



FSU Pikes Delta Lambda Newsletter - March 2019

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Joining the Old Guard is easy. Contribution is only \$100 per year. Your gift goes toward strengthening the Bonds among alumni, and enriching both the alumni and undergraduate Delta Lambda experience. Some alumni have even chosen to give as much as \$1,000. A current list of the Old Guard Members appears at the end of this newsletter.

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The next Alumni/Undergraduate monthly luncheon is Wednesday, March 6th 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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March 6, 2016: "The Chapter Updates and Officers' Reports were Inspirational."

On the first Wednesday of every month, five of the top Chapter officers meet for lunch with local alumni who perform various advisory roles with the Chapter. Any and all alumni are welcome. The bill for the five undergrads' meals is pro-rated among the attending alumni.

This March 6th, eleven current Chapter officers along with two newly initiated pledges attended. SMC Wyatt Rancourt said, "The news is good right now, and the officers are so eager to tell their stories, that we brought a larger number. Also, this month we have arranged for the Chapter to pay for all of us undergrads as well as all the attending alumni. Please let this be our treat."

Chuck Cottrell '80 was visiting from Melbourne. Chuck writes, "I can't say enough how impressed I am with the endeavors and accomplishments of the chapter." He also wrote a personal note to SMC Rancourt saying, "It was classy that you said you were blessed with good Brothers around you...but many kudos to you individually my friend. You should be very proud of the great job you're doing as President."

A few of the highlights from the Chapter Officers' reports:

...(Wyatt Rancourt '16) "This is the best overall right now since I've been here."

...IVP Jake Garber '16 reported a fun trip by 50 Pike undergrads to attend a Tampa Bay Lightning game. He also delighted everyone with reports of Opening Day of Stickball League, Delta lambda's own exclusive in-house competition.

...Dylan Neilander '15 has created a campus-wide Bible Study series to be held at the Pike house. "We are the only fraternity with a Chaplaincy Advisor."

...Treasurer Kevin Anderson '16 reported that the Chapter is on solid financial ground.

...Excellence Officer Zach Blashinsky '16 said that Pike is an original sponsor and one of only four fraternities involved in hosting the annual campus-wide "Line Dance" philanthropy. "Our goal is to win the competition to raise the most money for charity during Line Dance", he said. Alumni speculated that The Old Guard will pitch in to help. Video: [https://www.youtube.com/watch?Annual Line Dance Video](https://www.youtube.com/watch?Annual+Line+Dance+Video)

...Pledge Master **Jeremy Wozunk '16** reported that we pledged 21 this spring, and initiated 20. **Scott Roix '85**, father of Alumni Chairman **Max Roix '18** was present at the last two initiations, and has been especially active in encouraging greater Chapter involvement, and a more serious and respectful ceremonial approach in the initiation ceremony. Pledge Class President **Michael Reece '19** and Vice President **David Joseph '19** each spoke of the emotional impact of the Initiation Ceremony they just experienced.

...Alumni Chairman **Max Roix '18** proposed that the Chapter host a golf tournament in concert with the alumni during the weekend of the Miami game next fall.

...External VP **Tripp Brown '15** reported that Pike is currently leading in overall points for the Intramural Championship Trophy. Because of the chaos in the fraternity system last year, no overall championship was awarded to any fraternity in 2018. If Pike wins again this year, Delta Lambda will have won the Overall Championship more times since 2001 than all the other fraternities combined.

...House Manager **Garrett Sargent '16** updated alumni on progress with repairs to the horrendous damage inflicted on the house by a broken water main over Christmas break. "Seven suites are being completely rebuilt and re-furnished. They will be the nicest rooms in the house."

...Rush Chairman **Austin Webb '16** is already reviewing rush recommendations and prospects for the summer and fall. As Rush Chairman, his first class this spring was exceptional.

...Secretary **Kyle Finney '17** reported on upcoming social events like "Pike Polo Punch" at the Recess Club overlooking Doak Campbell Stadium, and "Pike Courtyard Day". Also, the Chapter will host a "Dads Day" the weekend of the spring Garnet & Gold Football Game (April 5,6).

...Other creative new Chapter initiatives include a raffle for prizes for those Brothers who do well on exams.

...SMC Rancourt and Chapter Advisors Howell and Peacock indicated that they have arranged an introductory meeting with the University's new Title IX Coordinator Mandy Hambleton. "We haven't had any trouble, but if trouble does come, we don't want our first meeting with her to be with people she doesn't already know."

The above photograph, Left to right: Chuck Cottrell '80; Jeff Moore '81; Bob Hall '49; Charlie Barnes '65; SMC Wyatt Rancourt '16 (father, David Rancourt '84); Internal VP Jake Garber '16; Treasurer Kevin Anderson '16; Secretary Kyle Finnie '17; Chapter Excellence Officer Zach Blashinsky '16; Pledge Educator Jeremy Wozunk '16; Rush Chairman Austin Webb '16; Alumni Relations Chair Max Roix '18 (father, Scott Roix '85); External VP Tripp Brown '15; House Manager Garrett Sargeant '16 (father, Harry Sargeant '78); Member-at-Large Michael Gutjahr '17; Chapter Advisor Scottie Howell '06; Chapter Advisor John Peacock '01; Ed Barnes '71; Bob McKnight '63. Standing in the back are our just-initiated pledge class Vice-President David Joseph '19 and President Michael Reece '19. Standing on the right are Chris Dietz '87 (son, Caleb Dietz '11), and Ernie Cox '81 (University of Florida).



Pikes are the 2019 Large Fraternity Soccer Champions



Doug Russell '79 and Mike Martin '06

Martin Hits the 2,000 Win Mark

Doug Russell '79 (son, Tyler Russell '10) National Chairman of Seminole Boosters, Inc. congratulating #11 Coach (Pike) Mike Martin '06 (brother, Blaine Martin '58) on his 2,000th victory, March 9, 2019.

Martin is now the all-time winningest Head Coach in college baseball history, and the first coach in collegiate history to hit 2,000 wins in any sport!

Delta Lambda Chapter is proud that eleven Pikes are members of this 2019 Seminole Baseball team.

They include:

- Infielder Drew Mendoza '16;
- Pitcher Drew Parrish '17;
- Pitcher C.J. Kwiatkowski '17;
- Pitcher Shane Drohan '17;
- Outfielder/Pitcher J. C. Flowers '18;
- Pitcher Chase Haney '18;
- Pitcher Kyle McMullen '18;
- Pitcher C.J. Van Eyk '17;
- Catcher Carter Smith '18;
- Pitcher Jack Anderson '19;
- Pitcher Corey Yawn '19.

Doug Russell recounted Saturday's historic 5-2 victory over Virginia Tech with a "Delta Lambda recap" of the 2,000th win box score. "Shane Drohan '17 got the

start,” he said. “Chase Haney ’18 came in relief for the win. Drew Mendoza ’16 went 1 for 3 and a walk. J.C. Flowers ’18 was the stud at the plate, going 2 for 4 with a home run. J.C. also came in to pitch the 8th and 9th innings earning the save.”

Monthly Luncheon - University Center Club



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Next Alumni Luncheon: Wednesday, April 3, 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. 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

March 18 - 22 Spring Break;
April 3 - Monthly Alumni/Chapter Leaders Luncheon;
April 6 - Spring Garnet & Gold Game / Pike Dad's Weekend
April 26 - Last Day of Classes;
April 29 - May 3 Final Exams;
May 1 - Monthly Alumni/Chapter Leaders Luncheon
June 5 - Monthly Alumni/Chapter Leaders Luncheon
*July - no luncheon in July
August 7 - Monthly Alumni/Chapter leaders Luncheon

It's Never Too Early for Pike Dads to Start Rushing



Roman Carr '37, son of Eric Carr '01.



Felix Phan '37, son of Khoung Phan '01



The Bodkin Brothers

The legacy of Pi Kappa Alpha sons is of central importance to the enduring strength of Delta Lambda Chapter. Larry Bodkin '83 has three sons. Pictured here are Ben Bodkin, Ander Bodkin '15 and Mark Bodkin '15. Ander and Mark Bodkin were initiated into Mu Mu Chapter of Pi Kappa Alpha at Jacksonville University where both men starred for the Jacksonville U. Dolphins varsity football team.

Ben Bodkin is on track to enter Florida State University in spring, 2020. We trust that Larry Bodkin, Ander and Mark will all be present to help welcome Ben into their Fraternity.

Doug Russell '79 is President and Founder

of Delta Lambda's Legacy Dads.



Left: Mitchell Reiter '14 (father, Ernie Reiter '86) a devoted Philadelphia Eagles fan is in the locker room holding the Vince Lombardi Trophy won by the Eagles in Super Bowl 52 with a victory over the Patriots. Mitchell is working on his Masters Degree in Sports Business at Temple University in Philadelphia. He is also a Philadelphia Eagles Ticket and Fan Services Intern (2018- January 2019).

Right: Griffin Wilcox '15 celebrates his December graduation with his dad Wade Wilcox '86 at the Pike house. Griffin was Tri-Delta Sorority Man of the Year, winner of the Ed Cubbon Award and Director of Outreach for FSU's Student Alumni Association.



The Pike House is Getting a New \$150,000 Roof!

Thanks (always) to the brilliance, advance planning and leadership of The Legends of Delta Lambda, chaired by Brent Sembler '78, your Pike house has undergone nearly a half million dollars in repairs and renovations since January 1st.

Legends Board member Jimmy Keen '73 reports, "By the time the Newsletter is published the roof will be completed FINALLY. I have them cleaning up a few details; during construction they broke some gutters, soffit, etc. The crews will likely be working long days to complete this project."

Keen added, "Replacement of the roof was not due to hurricane damage or the flood from the broken pipe. Replacement was due to the 15-year-old roof I had patched on top and from the attic many times.

Brent and I decided we just had to bite the bullet and replace the roof."



You may not recognize this fellow in costume but he is **Brendan Carter '17** who portrayed Chief Osceola through the 2017 season. While many alumni and undergraduates alike contributed their heroic efforts in the wake of the Pike House disaster, **Jimmy Keen '73** stressed the importance of including "special kudos" to Brendan Carter. "Brendan arrived

back to the house from holiday a day or two after the terrible water break was discovered," Jimmy says. "He was my SUPER STAR! Every time -and there were many times - I called or texted he was immediately on what I asked him. He was the liaison to help me keep the chapter informed. He was allowed into the construction site and trusted with the master key to the affected rooms to supervise. For me to get the contractors in to do their work to prevent additional damage I had to issue a short time frame for all personal items to be removed from the house. The contract specified that any items left after a specific date would be considered trash. Brendan jumped was the fire who pushed the Brothers and he helped them move to the pods they were issued. Per my request he assigned pods and locks with a key. He kept a perfect ledger."

COMMENTS WE'VE RECEIVED

Letter from Paul Gerding '65, October 4, 2018

Brothers, enclosed is a check for \$500 to cover five years of contributions to the Old Guard. Based on the football team, maybe a better fund would be one to "Bring Bobby Back"!

Phi Phi K A

Paul Gerding '65

606 Butler Street

Windemere, FL 34786

Note of Correction

In the February issue we identified the son of Kathy and Wayne Johnson '72 as 'Chad'. We do have Chad Johnson '85, but he's not their son. Matt Johnson '03 is our former rush chairman and Wayne & Kathy's son.

Recent Old Guard Contributions

Delta Lambda is very grateful for your continued support. Gifts received most recently (since the first of March) include:

Ed Barnes '71 \$100

Mike Halfacre '85 \$200

Jim Floyd '76 \$100

David Lyons '65 \$100

Scottie Howell '06 \$100

"I paid again my \$100 dues for Old Guard and recommend that we all do same. Small amount for big memories." Bro David Lyons '65

From John Stoner '64, "I Agree. I will also pay an ongoing contribution for my brother Bob '64 (Chapter Eternal). Bob was two and a half years older. He graduated 6-9 months in advance of me but stayed in Tally to work for a year." Rob Stoner '88 is John's son, named for his brother Bob.

Several have asked, "DO YOU SEND OUT AN ANNUAL NOTICE?"

Charlie Barnes responds, "Unfortunately not yet, but I'll work on that. We re-started the Old Guard in mid-year a few seasons ago and I've never set up the proper software file for annual notices.

Your Old Guard Board is chaired by **Jack McMullen '64** and is kept apprised of all expenditures. "No", Jack writes, "We do not get annual invoices. That is why I pay \$200 every other year."

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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 (March 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

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

Scotty Howell '06 (brother Seth Howell '84) 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019

Bruce Johnson '81 2017

Jay Johnson '83 2016 *Joined the Sembler Society in 2018

David Kresge '73 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019

Mike Lilly '84 2017, 2018
Carlos Lindo '05 2016
David Lyons '65 2018, 2019
Harvey Mackler '72 (Beta Pi, University of Pennsylvania) 2018
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
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
Khoungh Phan '01 2019
Jim Poe '66 2017
David Ponder '80 2017
Gary Prescott '72 2018
Lt. Col. Jerry Sexton '74 (brother Russell Sexton '77) 2018, 2019
Griffin Siegel '78 2016 2017
Kevin Stokes 2018
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
Wade Wilcox '86 (son Griffin Wilcox '15) 2017, 2018, 2019
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)

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 January 1, 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
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Alumni Advisory Board (Updated January 1, 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: Jimmy Keen '73, Chairman; Don Pumphrey , Jr. '06, 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
CHARLIE BARNES '65 (brother Ed Barnes '71)
ANDY MILLER '70 (son Matt Miller '09)
JIMMY KEEN '73 (son Michael Keen '14)

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 Brent.Sembler@sembler.com

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 Tim Sheridan '79 and Charlie Barnes '65. 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

