The Sigma Deuteron Leader

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

# TDX UW-M&DISON

Sorry this Newsletter is about 6 months overdue

#### Save the Dates

- TBD Golf Outing (more details to come)
- 9/17/2011 UW vs NIU Chicago (Soldier Field) Tailgate before the game TBA
- 10/01/2011 Nebraska at UW (Big 10 Kick Off)
- **10/15/2011** Indiana at UW (Homecoming) Food and Drinks at the house after the game WATDX Annual Meeting



144 Langdon taken May 21, 2011

Summer 2011

# Homecoming 2010 Recap Mike Morgan

#### Sigma Deuts Homecoming 2010 plays an upbeat note

It was a particularly positive Homecoming at Sigma Deuteron Theta Delta Chi last fall as actives and alumni again gathered at 144 Langdon on October 9.

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

The TDX Actives did a great job of preparing the House for Saturday's full day of events including the pre-game warm-up, post-game party, and alumni business meeting.

Recalling their glory 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 a critical time of effort on the existence of Sigma Deut in Madison.

After enjoying a 41-23 victory over Minnesota at Camp Randall, Sigma Deuts returned to the House for postgame festivities and an update from House President Mack Daeda. Besides noting that the House was FULL of active residents, we heard about a successful fall rush, fundraising status 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.

Despite the recent challenges facing the House at 144 Langdon, the last few Homecoming events have shown a steadily increasing level of energy, spirit and camaraderie between actives and alumni. These bonds provide for unique friendships and connections, while allowing the legacy of Theta Delta Chi to be passed between generations.

Homecoming 2011 will likely be on Oct. 15 versus the Indiana Hoosiers, so we can look forward to another great event at Theta Delta Chi and continued success for the Badgers!

#### 2010-2011 WATDX elected board members

Dave Howlett '92, Brian Larson '07, Aaron Munson '06, Matt Williams '00, Jeff Klemmer '91, Andy Leightner '08 John Benstead '92, Ryan Burdick '02, Rob Carlon '02, Lance Lochner '09, Tom Kilton '66

#### **House Status**

The 2010-2011 school year was a success. We had all the 19 rooms filled for the year. We activated 15 pledges for the year which brought our total to 54 actives by year end. However, we have our work cut out for the upcoming school year, as 20 seniors will be lost.

The Alumni Association has implemented a must live in policy in order to fill the rooms and keep the house cash flowing. For the 2011-12 school year we'll start off with **20 actives living in**. This will be the first time in over 10 years that we'll have double occupancy in a room.

Last year the actives enrolled in a food program for those living in. Dinner is brought to the house every week night. The Brothers get a chance to sit down with each other and eat a good meal. Obviously, the meal plan was a huge success. They'll be looking to expand on this in the coming year.

### **City Inspector Report**

As reported in the 2010 Fall newsletter, we passed the city inspection for occupancy.

We had a successful year with occupancy and working on various projects, however, we still have a huge task to complete from the inspectors list... Tuck Pointing the entire house. Due to the size of the house and number of bricks that need to be replaced the **estimates are at \$180,000**. We currently have an extension from the city to have completed by August 1<sup>st</sup>.

We have been trying to obtain a loan from various banks, but have received little interest to date. At this point we'll be working with the Inspector to try to extend the date.

If you have any ideas or input, please respond back us at <u>tdxwisc@gmail.com</u> or call Dave Howlett '92 at 312.498.8923

# Our own book!!!

If you haven't received the letter from brother Ted Thompsom '60, I highly encourage you to contact him.

He has spent over 2 years researching and writing a fascinating book about our Fraternity,

Fraternal Voices: Theta Delta Chi, Sigma Deuteron Charge, University of Wisconsin, 1895-2010

Ted has researched 115 years of data in order to put this book together.

You can contact him directly to reserve your copy.

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# **Capital Campaign**

The Capital Campaign is still on hold status. We are looking into starting it back up again. We are looking into different companies to assist with the process.

#### 144 Club

\$144 per year. That's all it takes to join the 144 club. We'd love to have all alumni join the club.

Send your check to Wisconsin Association of Theta Delta Chi c/o 144 Club PO Box 45622 Madison, WI 53744-5622

Email tdxwisc@gmail.com for more details.

Current members:

Alex Rhodeen '97
Matt Williams '00
Ryan Burdick '02
Rob Carlon '02
Aaron Munson '06
Brian Larson '07
Andy Leightner '08
Lance Lochner '09