

BETA ETA DATA

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BETA ETA CHAPTER ALUMNI NEWSLETTER



Beta Eta's student chapter roared back to life this fall after a national staff-led expansion yielded a new chapter of 83 men who are ready to lead the FSU Greek Community.

BETA ETA IS BACK!

When two Pi Kappa Phi expansion consultants stepped foot onto FSU's campus in September, few could have foreseen the unparalleled success they would achieve within a month. Carrying the flag of Pi Kappa Phi, Mike Larsson, Theta Xi (Arizona State) and Bradley Charlesworth, Theta Alpha (Southern Miss) recruited a group of **83 men** that fit the esteemed legacy of the Beta Eta Chapter. "In terms of quality and number of men recruited, the success of the Beta Eta re-colonization stands out as one of the most successful in Pi Kappa Phi history," noted Mark Timmes, Alpha Epsilon (Florida), CEO for Pi Kappa Phi Fraternity. The students were recruited through information meetings, personal interviews, and personal referrals from sorority women and campus leaders.

The men who comprise the new Beta Eta student chapter are accomplished both academically and on campus. Academics were stressed throughout recruitment. As a result, the chapter includes men involved in the FSU Honors Program and honorary societies and at least one was recognized as a

National Merit Scholar. Moreover, the new chapter is connected throughout campus via various student organizations. The students truly represent a vital cross section of campus activity. They are involved with student government, ROTC, orientation, campus ministries, and even the FSU football team.

In addition, two of the new members, **Phillip Kelly** and **Will Godwin**, are Pi Kapp legacies. Phillip, grandson of **BHAC Director Frank Kaney '55**, helped organize an initial interest group of approximately 10 men before the national staff arrived on campus, while Will is the younger brother of Beta Eta alumnus, James Godwin, who served as the chapter's Secretary in 1997. Will Godwin is the current Warden.

This interest group helped with two chapter house clean ups prior to the expansion and provided the expansion with some initial momentum. "Having a high quality interest group at the onset greatly enhanced our overall success," stated consultant Mike Larsson. "This early momentum demonstrated to the entire campus that Pi Kappa Phi was returning in force," he added. More

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NOTES

NAMES: The number after each name in this newsletter represents the year of initiation.

STUDENT CHAPTER: Keep up to date with the Beta Eta student chapter by visiting www.BetaEta.com.

NEED TO FIND A BROTHER?

The BHAC would like to help you stay connected with fellow Beta Eta brothers. E-mail us at fsupikappalumni@yahoo.com to request contact information for alumni you would like to contact.

CHAPTER ETERNAL: The following brothers were reported to the National Fraternity as having passed to the Chapter Eternal since the last publication:

Roger Randolph '57

BETA ETA ALUMNI CHAPTER ANNUAL MEETING

Saturday, February 21, 2009

Tallahassee, FL

University Center Club

Annual Meeting - 4:00 p.m.

Reception - 5:30 p.m.

Dinner - 7:00 p.m.

Visit BetaEta.com for more details

EXPANSION NEWS

Beta Eta Alumni Support Pivotal in Expansion Efforts

Beta Eta alumni provided pivotal support to the national expansion staff's efforts to reactivate the Beta Eta student chapter. Two Beta Eta men provided the staff with housing adjacent to campus where they could be more readily accessible to recruits. Others contributed a total of \$2,600 to support a marketing campaign where Pi Kapp t-shirts were given to nearly 600 Florida State University sorority women—a great source of potential member leads.

In addition, several alumni were also directly involved in recruitment of new members. These alumni attended a recruitment event hosted by the Beta Eta Alumni Chapter at Harry's Seafood Bar & Grill. The support of these dedicated alumni was critical in the expansion's success, enabling the national staff to expand the marketing budget and host more recruiting events—all of which helped make a stronger first impression on campus.

HOUSING

Brian Baber '92
Chris Mueller '92

T-SHIRTS

Marshall Atkinson '84
Jeff Butler '92
Hugo de Beaubien '68
Brian Faircloth '91
Greg Jones '91
Ray Jones '91
Frank Kaney '55
Michael Loy '91
Harry McIntosh '88

RECRUITMENT EVENT

Marshall Atkinson '84
Tim Atkinson '84
Chuck Cutajar '62
Jeff Eacker '82
Lee Nichols '87
Paul Nichols '64
Jim Scarboro '82
Jeff Wahlen '81

Loy to Chair National Expansion Committee

Michael Loy '91 has been selected by the National Fraternity to serve as Chairman of Pi Kappa Phi's National Expansion Committee. While an active committee for the past 6 years, the committee was formally recognized as a standing committee by the fraternity at this past summer's Supreme Chapter. Having served on the committee for the past 5 years, Loy has been an active voice in shaping the direction of the fraternity's expansion policies, programs, and training. The committee has been charged with developing the strategic expansion initiatives for Pi Kappa Phi, including how best to leverage technology, enhance marketing, and utilize alumni in the expansion process. "I am excited about the direction in which the fraternity's expansion efforts are taking us," said Loy. "Having worked with the fraternity staff during the Beta Eta expansion, I believe the fraternity can emulate some of the tactics used at FSU to reach similar heights at other campuses."

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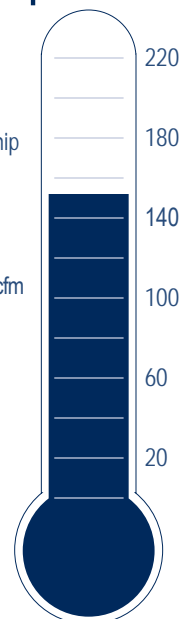
RISK MANAGEMENT ADVISOR | **Brian Faircloth '91**

PUSH AMERICA ADVISOR | **Greg Winter '83**

Membership Drive

Help Beta Eta Alumni Chapter, Inc. reach its goal of 220 members! The current membership total is at 153.

To join or renew your membership, visit:
www.BetaEta.com/join.cfm





In Step with the Vice President

Recently, the *Beta Eta Data* spent time with Dr. Mary Coburn, Florida State's Vice President for Student Affairs, to discuss Greek Life, today's millennial generation students, and the changes she has observed over her 30-plus years working with collegians.

Dr. Coburn was named Florida State's VP for Student Affairs in 2003, but prior appointments at FSU, where she served as Director of Student Development Programs and Assistant Dean of Students, as well as her most recent position as the VP for Student Affairs at Tallahassee Community College, have equipped her with the experience and insight needed to lead approximately four hundred employees who, in turn, serve over forty thousand students within the greater FSU community.

Today's college student – the 'millennial student' – is different from the one who attended FSU 10, 15, 20 years ago. How would you describe today's student?

Today's Millennial Generation of students are very motivated and focused, maintain frequent contact with their families, and confident. They are also more careful... "risk-averse" preferring to not stick out from their peers. As a rule they are very pleasant to work with. Compared to 20 years ago, the greatest difference to me seems to be the nature of their relationship with

parents. Parents would rarely call back then to resolve a student's issue whereas now, it is almost more common for the parents to call even before the student has attempted.

As the Vice President for Student Affairs you oversee all registered student organizations at FSU including fraternities and sororities. How does FSU's Greek community fit in the university's overall plan for student involvement and engagement?

Greek organizations are a key segment of our student life. With their long-standing traditions and high levels of involvement, they represent a critical component of our programs and services. We can always rely on Greek organizations to support our activities and be active in every segment of student life.

In your tenure at Florida State, both before being named as Vice President and into your current term, what changes have you observed in fraternities?

Our fraternities have grown in number and diversity. The addition of the multicultural

Greek organizations has expanded students' options for becoming involved.

How has the creation of FSU's Heritage Grove (i.e. Greek housing community off of Ocala Road) changed FSU's Greek community?

I think that Heritage Grove has elevated the housing climate for fraternities and created a center of fraternity activities. On the other hand, it has created a HG v. non-HG divide that is not always healthy. I don't think this is a disadvantage for non-HG groups but it has increased the level of competition for quality housing.

Except for its recent closing, Pi Kappa Phi has been one of FSU's most consistent fraternities. What was your reaction to Pi Kappa Phi's recent return to the FSU community?

I am very pleased to have Pi Kapps back—with such a strong alumni chapter, their success is most likely!!

UPCOMING EVENTS

TAMPA

Friday, February 6, 2009
Gasparilla Kickoff Happy Hour
Time: 4:30 - 7:30 p.m.
Hooters Restaurant of S. Tampa

Saturday, May 23, 2009
Family Day at Fort DeSoto
Time: 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.
BYO Drinks and Food

Saturday, August 15, 2009
Happy Hour at Shephard's Tiki Bar
Clearwater Beach
Time: 3:00 p.m.

RSVP for all events to Scott Middlebrooks at (813) 205-1059 | scmiddlebrooks@gmail.com

Alumni Gather for Game Viewing

Beta Eta alumni and their guests gathered last fall for two game viewing parties sponsored by the BHAC. Orlando-area alumni enjoyed an evening at the home of **Ray** and **Diane Jones** as the Seminoles defeated the Wolfpack on October 16. Similarly, Tampa-area alumni, coordinated by **Scott**



Middlebrooks '93, gathered last August at Hattrick's Sports Bar & Tavern in downtown Tampa for the Tampa Bay Buccaneers vs. Jacksonville Jaguars football game. Nearly thirty alumni and guests attended both events.

The BHAC currently has volunteers in Tampa, Orlando, Atlanta and Jacksonville planning events on behalf of all Beta Eta alumni in their respective areas. Visit www.BetaEta.com for event details.



Sean Barth '90 and Crandall Cunningham '92 reconnect during the event at the Jones'.

From L to R: Franklin Clark '93 George Cuyler '72 Randy Plotts '64 and Roger Randolph '57 visit with each other at Hattrick's in Tampa.

ALUMNI UPDATES

Carlos TAYLOR '50

Carlos completed his degree in education from FSU about 30 years ago. Upon completion of his doctorate, he worked as an administrator for Pinellas County Schools in Florida, then served as an Associate Professor for the university system in Illinois. Later, he moved to Portland, OR and finished his career as the Director of Curriculum for the Portland School District. Carlos' youngest son completed his B.A. at FSU, his daughter completed her degree at the University of South Florida and his older son has his B.A. from Berkeley School of Music in Boston. Carlos currently resides in Lake Oswego, OR. woodside66@comcast.net

Dick LUKAS '54

After his retirement from college teaching, Dick has carved out another career as a freelance writer. He has been published in a number of magazines and journals, including, *Inside the Vatican* and *Catalyst*. Dick and his wife, Marita, live in Ocala, FL. marich@webtv.net

Frank KANEY '55

Frank retired in 2001 after 33 years as a Judge in the Orange County Court Systems. Since then he has started a second career as a family mediator. A family mediator helps people who are going through a divorce or seeking to modify divorce decrees out of court, saving the parties involved time, money and emotional capital. fnole58@cfl.rr.com

Paul PERRY '55

On July 4, 2008, Paul retired from Music in the Mountains as its founding Artistic Director – a position he had held since 1982. Throughout the summer, the organization threw Paul a series of galas and presented him with a proclamation of appreciation from Governor Schwarzenegger. The area Chamber of Commerce named him as “Person of the Year” for 2008, and Music in the Mountains also presented him with the Maestro Award for Outstanding Service and named him Artistic Director Emeritus. In retirement, Paul continues his service to Music in the Mountains as an advisor and also spends time with Hospitality House, an organization in the Nevada City/Grass Valley area that serves the homeless by providing basic services such as meals, shelter and medical attention. pperry1136@att.net

Skip ARCHIBALD '61

Skip is a retired school district Superintendent and is currently conducting organization and management reviews for school districts throughout the U.S. In his private practice, he services a number of industrial clients' strategic planning and organizational needs and handles labor negotiations for school systems. In his spare time, he enjoys sailing, retreating to his cabin in northern Michigan and spending time with his 14 grandchildren. sarchib@aol.com



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importantly, the initial members set a high standard by which to measure future recruits. Still, fraternity is built on personal relationships and that fact was not lost during the expansion. “There are few moments in my life where I was as proud as to learn my grandson, Phillip, was eager to help re-establish Beta Eta’s prominence at FSU,” added Brother Kaney.

Beta Eta alumni provided valuable assistance throughout the expansion (see side bar on page 2). The Alumni Chapter worked with the national staff to develop a plan where the alumni could most benefit the expansion. The BHAC provided expansion support by (1) keeping the alumni members informed about the recolonization through the *Beta Eta Data*, (2) fundraising to assist with marketing and promotional activities, (3) providing Pi Kappa Phi recruitment t-shirts for sorority women at FSU, (4) working with local alumni to provide housing for the National Staff, (5) recruiting alumni to serve as student advisors, (6) hosting three conference calls for alumni to learn more about the expansion, and (7) collecting the names of potential recruits on www.BetaEta.com.

“IN MY OPINION, NO OTHER PI KAPP EXPANSION HAS BENEFITTED MORE FROM SUCH A STRONG ALUMNI PRESENCE.”

“I was extremely impressed by the dedication exhibited by our alumni,” noted **BHAC President Michael Loy**. “Our alumni repeatedly demonstrated an unparalleled drive to lay a successful foundation for our future student chapter. When I picked up the phone to ask for help, I was never disappointed.” This sentiment was matched by **National Historian Tom Sullivan**, Delta Omega (Texas A&M), who chairs the national expansion committee. “In my opinion, no other Pi Kapp expansion has benefitted more from such a strong alumni presence.”

By way of example, the BHAC sponsored a reception at Harry’s Seafood Bar & Grill during the third week of the expansion for the student members, prospective members, and a group of alumni. The event was designed for BH alumni to express to the students what their fraternity experience meant and why this was a lifetime commitment. Later that evening, several recruits committed to joining the student chapter after spending time with BH alumni. **National President Jeff Wahlen ’81** (AE), a past Beta Eta Archon, commented, “I have a bunch of proud moments as a Pi Kapp, some equal but none prouder than tonight.”

The shared enthusiasm quickly spread. A noteworthy team of advisors was recruited to work with the students to establish the leading fraternity chapter at FSU. This board, known as the Board of Alumni Advisors (BOAA), is chaired by the Chapter Advisor, **Jim Scarboro ’82**. (See page 2 for the full list of alumni advisors.) “We on the BOAA are very excited to be working with the students. This promises to be a great opportunity for us to work with them to develop and foster a Beta Eta Chapter we can all be proud about.”

The road before the student chapter will be challenging, but it is a team effort. As discussed in past issues of the *Beta Eta Data*, the students will work to reestablish Beta Eta as the leading fraternity at FSU and within Pi Kappa Phi. Part of that journey involves meeting minimum chartering standards to become a fully recognized Pi Kappa Phi chapter. Accordingly, the associate chapter will now work to recruit more new members, produce written chapter management programs, and become actively involved with Push America. As the students work to achieve these goals, they will be assisted and guided by the national staff, BOAA, BH Housing Corporation, and BHAC. **Adam Fox**, the Chapter Archon looks forward to the process. “Now that Beta Eta has been brought back to campus, we want to bring Pi Kappa Phi back to being one of the best on campus, something that alumni helped to create.”

THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL



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Adam is a junior Political Science major from Coral Springs. He chose Pi Kappa Phi because he wants to be a part of reshaping what a fraternity is and should be. Adam one day aspires to be a lawyer. (954) 675-1657 | ajf06d@fsu.edu



MICHAEL PHILLIPS | VICE ARCHON

Mike is a sophomore Accounting major from Fairfield, CT. He chose Pi Kappa Phi because he wanted to leave a legacy as a founding father that future generations would be proud of. Mike is pursuing a career as a CPA. (203) 551-1961 | jmp07m@fsu.edu



MATTHEW WILSON | TREASURER

Matt is a junior from Tallahassee majoring in Economics and Political Science. He chose Pi Kappa Phi since they are "Leaders by Choice" and for the great things that Push America has done. Matt would like to pursue a career as either a lawyer or a government official. (850) 556-6692 | mcw06c@hotmail.com



JOHN STRICKLAND | SECRETARY

John Frazier is a sophomore History major from Jacksonville. He chose Pi Kappa Phi because he felt the opportunity to help reestablish the Beta Eta chapter was too great to pass up. John Frazier wants to attend law school and aspires to become a judge. (904) 608-5877 | js07f@fsu.edu



WILLIAM GODWIN | WARDEN

Will is a sophomore Physics major from Boynton Beach, Florida. He chose Pi Kappa Phi because of what it has done for his brother (James Godwin '95) and how it benefitted him. Will one day aspires to become a professor of physics at a college or university. (561) 386-5695 | wjg07c@fsu.edu



PHILLIP KELLEY | HISTORIAN

Phillip is a sophomore from Orlando majoring in History and Communication Studies. He chose Pi Kappa Phi because of his grandfather's (Frank Kaney '55) involvement with Beta Eta and to help shape what true brotherhood should be. Phillip aspires to be a defense attorney. (407) 432-5722 | pgk07@fsu.edu



WILLIAM BOYCE | CHAPLAIN

Will is a sophomore from Jacksonville majoring in English and History. He chose Pi Kappa Phi because of the opportunity to help shape the fraternity and to give back to future brothers. He aspires to one day become the President of the United States of America. (904) 463-3466 | wpb07@fsu.edu

ALUMNI UPDATES

Johnny Walker GUY '61

For the last 46 years, Johnny has dedicated his life to the public welfare of his country through extended service with both the U.S. Secret Service and the U.S. State Department Bureau of Diplomatic Security. Assignments have included security detail for the President, the Vice President, their families, and the security of domestic and foreign diplomats and dignitaries. aguyoped@comcast.net

Don CHAO '65

On December 31 2008, Don retired from State Farm Insurance as an independent contractor agent. He and his wife, Nancy, plan to enjoy life as grandparents to their three grandsons a 6 year old, a 3 year old and a 3 month old. Don and Nancy currently live in Atlantic Beach, FL. cdchao@aol.com

Thomas JARRETT '67

Tom is the Director of Business Development for Level5, a company that specializes in growth strategy planning and implementation for Financial Institutions throughout the Southeast while his wife is an Auditor for HCC Insurance. Thomas has three children—twin daughters studying Civil Engineering at Auburn and Pre Med at Kennesaw State, and a son who has been working at Publix for the past 5 years. jarat341@gmail.com

Hugo DE BEAUBIEN '68

Hugo de Beaubien continues to serve as President of the law firm de Beaubien, Knight, Simmons, Mantazaris and Neal, LLP. They have offices in Orlando, Tallahassee and Tampa. Hugo (Beau) would like to hear from any of the brothers in the 60's or 70's he has not heard from lately! He invites any of the brothers to call him. His phone number at the Orlando office is (407) 422-2454 and his e-mail is hbb66@dbksmn.com.

George CUYLER '72

George graduated from Florida State in 1973 and was hired by General Telephone Corporation and worked in many locations until 1978. Returning to Florida, George worked for the Jim Walters Corporation and, in 1981, began working for the Seminole Electric Cooperative Inc. where he is still today. George devotes his free time to Big Brothers/Big Sister of Tampa Bay, where he's been a volunteer for over 25 years. He also volunteers with several other non-profits in the Tampa Bay area. He anticipates retiring within the next three years and devoting most of his time to charitable projects in Tampa. gcuyler@seminole-electric.com



To his update, George adds: "Joining Pi Kappa Phi and being active during the period 1971-1973 was the best time of my college years. As an African American, and being accepted by the members of Pi Kappa Phi, was indeed a historical event for me and the fraternity. Most grateful, Pi Kappa Phi brothers I will always remember are: Damon Arney, Mike Blackburn, George Sheldon, Charlie McLeod, Tom Caruso, Tom Tremaine, Terry Cannon and J.P. Hayes, who were all instrumental in making it possible for me to become a member of this great fraternity."

A Homecoming to Remember

The “unconquered legacy” of Beta Eta was on display last November as students and alumni gathered for FSU’s homecoming activities. As in previous years, Beta Eta’s homecoming activities included gatherings at Nino’s Restaurant on Thursday evening; the homecoming parade up College Avenue on Friday afternoon, followed by the Annual Alumni Dinner at the Silver Slipper that evening. The Beta Eta Housing Corporation held its Annual Meeting on Saturday morning at the chapter house, where plans were discussed to rehabilitate the house for Beta Eta’s new student members.



[1] New associate members Adam Fox, Mike Phillips and Josh Gehres. [2] Rick Corbett receives his Golden Legion Certificate for 50 years membership in Pi Kappa Phi. [3] Students and alumni stand in front of the Beta Eta chapter house during Homecoming festivities. [4] Chris Mueller and Brian Baber receive a Certificate of Appreciation from the National Council of Pi Kappa Phi. [5] Bill Kaney and Hugo de Beaubien enjoy a meal with associate members. [6] Push America Chairman Drew Simpson, David Altman and Brian Baber. [7] Adam Fox, Chuck MacMillin, Jay Newman and Frank Ryll.

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Steven's daughter, Anna, is in her first year at Florida State and pledged Delta Zeta Sorority. Steve is currently serving as an advisor to the new Beta Eta Chapter. steven@tbrnet.org

Reinhard MABRY '87

Reinhard graduated from FSU in 1990 and completed his MBA in 1994. Subsequently, he took a job with RESPECT of Florida, a public-private partnership designed to create job opportunities for people with disabilities throughout the State of Florida. He is now with Alphapointe Association for the Blind, a Kansas City agency that provides employment, rehabilitation and education programs for people who are blind and have other disabilities. He married his college sweetheart, Andrea, and together they have two boys, Michael (11), and, Noah (8). They live in Overland Park, KS. rmabry@alphapointe.org



Brian MURPHY '87

Brian currently works for CourtView Justice Solutions. CourtView provides custom software for court and justice systems in the U.S. and Australia. He is project manager working primarily in the Southeast. Brian and his wife, Heather, along with their two daughters, Sara Jane and Emily, live in Tallahassee, FL. brian.murphy@courtview.com

Chris SPINDLER '87



In 1999, Chris switched from the U.S. Army after serving as a Warrant Officer for nine years to the U.S. Air Force. Recently, he was promoted to Major. He flies HH-60G Helicopters and is currently teaching Combat Search and Rescue at Kirtland Air Force Base in Albuquerque, NM. He has been serving in the military for 18 years and has been stationed in Korea, Afghanistan, Uzbekistan and Pakistan. Past assignments include 377th Medical Company, 101st Airborne, 223rd Aviation Regiment, 41st Rescue Squadron, 33rd Rescue Squadron and is currently with the 58th Special Operation Wing. He has three children, Hannah (4), and Richard and Christine (both 3). cspindler9009@comcast.net

Dan BERGER '88

Dan, chief lobbyist for the National Association of Federal Credit Unions, was featured in a recent *Wall Street Journal* article in October 2008. Dan and his wife, Aimee, live in Alexandria, VA. dberger@nafcu.org

Bill SERA '88

Bill received his M.S. in Nursing in May 2007 from Barry University. He is an Advanced Nurse Practitioner working part time with Dr. Kenneth Shephard M.D. in an Endocrinology, Diabetes and Metabolism practice. Bill continues to be the Manager of Guest Care at Royal Caribbean Cruise Lines in the Medical & Public Health Department. He is currently attending Barry University to earn a Doctorate of Nurse Practice. wsera@RCCL.com



Darren SCOTT '91

Darren and his wife, Jennifer, and their two sons, Ryan (7) and Max (4), live in St. Petersburg, FL. Their house is currently under construction but should be ready by Christmas 2008. Darren would like to know where Mike Duffy, Frank Nero and Mike Ferruzzi are. (727) 687-2598 dscott@w3ins.com



Dan THOMPSON '91

Dan recently graduated with his Ph.D from the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. In addition, he recently moved from McGuire Air Force Base in New Jersey to Moody Air Force Base in Georgia. dwthompson_2000@netzero.net

Nick MAROTTA '92

Nick recently moved to Colorado where he is now stationed at Peterson AFB working for the Air Force Space Command's Intelligence Staff. He just finished his Masters Degree in Strategic Intelligence, recently purchased his first house, and his son, Robert, just turned 3 and loves the Seminoles. blacktoothgrin@netscape.com

Chris LINDSAY '93

In 2007, Chris moved back to Tampa after living in Atlanta for 7 years. He has reconnected with Beta Eta brothers Chris Mueller, Geoff Bowles, Jeff Korb and Chris Ryle among others. He enjoys being closer to FSU. Chris started a new company with his sister, Suited Connections, Inc.—a full-service poker player management company that represents and manages professional poker player careers. Their website is www.suitedconnections.com. cjlindsay@gmail.com

Chris DOWNS '94

Major Chris Downs (USAF) is now stationed in Stuttgart, Germany as the Senior Intelligence Director for the Joint Operations Center of European Command. Chris had been serving as the Chapter Advisor to Pi Kappa Phi's Beta Theta Chapter (Arizona) and recently joined fellow Beta Eta brothers in Denver, Colorado for last summer's Supreme Chapter. christian.downs@eucom.mil

Joe DAVIDSON '95

Last June, Joe tied the knot and married his fiancée, Amanda. He is currently working for Amylin Pharmaceuticals/Biotec where he has been a representative for over nine years. Joe and Amanda live in Pensacola, FL. joedavidson211@cox.net

Andrew KIERNAN '97

Andrew's article on the importance of language in commercial property insurance, "Attention to Detail," was recently published in Smart Business Magazine's November issue. Andrew currently lives in West Palm Beach, FL. heykiernan@gmail.com

The mission of the Beta Eta Alumni Chapter is to enhance the lifelong fraternal experience for Beta Eta alumni by maintaining an active alumni group that is dedicated to connecting alumni with each other and to their fraternity by providing timely communication of relevant news and organizing meaningful events. This group shall promote the ideals of the Pi Kappa Phi Fraternity as expressed in our Ritual of Initiation and Supreme Laws and encourage Beta Eta alumni to renew their lifetime pledge to the brotherhood of this fraternity.

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REMEMBER 57 YEARS AGO

National President Howard Leake, Rho (Washington & Lee) (center) prepares to present Beta Eta's charter to founding Archon, Walter Jarrell (white coat). Looking on and seated to the left of Brother Leake is former Executive Secretary, Bernie Jones, Alpha (Charleston).

Beta Eta Chapter received its charter on February 18, 1950, as the fraternity's 55th chartered chapter. In 1950, Pi Kappa Phi had only 8 chapters west of the Mississippi River and was a considerably smaller organization. Today, the fraternity recently initiated its 100,000th member, has chartered 211 chapters in its 104 year history and has nearly 7,000 students at 142 chapters nationwide, including the newly reconstituted Beta Eta Associate Chapter.

