

## CHAPTER NEWS BRIEFS

- GPA of 2.96 was #3 among Fraternities in Fall 2006.
- The Chapter House received Honorable Mention for "Best Large Chapter House" based on property condition, management, occupancy rate, and life safety!
- The Chapter won GHQ awards in '06: Silver Star, Community Service, and Religious Life.
- A-Team football team made it to the semi-finals.
- Brandon White was elected to the IFC Judicial Board.
- Phil Lacey received the Order of Omega for outstanding senior in the Greek System.
- The annual charity golf tournament is set for April 9 at Prestonwood.

## Alumni Campaign Breaks Record(s!)

### You did it.

We set an ambitious goal of beating the old annual record of \$10,310 and you blew past that to give \$12,350 in 2006.

And - a record 127 alumni participated. Increasing our participation rate is a key goal of the Foundation, not only to help raise more funds, but to show the undergraduates (and each other) that alumni continue to support the Chapter even though separated by distance.

Our motto of a "Brotherhood for Life" and our oath "to transmit the Fraternity not less, not only, but **greater** than it was transmitted" to us are important principles.

Thanks to your great help in 2006, our support of the Chapter in 2007 is in full swing.



Another effort has been taking place over the past few months - finding "lost" alumni and updating our database. Over time, a few alumni have slipped through the cracks; we've worked with GHQ to cross-check the roster.

The more accurate our database, the better odds we have of connecting with all alumni throughout the year.

Help keep your information correct; verify and/or update your contact info at [www.ncdelta.com](http://www.ncdelta.com)

## 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Plans

It's hard to believe, but next year is the **20th Anniversary** of the NC Delta Chapter's installation.

The Foundation has begun discussions on developing goals to coincide with this significant milestone, and we welcome your ideas too.

In keeping with the "20" theme, we have identified some key financial targets:

- Pay down our mortgage to \$200,000 or less (we began 2007 at \$260,000)
- Attract at least 200 individual donors in 2008

We also hope to make progress toward some House updates - primarily the refurbishment of kitchens and baths.

The Chapter expects a major milestone as well - crossing the 500 mark of initiates for NC Delta.

To celebrate, we aim to focus on Homecoming Weekend in the Fall of 2008 (TBA).

An open house is an obvious choice, along with an evening celebration involving our alumni, undergraduates, and guests - perhaps including special friends of the Chapter such as former Academic Advisors, uni-

versity officials, and families like the Boxleys, the Briggs, and others who have played an important role in our history.

More details will follow as we flesh out our plans, but in the meantime, please share your suggestions by emailing us at [ncdelta@nc.rr.com](mailto:ncdelta@nc.rr.com)

Be sure to keep your eyes out for future announcements, and make plans to be part of the celebration!



# Greek Court Redevelopment



Chi Psi House at the University of South Carolina

In 2006, Chancellor Oblinger appointed the Greek Redevelopment Task Force to explore how to best breathe new life into Greek Court.

The Task Force includes representatives from the Administration and from several Greek organizations (including Phi Delta Theta).

Based on successful models at other universities, most notably the University of South Carolina, the Task Force proposed a plan to redevelop the Court by demolishing existing housing and replace them with a

newly configured "Greek Village" that will have houses suiting various chapter sizes.

Chapters will sign long-term land leases at \$1 per year, but will build, own and operate their own houses. The University will serve as the fiscal agent (collecting rent, paying cooks and housekeepers, etc.) thus reducing delinquency in payment by members (since nonpayment will put holds on grades, graduation, etc.).

The Board of Trustees has approved the plan, and the University is accepting appli-

cations from Chapters to be included in Phase One of the new development.

Ultimately, the new Village will include common space, an activities building, perhaps the Greek Life offices, and more. There will also be a main entrance off Varsity Drive, retail outlets and event parking.

Although Phi Delta Theta is not a likely candidate for location in the new Greek Village any time soon, the new focus on Greek Life will benefit all Chapters. Learn more at: [www.ncsu.edu/greek\\_life](http://www.ncsu.edu/greek_life)

"I really think that God above created you for me to love"

From "Tell Me Why"

## I Do, I Do !

**Josh Gentry** (*Alpha Beta*) married Jennifer Frye on June 30, 2006.

**Chris Plunket** (*Theta*) married Suzanne McLamb on August 3, 2006 in Fiji.

**Matt Strickland** (*Rho*) married Allison Stallings on October 14, 2006.

**Brian Wilson** (*Xi*) is engaged to marry Alison Cooper on July 21, 2007.



The Plunkets in Fiji

## I may be Anna Nicole's Baby's Daddy

**David Adams** (*Nu*) and Tamara had Avery Leigh Adams on January 4, 2007.

**Jason Archambault** (*Mu*) and Allyson had Aidan Joseph Archambault on December 22, 2006.

**Chad Blackmon** (*Upsilon*) and Elizabeth had Danica Lauryn Blackmon on November 18, 2006.

**Tyler Buckner** (*Kappa*) and Erica are expecting their first child in July 2007.

**Dan Griffin** (*Xi*) and Ellen had Lillian "Lilly" Ellen Griffin on December 14, 2006.

**Richard Jennings** (*Zeta*) and Darian had Alexander (Alex) Luke Jennings on February 20, 2007.

**Phillip Martin** (*Lambda*) and Melinda had Margaret Clare Martin (Clare) on November 22, 2006.

**Kevin Rogerson** (*Kappa*) and Laura had Caleb Jax Rogerson on November 1, 2006. He

tells his parents that he plans to go to NCSU and join  $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ .

**Lance Spacek** (*Beta*) and Marcy had Logan James Spacek on January 30, 2007.



David Adams' daughter Avery



Phillip Martin's daughter Clare

# Alumni Updates

**Dan Carestio** (*Theta*) and Hettie live in Kirtland (east of Cleveland), Ohio with their sons Mitchell (3 years) & Jackson (9 onths). Dan has been working for STERIS Corporation and is currently the Vice President of Sales & Marketing. Hettie runs the house and currently serves as the Director of Carestio Family Management.

**John Daughtry** (*Rho*) is Associate Research Engineer for the Applied Research Laboratory at Penn State. He is also pursuing a PhD in Information Sciences and Technology.

**Mike Gibson** (*Alpha*) has left Johns Hopkins after 15 years to become Co-Director of Thoracic Malignancies at the University of Pittsburgh Hillman Cancer Center. Forget the Steelers - he says "Go Ravens!"

**Matt Gilson** (*Kappa*) invites you to get the latest on his family and



Matt and Jennifer Gilson In Denmark

travels by visiting their family site: [www.gilsonweb.com](http://www.gilsonweb.com)

**Juri Groenland** (*Upsilon*) has been relocated by the Navy and is now an instructor and advisor in the NROTC Unit at the University of Kansas. He welcomes anyone who wants to take a road trip this summer and use his house as base camp for the Wakarusa Festival held annually in Lawrence, KS ([www.wakarusa.com](http://www.wakarusa.com)).

**Jacob Hooker** (*Psi*) graduates from UC Berkeley in May with a PhD in Organic Chemistry. He has accepted a position at Brookhaven National Lab in NY as a post-doctoral fellow where he will study neurochemical processes related to addiction and depression.

**Anthony Johnson** (*Iota*) spent some time in Afghanistan in 2002 and now is a Systems Administrator for SAS Institute in Cary, NC.

**Matt Konar** (*Nu*) has recently joined Redtop Architects ([www.redtoparchitects.com](http://www.redtoparchitects.com)), an innovative architectural design firm in lower Manhattan, after completing his architectural license this past year. After working on the North Carolina Museum of Art (which recently won an AIA NY design award) for the past two years, he will now be designing

high-end residential projects. Matt welcomes advice on living with a family in New York!

**Keith Little** (*Alpha*) is now Chaplain at Craven Regional Medical Center in New Bern, NC.

**Chris Plunket** (*Theta*) left Cree after 11+ years to become SVP with General Sports Venue.

**Victor Sitton** (*Founder*) has been appointed Director of Product Marketing for Elster Integrated Solutions (EIS), a leading provider of mobile and mesh network RF meter reading systems and solutions for electricity, gas, and water.

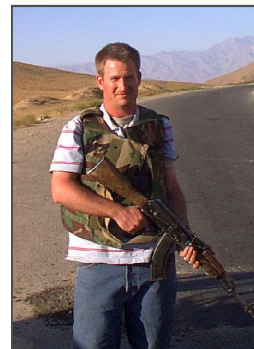
**Matt Smith** (*Eta*) has joined Barnhill Contracting Co. as Director of Business Development.

**Chris Tonelli** (*Mu*) has poems forthcoming in *H\_NGM\_N* and *Sawbuck*.

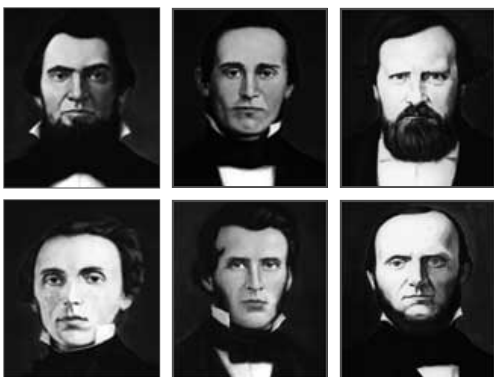
**Aaron White** (*Theta*) fell off a "kite tube" last summer while 20 feet above Lake Norman, resulting in burst vertebrae. Several titanium screws and rods later, he's doing well.

**Brian Wilson** (*Xi*) was promoted to Race Engineer for the #2 Miller Lite car in Nextel Cup. Kurt Busch is the driver, Penske Racing is the team.

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Anthony "Make my Day" Johnson in Afghanistan.



## Ask Yourself: WWFD

### What Would Founders Do?

In this Founders Day season, and as NC Delta approaches its 20th Anniversary, reflect on the meaning of your membership in  $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ .

Our Founders pointed out that we are Brothers for Life, that our participation in Phi Delta Theta is more than merely a "campus interlude." How do you live out those principles? What can you do in the future? We all can contribute to the Fraternity in some fashion, whether it's financially, or through service, or through attendance at events - or all of the above. Thanks for your support in whatever form it may come.

# Marketplace: Services, Deals, Offers

This space is for services, special deals, etc. that Alumni wish to advertise.

**Jeff Ames** (*Pi*) is the National Sales Manager for SSI Technologies, the largest loyalty and gift card manufacturer in the country. SSI is a fully functional print house as well for any direct mailers, promotional pieces, etc. For Brotherhood discounts, contact Jeff and visit their website at [www.ssicards.com](http://www.ssicards.com)

**Jeff Beusse** (*Alpha*) with XMRadio offers his "Friends" discount. Visit <http://friends.xmradio.com> and enter his work email address ([jeff.beusse@xmradio.com](mailto:jeff.beusse@xmradio.com)) as the Sponsor Email. Deals change, so check regularly. Their products will continue to work and be supported after the merger with Sirius.

**Hoyt Hackney** (*Alpha*) owns a

furniture importing company in Charlotte and offers a 20% discount to all Brothers on dining room, accent, and occasional furniture. Learn more at [www.southendfurniture.com](http://www.southendfurniture.com)

**Brian Jesinkey** (*Theta*) is a CPA and offers personal tax preparation services. Fees vary based on complexity. Contact Brian at [bjesinkey@hotmail.com](mailto:bjesinkey@hotmail.com)

**Matt Konar** (*Nu*) designs modern houses. His firm's website is [www.redtoparchitects.com](http://www.redtoparchitects.com)

**Michael O'Sullivan** (*Iota*) has a new real estate coaching business to assist and mentor the Wake County Investors market. Curious Alumni can reach Michael at [osullys@mindspring.com](mailto:osullys@mindspring.com)

**Kevin Rogerson** (*Kappa*) with Take Flight Realty offers Full Service listings in the Triangle for only 3.5%. He also is able to give back 1% on the purchase of a new construction home. Email him at [krogerson@takeflightrealty.com](mailto:krogerson@takeflightrealty.com) for more info.

**Will Snipes** (*Beta*) offers a 20% discount off lowest published rate for a Myrtle Beach condo (one bedroom, one bathroom). Details available at <http://propties.shoresummerrentals.com/views/detailView3.asp?propertyId=2544>

**Jeff Spitz** (*Epsilon*) is a Certified Financial Planner with Merrill Lynch. Those with financial planning and investment needs can reach him at [jeffrey\\_spitz@ml.com](mailto:jeffrey_spitz@ml.com)



Sample of Hoyt Hackney's line of furniture



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