RENOVATION UNDER WAY
Additional Alumni Support Still Needed

This has been an exciting year for Sigma Nu at the University of Idaho. While we have joined the Western Atlantic Conference, to allow us closer access and new rivalries, we have begun to reposition our chapter on campus as the dominant fraternity in a dominant facility. The undergraduates have relocated for the next six months, as the work has begun on the renovation of our chapter house. Demolition has taken place, and we are eagerly anticipating the renovation to be completed in time for fall recruitment. As you can see from the pictures in this newsletter, our 80-year-old chapter house is finally undergoing the major renovation that has been needed for years.

Demolition began in March.

We understand that there are many demands on your funds. Delta Omicron needs all gifts, but especially larger gifts...those above $10,000. Can you consider digging deep to provide the undergraduates the house they need to remain a top fraternity at UI?

I will be making a number of telephone calls in the coming weeks to answer questions and, hopefully, to receive gifts or the pledges of gifts. Please remember, tax deductibility is available.

We look forward to our ‘unveiling’ of our new chapter house this fall, and we hope that many of you will be able to attend this exciting event. Further details regarding the unveiling will be coming over the next few months.

On behalf of our entire executive committee, thank you for your generous commitments to the campaign. I have truly enjoyed serving as chairman for the Honoring Our Past, Securing Our Future Campaign.

Fraternally,
Carl G. Berry ‘58, ΔΩ 738
Campaign Chairman
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DELTA OMICRON
Campaign Status
At-a-Glance

As of May 24, 2005

$707,426
Total Written Commitments

161
Total Contributors

902
Total Mailable Alumni

$4,273
Average Gift

While the renovation is much needed, additional funds are crucial to ensure this project is completed. The original estimate provided in 2002 was $1.2 million. Over the past two years, construction costs on the Palouse have risen 30%, and now the total renovation will cost $1.7 million. This additional $500,000 must be accounted for. We have raised just over $707,000 to date, but additional funds are needed to ensure that we do not strap our undergraduates with a debt load they cannot afford. We will need to raise an additional $400,000 as soon as possible to achieve this goal.

Only 18% of our alumni base has contributed to this campaign, and I urge every alumnus to remember how important the fraternity experience was in shaping their futures. Please make your gift to the campaign immediately. If you have made a one-time gift, please increase your gift, and/or stretch it to a five-year pledge period. Every dollar counts, as we look to conclude our campaign successfully.
Greetings from the Delta Omicron Chapter! Over the past few years, I have seen many changes take place on campus and within the chapter. I look forward to leading Delta Omicron into a "new" chapter of its life with the remodel.

Delta Omicron is going through some major changes that will have a lasting effect. The current active chapter officer core is very dedicated to making sure that the remodel is successful and that the chapter remains united through this transition. This is a unique situation to be a part of and something that many of us will never forget. We have made it our number one goal to maintain excellent inter-chapter communication so that everyone is on the same page.

ACADEMICS
The men of Sigma Nu ended the fall semester on a very positive note. The chapter G.P.A. was one of the highest on campus at 3.02, which was well above the all-campus men (2.89) and all-fraternity average (2.92). Our men were in the top five of all fraternities and worked extremely hard to achieve that. We are excited about our academic accomplishments and look forward to improving our current average in the future. Setting our goals high will only make us better. Much of the success can be attributed to Scholarship Chairman Nathan Fanning ’04, ΔΩ 1559.

PHILANTHROPY
Staying active in the community and giving back to the city of Moscow is something that is very important to Delta Omicron. This spring, it has been challenging to organize and participate in many activities not having a chapter house. Our freshman class helped the university build benches for the new Teaching and Learning Community. The benches are something that will be a part of our campus for years to come. A small plaque will be placed on each bench thanking Sigma Nu for participating and improving the campus community. Toward the end of the semester, we will host a benefit concert to raise money for the local food bank. The concert is a battle of the bands; We will not only have baseball, co-ed basketball, soccer, and even billiards. Being active in a sport gives our men the chance to show the rest of campus just how competitive we are!

On behalf of the chapter, I would like to thank you for all the support we have recently received from alumni and friends. The remodel has not been an easy transition for the officers, members, and everyone involved in Sigma Nu, but the result will be well worth it. I encourage everyone to stop by in the fall and see the new house. Feel free to call or e-mail me if you have any questions, comments, or concerns about Delta Omicron.

Fraternally,
Ty Popplewell ’02,
ΔΩ 1532
Eminent Commander
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popp4437@uidaho.edu

INTRAMURALS
The men of Sigma Nu have been very competitive and successful once again in intramural sports. In the winter, the majority of the chapter was involved in one of four basketball teams that competed. In fact, two of our teams met in the playoffs, which further displays our athleticism on the hardwood! This spring has brought baseball, co-ed basketball, soccer, and even billiards. Being active in a sport gives our men the chance to show the rest of campus just how competitive we are!

After the renovation is complete, the second deck will provide the undergraduate brothers with fully equipped study rooms.
The lower deck (main kitchen seating area) during renovation.
The front sitting room and fireplace are undergoing a much-needed update.

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Delta Omicron Prepares for Recruitment

Recruitment during the summer of 2004 went extremely well. Our pledge class of 17 this year ranked third among all fraternities. Last spring, before we set out to begin our summer recruitment, we made a few goals. One was to establish better relations with Delta Omicron alumni in regard to the recruitment process. Quite often in the past there has been very little communication between the recruitment chairmen and alumni around the state. This has caused a few legacies and potential new members to slip through our fingers, partly because it is impossible to make contact with every young man planning to attend the University of Idaho. Also, we might not know about legacies until it is too late.

It is our pleasure to introduce you to the new recruitment chairmen for this summer, Ryan Kuhn ’04, ΔΩ 1575, from Westerly, Rhode Island, and Alex Swanson ’04, ΔΩ 1574, from Austin, Texas. They both get to see what Idaho is really like this summer! We encourage you to contact them directly if you have any recommendations for future Sigma Nus. Please feel free to call Ryan at (401) 578-5750 or Alex at (208) 301-4092. Or drop them a line via e-mail: Ryan at kuhn1388@uidaho.edu and Alex at swanee256@yahoo.com. We look forward to hearing from you this summer to help us once again recruit a top-notch pledge class.

Fraternally,
Ben Hechtnet ’03, ΔΩ 1550
Brandon Humble ’03, ΔΩ 1547
2004 Recruitment Chairman

The Hamilton Family
Sigma Nu Brotherhood

The Hamilton family has long been committed to Delta Omicron Chapter of Sigma Nu. Based in Buhl, Idaho, the family has been involved at the University of Idaho since 1947 when J. P. ’48, ΔΩ 531 pledged Sigma Nu. Over the years, the family became a core presence at the chapter, as J. P.’s five sons pledged Sigma Nu and were initiated: Michael ’75, ΔΩ 1063, John ’76, ΔΩ 1078, Joseph ’77, ΔΩ 1113, Vince ’80, ΔΩ 1164, and Tim ’82, ΔΩ 1179. After graduation, they returned to help run the family business at Farmers National Bank, which has been a staple in the Buhl community for a number of years. While Michael, John, and Vince remain in the banking industry in Buhl, Joseph is a pilot in Park City, Utah, and Tim is involved in the film industry and lives in Hailey, Idaho.

The family has been instrumental in continually recruiting new Delta Omicron members from the Buhl/Twin Falls area and have even hired some recent graduates, like Chad Brown ’99, ΔΩ 1493, a former EC who now serves as a mortgage consultant in the Buhl headquarters. Current Eminent Commander Ty Popplewell ’02, ΔΩ 1532 and his two younger brothers, Joe ’04, ΔΩ 1570 and Nick ’04, ΔΩ 1572, also come from Buhl and know the Hamilton family well. They credit the Hamiltons with their decision to pledge Delta Omicron.

The Hamilton family has made a leadership gift to the Honoring Our Past, Securing Our Future Campaign, ensuring that future generations from the Magic Valley will pledge Delta Omicron.

UNDERGRADUATE OFFICERS

Eminent Commander
Ty Popplewell ’02, ΔΩ 1532
Buhl, Idaho

Social Chairman
Nick Matthews ’04, ΔΩ 1566
Liberty Lake, Wash.

Scholarship Chairman
Nathan Fanning ’04, ΔΩ 1559
Spokane, Wash.

Lieutenant Commander
Brandon Humble ’03, ΔΩ 1547
Idaho Falls, Idaho

House Bull
Neil Clark ’04, ΔΩ 1588
Rupert, Idaho

Pledge Marshall/Lead Chairman
Chase Kinney ’04, ΔΩ 1560
Mount Vernon, Wash.

Recorder
Ace Clark ’03, ΔΩ 1552
Union, Ore.

Intramural Chairman
Bryan Carpenter ’04, ΔΩ 1584
Weiser, Idaho

Risk Reduction/Chaplin
Adam Martin ’04, ΔΩ 1562
Burley, Idaho

Treasurer
Marcus Manchester ’03, ΔΩ 1554
Spokane, Wash.

Historian
Nathan Weinstien ’04, ΔΩ 1563
Boise, Idaho

Sentinel
Mike Anderson ’04, ΔΩ 1587
Anchorage, Alaska

Alumni Relations
Ben Hechtnet ’03, ΔΩ 1550
Lewiston, Idaho

Head Hasher
Sean Stevenson ’02, ΔΩ 1536
Gooding, Idaho

Recruitment Chairman
Ryan Kuhn ’05, ΔΩ 1575
Westerly, R.I.

Social Chairman
Jake Fredrickson ’04, ΔΩ 1565
Grangeville, Idaho

Philanthropy/Public Relations
Bryant Bingham ’04, ΔΩ 1561
Idaho Falls, Idaho

Recruitment Chairman
Alex Swanson ’05, ΔΩ 1574
Austin, Texas
Thank You Alumni for Committing $707,426

We are deeply grateful to the Delta Omicron brothers listed below for committing $707,426 to the Honoring Our Past, Securing Our Future Capital Campaign. Your gifts are making a difference in the future of Sigma Nu at the University of Idaho.

All donors contributing a minimum of $1,000 to the campaign will be recognized on a plaque displayed in the new chapter house. Donors will appear by category, relative to the size of their gift. If an error has been made in recording your gift, or your name has been mistakenly omitted or listed improperly, we sincerely apologize. Please let us know by sending your corrections to Zeta Delta House Corporation, 613 Bryden Avenue, C #169, Lewiston, Idaho 83501.

The Rock Society
($100,000 and above)
Charles W. Hechtner ’47, DO 510
Loyal Undergraduate Brothers ’00–04
George F. Eidam ’52, DO 615
Jack S. Gjording ’58, DO 725
Maurice W. Sanders Jr. ’60, DO 770
Chud R. Wendle ’61, DO 786
In memory of
Chud W. Wendle ’28, DO 786
Richard W. Hoyle ’69, DO 919
Benjamin J. Rae ’80, DO 1151
Eric R. Beem ’89, DO 1315
Peter D. McDonald ’90, DO 1333
In memory of Jon E. Denny ’90, DO 1333

Legion of Honor Society
($30,000 to $99,999)
The Symms Family
R. A. Symms ’54, DO 649
Senator Steve Symms ’57, DO 714
In memory of
G. Darwin Symms ’21, DO 649
The Shaffer Family
C.M. Butch Shaffer ’55, DO 681
David K. Shaffer ’79, DO 681
Scott D. Howarth ’79, DO 1145

Founder’s Society
($25,000 to $49,999)
Senator Steven D. Symms ’57, DO 714
Capt. J. Philip Reberger ’61, DO 776
Bruce W. Skiver ’61, DO 784
Gary L. Mahn ’62, DO 795
In memory of Anthony Bellamy, DO 725
The Hamilton Family
J. P. Hamilton ’48, DO 531
J. Michael Hamilton ’75, DO 1063
J. Pat Hamilton ’76, DO 1078
J. Kevin Hamilton ’77, DO 1113
J. Vince Hamilton ’80, DO 1164
J. Tim Hamilton ’82, DO 1079
Stephen J. Day ’82, DO 1177

Gold and Black Society
($10,000 to $24,999)
The Anderson Family
Michael M. Anderson ’58, DO 739
James A. Anderson ’60, DO 768
Robert H. Anderson ’64, DO 739
The Hechtner Family
John H. Hechtner ’49, DO 554
David J. Hechtner ’76, DO 1082
Michael W. Hechtner ’77, DO 1095
Ben Hechtner ’03, DO 1550
In memory of
Clarence L. Hechtner, DO 94
Howard Hechtner ’19, DO 92

White Rose Society
($5,000 to $9,999)
Dr. Charles A. Berry ’48, DO 527
Robert N. Boie ’58, DO 730
William F. Mayer ’59, DO 746
Donald F. Lopez ’63, DO 823
James S. Hughes ’67, DO 888
Patrick D. Furey ’73, DO 1012
Charles R. Schmeoer ’76, DO 1077
Ronald B. Baker ’77, DO 1098
David K. Shaffer ’79, DO 1144
Kevin D. Moss ’80, DO 1160
The Ahlschlager Family Gift
Alan D. Ahlschlager ’84, DO 1211
Kent Ahlschlager, DO 694
Scott R. St. Marie ’84, DO 1225
Bryan Q. Bentz ’88, DO 1295
Christopher K. Patano ’91, DO 1349
John D. Beebe III ’94, DO 1419

Sword Society
($1,000 to $4,999)
Judge James G. Towlas ’40, DO 418
In memory of pledge class of 1939
John P. Evans Jr. ’42, DO 440
Charles M. Couper ’43, DO 471
Keith H. Stokes ’45, DO 489
William J. Gartner ’47, DO 517
Frederick A. Willett ’47, DO 514
William T. Goodman ’48, DO 529
Maj. Gen. Benjamin E. Doty ’51, DO 595
John B. Parker ’52, DO 613

The Shawver Family
James C. Shawver ’53, DO 627
Michael J. Shawver ’78
Ralph Shawver ’89, DO 627
Richard K. Barrell ’54, DO 659
Gary A. Clizer ’56, DO 696
Larry N. Norby ’56, DO 703
In honor of Neil Clark, DO 703
Laird Noh ’57, DO 719
Phil J. Jones ’60, DO 771
Col. Dennis E. Welch ’63, DO 809
Edward W. Arndt Jr. ’64, DO 826
Wade M. Hampton ’64, DO 834
Richard L. Toney ’65, DO 846
Robert D. Campbell Jr. ’67, DO 896
In memory of
Robert and Jean Campbell
Ronald A. Harris ’70, DO 948
Judge Michael R. McLaughlin ’70, DO 939
Douglas D. Springer ’70, DO 937
John S. Tunnell ’70, DO 934
Col. (Ret) Gary M. Walgamott ’70, DO 958
Harold C. Gibson Jr. ’71, DO 977
Henri W. Le Moyne ’71, DO 978
Ross E. Cates ’73, DO 1010
David R. Stout ’74, DO 1045
J. Michael Hamilton ’75, DO 1063
Barry M. Hopkins ’75, DO 1066
Thomas H. Carson ’76, DO 1081
Blair J. Wilson ’76, DO 1070
Joseph K. Hamilton ’77, DO 1133
W. Ross Borden ’78, DO 1128
Samuel R. Hopkins ’78, DO 1123
K. Dewitt Marshall ’78, DO 1124
Jerry G. Wicks ’78, DO 1118
Kyle J. Wilson ’78, DO 1119
Scott L. Paulin ’79, DO 1134
Timothy J. McCough ’80, DO 1162
Jon R. Vlaming ’80, DO 1153
In memory of Thomas R. Wilson ’26 and Samuel G. Wilson ’35, DO 1153
Ray J. Laan ’81, DO 1167
Clifford L. Brown ’82, DO 1175
J. Tim Hamilton ’82, DO 1179
Marc A. Wheldon ’82, DO 1184
ALUMNUS ENJOYS, ENCOURAGES PARTICIPATION IN DELTA OMICRON

Still alive and well in Genesee! The only thing that has changed is that I am older, fatter, balder, and maybe a little wiser. After a brief banking career, I returned to the farm in Genesee and have been here ever since. We have five children, and our older two attend Idaho. My son, Ben ’01, is a Delta Omicron, and my daughter is a Kappa Kappa Gamma (she is also the Sigma Nu Little Sister, which has given me an opportunity to check up on things at the chapter during the past few years!). It is a little spooky visiting a place you have not been for many years. The house looks, smells, and “feels” the same as it did when I was an undergraduate. The odd thing is looking across the room and seeing your son and daughter standing there!

I have gotten to know the young men in the chapter, and it is amazing how things have not changed. They are basically the same type of young men we were, and I find that to be refreshing. They know the meaning of truth, honor, and love. You would be surprised to know how many members are sons of guys I was in the house with.

Homecoming 2004 was a great success! The chapter had a function after the football game, and it was a hoot! It was great catching up with fellow Sigma Nus I had not seen since college. The best part about seeing the “old guys” is that we immediately took up from where we left off 25 years ago. We had a great time telling stories (and lies!). The active brothers tell me they want to continue this tradition and plan to have the same type of event this fall during Homecoming, which will take place October 1. I encourage you to attend Homecoming this fall.

The Annual Summer Golf Tournament in memory of Jon Denny ’90, is tentatively scheduled for June. Please make note of this and look for details to follow. We would love to see another great turnout for this event!

Finally, I had the chance to stop by the chapter house recently and check out the remodeling project. The building is going to look great after a much-needed update. The people who are heading up this project should be commended for stepping up to the plate. Those of you who have donated to the cause... Thank you!!

If you are in Moscow this summer, take a few minutes to drop by and check out the construction progress. It is going to be something we can all be proud of.

Fraternally yours,
Jim Hermann ’74, ΔΩ 1044
DELTA OMICRON
NEW INITIATES

Trevor Ball ’04, ΔΩ 1577*
Lewiston, Idaho
(Darrin Ball ’85, ΔΩ 1238)

Adam Becker ’04, ΔΩ 1569
Gooding, Idaho

Rhett Boeker ’04, ΔΩ 1581
Jerome, Idaho

Jeff Hollingsworth ’04
Preston, Idaho

Bryan Huter ’04, ΔΩ 1571*
Nampa, Idaho
(Michael Huter ’77, ΔΩ 1115)

Derek Janssen ’04, ΔΩ 1576
Jerome, Idaho

J.T. Kane ’04
Everett, Wash.

Ryan Kuhn ’04, ΔΩ 1575*
Westerly, R.I.
(Kevin Bole ’89, ΔΩ 1319,
Robert Bole ’58, ΔΩ 730)

Ben Marshall ’04, ΔΩ 1573*
Jerome, Idaho
(Steve Marshall ’76, ΔΩ 1075,
DeWitt Marshall ’78, ΔΩ 1124)

Joe Popplewell ’04, ΔΩ 1570*
Buhl, Idaho
(Ty Popplewell ’02, ΔΩ 1532)

Nick Popplewell ’04, ΔΩ 1572*
Buhl, Idaho
(Ty Popplewell ’02, ΔΩ 1532)

John Puente ’04, ΔΩ 1579
Buhl, Idaho

Joel Slocum ’04, ΔΩ 1582
Kenmore, Wash.

Ben Steinthilber ’04, ΔΩ 1578
Spokane, Wash.

Alex Swanson ’04, ΔΩ 1574
Austin, Texas

Brady Tanikuni ’04
Nampa, Idaho

Joe Winkler ’04, ΔΩ 1580
Grangeville, Idaho

*Indicates a legacy. Relative is in parentheses.

SIGMA NEWS
DELTA OMICRON of SIGMA NU
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Address Service Requested

Attention: This newsletter is intended for alumni and parents. If your son is still attending the University of Idaho, he will receive a copy at the chapter house. If he has graduated, please send us his permanent address. Thank you.

UNIVERSITY OF IDAHO VANDALS
2005 FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

Sept. 1 . . . . . . . .Washington State
Sept. 10 . . . . . . . .UNLV
Sept. 17 . . . . . . . .Washington
Sept. 24 . . . . . . . .HAWAII
Oct. 1 . . . . . . . ..UTAH STATE
Oct. 8 . . . . . . . .Nevada
Oct. 22 . . . . . . . .FRESNO STATE
Oct. 29 . . . . . . . .New Mexico State
Nov. 12 . . . . . . . .LOUISIANA TECH
Nov. 19 . . . . . . . .Boise State
Nov. 26 . . . . . . . .San Jose State

*Home games in gold

ALUMNI CALENDAR
OF EVENTS

June
Annual Golf Tournament

October 1
Homecoming
(Zeta Delta meeting at 9 a.m.)

TBA
Chapter House Rededication

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