

UPCOMING EVENTS

April 17, 2015

11th Annual Si Sitterson Memorial Golf Tournament

12:30 p.m. Shotgun Start
Occonechee Golf Club in
Hillsborough, N.C.

Habitat for Humanity Volunteering Opportunity

12:30-4:30 p.m.
Near Chapel Hill

(See page 2 for details.)

May 12-14, 2015

Class of '68 Golf Outing (in honor of Brooke Williams '68)

Marriott Renaissance Ross
Bridge Resort, Robert Trent
Jones Golf Trail

(See page 4 for details.)

September 26, 2015

Parents' Weekend

October 23-25, 2015

Alumni Weekend

Make plans to return to Chapel Hill for a chance to watch the Tar Heels take on the UVA Cavaliers. This will also be a great time to plan a reunion with your class. Remember, this is a big reunion year for classes ending in 0 and 5. **Ben Sullivan** and **Michael Zimmerman** are leading the Class of 1975 back, and we look forward to helping other classes with weekend arrangements.

If you have not already done so, please consider a contribution to the 2014-'15 annual fund.

Make your donations at www.dkeunc.com or by calling 800-975-6699.



The Lion's Roar

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Beta of DKE at UNC Spring 2015

ALUMNI REPORT

Next Generation Takes on Beta of DKE Alumni Leadership Join Us in Welcoming Trey Adams '06 as New President

By Will Ziglar '86, Beta DKE Board President

There is a problem that many fraternity chapters face today — the inability to recruit younger generations to step forward in leadership roles within their alumni boards. I am very pleased to say that our chapter is not one facing that problem. As some of you may know, this is my last letter as president of Beta of DKE. Thanks to great active leadership and the work of my fellow board members, we have made positive strides in key areas — safety, social conduct and culture, academics and pledgship. I would like to thank the actives and board members who I have had the pleasure to serve alongside. I share the board's confidence and the actives' enthusiasm that we will be under great leadership as **Trey Adams '06** assumes the position of president in May.

The undergraduates are experiencing a great spring semester with continued academic progress. Their fall 2014 GPA was 3.2 which placed them seventh among the 24 IFC chapters. It was also above the All-IFC, All-University, All-Fraternity and All-Men averages. Other examples of their successes include six acceptances to the business school, impressive job offers among the seniors and the presentation of a Kenan-Flagler merit scholarship to Bro Beta Elwyn Bridges. All-American DKE Jimmy Bitter, '15 is the leading scorer on the varsity lacrosse team.

Socially, the chapter is just back from the Charleston spring formal. The weekend before Spring Party was a great success, and the house is still standing. DKE is active on the IFC with Sam Bradford serving as vice president of finance. We have taken a leadership role among IFC chapters in building a more robust sexual assault prevention training program for first-year brothers.

Trey Adams and Scott Smith led a hugely successful Beta of DKE career night at the Kenan-Flagler School. It was a great showing. Thanks to the 60+ actives who attended. Our appreciation also goes to Trey and Scott for their

leadership and to UNC's Career Placement team, alumni and guests. The evening's speakers included Jim Powers, Delegate Advisors; **Clay Martin '08**, Wyrick Robbins; **Brent Smith '86**, Merrill Lynch; **Matt White '04**, WakeMed Cardiology; **Kinnison Sumner '07**, AmerCare; and **Chris Rice '94**, *All About Beer*.

Please consider supporting the 11th Annual Si Sitterson Memorial Golf Tournament on Friday, April 17. The actives are hard at work on making this another successful campaign. Please turn the page for more detail.

Lastly, Senior Rush Chairman Hunter Allen needs our best candidates. Email him at hsallen@live.unc.edu with names and contact details.

BETA OF DKE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Will Ziglar '86 – *Outgoing President*

Trey Adams '06 – *VP/President Elect*

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Josh Davis '99 – *Treasurer*

Chris Rice '94 – *Past President*

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Neilson Brown '67

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Bill Smith '81

Ward Williams '81

Brent Smith '86

Scott Smith '80

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These are the active chapter leaders for the 2015 school year. We'd like to extend our appreciation for their leadership and service.

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SWING INTO SERVICE

It's Time for Some Golf! Join Us for the 11th Annual Si Sitterson Memorial



All alumni are invited to attend this year's 11th Annual Si Sitterson Memorial Golf Tournament scheduled

for Friday, April 17, at the Oconeechee Golf Club in Hillsborough, N.C. The Dekes host this event each year to honor **Si Sitterson** — a brother, a leader and a man of integrity. Through the generous support of alumni, parents and friends, this event is our chapter's largest and most important fundraiser of the year.

In 2009, DKE brothers banded together to raise funds and build a Habitat home to honor the legacy of our brother and former president, **Courtland Benjamin Smith '38**. Courtland lived out the values that made the DKE house special. There was no better way to celebrate his life than by building a Habitat home and funding a playground where children can play.

Our tie with Habitat for Humanity continues. We have proudly contributed more than \$195,000 and have volunteered 3,520 hours since 2009.

We are now spearheading the fourth annual partnership between fraternities and Habitat which we call The Brothers Project. Through a mix of philanthropy and service, **seven fraternities are collaborating to build a home in Chapel Hill in partnership with two UNC employees and their three children.**

This year, we have set a goal of raising \$15,000. You can help!

• Register for the Si Sitterson Memorial Golf Tournament

Date: Friday, April 17, 2015

Time: Shotgun start at 12:30 p.m.

Cost: \$100/person, \$350/team

Sponsorships (sponsor names will be displayed on the course): Bronze Level (\$200-\$249) – 2 tournament t-shirts and name on donor recognition banner;

Silver Level (\$250-\$499) – Bronze Level and recognition as single-hole sponsor; Gold Level (\$250-\$999) – Silver Level and recognition as closest to the pin, longest drive and range sponsor; Diamond Level (\$1,000-\$1,999) – Silver Level and recognition as 18th hole sponsor; Platinum Level (\$2,500+) – Hole-in-one sponsor.

To register: Send names and addresses of all team members along with check (payable to DKE Golf Tournament) to Delta Kappa Epsilon, 132 South Columbia Street, Chapel Hill, NC 27514.

Questions? Contact Brother Fletcher Cox, philanthropy chair, at **fletchercox11@gmail.com** or (404) 276-4923.

• Volunteer With Us

Date: Friday, April 17, 2015

Time: 12:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Address: 323 Schoolhouse Road, Efland, NC 27243

To register: Go to <http://brothers.orangehabitat.volunteerhub.com/events/index>. You can also contact Brother Fletcher Cox (contact information above).

• Make a Donation to Habitat for Humanity of Orange County

There are two ways you can make a financial contribution to our efforts. **Donate online:** Go to <https://www.crowdrise.com/dkehouse/fundraiser/fletchercox>.

Donate by Check: Send your check, payable to Habitat for Humanity of Orange County (reference "DKE - Brothers" in the memo line), to 88 Vilcom Center, Suite L110, Chapel Hill, NC 27514.

Thank you for your continued support of our chapter and community events. We'll see you on April 17!

ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT

Meet Beta Chapter's Own Beer Expert Q&A With *All About Beer* Publisher & Former Alumni President, Chris Rice '94

The brewery business is hugely popular right now. How did you find your way into it?

About 20 years ago, **Robert Poitras '94** and I co-founded North Carolina's fourth brewery in Chapel Hill. Our vision for the business was to create the greatest American brewery in the greatest college town.

What has been your professional journey since you graduated?

I worked with Robert for nine years and then sold my part of Carolina Brewery to him. After selling, I was interested in getting out and talking to other professionals in the brewing industry. I was a consultant for



many other breweries, and then started to consult for *All About Beer* magazine. The publisher was a friend of mine, and eventually I acquired the business.

How did DKE UNC influence your professional decisions?

The brothers of DKE UNC were there to support and help each other be successful. We allowed each other to follow the paths that we wanted. I have taken these beliefs to my professional teams.

As the beer expert, tell your UNC brothers what you consider to be the best watering holes in the Chapel Hill area.

These are my top picks: Carolina Brew-

ery; Top of the Hill Restaurant, Brewery and Distillery; Steel String Brewery; Mystery Brewery; YesterYears; and Starpoint Brewing.

Why is the fraternal experience important?

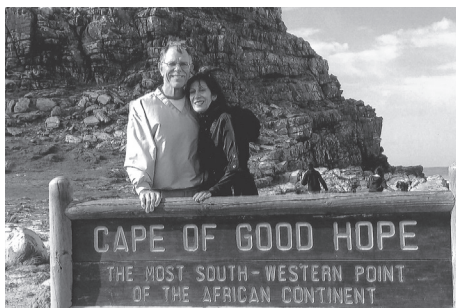
I definitely encourage undergraduates to join a fraternity. The opportunity to join comes at time in your life when you are figuring out the right path for your career and you are figuring yourself out socially. You create long-lasting relationships with brothers. Being in a fraternity makes you want to develop as a person, and it allows you to do that in a positive way. For some, it can be the best four years of your life.

Brothers can connect with Chris at chris@allaboutbeer.com.

ALUMNI UPDATES

William M. Bass '49 (6806 Wander Pl., Dallas, TX 75230-3042; williambass@sbcglobal.net) I am 87 years of age. Who are those, still alive, that preceded me? I would love to reconnect with them.

O. Beech Watson, III '71 (8272 Hollyridge Road, Jacksonville, FL 32256-7203; beech.watson@comcast.net) Jean and I traveled to South Africa last May, spending a week at a safari camp and another week touring Cape Town and Victoria Falls. Wonderful trip! This April, we are going on a Viking River Cruise, visiting Vietnam and Cambodia.



Burke Lewis '96, **Danny MacNelly '96** and **Andrew Maebius '96** celebrated the 20th anniversary of their running of the Richmond Marathon. They had all run the marathon as juniors at UNC in 1994; they ran it again this past November. MacNelly and Maebius opted for the half marathon. "We're twice as old, so we should only run half as far," said MacNelly, but Lewis stuck with the marathon and ran an impressive 2 hours, 58 minutes, which will likely qualify him for the Boston Marathon. The three sang many of their favorite DKE songs ("A band of brothers from D-K-E . . .") throughout the race.



1994: (l-r) Andrew Maebius '96, Burke Lewis '96 and Danny MacNelly '96 take on the Richmond Marathon.



2014: (l-r) MacNelly and Maebius take on the Richmond Half Marathon; Lewis (not pictured) finished the marathon in 2 hours, 58 min.



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Reunion Fever

Class of 1962

In July, 2014, **Phil Whitley** hosted a Deke Class of 1962 cookout in Beaufort for local brothers. In attendance were **John O'Bannon, Frank Liggett, Carl Ragsdale, Billy Brown** and **Ben Brinson**. This will hopefully be repeated in July 2015. Please call Phil Whitley at (919) 280-5370 if you'd like to be included in the reunion later this year.

Class of 1968

The Class of '68 will be hosting a golf outing in honor of **Brooke Williams '68**, May 12-14, at the Marriott Renaissance Ross Bridge Resort and Robert Trent Jones Golf Trail. They are expecting 18 brothers, some of whom are not golfers but who just want to join the reunion. **Steve McCarroll '68** is organizing the event (smccarr@gmail.com).

Class of 1984

The UNC DKE graduating class of 1984 celebrated their 30th reunion in Smithfield, Virginia last May. According to Brother **Hadley Callaway '84**, "Our pledge class wouldn't be the same without **Ran Randolph** who has lead us masterfully for 30 years. Thanks also to **John Wickham** who hosted previous reunions. We are all looking forward to the next reunion at **Doug Beach's** celebrated restaurant "Twigs" in Blowing Rock, N.C. We are expecting long-lost **Chris Healey** to make an appearance at the 35th reunion." For information on the next Class of 1984 reunion, email Ran Randolph at amrandolph@kaufcan.com.

ANNUAL FUND

Support Our Alumni Relations Program!

Help us end our 2014-15 giving year on a strong note by making a donation to the annual fund. You can contribute by visiting the web at www.dkeunc.com and help sway momentum by making your annual fund donation now. Special thanks to alumni donors who have already helped us get off to a great start so far in 2014-15, raising \$19,140.80 from 106 donors. We are on our way to reaching our annual goal of 147 donors.

The annual fund supports:

- Our newsletter *The Lion's Roar*
- Alumni website www.dkeunc.com that keeps you up to date on Delta Kappa Epsilon news and enables you to interact with each other online through message boards, alumni updates, a searchable directory, and more.
- Other letters, postcards and print, and web communications.
- Alumni events, such as the Alumni Weekend and football tailgates.
- Management of our alumni database, that provides accurate contact information for all of our brothers so that we can stay in touch and reconnect with each other.

ON THE WEB

Do we have your email address?

If you haven't been receiving our monthly eLetter, please log on to our web site, www.dkeunc.com, and go to CONNECT>PROFILE to update your contact information. You can also send your email address to our alumni relations office at alumninews@affinityconnection.com (mention DKE UNC).

