



## FSU Pikes Delta Lambda Newsletter - December, 2017



No, it's not Delta Lambda, but it definitely boosts the Fraternal spirits of the Christmas Season.

This is the foyer of the new \$9 million Pike house at Oklahoma State. Merry Christmas!

**Thank you!** Thank you to those alumni who have made your annual commitment to The **Old Guard of Delta Lambda**. And a special Merry Christmas and Thank You to five Delta Lambda alumni who have joined The Old Guard for the first time. They include **Chris Pepin '01, past SMC James "J.L." Milton '62, Gary Prescott '71, Lt. Col. Jerry Sexton '74 and Rob Williamson '87.**

You couldn't really say this is Gary Prescott's first contribution. Gary is a long-term mainstay of Pike in the Tampa Bay area, and is an integral part of all of our reunions and tailgates as well as those of all Pike alumni in the central Florida landscape. Jerry Sexton and Tim Sheridan '79 probably took the great majority of photos that we now have in the Delta Lambda Archives.

If you are already a member of the old Guard of Delta Lambda, thank you Brother. If you have not already joined, or if you have not yet renewed your contribution, please take a moment to do so right now. The annual contribution is \$100.

[Click here to join the Old Guard now.](#)

Old Guard funds support Delta Lambda's rush, leadership, and other programs deemed necessary to maintain Pike's top position at Florida State. Membership is only \$100 per year. Several alumni have generously paid ten years in advance with a **one-time gift of \$1,000 (The Sembler Society)**. We are extremely grateful for all of your loyalty and support. The list of current donors appears at the end of this newsletter.



**Delta Lambda's outgoing and incoming SMCs. Kevin Stokes '13 passes the gavel to Ryan Turnage '14**



**Delta Lambda's 2018 Executive Committee:** Wyatt Rancourt '16 (Internal VP); Clint Pierson '15 (Sergeant at Arms); Ryan Turnage '14 (SMC); Griffin Wilcox '15 (External VP); Drew Miles '15 (Member at Large); Brendan Langley '15 (Treasurer).





**[Left]** Fullback **Gabe Nabers '16** caught his first touchdown pass, at Homecoming 2017. Fifteen Pike Brothers will represent FSU on the field in the Independence Bowl on December 27th.

**[Right]** Guard **Braian Angola-Rodas '16** scored 18 points and 8 rebounds vs. Tulane to keep the Seminoles undefeated at 9-0. Angola-Rodas and forward Will Miles '16 represent Pike on the basketball varsity.



### **Delta Lambda's Senior Brain Trust in Skybox Mode**

**Front row** (from left to right) - Mike McCoy '13, Eddie Allen Jr.'13, Daniel Cocconcelli '14.

**Back Row** (left to right) – New rush chairman Dalton Herrity '15, Allen Thompson '11, Dalton Council '15, Kevin Stokes 13, Trey Ville '14.

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## **Monthly Luncheon - University Center Club**



**Next Alumni Luncheon: Wednesday, January 3rd, 2018 @ 12:00 noon.**

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Pike alumni gather for lunch and fellowship on the first Wednesday of every month at the University Center Club at noon. Special guests include the Undergraduate Delta Lambda Chapter officers, who will report the latest on Chapter operations and achievements. All alumni are welcome and encouraged to attend. **Luncheon begins at noon and will conclude by 1 pm.**

## Chapter & Alumni Calendar

- **January 3rd, 2018 Monthly Alumni Luncheon**
- January 4th, 2018 Residence Halls open.
- January 15th MLK Day (Monday; no classes)
- **February 7th Monthly Alumni Luncheon**
- **March 7th Monthly Alumni Luncheon**
- March 12th – 16th Spring Break
- **April 4th Monthly Alumni Luncheon**
- April 27th Last Day of Classes

## Delta Lambda Alumni News





**Front and center:** Mike Carnes '79.

**[Standing]** Dominic Sputo '79, Tim Rodomski '79, Steve Smith '78, Joe Knapp '79, Ernie Bauer '78, Don Kyle '77.

**[Back row]** Jeff Foster '81, Ed Barnes '71.



**[Left]** Just Married: Evan Webb '12 and Savannah.

**[Right]** Just Married: Andrew Page '06 and Brittany Ann.



Past FSU Student Body President Jean Tabares '13 writes: "So much to be thankful for this past Thanksgiving. I'm ecstatic to announce that after months of certification classes, interviews, and paperwork I am officially moving to Japan to teach for 2018! I couldn't have done this without the support of my family and awesome friends! Sayōnara America; here's to new adventures, sushi, and sake for the next year!"





## **Pike Pool Party 1975**

Standing left to right: Gary Hirsch '72, Bob Anderson '72, Dave Atwell '74, Jim Smalley '73, George Keriazes '73, Jimmy Keen '73, Tommy Trammel '75, Mark Flett '73, Greg Vandercreek '75, Tim Stickney '74, Joe Smalley '75, Mike McManus '75, Steve Laird '73, Bucky Anderson '74, Gino Bennie '75, Ken Wendland '74, Fred Miller '73, Todd Yeslow '75 (?), Tom Anton '74, Jimmy Joyner '73, Casey Corrie '73, Bobby Frier '73 (lounging).

Bottom row: Mike Ellis '73, Jimmy Crooke '74, Chris Kuebler '74, Bill Stackhouse '74, Bill Neeley '75, Garland Stafford '74, Bob Coury '72, Ralph Esposito '71, Vance Underwood '75, Bill Wheatley '74, Greg Bostwick '74, Lance "Romance" Sandon '75.

**We have a large, clear image of this photo for anyone who would like a copy.**

## **Delta Lambda Stories**

### **Eli Nortelus '01**

"When National sent their two best recruiting consultants to FSU in January 2000 to recruit a new colony for Delta Lambda's return, they knew they would have to seek



recommendations from many sources in order to gather a group that was worthy. Stressing that they were seeking only the very best, they made elaborate presentations to sororities, sought out faculty, administrators, and prominent students; they compiled a lengthy list. They anticipated that not every recommendation would pan out. In spite of explaining what we were looking for, many of the names they gathered did not meet their standards. One source however was proving to be sure-fire.

After a few weeks they noticed that every recommendation received from the current FSU Homecoming Chief, Eli Nortelus, was proving to be someone they wanted. Eli was one of the most prominent student figures on campus. Gold Key, and Dean's List, he was President of the National Criminal Justice Honor Society and was selected for membership in four academic and professional honor societies. He was a member of University Ambassadors and the Student Conduct Board. A plaque was dedicated in his name recognizing his exceptional leadership within the Criminology/Criminal Justice Department.

Eli apparently perfectly understood that we were looking for the quality elite to form our new group and he volunteered a long list of outstanding men – all of whom were impressive. Eli was a popular senior and, over the years had been recruited by almost every social organization on campus. He had always smiled his big, gracious smile but politely declined. As our new group began to materialize the two men from National realized that this was turning into “Eli's Group”; most of the best men were recommendations from him. For all practical purposes Eli had turned into the spiritual founder of our new Colony.

Even though he was a senior and had never before accepted such an invitation, the recruiters and alumni active in the process agreed that he should be asked to join as well. When approached, he looked at the list that had been assembled and then said that this was a group of which he would be proud to be a part.

The eventual Chapter installation of 132 men was the largest in Pi Kappa Alpha history.” Eli is a regular at our Monthly Luncheons. He is a lobbyist, a partner in the firm of NortelusRoberts Group, LLC.



### **What In the World is Wrong with Santa?**

The annual Delta Lambda Christmas Party was always a delight, and everyone knew that surprises lay in store. A Brother was selected each year to portray St. Nicholas. A lesser known tradition involved Santa starting to drink around 9 am prior to the evening celebration.

**ABOVE; 1973:** Delta Lambda Treasurer Steve Roden '71 announces that Santa is unable to continue performing his duties. Santa (Malcolm Adams '73) is being gently steered away from the tree by pledge Buck Gregory '73 and pledge class President Jimmy Keen '73 (back in his competitive weightlifting days).

**On the left; 1972:** Santa (Randy Jones '71) has a microphone in one hand and a



beer in the other, and has determined that Santa's trousers are too restrictive to allow the dance moves he is preparing to demonstrate. The man behind him trying to nudge him away from the tree appears to be SMC Jack Burgess '69.



If you would like to send a letter or comment to your Delta Lambda Brothers for inclusion in the Newsletter, please use this link:

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## Join the Old Guard of Delta Lambda!



The annual contribution to be a member of the Old Guard is only \$100. Funds are allocated at the direction of a Board chaired by Jack McMullen '64 and Doug Russell '79. The Old Guard account is located at BB&T in Tallahassee.

Please use this link to contribute:

[Click here to join the Old Guard now!](#)

Or, if you feel more comfortable sending a check, please make it to The Old Guard of Delta Lambda, and send to Charlie Barnes / 1490 Saint Charles Place / Tallahassee, FL

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## Old Guard of Delta Lambda Contributors

Names of alumni with sons or grandsons in the chapter are in **bold**. Members of the **Sembler Society** (donors of \$1,000) are so noted.

Dan Akre '83 2016, 2017

Charlie Barnes '65 2016, 2017

Ed Barnes '71 2017

**Robert "Bobby" Bowden '49** (Alpha Pi, Samford University) 2016

Eric Carr '01 2017

Jay Campbell '87 2017

Jim Crews '78 **Sembler Society**

Dustin Daniels '10 2016

**Tobyn De Young '86 Sembler Society**

**Chris Dietz '87** 2016, 2017

Phil Doumar '09 2017

Jeff Epley '96 (Iota Gamma, Nebraska-Kearney) 2016, 2017

**Miguel Fernandez '77** 2017

Jim Finch '81 2017

Paul Gerding '65 2017

Glenn Grant '82 2017

Bill Gregory '77 2017

**Chris Gutierrez '87** (Alpha Eta, University of Florida) **Sembler Society**

**David Gutting '83 Sembler Society**

Mike Halfacre '85 2016

Bob Hall '49 2016

Lawrence 'Chip' Hartung '81 2017

Scotty Howell '06 2016, 2017

Bruce Johnson '81 2017

Jay Johnson '83 2016

**Jimmy Keen '73** 2016, 2017

David Kresge '73 2016, 2017

Mike Lilly '84 2017

Carlos Lindo '05 2016

Trent Mallory '81 2017

**Craig Mateer '86 Sembler Society**

**Mike Markowski '75** 2016

Noah C. McKinnon '65 2016, 2017

Jack McMullen '64 2016, 2017, 2018

J.L. Milton '62 2018

Kyle Mowitz '01 2017

Marco Novak '01 2016

Serge Osaulenko '01 2017

Joel Padgett '71 2016

Jim Parsons '81 2017

Chris Pepin '01 2018

Jim Poe '66 2017

David Ponder '80 2017

Gary Prescott '72 2018

**David Rancourt '84 Sembler Society**

**Matt Raulerson '83 Sembler Society**

**Scott Roix '85 Sembler Society**

**Doug Russell '79** 2016, 2017, 2018

**Brent Sembler '78 Sembler Society**

Lt. Col. Jerry Sexton '74 2018

Tim Sheridan '79 Sembler Society

Griffin Siegel '78 2016

Kevin Wheeler '09 2017, 2018

**Tom Wheeler '78 Sembler Society**

**Wade Wilcox '86** 2017, 2018, 2019

Rob Williamson '87 2018

## 2017 Chapter Executive Council

- SMC (President): Ryan Turnage '14
- Internal Vice President: Wyatt Rancourt '16
- External Vice President: Griffin Wilcox '15
- Excellence Officer: tbd
- Secretary: tbd
- Pledge Educator: tbd
- Rush Chairman: Dalton Herrity '15
- Treasurer: Brendan Langley '15
- House Manager: Rob Hicks '14
- Risk Management: tbd
- Title IX Chairman: tbd
- Member At Large: Drew Miles '15
- Sergeant At Arms (Judicial Officer): Clint Pierson '15
- IFC Representative: Dylan Jones '15
- Intramural Sports Chairman: tbd
- Social Chairman: tbd
- Alumni Liaison: tbd
- Pikes Illustrated Editor 2017: tbd

## 2017 Alumni Advisory Board

- Chapter Advisor: Joe Feheley '81
- Legends of Delta Lambda: Brent Sembler '78, Chairman



- Legends Oversight and House Management Chairman: Jimmy Keen '73
- Rush Advisors: Doug Russell '79 and Charlie Barnes '65
- Faculty Advisors: Andy Miller '70, Doug Tatum '77
- Finance Advisor, Rush Advisor, Assistant Chapter Advisor: Doug Russell '79
- Risk Management: Jimmy Keen '73, Chairman; Don Pumphrey, Jr. '06, Clint Wallace '01, Matt Liebenhaut '01, Carlos Lindo '05.
- Pledge Education Advisor: Dustin Daniels '10, Jean Tabares
- Technology Advisor & Webmaster: Chris Dietz '87
- Engineering consultant: Gene Strickland '81
- Alumni Association Co-Chairmen: Gary Prescott '72 and Mark Smith '78.
- Alumni Association Committee: Eric Carr '01, President; Gary Prescott '72, Mark Smith '78, Bob Hall '49 (Charter Member), Phil Doumar '09, Jarrod Germano '07
- Newsletter Editor: Charlie Barnes '65
- Newsletter Publisher: Chris Dietz '87
- Education/Scholarship Advisor: Scottie Howell '06
- Ambassador: Bob Hall '49
- Chaplaincy Advisor: Rev. Rick Blythe '72
- Political Advisors: Bob McKnight '62 (Fla. Southern College); Scottie Howell '06
- Mentoring Advisors: Jimmy Keen '73; Doug Tatum '77; Eric Carr '01

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