ret.), died March 16, 2019, in Spokane, Washington. He earned a bachelor's degree at Oregon State before enrolling at George Washington University to study for his master's. At Oregon State, Frank met Gayle Griffith, and their marriage lasted 63 years. After retiring from the Air Force in 1980, Frank and three of his fellow pilots founded Eagle Mountain Homes. Survivors include Gayle; his son, **Mike ['75-955]**; his daughters, Robin Rich and Kate Horning; and seven grandchildren. One grandson, Riley Rich, is deceased.

James E. Simonson, '56-632, died in Eugene, Oregon, on November 18, 2018. Jim spent his early years in logging camps on the Oregon coast where his father and uncles logged. He attended Pacific Lutheran University and majored in music, but transferred to Ore-

gon State after his sophomore year and studied forestry. He spent his career as a silviculturist with the U.S. Forest Service, working throughout the state of Oregon. In 1958, he married Marcia Lein. A lifelong Lutheran and talented tenor, Jim sang in church choirs and in the Eugene Concert Choir. He enjoyed fishing, hunting in the Blue Mountains, and ski trips with family and friends. He is survived by Marcia, his wife of 60 years; his daughters, Deborah Coatsworth and Jennifer Elliott; and four grandchildren.

Coy R. Scroggins, '67-799, of Corvallis, died August 20, 2019 — the 71st anniversary of his birthday. Delta Tau brothers wrote: "Our brother and friend, Coy Scroggins, was our first Alumni Commander and was instrumental in restarting the Delta Tau Collegiate Chapter, the formation of the Alumni Chapter, and the renovation of the Chapter House. Coy had a long military career and retired as a colonel. He was a longtime member of his church and demonstrated a dedication to the values expressed in the creed of our Fraternity. He is survived by his wife, Kathy; daughters, Krista Scroggins-Young and Melissa Plantenga; brother, Bob; and five grandchildren. We will miss him and his guidance. He lived his life in Love, Honor, and Truth."

Rodney J. Paul, '68-829, died July 2, 2019. He became a Christian in 1969, and was involved in ministry his entire life, having earned a master's degree in seminary. He most recently resided in Langley, BC, Canada. Survivors include his wife, Renee; his son, Branden; and three grandchildren.

Honor Roll of Contributors

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