The Newsletter for Delta Mu Delta Faculty Advisers

Executive Council Praises Faculty Advisers for Their Leadership Efforts

This is an open message to all individuals who labor as Delta Mu Delta faculty advisers. It is both a compliment to their efforts and a challenge to be accepted. I would personally like to, and on behalf of the National Executive Council, shake your hand, pat you on the back, and compliment each of you for your excellent performance in providing leadership to the local chapters. Without your dedication, willingness, thoughtful caring, and the giving of yourselves, Delta Mu Delta would be a lesser organization.

Also I want to challenge each faculty adviser to encourage your students to consider and become lifetime members of Delta Mu Delta.

The Christmas Holiday season has ended for most of us. During this time one major emphasis was giving and this theme is still appropriate for the faculty adviser's role. The need to organize and manage the efforts of human beings for the accomplishment of the group's objective has been around since the beginning of humankind. As faculty advisers,

there are a multitude of tasks to be accomplished. Throughout this issue of the Delta Mu Delta Contact there are many reminders of the upcoming events which are

important to our students and the success of our organization. These are necessary and critical for our organization to function and thrive. However, I am suggesting that faculty advisers must step away from and beyond these events, but not forget them, to consider another important dimension.

Faculty advisers, because of the position, are leaders, role models

and motivators. I would like to focus our attention on the role model aspect. Each one of us has our own definition of role model. For our purposes I am suggesting our definition includes expected behavior, status, and respect which accrues to a position. Due to the uniqueness of the faculty adviser's position, students in the local chapters are continuously influenced by the adviser's behavior. This influence is positive in nature and now provides an opportunity for faculty

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Star Chapters

The DMD Executive Council would like to recognize and congratulate the following chapters as 2002 Star Chapters based on 2001-02 academic year activity.

Albany State University

Anderson State University
Athens State University
Georgian Court College
Louisiana College
Midwestern State University
Northwest Missouri State University
Oklahoma Christian University
University of Central Oklahoma

The above chapters are eligible to submit an application for the Anthony J. Jablonsky Outstanding Chapter Award. Applications for the Outstanding Chapter Award are due in the Central Office by February 1, 2003.

Local Chapter Bylaws

An email message was sent to each chapter last November announcing the result of the vote on the amendments to the National Bylaws. An important change to the bylaws was the increased GPA requirement for membership eligibility. All chapters are asked to submit a current set of chapter bylaws. If there is no change required to your chapter GPA requirements, you are still requested to send in a set of the current chapter bylaws.

Questions concerning the bylaws may be directed to Rich Sosnowski, DMD Secretary, at Rich_DMD@Ameritech.Net.

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advisers to encourage lifetime membership. Each of you are members of Delta Mu Delta, as well as many other organizations and groups which emphasize lifetime memberships. Now is the time for you to encourage your students to consider and become lifetime members of Delta Mu Delta (the challenge). Each of you are familiar with the benefits associated with lifetime membership and their importance, and the impact this commitment has on one's life. You as faculty advisers are living proof of these benefits. Please work with your students in whatever is the appropriate manner for your local culture and environment to convince them to become lifetime members. Doing so will enable them to continue the benefits of Delta Mu Delta.

This is the opportune time for this lifetime encouragement to begin. It is the beginning of a new semester, a fresh start, an entire semester in which to work, and time to succeed. Remember one of the "Lessons From Geese" based on the work of Milton Olsen: "People who share a common direction and sense of community can get where they are going quicker and easier because they are traveling on the thrust of one another." Let's go and get started immediately —you, your student members, and Delta Mu Delta will benefit from this worthwhile endeavor of building lasting relationships.

Always remember you have the support of the National Executive Council, and the Central Office. Your help and assistance is only a phone call or email away. Thank you for your efforts.

Terry Mendenhall, Vice-President-Extension & Development

Brief Contacts

▲ Announcing New Delta Mu Delta Apparel and Gift Items.

Check out the flyer in this mailing and the website to see what's new in DMD regalia! We think you'll be pleased. The Web address is:

www.deltamudelta.org.

All Honor Cord orders must be placed by a local chapter officer. The cost is \$7.00 each. Please note that individual members may not place orders directly with the Central Office. If you would like to place an order, or if you have questions, please contact Debi in the Central Office.

All the forms necessary to make your chapter a success this spring can be found on the web at:

www.deltamudelta.org/facad/0309.html

△ Annual and Financial Reports for

2001-02 are due in the Central Office. Please remember that membership orders cannot be processed by the Central Office until annual and financial reports, as well as all Membership Data Profile forms from the last academic year, are filed. Please contact the Central Office if you have any questions.

△ Chapters--If you have a new faculty adviser, please notify the Central Office so that the chapter's records can be updated and communication can be maintained with the chapter.

Chapters Recognized for High Acceptance Rates 2001-02

100%

Athens State University Bridgewater College Central Methodist College

College of Mount Saint Vincent

Doane College

Florida Memorial College

Franklin College

Georgian Court College

Grove City College

Keene State College

King's College

LaGrange College

Lewis and Clark College

Louisiana College

Manhattan College

Meredith College

Mount Saint Mary's College

Nebraska Wesleyan University

Northwest Nazarene University

Paine College

Plymouth State College

Prairie View A&M University

Voorhees College

Wilkes University

Wingate University

85 -99%

Baker University

Bucknell University

Dana College

Edinboro University of Pennsylvania

Florida Institute of Technology

Hardin-Simmons University

La Roche College

Lycoming College

Marywood University

Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts

Midwestern State University

Mississippi College

Oklahoma Christian University

Texas Lutheran University

William Jewell College

2002 - 03 DATES TO REMEMBER

March 6 Deadline for Jablonsky February 1 DMD invited to attend **Outstanding Chapter** special Honor Society award applications session at FBD meeting (qualifying chapters only) 9:00-10:30 am Cottonwood A February 20-22 **ACHS Annual Council Hyatt Regency** Meeting Houston, TX Savannah, GA June 27-30 **ACBSP** Annual Deadline for postmark of March 1 Conference 2003 Scholarship Marriott's Harbor Beach **Applications** Resort & Spa March 5-8 Federation of Business Ft. Lauderdale, FL Disciplines Annual June 30 End of 2002-2003 Fiscal Meeting Year Hyatt Regency Houston, TX

2004 Triennial Meeting



Make plans to attend the Fall 2004 Delta Mu Delta Triennial Meeting in Ft. Worth, Texas.

Details to follow in future editions of the *DMD Contact* and on the web at www.deltamudelta.org.

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