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## Greetings!

Welcome to the newest edition of our Chi Delta Alumni Association newsletter! In an effort to increase interaction among our brothers old and young, the CDAA publishes this report biannually—expect to receive these commu-

niqués every spring and fall. We hope to convey to you our recent activities, both in support of the undergraduate chapter and to bring fellow alumni together, and our future plans.

Of course, we would like to include articles that will interest you as well. If there are any additional columns or features you would like to see in future editions, then don't hesitate to contact us.

## Alumni Association Activities

The time that has past since our last correspondence has been very productive for the CDAA.

Following on the heels of a successful Alumni Weekend held at Duke, we had the pleasure of Ryan Scarborough '94 opening his home to us for a second DC area BBQ. Geoff Heintzelman '91 has, in addition to his duties as advisor to the undergraduate chapter, taken time out to organize a viewing of the Duke-UNC game

and an outing to a Durham Bulls game for alumni remaining local to the Raleigh-Durham area. The CDAA is currently planning more local events as well, so let us know if you have a great idea for an outing or would be interested in hosting a gathering.

We have also had the privilege to be able to continue our scholarship program for the undergraduates and are pleased to award the successes of two

brothers for this academic year. See the article on page 2 for more details.

Moving forward into the new year, the officers are investigating the creation of a new web portal for the CDAA, where we might provide a number of services to our members. If there are any in particular you would like to see implemented, be they career-related or just for getting in touch, please let us know!



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## Psi Upsilon International Convention

This year's convention, hosted by the Zeta Zeta chapter at the University of British Columbia in Vancouver, has been widely hailed as one of the best conventions in recent memory. The chapter worked for over two years to organize and raise the funds for this event. It had been 28 years since our convention had been held in Canada, and all attendees were excited to be a part of it.

Friday began with the Executive Council and Foundation holding meetings to discuss a variety of topics related to the groups' finances, chapter reports, and the status of expansion activities. Following the meetings, attendees gathered for the opening session to go over the schedule for the weekend. After the session, the Zeta Zeta chapter hosted a harbor cruise set around the beautiful Vancouver sunset.

On Saturday, the Psi Upsilon Foundation's scholarship luncheon honored twenty undergraduate scholarship recipients, including three of our Chi Delta undergraduates, while we all learned of the history of British Columbia, UBC, and the Zeta Zeta from historian and professor Barry Gough ZZ '62.

Sunday morning brought us together for the closing session, where committees presented their reports and chapter award recipients were designated. Additionally, Laura King '04 was re-elected to a three year term on the Executive Council and Timothy Zepp '08 was elected to a one-year term on the Psi Upsilon Foundation.

Following an afternoon spent exploring downtown Vancouver, the group came together one last time

for a closing banquet held overlooking the harbor and UBC's rose gardens. The event featured a speech by Brother Tom D'Aquino ZZ '62, the CEO of the Canadian Association of Chief Executives, a business and public-policy association. Afterwards, many of us came together to sing Psi U songs and were delighted to see many Zeta Zeta alumni and their spouses joining in on the fun.

The convention was a great success for the Zeta Zeta chapter and the fraternity as a whole. We would encourage all of you to consider attending a future convention, as it is a great opportunity to learn about the inner workings of our brotherhood, to connect with brothers from around the world, and to have a fun-filled weekend celebrating the best of Psi Upsilon.



*The assembled brothers of Psi Upsilon take in picturesque Vancouver*

## Undergraduate Update

The active members of the Chi Delta are so far having a productive year. In addition to hosting a very successful Homecoming and brothers' retreat, we've been active in the community, both at Duke and outside. We organized a trip to Centerfest, a Durham local arts festival, where we volunteered to run tables and events, as well as have our name bastardized to "Phi Upison" by the registration secretary. We also put in a hard day of labor at the farm of Caleb Winebrenner '11, where we held our annual retreat. At Duke, we've been meeting with professors for faculty lunches, including Tom Szigethy, Associate Director of Substance Abuse Prevention.

We've been very busy with social events as well this semester! With our first big party of the year,

"Biohazard", we brought in lots of new faces (alumnus Justin Butner described it as "the best turnout we've had in ten years"), and we've continued to hold events since then and keep people coming back. As always, you can find reports of our events on our website, <http://www.duke.edu/psiu>. Keep an eye there for further reports!

Finally, Homecoming was a huge success, and we'd like to thank all the alumni who managed to take time out of their busy schedules to visit us. For those of you who couldn't make this time, we understand that your lives are busy and very much hope to see you on Alumni Weekend!

*Yours in the Bonds,  
Eng Seng Ng '11  
Archon*

### ***Save the Date! Alumni Weekend April 16-18, 2010***

*Bullocks, Foosball, old friends, brothers, food and drink and merri-ment!*

*Check your email and snail mail for a full schedule, and keep an eye on the Yahoo group and regular list for updates!*

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any questions.*

## 2009-2010 CDAA Scholarship Winners

One of the functions of our Alumni Association is to award scholarships every fall at Homecoming to brothers who are academically and financially deserving of the funds.

This year we had several outstanding applicants; though the decision was difficult, eventually two winners emerged. Our congratulations are extended to Court Peterson '10 and Robert Dodson '10.

Court is a senior from Charlotte, NC, majoring in Biological Anthropology and Anatomy with minors in Chemistry and Biology. She is cur-

rently the Programming Chair for the chapter, assisting with event planning and promoting greater community interaction, and previously served as Archon last year. Her plans post-graduation include medical school.

Robert is a senior from Richburg, SC, dual-majoring in biomedical and mechanical engineering. Also a former Archon, he is additionally heavily involved in organizing numerous community service projects through Circle K, having served as the Vice President of the Duke

chapter and chair of the regional service project committee for the Carolinas District. He is eager to take on the role of Fraternity Educator this year and hopes one day to work with Teach for America or some other non-profit organization.

Our best wishes are extended towards our award recipients in all of their future endeavors. And remember, your dues and donations support their work!

## About the Chi Delta Alumni Association...

The Chi Delta Alumni Association exists as a body of all graduated brothers of Psi Upsilon from Duke University. Together we continue to share the fraternal bonds created during our time at Duke and in our own ways further the mission of the fraternity by upholding the highest standards of intellectual, moral and social excellence in our professions and lives.

So that we may keep in touch with each other, be organized, and achieve the goals of the alumni, we have a board of officers who serve to coordinate activities, raise money, and interact with and advise the undergraduate chapter and the international fraternity. Elections are held every year at Homecoming, and each officer serves for one year following.

The CDAA does not exist without

the involvement of as many alumni as possible! As an organization that exists to serve the alumni base, we need constant and consistent input and participation from alumni no matter how old they are, where they might be living or what they might

be doing now or tomorrow. If you have any thoughts, ideas, or want to get involved in your town or plan some events—or just need some help doing it, or want to get back in touch with a classmate, give us a call or email!

### Your 2009-2010 CDAA Officers

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## Recent Alumni Achievements

Two Chi Delta alumni are currently making big waves in fields of scientific research.

Congratulations first to Psyche Loui '03 for the recent coverage from CNN on the groundbreaking work she is conducting into the causes of tone deafness. Now an instructor in the Department of Neurology at Harvard University, Psyche is investigating the areas of the brain involved in tonal recognition and how they could be strengthened via mu-

sical training. For more information, check out the original article, titled "Freaky news about your brain may change your mind", at CNN's website: <http://www.cnn.com>.

Our congrats also go to Ferdinand Schober '05 for coverage by Network World of the work he and others at the Georgia Institute of Technology are pursuing in order to protect smartphones and other wireless devices from malicious

exploits. Their work will permit mobile operators, such as AT&T and Verizon Wireless, to detect and clean up viruses and other "malware" over cellular networks. Read the article at <http://www.networkworld.com/news/2009/111109-smartphone-security-georgia-tech.html>.

We look forward to hearing about more exciting breakthroughs and discoveries made by Chi Delta alumni in the future!

## Donations

It is through every donor's willing contribution of money, time and ideas that the Chi Delta Alumni Association and the fraternity as a whole can exist and thrive in fulfilling its goals. Our alumni association dues are \$35 a year and are the basis for event planning, communication in the form of newsletters and local events, on-campus alumni weekends and Homecoming, and our scholarship program for undergraduates every fall. We can't do that without your support, and we'd love for you to make your contribution today. You can give through PayPal at <http://www.chidelta.org> or send a check via snail mail to:

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## In Memoriam

Henry B. Poor, Gamma '39, passed away on September 27th. A familiar face at conventions and other gatherings, Henry had played an active role in the fraternity for many years, most recently serving as chair of the Psi Upsilon Foundation's scholarship committee. He was also instrumental specifically in the creation of the Chi Delta chapter and remained a staunch supporter of it. He will be sorely missed.

A tribute to Henry has been established at <http://forums.psiu.org>.



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## Weddings and Births

Valerie Knobelsdorf '03 and her fiancé Jim Cerven were wed last August in Jackson Hole, Wyoming. Congratulations to the happy couple!

More weddings are in the works! Court Peterson '10 is pleased to announce her engagement to childhood sweetheart David Orsbon. And Laura King '04 has become engaged to another fellow Psi U brother, Larry Fine of the Gamma Tau chapter. Neither couple has

settled on a date for the big day.

Two new babies have joined our family as well! Genevieve Evelyn, daughter of Tedd Walther '02, arrived after a long, hard labor on August 31st at 8:15 PM. And Harrison Springfield '94 welcomed daughter Ella Marianne on October 11th. Both mothers are reported as doing well.

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## Talk to Us!

If you have had a change of address, or just want to let us know what you've been up to, please send this back our way! You can also email us at [king@alumni.duke.edu](mailto:king@alumni.duke.edu).

News, Comments and Suggestions:

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