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# **ONLINE**

# Are You Getting Our Emails?

Are you getting our Chi Delt alumni email communications? If not, you're missing out! To sign up, just send a quick note to alumninews@affinityconnection.com and let us know to add you to the Delta Tau Delta at Kenyon alumni emailing list!



# THE CHI DELT

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# **WHY CHI CHAPTER?**

# **Brothers Share How Being a Chi Delt Changed Their Lives**

You already know the impact Greek life has—because you lived it. The term "social fraternity" might give the impression that the Greek experience is superficial, but research shows that personal connections and friendships are the key to happiness.

These lifelong relationships are only part of what makes the fraternity experience so transformational. From our career trajectories to our family's values, our DTD experience played a key role. Our experiences helped make us into the people we are today.

But don't take our word for it. Here's what your alumni brothers had to say:

"I grew up because of DTD. I had fun, learned how to be an adult, and made the best friends I've ever had in my life."

### - Josh Wolfson '15

"Before joining Delt, I was a malnourished, socially awkward, quiet youngling with little drive and no clue as to what I wanted to do post Kenyon. After joining, the

passion, intellect, and ambition of my new brothers combined with an environment to learn critical lessons outside the classroom, allowed me to emerge from my shell and become the capable person I am today. Their drive fueled mine. For this I am forever grateful to be part of such a fine group of upstanding gentlemen."

#### - William Seidel '14

"My DTD experience is a lifelong commitment. While I had the most fun I've ever had as an undergraduate Delt, the most valuable part of my DTD experience is now being part of our Young Alumni Association and giving back to the next generation of Delts."

#### - Daniel Glaser '13

"The most valuable part of my DTD experience was AND IS the continuing close, rich relationships I have had through all the many years."

- John Emens, Ph.D. '83

### PHOTO FLASHBACK

### The '80s Strike Back

Let's take the photo time machine back to 1980 at Kenyon. "Call Me" by Blondie was the top single, "Star Wars: Episode V - The Empire Strikes Back" was the film of the year, "Dallas" was the highest rated TV show, and the Kenyon swim team won its first national championship in March ... not to mention every NCAA championship of the 1980s.

If the years have all started to blur together, maybe this group photo from the 1980 will jog your memory. We're sure that Chi Chapter had a great year!

If you are one of the brothers in this picture and you have a great story or even more great pictures to share, please visit the **www.chidelts.com** and go to the SUBMIT



UPDATE page or email us updates at alumninews@affinityconnection.com. You might see your stories and pictures in a future newsletter. Check out the archives on the website for more flashback photos!

# **DTD SUPPORTS MENTAL HEALTH AND WELLNESS**

# New Resources for Delts Promote Greater Awareness, Accurate Education and Appropriate Treatment for Mental Illness

On college campuses, student mental health has become a growing concern in recent years. In an American Psychological Association survey, it was found that "anxiety is the top presenting concern among college students (41.6%), followed by depression (36.4%) and relationship problems (35.8%). However, 19% of directors report the availability of psychiatric services on their campus is inadequate."

These statistics are alarming. They signal that college students nationwide need more mental health resources. Kenyon is no different. A 2018 Kenyon Collegian article highlighted the issue: "With only six staff members, the counselors at the Health Center are overburdened." Delta Tau Delta National is attempting to combat this problem with additional resources available to undergraduate brothers.



In the spring of 2018, the Fraternity launched a new student benefit through a partnership with Talkspace. Talkspace makes it simple and convenient to connect with fully licensed, highly respected counselors via text, audio or video messages from your browser or smartphone—in the library, over the weekend or between classes. Undergraduate members have access to Talkspace for one month at

no cost. Talkspace is completely optional and 100% anonymous and secure.

DTD also launched its own online resource. "Delt's Ulifeline provides access to mental health crisis resources 24 hours a day," said Steve Paquette, former International DTD President, in an announcement. "I encourage all undergraduates and alumni to review the Ulifeline site. By knowing what tools and resources

are available, we can act quickly and confidently when we recognize a brother in need. The fact that we cannot do everything should not prevent us from doing something. Ulifeline offers us the tools to do something and to seek to make every day another good day to be a Delt."

More information and resources are available at **delts.ulifeline.org**.

# **CONNECT WITH CHI ONLINE**

# **Get Involved with the Kenyon Delt Online Brotherhood**

While we know that some brothers may be unable to give back monetarily this giving year due to these unprecedented times we're living in, we hope that every brother will still find ways to validate that this brotherhood is worth preserving.

At the end of the day, our alumni relations program exists to serve you: to help you relive your glory days and to help you stay in touch with your brothers. We hope that every brother will take the time to play an active role in our alumni brotherhood. Here are some ideas for how to get more involved this season from the comfort of your own home:



#### Logon to our Alumni Website

Our website is the hub of our alumni community, and the centralized source of information for all things Chi Chapter. Visit **www.chidelts. com** to read alumni updates (and submit your own), to see and upload flashback photos from your era, to read news about upcoming alumni events, and more. Be sure to make an account if you haven't already.

#### **Search our Online Directory**

We all had that one roommate or brother in our pledge class we fell out of touch with over the years as life got in the way. Here's the good news: we can help you find him. Check out our website's searchable directory to get back in touch or email us at

alumninews@affinityconnection.com

to see if we have your brother's contact info. Some friendships are meant to last a lifetime.

#### Follow Chi Chapter on Twitter

To keep up with what's going on with the men of DTD Kenyon, follow **@KenyonDelts** on Twitter.

## **ALUMNI UPDATES**

# **Brothers Share Life Updates and Favorite Chi Delt Memories**

Thanks to these brothers for responding to our recent alumni email survey! If you'd like to submit an update of your own for publication in an upcoming eLetter or a future edition of The Chi Delt, head over to our alumni website at www.chidelts.com and click the "Submit an Update" tab.

# Where was your favorite place to go in Gambier?

"My favorite place was The Village Inn. (I did like to show up at Pirates Cove at 1-2AM to eat the pizzas and subs that fellow students did not pick up that evening. I hate leftovers.)"

- Niles Keeran '77

"The deli - the food was good. I also appreciated the entertainment available at the lodge."

- Josh Wolfson '15

# What was your favorite event, tradition, or activity to participate in at Kenyon?

"My favorite activities to partake in during my years at Kenyon College (and the University of Oklahoma) were the campus picnics, the fraternity intramurals, and Senior Week."

- Niles Keeran '77

"Secret Santa Exchange during Winter Formal. Campus Golf on South Quad. Division Wednesdays. Safari Party/Halloween Around the World. Lodge Bonfires."

- William Seidel '14

"I very much enjoyed spending Friday afternoons on the porch drinking beer, talking with my brothers, and listening to DMB. Us Chi Delt alums, ravaged by time and age, can never reclaim the feeling of being young, carefree, and on the porch with our brothers on a Friday afternoon, but we can see in our mind's eye the shadow of our former selves when we reminisce about the good times over Zoom."

- Josh Wolfson '15

#### Share your Alumni Updates.

"By the time this mailer goes out to all the Chi Delts, I'll be engaged."

- Josh Wolfson '15



Images courtesy of Brother William Seidel '14

"Currently hunkered down in my NYC apartment but recently took on a new role as a PM for the Goals and Financial Management team at JP Morgan Chase. It's been interesting getting to know a new team virtually, but I'm learning a

ton despite being in lockdown. When not out grinding, I've been sneaking upstate to do some needed fly fishing or walking a few blocks to grab some beers with fellow Kenyon Delt, **Trace Althans.**"

#### - William Seidel '14

"Nothing new other than my 1983 Mercedes Benz 300 D Turbodiesel, 'The Silver Bullet,' was involved in an accident on April 29, 2020, in Canton, Ohio. It didn't make it to 800,000 miles as my 1975 Mercedes Benz 300 D did with 1.2 million miles. I had to go buy a BMW."

#### - Niles Keeran '77

"I've recently started a third-party property management business that is quickly taking off. Currently own two residential investment properties nationally and \$4MM in assets under management. Hoping to leverage that into \$8MM by year end."

#### - Daniel Glaser '13

"I'm currently headmaster of Trinity-Pawling School in Pawling, NY and I'm the former President of St. George's Independent School in Memphis, TN. I play golf with many brothers every few years or so."

- Bill Taylor '85





"I am retired, and I have four wonderful grandsons: three two-year-olds and one newborn. After leaving Kenyon, the national Delta Tau Delta fraternity asked me to be the resident advisor at the Delt house at Northwestern University where I was in B-school. The Delt brothers there were very welcoming but the Chi Delts are really the best. I moved to Chicago with brother Patterson and we lived together for a while in Chicago."

# - Jeffrey Walker '74

"After many rewarding years as a principal of Owen, Wickersham & Erickson, as of January 14, 2019 I have joined Hanson Bridgett LLP as a partner."

#### - Noel Cooke '78

"I met my wife because of Chi Chapter. My third year I was as a townie attending OSU where the DTD house was next door to the Kappa Kappa Gamma house. The night before the first OSU football game in the fall of 1959, I went to the DTD house to see if anything was going on. Nothing there, so I walked next door to the Kappa house where 4-5 girls were sitting on the front porch. I asked if any of them wanted to go out for a beer with me and my future wife said she did."

#### - Phil Hammond '58

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— read more updates at chidelts.com!





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# **ANNUAL FUND - A CALL TO ACTION**

# Help Us Make the 2020-21 Giving Year Strong!

Alumni contributions are at the heart of everything we do. Our communications, events and support for the Chapter all rely on gifts to our annual fund. And, as alumni, we play a critical role in making sure our Chapter lives on.

We would like to thank those 57 Brother who contributed to Chi Delt last giving year! You can find their names listed in the Honor Roll archive at **www.chidelts.com**. Their gifts made a significant impact.

The giving year began anew on September 1, 2020; help us make this giving year the strongest one yet for DTD at Kenyon. As an alumnus, you hold the key to preserving our fraternity for its next 100 years. To give to the 2020-21 annual fund today, use any of the following methods:

- Visit our website to donate online at www.chidelts.com;
- Call our toll-free Donation Hotline at 1-800-975-6699;
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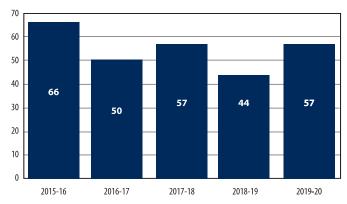
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Together, we can keep Delta Tau Delta at Kenyon College going

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#### **Annual Donor Totals**



# **CHAPTER ETERNAL**

# **Remembering Our Chi Delt Brothers**



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We regret to announce the passing of ten Chi Delt Brothers into our Chapter Eternal since our last edition of The Chi Delt. Our condolences go out to their families and to the brothers who knew them well. Dr. David Bell '50 Edward M. Ames, Jr. '53 Frank Seitz '49 John K. Wilcox '57 Marcus E. Snyder '95 Dr. Michael D. Solomon '84 Robert D. Burns '51 Sam F. Montague, Jr. '49 William Coonley '50 W. Stanley Walch '56