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NIU DU Alumni Annual Meeting

On Saturday, August 29, 2009 the NIU DU Alumni will hold its annual meeting at the chapter house located at 918 Kimberly Dr., DeKalb, IL.

The meeting will run from 10:00am to Noon and will be followed by lunch at the Chapter house.

...Annual alumni meetings were recommenced in 2007 after an extended hiatus. Approximately 30 brothers attended the 2008 meeting and we are hoping for an even larger turnout this year as we meet at the chapter house for the first time.

The agenda for the meeting will include the election of directors, committee reports, Treasurer's report, and President's report.

This represents an opportunity to gather with alumni brothers and to meet the undergraduate members of the colony. Please try to attend.



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Annual Delta Upsilon Tailgater/Homecoming

On Saturday, October 3, 2009 we will hold our long running annual tailgater party. This year the Tailgater happens to coincide with Northern's Homecoming game against Western Michigan which kicks off at 2:30PM.

Scott Tracy ('77), who organizes the event, says:

. Plan on the tailgater starting around noon and if the time changes, look for an update.

. Look for the DUs in the southeast corner of the Convocation Center parking lot.

. Bring your own food and drinks.

. Grills will be available.

He also said something about a lot of beer being consumed.

The undergraduate members of the Colony will host an open house at the chapter house after the game. Snack and refreshments will be served.





New Chapter House

Through the extraordinary efforts of Alumni Chapter President, Joe Rembusch, the colony members were able to move into their own chapter house in January, 2009. The house, previously the sorority houses of Alpha Omicron Pi and Alpha Sigma Alpha, is located in the Greek Row area at 918 Kimberly Dr., virtually across the street from the old DU house, now occupied by Sigma Pi. The house was recently renovated by the owner and has a weight training room, library, game and TV room, pool room, commercial kitchen, snack kitchen, nice size student rooms, patio, and excellent

security with 24 hour lighting on all sides of the building and locked doors. The installation of security cameras is also planned. Security is a major concern as the city of DeKalb wrestles with increasing crime in the area, mainly the result of the introduction of low income housing.

...Two of the colony members, Reese Norton and Calvin Whitsell, recently installed over two thousand feet of new computer wiring in the house. Reese and Calvin are majoring in electrical engineering and theoretical computer science, respectively.

The house's owner, John Tyminski of Northbrook, has been very good to the undergrads. He bought the house in July 2008, refurbished it, and didn't charge any rent or utilities for the Fall 2008 semester despite letting the colony members use the house for social and recruiting events. The colony recognizes Tyminski's generosity and takes great pains to keep the house absolutely clean. Tyminski has been invited to join DU when the chapter is reinstalled and he has accepted the invitation.

Colony News

All School Awards

Four colony members recently received six all school awards. All of the awards were for leadership or scholarship and only 146 were awarded on the campus of 25,000. Although the University is roughly half women and half men, only a third of the awards were won by men. DU's tally is an incredibly high percentage of awards within a single organization and speaks volumes to the caliber of the men being recruited.

Interfraternity Award

The Northern Illinois Interfraternity Council recently awarded the Delta Upsilon Colony the award for Community and Campus Leadership.

The Blazer is Back

Colony members have adopted the tradition of wearing the Delta Upsilon navy blue blazer once a week and for special events. Blazers are provided to each colony

member by their respective alumni mentor.

What's Your Major?

As a sign of the times several colony members are majoring in electrical and mechanical engineering, computer science (including theoretical computer science), and business systems.



Chapter Reinstallation

The colony is targeting March 2010 for the reinstallation of the Northern Illinois Chapter.

The International Fraternity's requirements for reinstallation include: (i) 45 members, (ii) holding 2 alumni events per year, (iii) a GPA at or above the all men's average, and (iv) sound chapter finances.

The University has no special requirements for reinstallation

other than the approval of the Interfraternity Council.

At present the colony meets all requirements except for having a 45 man membership, a number equal to the average membership of all fraternities on campus. The colony currently has slightly 25 members as it prepares for the Fall 2009 semester and expects to recruit 20+ additional members before the year is out. The alumni

have made it clear to the colony members that March 2010 is a date not to be missed and compromising recruiting standards is not an acceptable means to that end. ...More information, including the reinstallation date, will be forthcoming.

Alumni Ready to Advise

It takes a lot of alumni hand holding to insure the success of any undergraduate chapter.

To that end, several alumni have stepped forward and offered to assume advisory positions that will be vital to the future success of the chapter.

Officer nominees to be presented at the August 2009 General Alumni Meeting are:

President: Joe Rembusch
Secretary: Bill Malloy
Treasurer: Steve Garland
Trustee: Bill Malloy

Advisory appointments include:

Advisor to the Undergraduate President:
Joe Rembusch

Advisor to the Undergraduate Treasurer:
Steve Garland

Advisor to the Undergraduate Secretary (Fraternity Relations):
(Vacant)

Advisor to the Undergraduate Vice President of Member Education:
(Vacant)

Advisor to the Undergraduate Vice President of Public Relations:
(Vacant)

Advisor to the Undergraduate Vice President of Recruitment:
Joe Rembusch

Advisor to the Undergraduate Vice President of Loss Prevention:
Jordan Lotsof

Committees

Alumni Chapter Scholarship Committee:
Bob Cherry, Chairman

Alumni Chapter Involvement Committee (Social):
Scott Tracy, Chairman
Bill Carmichael
John Fox
Dave Gronski
Dave Lunn (Golf Tournament Director)
Joel Peterson

Alumni Chapter Housing Committee:
Joe Rembusch, Chairman
Ed Balli
Steve Garland
Paul Jones

Bill Malloy
Kim Moline
John Moluf

Alumni Chapter Loss Prevention Committee
Jordan Lotsof, Chairman

Other Positions

Northern Illinois University Alumni Association Greek Affinity Committee:
Jim Chesko
Joe Rembusch
Scott Tracy

Alumni Interfraternity Council Representatives
Jim Chesko
Joe Rembusch

Alumni Chapter Historian:
Dave Lunn

If you would like to become an advisor to the undergraduate chapter or lend a hand in any way, please contact Joe Rembusch at:
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or (815) 787-2789.



Chapter Website Operational

Thanks to the help of Brother Jim Toomey and his firm Toomey Associates, Ltd., a full-service marketing firm that specializes in image programs and corporate and marketing communications for consumer and business to business companies the Northern Illinois

DU website is alive and well. Months of development culminated in the sites activation last February. ...Visitors to the site can view a history of the chapter, a list of notable alumni, undergraduate member profiles, and an alumni section dedicated to _____.

...Members of the undergraduate chapter maintain the website and you are encouraged to visit it at <http://www.niudeltaupsilon.com/>. There are plans to add more sophisticated features later.



Alumni Mentors Needed

Do you remember your pledge father? Well things are different these days. "Rush" it's now called "Recruitment". A "Pledge" is now called an "Associate Member". "Pledge Fathers" aren't called anything because they no longer exist. In place of pledge fathers are big brothers, or in the case of the NIU DU Colony, Alumni Mentors... and we need some.

...Alumni that accept a mentoring role are expected to contact their respective undergraduate colony member and introduce themselves.

...Mentors are expected to insure that colony members are not only familiar with the Four Founding Principles of Delta Upsilon, but also believe in them and live by them.

...If you're willing to be an alumni mentor, then please

contact contact Joe Rembusch at:

joseph.rembusch@comcast.net or (815) 787-2789.



Annual Golf Tournament

Many years ago (back in the 70's and 80's) alumni would gather each summer to play in a fun tournament known as the "DeKalb Closed" ("Closed" because it wasn't "Open"?).

Eventually the tournament became less and less frequent until today it no longer exists.

Last year the tournament was resurrected with the new name "The Salvo Memorial DeKalb Closed", after Ron McLean (67), one of the tournaments founders who passed away a couple of years ago. The field included only two players, Bill Malloy and Dave Lunn, and was won by Malloy.

We plan to hold the second tournament at a course near DeKalb during the afternoon after the August 29th Alumni Meeting. ...If you're interested in playing, email Bill Malloy at wgmalloy@bellsouth.net or call Dave Lunn at (815) 633-0558.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

NIU DU ALUMNI BOARD MEETING

SATURDAY, AUGUST 29, 2009, 9:30AM

DU CHAPTER HOUSE, 918 KIMBERLY DR., DEKALB, IL.

The Board will convene to conduct the business of the Alumni Chapter.

NIU DU GENERAL ALUMNI MEETING

SATURDAY, AUGUST 29, 2009, 10:00AM TO NOON, NOON: LUNCH

DU CHAPTER HOUSE, 918 KIMBERLY DR., DEKALB, IL.

A general meeting of the Alumni Chapter will convene to vote on the election of officers, to hear various committee reports, to hear the President's and conduct other business as appropriate.

NIU DU ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT

SATURDAY, AUGUST 29, 2009, AFTERNOON

TO BE HELD AFTER THE GENERAL ALUMNI MEETING AT A COURSE NEAR DEKALB

NIU DU ANNUAL TAILGATER

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[HTTP://WWW.NIUDELTAUPSILON.COM](http://www.niudeltaupsilon.com)

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THE NORTHERN STAR

[HTTP://WWW.STAR.NIU.EDU/](http://www.star.niu.edu/)

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