



## The Sigma Deuteron Leader

A publication of Theta Delta Chi at the University of Wisconsin (Sigma Deuteron Charge)

# TDX UW-MADISON

### 162nd Convention

If you read your copy of the Fall 2009 Shield you already know that the 162nd Convention held in Madison was a success. Theta Delts from around the US and Canada were quite impressed with our campus. Following are some of the highlights for Sigma Deuteron

\*Graduate Attendance Trophy - Sigma Deuteron won this award for having the most alumni registered for the convention. We had hoped for more attendees, however, we still managed to win.

\*Trophy Excellence in New Member Education.

\*Education Foundation Scholarships. Only four scholarships were awarded and our own Craig Nolen was one of the four. \*Lance Lochner '09 elected to the Officers of the 133rd Grand Lodge as the Graduate Secretary.



What does this picture mean to you?

## Homecoming 2009

Sigma Deuts enjoyed the bonds of fraternity at Homecoming 2009. It was another great Homecoming at Sigma Deuteron Theta Delta Chi last fall as actives and alumni again gathered at 144 Langdon on October 17.

The weekend began with a group of alums arriving in Madison on Friday for golf, the Homecoming Parade, dinner, Badger hockey and a fun evening on State Street.

The TDX Actives did a great job of cleaning and preparing the House for Saturday's full day of events including the pre-game warm-up, post-game cookout and beer tasting, alumni business meeting and party with band. For the second straight year, Mike Brown, '75, organized an outstanding beer tasting event with beverages from Wisconsin and around the world.

Recalling fond memories of their days in Madison and analyzing college football, Sigma Deut actives and alums also discussed and planned the future of the House and Charge. Work on keeping the House and Fraternity strong continues during what remains a critical time of focus on the existence of Sigma Deut in Madison.

After shaking off a 20-10 loss to Iowa at Camp Randall, Sigma Deuts returned to the House for more beer tasting and an update from House President Pat Loureiro. We heard about a successful fall rush, positive efforts to fill the House and other House improvement activities.

While the official Sigma Deut Revitalization effort remains on hold for economic reasons, alumni met to discuss the state of the House and held House Corporation elections.

It should also be noted that despite the challenges facing the House at 144 Langdon, recent Homecoming events have shown an increasing level of energy, spirit and camaraderie between actives and alumni. These bonds provide for many unique friendships and allow the legacy of Theta Delta Chi to be passed between generations.

Homecoming 2010 is a bit earlier than usual on October 9 versus the pesky Minnesota Golden Gophers, so let's look forward to another great event at Theta Delta Chi and a successful football season for the Badgers!



The Union Terrace

## Undergraduate Report

Currently the longest continuously running fraternity of the UW campus, Sigma Deuteron has seen various measures of success in the past few years. After this fall's pledge class, we currently have 44 active members, our highest number since the early 2000's. I am also pleased to say that we have a full house for next year with 19 brothers living in. Over the past few years we have also been working on improving our philanthropy efforts with a cook out benefiting the V Foundation for cancer research in the fall as well as our participation in the Polar Plunge benefiting the Special Olympics. Last year we raised over \$3,000 between the two events. We look forward to more growth in the coming year and already have a strong leadership core in place to guarantee our continued success. It's a great time to be a Theta Delt.

ITB,  
Patrick Loureiro- Sigma Deuteron '11  
President-Theta Delta Chi



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We have a great group of guys at the house and membership continues to grow. As you know, fall of 2006 we started the year with only 6 actives. Four years later, fall of 2010, we should start the year with 40 actives. We are currently at 45 actives and 5 spring pledges, but will lose several seniors at the end of the year.

This past year had its challenges, but we are very optimistic with the upcoming school year. We expect to have all 19 rooms full with live in actives. With a full house, we should finally be able to operate within our budget. This has been accomplished by updating housing corp policy. Some examples include: mandating living in the house and charging parlor fees to non live in actives.

The house is still in dire need of updates. We are planning a summer date to assist with cleaning the house and making minor repairs. We'll be sending another email with the date. We could really use the help, so please keep us in mind.

Finally, most of you know that beginning 2014, Madison will require all fraternities have fire sprinkler systems. With this date in mind, we are looking to all options available to us. These options include, seeking to buy a new house, tear down and build new at 144, or a complete gut rehab to the current structure. If you are able to offer any assistance, we certainly could use your help.

David Howlett '92

## 144 Club

Due to the economy the Capital Campaign was postponed a year ago.

However, we have started back up the 144 Club.

We have several Lifetime members and could use more.

The 144 Club consist of a \$144 annual contribution to WATDX.

Please email us for more details.

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## Closing

In order to save money, we are testing out various formats. Future publications may look different. Once again if you are interested we can use any assistance you are willing to provide.