



FSU Pikes Delta Lambda Newsletter - August 2019

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The next Alumni/Undergraduate monthly luncheon is Wednesday, September 4th at the University Center Club. Come enjoy yarns and stories of chapter days, and hear an update from the undergrads of Delta Lambda 2019.



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If you have Rush Recommendations...

SEND THEM TO US NOW!**

Send your recs to Charlie Barnes cbarnes161@comcast.net and they will be delivered to Rush Chairman **Austin Webb '16** and his Captains. Too often, we have lost boys because other fraternities hide them and we don't know they're here. We can give bids in the summer and now, even before fall rush officially starts.

Delta Lambda Pikes Named to the Forbes 30-Under-30 List

Pike at FSU is a fraternity of achievers and entrepreneurs. We tell the pledges, “If you’ll be true to your role as a Pike, and develop your relationships with the men in this chapter, you’ll never lack confidence in any social setting and you’ll never be intimidated walking into any Board room.”

“**Brett Hagler**: CEO and Co-Founder of New Story, Y Combinator graduate, author, cancer survivor, and a 2016 Forbes 30 Under 30 Entrepreneur.” – **Forbes** New Story is recognized as one of Fast Company's 2017 and 2019 "Most Innovative Companies in The World," and Brett was named one of the Top 100 Most Intriguing Entrepreneurs by Goldman Sachs in 2018. Brett founded New Story shortly after his 25th birthday.

“**Vince Cacace**: Following a stint at General Motors in analytics, Cacace founded Vertebrae, which helps brands reach customers through virtual reality advertising, in 2015. Vertebrae enables clients, from brands and studios like Lionsgate, to agencies such as Edelman, to advertise across virtual reality environments and measure the impacts of campaigns. In September, the company announced \$10 million in Series A funding.” - **Forbes**.

Thanks to **Doug Russell '79** and **David Rancourt '84** for hosting a Brofest on June 27th at **51 on Madison**, the new private club in College Town. Standing are SMC **Wyatt Rancourt '16**; **Charlie Barnes '65**; **Scottie Howell '06**; **Chris Dietz '87**. Seated are DL Sargeant-at-Arms **Alex Gutierrez '16**; **Jeff Moore '81**; **David Rancourt '84**; **David Dowdy '81**; **Bob Hall '49**; **Doug Russell '79**; **Ed Barnes '70** and **Matt Schulis '01**.

Delta Lambda alumni recently elected to important Leadership Posts at FSU

Outgoing 2019 Seminole Boosters National Chairman **Doug Russell '79** writes, “Congratulations to Delta Lambda Brothers **Jimmy Graganella '14** on becoming

Vice-Chairman and Chair-Elect of Seminole Boosters, and to **Benjamin McKay '88** on his election to the National Board of Directors of the Florida State University Alumni Association.”

Left: **Jimmy Graganella '14** (son **Nick Graganella '12**) and his wife Lisa on the cover on Unconquered. Jimmy played football and Nick played baseball for the Seminoles. Jimmy is President and CEO of three insurance companies.

Right: **Ben McKay '88** was initiated in that final spring 1988 class that has turned out to be filled with extraordinarily accomplished leaders and supporters of Delta Lambda. A former Congressional Chief of Staff, Ben is now CEO & Executive Director at The Surplus Line Association of California.

The Florida State Pike Key West Weekend was smashing success once again. Thanks to the leadership of Chairman **Gary Prescott '72**, along with Host Committee members **Dave Kresge '73** and **Barry Smith '72**.

Front L to R: **Glenn Grant '82; Dave Markowski '79; Bill Kaler '81; Bill Comiskey '81; Jeff Furth '79; Griff Siegel '78; Dave Kresge '73; Bruce Johnson '81; Joe Feheley '81.**

Back L to R: **Mark Gambill '81; Adam Kurzweil '81; Bobby Fedor '81; Sean Murphy '83; Michael Miller '84; Gary Prescott '72; Scott Sears '83; Neal Chambliss '81.**

Griff Siegel says, “Not pictured, but still well represented: **Wayne Curtiss '83**, who produced the Alumni Weekend 2019 t-shirts worn by everyone in the group photo. The shirts were his gift to the group. (He also produced commemorative shirts for our 2015 Alumni Weekend, too. Very phi phi, that Wayne!).”

Aging warriors from Delta Lambda's Dominating Glory Days of the 1970s and 1980s.

*“Though much is taken, much abides; and though
We are not now that strength which in old days
Moved earth and heaven; that which we are, we are;
One equal temper of heroic hearts,
Made weak by time and fate, but strong in will
To strive, to seek, to find, and not to yield.”*

-Tennyson

Monthly Luncheon - University Center Club



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**Next Alumni Luncheon: Wednesday, September 4th,
2019 at 12:00 noon.**

Pike alumni gather for lunch and fellowship on the first Wednesday of every month at the University Center Club at noon, hosted by Chapter Advisors **Scottie Howell '06** and **John Peacock '01**. Special guests include the Undergraduate Delta Lambda Chapter officers, who will report the latest on Chapter operations and achievements. All alumni are welcome and encouraged to attend. **Luncheon begins at noon and will conclude by 1 pm.**

Chapter & Alumni Calendar 2019

August 1-4 Key West Reunion

August 7 – Monthly Alumni/Chapter leaders Luncheon

August 22 – 8 am residence halls open

August 26 – classes begin

September 4 – Monthly Alumni/Chapter Leaders Luncheon

September 7 – Home game vs ULM

September 21 – Home game vs Louisville

September 27 – Family Weekend (formerly Parents Weekend)

Home game vs. N.C. State

October 26 – Homecoming (Delta Lambda is with ZTA)

Home game vs. Syracuse

In Omaha for the College World Series are **Garrison Burr '12**, **Tyler Russell '10**, Seminole Boosters National Chairman **Doug Russell '79** and **Austin Burr '09**.

Sportswriters are not inclined to weave fraternity affiliations into their stories. However, if they could connect the dots, much more would have been made of Pi Kappa Alpha's presence in several pre-season articles that caught our eye. *Our emphasis in Italics.*

On July 8, sportswriters Wayne McGahee and Kurt Weller featured Seminole defensive end **Cory Durden '18**. "Now, he's projected to start *alongside his close friend Marvin Wilson '18* as part of a stacked defensive tackle group...While Wilson may grab more attention, the better Durden plays, the more attention he commands and the more he opens up things for Wilson to wreak havoc."

Another article explained how veteran offensive lineman **Landon Dickerson '17** was working closely *with his best friend Brady Scott '17*. Last season Scott had six starts, at both left and right tackle, and is the likely back-up at center.

It's unfortunate that both **Landon Dickerson '17** and defensive end **Xavier Peters '19** have passed through the transfer portal and will be playing at other schools next season: Dickerson at Alabama and Peters at Kentucky.

In addition to Scott and Wilson, other Pike Brothers expected back on the field this season include Kicker **Ricky Aguayo '16**; OL **Andrew Boselli '16**; QB **Beau Fillichio '18**; LS **Grant Glennon '18**; Punter **Tommy Martin '18**; TE **Gabe Nabers '16** and Punter **Logan Tyler '16**. Tyler has been named to the Ray Guy Award watch list.

Headline in the July 30, 2019 Tallahassee Democrat: “Wilson enters 2019 as FSU’s best defender”. Sportswriter Wayne McGahee calls Wilson “unblockable”. Wilson led all returning players in sacks from last season. Marvin has already been named to several Pre-Season All-American teams, and has been named to the watch lists of the Lombardi Award and the Bronco Nagurski Award.

“It is with great excitement that I announce the publication of my new book: ***La Mia Famiglia-- Never Let Them Steal Your Name***. Ten years of planning and the last full year of writing. It is a memoir of my life from a boy’s perspective age 5 to 19, growing up in Tampa surrounded by the Mafia and how we managed to survive. I hope you enjoy this colorful story! Also available on Amazon Kindle.”

Alex Price '98 writes: “An all-time great throwback photo that I happened upon this week! Florida State PIKE Auction, with guys I still consider some of the best men I’ve ever known. Not sure any of us would ‘sell’ for much \$\$\$ these days, but we were so cool back in the day; Daniel Middlebrooks, Jared Sweetser, Matt Liebenhaut, Eli Nortelus, Joshua Cossey, Stephen Briggs, Andrew John Jones, Brian Lorch, Scott Hundley and Alex Price – all 2001 Founding fathers.” *Alex Price was our colony President and SMC. He was initiated in 1998 at the University of South Alabama.

Notes and Comments Received

(from **Paul Gerding '65**, responding to the memorial photo of **C.P. Dukelow '66** regarding his death under fire as an infantryman in Vietnam, 1969):

“You’ll never forget the first people you meet in the dorm your first day at Smith Hall.

C.P. Dukelow '66 was the one I met. His roommate was Drew Lavender. My roommate was **Hunter Thomas '65**. It was September, 1964. We all went on to

become Pikes, and live in the old Pike house on Woodward across from the tennis courts. We were on the 10th floor of Smith Hall. Sometimes the elevator broke down. Seeing (Dukelow's) photograph make me remember the days of our youth. Oh well... carry on, Brothers. Phi Phi K A."

(Hunter Thomas '65 also wrote about **C.P. Dukelow '66**, and copied **Danny Taulbee '66**): "Years ago, I visited Washington DC, and I made it a point to visit the Vietnam Veterans Memorial. I wanted to make sure CP's name was there. It was. I'm glad I went. I hope any Brother who visits Washington does the same. Although Danny and I, along with many of our Brothers served during the war, seeing CP's name reminds us of the sacrifice so many made for our benefit. It reminds me that we must love our Brothers and behave in a way that honors his memory. Phi Phi KA, and God bless those who gave their all."

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Join the Old Guard of Delta Lambda!



The annual contribution to be a member of the Old Guard is only \$100. Funds are allocated at the direction of a Board chaired by Jack McMullen '64 and Doug Russell '79. The Old Guard account is located at BB&T in Tallahassee.

Please use this link to contribute:

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Or, if you feel more comfortable sending a check, please make it to The Old Guard of Delta Lambda, and send to Charlie Barnes / 1490 Saint Charles Place / Tallahassee, FL 32308

Old Guard of Delta Lambda (August 2019)

The Annual Giving Outreach of Delta Lambda Alumni

THE OLD GUARD

Brothers making Annual Gifts of \$100 or more

Dan Akre '83 2016, 2017

Charlie Barnes '65 2016, 2017, 2018

Ed Barnes '71 2017, 2018, 2019

Joe Beasley '83 2018

Robert "Bobby" Bowden '49 [Alpha Pi, Samford University] (son Jeff Bowden '80; grandson Michael Madden '14) 2016, 2017

Eric Carr '01 2017, 2018, 2019

Jay Campbell '87 2017, 2018, 2019

Bill Cheek '61 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020

Jim Cobb '63 (son Kevin Cobb '06) 2018

Chuck Cottrell '80 2019

Dustin Daniels '10 2016
Phil Doumar '09 2017
Jeff Epley '96 (Iota Gamma, Nebraska-Kearney) 2016, 2017, 2018
Miguel Fernandez '77 (son Michael '10) 2017 2018
Jim Finch '81 2017
Jim Floyd '76 2018, 2019
Paul Gerding '65 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022
Glenn Grant '82 2017
Connor Gray '11 2018
Bill Gregory '77 2017, 2018
Mike Halfacre '85 2016, 2018, 2019, 2020
Bob Hall '49 (grandson Andrew Hall '15 initiated at Auburn) 2016, 2017, 2018
Lawrence 'Chip' Hartung '81 2017, 2019
Scotty Howell '06 (brother Seth Howell '84) 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019
Bruce Johnson '81 2017
Jay Johnson '83 2016 *Joined the Sember Society in 2018
David Kresge '73 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019
Mike Lilly '84 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020
Carlos Lindo '05 2016
David Lyons '65 2018, 2019
Harvey Mackler '72 (Beta Pi, University of Pennsylvania) 2018, 2019
Trent Mallory '81 2017
Mike Markowski '75 (sons Reeve Markowski '13 and Brandon Markowski '16 ;
brothers Craig Markowski '79 and David Markowski '79) 2016
Roy McDonald 2018
Jack McMullen '64 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020
J.L. Milton '62 2018, 2019
Jim Montano '64 2019
Jeff Moore '81 2018
Kyle Mowitz '01 2017
Eli Nortelus '01 2018
Marco Novak '01 2016
Harry Orwig '66 2018
Serge Osaulenko '01 2017
Joel Padgett '71 2016

Jim Parsons '81 2017
John Peacock '01 2018
Chris Pepin '01 2018
Khounng Phan '01 2019
Jim Poe '66 2017
David Ponder '80 2017
Gary Prescott '72 2018, 2019
Lt. Col. Jerry Sexton '74 (brother Russell Sexton '77) 2018, 2019
Griffin Siegel '78 2016 2017
Peter Singhal '15 2019
Kevin Stokes '13 2018, 2019
Bob Stoner '64 2018 (memorial gift via John Stoner)
John Stoner '64 2018
Tom Trotta '81 (son Eric Trotta '09 initiated at University of Florida) 2018
Kevin Wheeler '09 (father Tom Wheeler '78) 2017, 2018, 2019
Wade Wilcox '86 (son Griffin Wilcox '15) 2017, 2018, 2019
Bill Williams '85 2019, 2020
Rob Williamson '87 2018
Alan Winslette '77 2018

THE SEMBLER SOCIETY

Brothers have made at least one gift of \$1,000 or more

Chuck Cottrell '80

*January, 2019: Chuck Cottrell made an additional gift of \$1,000 to be used in the best interests of the Chapter. Thank you Chuck for your generosity to Delta Lambda!

Jim Crews '78

Chris Dietz '87 (son Caleb Dietz '11)

Tobyn DeYoung '86 (son Steven Centeno '16)

Steve Goodloe '79 Memorial Gift; donor remains anonymous

Chris Gutierrez '83 [University of Florida] (son Alex Guterriez '16)

David Gutting '83 (son Sterling Gutting '16)

Bruce Johnson '81

Jay B. Johnson '83

Jimmy Keen '73 (son Michael Keen '14)
Craig Mateer '86 (son Charles Merritt '16)
Noah C. McKinnon '65
Rich Newsome '83
David Rancourt '84 (son Wyatt Rancourt '16)
Matt Raulerson '83 (son Zach Raulerson '17)
Scott Roix '85 and son Max Roix '18
Doug Russell '79 (son Tyler Russell '10)
Harry Sargeant III '78 (sons Harry Sargeant IV '02 and Garrett Sargeant '17)
Brent W. Sembler '78 (son Logan Sembler '09)
Tim Sheridan '79 (grandson of Ed Cubbon '29; brother Ted Sheridan)
Rich Wall '66
Tom Wheeler '78 (son Kevin Wheeler '09)

2019 Chapter Leadership (updated March 2019)

- SMC (President): Wyatt Rancourt '16 (father David Rancourt '84)
- Internal Vice President: Jake Garber '16
- External Vice President: Tripp Brown '16
- Excellence Officer: Zach Blashinski '16
- Secretary: Kyle Finnie '17
- Pledge Educator: Jeremy Wozunk '16
- Rush Chairman: Austin Webb '16
- Treasurer: Kevin Anderson '16
- House Manager: Garrett Sargeant '17 (father Harry Sargeant III '78; brother Harry Sargeant IV '02)
- Risk Management: Alex Pons '17
- Title IX Chairman: Jake Middleton '18
- Member at Large: Mike Gutjahr '17
- Sergeant at Arms (Judicial Officer): Alex Gutierrez '16 (father Chris Gutierrez '87 [UF]; brother Ryan '18 IFC Representative: TBD)
- Intramural Sports Chairman: TBD
- Social Chairman: TBD
- Alumni Liaison: Max Roix '18 (father, Scott Roix '85)
- Pikes Illustrated Editor 2018: TBD

Chapter Alumni Advisory Board (May 15, 2019)

Chapter Advisor: John Peacock '01

Chapter Advisor: Scottie Howell '06

Legends of Delta Lambda: Brent Sembler '78, Chairman

Legends Board member: Jimmy Keen '73

Rush Advisors: Doug Russell '79 and Charlie Barnes '65

Faculty Advisors: Andy Miller '70 and Doug Tatum '77

Finance Advisor and Advisor to Treasurer and Secretary: Eli Nortelus '01

Risk Management: Clint Wallace '01, Carlos Lindo '05

Pledge Education Advisor: TBD

Technology Advisor & Webmaster: Chris Dietz '87

Alumni Association Activity Chairmen: Gary Prescott '72, Mark Smith '78

Alumni Association Committee, Chairman Eric Carr '01

Newsletter Publisher and Webmaster: Chris Dietz '87

Newsletter Editors: Charlie Barnes '65, Tim Sheridan '79

Member-at-Large and Activity Advisor: TBD

Chaplaincy Advisor: John Peacock '01, Chairman; Rev. Rick Blythe '72

AMBASSADORS:

BOB HALL '49 (grandson' Andrew Hall '15; Auburn)

BENT SEMBLER '78 (son, Logan Sembler '09)

CHARLIE BARNES '65 (brother, Ed Barnes '71)

ANDY MILLER '70 (son, Matt Miller '09; brother Bill Miller '74)

JIMMY KEEN '73 (son, Michael Keen '14)

DOUG RUSSELL '78 (son, Tyler Russell '10)

Chapter Advisor Emeritus Ed Barnes '71 National Chapter Advisor of the Year 2005

Chapter Advisor Emeritus Joe Feheley '81 (son Sean Feheley '14)

Chapter Advisor Emeritus Jimmy Keen '73 (son Michael Keen '14)

Chapter Advisor Emeritus Doug Russell '78 (son Tyler Russell '10)

These six alumni organizations exist to support Pi Kappa Alpha at Florida State

The Legends of Delta Lambda. Legends owns the Chapter House. Brent Sembler '78, Chairman. Jimmy Keen '73, Legends Oversight and House Management. Capital gifts may also be made directly to the Legends of Delta Lambda. [Brent Sembler](#)

The Delta Lambda Chapter Advisory Board. Chapter Advisors John Peacock '01 and Scottie Howell '06 Chair the Advisory Board. FSU Pikes Chapter Advisor (chapteradvisor@fsupikes.net)

The Delta Lambda Alumni Association. Eric Carr '01, President.

The Old Guard of Delta Lambda. The Old Guard is the alumni annual fund. Jack McMullen '64 is Chairman of the Old Guard oversight board.

The Legacy Dads of Delta Lambda. Doug Russell '78, Founder and President.

The Delta Lambda Communications Team. The Delta Lambda Website and the Delta Lambda Monthly Newsletter are productions of Dietz Consulting, Inc. Chris Dietz '87, owner. The monthly newsletter is Edited by Charlie Barnes '65, and Tim Sheridan '79. Len Tucker (and Jean) Tucker '70 provides the chapter with its annual composite. The Team also consults with the Chapter on the annual production of Pikes Illustrated

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