



Binghamton Chapter Hosts Society's 15th Convention & Leadership Training Conference

It was a year of firsts for the 15th Alpha Delta Phi Society Convention this March.

Siblings from all over the country survived the snow as the Binghamton Chapter hosted Convention for the first time in Binghamton, N.Y. Another first: Kristen Soule, Brunonian 1999, became the first female elected as the President of the Alpha Delta Phi Society (*see story below*).

Open space sessions allowed Alpha Deltas to exchange ideas and discuss a wide range of issues. One key result from

these conversations led to the establishment of a new annual award.

The Emerald and Pearl Award was established to recognize undergraduates who make outstanding contributions to the Society and to their chapter.

Other Convention highlights included a lively Literary Exercise session, and Historian Paul Neshamkin, Columbia 1963, gifted a badge recovered from an Alpha Delt house to the Binghamton Chapter.



The Society's New President Looks Forward

*by Kristen Soule, Brunonian 1999
President, Alpha Delta Phi Society*

As the year 2015 sails swiftly into its final month, I am taking a few moments to pause and reflect on where we have been and where we are headed. The Alpha Delta Phi Society is alive and flourishing in more chapters than ever, and the level

of active participation—particularly from our undergraduates—is also at an all-time high. We have a great number of dauntless volunteers to thank, and I invite you to join me in acknowledging them for all of the hard work that has gone into making this year amazing.

Everywhere I meet with Alpha Deltas, whether in formal chapter settings or at casual RGO gatherings, I'm hearing excellent reports and inspired ideas about activities and projects that can and do expand the positive impact of our Society in campus communities and in the lifelong experience of our members.

My goals for the Alpha Delta Phi Society over the next few years may sound ambitious, but I know that we have the capacity to achieve them. We've made excellent progress in our expansion to new campuses, and I am directing the expansion team to continue at a robust pace of establishing and growing new affiliates.

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Bowdoin Chapter To Host Next Society Convention in Brunswick, Maine

The Bowdoin Chapter invites all Alpha Deltas to join us for the 2016 Alpha Delta Phi Society Convention July 29-31 in Brunswick, Maine. This weekend on the Maine coast will be sibling fun in the summer sun. The Convention will be happening concurrently with the 175th Anniversary Celebration of the Bowdoin Chapter's founding.

This will be the first time since 1997 that the Bowdoin Chapter has hosted the Convention in Maine and the first Society Convention since 1995 to occur during the summer. This is to allow the Bowdoin Chapter to open its chapter house to host events during the Convention.

As part of the conditions of the sale of the chapter house in 2000 to Bowdoin, following the College's decision to ban fraternities, the College is required to open the doors of the House to the Bowdoin Alpha Deltas to gather for one week-end in the summer each year.

In addition to being able to share the chapter house, the College also plans to open other college houses and dorm rooms to us to house Convention attendees at a much lower rate than area hotels. All this is only possible by gathering during the summer break, which is conveniently the best time of year to visit Maine.

Delegates, Society Officers, and other Convention goers will gather for business sessions at a beautiful conference center at a new hotel two short blocks from the House during the day. At the same time, the 175th Anniversary Reunion will be holding events throughout the weekend celebrating 175 years of the Alpha Delta Phi at Bowdoin. These events will include museums tours, viewings of ADPhi memorabilia and historic documents in the College Archives, and talks about



The Bowdoin Chapter House, now known as Howell House

some of the chapter's famous alumni—including Civil War General and Governor Bro. Joshua Lawrence Chamberlain (1852). Both the Convention and Reunion will join for social time at the House in the evenings, including a traditional Maine lobster bake on Friday night and an Awards Banquet on Saturday night.

In the coming weeks, we will be launching a Convention website and facebook page where we will share information about the Convention, including registration, trip planning, and possible swag. Those who follow us on Facebook will be able to participate in a weekly trivia contest, with trivia about Bowdoin Alpha Deltas, Bowdoin College, and Maine. The trivia winners will receive a prize at the Convention. We will announce when these sites' launch at adps.org.

The Bowdoin Chapter looks forward to welcoming all of our Alpha Delt brothers, sisters, and siblings back to Maine July 29-31 to make new friends, reunite with old, and renew mystic ties at the 2016 Alpha Delta Phi Society Convention.

Save the Date! Alpha Delta Phi Society's 2016 Convention & Leadership Training Conference

**Hosted by the Bowdoin Chapter
Brunswick, Maine**

July 29-31, 2016

**For more information
visit www.adps.org**

Congratulations to Christine Chapman, BRN '14 the 2015 Society Order of the Spear Honoree

The Society Order of the Sword and Spear is awarded annually to a single Alpha Delt undergraduate student from the Society who has demonstrated comprehensive achievement on a broad scale in service to the campus, community, chapter, and Society. It is the highest undergraduate honor recognized by the Society.

This award reminds us of our founder's aims to provide for every variety of taste and talent, to embrace every department of literature and science, and to develop one's whole being—moral, social, and intellectual. Each chapter may nominate a member from one of the upper classes.

This year's winner is Christine Chapman, Brunonian 2014. We congratulate Christine and this year's other nominee, Taylor Goodstein, Middletown 2014. The awards committee led by David Ragsdale, Bowdoin 2006, provided the following summaries of the candidates' applications for the Sword and Spear.

Christine Chapman, Brunonian 2014

Christine served as Pledgemaster, Inter-chapter chair, House Manager, Initiation chair, and Literature chair. She also served as treasurer of the Undergraduate Parliament and as an Undergraduate Governor of the Society.

Christine organized carloads of her siblings to attend conventions, caucuses, pledging ceremonies, and initiations at other chapters. She was also one of the driving forces behind the creation of the Society Summer retreat, a weekend of friendship and siblinghood for undergraduates and young alumni.

Christine participated in two mission trips to Guatemala with her church, was a teaching assistant and later head teaching assistant for an introductory computer science class, and was the lead coordinator for the Women in Computer Science organization at Brown.

She worked to promote access to computer science in the Providence community as an Hour of Code instructor and an instructor in the Bootstrap teaching program, teaching local middle school students how to program.

Here are some comments from Christine's recommenders:

"When I think of ADPhi and its values, I think of Christine. She takes the Covenant seriously and works tirelessly not only to respect the values and traditions of the Society, but also to treat each member with the love of brotherhood. Christine inspires me to be a better sister and a better person, and she has the effect of raising up those who are around her, whether they are her friends, siblings, or even strangers."

"She spent every minute of her time in the Chapter House working to make her siblings feel happy, comfortable, and loved. I have seen her regularly go above and beyond the call of siblinghood, living every word of the Covenant, every day of her life."

Taylor Goodstein, Middletown 2014

Taylor served as Rush chair, steward of the Star and Crescent (the chapter's in-house restaurant), and house treasurer.

As Rush chair, she brought 35 new members into the House. As steward of the Star and Crescent, she worked more than 20 hours a week managing a restaurant that served hundreds of meals, and added more than \$20,000 to its savings in two semesters, all the while handling customers, employees, and vendors with grace and professionalism. As chapter treasurer, she raised treasury income by more than 15 percent and brought transparency to the House finances, allowing members to understand how their dues were used.

Taylor's community service included volunteering as a doula at an outpatient surgical clinic and traveling to Sri Lanka and Mexico with Habitat for Humanity. She worked as a teacher's assistant, a research assistant in a biochemistry lab, and wrote a senior thesis that required her to interview patients with mental illness, a thesis for which she received high honors. She graduated with a 3.78 GPA majoring in neuroscience and plans to attend medical school.

The Alpha Delta Phi Society's Headquarters Has Moved!

All future inquiries should now be mailed to:

**162 Portside
Lakemoor, IL 60051**

**A special thank you to
Terrie Eastmade, BDN '97
for all of her hard work
at headquarters!**

Welcome the new Ursinian Affiliate of the Adelphi Society

The Adelphi Society initiated 13 founding members of the new Ursinian Affiliate at Ursinus College on November 14, 2015. The founders are a diverse group of juniors and seniors whose interests extend from biology to East Asian studies.

When asked about what the Adelphi Society means to them, they said:

“My siblings in the Phi have shown me that commitment, respect, caring, and trust are easy to find in people who selflessly share their beautiful love and friendship.”—Sibling Alex Lowe, ‘16

“To me Adelphi is a connection with amazing people and an unbelievable history, that I’m humbled to be a part of.”—Sister Sam Straughn, ‘17

“Adelphi is my future family: place for security and hope when I need it.”—Sibling Hannah Locke, ‘17

“To me, Adelphi is important because my siblings are always going to be there—no matter what, no matter how much changes.”—Sibling Haley Brush, ‘17

“Adelphi to me is really an opportunity—an opportunity to grow as a person, find a family of amazing people, and be a part of an organization is really committed to one another.”—Sibling Sam White, ‘17

“Adelphi means friendship being apart of something bigger than myself.”—Brother Carrie Connolly, ‘17

“Adelphi is, to me, one of those value-based organizations that successfully carries out its mission, day after day, making it a rather rare and valuable phenomenon, forever wept

over with tears of joy by those who cannot help but feel most firmly its unshakeable and irreplaceable ties of Brotherhood.”—Brother Carter Timon, ‘17

“Adelphi means family. It means that although we are all different in our own ways, we come together because we share similar ideals. We want to be a part of something bigger than us and bring upon a new, exciting change to campus!”—Sibling Sam Keonela, ‘17

“It is a group of people that I know I can always turn to if I need a shoulder to cry on, but also if I just want a friend to geek out with about the newest Star Wars movie!”—Sister Bethany Siehl, ‘16

“Adelphi is literally a family because you can’t get away from anyone but you still know that they are always going to be there for you, no matter what.”—Brother Bre Tyrell, ‘17

“Adelphi is like a second family. Adelphi is a place to expand our knowledge of the world and ourselves.”—Sibling Lauren Verso, ‘17

“Adelphi means a place where not only every idea is accepted, but every person is. It’s a group where you can trust your siblings and talk freely – you might be argued with, you might be debated with, but there is constant respect and caring for every person.”—Brother Abi Wood, ‘17

“More than anything, Adelphi means family. From the budding Ursinian Affiliate my siblings and I are starting, to everyone who helped in our pledging and came to celebrate our success, I’ve never felt more love and care from an organization and the incredible people that make it up.”—Sister Alexa LaMontagne, ‘16

Society Undergraduates Hold 2nd Annual Retreat

The 2nd Annual Society Retreat took place the weekend of June 26-28, 2015, at the Twin Valleys Outdoor Education Center in Plattsburgh, N.Y.

The event, organized by the Undergraduate Parliament, encourages undergrads and young alums to spend time together.

Siblings from the Binghamton, Brunonian, Capital, Plattsburgh, and Rensselaer chapters/affiliates participated in a weekend full of outdoor activities, bonding, and most importantly, “bonphires.”

The Undergraduate Parliament is currently in the process of planning the 2016 Summer Retreat.



Samuel Eells Literary and Educational Foundation 2015 Awards

The Samuel Eells Literary & Educational Foundation (SELEF) is a self-governing, tax-exempt corporation that provides need-based scholarships and literary awards to deserving undergraduate students. The Alpha Delta Phi Society congratulates the winners of the 2015 SELEF Literary Competition and Clarence Seward Scholarship Competition. Information about the 2016 awards programs will be available later this year.



Daniel Pearl S'85 Award for Literary Excellence

Ana Marina Alcantara, SUNY Plattsburgh

Fiction

- 1st: Ana Marina Alcantara, SUNY Plattsburgh
- 2nd: Harry Simon, Stanford University
- 3rd: Daniel Ruprecht, Stanford University

Photography

- 1st: Danilo Doche Linhares, University of Chicago
- 2nd: Danilo Doche Linhares, University of Chicago
- 3rd: David Gilluly, University of Washington

Non-Fiction

- 1st: Cheyenne Morrin, Brown University
- 2nd: Mac Hubbard, University of Washington
- 3rd: Alex Schneiderman, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute

Film

- 1st: Adrian Cheung, University of Toronto
- 2nd: Adrian Cheung, University of Toronto
- 3rd: Adrian Cheung, University of Toronto

Poetry

- 1st: Elizabeth "Betsy" Carter, Brown University
- 2nd: Kathleen Elizabeth Kelso, Stanford University
- 3rd: Zachary Hendrickson, Columbia University

Music/Lyrics

- 1st: Xhjyl Kelley Gossett, University of Washington
- 2nd: Nassor Isom, Binghamton University
- 3rd: Sebastian Choe, Columbia University



The Samuel Eells Literary and Educational Foundation would like to congratulate those undergraduates who have been awarded Seward Scholarships for 2015-16. They include:

Michael Dupuis, University of Rochester
Rebecca Somach, University of Pennsylvania
John Terschluse, Washington University in St. Louis
Malavika Krishnan, Wesleyan University
Daulton Newman, Johns Hopkins University

Reports from the Chapters

Binghamton

The 39-member Binghamton Chapter, which is now chartered under the Dean of Students, has become famous for its partnership planning the campus Art Awakening Festival, a collaborative effort to unite student groups and bring attention to the arts. The chapter hosted its Haunted Nature Walk earlier this Fall and participated in Relay for Life last spring. The graduate organization is now official in New York as the Binghamton Adelpic Society Incorporated!

Bowdoin (Graduate Chapter)

As it has every year since 1946, the chapter awarded the FDR Cup to a Bowdoin student “whose vision, humanity, and courage most contributed to making Bowdoin a better college.” The chapter has arranged to move its archives from overcrowded storage at Middletown back to Bowdoin College. The chapter will retain ownership of all the materials, but the Bowdoin College Special Collections has agreed to store and preserve the materials and to open to researchers all but the member-restricted materials. In these ways, the Bowdoin Chapter continues to contribute to the Bowdoin College community. Alpha Deltas gathered at the old chapter house for New Years and a summer reunion.

Brunonian (Brown University)

This fall the chapter initiated 27 new members—its largest class since 2007—and currently have 59 Alpha Deltas living in the university-provided dorm. The chapter provides support for leukemia research through its Pennies for Patients campaign and for high achieving students from underprivileged backgrounds through Breakthrough Providence. Last year, the university performed interior updates to the chapter's social spaces. The grandfather clock, which was damaged during those renovations, has been restored.

Capital Affiliate (George Washington University)

The Capital Affiliate has more than doubled its initial class size following its April and November initiations, with only one member having graduated in May. With 29 members, 25 of whom are women, the group continues to be very successful, but is always looking to find ways to recruit more male students. The group continues to be known on campus as The Adelpi Society. The administration has been generally supportive of the Capitals. Many of the students are active leaders in other campus organizations, including the Residence Hall Association, political organizations (multiple parties), and Model United Nations.

Columbia

The exclusive, 56-member “hipster” fraternity on campus welcomed 11 new initiates this spring. Following a year of extensive focus on Columbia University's “Alpha Standards” for philanthropic and academic achievement, the chapter is in excellent standing with the university. The group volunteers with Story Pirates to celebrate literature and arts with young people. The chapter asks for undergraduates and

graduates of all chapters to come to Columbia undergraduate events to demonstrate to the undergrads the lifelong, national support. The graduate organization-owned house has been fully occupied year-round, thanks to combined efforts from graduate and undergraduate leadership, resulting in the chapter's positive financial status. The Graduate Association would like to co-host events with NYC alumni. Please contact the chapter or the NYC Regional Graduate Organization to get involved.

Granite (University of New Hampshire)

After hosting the Society's 14th Convention in 2014, the Granite Chapter is refocusing efforts towards 2016 to rebuild the undergraduate chapter. The graduate organization held a winter party and meeting in good spirits and is looking to treat the undergraduate chapter as a new, recolonization effort. If you think you can help, have undergraduate contacts on campus, or want more information about how you can contribute, please contact Ashley Taylor.

Middletown (Wesleyan University)

Despite significant student demand for changes to Greek life and strict new rules for campus Greeks, Alpha Delta Phi Society remains a positive element at Wesleyan in the eyes of the administration and students. The chapter initiated a large class in the spring, starting the semester with 50 undergraduate members. Following another successful Rush period, the chapter expects an active, excited pledge class this fall as well. Last summer was a particularly hard time for the chapter as the threat from the Wesleyan Administration to ban all Greeks on campus loomed large. Residential Greeks were allowed to remain on campus and each of the single sex organizations with houses was required to co-educate fully within the next three years. While this is a relief, the chapter is carefully planning its way forward. With the instability of the current system now evident, alumni and undergraduates are continuing to work with the Administration to improve campus safety and Greek guidance.

Penn Affiliate

After a brief and scary dip in membership numbers, the eclectic Penn Affiliate is back up to 17 members and about 60 percent female. The small, low-key group enjoys video game nights, karaoke, cook-off challenges, and a variety of community service activities. The chapter held an all-day “conference” of its membership with Society board members in attendance to re-establish processes and a sense of its history, some of which was lost as members graduated. Many members are leaders of other campus organizations. Come to events posted to the undergraduate or graduate listserv, so we can show the strength of the Phi to prospective members!

Plattsburgh Affiliate

Plattsburgh has 24 members, almost all sophomores and juniors. The group is establishing a standards board to set an example for positive influence by Greeks on campus. Many

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Outgoing President's Reflections

*by Chad Wolfsheimer, Brunonian 2000
President Emeritus, Alpha Delta Phi Society*

Over the past several years, I've tried to take the time to look across the Alpha Delta Phi Society at a high level to see where we're headed, how I can guide the organization, and how we're meeting the expectations of our siblings, past, present, and future.

If you've followed any of my previous letters, articles, or presentations, I hope I've done a decent job of communicating what I've seen during my three years as president. I've heard from several of you that I have established a recognizable voice in this time.

As I pass the torch to Kristen Soule ("K2" to many), this transition presents another opportunity to look around and try to see our path, as I start to climb out of the weeds. I've long thought that we're bringing in great new Alpha Deltas, but as more undergrads and recent alumni engage at a National level and with other chapters, I've started to see something more.

Our long, storied history and the traditions that pass from year to year and generation to generation have always been important to me, but I've always believed we need to adapt and improve over time—keep the core but change to represent the times. Though the times have certainly changed in many ways and many times over in the past 15, 30, and 50 years, I'm seeing the continuity across generations of Alpha Deltas now more than ever...consistency of values.

This consistency has really crystallized for me as I've spent time with the Capital Affiliate at George Washington University near where I live. I hope all of you will be able to enjoy the benefits of being among of a group of advisors to a chapter.

I've had the pleasure of getting to know almost all the Capital undergrads at least a bit on a personal level during time at chapter and pledge events, through back and forth email discussions, and by attending chapter meetings. I can say honestly and confidently that my own chapter at Brown, 15-20 years ago (gosh, how can it have been that long?) would have eagerly initiated every one of these Capitals.

They're ambitious for themselves and their chapter, organized, mature, and capable, along with some of the trademarks of all the Alpha Deltas I've met...caring, literary, and bright. They're quirky in so many ways and love each other for their uniqueness. They take their chapter business seriously, including having fun with it. They worry and argue over the same things my house did. They love being Greek without being "Greek." And they're funny and excited even when they're exhausted.

I know they're taking care of the Alpha Delt legacy, and that's not even the best part! The best part is that even though I may only know a handful of undergrads or recent alumni from each of our other chapters—new and old—I see these same characteristics from all of them.

In recent years, we've actively cultivated this connection. We've worked to bring siblings together and get them talking more than ever before at our Conventions, online through social media, at the undergraduate-organized, Society-wide summer retreat, and with extensive cross-chapter alumni advising.

With those building blocks in place, along with regular requests to start new, coeducational, Greek literary societies around the country, we have a bright future ahead. The challenges for the next Society administrations and the hundreds of young Alpha Deltas who will volunteer at a national level in the next few years will be to support accelerating growth. We'll need all your support, too!

The Society has made it through its first 20-25 years. Here's what I think could be possible in the next 20-25 if we dedicate ourselves to continuing and multiplying the positive traditions of Alpha Delta Phi:

- The Society could have 30 chapters.
- The Society's "home rule" for chapters' gender and membership selection could be the primary model for new chapters carrying the letters Alpha Delta Phi.
- We could have at least two significant leadership conferences each year, and communications about Society activities could be broadly consumed at least weekly.
- We could have over \$1 million in available assets to offer scholarships, education, career support, inter-chapter travel benefits, social gatherings, literary events, community outreach, and much more.
- We could be known on all our campuses as active contributors to the community's literary and artistic scenes.
- Colleges and universities could recruit us to their campuses due to the positive publicity we create for those schools and for their student recruitment when we bring well-respected literary speakers to their campuses.

These are all within our grasp, if we act to make them happen. Thank you for everything you've all done to make my last three years excellent for me and for the Society.

Help us reach our potential! Volunteer your time and expertise. Donate to the Society (www.adps.org/donate/) or make a charitable contribution to the Joshua Chamberlain Fund of the Samuel Eells Foundation, a tax-exempt corporation under Internal Revenue Code 501(c)(3) that makes grants that can support the educational and literary goals of the Alpha Delta Phi Society. You can give to the Samuel Eells Foundation at www.supportsocietylit.org or by scanning the QR code shown here. If you would like to make a major gift, please contact Treasurer Michael Blitstein or President Kristen Soule directly or email majorgifts@adps.org to set up a conversation.



ALPHA DELTA PHI SOCIETY 2014 FUND APPEAL HONOR ROLL

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Philip Smith, BRN '70
Rachel Cruz Auwarter, BRN '01
Rachel Morris, MID '03
Richard Grimm, MID '68
Richie Leng, BRN '14
Robert Wood, BRN '58
Ronald Beimel, BRN '06
Ruben Martinez, BING '13
Rudolph Von Bernuth, COL '66
Samuel Davidoff-Gore, BRN '15
Sarah Sutter, MID '91
Sean Moreau, GRN '14
Sharon Sonenblum, BRN '02
Steven Crowe, S '67
Susan Sampliner, BRN '77
Terrie Eastmade, BDN '97
Thomas Chestna, BRN '94
Todd Auwarter, BRN '01
Victor Pesola, MID '12
William Armistead, S '56
William Millard, ILL '80
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William Wasch, MID '52
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Coeducational Values and the Alpha Delta Phi

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Nearly 25 years ago—and for about 20 years before that—Alpha Delta Phi struggled to figure out how to meet the demands of all its member chapters.

Some had begun to initiate female members, and others did not want female membership in Alpha Delta Phi at all. It became evident that further acrimony over coeducation in Alpha Delta Phi and distracting from other efforts would tear the organization apart.

In order to secure a future for all Alpha Deltas and a positive reputation and prosperity for our name, several coeducational chapters agreed it would be best to separate from the all-male Alpha Delta Phi to form the Alpha Delta Phi Society. The Society decided to have a home-rule policy that would welcome both coeducational and single-gender chapters and preserve the history and continuity with the society started by Samuel Eells.

The Alpha Delta Phi Fraternity and the new Alpha Delta Phi Society made this separation legal and official in 1992 through an agreement known as the Coed Agreement or the 1992 Agreement.

The Brunonian, Columbia, Middletown, and Stanford Chapters signed on immediately as members of the Society, and the Bowdoin Chapter, which had been forced to separate from the Fraternity due to Bowdoin College restrictions, joined the Society at the following Society Convention in 1993.

As time has passed, the Society has survived and thrived. Coeducational, literary groups across the country specifically search for a national affiliation. Several groups per year identify the Alpha Delta Phi Society as the national organization they wish to join, and they reach out to us for membership.

The last official statement of the relationship between the Fraternity and the Society was the Coed Agreement signed in 1992. Much of the bitterness and fighting that led to our separation has subsided. We share much with the Fraternity in addition to the Greek letters, and both organizations may benefit from working together at times.

The Society wished to adopt a new, official statement to describe our beliefs and actions with respect to our Brothers in the Alpha Delta Phi Fraternity.

To that end, the Society's 15th Convention in the 183rd year of the Alpha Delta Phi unanimously adopted the following Statement of Values Regarding the Fraternity-Society Relationship:

Statement of Values Regarding the Fraternity-Society Relationship

The Alpha Delta Phi Fraternity (“the Fraternity”) and the Alpha Delta Phi Society (“the Society”) share common roots and history, traditions and goals. Because of these connections, we aim for cooperation and respect between the two organizations.

Recognizing that the circumstances and needs of the Fraternity and the Society have changed since the creation of the Society in 1992, in support of our adapting circumstances and desires for closer cooperation in the future, we emphasize between the two organizations:

- focus on our commonalities and collaboration over the differences between us.
- recognition and support for each other's long-term goals over short-term competition for members or locations.
- promotion of a positive, public reputation and the ever-increasing glory of our “Alpha Delta Phi” identity over self-promotion.
- that in any circumstance, together or apart, we will demonstrate respect and courtesy for all members.

On each point above, we choose to emphasize the values and actions that respect our shared history and support our greater good, while recognizing the need to serve the interests of our respective separate organizations.

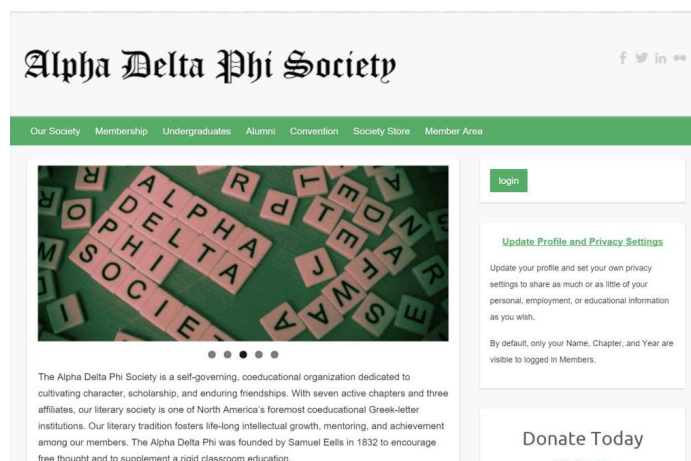
Society Launches New Website and Membership Database

The Alpha Delta Phi Society is thrilled to be able to announce a major update to the Society's web site (www.adps.org). The revised website, made possible thanks to the efforts of Celina Kelly, Columbia 2009, and Christine Chapman, Brunonian 2014, has an updated look and new features to benefit our members.

One of these is a new Society database hosted by WildApricot. This new service is integrated into the website allowing you to control your profile and privacy settings while having the chance to access members-only features.

Updating your information and getting in touch with long-lost Alpha Delts is now available at the touch of your fingertips. Simply log in to www.adps.org to begin.

WildApricot offers members the ability to edit their information, control the privacy of their data, and search for members. We also offer several career networking features: add in your current work information and search for others in that field. You can even advertise jobs or ask for career advice.



Signing in also grants you access to information about our finances, our governing documents, the songbook, undergraduate resources, discussion forums, and more. What are you waiting for? Sign in today at www.adps.org. If you have any questions, please email hq@adps.org.

Society's New President Looks Forward

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Just as our affiliates benefit from the support and guidance of their advising teams, all of our chapters can benefit from a dedicated advisor. So I will be engaging our alumni in an effort to make sure that all chapters have at least one designated graduate member in a defined advisory role. I intend to provide specialized training resources for those advisors.

Our headquarters operation, particularly in areas of data management and communications, is evolving out of necessity to meet the needs of our growing Society. As HQ gets busier, we need to ensure that there is sufficient staffing to keep up with the increase in our ongoing operational tasks. To that end I am setting a goal to raise funds that will make such additional operational staffing sustainable.

I am also proposing an increase in Society funding to be set aside for on-campus literary and educational activities, with an effort to establish themes that can connect events across multiple chapters. I encourage furthering the trend toward greater inter-chapter contact and collaboration. Good ideas are worth sharing, particularly as we approach the tough questions that face our current undergraduate generation.

Our conversations can and must be intellectually rigorous, open, and creative. We are working hard to increase the visibility and positive public image of our Chapters and Affiliates, to combat misconceptions about Greek life, and to communicate the core values that have made us leaders on our college campuses for so many years.

There is a particular question that many siblings have begun to ask me in my travels: how do I feel about being the first woman at the helm of the Society? Here are some of my thoughts. I believe it's natural and healthy over time for the leadership of an organization to reflect the diversity within its membership, and I'm proud to represent one important step of many in our progress as a coeducational and diverse Society.

I hope most of all to help remind our youngest members (and future members, as I meet more and more) that they need not waste any thought or energy worrying about what may set them apart. I hope to inspire them to reach for high goals without pausing to concern themselves with whether or not they fit into a particular mold, or follow an established pattern.

In closing, my charge to you is to be involved! You and I have siblings getting together on college campuses and in major cities all over the country. I even met up with a sibling when I was in Seoul, South Korea. There are great conversations happening and original ideas forming right now that would never have come about, if not for the Phi bringing people together. So, let's get together. If you are interested in hearing about events in your local area, check the RGO announcements on social media. If you would like to participate in a project committee, help plan an event, or become part of an advising team, please reach out to president@adps.org!

May your winter holidays be joyful and fulfilling, and may all of your travels be smooth!

Reports from the Chapters (continued)

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Society members from various chapters and years attended Plattsburgh's recent initiations. Building relationships across the Society is important to the group's growth and sense of connection and community, particularly given the distance between Plattsburgh and other chapters and RGOs.

Rensselaer Affiliate

The Society's second newest affiliate will be beginning rush for the first group of non-founders. The group is housed together on campus in an apartment style dorm for students with an affinity for design and arts. The Electronic Media, Arts, and Communication (EMAC) section of campus,

RPI's equivalent of an English department, seems eager for a partnership with the Alpha Delta Phi Society. Greek Life is strictly regulated with limits on the number of member groups, with a queue of new members already lined up for the next couple years, so an EMAC partnership is currently the best option.

Stanford

The Stanford chapter is strong with 48 members. Former President Cody Laux received the Daniel Pearl Award for Literary Excellence, the Samuel Eells Foundation's top literary prize for overall excellence.

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Secretary: Ashley Taylor, Granite 2013
Assistant Secretary: Christine Chapman, Brunonian 2014

Treasurer: Michael Blitstein, Brunonian 2003

Historian: A. Paul Neshamkin, Columbia 1963

Honorary Chair: Craig Cheslog, Bowdoin 1993

BOARD OF GOVERNORS

Michael Blitstein, Brunonian 2003
Thomas Clark, Bowdoin 1999
David Clodfelter, Bowdoin 1989
Gabrielle Discafani, Capital 2017
Carolyn Dundes, Middletown 2017
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Eren Can Ileri, Brunonian 2017
Jordan Johnson, Binghamton 2017
Celina Kelly, Columbia 2009
Peter Kester, Bowdoin 1987
Joan Matelli, Middletown 1992
Ruben Martinez, Binghamton 2013
Jim Sabo, Bowdoin 1992
Kristen Soule, Brunonian 1999
Leah Stern, Middletown 2006
Chad Wolfsheimer, Brunonian 2000

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Robert G. McKelvey, Middletown 1959 (August 1992-October 2001)
Charles E. Gross, Jr., Brunonian 1972 (October 2001-November 2005)
Craig C. Cheslog, Bowdoin 1993 (November 2005-March 2012)
Chad Wolfsheimer, Brunonian 2000 (March 2012-March 2015)
Kristen Soule, Brunonian 1999 (March 2015-present)

CHAPTERS AND AFFILIATES

Binghamton Chapter, Binghamton University
Bowdoin College Graduate Organization, Bowdoin College
Brunonian Chapter, Brown University
Columbia Chapter, Columbia University
Granite Graduate Chapter, University of New Hampshire
Middletown Chapter, Wesleyan University
Stanford Chapter, Stanford University
Capital Affiliate, George Washington University (Adelphi Society)
Penn Affiliate, University of Pennsylvania
Plattsburgh Affiliate, SUNY Plattsburgh
Rensselaer Affiliate, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute
Ursinian Affiliate, Ursinus College (Adelphi Society)

MAJOR INITIATIVE LEADS

Communications: Craig Cheslog, Bowdoin 1993
Assistant Director: Tiffany Moustakas, Binghamton 2015

Development: Alanna Kwoka, Brunonian 2010
Assistant Director: Evan Finkelstein, Binghamton 2014

Expansion: Bethany Brown, Granite 2013

Member Safety: David Clodfelter, Bowdoin 1989

New Chapters/Affiliate Support: Ruben Martinez, Binghamton 2013

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