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QUICK NOTES

A Three-Day Golf Outing Brings Brothers Back Together

Class of 1985 Enjoys Their 20th Reunion

By Ernie Sims '85

The class of 1985 just had their 20th reunion. Twelve Brothers attended. They went to Savannah, GA and played golf for three days.

Ernie Sims '85, Jeff McCarty '85, Tom Nilsen '85 and Dave Watt '85 were the winning foursome. The annual MO GUTRIDGE Trophy was awarded.

Other Betas in attendance included: Rick Kienzle '85, Chris Wilson '85, Bob Zullinger '85, Andy Boles '85, Pat Heyman '85, John Wight '85, Jim Kenney '85 and Cal O'Callaghan '85.

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Award-Winning Alpha Eta!

Beta Presented With 12 Recognitions at Denison's Greek Award Night

By Tyler Blair, Colony President

This past semester, the Alpha Eta colony had remarkable success in all aspects of fraternal life, including fundraising, grades, leadership, recruitment and recognition from the Greek Community.

First, the colony established its official philanthropy, and held two fundraisers. Second, Beta was ranked first in grades for Spring 2006 at Denison. Third, the colony took advantage of leadership opportunities. For example, during the summer of 2006, more than half of the brothers attended one or more of Beta's premier leadership programs. Furthermore, Beta is the only fraternity holding more than one chair in the Interfraternity Executive Council. Tuzcu '07 is Vice President of Public Relations and Whitlow '07 is Vice President of Recruitment. Fourth, the colony keeps pushing to increase the recruitment success rate and we are looking forward to spring recruitment. Lastly, the colony received 12 Awards during the 2006 Denison Greek Awards Ceremony.

We would like to encourage more alumni to get involved from a volunteer perspective to become reacquainted with the active chapter. Stop by the next time you're in Granville to say hello!

The undergraduate members of the Colony are in the process of trying to restore this relationship through communication and cooperation with the association. For more information on ways you can get involved, read the Association President's Report by Bob Dold '60 on page 3.



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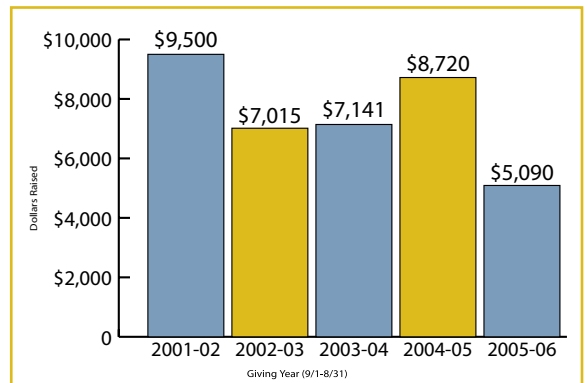
Truly great things are happening at Denison. I am very proud to share these successes with you. There has never been a better time to be a Beta!

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Help Make the 2006-07 Annual Fund Even Better!

The Lanson Stage Curtis Memorial Association would like to thank the 64 alumni members who contributed a collective \$5,090 to our 2005-06 annual fund. While this was a great response, we'd like to increase our giving totals!

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A New Program That Encourages Interfraternity Communication, Denounces Hazing, and Teaches Pledges about the Greek System

Battle Against The Paddle: Created By Our Own Mete Tuzcu

How many fraternities are involved? How is it going so far?

The seven fraternities at Denison participated in the “Battle Against the Paddle” program. We asked the fraternities to bring in their pledge classes, and at least one senior member.

The program is going well. The Interfraternity Council (IFC) executive board has decided to repeat this program each semester. Denison’s Greek leaders and President’s Forum (consisting of Greek Presidents) perceive this program to be the foremost step to making Greek life stronger. It is a way to hold fraternities accountable and to encourage the Greek community to live up to the principles they were built upon.

What made you decide to start this program?

When I was elected to be the Interfraternity Council Vice President of Public Relations, my understanding of the greater Greek system was limited. My decision evolved after two incidents.

First, at UIFI in May 2006, I was introduced to (1) the real meanings of Interfraternism and being a Greek and (2) the many similarities between fraternities. I then had concrete ideas about how to make Greek life better, a greater appreciation for my own organization, and a better understanding of my obligations to my chapter and to Greek life.

Then, this past fall, **Dr. Don Dipaolo, Michigan ’78** (General Fraternity Leadership Development Advisor) gave a presentation on Greek leadership. I still remember Dr. Dipaolo’s speech on the oath we take, the lifelong commitment we swear, and the obligations we share towards our chapters and the Greek community.

How do you see this helping to improve fraternity life at Denison?

The Battle Against The Paddle is a student-created, student-led program to educate new fraternity members about Greek life. This program enables new members to interact with other fraternities, pledge classes and each fraternity’s senior leadership. It provides a unique opportunity to educate new members about what Greek life really stands for, and what our principles are.

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The program tackles issues such as the false impression that hazing is a Greek value or ritual and its potential dangers. We talk about what to do against an individual and an institutional incident of hazing. We assure them that they are not powerless.

Next, we want new members to understand that they are the future fraternity leaders. Overall, it is an attempt to have a healthier Greek community, a proactive risk management tool, a member education program, and an event that promotes interfraternism.

What were and are the challenges?

My biggest concern was not getting enough support from the Greek community. After a discussion during an IFC Council meeting, they decided to make this event mandatory for all fraternity pledge classes and a senior member from each fraternity. I then realized that I received more support than resistance and devoted myself to fully implementing the program.

The real challenge will be to ensure that chapters hold each other accountable.

What do you hope to accomplish by the time you graduate?

I want a stronger Greek community, a stronger IFC board, more active Greek leadership, and fewer issues that holdback the Greek community. I also want Denison Betas to get our charter back, to be fully recognized first as a chapter of Beta Theta Pi and then as the best chapter of Beta Theta Pi.

6. How has this experience shaped your personal future?

This experience showed me that if I strive to do the right thing, no matter the challenge, I need to push forward. I also learned the importance of the oath we take, the principles we guard, and the lifelong commitment we swore. Next, I will strive to be a responsible leader.

What is your major and year of graduation? What are your future plans?

I am a mathematical economics and computer science double major. I will graduate in May 2007. I plan to get a Masters degree and maybe a Ph.D in Economics.

Do you think your leadership role and involvement will have a positive effect on recruitment at BTPi Denison?

I believe my leadership role and involvement set an example for future Greek leaders. Betas can show perspective pledges how their members have shaped the Greek system and provide leadership opportunities. Furthermore, this program seeks a healthier Greek community and a stronger sense of interfraternism. If achieved, there may be more interest from students to become Greek.

**Do you know of a Beta brother who would make an interesting profile? We want to hear about him!
Send his story to our editors at content@affinityconnection.com.**

Beta Colony Quickly Establishing Presence on Campus Alumni Needed to Volunteer and Mentor Undergraduate Members

By Robert Dold '60

As another year comes to a close, I look back and some of my fondest memories are times I have spent or communicated with old friends. This is what Beta is all about, the bonds we have made and the friendships we have made. I hear throughout the year how Betas are seeing and visiting each other. *The Shrine* is another way for us to keep up with our brothers. Let me encourage all of you to

drop a note or send an email about yourself or another brother Beta. Send the information to our editors at content@affinityconnection.com, or to Beta Theta Pi, Denison University, Alumni Relations Processing Center, P.O. Box 7007, Albert Lea, MN 56007-8007. Just be sure to mention Beta at Denison in your correspondence.

The Beta Colony at Denison seems to be

quite close and are looking for a great rush starting next semester. The active members are holding a number of leadership roles on campus, and are working hard to re-establish their presence at Denison. As the Colony gets up and going, the board needs to become more active. I welcome people interested in serving in a volunteer capacity to contact me at (847) 441-8445.

It appears that we are going to make some significant repairs that need to be addressed next summer when the house is unoccupied. We are working with Denison to assess exactly what needs to be done.

Best wishes for a grand New Year.

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Left: Two Betas get into the spirit before a Denison football game.

Right: The house had a cookout for the entire campus before Denison's first home football game this year.



ALUMNI UPDATES

30s

Nelson Rupp '39

(3620 Littledale Road, Apt. 113, Kensington, MD 20895; muznduz@aol.com) I have lost track of **Bill Hold '39** and would like to know how he is doing. Since my near-fatal fall and brain injury on 11/30/04, I have been in a wheelchair. In this 89th year of my journey, my wife, Helen, and I live in a retirement community. Helen is an aunt to **Donald Wayne Bower '74**.

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James Mason '51

(3421 River Rhone Lane, Columbus, OH 43221; jfmaso@columbus.rr.com) I have been married to my Beta sweetheart, Shirley, for 56 years.

60s

John B. Ragatz '62

(3004 S. Cornell Circle, Englewood, CO

80113; ragatzjb@aol.com) After doing volunteer work in Tanzania, East Africa in 2003 with Cross Cultural Solutions, I became acquainted with the local organizer of my climb up Mount Kilimanjaro and nearby Wildlife Safari in Serengeti/Ngorongoro National Parks. We soon went into partnership, built a small authentic African lodge named Mount Kilimanjaro View Lodge (www.mtkilimanjaroviewlodge.com) and the rest is history. The money goes towards schools and hospitals of the Chagga Tribe in the Shimwe Juu Village. Also, we have created a number of jobs for the local people. Remember us if you go to Africa. **Charlie Marston '63**, his wife, Sue, and **Jeff Nicholls '63** and his wife, Peggy, stayed with us in early October before embarking on an organized safari. Any interested Beta Brother can contact me directly in the US via e-mail or phone: (303) 761-2297.

70s

Bill Henceroth '70

(4615 King William Road, Richmond, VA 23225) I am an orthopedic surgeon at Orthopedics Specialists in Richmond, VA.

Tom Oldham '83 and I took a trip to the Grand Tetons and Yellowstone National Park in 2005. We had a great time. I would like to hear from **Bernie Cohen '70**.

Ken Mabbs '74

(126 Nut Meadow Crossing, Concord, MA 01742; ken@fatechventures.com) I have a daughter at Wake Forest University and a 7, 5 and 3 year old at home tearing up the house. I left investment banking five years ago to become a partner in a venture capital firm in Boston, investing in early stage technology companies.

80s

Andy (Shoopie) Shoop '82

(14017 Lague Land, Grass Valley, CA 95949; andyshoop@earthlink.net) I am glad to see that there is still some semblance of Greek life on the hill. They've tried over and over again to rid themselves of us, but we're just too strong. I'm about to retire from the US Air Force after 24 years of service. I have no idea what my next career move will be, but I'm having a blast running a youth lacrosse program in Grass Valley, CA. I hope that brothers passing through will look me up.

Meet John Reynolds Malloy III '60: Brother, Veteran, Fisherman, Pilot and Civil War Enactor

Learning More about Who Joins Beta Theta Pi, One Brother at a Time

John R. Malloy III '60 joined Beta Theta Pi partially due to friends already in Beta and his father, **John R. Malloy Jr.** He has fond memories of living in the fraternity house and enjoyed the camaraderie between brothers. One of his best memories was the Beta "War" spring party, which he calls a "big gun party." Also, Malloy spent a



weekend in Havana, Cuba with **George Brown '60**.

Malloy graduated with a B.S. in Geology and earned three varsity letters for wrestling. He worked his way through

college by washing dishes.

After graduation, Malloy entered the Coast Guard Officers' Candidate School. In June 1961, he was commissioned as an Ensign in the Coast Guard Reserve. He served nine years on active duty during the Vietnam War. He was promoted to Lieutenant in the Regular Coast Guard. For two years, he commanded the Coast Guard station in Marathon, FL. He then served as Navigator and Russian translator on board a large Coast Guard Icebreaker patrolling the Aleutian Islands. Lastly, he was an Executive Officer for a 180-foot Buoy Tender, harbored at Port Huron, MI. As a civilian, he was a mate on gasoline tankers and then a captain of a seagoing Hopper Dredge on the Great Lakes.

"For over thirty years steady, lucrative work on the bridge of a ship appealed to me. Riding a desk somewhere ashore did not."

Malloy likes to trout fish, has a commercial pilot's license, and takes his trailer to the Florida Everglades each winter. Malloy's true passion is the Civil War. He participates in reenactments as a captain of the 7th Arkansas Confederate Infantry Company. Malloy and his son are members of the 30,000 member organization, The Sons of Confederate Veterans. They also reenact as "Yankees."



Malloy lives with his wife, Jane, in the Ozark Mountains. Their son, John R. Malloy IV, has an occupational therapist business and is a concert violinist.

"My house is on nine heavily-wooded acres which are situated way up on Cow Mountain, providing a ten mile view."

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