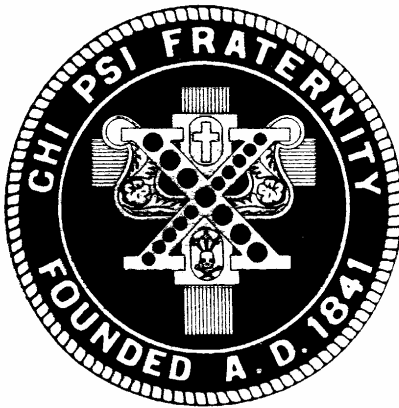


Alpha Sigma Delta of Chi Psi, Inc.

2006 Annual Report



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Greetings from the President

Dear Brother,

It is my pleasure to write to you for the first time as president in this 2006-2007 edition of the Alpha Sigma Delta of Chi Psi, Inc. Annual Report. A few weeks ago during Homecoming weekend, the corporation elected a new board of directors. We are pleased to announce that several familiar faces will remain on the board – Jeff Burlin, Daron Gunn, Jon Hess, Mike Kosusko, Jim Lazarus, Jeff Messner, and Dr. Dale. The board also welcomes Greg Hasbrouck, '01 who will serve as our new Secretary, and Brian Pierce, '08 who is the current #1. We are excited to have Greg and Brian join the board in addition to the continued support of our other board members!

On behalf of the alumni and undergraduate Brothers of Alpha Sigma Delta, I first want to thank Jim Lazarus for serving as President of the alumni corporation for the past two-year term, and I also want to thank the rest of the board for its efforts. Under Jim's leadership, the board successfully completed a few important initiatives – helping to guide the Alpha in securing and launching an on-campus housing location; fostering stronger connections among the Alpha, alumni, the Duke administration, and the Chi Psi Central Office; maintaining a more accurate Sigma Delta alumni database and reducing mailing costs by using data from the online Duke Alumni Directory; launching our new, professional-looking undergraduate/alumni co-branded website www.chipsiduke.com; helping the Alpha by hosting on-campus recruitment workshops; and continuing to help fund Alpha scholarships, recruitment, and other events. The continued service of Jim and the other board members reflects their enthusiastic dedication to the Alpha and alumni corporation – we are pleased to welcome everyone back again.

Looking forward, the board has many new initiatives for the next few years, including:

- Scheduling more joint alumni/undergraduate events around the country
- Increasing board involvement from earlier generations of Sigma Delta alumni
- Hosting / fundraising for the Chi Psi Annual Convention to be held at Duke in Summer 2009
- Establishing active career advising programs for both undergraduates and alumni
- Strengthening undergraduate recruitment for the Alpha
- Publishing the *Lodge Letter* and other communications more frequently
- Supporting the Alpha's on-campus housing location

I hope we can count on your support to help us succeed in these initiatives. Whether you volunteer to be a new board member, help to plan and fundraise for the 2009 National Convention, or donate to the Alumni Dues Campaign, everyone can help the alumni corporation deliver the best services possible to the alumni and undergraduates of Alpha Sigma Delta.

Yours in the Bonds (and Go Duke!),



Nick Superina, ΣΔ '03
President
Alpha Sigma Delta of Chi Psi, Inc.

A Word from Dr. Dale

Greetings, Brothers, near and far,

It is always a pleasure (always a pleasure) to shake your hand, whether or not I've recently washed my hands or just emerged from the chicken coop. A precious few of you will be excited to hear that, as Chicken Man (that's what my son used to call me) I have performed spectacularly this fall, capturing thirteen raccoons in my Hav-a-hart trap at the door to the coop. Then what? I taxi them out to that second Eden known as Duke Forest.

On campus at The Lodge in Edens Quad, our younger Brothers can look out on a long stretch of lawn or throw frisbees or light a barbecue grill on said lawn, which is bordered by a sheltering woods. Pretty idyllic, I think. We have both privacy (for those interested in seeking retirement for its proper use) and, a quick walk away, more academic and other thrills than any one youth can manage. Plenty of rude gazes there. The alums who came for Homecoming (and thank you very much!) will back me up, I think, in saying that our living situation is pretty nice. And our most recent social event, it will please some of you old timers to know, was a wine-and-cheese for our visitors on Parents Weekend.

Speaking of and to alums, it would be terrific (if I may indulge in some heartfelt hyperbole) to see more of you, if it's at all do-able. And it is obvious that returning alums are booster-upsters for the undergrads. It also happens that at the moment our Corporation is a little undermanned for doing everything we would like to do. Among other things, the first one that comes to mind is the fact that in the summer of 2009 Alpha Sigma Delta will be hosting the Chi Psi's national convention, and a fresh face or two or three around the board-room table would be very reassuring.

Whether you are drilling teeth these days or examining eyes or editing children's books or monitoring slot machines or working for mega-companies or lawyering or engineering your way to fame and riches, it would be great to see you. And maybe you should hurry. After all, this is my fifty-first year at Duke and I don't want to see you turning up for the first time at my funeral.

Blessings and all like that,
including YITB,

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P.S. Yes, I'm still writing books. The next one is being published by Oxford University Press.

Calendar of Upcoming Events

2007

November 30, 2007: **Initiation Weekend**

2008

April 11-13, 2008: **Alumni Reunion Weekend & Founders' Day Banquet**
Details TBA on lodgealums listserv
We welcome back the Sigma Delta classes of 1993, 1998, and 2003!

	Class of 1993 (15-years)	Class of 1998 (10-years)	Class of 2003 (5-years)
1	Alex Adkins	Sean Breit	Joe Baltz
2	Dewesh Agrawal	Robert Daniel	Chris Brandaleone
3	Daniel Dressler	Aaron Deter-Wolf	Hwan-Joon Choi
4	Kevin Greenslade	Scott Greenberg	Gary Gustavsen
5	Brian Guehring	Duke Han	James Madine
6	Joseph Hadley	Dave Jordan	Victor Mangona
7	Tom Harrison	Lino Marrero	Dan Mordes
8	Trey Huffman	Andy O'Shaughnessy	Nick Superina
9	John Jaye	Ross Palis	Brian Swinteck
10	Nelson Klaus	Viswanath Subbaraman	
11	Dave Kumar		
12	Jimmy Myers		
13	Bob Nickel		
14	Greg Reece		
15	Jason Schultz		
16	Sameer Sharma		
17	Darren Spedale		
18	Brian Walsh		
19	Stephen Whearty		
20	Brent White		
21	Stephen Windham		

Summer 2008 **Summer Alumni Gathering**
Location TBA on lodgealums listserv

Fall 2008 **Homecoming**
Satis, Duke Football, Tailgate, Barbeque at The Lodge, Angus Barn, Brunch

2009

April 17-19, 2009 **Alumni Reunion Weekend**
Family-friendly, extended weekend get together (Details TBA on lodgealums)

Summer 2009 **Chi Psi National Convention (to be hosted at Duke University)**

Financial Summary

Fiscal year 2006 was another strong year financially for Alpha Sigma Delta of Chi Psi, Inc. Once again, the corporation ran a small surplus (approximately \$675). The corporation has invested its surplus funds in an ING savings account, which currently earns a 4.2% APY. These funds will be used to support major corporation initiatives, such as improving alumni communications, enhancing alumni programs, funding homecoming and reunion events at Duke, bringing the Fraternity's national convention to Durham in 2009, and supporting the Alpha.

For the most part, the corporation's 2006 expenses were fairly similar to those of 2005. One major change is that the corporation reduced its spending on hard copy mailings by 30%. We will continue to find new ways to cut our expenses in areas that do not take away from our events, alumni communications, and Alpha support.

Despite running a surplus in 2006, the corporation needs the continued financial support of alumni in order to remain solvent and expand its service offerings. It is through your generous donations that we are able to bring you the *Lodge Letter*, homecoming and reunion weekend events, the new website, and this annual report!

Financial Summary (continued)

Alpha Sigma Delta of Chi Psi, Inc
Consolidated Statement of Operations
Annual Summary

	2006	2005
<u>Income Statement</u>		
Revenues		
Alumni Donations	\$ 3,435.00	\$ 3,620.00
Other	\$ 0.34	\$ 10.36
Total Revenues	\$ 3,435.34	\$ 3,630.36
 Operating Expenses		
Homecoming	\$ 386.07	\$ 350.00
Convention Fee	\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00
Scholarships (Randall, Ritchie & Outstanding Pledge)	\$ 600.00	\$ 600.00
Insurance	\$ 408.00	\$ 350.00
Mailings, Postage and Supplies	\$ 451.59	\$ 644.98
Mailbox Rental	\$ 48.00	\$ 48.00
Web Hosting	\$ 97.23	\$ -
Alpha Recruitment Support	\$ 500.00	\$ 760.20
Other	\$ 69.71	\$ 268.38
Total Operating Expenses	\$ 2,760.60	\$ 3,221.56
 Net Balance	\$ 674.74	\$ 408.80

Financial Summary (continued)

Alpha Sigma Delta of Chi Psi, Inc
Consolidated Cash Flow
Annual Summary

	2006	2005
<u>Cash Flow from Operating Activities</u>		
Beginning Cash Balance	\$3,941.35	\$3,532.55
Cash Inflows		
Alumni Donations	\$3,435.00	\$3,620.00
Other	\$0.34	\$10.36
Total Cash Inflows	\$3,435.34	\$3,630.36
 Available Cash Balance	 \$7,376.69	 \$7,162.91
 Cash Outflows		
Homecoming	\$386.07	\$350.00
Convention Fee	\$200.00	\$200.00
Scholarships (Randall & Ritchie)	\$600.00	\$600.00
Insurance	\$408.00	\$350.00
Mailings, Postage and Supplies	\$451.59	\$644.98
Mailbox Rental	\$48.00	\$48.00
Web Hosting	\$97.23	\$ -
Alpha Recruitment Support	\$500.00	\$760.20
Other	\$69.71	\$268.38
Total Cash Outflows	\$2,760.60	\$3,221.56
Ending Cash Balance	\$4,616.09	\$3,941.35

Alpha Updates

The following are updates written by the current undergraduates at the Alpha. We hope you enjoy reading the latest about Scholarship, Recruitment, Pledging, Social, Campus Involvement, The Lodge, and the Choragus!

Scholarship

David Joseph Mitteness, ΣΔ '09

In our second year with on campus housing, Alpha Sigma Delta of Chi Psi is working to establish enhanced scholarship on both local and national levels. Here in The Lodge, we have designated one of our common rooms as a study hall. On any given night of the week, several Brothers can be found in the 'quiet side' of The Lodge, reading and working together.

For the current year, three Brothers of Sigma Delta were recognized by the national Fraternity and awarded scholarships. Prabhat Mishra, '08, received the Clifford H. Williams Scholarship for his exceptional academic performance. David Mitteness, '09, received the Peter Paul Miller Scholarship, which recognizes Scholarship Chairs who have worked to improve the academic standing of their Alpha. Bryan Fleming, '09, received the Harold G. "Bones" Lundberg Fund for Education Scholarship, which is given for academic performance and campus, community and Alpha involvement. We are all very proud of their accomplishments.

Recruitment

Ryan Michael Perdomo, ΣΔ '09

Gregory James Caiola, ΣΔ '09

Alpha Sigma Delta of Chi Psi can further prosper as an organization as our brotherhood grows in both quality and quantity. We can safely say that so far this year, we are well on our way to accomplishing growth in our bonds as Brothers. Fall recruitment brought many new faces to The Lodge. Our first party attracted better attendance than any of us had anticipated, and we invited prospective recruits from the party to our other recruitment events. At Broomball, our signature recruitment event, we had a ratio of one non-brother for each brother in attendance. At bid voting, Chi Psi was able to really get to know the recruits we were voting on, and we selected only the best upperclassmen that truly exemplified the values and qualities of a gentleman. Both of the bids we issued were accepted, and a third bid which was deferred from last spring was also accepted, creating a Fall pledge class of three outstanding gentlemen. Our expectations for spring recruitment are higher than ever. Freshmen have been continuously enjoying themselves around The Lodge throughout the semester, and an enthusiastic brotherhood is excited to bring them into our ranks as we enter our spring semester at Alpha Sigma Delta.

Pledging

Benjamin Matthew Toby Weiss, ΣΔ '09

There has been a significant effort to revamp the pledging process for the Fall 2007 academic semester. Following substantial discussion and brainstorming, Brothers felt a need for a more interactive and dynamic pledging program. In a response to this push, numerous additions and changes have been implemented into the program, seeking to better help pledges and Brothers bond during the brief 6-week pledging period.

Important local traditions like bridge painting, 'sigs,' Dr. Dale's assignments, and match boxes were maintained. New ideas like The Lodge Improvement Project, a weekly gathering with Brothers and pledges in The Lodge, and more interactive learning discussions at pledge meetings have been added.

We have three dedicated, enthusiastic, and gentlemanly pledges this fall (all three sophomores). Together with these great pledges and revitalized brotherhood morale towards pledging, this semester's pledging process has proven so far to be a fresh spin on a critical aspect of our Fraternity.

Social

Daniel Vanhoy Blalock, ΣΔ '09

Alexander Sean Hope, ΣΔ '08

The social scene of Chi Psi has in some respects changed, while in other respects has stayed true to tradition. On the one hand, the obvious benefit of an actual Lodge has helped us begin to mold a campus identity. Even though our section is far away from the usual 'goings-on' of most of campus, the advantages of a permanent social space have resulted in the increasing success of our parties. Last year we threw some very solid parties, with themes like "Summer Ski Lodge" and "Welcome to the Jungle," and in the spring we had a very successful party as a capstone to our first year with housing, the "Spring Break" party.

We weren't expecting equal success at our first party this year, but with our growing connection to section life, along with a very popular and relevant theme, the "Mike Nifong Send-Off" party, we at least doubled if not tripled attendance from previous parties, including "Spring Break." All of these parties went off without a hitch, and because of our risk management and thoughtfulness, we still maintain a pristine reputation with the RAs and Quad Coordinator.

So, the growth of the Fraternity with an established living space has really strengthened the social scene and frequency of activities. Even still, our off-campus events, namely the semi-formals and formal banquet, have continued to be successful. These events continue to allow the Brothers to interact socially away from The Lodge, showing our dates and recruits a more refined side of our social scene. However, even though these events have stayed relatively the same, the success (in our opinion) has increased, as Brothers have been able to find some big-name dates in some of the women's basketball players. We have nothing but high expectations for our coming social activities and continue to grow in our capacity to put on better and better events.

Campus Involvement (Welcome Back Cook-Out & Stroll Show)

“Welcome Back Cook-Out”

Bryan Ethan Fleming, ΣΔ '09

This year, Chi Psi co-sponsored the “Welcome Back to Edens” cookout with the Edens RLHS Staff. On August 28, over 200 people came out to the lawn outside The Lodge for catered hamburgers and hot dogs. Frisbees and t-shirts were distributed to Edens residents by the Brothers. Co-sponsoring the event with the Edens Staff provided a tremendous opportunity for Chi Psi as an organization and the Brothers as individuals to be visible within the Edens community.

“Stroll Show”

Michael Katsumi Hirata, ΣΔ '09

On November 10, six Chi Psi Brothers participated in Duke University’s Premier Strolling Competition, “Blaze the Stage.” ‘Strolling’ is defined as a group of people moving together in a line to the rhythm of music (also known as party hopping). Inter-Greek Council (IGC) and National Pan-Hellenic Council (NPHC) groups were paired up with Panhellenic and Interfraternity Council (IFC) groups based on gender. On that Saturday night, the Brothers of Chi Psi performed two strolls with the men of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc. Chi Psi and Omega Psi Phi competed against four other groups. While we did not bring a trophy home from the competition, the Brothers that strolled had an amazing time and gave a wonderful performance. We look forward to participating in next year’s stroll show.

The Lodge (New Chi Psi Sign Posted to Outside of The Lodge)

Bryan Ethan Fleming, ΣΔ '09

Signs of Chi Psi’s establishment on campus have become increasingly visible since we moved into Edens 3A in the fall of 2006. We recently completed and hung a sign outside The Lodge, symbolically solidifying our place here. The individual letters were cut out, sanded, and painted by the Brothers. Most of the actives had some part in the construction, which took place mostly over a series of several weekends. The sign can be seen from Edens Quad and is visible to those walking toward The Lodge from West Campus. It was built to last for many years.

Choragus

Matthew Shaun Lyons, ΣΔ '09

With last spring's addition of several more singers into the Fraternity, the fall has brought increased interest in reestablishing our position as a "singing fraternity." So far this fall, we have strengthened a group within the Fraternity, dubbed the "Chi Psi Singers," and held several practices toward the goal of performing throughout the year. Progress thus far has been very encouraging. We performed a few songs at the Parents' Weekend Wine and Cheese and we plan to perform at other public and private events, possibly even taking advantage of the group's talent for a fundraiser this spring. We will continue to expand our repertoire and bond as an ensemble. This looks to be a very promising year.

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