

## UPCOMING EVENT

**Alumni Weekend**  
November 2-3, 2018  
Friday Golf Tournament  
Saturday Tailgate at Chapter  
House before UNC vs. GA Tech

**Parent's Weekend**  
Sept 21-22, 2018

### Quarterly Social Hours

Second Thursday of every month, Brothers from Raleigh, Durham and Chapel Hill are invited. Contact **Trey Adams** at [robertadams3@gmail.com](mailto:robertadams3@gmail.com)

### Recommend a DKE



If you know of any young men that embody the values of DKE, send your recommendations to Alumni Advisory Board President, **Robert "Trey" Adams '06** at [robertadams3@gmail.com](mailto:robertadams3@gmail.com)

### On the Web



We're missing email addresses for 161 alumni! If you haven't been receiving

our monthly eLetter, update your email address today to stay informed of the latest Beta Chapter news and event details, including information from DKExcellence: The Four Corners Campaign.

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## ALUMNI EVENT RECAP

### Class of '68 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Reunion

**DKE Brothers and Guests Gather for A Very Memorable Weekend**



The class of '68 held their 50th Anniversary Reunion on the weekend of April 13th-14th and it was one of the most fun and well-attended reunions in recent memory. Twenty-seven of the 31 (still living) brothers from the 1968 pledge class attended! Stories were told, memories were shared and fun was had by all.

There was a golf game at the Old Chatham Club on Friday before dinner, put together by Bill Kluttz where stories of their past Birmingham games were shared. Friday and Saturday night's dinners were held at the Carolina Inn where W. King and John McCotter regaled everyone with new jokes, stories and lies about their days with DKE and Social Chairman forever, Walter Hussman brought a friend of his who is a soul singer that sang all the old Motown hits. For a minute, it was like no time had passed at all.

Our Deke Days were such a brief time together 50 years ago, but for most of us they shaped us and influenced us for our whole lives and made us laugh. The memories are still strong.

John McCotter may have summed up the overall vibe of the weekend best in a bit of prose he wrote just for the occasion;

#### **Ode to '68** (DKEODE TO68)

Here's to us, the thirty-two  
All great guys, so proud we few  
We left Chapel Hill in search of our fate

Beta Dekes all, the class of sixty-eight  
Bound for glory, we had not a clue  
As we sadly departed good old NCU  
War was raging and some did commit  
And thank God all returned from that awful  
snake pit  
All were smart and ambitious which was really  
pretty neat  
And some got rich pretty close to Wall Street  
Lawyers we had, too many some would say  
And some became judges along the way  
Rat courts we attended, survival was our hope  
Not to mention coat hangers and bars of soap  
We chased all the women and gave them a whirl  
And sang late at night our song "My Girl"  
We made great memories and that is the truth  
What some would have called our misspent  
youth  
But if I could go back tomorrow, I surely would  
For the times we had were oh so good  
But we all kept in touch while we cared for  
others  
Because of the unique bond of this small band of  
brothers  
So let us all raise a glass here tonight and not  
long for the past  
But celebrate each other and the memories that  
last  
I loved you all, so crazy and fun and unique  
My lifelong brothers of Beta Deke

**John M. McCotter, Jr.**

*Written 02/20/18 and presented on 04/13/18*

# ALUMNI EVENT RECAP

## Class of '68 Reunion

### Photos and Comments from Attendees



*"Amazing that so many were able to come... Tee and Walter made sure it was well attended and fun was had by all. This amazing group has been close for so long that not only did they form strong friendships during school but that they sought times places and events to gather and celebrate each other."*

**Randy Old '68**



*"The weekend was as good as it gets. You guys and your gals are the best. More of this needs to happen!"*

**Steve McCarroll '68**



*"I am still on a cloud. What a great weekend! I love you guys and look forward to our next gathering!"*

**Peter Grauer '68**



*"Great weekend! Friends from the heart, forever."*

**Kent Hedman '68**



# CLASS OF '68 REUNION

## Reunion Toast

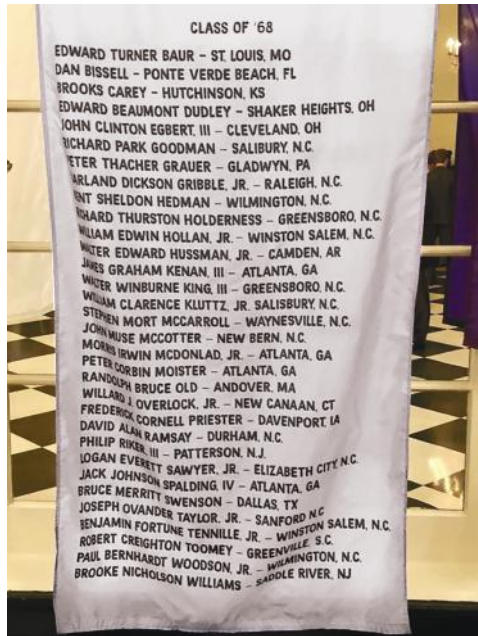
*W. King '68 gave a stirring, funny and heartwarming toast at the Class of '68 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary dinner on Friday night that we wanted to share with you all:*

“Like many of you, I have often read the phrase “in the bonds” in various Deke communications without really thinking much about what it meant. Recently, however, I got curious and looked it up and learned the phrase had a long and rich history describing close friendships and brotherhoods. Bonds in this case did not refer to the bond pits in Overlock’s old stomping grounds at Goldman Sachs.

What got me thinking about all of this was an email in the run up to this weekend. It was from Swenson and said something like; “Just finished golf with Kenan and Moister. Kenan played lights out and Moister didn’t hit anybody.”

Humor aside, what intrigued me was three guys who may not have known one another until we pledged were doing stuff together 50 years later! That is a bond that lasts! We bonded in a hospitable environment:

- The phrase “Get hot dahlin” still gives me the shivers. Our fear of the late T-Tommy
- Crudup was part of the glue that set the bond.
- So did the My Girl circle as we watched McDonald’s patented “red rubber ball” somersault across the basement floor through spilled beer and broken glass.
- Road trips in Hussman’s wild pig GTO.
- Watching Priester terrorize the Pi Lams.
- Punching out windows with Uncle Wurly and watching Gribble fix them.
- Tennille climbing a tree in the front yard with a jug of French 75 in order to avoid Liz



- A Briarcliff mixer.
- A party at the Red Apple Inn.
- Party hearty...you bet. But there was much more that went into the glue, ingredients our dates rarely, if ever, saw.

There was:

- Pick up basketball in Woolen gym.
- Meals together in the dining room.
- The 11 of you who claim to have been of the 4 of us who actually carried Tiger Rag across the street to the Butt.
- Visiting in each other’s homes, meeting each other’s parents.
- Borrowing a dog from Eddie Caldwell and bird hunting, trying not to shoot
- Grauer... again.
- Beer on the front porch on a warm

Spring afternoon.

- Late night at the Tar Heel.
- Intramurals
- All-nighters during exams.
- Chapter meetings. Couldn’t miss Brooke’s hilarious minutes, with jabs at everyone, but always benign.
- Klutz nervously awaiting his turn at



the Malvern.

- Going through drop-add together so we’d be free to watch Andy at 11 and Dick Van Dyke at 11:30.
- And sitting on those magnificent steps and shooting the shit about everything... and nothing!

These were some of the ingredients that went in to the glue that set the bond that lasts

today. Swenson’s e-mail shows that 15 showed up in Birmingham to honor Brooke in the golf weekend McCarroll put together, including 2 who don’t even play golf. Look around. 26 are here tonight... still doing shit together...50 years later!

And that, my brothers, is what “in the bonds” means to me.”



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## ALUMNI UPDATES

### Meg Miller Attends the Wedding of Brother Hatcher Kincheloe '08 and Ann Vaughn



**Left to Right:** Addison Holladay, Will Pully, Clay Martin, Meg Miller, Hatcher Kincheloe (groom), Franklin Clark

This photo was taken on May 19, 2018 at the wedding of Brother **Hatcher Kincheloe '08** and his now wife, Ann Vaughn in Tarboro. All DKE's in attendance were thrilled to see that Meg Miller made it to the event. Luckily someone captured the moment.

Meg currently serves as the cook and property manager for the Beta Chapter. Meg has been the heartbeat of the Beta Chapter of DKE for the last 21 years and is the mother and protector of the greatest fraternity in the State of North Carolina. It is easy to see the tangible difference she has made on Beta DKE over the years by simply stopping by 132 S. Columbia.

Over the next five years, Meg is going to phase out of the kitchen and go into "retirement." She will stay on as property manager as long as she and the board feel her health will allow.

Over the last 21 years, there have been numerous conversations on how to repay Meg for her commitment to DKE. Fortunately, it is not too late. We encourage each of you to thank Meg for her love and commitment to Beta DKE through a donation to her retirement fund. Visit [www.dkeunc.com](http://www.dkeunc.com) for more information.

## SUBMIT AN UPDATE

### We Know There are Some Great Stories Out There



It's been awhile since we have seen an influx of alumni updates on our website. With so many

brothers in our database from every decade, we know that there are some great stories and memories floating around out there. Here is another chance to capture these memories forever in our archives. We have four questions here for you to answer and send back. No answer is too long or too short, we just want to hear from you. You can either submit you answers on the website or send them directly to our managing editor at [seth@affinityconnection.com](mailto:seth@affinityconnection.com). Photos are always encouraged as well!

1. What is the memory that makes you laugh the hardest today?
2. Describe the best DKE party you attended as an undergraduate.
3. Describe the best road trip you ever took with other DKE members.
4. What is the one memory you have shared or that you plan to share with your grandchildren about DKE?

*We can't wait to read your responses!*